

County Line Quilters News

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December, 2022

Dear County Line Quilters,

Happy December, Happy Holidays, Happy Hanukkah, and Merry Christmas! Hope that all of you and your friends and family are having a good holiday season and staying safe and well.

We have an exciting month planned for CLQ! We are having a table at an arts and crafts fair on Sunday, December 4, 11, and 18 at Reform Congregation Keneseth Israel in Elkins Park from 9-3 each of those Sundays. It is scheduled then to maximize the foot traffic as it coincides with Sunday school and other activities. They are not charging us for the table, nor a percentage of our sales, so it seemed like an opportunity not to miss. Please feel free to join us to help with the table, or to stop by to shop for your own holiday gift list. We have many beautiful items, all lovingly handmade by our members.

Our monthly meeting will be on December 12th, and will be our holiday party in person, at New Britain Baptist Church and will not have a zoom option. There is a sign up sheet for finger food refreshments and an optional gift exchange (\$15 items, sewing related). We are supposed to be having a speaker from the Baby Bureau, which is one of our philanthropic organizations which we make items for. There will be lots of fun and socializing. Please join us. It is always a really good time.

Thank you to everyone who has volunteered to help with these activities. In this holiday season, I just wanted to say thank you to everyone in the guild for your help and support. There is a learning curve to being President and I really appreciate everyone's help and support. I will have a brand new computer by the January meeting and hopefully our technology will be smoother by then.

We wish for all of you and your families a wonderful holiday season and a happy and healthy New Year.

Happy Holidays and Happy Quilting!

Bonnie Kane
President



COUNTY LINE QUILTERS GENERAL MEETING MINUTES 11-14-2022



Meeting Minutes

thread painting with fabrics and panels.

Speaker – Joyce Hughes

– Thread Painting – previous CLQ member explained her path/techniques/quilt show submissions using

Challenge Quilt “Don’t Be Square”

Guidelines – G Gempesaw – (20) quilts submitted; vote for Best in Show and Best Interpretation of Theme

The meeting was called to order by President, Bonnie Kane.

1-Programs – L Watson – December will be the Holiday Party, no zoom, tentative 15 minute speaker from the Baby Bureau, sign-up sheet was circulated, optional Pollyanna – value \$15.00, games and show and tell. Jan/Feb/Mar meetings will be zoom only

2-Secretary – L Holtzman - October 2022 minutes were motioned/second by S Sargeant and B Gleason, accepted

3-Treasurer – S Trucksess – not in attendance – October 2022 Treasurer’s Report was motioned/second by B Sarafinas/C Cotter, accepted

4-Membership – H Haun and L Moore – 47 members present, 9 members on zoom. Welcome New Members – Vickie Detwiler, Wendy Downey, Bev Smith and five (5) guests

5-Hospitality – C Cotter - All snacks are now grab and go. All drinks must have a secure lid. December will be the

Holiday Party. Please use the sign-up sheet for “finger foods/toothpicks/individual servings” for appetizers or desserts.

6-Newsletter – J Kane – submissions due 11/25/2022 and please remember to verify information

7-Activities – E Cicak for J Helstrom – seats still available for Holiday Dinner on 12/05/2022 at Plumsteadville Inn; seats still available for High Tea at Tilly Mints on 03/26/2023 – see J Overberger; upcoming Sit N Sew days with E Cicak using panels provided by CLQ using a stack n whack inspired pattern. Tentative dates are 01/14/2023 and 03/18/2023 (10AM-4PM). Please contact J Helstrom if interested. Donations to the Food Larder – Giant Food Store gift cards in the amount of \$10.00 are always welcome. A suggested theme is provided each month.

8-Website – Marilyn Malik – A continuing work in progress. Please submit photographs for posting.

9-Publicity – chairperson needed

10-Sunshine – J Malone – get well cards have been sent to D Carr, S Edelman, S Moran, P Kennedy – husband, P Piasecki – husband. A sympathy card for Rose Marie Wert whose husband, Bryan, passed away.

11-Technology – chairperson needed

12-Historian – chairperson needed

13-**Quilt Show** – B Kane introduced S O'Neill – a second chairperson is still needed; many decisions to be made – local location, handicap parking/access or perhaps another Bazaar (less expense)

14-**Philanthropy – B Lewis** – review of items made/donated – placemats, NICU quilts, self-binding flannel baby quilts, flannel burp cloths, fidget quilts, walker bags, pillow cases, baby booties and more! An open sew day is held the third (3rd) Thursday of each month from 10AM-3PM at the church. Upcoming dates: 11/17/2022; 12/15/2022; 01/19/2023; 02/16/2023; 03/16/2023. The project for 11/17 is a self-binding flannel baby quilt (kits to be provided). The Winter campaign has distributed over 400 placemats to various Meals on Wheels organizations; time to start making the Spring supply of 430 placemats (approximately 14/15" x 18/19").

*****SPECIAL APPEAL*****

NICU quilts for CHOP – please take a kit and return the completed quilt at the April, 2023 meeting. The requirements are a minimum size of 40" x 44", a dark backing (black, navy, brown) and any design. Please attach the "made by CLQ" label to the backing and/or in the binding.

15-**Raffle Quilt – B Penzone** – thank you for all of the returned blocks; additional kits were distributed tonight – please return by the December meeting.

16-**Challenge Quilt – G Gempesaw** – thank you to all that submitted; the votes were tallied and the results are: Best of Show – Carol Cotter – awarded with a ribbon and a year's membership

Best Interpretation of Theme – Ellen Cicak – awarded with a ribbon and a prize

17-**Fons & Porter/Love of Quilting Magazine – L Holtzman for S Clark** – Please subscribe/renew through the guild, we can earn \$5.00 per subscription. Please submit your name/address along with a check payable to CLQ for \$20.00.

Old Business – none

New Business – L Watson/B Kane – Bazaar opportunity at Reformed Congregation Keneseth Israel on three Sundays (12/04, 12/11, 12/18). Sign-up sheets for preparation, setup, sales and take down are circulating. There is no charge to participate and the guild will consider a donation once the sales/expenses are settled.

Show and Tell – none tonight

Drawings – gift certificates/door prizes (you will receive a ticket from membership if you have not won in the last three (3) months):

Byrne Sewing gift certificate – Wendy Downey

Stitch Central gift certificate – Beryl Stine

Fat Quarter Drawing – bring two fat quarters in the chosen color for a chance to win.

Fat Quarters – Yellow – Jeanne Malone –

December's color is – Green

Motion to adjourn – L Watson/second B Lewis

Meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by Lynn Holtzman

PHILANTHROPY



Thank you for all the placemats you brought to the November meeting. One of our Meals on Wheels groups called saying they had received 20 new clients. Because of your generosity I was able to take them 20 more mats. That brings us to 425 mats for our Fall delivery. We'll need another 400 for this Spring!

We made donations to the Baby Bureau this month. Chris Berkowitz from the Bureau will be speaking briefly at our December meeting. I plan on delivering pillowcases to Beds for Kids in early December.

Please consider taking a NICU isolette cover quilt kit home in December. You'll have 4 months to complete it. If everyone made just one we'd have 50 quilts for the Spring.

Our Charity Sew Day is the third Thursday of the month. For December it is the 15th from 10 to 2:30. We will be making receiving blankets and NICU quilts. The door is locked at 10:30, so if you come later please call Barb 267-918-6577 or Barbara 215-601-7692. We hope to continue with Charity Sewing even during the winter months.

A former member has a complete tuffet kit for sale. Let Barb Gleason know if you are interested. Thank you!

Barb Gleason and Barbara Lewis - Philanthropy Chairs

GUILD HAPPENINGS

December Meeting

Our monthly meeting will be on December 12th, and will be our holiday party at the church. Note that for December we will not have a zoom option. There is a sign up sheet for finger food refreshments and an optional gift exchange (\$15 items, sewing related). We will be having a speaker from the Baby Bureau as well. There will be lots of fun and socializing.

Activities

Don't forget to join us Monday, Dec. 5 at 6:30 for dinner at the Plumsteadville Inn.

If you are interested in a guided sew for a kaleidoscope quilt, please text me at 215-512-3220. One Saturday in January and the follow-up in March. We have panels that Ellen felt would work; I'll get them out at December Meeting.

Remember your Show and Tell for December.

For the Pantry food for Holiday dinner and personal care items.

Fat Quarters for December are GREEN.

Membership

A note for people who have joined since June 2022:

In your name badge is your County Line Quilters Membership Card. I have had more than one occasion to use mine and gotten a discount on my purchases. Please keep the membership card in your possession.

Executive Board Openings

We currently have openings on the executive board of our Guild and we are looking for members to fill these positions! If you are interested in filling the position of Technology Chair, Publicity Chair, or (2024) Quilt Show Co-Chair, please contact Bonnie Kane. The Guild would also like to send its thanks to Sylvia O'Neill who has graciously volunteered to be a Co-Chair for the 2024 Quilt Show.

December Holiday Party

The Holiday Party will be on December 12. We have a fun evening planned with games, a Pollyanna, food and holiday cheer.

We will have a Pollyanna for members who bring a wrapped sewing related gift. The gifts should be at least \$15 in value. The gift exchange is voluntary but you must bring a gift in order to get a gift.

There will be some sewing related games!

In addition, we will accepting money contributions which will be added to the guilds holiday donation to A Women's Place and Laurel House. This is optional.

At the November meeting we will have sign up sheets for food items to share at the gathering.

Fons & Porter Love of Quilting Magazine



Please subscribe or renew your subscriptions through the guild. For \$20.00 per year, (which is often less than the individual renewal amount), County Line Quilters makes \$5.00. If you have a renewal form or address label, please bring that along with your check made out to the Guild for \$20 and Susan Clark will send in your order.

UPCOMING QUILT SHOWS



The **Lancaster Quilt Show** will be March 29 – April 1, 2023 at Lancaster Host Resort, 2300 Lincoln Highway E, Lancaster, PA 17802

Courthouse Quilters is sponsoring **Kringle Christmas Shoppe** on December 2nd, 10 – 7, Dec. 3rd 10-6, and Dec. 4th 10 – 4 at Haycock Township Community Center, 1014 Old Bethlehem Rd, Quakertown, PA

ITEM FOR SALE

A former member has a tuffet kit available. Includes the pattern and the ottoman. They can be found on eBay for \$140. She is looking for \$75 to \$100. Whatever you think is fair. Contact Barb Gleason.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

As a guild we did such an amazing job of making craft items for the bazar, that there are 6 tubs of items which have not yet sold! The plan is to take those items to the sale at Reformed Congregation Keneseth Israel, Elkins Park in December. In order to make this happen we need a team of volunteers to help. There will be a sign up sheet at our November meeting. While the sale is on Sunday December 4, 11 and 18, we will need help on other days. Thank you in advance!

MYSTERY QUILT 2022-2023 "SECRET IN THE SEWING BOX"

The third clue to the 2022-2023 Mystery Quilt was sent as an attachment with the newsletter. If any member needs access to clues from prior months, contact Barbara Lewis or Jacob Kane.

"QUILT TURNING" AT THE SCHWENKFELDER

The newest collection of historic quilts at the Schwenkfelder Heritage Center in Pennsburg will be shown in a "quilt turning" on Saturday April 22, 2023. This will be a fabulous opportunity for those who appreciate our region's rich collection of antique textiles to view some Up Close! Cost is \$35 if registration is done by March 1, \$40 thereafter. Two showings are planned: 10AM and 1:30PM. Register online at schwenkfelder.org/calendar or call 215-679-3103

HOSPITALITY



We are looking forward to celebrating together before going to Zoom for January, February, and March. We hope you will attend. If you do and have not had the chance to sign up for something, please bring either an appetizer snack or desert for 20-25 people which does not require utensils or heating, as we do not have the use the stove or oven. Please either place each offering into a cupcake paper or hold with a toothpick for easy pick up. We will not be having tables only chairs. Please put your name on anything the isn't disposable and you would want back. I will need help setting up and cleaning up afterward. Let us make this an enjoyable evening for everyone to enjoy!

DECEMBER MEETING – HOSPITALITY SIGN-UP LIST

Finger Food - Snacks	Finger Food - Desserts	Cold Cups w/lids - 6 to 8 Oz Sizes	Drinks
Name - Item(s)	Name - Item(s)		Apple Cider
		1 Linda Pickett	1 Mary Finley
1 Sue Clark - pretzle bites	1 Pat Kennedy- Pizzelles	2	Iced Tea
2 Stella Bredin	2 Sylvia O'Neill - fudge	3	1 Nancy Williams
3 Suzette Trucksess	3 Barb Gleason - brownies	4	Diet Coke
4 Marilyn Lopez - egg salad sandwiches	4	Hot Cups w/lids - 6 to 8 Oz Sizes	1
5 Gina Gempesaw	5		Water
6	6	1	1
7	7	2	
8	8	3	1
9	9	4	
10	10	Heavy White Dinner Plates (25)	1
11	11	1 Marianne Kuleba	
12	12	2 Marianne Grey	1
13	13	3 Suzie Sergeant	
14	14	4 Carol Cotter	1
15	15		

