



# COLONIAL QUILTERS GUILD



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### **President's message from Nancy Snow:**



Hi all & welcome back. I hope you've found some time to have fun this summer -- even with all the rain.

My fun was taking a class at the Hershey Quilt Show. It was a first for me, but probably not the last! I was making miniature blocks (4" finished) using my featherweight. It was a chance for me to use that machine & learn something new. I will bring my little blocks for our show & tell program at our first meeting - not a quilt, just a few small blocks.

The class has given me the courage to continue working with the small squares that I saved from the corners of other projects. I have a shoe box full of small half square triangles & now I have more confidence to tackle that box with my featherweight. I look forward to seeing what everyone else has been working on.

We had a successful community service day in June - sewing together the 5" squares. At the summer open sew days, there was binding being put on a few of those quilts. It amazes me how creative the teams got while they were putting these quilts together. I think the most fun was standing around the table - trying to find just the right squares to add to the quilts. Just the simple patterns that were being used will sure to put a smile on a child's face.

I'm looking forward to a good year & I hope you are too. As always, happy sewing!!

**From Kathy Miller, VP:** Welcome back to a new year. There are still openings for new members! So bring family or friends or family of friends or friends of family. The more the merrier. Love to see more experienced quilters as well as inspiring the new quilters. Membership can still be renewed by paying your dues at the September meeting. **DUES \$25 payable to CQG, or cash**

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**There are no minutes for the June meeting as we had the banquet.**

**But here is a report on the banquet:**



The Colonial Quilters Guild 35th Anniversary celebration on June 12, 2018 at the Blue in Bethlehem, PA was opened with remarks by the president, Nancy Snow.

The food was delicious and the service was great.

Seven original members were recognized: Tedde Anderson, Mary Ann Dutkin, Margo Billitz, Bev Repsher, Sheri Seip, Judy Thompson and Barb Snyder.

The board had approved the quilt show donation of \$3,000.00 to Meals on Wheels. The membership also approved this amount with an unanimous vote.

At each table there were some fun games like Quilting Mad Libs and quilting word search.

The program committee presented a skit about the different types of quilters. The membership had to vote on which fictitious member had to be let go from the guild. Two members were voted out of the guild, Gabriella, played by Barb Walters and Bree, played by Wendy Bookhultz (they decided to start their own "upscale" guild!). Nancy Weston played Lynnette and Sue Mangina played Lizzie.

Approximately 25 members created quilting-related hats for the hat contest and parade. Winners were: most creative, Carol Moll; funniest - Nancy Weston; most beautiful - Kathy Miller; most sewing related - Jane Williamson; most repurposed - Mary Ann Harmonos; silliest - Nancy Snow; and most original - Laurel Eime. [You can see photos on our facebook page!]

The guessing game button count jar was won by Dolores Bartek, the bead jar by Bev Repsher, the spools jar by Sheri Seip.

The trivia quiz was won by a table of smart ladies with 9 out of 12 correct answers.

From a drawing, Susan Truby awarded the "Stashing for Charity" free one-year membership to Bonnie Moor.

The members sang "Keep It In Your Stash" to Bob Dylan's song, "Blowin' in the Wind".

Bev Repsher closed the meeting with a thank you to the program committee: Nancy Weston, Wendy Bookhultz, Joanne McCarthy, Barb Walters, Susan Mangina and Mary Jo Gonsiorowski.

Respectfully submitted by Susanne C Nelson, secretary

**SAVE THE DATES! 2018-19 Calendar of Events:  
Meetings, Programs, Workshops, Sewcials and Charity Sewing**



**BOARD MEETINGS: 10/1, 11/5, 12/3; 2019: 2/4, 3/4, 4/1, 5/6, 6/3, 8/5**

**REGULAR MEETINGS: 9/11, 10/9, 11/13, 12/11; 2019: 1/8, 2/12, 3/12, 4/9, 5/14, 6/11**

**CHARITY SEWING DAYS: 2019: 2/23/2019, 6/15 OPEN SEWS: 7/9, 8/13**

- 9/11 Welcome Back and Show&Tell - Show us what you made over the summer! (If you have charity items, show them at Show&Tell and then turn them in to Susan or Jami.) Presentation of Meals on Wheels check.
- 2/23 Charity Sewing Day - walker bags
- 6/11 Meeting: "Oops, My Edges Are Showing," presentation by Karen Eckmeier of Quilted Lizard
- 6/12 Workshop: "Happy Villages" by Karen Eckmeier. [www.quilted-lizard.com](http://www.quilted-lizard.com), 9am-4pm
- 6/15 Charity Sewing Day - making quilts from 5" squares

**COMMUNICATION NEWS**



**NEW MEMBERS** (and a reminder to members): A electronic newsletter is published every month and sent to your email address. It lists the minutes, committee information, and other guild announcements and events, as well as *the list of names responsible for the next meeting's refreshments*. If you do not have email, a copy will be sent to you via the postal service. Please enter [imcajtuno@me.com](mailto:imcajtuno@me.com) and [queenesue18@gmail.com](mailto:queenesue18@gmail.com)

into your email address book/contacts to make sure you receive the newsletter/messages, and check your spam box as well. The newsletter is also posted on the [www.colonialquilters.org](http://www.colonialquilters.org) webpage under members only (if you do not find it there, please email Ellen Inghrim, webmaster, at [quilterellen@hotmail.com](mailto:quilterellen@hotmail.com)).

**MEMBERS:** *MyGrove is changing their name to GroupWorks!* In the coming weeks, when you log into MyGrove, you will be automatically redirected to the [GroupWorks.com](http://GroupWorks.com) login screen. Your username and password will be the same.

**NEW MEMBERS:** *If you would like to be on GroupWorks!*, please send an email to Nancy Weston at [imcajtuno@me.com](mailto:imcajtuno@me.com) to sign you up. You will get an email from them telling you what to do next; there will be a link to sign in and a unique temporary password. Once you do, you will find the shortcut to "Colonial Quilters" in the upper left of the screen.

Here is information about Groupworks!: This is a website which has partnered with the Mid-Atlantic Quilt Guild Network (MAQGNet). We will be able to share and communicate about Colonial Quilters events and activities to share information about upcoming shows and speakers with other guilds, which you can find on the calendar. If you chose, the site provides you with a way to do online sharing, to keep folks informed and up to date, and to share photos, videos, ideas and information (this will not replace our Facebook page). The site is extremely user friendly and the company that provides it is very helpful.; it takes your privacy very seriously and your email is visible ONLY to other Colonial Quilters members. You can go into "settings" to chose the way you receive emails: daily, weekly, etc. Please note that if at any time you would like to be removed, you can simply click unsubscribe at the bottom of any email you receive from our GroupWorks!.

**FACEBOOK :** ATTENTION all members who use Facebook: Check out the Colonial Quilters Guild Facebook page! It's a closed group, so you'll need to ask to join. Once you do, feel free to share any info you'd like with our other guild members ( ie: photos of your latest quilt project, questions about quilt related items, anything you'd like! ) By the way, you will find the patterns for the charity projects, such as the walker bags, on our site. <https://www.facebook.com/groups/604180513018705/>

**FAT QUARTER FRENZZZY - NEW FOR 2018-2019! from Charlene Weiss**

"It Ain't Over Till the Fat Lady Says SO!"



IT'S GONNA BE BETTER THAN EVER! You donate the fat quarters (18"X22"), as many as you like. We like anything, so long as it is nice, quilt-shop quality fabric. There is no requirement about theme or colors. Your donations are always appreciated, but please be sure what you donate would be fabric you would want to use in your own quilts! Bring in as many as you like and we'll put'em in the bucket until it's full. At each monthly meeting you fill out a chance to win for each FQ you donate and hopefully you'll get an entire "Bucket O' Quarters!" Imagine what you could do with a whole bucket of nice, clean, quality fat quarters.

**UPCOMING EVENTS: QUILT SHOWS and EVENTS,  
BUS TRIPS AND CRUISES, QUILT RETREATS:**



**\*\*Aug. 8-Sept. 23 Mountain Laurel Quilt Guild Exhibit**, Gmeiner Art & Cultural Center, Welllsboro, PA <http://mountainlaurelquiltguild.blogspot.com/p/2018-exhibit.html>

**\*\*September 13-16 Pennsylvania National Quilt Extravaganza**, Greater Philadelphia Expo Center, Oaks, PA, [www.quiltfest.com/upcoming-shows-and-events/pennsylvania-national-quilt-extravaganza/](http://www.quiltfest.com/upcoming-shows-and-events/pennsylvania-national-quilt-extravaganza/) **\*\*Special exhibit: Traveling exhibit from the New England Quilt Museum (Lowell, MA), juried show "Threads of Resistance" (quilters reactions to the election of Nov. 8, 2017 and the inauguration of Trump).**

**Sept. 29- 30 Endless Mountains Quilt Guild Quilt Show**, Lynch Bustin Elementary School, Athens, PA <https://emqg.org/quilt-show>

**\*\*October 5-6, Berk Quilters Guild Quilt Show 2018**, Leesport Farmers Market, [www.berksquiltersguild.org](http://www.berksquiltersguild.org)

**\*\*Oct. 20-21 Brandwine Valley Quilt show: A Thread Runs Through It** - the artistry of the past, imagination of the future. Sat. 10-5, Sun. 10-4, \$10. Brookhaven Municipal Building, 3 Cambridge Drive, Brookhaven, PA 19105

**\*\*BVQ Quilt Show; Pre-show Special Event with Gyleen Fitzgerald** October 19, Friday, October 19, 2018 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Join us for a very special evening with Gyleen Fitzgerald of Colourful Stitches. ❖ Experience Gyleen's passion for traditional quilting with a contemporary essence. ❖ Enjoy her witty and heartwarming approach to the art of quilting and the significance of the connections that each quilt has between the Maker, those viewing it and the recipient. Seating is limited.....Buy your \$25.00 ticket today! Reservations may be made by sending a check payable to BVQ to Pam Leland, Treasurer 444 Southview Ave. Kennett Square, PA 19348, Your \$25.00 ticket entitles you to ❖ Friday evening's Pre-show Special Event ❖ Saturday and Sunday BVQ Quilt Show Admission ❖ Pre-Show Shopping at the Boutique on Friday evening

**\*\*November 2-17, 16th Annual Eastern PA Shop Hop**, [facebook.com/EasternPAShopHop](https://facebook.com/EasternPAShopHop)

**\*\*November 9-10, Lebanon Quilters Guild 12th Annual Exhibition of Quilts**, Lebanon Expo Center & Fairgrounds, [www.lebanonquiltersguild.com](http://www.lebanonquiltersguild.com)

**\*\*November 17, Main Line Quilters, Quilt Show and Holiday Boutique**, Berwyn United Methodist Church.



**✓ SEPT. MEETING CHECKLIST! ✓**

- Check to see if it is your turn to bring snacks
- Bring items for Show & Tell

**UPCOMING DATES**

- 9/11 Regular meeting
- 10/1 Board Meeting







**LIBRARY - New Books**

from Kathy Lopez & Betsy Lawrence

**Patches of Blue** by Edyta Sitar

**Simple Friendships, 14 Quilts from Exchange Block Friends** by Kim

Diehl and Jo Morton

**The Big Book of Fat Quarter Quilts** by That Patchwork Place

**A request from the librarians! Please bring back any books you still have out so that we can do inventory!**

**From Betsy Lawrence: QuiltFest Report**

**2018 QUILT SHOW SUMMARY**

Category	Expense	Income	Grand Total
Admissions		4,760.00	4,760.00
Appraisals			
Book Nook		373.50	373.50
Boutique	2,165.66	3,182.10	1,016.44
Café	105.16	1,543.86	1,438.70
Charity	3,000.00		(3,000.00)
Quilts for Sale			
Misc Raffle	77.00	403.00	326.00
Misc Show Expense	1,133.52	42.22	(1,091.30)
Publicity	291.94		(291.94)
Raffle Quilt	10.00	3,435.00	3,425.00
Rentals	4,591.37		(4,591.37)
Tricky Tray	59.90	1,139.48	1,079.58
Vendors	55.00	1,250.00	1,195.00
Challenge	35.80		(35.80)
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>11,525.35</b>	<b>16,129.16</b>	<b>4,603.81</b>
<b>Deposit to CQG</b>		<b>4,603.81</b>	

Misc expense includes: Door prizes, meetings, speaker & misc Tom Harper from Meals on Wheels will be at the September meeting to receive our donation of \$3,000. The remaining profits of \$4,603.81 will be deposited into the guild's general operating account. Once all the funds have been distributed, the remaining balance in the quilt show account will be \$3,000 for the 2020 show start up.



★ HAPPY ★ BIRTHDAY	
Lisa Zinkler	9/6
Barbara Smith	9/18
Doris Woodring	9/19
Dolores Danner	9/21



Congratulations to one of our members, Barbara Hulett, who had her entry into the Van Gogh Cherrywood Challenge Exhibit shown at the Lancaster Quilt Show!



**COMMUNITY SERVICE NEWS**



Here is a friendly reminder about the **community service requirements for Sept 2018-June 2019**. Annually, each member is asked to donate something from one category. Please see the website (<http://www.colonialquilters.org>) for the categories or refer to your new member information. Please remember to sew a guild label on your quilt, include your name on a slip of paper pinned to your donation, and sign in at our table. All donations are to be given to Susan Truby and Jami Cooper at the monthly meetings; we are at the Community Service table at every meeting to answer questions and have patterns and instructions available. Patterns for charity items such as the walker bags are on our FACEBOOK page: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/604180513018705/>. You can also donate 4 yards of fabric to fulfill your charity requirement. It will be used for pillowcases for children, mastectomy bags or wheelchair bags. Please remember it must be 100% cotton fabric of good quality and appropriate for our projects, and please wash your fabric before donating. NEW this year - on February 23, 2019 we are going to have a Community Sew Walker Bag Day. As an employee of an area Nursing home I can tell you that my residents are thrilled to receive the bags! And back by popular demand we are going to be Stashing for Charity (see below). We are so proud to be part of such a caring, giving group of women. Thank you!



**CHARITY SEWING - Susan Truby**

**PROJECT -“stashing for charity”**

Back By Popular Demand!!! We had so much fun with this we are going to do it again!! Every month we will be **collecting Charm Squares/5” squares**, nice quality cotton, preferably I-Spy type fabrics - no flannel please. Your name will then be entered in a lottery to win a free guild membership. Blocks will be used at the Community Sew Day June 15 to make preemie NICU quilts & Kids’ Comfort quilts. There will be some backings, a roll of batting, and some binding strips available at the event. Hope to see you there!!

**NEW CHARITY PROJECT WITH GUILD SOCIALIZATION GROUPS!**

Does anyone wants to participate in sewing groups tasked to make twin-size quilts for Turning Point? We will put a signup sheet out at the meetings . Then we’ll put the names of all interested in a bowl and draw out names for what group you will belong to. This will help new people and older members to interact together with a fun project. The quilts will be a project with no time limit to finish, but June would be nice so we could all see them before summer break!



**TURNING POINT COLLECTION CONTINUED**

**from Sue Nelson**

\*\*\*Turning Point will accept only NEW clothing: sweat pants, tee-shirts, socks. They also need large-size toiletries as the small hotel sizes don't last long . They are also in need of all sizes of storage bins, preferably clear. Target or Walmart gift cards are also accepted. Sue Nelson will have a large tote bag at the meetings to accept donations. \*\*\*Turning Point also said they could use twin-size quilts. The quilts would not belong to the clients but would stay at Turning Point shelters. This will be be a special activity (see “New Charity Project with Guild Socialization Groups”).



**PIECES OF THE PAST - THE COLONIAL QUILTERS GUILD**

by Bev Repsher, Historian



**2012** We went to 10 snack providers per month (up from 8).

A donation of \$354.00 was collected from Guild members along with an orchid quilt which was made by Anna Mae Temos and given to our custodian Jim Steiner and his wife, who had a house fire.

The raffle quilt for the 2014 Quilt Show will be made by volunteers: Darlene Repash, Richele Voice, Kim Berger and Elaine Kantor.

November – two new irons, ironing board covers and two big boards were purchased.

You are now to sew your own label on your Oncology Quilts - “Made and Donated by Colonial Quilters Guild” and the year it was made. You may also attach your own label to the Hospice and Wounded Soldiers quilts, using your name if desired.

A new item to make for community service is a cat – making 4, just like we do with the teddy bears.

Betsy Lawrence and Cathy Kemmerer volunteered to co-chair the 2014 Quilt Show.

We now have a storage unit at Budget Rental on Industrial Drive in Bethlehem. The unit is clean and secure and will be used to store any items that are guild property, which will be organized and a list compiled as to what is in the storage unit.

June 11<sup>th</sup> was our 30<sup>th</sup> year anniversary. We had 106 guild members present. We celebrated at Green Pond Country Club, Bethlehem, PA, Starting at 6:30pm we had family-style dinner – fruit cup, tossed salad, roast turkey, beef tips, corn, broccoli-cauliflower-carrot mix, whipped potatoes, ice cream parfaits, coffee, tea & cold beverage. During our meal we had a nice slide presentation of past members and events, presented by Ellen Inghrim and Debbie Kriebel.

**2013** The name of our Quilt Show (12th show) for 2014 will be called Quiltfest 2014 and will be held on May 3<sup>rd</sup> (10am-5pm) & on May 4<sup>th</sup> (10-4) at the Chrin Center in Easton, Pa. The charity that will benefit from our show will be the Children's Hospital of Lehigh Valley Hospital. The theme of the show is Civil War Quilts.

Nov. 19: a Community Service Sewing Day was held where 25 members attended and completed 101 Mastectomy Bags and Pillows! The bags were taken to Lehigh Valley Hospital.

**2014** - At the March meeting, a member asked about getting a certificate for a tax-deductible donation to our show. Our non-profit status as a 401 (c) 4 does not permit tax-deductible donations. We are organized principally as a social organization with charitable efforts as a secondary function. A group organized as principally for charitable endeavors a 501 (c) 3 may accept tax deductible donations.



**Sunshine and Shadows:** The purpose of Sunshine and Shadows for our guild is to share with members in a compassionate or congratulatory manner when life hands us challenges or accolades. However, in keeping with privacy issues regarding dissemination of health information, no statements regarding the nature of an illness or health issue will be revealed to our membership. \*\*\*\* Since our last



issue, a Get-Well card sent to Lillian Behrens, and a Sympathy Card was sent to Marjory Fray on the loss of her son. Congratulations were sent to Cathy Palmer for a Viewers' Choice Award at the Hershey Quilt Show and to MaryLou Straka on 35 years of volunteer service to Musikfest.



**September Meeting Refreshments:**

The following members are asked to provide refreshments (cookies, veggies, cut-up fruit...whatever you would like to bring) for the meeting:

- Dolores Bartek    Joan Bauer    Lillian Behrens    Kathy Betz    Margo Billetz    Jami Cooper**
- Nanci Blankowitsch    Wendy Bookhultz    Katharine Boushell    Charlene Brittenburg**

Please ask someone to take your place if you are unable to help this month.  
Have snacks at the church by 6:30pm & please help during the cleanup of the refreshment area.

**October Newsletter items due by September 22**

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