

County Line Quilters News

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Dear CLQ Members,

Happy October, everyone. The sudden change in weather certainly puts everybody in a quilty kind of mood. We hope that you all are feeling well and staying safe. Don't forget your vaccinations! They are very important.

We have a very action packed, exciting agenda for our October meeting. We are going to have a "member showcase". Four of our members will be teaching techniques that they have worked with. We will break up into small groups and will rotate around and learn new skills. It promises to be a lively evening.

Joyce Helstrom –will be demonstrating making rag quilts

Sylvia O'Neill – using pool noodles in quilting

Barb Miller – will be talking about barn quilts

Jeanne Malone – will be demonstrating her stuffed Christmas trees

After our member showcase, we will be having our regular monthly meeting.

Our fat quarter color for October is RED. Please remember to bring 2 fat quarters. Also, the food pantry is asking for paper goods of various kinds. More details are available on our website, countylinequilters.org. Also, \$10 Giant or Weiss gift cards are always welcome and appreciated.

We hope everyone can attend. Remember that our CLQ Challenge Quilts are due at the November meeting.

We look forward to seeing everyone on October 9th at the New Britain Baptist Church. Thank you and please stay safe!!!

Happy Quilting,

Bonnie Kane

COUNTY LINE QUILTERS GENERAL MEETING MINUTES 9-11-2023



Speaker – Katheryn Jensen White presented Alphabet Quilts

Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 8:50PM by President Bonnie Kane.

Programs – L Watson/B Miller – October – Member showcase; four presentations by J Helstrom, B Miller, S O'Neill and J Malone. Each member will be able to attend 3 of the 4. Instruction sheets will be provided for all demos.

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

Treasurer – D Beck – There was a motion to accept the June treasurer's report, a second and accepted.

Membership – H Haun/L Moore – 50 members present. Three guests. One new member – Joanne. Annual dues of \$35.00 are still being collected.

Ambassador – N Williams – no update.

Hospitality – B Bailey – Thank you for all the contributions. Be sure to take home your leftovers. Water bottles will be needed for future meetings. The October sign up sheet is being circulated.

Newsletter – J Kane – Please submit articles by Monday September 25, 2023.

Activities - S Edelman – Tonight we collected 20 orange fat quarters. This is a voluntary drawing and you do not need to be present to win. Each member receives a numbered ticket for the monthly sewing store gift cards and/or miscellaneous items. Each member may

win once per year. Please support the food pantry. October's theme will be breakfast items.

Website – M Malik – Gina supplied a picture of the Raffle Quilt that will be used for publicity and it has been posted to the website. The 2024 Quilt Show page has been updated. The September newsletter has been uploaded. Under the Calendar and Events tab you will find the information for the upcoming meeting, the color for the fat quarter raffle and what items are needed for the food pantry. The Food Pantry provides the community with non-perishable food items, household supply items and Giant gift cards in the amount of \$10.00. The website has been updated with the list of Philanthropy items that the guild has donated and the organizations that have received them. Many of our guild members contribute to this very worthy cause, so thank you so much for your generosity! Also thank you to B Lewis and B Gleason for managing the many facets of Philanthropy.

Mini Quilts – M Mailk – I know we have some wonderful quilters here. Why not show off your skills and creativity!! Please continue to bring me your Mini Quilts. I've only received a couple so far. The maximum dimension for a mini quilt is 80 inches (the sum of the dimensions of all sides). It can be any shape you like, square, rectangular or circular. It can be pieced, appliqued, machine or hand quilted, embroidered, wool, etc... We hope to have many lovely mini quilts to raffle off. And, there will be a prize for the person getting the most tickets submitted for their Mini. Tickets will be sold in advance to members and also at the Quilt Show. Let's make this a real show stopper!

Publicity – Chairperson needed for the Guild and the Quilt Show

Sunshine – J Malone – Cards sent to Vicki Detwiler, Sharon Moran and Carol and Pete Cotter.

Technology – E Kane - tonight's meeting is on zoom (four members logged in).

Historian – N Williams – continuing to take pictures

Quilt Show – S O'Neill and J Liples – Quilt Show is on track. Raffle Quilt ticket packets are being distributed tonight. Each member is responsible to sell a minimum of 42 tickets. We still need a Publicity Chairperson. QS postcards will be distributed at the Oaks Quilt Show this weekend. Please continue to work on mini's, bazaar items and the challenge quilts.

Food – S Bredin – Requesting several members to assist.

Crafts – L Watson – Popular items have been bowl cozies and clothesline rope bowls. Inventory indicates plenty of wine bags

Boutique – R Wirth, E Witowski and M Lopez – will be accepting fabric, notions and patterns at all upcoming CLQ meetings. Please do not donate broken items, household items and/or unusable/musty fabric. Please hold books and magazines until show weekend.

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. The monthly CLQ Charity Sewing Day at NBBC is the third Thursday of each month. The next sewing day is Thursday 09/21/2023 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, your lunch and a Pantry donation item. Non-sewing jobs are also available. The next

Charity Sewing Days will be Thursday, 09/21/23, 10/19/23 and 11/16/23.

Raffle Quilt – G Gempesaw (not present) – The quilt is complete.

Challenge Quilt – G Gempesaw (not present) – Challenge Quilts will be voted on at the November, 2023 CLQ meeting. We are all encouraged to create a quilt no greater than 120", use a minimum of 25 fabrics and coordinate with the Raffle Quilt; change colors/same blocks or same colors/unique blocks.

Fons & Porter – S Clark – 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. The subscription process has been slow. Sue will reach out to get a good contact person to follow through.

OLD BUSINESS - none

NEW BUSINESS

L Holtzman – Announced the upcoming **American Cancer Society/Reach to Recovery Tote Bag Sewing Day**. To be held Monday October 23, 2023 at the Indian Valley Public Library in Telford, PA 9:30AM to 2:30PM. Will request an email blast to membership with more details.

Show and Tell – members displayed their completed quilts

Monthly Drawings:

Fat Quarters – ORANGE – Barb Bailey – **color for October - RED**

Byrne Gift Card #1 – L Pickett

Byrne Gift Card #2 – S Sargent

Stitch Central Gift Card #1 – S Bredin

Stitch Central Gift Card #2 – B Gleason

Quiltfolk Magazine – Vermont – E Kane

Quiltfolk Magazine – Mississippi – M Malik

Pat Clayton (also a member of Newtown) announced a workshop with Linda

Sullivan

Meeting adjourned at 9:50PM

Submitted by,
Lynn Holtzman/Secretary

PHILANTHROPY



Thank you to everyone who returned blankets, quilts and place mats. We received 55 placemats, so we're well on our way to the 200 needed for the Fall delivery. If you still have a NICU or blanket kit at home please see if you could finish and return next month. The need is great. If you did not get a chance to look at the total amount of items donated last year please check out the September newsletter. It's seriously impressive !

We had a wonderful charity sew day on the 21 and look forward to our next charity sew day on Thursday, October 19 . Jeanne Malone will be leading us in making stuffed Christmas trees for local nursing homes. We will be sewing from 10 to 2ish. Please bring a hot glue gun, if you have one, your machine and a chopstick or " purple thang" . If you ever have questions about our philanthropy projects please feel free to contact Barbara or me.

Barb Gleason and Barbara Lewis - Philanthropy Chairs

GUILD HAPPENINGS

October Meeting

In October we will have an evening showcasing the talents and creative expressions from a few of our members. The evening will have short (20 minute) presentations from Carol Cotter, Joyce Helstrom, Barb Miller, Jeanne Malone and Ellen Cicak. We will have more detail on topics at the meeting.

October's Fat Quarter Color is RED!

Bring two RED fat quarters to October's meeting to be entered into an end-of-the-night drawing to win one set of all FQ's received. (September's winner received 20 (twenty!!) orange fat quarters) See Sue Edelman/Activities coordinator to be entered into the drawing.

Also see Sue to be entered into a members only drawing to win a gift certificate to either Byrne Sewing (in New Britain) or Stitch Central (in Huntingdon Valley) We very much appreciate the generosity these stores show to our Guild by providing gift cards, and urge you to support them with your quilting supply purchases. Please make a point on your visits to these stores to identify yourself

as a member of County Line Quilters and to thank them for their years of support to our guild.

Finally - please bring a food item to support the Food Pantry at the New Britain Baptist Church. They assist over 700 people a month and donations of shelf-stable food items, or \$10 Giant Gift Cards, are greatly appreciated. For October's meeting, please bring a breakfast type item --- boxed cereal, pancake mix/syrup, oatmeal, shelf stable milk (Parmalat) or juice, NutriGrain bars, etc. Place them in the cart near the door as you enter. If you bring a gift card, turn it into Sue for safe delivery to Food Pantry personnel. You can also purchase \$10 Giant gift cards at the meeting from Lynn Holtzman if you are unable to shop.

Food Donations for New Britain Baptist Church's Food Pantry

in appreciation of New Britain Baptist Church's long standing relationship with our guild, we try to support them by bringing shelf stable food items and personal care items to stock the shelves of their community food pantry. They serve over 700 people a month. At each month's meeting I'll announce what to bring for the next month's donation, but if you're ever unsure of what they need, the following are ALWAYS needed.

*****Please check expiration dates as they are not allowed to distribute items that are past expiration dates.*****

Add an extra item on your shopping trip and bring them along to our monthly meetings! Leave them on the table in the kitchen.

Hospitality

Thank you to all of the ladies who have signed up to bring snacks and or water to the next meeting, Oct. 9th. Snacks are: Marilyn Malik, Stella Bredin, Lynn Holtzman, Pat Kennedy, Vickie Detwiler, and Denise Beck. Water is: Marilyn Lopez, Janet Liples, Joanne D'Allura, Betsy Penzone, and Sue Clark. It was a great response and thank you so much!

A reminder to please have a lid on all liquids that are brought into the meeting room.

Membership

New Britain Baptist Church Food Larder

Items Needed

- Coffee/ Tea/ Hot Chocolate
- Peanut Butter 15.5oz/ Jelly 18oz
- Cookies/ Saltines/ Snacks
- Sugar (2 lb. box)/ Flour
- Ketchup/ Mayo/ Mustard/ Salad Dressing
- Canned Fruit/ Apple Sauce 23oz/ Cranberry Sauce
- Rice
- Pancake Mix
- Cereal
- Bottled Juices/ Juices boxes
- Spaghetti Sauce 24-32oz/ Pasta/ Canned Pastas
- Cake Mix/ Icing
- Canned beans/ Tomatoes
- Canned Meats/ Tuna Fish
- Soups/ Gravies/ Chicken & Beef Broths
- Jell-O

Personal Care:

- Deodorant, Shampoo, Shaving Cream, Razors, etc.
- Toothpaste/ Toothbrushes
- Toilet Paper
- Laundry Detergent/ Household Cleaning Supplies

THANK YOU! if you have paid your membership dues for the 2023-2024 year.

If you have not paid your dues for 2024, please do so at the October 9th meeting. Make checks payable to County Line Quilters. Cash is acceptable if placed in an envelope with your name on it.

According to a recent document,

"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."

If you have not paid your dues by November 13, your name will be dropped from the membership list.

Executive Board Openings

We currently have an opening on the executive board of our Guild and we are looking for a member to fill this position! If you are interested in filling the position of Publicity Chair, 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.

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 upcoming 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.

UPCOMING QUILT SHOWS



Main Line Quilters Show

The Main Line Quilters is proud to be presenting the "Fall in Love with Quilts" Quilt Show on November 18th from 9:30 AM – 4 PM at St. Luke's Lutheran Church, 203 N. Valley Forge Road, Devon PA. Admission is \$5.

Quilt Exhibit at the Schwenkfelder Museum

Beginning September 22nd and running through May 2024, the Schwenkfelder Library and Heritage Center in Pennsburg PA will feature an exhibit of Nancy Roan's quilts: "A Loving Tribute To a Quilty Lady: Nancy Roan's Quilts"

Nancy was a prolific quilter, instrumental in documenting quilts of the Southeast Pennsylvania region through her book "Lest I Shall Be Forgotten", a founding member of the Variable Stars Quilt Guild, and documentarian of Pennsylvania German life and traditions. She passed away earlier this year and the museum is honoring her memory with this exhibit of some of her quilts.

Admission to the museum, located at 105 Seminary Street Pennsburg PA, is FREE with donations appreciated. Open daily except for Mondays.
