

County Line Quilters News

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Dear Ladies and Jacob,

This is our last meeting until September. I hope you are able to spend time with family or friends this coming summer, and of course doing some sewing. In June we are holding our elections for President, Vice Presidents, Secretary, and Treasurer.

I want to thank our awesome outgoing Board of Directors- Denise and Stella as Vice Presidents, Vickie as Secretary, and Kathy and Lynn as treasurers, as well as all the committee chairs in the executive board who have worked diligently to make County Line Quilter Guild a wonderful community of quilters offering many opportunities. It has been my honor to work with such dedicated members these past two years.

Please be sure to fill out and bring back the Quilt Show Questionnaire. If you did not get one at the meeting, Jeanne sent it out in one of the last blasts. Please bring in \$35 cash/check for next year's dues. Also bring money for fat quarter raffle, and the many crafts on sale. Do not forget that ice cream social specialty item you signed up for last month.

At our last meeting Pat Piasecki told us of the need for a Bucks/Montgomery County chapter of Quilts of Valor. Eileen Witkowski is interested in heading this, but many volunteers are needed to assist in cutting, piecing, quilting, binding, awarding veterans thought out the year, and financial support for batting and backing. If interested, please contact Eileen or me. The tops and blocks that we complete on June 9th will give us a start, if we chose to be a chapter.

The Challenge is on! Sylvia, Pat P. and I will be at the meeting with our 2 bags of cool and warm colored crayons. You should make your project between May and when it is presented at our December meeting. The entire project will be with these two colors and possibly a third of either black or white with a maximum size of 40 inches. If you are unable to be in person, have a friend pick your colors or one of us. I look forward to seeing your creative projects in December!

Reminders:

Blast - Wednesday, **June 3** email Jeanne

Monday, June 8- Guild Meeting doors open at 6:45

Green is the fat quarter color for the June 50-50 drawing.

Bring money for next year's dues, fat quarter bundle raffle, and the craft sale!

Tuesday June 9- Quilts of Valor – Come sew blocks to make Quilts of Valor quilts, bring your sewing supplies, machine, and lunch. Please sign up with Joyce

Tuesday June 16- Pot Luck Luncheon- 11-3, please sign up with Joyce

Thursday, June 18- Philanthropy Day 10-2, bring sewing supplies, machine, and lunch

Saturday, June 20, July 18, August 15- Moda Blocks on Zoom

Monday- Wednesday, August 3-5- Day Retreat at St. Cyril's \$25 deposit, \$75 total

Wishing all of you a happy, healthy summer!

Thank you,

Carol

Quilting spreads love, hope, dreams, and happiness! So get out there, grab some fabric, fold up your sleeves and create something beautiful and meaningful!

COUNTY LINE QUILTERS GENERAL MEETING MINUTES 5-11-2026



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.

President Carol Cotter welcomed everyone to the meeting. Marilyn Lopez and Marilyn Malik were presented with flowers in appreciation for all their hard work on the quilt show. There was a round of applause.

The speaker for the evening was Pat Piasecki, who spoke about Quilts of Valor.

Quilt Show Wrap-up – Marilyn Lopez/Marilyn Malik – Marilyn L. thanked everyone for all of their help with the Quilt Show. She extended special thanks to all of the committee heads.

Judy Patkos, the winner of the Raffle Quilt, was presented with the quilt.

The Viewers Choice pick was Rosanna Wirth for her quilt "Elephant Abstractions." She was presented with a ribbon.

Valerie Rudan was presented with a ribbon for the most popular mini, which featured paper-pieced quilts on a clothesline.

Marilyn thanked everyone for making mini quilts.

Crafts – Liz Watson/Joanne D'Allura – Liz and Joanne did a wonderful job with Crafts. They are looking for someone to take over for the next show.

Consignment – Suzette Trucksess/Joyce Helstrom – Suzette said that this did okay. The guild made \$800-\$900. The best sellers were the quilt kits, which were all profit for us since they were donated to the guild.

Boutique – Rosanna Wirth/Janet Liples – This was a lot of fun and a lot of work. Rosanna and Janet will be handling this again for the next show. The only thing that didn't really sell was the decorator fabric. There were a lot of books left over. We will not be offering books next time. The swimming pool for scraps was very popular.

Financial – Lynn Holtzman – Lynn thanked everyone who helped with the show and anyone who dealt with the money and cash boxes. The credit card reader worked well. She suggested that we have two next time. The latest estimate was included in the blast. There are a few minor expenses still coming in. The report will be finalized on 5/31.

There will be an in-person meeting for committee heads on June 15th.

Challenge – Sylvia O'Neill/Pat Piasecki/Carol Cotter – The challenge is to make a quilt using either black or white, plus two colors (one warm and one cool). The two colors will be chosen by the member picking from two bags of crayons to determine which colors will be used in their quilt. The projects should be a maximum of 40" x 40". The project can be a quilt, bag, table runner, pillow, wall hanging, etc. The projects are to be handed in at the December meeting.

Carol pointed out that members of the Newtown Quilt Guild were in the back of the room selling chances for their raffle quilt.

Membership – Helen Haun/Lois Moore – There were six new members/guests in attendance at this meeting.

Secretary – Vickie Detwiler – A Motion was made by Suzie Sergeant and seconded by Liz Watson to accept the Minutes of the April 13, 2026 meeting. The Motion passed.

Treasurer – Lynn Holtzman – A Motion was made by Suzette Trucksess and seconded by Pat Kohne to accept the Treasurer's Report. The Motion passed.

Communications – Jeanne Malone – The blast deadline is June 3rd.

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

Historian/Ambassador – Nancy Williams – Please forward any pictures to Nancy or Marilyn.

Philanthropy – Barbara Lewis/Barb Gleason – The next sew day will be May 21st. We will be making flannel rag quilts. Also, there are kits available to be taken home for NICU quilts and receiving blankets.

Website – Marilyn Malik – Carol thanked Marilyn for getting all the pictures from the quilt show on the website.

Technology – Ellen Cicak – Huge thanks to Ellen for everything she has done this year.

Carol expressed thanks to Rose D'Alisa for doing the Getting to Know You feature of the

newsletter.

Denise said that there will be a surprise speaker at the ice cream social next month.

Nominations – Dee Carr – Next month we will be voting for officers for the next two years. The

following members have been nominated:

President Denise Beck

Vice Presidents Pat Clayton and Bev Smith

Secretary Stella Bredin

Treasurer Lynn Holtzman

If anyone else would like to run, please let Dee know.

Nancy asked if we could do something for Jacob, in addition to the card, possibly a gift card. Denise said they will look into it.

Member Showcase – Many members showed quilts they have made. There were three prizes given randomly, as follows:

Beryl Stine

Jeanne Malone

Carol Cotter

Drawings –

Fat Quarters: Suzie Sergeant

Next month's color will be green.

Gift Cards: Mary Beth Hoff – Stitch Central

Eileen Witowski – Byrnes

Block Magazines:

Suzette Trucksess

Lois Moore

Misc. Items:

Sharon Moran – Bag

Carol Cotter – Bag

Marianne Grey – Project Bag

Dee Carr – Tool Bag

Betsy Penzone - Mug with tool organizer

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Vickie Detwiler, Secretary



GUILD HAPPENINGS

Programs and Activities

June 8:

- surprise visitor in celebration of America's 250th Anniversary.
- Board Elections.
- Ice cream Social.
- Membership Renewal (\$35)

September 14:

- Welcome back to new and returning members.
- Introduction of new board members and their job descriptions.
- Review of quilt guild committees and recruitment of volunteers.
- Time for questions, concerns, ideas from members.

October 12:

- Becca Fenstermaker. Sugar Sand Quilt Company. www.sugarsandquilts.com
- "Find your U-F-Flow" members may bring their own "UFO"s in for discussion. Patterns will be for sale.

Philanthropy

Thanks so much to everyone who came out to charity sew day. We made lots of rag quilts for Beds for Kids with the flannel donated by the Boutique. It was a lot of fun. Our next charity sew day is Thursday, June 18 from 10 to 2. We plan to work on pillow cases and baby blankets for Fall delivery. We do hope to have a jelly roll race sew day in July or August. Keep a lookout for the information. The last one we had was back at the Round Bobbin, so it's certainly been a while. If you've never done it, come and join the race!

Please continue to make placemats over the summer. I hope to deliver them in October. We will have NICU kits available to take home to work on over the summer. I hope that looking at Sharon's two quilts for show and tell last month showed you how easy it is to use one of our kits. While making my deliveries I'm struck by how genuinely thankful all our recipients are. I'm always proud that I come from such a great organization!

Barb Gleason and Barbara Lewis - Philanthropy Chairs

Giant Gift Cards

Ten dollar Giant Gift Cards will be available for purchase at our general meeting. The cards are distributed to those in need by the Bucks County Opportunity Council. Please see Joyce Helstrom or Ellen Cicak to buy one or more. Your generosity makes a difference!

Membership

If you would like to pay your dues for next year, you can do so at the June 8th meeting. Please make your check payable to County Line Quilters for \$35. Checks will be deposited after July 1, the beginning of our 2027 fiscal year. You can also pay dues at our September meeting.

Ice Cream Social

Our June meeting will be the annual ice cream social! Thanks to those who signed up to bring items. Below is the sign-up list:

Sign up for June Ice Cream Social			
Items Needed	Names	Names	Names
whipped cream	Mary Fowler	Valerie Rudaw	X
butterscotch sauce	Sharon Moran	X	X
chocolate sauce	Karen Adams	X	X
fudge sauce	Jeanne Malone	X	X
caramel sauce	Betsy Ruzone	X	X
choc. pnutbutter sauce	Glennie Stahl	X	X
magic shell	Judy Petkus		X
cherries	Lynn Ho/Boman	X	X
walnuts	Carrie W. Allen	X	X
sliced strawberries	Bev Smith		X
chocolate jimmies	Shirley Verbaas	X	X
rainbow sprinkles	Vickie DeWolter	X	X
mini choc. Chips	Bruce DeWolter	X	X
mini non-parels	Nancy Williams	X	X
m&m's	Marilyn Matulis	Dee Carr	X
pretzels	Barbara Lewis		X
water		X	X
Set Up	B		
Serve			
Clean Up			

UPCOMING QUILT SHOWS

Pennsylvania National Quilt Extravaganza (Sept 17-20, Oaks, PA).

If you are looking for a "quilty" day trip, check out the Pearl S. Buck house starting June 8th and continuing until mid October. To celebrate the 250th birthday of our country the Pearl S. Buck house will be adorned with quilts. The show will feature a remarkable range of quilts, from early utilitarian quilts reflective of 19th-century life to contemporary art quilts, including pieces that have won awards in regional and national quilt shows.

Admission and guided tour information can be found on the website:

[Pearl S. Buck International](#)



The advertisement has a red border. On the left is a quilt pattern with a central circular motif. On the right, it lists event details: "Historic Textile Lecture Series", "Antique Vendors", "Rummage Sale", and "Café/Bake Sale". Below this, it says "2026 PENN DRY GOODS" and provides dates and times: "May 15, 10am - 5pm" and "May 16, 10am - 3pm". At the bottom, it gives the website "schwenkfelder.org" and the address "105 Seminary Street, Pennsburg, PA 18073 • 215-679-3103".

LONGARM QUILTERS IN OUR GUILD

Many people ask about finding a longarm quilter who quilts as a business. Here are two names and contact information. If you are also longarmer and would like us to share your information, please contact me, Carol Cotter 215-802-8904, cacotter@yahoo.com.

Bonnie Kane -Bonnie does edge to edge quilting on an Innova longarm 267-673-8444; 610-304-8022
abk102995@msn.com

Joanne D'Allura – Joanne does pantograph edge to edge quilting, custom free motion, and ruler work.

917-750-3371 jdalldesignss@gmail.com

Pat Clayton – Pat's Patches and Pattern – custom-made embroidered labels.

(215) 704-1057 | plcaltsew1@gmail.com

NOTES FROM OUR COMMUNITY



Dear Barb,

I wanted to send a quick note to say thank you so much for your generous donation of 15 handmade quilts and 97 fun pillowcases from the County Line Quilters! I really can't tell you how much we appreciate your support.

The goal of the Beds for Kids program is to make sure that no child in our area ever has to sleep on the floor. While we served over 3400 children aged 2-20 in 2025 the sad fact is that over 6,000 kids in our area still went to sleep on a makeshift bed using blankets, cushions, boxes and whatever else they could find most nights last year. Your generous donation will go a long way to help us end child bedlessness in Greater Philadelphia. In fact, with your gift, we will be able to provide a bedding package including a memory foam mattress, steel bed frame, blankets, sheets, pillows, a toothbrush, bedtime books, and a stuffed animal to more children living in poverty in our community.

Thank you so much for your ongoing support of the Beds for Kids program! You have made a real difference in the lives of the kids we serve.

Thanks to you, children will go to bed, looking forward to a restful night's sleep, some for the first time in their lives, and better off than the night before. Thank you once again for your donation. It means the world to us!

[Click here to view a video of children opening up their bedtime bags!](#)

Sincerely,



Kate Fay
Executive Director



Happy Birthday to you, Happy Birthday to you, Happy Birthday dear ...

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

Marlene Snyder - 6/6

Barbara Gleason - 6/9

Vickie Detwiler - 6/18
