

County Line Quilters News

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October 2024

Happy Fall Ladies and Jacob,

It is so wonderful to be part of such a generous group of people who Step Up by giving of their time, effort, and donations! We have people sewing placemats, NICU quilts, receiving blankets, walker bags, and animal beds. There was an abundance of black and white fat quarters; half of which are going to our end of year raffle basket. The Food Lader bin was overflowing. We have many volunteers who will sell our wares at the Hilltown Craft Show in Hilltown. At the end of our meeting, so many assisted in stacking the chairs and moving them down the hall to the other room. We have a terrific team of officers and heads of committees that work hard every month. I am extremely grateful for all you Stepping Up to make County Line Quilters an awesome guild!

I did receive an email from Grace Church that they are renovating and will not be able to extend a lease to us in the next year. I also talked to the new pastor and they are unable to help with the setting up of the chairs. We are still looking at venues and collecting data on each. I hope to give Jeanne an updated spreadsheet to send out in the blast.

We are in need for some more volunteers to step up by setting up chairs for our meetings, being a special friend to guests or new member, and chairing the Quilt Show. Please contact me if you are interested.

The Boutique is having a sale at our remaining fabric at our October meeting! Be sure to bring your money for some terrific buys.

Do not forget work on your Do Re Mi Challenge quilt. Finished products will be presented at our December meeting.

Creative clutter is more blessed than idleness.

Thank you,
Carol

COUNTY LINE QUILTERS GENERAL MEETING MINUTES 9-9-2024



Meeting Minutes

Presentation by Cyndi Hershey – The Quilt Barn at the Kutztown Folk Festival

The meeting was called to order at 8:30PM by President Carol Cotter. Introduce Vice Presidents – Denise Beck and Stella Bredin. October speaker will be Andy Metz. Thank you to Lynn Holtzman (acting Secretary tonight) for Vickie Detweiler. Motion, second and approve June, 2024 minutes. Treasurer – Merrie Keller; balance today is \$22,167.65. Lynn Holtzman asked for the transaction detail from 05/14/24 thru 7/01/24 and also to double check the math calculations. There was no motion, second or vote on the Treasurer's Report. There was a discussion regarding the 2024-2025 Budget. A motion, second and approve of the budget line items only. Lynn Holtzman requested a double check of the math calculations.

ACTIVITIES – Sue Edelman – We will have the following drawings tonight – gift cards; fat quarters; fabric bundles donated by Cyndi Hershey and (2) Quilt Folk magazines. Thank you for filling the food pantry cart. Donations for October can include Thanksgiving items; paper goods; personal items.

COMMUNICATIONS MANAGER – Jeanne Malone – CLQ email blasts will be sent from the email address of mugsie1.

EVENTS – new committee – Joyce Helstrom, Joanne D'Allura and Marilyn Lopez. Will research plans for a Holiday Dinner at The Plumsteadville Inn on the first Monday of December. Will research

bus trips; workshops; charity sews and possibly a retreat. We are asking members to submit ideas.

FACEBOOK – Kathy Acker – will resume posting items on the CLQ page. Please be sure to like and follow the page. Will post a calendar.

HISTORIAN – Nancy Williams – created a picture yearbook for 2023-2024. If you would like your own copy the cost is \$26.28 and there is a yellow sign up sheet.

AMBASSADOR – Nancy Williams – welcomed new guests and made sure they had a seat.

HOSPITALITY – Barbara Bailey – Thank you for your generosity tonight. The sign up sheet for October is being circulated.

MEMBERSHIP – Helen Haun and Lois Moore – 59 members in attendance; five guests and two new members: Joan Fauser and Kristen Kern.

PHILANTHROPY – Barbara Lewis and Barbara Gleason – Will explain all projects in October. Next charity sew day is Thursday, September 19th and we will be making placemats. Future dates – Oct 17th, Nov 21st, Dec 19th. Some of the project directions are on the CLQ website. Tonight please pick up a NICU kit that includes fabric, backing and batting.

PUBLICITY – Liz Watson – Tonight I have with me some donated thimbles (free for the taking); glad to see Kathy Acker back. We are participating in a Craft Show at Good Shepard Church in Hilltown, PA on Saturday, September

28th. Please sign up to cover a two-hour shift to help out.

RAFFLE QUILT 2026 – Ellen Cicak and Kathy Webb – thank you to all that took a block kit tonight; please return in October and our goal is to assemble the quilt top by January, 2025.

CHALLENGE QUILT 2024 – Ellen Cicak and Kathy Webb – “SEW RE ME” This project is due at the December 2024 meeting. The guidelines are posted on the CLQ website. There will be prizes!

SUNSHINE – Dee Carr – Please let me know of any member or family that would benefit from an uplifting card.
WEBSITE – Marilyn Malik – www.countylinequilters.org Will continue to post the newest information regarding the speaker, pantry, charity sew days.

TECHNOLOGY – Emily Kane – Tonight was the first night with the new setup of the computer/camera in the center aisle so that the zoom members can see/hear the speaker. Thank you for the help with the screen setup.

NEWSLETTER – Jacob Kane – Articles for the October, 2024 newsletter are due by Sep 25th.

OLD BUSINESS – none

NEW BUSINESS – Carol Cotter

CLQ has been notified by New Britain Baptist Church that our lease will expire on 12/31/24. The church buildings have been gifted to Grace Church and we will need to negotiate with them.

Tonight please be sure to stack the chairs at the end of the meeting. The Executive Board has been researching other possible meeting locations. Criteria to keep in mind: sufficient meeting space; storage space; reasonable price; good outdoor lighting and good parking.

In October we will be having a Fabric Sale.

If you are a longarm quilter, please provide your information to Carol Cotter for publication.

SHOW AND TELL

DRAWINGS:

Fat quarters (20) black and white – Joan Fauser. Color for OCTOBER – BLUE AND WHITE

Gift Cards – please remember that you can only win these once per year.

BYRNE – Mary Finley

STITCH CENTRAL – Barb Sarafinas

10" Layer Cake – Marg Renkin

Halloween charm pack – Marianne Grey

Quiltfolk Georgia – Karen Adams

Quiltfolk Oklahoma – Suzette Trucksess

Meeting adjourned at 9:20PM

Submitted by,

Lynn Holtzman/Acting Secretary

GUILD HAPPENINGS

Programs

October: Andi Metz will present:

“Behind the Fabric; the Process of Fabric Design”:

Andi has been designing for Benartex fabrics since 2019. She will show you how her artwork is transformed into fabric and will also display some projects created with her fabric collections. Many of her designs are also used on home products such as mugs, pillows and more.



For more about Andi visit: <https://www.andimetz.com/art-for-licensing>

November Meeting:

“Walking the Creative Path” by Bethanne Nemesh

Bethanne has been a quilter for over 25 years and a Longarm quilter since 2008. She uses an innovative approach to create secondary designs in traditional quilts as well as unique free hand style quilting

designs. Bethanne will discuss her journey as a quilter which started with traditional techniques and now extends to pictographic, whole cloth and yarn couched pieces. Bethanne has exhibited award winning quilts in national and international shows and will bring some of them for display during her presentation. Her true passion is teaching others how to use their own voice in creative expression.

For more about Bethanne and her digital class offerings, visit: www.whitearborquilting.com



Philanthropy

Thanks to everyone who came to our last charity sew day. We got a lot done and had a great time. Our next sew day is the third Thursday, October 17 from 10 to 2. We'll be making Jeanne Malone's famous Christmas trees. You'll need to bring a glue gun and glue sticks if you have one. We have stuffing at the

church, but some "poking tools" would be helpful. We will be concentrating on finishing the trees, but if you'd like to make one from the start please bring Christmas fabric and your machine.

Please continue to make place mats. I'll likely need 100 more to make Fall deliveries to our Meals on Wheels groups. We still have NICU kits available. Even if you can't make a quilt now, please take a kit for your home to finish at your convenience.

Just a reminder...Ellen Cicak has the great idea to check for sales on baby flannel. You can sometimes find it at Joann for \$2.99. You need one 30 inch piece and one 40 inch piece. Follow directions for Shabby Fabric self binding receiving blankets. Its a lot of fun.

Thanks for all you do. Please check email blasts in case we need to change anything regarding Sew Day because of new church activity.

Barb Gleason and Barbara Lewis - Philanthropy Chairs

Activities

The fat quarter color for October is BLUE AND WHITE print. This means a fat quarter that is BOTH blue AND white - not a fabric that is blue, or a fabric that is white, but a fabric that is both BLUE AND WHITE. Bring TWO fat quarters to be entered into a drawing at meeting's end to win one set of those received. If you aren't able to find pre cut fat quarters in the specified color, you can always easily make your own by purchasing half a yard of fabric and cutting it on the fold to yield two fat quarters. It's often more economical to purchase it this way too.

As you enter the meeting room and get your badge from Membership - make sure to stop and see Sue Edelman to be entered into the end of meeting drawing for one of two gift cards from Byrnes or Stitch Central. You must put your name on a ticket with Sue to be eligible for this drawing (it is NOT AUTOMATIC) The best time to do this is when you arrive. This is a member-only drawing and you must be present to win. A member can only win once during our program year (September through June) Those attending the meeting via Zoom are eligible to win but must still be on Zoom at the end of the business meeting when the winners are drawn.

Our guild supports the New Britain Food Pantry with donations of shelf stable food items and \$10 Giant gift cards. You can purchase gift cards on our meeting nights from Lynn Holtzman, then turn them into Sue Edelman for

distribution to the Food Pantry. In October and November, bring food items that could be used for Thanksgiving dinner: things like stuffing mix, pumpkin muffin/bread mix, cranberry sauce, gravy, canned sweet potatoes/yams, etc. Also bring items from the food pantry's "Always Needed" items as found in our newsletter. Remember to check expiration dates as the pantry can't give out food that is past its recommended sell by/use by dates.

Event Committee

The date and location for our annual Holiday Dinner will be forthcoming. Please watch for a blast titled "Holiday Dinner."

Thanks,

Joyce, Marilyn, and Joanne

Events Committee

Hospitality

We are grateful to Barb Gleason, Sharon Moran, Mary Finley, Karen Adams, Pat Clayton and Sylvia O'Neill for volunteering to bring snacks to the next meeting of the guild, Monday, October 14th. Water will be provided by Sue Clark, Kathy Acker, and Linda Pickett. Thanks to all of you!

Membership

Hello

Thank you to all people who have paid their dues.

If you have not paid your \$35 annual dues, please bring a check made payable to County Line Quilters or put cash in an envelope with your name on it.

Also remember to sign in on the monthly list.

If you have not paid by November 1, 2024, your name will be removed from the active members list.

In November there will be an attachment to the newsletter indicating active members.

Thank you.

Helen and Lois

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.

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

UPCOMING QUILT SHOWS

Valley Forge Homestead Quilters Guild

Friday, October 18, 2024 10 AM - Saturday 19

\$10.00 Fri 10-5 Sat 10-4

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church 132 E. Valley Forge Rd, King of Prussia, PA

Over 200 quilts! Handmade items for sale. Fabulous raffles. Grandma's attic. Snacks. Demonstrations

Keystone Quilters "Starstruck" quilt show

Fri Oct 11, 10-5

Sat Oct 12, 10-4

Adm \$10 cash

Finland Mennonite Church

1750 Ziegler Road, Pennsburg, PA

Keystonequilters.org

