

County Line Quilters News

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Dear CLQ members,

Welcome to our final meeting of this year, our June ice cream social on Monday, June 12! We will not be having a zoom option. We will not be having a speaker, instead Barb Miller and Liz Watson have planned a fun evening with games and activities.

Please bring your Show and Tell and anyone who has completed their mystery quilt, (or at least the top and wants to share it), please bring that also.

We are trying to do a big push to help the food pantry with a generous donation because we won't be at the church for July and August. The suggestions are toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant, and Giant gift cards. The complete list is on the food pantry's website.

Joyce Helstrom has been working very hard on the raffle baskets which will be drawn for at the meeting. Raffle tickets will still be available for purchase at the beginning of the meeting.

We hope that you can join us. We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible before the summer break.

Please check with Carol Cotter about what toppings, etc you signed up to bring for the ice cream. We also could use some clean up volunteers.

On June 15, we will be having a philanthropy day at the church. Please see the website for details.

Thank you all, and we look forward to seeing everyone on Monday, 6/12.

Happy Quilting!

Bonnie Kane

President



COUNTY LINE QUILTERS GENERAL MEETING MINUTES 5-8-2023



Meeting Minutes

Speaker – Linda Martin Mills with a topic of Kindness, Compassion and Quilting. Linda's presentation was very uplifting and inspiring.

Every act of quilting, no matter how small, has value.

The meeting was called to order at 8:15PM by President Bonnie Kane.

Programs – L Watson/B Miller – June will be the annual Ice Cream Social, along with games and the Mystery Quilt Show and Tell.

Secretary – L Holtzman - There was a motion to accept the April minutes, a second and accepted.

Treasurer – S Trucksess – There was a motion to accept the April treasurer's report, a second and accepted.

Membership – H Haun/L Moore – Two guests. 52 members present.

Ambassador – N Williams – no update

Hospitality – C Cotter – June – Ice Cream Social, remember to bring your favorite topping. The sign-up sheet for the June Ice Cream Social will be distributed. A reminder – all drinks need to have a cap/lid/cover.

Newsletter – J Kane – Please submit articles by 05/25/23

Activities - J Helstrom – There was a good turnout for tonight's PURPLE fat quarter drawing. Please bring two fat quarters, one for the drawing and one for the raffle basket. Thank you for all of the donations for the Raffle Baskets. Two baskets will be raffled at the June, 2023 meeting. Tickets will be on sale at the upcoming meeting. \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. Workshop was completed on Saturday 04/22/23. Requests from the Food Pantry change weekly and suggested items are posted on the New Britain Baptist Church (NBBC) website and Facebook page. Gift cards in the amount of \$10.00 each from Giant Food Stores are always welcome.

Website – M Malik – Please submit any updates or changes to be posted. Please refer to the Calendar of Events to search for next month's speaker, the fat quarter color and/or items needed for the food pantry.

B Kane – reminder that CLQ is still in need of chairpersons for these positions – Publicity, Technology, Historian and Treasurer

Sunshine – J Malone – no cards were sent in the last month

Quilt Show – S O'Neill – Co-Chair will be Janet Liples. St Cyril's has confirmed the dates of May 3-5, 2024. Several committee chairs are still needed. Chairman's meeting will be held Monday, 05/22/23 at New Britain Baptist Church at 7PM.

Philanthropy – B Lewis/B Gleason – Thank you to all who returned a completed project today! Members have turned in NICU quilts, receiving blankets, burp cloths, placemats, walker bags, wheelchair quilts and pillowcases. Please consider completing a NICU quilt. There is always a need. The monthly CLQ Charity Sewing Day at NBBC is the third Thursday of each month. The next sewing day is Thursday 05/18/2023 from 10AM – 2PM. This is an open invitation to all. You can pick up projects, drop off finished projects and/or pantry items. Bring your sewing supplies and your lunch. Non-sewing jobs are also available. The next Charity Sewing Day will be Thursday, 06/15/23.

Raffle Quilt – G Gempesaw – The quilt is complete. The Quilt/Show Name will be “Radiance”. The quilt is on track to be completed by 06/30/2023.

Challenge Quilt – G Gempesaw – The 2023 challenge was presented with a handout and fabric swatches. We are all encouraged to create a quilt no greater than 120”, use a minimum of 25 fabrics and coordinate with the Raffle Quilt.

Fons & Porter – S Clark – not present – Start or renew your subscription through CLQ. Present a check payable to CLQ in the amount of \$20.00, the guild pays \$15.00 and earns \$5.00. J Helstrom and B Miller have received their first copies. S Trucksess indicated that the checks issued to F&P had just recently been cashed.

OLD BUSINESS - none

NEW BUSINESS – By-Laws

By-Laws – B Kane – all members were emailed the latest revision (05/07/2023) of the By-Laws and the new Addendum regarding the price of dues for review and discussion. Fifty-two (52) members are present; a majority vote of two-thirds (2/3) would be thirty-five (35) members. J Helstrom made a motion to accept the By-laws and Addendum; a second by S Trucksess.

Questions:

MB Hoff - What is the purpose of the Addendum?

MB Hoff - What is the process to set the amount of dues?

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J Helstrom – presented an explanation of Budget items and justification; explained that other guilds are facing similar challenges.

S Edelman – Should be voted on by membership

G Gempesaw – Last increase was 2011; possible options - (1) remove dues from by-laws and change to addendum; (2) then approve addendum and increase of dues; (3) guild intention was not to have 10 speakers per year, but to have a December social, a June social and one/two craft nights.

L Moore – motion to postpone

M Finley – still reading the changes that were sent via email

L Watson – various versions of the by-laws have been sent since the beginning of April. The latest version had minor changes and all addressed the request for a marked up copy to see all of the proposed changes.

S Sargent – there is still a pending motion

D Paul – why an addendum

P Clayton – withdraw motion by L Moore

B Lewis – not enough time for review

J Malone – membership has a

responsibility to read emails sent by CLQ

J Helstrom – withdraw motion to accept by-laws and addendum and replace

with a separate addendum. E Cicak – second
M Keller – why was it only the Executive Board to raise the dues?
H Haun – motion to accept the by-laws without the amount of dues; J Kane – second; membership vote
Yes – 48 No – 4
J Helstrom – motion to add addendum with the amount of dues
D Paul/Kat – why an addendum?
H Haun – should not be an addendum but a document
L Watson/MB Hoff – what is the process for change of dues? Executive Board or membership?
J Kane – amend the motion to include – vote by two-thirds (2/3) membership
B Lewis – did we vote in 2011?
G Gempesaw – yes because it is/was an item in the by-laws
B Lewis – Homemakers Guild – the amount of dues is not in the by-laws
P Clayton – Newtown Guild – the amount of dues is not in the by-laws
D Paul – dues should be a part of budgeting
E Cicak – membership vote should be simple majority
R Malizia – other organizations do not get input prior to raising dues/membership fees
S Edelman – second the motion to add document with the amount of dues
Accepted – by majority vote of membership
DUES DOCUMENT –
CLQ Dues Document - effective 07/01/2023

Membership dues are \$35.00 per year, payable by the first meeting in September. If membership dues are not paid by the November meeting, membership is cancelled. Restart for a current member within the year will remain at \$35.00. New members joining in January or after will pay \$25.00. All guests will be charged \$5.00. Any changes to the amount of dues will be voted on by membership with a simple majority vote.

NEW BUSINESS – GENERAL

S Edelman – Schwenkfelder Library & Heritage Center – Once Upon a Thread Exhibit – 05/12/23 thru 07/02/23. The center is closed 05/26/23 thru 06/01/23.
M Keller – we need a microphone
B Kane – need a technology person
B Lewis – the church does have a sound system
B Kane – will contact NBBC secretary – Patty

SHOW AND TELL – Five members displayed their completed quilts

J Helstrom – monthly drawings

Fat Quarters – PURPLE – J Malone – color for JUNE is GREEN
Byrne Gift Card – G Tafel
Stitch Central Gift Card – P Kennedy

Meeting adjourned at 9:35PM

Submitted by,
Lynn Holtzman/Secretary

PHILANTHROPY



This is our last newsletter for the CLQ 22-23 year. Thank you for everything you do for Philanthropy. We've given away lots of items. Our formal tallies will be listed in the September newsletter. I must mention Sharon Moran who makes 4 to 6 NICU isolette covers every month. In addition to many other items. We are in awe of her work and her generosity! Thank

you, Sharon.

I made the last placemat delivery for the year. We gave 368 place mats to Meals on Wheels groups in Bucks and Montgomery counties. That means in total for the calendar year we gave away 778 placemats. I must thank Marianne Kuleba for making over 250 of these herself! Amazing work, Marianne! All of the groups are so very grateful.

We have been asked to look into a new project, so if anyone has 100% cotton batting scraps we'd love to have them. It does have to be 100% cotton.

Flannel has gotten very expensive, so we won't be able to provide receiving blanket kits next year. If you'd like to make a blanket on your own google Shabby Fabric self binding Receiving Blanket.

Charity Sew Day will continue over the summer on the third Thursday of the month. We really have a lot of fun, so come out, bring your machine and your lunch. 10 to 2 We will send a reminder blast.

Why not consider taking a NICU or blanket home for the summer? Please keep making placemats for our Fall deliveries. Happy Summer Sewing!

Barb Gleason and Barbara Lewis - Philanthropy Chairs

GUILD HAPPENINGS

May Meeting

You scream, I scream, we all scream for ICE CREAM!

We hope all of our members can come and enjoy the night of June 12 for our annual Ice Cream Social. It's a night of fun, games and socialization. So don't forget your ice cream topping donations, your mystery quilts, and any show and tell you might have finished. Special thanks from both Liz and myself for another year of inspiration and fellowship. Enjoy your summer.

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Hospitality

Thank you to all who have offered to bring in something for our June ice cream social as well as those who have offered to help set up, serve, and clean up!

Sign up for June Ice Cream Social			
Items Needed	Names	Names	Names
whipped cream	Sylvia O'Neil	Pat Kennedy	Mary Finley
butterscotch sauce	Barb Sarafinas	Nancy Phillips	X
chocolate sauce	Dee Carr	Joyce Overberger	X
fudge sauce	Karen Adams	Shelley Gandolfo	X
caramel sauce	Jacob Kane	X	X
choc. pnutbutter sauce	Lois Moore	X	X
magic shell	Carol Cotter	Gloria Tafel	X
cherries	Vickie Detweiler	Lynn Holtzman	X
walnuts	Mary Beth Hoff	X	X
sliced strawberries	Linda Pickett	Marilyn Malik	X
chocolate jimmies	Barb Gleason	X	X
rainbow sprinkles	Kit Holmes	X	X
mini choc. Chips	Stella Bedin	Sharon Moran	X
pretzels	Suzie Sergeant	Barbara Lewis	X
m&m's	Nancy Williams	Marianne Gray	X
snow caps	Sue Eldeman		
cut up Reese's cup	Joyce Helstrom		X
water	Marilyn Lopez	Jacob Kane	Barb Miller
non-dairy ice cream	Liz Watson	X	X
brownies	Kat McConnell		X
Set Up	Pat Piasecki	Suzette Trucksess	
Serve	Suzette Trucksess	Barb Sarafinas	Joyce Helstrom
Clean Up	Valerie Rudan		

Membership

Hello,

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If you would like to pay your dues at the June meeting, please give a check payable to "County Line Quilters" to Helen or Lois. Cash is also accepted if put in an envelope with your name on it.

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 Treasurer, please contact Bonnie Kane.

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.

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.

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

Hello Fellow Quilters,

Mystery Quilt Reminder!!! Time to wrap up your finished project.

Bring it in for the big reveal on Monday, June 12th, at our Ice Cream Social.

We are all looking forward to seeing your mystery quilt solved.

Thank you, Barbara Lewis

2024 QUILT SHOW – HELP WANTED!

We still need a Chairperson for the Publicity committee. Please consider volunteering and let Sylvia O'Neill or Janet Liples know at our next Guild meeting.

MINI RAFFLE QUILTS

I would like to encourage our members to make Mini Raffle Quilts for our quilt show next spring. This is a perfect way to show off your creativity and skills. AND, there will be a prize for the person getting the most tickets for their Mini!

Your Mini will need to be a maximum of 80 inches around -total. (Add top + bottom + both sides < 80 inches) It can be any shape you like (ie; square, rectangle, etc)

It can be pieced, appliqued, machine or hand done, wool, embroidered – whatever you desire, but it must be a quilt. And of course, you are not limited to just one Mini. We'd love to see your talented works!

Tickets will be sold for raffling off the Mini-quilts in advance and also at the Quilt Show itself. As time gathers nearer, we'll need some volunteers at the Mini Quilt table to assist with selling tickets.

Thank you in advance for your generosity to CLQ!

2024 QUILT SHOW BOUTIQUE

We [Eileen, Marilyn, and Rosanna] will begin collecting items for the Quilt Show boutique at the June meeting. Please donate usable items that are sewing/crafting related. Please hold books and magazines until the end. We will have more information on donating those as we get closer to the show. Thank you.

JUNE QUILT/TEXTILE EXHIBIT AT THE SCHWENKFELDER MUSEUM

Take the opportunity this month to drive up to the Schwenkfelder Heritage Center in Pennsburg to see the ONLY showing in the U.S of the international exhibit, Once Upon A Thread. (showing until July 3)

"The Heritage Center is thrilled to be the only U.S. location for the traveling exhibit Once Upon a Thread. It premiered in Alsace, France, in September 2022, at the European Patchwork Meeting. This wonderful exhibit has thirty textile artworks by internationally known artists that were jury selected in a competition. Textile artists were invited to submit work from the stories of their childhood and to take a "fresh look ...and find the heroes, monsters, nightmares, and dreams buried in your memory or your imagination." Once Upon a Thread is part of the European Patchwork Meeting, an annual gathering described as one of the world's top textile arts events."

Admission to the Library and Heritage Center is free, donations appreciated.

