

County Line Quilters News

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October 2025

Dear Ladies and Jacob,

Happy Autumn! It's hard to believe it is already October! It was inspiring to listen to a Rachel Derstine and see her creations of local scenes of Philadelphia with her individual pop of color to make them come alive. This month our speaker is Janneke Van Der Ree, the Dutch Quilter. You may have seen her or attended one of her classes at the Pennington Quilt Shop. I look forward to seeing her at our October meeting. The doors for our meeting open at 6:45PM, so everyone can be seated and ready to listen to our speaker by 7. If you are unable to attend in person, look for the Zoom link in the Wednesday, October 8 Blast. Please bring in your **\$35 dues** in October, if you have not yet paid. If you are unable to attend in person, please send the dues to Lois Moore or Helen Haun.

There has been much planning and people are preparing for our Quilt Show **Saturday, April 25** and **Sunday April 26**, as well as set up **Friday, April 24**. Please block these dates, since we need all hands-on deck! Please pick up your envelop of Quilt raffle tickets **6 for \$5** next to the membership table or connect Dee Carr, Mary Finley, or Mary Beth Hoff. Please sign up to make some crafts with Liz Watson and Joanne D'Allura, direction links are on our website. We will have another Monday night craft demonstration meeting on October 20. The **boutique** will be collecting clean, pressed, and folded fabric, and notions at the membership table.

I know many members have been working on the challenge- **"Every Day Is A Holiday."** I cannot wait to see the creative projects for the home at our December meeting. There is still time to produce your challenge project.

Our community Philanthropy Day is the third Thursday, **October 16** from 10AM to 2PM. Be sure to bring your lunch, sewing machine, and tools.

We will be sharing our monthly block MODA blocks via Zoom on the third Saturday, **October 18** at 10 AM. Anyone can join, please contact Joanne D'Allura or Marilyn Lopez. It is wonderful to see the wide variety of palettes.

You can buy your own soft covered 2024-2025 yearbook for \$25. Please see Nancy Willamiams.

There is an opportunity to bring or buy **\$10 Giant cards** for those needing food assistance.

Our fat quarters for September are **green**.

Sincerely,

Carol

"Gather threads of your life and stitch them into joy." Jody Houghton Designs

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590 N. Broad St.
Doylestown, PA 18901

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PO Box 13
Warrington, Pa 18976

COUNTY LINE QUILTERS GENERAL MEETING MINUTES 9-8-2025



Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order by President Carol Cotter at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was held at Doylestown Mennonite Church, Doylestown, PA. Stella Bredin introduced Rachel Derstine, the speaker for the evening.

Carol Cotter thanked everyone for their emails, cards, prayers and phone calls as she was recovering from her injuries. She was very grateful.

Vice Presidents – Denise Beck/Stella Bredin – Speakers are booked almost through June of next year. They are looking at speakers for September and October of next year.

Secretary – Vickie Detwiler – A Motion was made by Dee Carr and seconded by Jeanne Malone to accept the Minutes of the June 9, 2025 meeting. The Motion passed. Treasurer – Kathy Webb – A Motion was made by Joyce Helstrom and seconded by Denise Beck to accept the proposed budget for the 2025-26 year. The Motion passed.

Communications – Jeanne Malone – The deadline for the Blast will be the first Wednesday of October.

Events – Joyce Helstrom – Joyce will be handling classes and workshops such as Tillie Mint's and the holiday dinner. Joanne D'Allura spoke about the Moda Blockheads (you can still sign up.) There will be a space to show the finished projects at the Quilt Show. Members will be exchanging their Ohio Star blocks at the December meeting.

Historian/Ambassador – Nancy Williams – At our meetings, Nancy tries to meet new people upstairs and help them find somewhere to sit downstairs. The Yearbook is being circulated for members to look at. Softcover copies can be made available for \$25 for an 8.5 x 8.5 copy or about \$35 for a 10 x 10. If there is enough interest, she will start a sign-up sheet at the next meeting

Membership – Helen Haun/Lois Moore – There were 57 members in attendance at this meeting, as well as one new member and two guests.

Newsletter – Jacob Kane – The newsletter deadline is September 25th .

Facebook – Kathy Acker – No report.

Philanthropy – Barbara Lewis/Barb Gleason – Barbara thanked everyone for the projects they brought in. Next Thursday,

September 18th, will be our monthly Sew Day and they will also be trying to make kits. We had a request from Neshaminy Manor for fidget quilts. Items should be sewn on by machine so that they are secure, with fleece or flannel being used for backing. Barbara also thanked members who made Angel baby blankets. We can still accept more. The Baby Bureau would like them to be 35 x 35. She also requested anyone going to the Oaks Quilt Show to take letters to be given to vendors requesting donations.

Website – Marilyn Malik – Marilyn added directions at the bottom of the Philanthropy page for making fidget quilts.

Quilt Show – Marilyn Lopez/Marilyn Malik – A meeting has been set up for all the committees. A video has been made for folding fabric to be sold at the Quilt Show. It is at the bottom of the Philanthropy page. We will have a box for scrap fabrics, which do not need to be folded. Also, we have neons to distribute if someone can take some to the Oaks Quilt Show.

Crafts – Marilyn Lopez – The demo nights have been successful. The next one is scheduled for September 22nd . Dates to be determined for October, November and December.

Marilyn Malik asked that members remember to pick up their envelope of raffle tickets tonight. Also, remember to work on your mini quilts. The dimensions should be no more than 80 inches but can be any shape and should have a hanging sleeve as well as a label with your name and the year. For the boutique, we need shelves for displaying items. If anyone has anything, we would like to borrow it. Joyce explained that we would like to have a consignment space for items that you would like to sell. The details are still being worked out. The guild would receive 10% of what you get for the item. We would prefer that it be craft related; we will come up with a form to be used.

Show and Tell – Quite a few members had items for show and tell.

Drawings –

Fat Quarters: Denise Beck Next month's color will be Green.

Gift Cards: Pat Piasecki – Stitch Central Jeanne Malone – Byrnes

The meeting was adjourned following the drawings.

Respectfully submitted,
Vickie Detwiler, Secretary

GUILD HAPPENINGS

Programs and Activities

Upcoming Guild Programs:

October: Janneke Van der Ree, The Dutch Quilter

November: Lorie Leonardi from Newtown Quilt Guild

December: Holiday Party

January: Kate Colleran, "Journey of a Quilt Pattern Designer" (Zoom)
www.katecollerandesigns.com

February: Karen Eckmeier, The Quilter Lizard www.quilted-lizard.com

March: Quilt Show prep

April: TBD

May: TBD

June: Ice Cream Social

CRAFTS:

Next Craft night will be Monday October 20th. We will either demo or have members bring machines and fabric to help sew some specific items. Details to come at the member meeting. Save the date!

Please feel free to start bringing your finished items to the member meetings- kindly put label into the bag with your name, so we know who made them!

For anyone who already gave us some completed items- please email Liz or Joanne to identify what you turned over!

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Again, we thank everyone for their enthusiasm and generosity!

EVENTS:

Moda BlockHeads BOM:

Zoom meeting is Saturday October 18th at 10:00 AM.

DRAWINGS:

Eileen Witowski has replaced Sue Edelman running the Fat Quarters and Gift Card drawings. Be sure to fill out a ticket at the table downstairs at the meeting.

This month's FQ drawing is green- bring two FQ's if you wish to enter.

Tea at Tilly Mints

There are still a few spaces left for Tea at Tilly Mints, on Sunday October 26th at 12:00 PM. Please contact

Joyce Helstrom : jhelstrom1@comcast.net

Philanthropy

Thank you to everyone who came out to charity sew day. Fidget quilts take a long time , but everyone managed to finish one. Lynn Holtzman made four ! To that end we're going to put out 5&1/2 inch squares and the boxes of fidget "stuff" at our October meeting, so if you can't come out to Sew day , you can make one on your own. We'll be making them again at our October 16 charity sew day. Come and join the fun.

On November 20 we will be having a quilt tying day with two sisters from our Mennonite church. Its our way to give back to the community. Its a lot of fun, so come on out and learn a new skill.

Right now I have 51 place mats. I'll need another 200 for a fall delivery. We try to give place mats twice a year to our Meals on Wheels groups.

We are finding that 2 of our hospital NICUs don't care if we have a dark back on our isolette cover quilts. The size is still 40 by 44 ,but any back is okay. These baby quilts are given to the family when the baby leaves the NICU.

At this time we don't need any more of the little angel baby knitted blankets. Luckily the hospitals have not had may stillborn babies.

Thank you for all the things you made for Philanthropy over the summer. We are very grateful. If you're not sure what to make check out the County Line Quilters website. There's lots of ideas.

Barb Gleason and Barbara Lewis - Philanthropy Chairs

Membership

From the Membership Committee:

Thank you if you have already paid your dues for the 2025-2026 season of County Line Quilter's Guild. If not, \$35.00 dues are due now.

Please bring your payment to the October 13th meeting with check payable to County Line Quilters or cash in an envelope with your name on it. If payment is not received by November 10, 2025 your name will be dropped from the membership list.

If you are NOT renewing your membership, please let Helen Haun or Lois Moore know.

Challenge Quilt

Hopefully you've all been enjoying a summer filled with family, friends, fun, and inspiration for our **Every Day's A Holiday** Challenge. This is an anything goes challenge. You can use a pattern or create your own design. You can quilt, embroider, embellish. Any item is eligible to win a prize, so wherever your creativity takes you, please share it with your fellow guild members. We'll be viewing and voting on your completed project(s) at our December meeting, so get stitching and join the fun!

Giant Gift Cards

Many thanks to those of you who've donated \$10 Giant gift cards to our community members in need. We've received notes of thanks from the Bucks County Opportunity Council where your donations are being put to good use. Gift cards will be available for purchase at our September meeting. Your generosity makes good things possible for those in need.

2026 QUILT SHOW COMMITTEES FOR APRIL 24-26, 2026

Chairs	Marilyn Lopez
	Marilyn Malik
Boutique	Roseanna Wirth
	Janet Liples
	Pat Piasecki
Craft Table	Liz Watson
	Joanne D'Allura
Decorations	Barb Gleason
Door Prizes	Barbara Lewis
	Vickie Detweiler
Front Desk	Emily Kane
Layout/Set Up	Barb Miller
	Gina Gempesaw

	Bonnie Kane
Mini-Quilts	Eileen Witkowski
	Anita Lehman
Publicity	Bonnie Kane
Raffle Tix	Dee Carr
	Mary Finley
	Mary Beth Hoff
Registration	Barb Serafinas
Volunteers	Sue Clark
Raffle Quilt	Ellen Cicak
	Kathy Webb
Vendors	Joyce Helstrom

QUILT SHOW GOINGS ON

Remember to mark your calendar for April 24-26, 2026 to volunteer 🥰

Boutique continues collection of fabric & notions. Thank you! for your contributions! When donating fabric, please measure, fold & staple the price & yardage to the lower edge. Folding instructions are on the CLQ website (countylinequilters.org > Scroll down Philanthropy page). Fabric should be in one quarter yard increments (1/4 - 1/2- 3/4- 1 yd, etc) Pricing is \$4 per yard. Please contact Roseanna Wirth or Janet Liples for any questions

Craft Table ~ there have been three demonstrations so far at the church for popular craft items. Please check the sign up sheets at the rear of the guild meetings if you would like to use your sewing skills to help. Please contact Liz Watson or Joanne D'Allura

Mini Quilts ~ Anita Lehman & Eileen Witkowski are looking forward to accepting your lovely little works of art for our show! Your mini can be any shape or size as long it doesn't exceed 80 inches perimeter. Please attach a sleeve at the top back and a label/ or your name on the back. Don't be shy ... time to show off!

Raffle tickets ~ Everyone should have gotten or will be getting their ticket envelopes. It includes tickets to sell and some neons & pictures to give out and promote our Quilt Show. 1 ticket for \$1 or 6 tickets for \$5 for a chance to WIN! the beautiful quilt that our own guild designed & created. Neon advertisements have been provided at the Oaks show and the Lancaster show, and will also be

given at the Allentown Show in October. If you haven't picked up your envelope yet, please check with Dee Carr, Mary Finley or Mary Beth Hoff at the next guild meeting.

Vendors & consignment ~

At this year's Quilt Show we will be offering a Consignment Shop. Members may bring quilting/craft related items they would like to sell. This includes kits, finished quilts, sewing supplies, machines, sewing chairs, etc. You will be given a seller number and will be asked to set the price for any item(s) you want to sell. All items must be securely labeled with your seller's number and the price of the item. Do not use any form of tape to price your item(s). You will be asked to complete a form with your seller number, name, contact information, description of the item, and the asking price. For those items over \$50 indicate whether the price is firm, and if not firm, the minimum price you are willing to accept. The Guild will be collecting 10% of the selling price. All unsold items must be picked up at the end of the show. Each seller will be provided a check or Venmo transaction after the Treasurer reviews the sales sheets. Suzette Trucksess will be working with Joyce Helstrom on the consignment shop.

ITEMS FOR SALE

Bernina B765 Rose Gold Special Edition

Embroidery Module with Case
Stitch Regulatory
Accessory case with 9 feet
Stylus, bobbins, hardware
Knee lift
Cover
Manual and class notes
Contact Barb Gleason with any questions.



As I'm downsizing and moving I need to sell my accugoo. Asking \$350.00 for everything.

Accugoo. Plus the following dies:

Mix & match 12" Block with 5 dies.

Gingerbread cookie d

4.5 orange
peel

4.5
equilateral
triangle (2.5
square, 2"
half
triangle, 4.5
square)

4.5" tumbler,
3.5" x 6.5" flying
geese includes
1", 1.5", 2.5"
hexagon & 2 5/8
square on point.
Log cabin strips
2.5 strips
Call Pat Kohne
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Thank you.

