



# COLONIAL QUILTERS GUILD



January 2018

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

Happy New Year Everyone,

I hope you had an enjoyable holiday and were able to spend quality time with family & friends - and maybe even with your sewing machine. My main goal for the new year is to stay healthy! It seems like I've been catching germ that comes my way & I was very sorry to miss our holiday party. I definitely missed all the good food that this group brings out for parties.

In 2017, I focused on completing some UFOs that were sitting around in the pile and while I made some good progress, there's still a big pile of quilt tops to get finished. I will continue to work to get them to the completion stage in 2018.

I ask that you make a commitment to this guild & not just do the minimum -- make extra community service items, volunteer for either the Program Committee or one of the Board positions. I know we will have your support in working the quilt show in May, but get more involved & participate in the running of the guild - that's the best way for your voice to be heard & keep this guild going for another 35 years.

At the January meeting, I will be asking for volunteers for a nominating committee - this is the year we vote in a new VP & Treasurer. If you are interested in volunteering for either the committee or one of the positions - let me know. Both Kathy & Charlene are willing to help explain their roles.

**THE PROGRAM COMMITTEE** for guild years 2016-2017 and 2017-2018 will be retiring at the end of June, 2018. In order to have programs in place, with contracts for speakers lined up, it is essential to start planning the 2018-2019 year no later than March 2018. Please consider volunteering for this important job!! The committee will help you get started with all the necessary information and procedures. Contact Nancy Weston if interested.



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**Colonial Quilters Guild General Meeting Dec. 12, 2017 - MINUTES**

The meeting was called to order by vice president Kathy Kemmerer at 7:24. The guild needs a nominating committee for the vice president and the treasurer positions. The guild needs a program committee as soon as possible.

Charlene Weiss, the treasurer, gave the balance as \$17,217.73. Darlene Repsher motioned to accept this report; Mary Misiura seconded it. There were 57 members in attendance. Newsletter articles are due by 12/20/2017.

Charlene Weiss read the LVHN year-end article about our guild's donations of mastectomy bags and the children's quilts.

Jami Cooper stated that the 2 community service dates are 2/24/18 for mastectomy bags and 6/16/18 for Stashing for Charity. For 2/24 members were told to bring 2 cut-out sets of mastectomy bags and pillows (Susan has a pattern). For 6/16 they are accepting bright colored 5" squares.

Jane Merkle stated that a get-well card was sent to Eugenia Emert. The Dec. birthday raffle was won by Mary Misiura. Ellie Lazur gave fat quarters to the winners: Cathy Mouer, Dolores Bartek, Dolores Danner, and Karen LeyFent. Kathy Lopez awarded \$22.50 to Rayann Rohrer for the library raffle.

Betsy Lawrence, the Quilt Show chairperson, showed the guild the booklet, "The Quilt Shop Navigator, NE edition." Sue Nelson suggested to keep the booklet as a reference in the guild's library. All chairpersons for the show are filled. Bring in the raffle stubs and money as soon as possible. Lois Walters reported 70 quilts have been registered by 19 members. For registration by January, one will receive a chance to win 1 vendor buck. Magazines will be sold for \$0.50 at the guild meetings. Mary Misiura has registration forms for the boutique. Members were asked to donate turkeys for the café BBQ. January 22, 2018 is the next quilt show meeting.

Sheri Seip was not present to be recognized as a founding member.

The 35th anniversary June dinner registration will be taken in March, 2018. Signup for our last workshop (April 11) will start in January. If we do not have 15 paid registrations by March 19, the workshop may be canceled.

The program committee did a marvelous job of planning and implementing the Christmas meeting program.

Respectfully submitted, Susanne C. Nelson

**From Kathy Kemmerer, VP:** There are still openings for new members!

✔ **JANUARY MEETING CHECKLIST!** ✔

- BRING Fat Quarters for FQ lottery
- BRING 5" squares for "Stashing for Charity"
- Turn in quilt raffle ticket money
- Bring 12 bright layer cake (10" squares) for RCL
- Sign up for April 11 workshop

**UPCOMING DATES**

- 1/9 Regular meeting and layer cake fun**
- 1/22 Quiltfest meeting**
- 2/5 Board meeting 6:45**

**A note about the newsletter:**

Due to the December holiday and your editors' schedules, the January issue may arrive a little later to those who get it mailed.

COMMUNICATION NEWS



**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! )

**MYGROVE** : The guild has another **new communication tool**, MyGrove, which has partnered with the Mid-Atlantic Quilt Guild Network (MAGNet). Some of the officers and committee chairs have been using it for a while and we are planning to add the members to it. We will be able to share and communicate about Colonial Quilters events and activities and share information about upcoming shows and speakers with other guilds, which you can find on the calendar. If you chose, MyGrove 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). We will explain more about this at the January meeting.

The site is extremely user friendly and the company that provides it is very helpful. MyGrove takes your privacy very seriously and your email is visible ONLY to other Colonial Quilters members.

At the outset we would like to give you the **opportunity to decline participation**. If you would not like to be added to this group please respond to Nancy Weston, [imcajuntwo@me.com](mailto:imcajuntwo@me.com), indicating as much before Feb. 16, 2018. We will explain more at the January meeting.

For those of you who do not decline participation, you will receive an email from Spencer Morgan with 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.

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 from MyGrove, you can simply click unsubscribe at the bottom of any email you receive from our group.

**Fat Quarter Lottery**

Jan. theme - Animal prints



Bring in a fat quarter or two. You have a chance to win a stack of fat quarters. Fat quarters are 18" x 22" fabric. Please only bring fat quarters that are the theme of the month and are quality quilt fabrics.  
- Ellie Lazar

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

Ali Noor Bano	1/5
Ellie Lazar	1/8
Martha Sterling	1/12
Laurel Eime	1/21
Darlene Repash	1/24
Sheri Seip	1/27
Evelyn Wiedl	1/31

**Grandma's In the Garbage: A Memory Quilt Book**

by Steve & Mica Westover. In this story, Grandma creates a memory quilt for her granddaughter from scraps of unforgettable fabrics.





**SAVE THE DATES! 2017 Calendar of Events:  
Programs, Workshops, Saturday Sewcials and Charity Sewing**

**PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE OF DATES ON THE SATURDAY SEWCIAL AND THE CHARITY SEWING DAY!**

**BOARD MEETINGS: 2/5, 3/5, 4/2, 5/30, 6/4, 8/6**

**QUILTFEST MEETINGS: 1/22, 2/26 3/26, 4/23**

- 1/9/18 Meeting: Layer Cake Celebration with Layer-Cake R-C-L Poker and layer-cake treats, presented by the Program Committee. See information elsewhere in newsletter for what you need to bring.
- 2/13 Meeting: Hand sewing for the Quiltfest Boutique, focusing on the "Reuse, Recycle, and Renew" theme, presented by the Program Committee. Info elsewhere in newsletter: what to bring.
- **2/24 (DATE CHANGE) Community Service sewing day, 9am-4pm. Mastectomy Bags, other projects**
- 3/13 Meeting: Quiltfest preparation and organization, presented by the Quiltfest Committee
- **3/24 Saturday Sewcial, 9am-4pm. \$5 - date changed from 3/17**
- 4/10 Meeting: Eleanor Levie, "Rock Your Quilting" - Eleanor will show a dozen different and unconventional ways to inject originality and unique style into your quilting by designing new blocks, adding unusual materials, techniques and embellishments, and personalizing with names or monograms.
- **4/11 Workshop: 9am-4pm. Eleanor Levie, PROGRAM CHANGE: "Weave a Quilt With Me." See info elsewhere in newsletter.**
- **5/5-6 The Colonial Quilters Guild's Quiltfest (show), Charles Chrin Community Center, 4100 Green Pond Rd., Palmer Township, PA. Sat. 10-5, Sun. 10-4**
- 5/8 Meeting: Merry May, "Quivial Pursuit" - Hilarious quilting trivia game show hosted by a Famous Unknown Quilter. A fun program after the hard work of the quilt show!
- 6/12 CQG 35th Anniversary Banquet, BLUE Event Center, 6-9pm. Choice of 3 entrees plus a vegan selection of penne pasta. Entertainment by the Program Committee. \$20 deposit per member. More details later!! Registration and meal choices start in March.
- 6/16 Community Service sewing day, 9am-4pm - Children's Quilts using the 5" squares collected all year
- 7/10 and 8/14 Open Sew, 6-9pm



**TIME DATED! Till Jan 7th only!** The American Folk Art Museum in NY City (2 Lincoln Square - Columbus Avenue between 65th and 66th Streets): exhibition entitled **"War and Pieced: Quilts From Military Fabrics."** The exhibit features 29 sturdy, intricate wartime quilts that include ones from the British colonies, **all made by MEN**: soldiers, sailors, and regimental tailors, all made from scraps of soldiers uniforms - especially felted wool. The show's last day is Jan. 7, so hurry if you don't want to miss it! Open every day, admission is free.

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

- Workshop: March 24, 2018 – BVQ, Mini Mosaics Workshop #2 by Cheryl Lynch. Bethel Township Community Building, 1092 Bethel Rd, Garnet Valley, PA. \$28 for class; \$14 kit fee. No sewing machine needed. Contact Betty Jean Boyd to sign up: [bettyjboyd@aol.com](mailto:bettyjboyd@aol.com)

**Programs for January and February 2018 FABRICS YOU WILL NEED**

At the **January meeting**, we will have an RLC (Right, Left and Center ) game using 10" Squares. Remember we have done this in the past with 2 1/2" strips. Each person will be asked to bring twelve (12) 10" squares in polka dots, stripes, plaids, florals, or solids and they must be BRIGHT COLORS (Red, Orange, Yellow, Blue, Green, Purple, Pink, Turquoise, etc). You can cut your own 10" squares or purchase a pre-cut layer cake and ask a few members to share in the cost and divide up the fabric. **IMPORTANT!!!! If anyone has RCL dice they can share that evening, please bring to the meeting.** (Wendy Bookhultz at [Hippoweb@aol.com](mailto:Hippoweb@aol.com) , 240-731-5293)

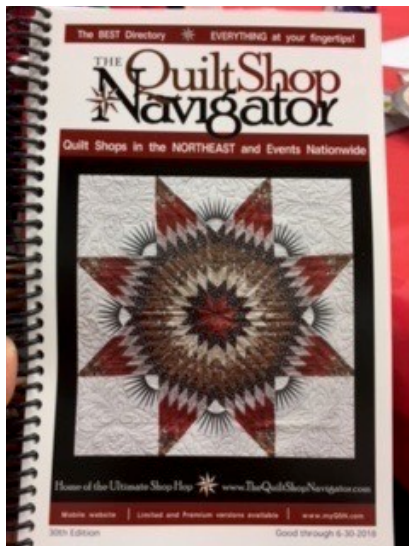
At the **February meeting** we will be making folded fabric stars to sell in the boutique at Quiltfest in May. You will need to bring 4 prepared fabric strips cut to 3 1/4 x 13". Strips can be different fabrics or 4 of the same. Please use holiday prints or solids including a variety of colors (think Red, Green, Blue, Purple, etc.)(Note: fabric with gold, silver threads don't work well.) Bring extras if you choose because at the meeting you can exchange strips with others if you like. Each completed star uses 4 strips. The hangers are made from black embroidery floss, which we will have available. Bring a small pair of scissors if possible, and a needle with an eye that can take a few strands of embroidery floss. Also helpful: a pair of tweezers, and binder clips or wonder clips.



**TO PREPARE FABRIC STRIPS - Make 4**

1. Press each strip in half lengthwise, wrong sides together to create a center fold. Open up.
2. Fold in each long side again lengthwise in to center fold and press
3. Fold again lengthwise in half and press. Your

**Here we are on the 2018 cover of the Quilt Shop Navigator!**



**About our cover: "Star of Bethlehem"**

The Colonial Quilters Guild of Bethlehem, PA held their first organizational meeting June 14, 1983. Meetings are currently held on the second Tuesday of the month of September through June. We are proud that we have over 100 members celebrating 35 years as an organization and providing community service to local charities. Our guild's charity program makes and donates pillow cases, children's and preemie quilts to local hospitals along with mastectomy pillows and bed quilts to local oncology and hospice centers within our community. Quilts are also made and donated for distribution by the Wounded Warriors Project.

The guild's 14th Quilt Show will be May 5-6, 2018 at the Charles Chrin Community Center, 4100 Green Pond Rd, Palmer Township, PA. Admission is \$8. We will be presenting a special program, "Quilting Project Runway", which will be presented by nationally known author Eleanor Levie, at 1pm on May 5. Our guild has donated portions of its profits and raffles to a local women shelter, children's cancer and family support center, along with a local chapter of the Miracle League. This year we will be donating to the Meals on Wheels of Northampton County, Inc. More information on the quilt show can be found at [www.colonialquilters.org](http://www.colonialquilters.org).

This year's raffle quilt is named the "Star of Bethlehem". The pattern was designed by Edyta Sitar and constructed with her permission using a combination of traditional machine and paper piecing by guild members Darlene Repash & Richele Voice. The machine quilting was done by guild member Lois Walters.

**LAST WORKSHOP !!**

We have 1 remaining workshop (4/11, 9am-4pm) this guild year: Eleanor Levie's "**WEAVE A QUILT WITH ME.**" We will start taking signups at the January meeting or you may send your check (made to CQG) to Nancy Weston (2615 Union Ct., Bethlehem, AP 18017).

**NO SEWING MACHINES needed !!** — only a spirit of adventure! In this playful workshop, you'll create artful weavings of fabric strips and ribbons, audition sequences and arrange blocks in a row to make a Skinny quilt/table runner, wall hanging, album cover, pillow top, or project of any size. Along the way, Eleanor will help you develop a sense of design and composition, value and color, movement and shape, balance and rhythm to kick your artistry up several notches. She will also share lots of materials and tips on quick and easy ways to sandwich, quilt, and finish the edges of your tapestry after you get home.

**WE NEED 15 MEMBERS SIGNED UP AT \$35 EACH BY MARCH 18! PLEASE SIGN UP AND COME OUT TO THIS EVENT!**

Comments from previous workshop participants:

*I love this, and wanna keep doing this technique--you've given us so many great ideas to use!--Susan, Moorestown Area Quilters of NJ*

*I thoroughly enjoyed the weaving workshop with Elly. Can't wait to finish the project! I learned so much about color theory as we went along. What a fun day!--Ellen, Pomegranate Guild, Masorot Chapter/Greater Philadelphia*

Class Supply List:

First, choose a color palette for your creation to match the décor where it will go. Make sure you have similar and complementary colors in light, medium, and dark values.

\*2 yards of any old fabric for a portable work surface (this could become your backing)

\*1 yard of paper-backed, heavy-duty fusible web, 17" wide (I recommend heavy-duty Wonder-Under)

\*Scraps and/or fat eighths of fabrics in your chosen colors—at least 6 different ones

\*12" lengths of ribbons, lace, rickrack, and/or braided trims in colors to match and contrast; satin ribbons are great for shine, while metallics such as gold and silver are great for zing!

(\*Optional, which you'll need at home: thin batting or flannel for a filler)

Tools: \*Basic rotary cutting supplies, \*Pins and pin cushion, \*Fabric-cutting scissors

\*Teflon presser sheet if possible



**FAT QUARTER EXCHANGE**



In order to encourage more participation in the FQ exchange, we are providing you with a list of the monthly themes of the year so that you can plan ahead when you go fabric shopping!

**Jan** - animal prints    **Feb** - hearts red&white, pink    **March** - greens, Irish prints  
**Apr** - polka dots, stripes    **May**- flowers    **June** - banquet - *no FQ exchange*

**NEW PROJECT - monthly "stashing for charity"**



"Charm Squares/5" squares" project: each month, bring in at least a dozen 5" squares. These can be cut from the stash you want to use up; however, we are particularly interested in fussy-cut children's fabrics or solids that will coordinate. For every month you contribute, your name will be put in a lottery. At the last meeting, names will be drawn for a free year's membership. Blocks will be used at a charity sewing day in June to make premie & children's cancer quilts. We need backings donated, too!

**COMMUNITY SERVICE NEWS from Susan and Jami**

Please remember you can fulfill your service requirement by participating in Mastectomy Day on Saturday, February 24, 9-3am. **NEW for this year: we are asking that you bring two cut out and ready to sew mastectomy bags and pillows.** Don't forget each bag has two layers the outside of the bag and the coordinating lining. The patterns are available from Susan and Jami at the Community Service table. We will also have a limited number cut-out bags available also. \*\*\*\*\* This is a fabulous day of fellowship and if you are a new member, a great way to get to know fellow guild members. Please bring your machine, a lunch, and be prepared to have fun!! There will be a signup sheet at the community service table at the January meeting. We will be available to answer any questions. Thank you for all that you do, dear fellow guild members, we so appreciate it.



**TURNING POINT**

**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 may be a special activity, possibly at the June charity sew day.

from GENEROSITY, the Annual Impact Report 2017 from Lehigh Valley Health Network

**Sew Comforting:  
The Colonial Quilters Guild**

Many quilts are labors of love. But when you're creating them to benefit women and children undergoing cancer treatment, they're passion projects.

Just ask members of the Colonial Quilters Guild, who recently donated children's quilts to Lehigh Valley Hospital (LVH)-Muhlenberg and mastectomy pillows with tote bags to LVH-Cedar Crest. They also donated a portion of the proceeds from their annual quilt show to both hospitals. And every October, Colonial Quilters Guild members specifically gather for Mastectomy Day, a Saturday of communal quilting for mastectomy patients.

"For our children's quilts, we use children's fabrics and try to make them as colorful as possible so it occupies them while they're receiving their medicine," says Charlene Weiss, the Guild's treasurer. "For the quilted mastectomy pillows, we try not to make them cancer specific. We want to take your mind off it. And that's the whole idea of everything we do, to give you more comfort."



**NOTE: Raffle quilt tickets:**

Ticket stubs and money are to be returned in a sealed envelope with your name on it (there will be a basket at the front table for you to turn in your ticket stubs and money.). If you need more tickets, email [raffletickets@colonialquilters.org](mailto:raffletickets@colonialquilters.org)

**QUILT SHOW NEWS FROM LILLIAN BEHRENS**

\*\*Happy New Year from the Quilt Show Committee. Thanks to everyone who has turned in registration forms to Lois - it is much appreciated.

\*\*Turkey donations: You can either keep the turkey in your freezer until the quilt show or Lisa will pick it up and put it in her freezer. Lisa: 610-914-4528, [lisa.f.zinkler@gmail.com](mailto:lisa.f.zinkler@gmail.com)

\*\*The Book Nook reminder: The nice man in the red truck before the meeting will accept your books (quilting, crafts, cookbooks) and donations for door prizes and Tricky Tray.

\*\*Magazines - starting in January, we will be accepting magazines that will be sold at meetings; bring your magazines into the meeting room and Ann Reiners will be at a table to accept them.

\*\*If you have any items for the Tricky Tray that are too unwieldy to bring to the meeting, contact Charlene and she will arrange for her and her helpful hubby to pick up the item.



\*\*Next Quilt Show committee meeting is January 22, 2018 at 6:45pm.

**QUILTFEST NEWS ..... Vendor Bucks**

Earn 1 chance to win for **each** Quilt Registration Form returned by January 9, 2018. The drawing for the Vender Bucks winner will be at our April 10 meeting.

All quilt registration forms must be turned in by March 12, 2018. You may turn in the forms at the monthly meetings, mail them to Lois Walters, 2851 Hope Ridge Drive, Easton, PA, 18045 or email them to [LWalt50@aol.com](mailto:LWalt50@aol.com).

REMINDER: The completed challenge quilt submission forms go to Susan Truby.



**QUILT SHOW CHALLENGE : Reuse,Recycle and Repurpose = Reborn**

**From Susan Truby: a reminder of the rules for the challenge item for quilfest:**

1. The quilt can be any size; **also ALLOWED are quilted items - not just quilts - clothing, purses**
2. The front of the quilt must have at least 50% recycled fabric; any type of fiber from silk, brocade, satin and cotton - just to name a few - can be used, including polyester!
3. You can embellish any way you like: buttons, beads,embroidery.
4. Write a brief description of the Reused,Recycled and Repurposed Fabrics used, where you obtained them and why you used them. **Challenge quilt submission forms go to Susan Truby!**





**FOUNDING MEMBERS** by Sue Nelson

Since the Colonial Quilters Guild is celebrating 35 years of fellowship and quilting, the guild is highlighting a founding member in the newsletter each month.



**Founding Member: Bev Repsher**

Another founding member of the guild is Bev Repsher. Over the years, she has been a secretary, worked at Blue Shield, and owned The Quiltery. Bev has coached boys baseball and has been a Girl Scout leader for Cadets/Seniors. Now retired, she has 2 therapy dogs. Every week she quilts at her church, Salem U.C.C., with the ladies aid of which she is the president. She has been married since 1968.

Thirty-five years ago, Bev was asked by Mary Ann Dutkin if there was an interest in starting a guild. Bev thought it was a good idea. Bev has been the guild's secretary and treasurer. She is currently the historian.

Bev likes to piece quilts and over the years, she has done everything. She likes to start the quilt and then complete it with hand quilting. She loves seeing the completed project. She does not do much paper piecing. Her many quilts can be found locally and in different states.

One of her favorite quilts she made for her grandmother. It had houses on it with the families' names in the houses. She makes tee-shirt and bowtie quilts for women who have lost their husbands. She turns memories into quilts.

Bev's quilting advice is to try everything: patterns, techniques, classes, and go from there. Quilting is not for everyone, but quilting women are the best!

Thank you, Bev, for your commitment to the Colonial Quilters Guild for 35 years.

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

by Bev Repsher, Historian



1997/1998 - We started a new system for desserts. Every member, in alphabetical order, will be required to bring a dessert.

This may have been the first year we participated at the Blueberry festival in Bethlehem.

Made quilts for the boys and girls of the Children's Home of Easton

Made quilts for the Marines Toys for Tots Program.

Paid the church rent for one year \$500.00

1999/2000 - It was decided by board members that when we have a speaker we will have the program first and the business meeting after.

We showed quilts at the Spring Garden School.

We had our 5th Quilt Show at Moravian College and it was called Pride of Bethlehem. A \$ amount was given to Meals On Wheels.

We went to the Burnside Plantation's Blueberry Festival and demonstrated quilting.

Teddy Bears were made for the Bethlehem Police Dept. and St. Lukes Hospital.

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No members need to bring snacks this month. The program committee is providing a layer-cake extravaganza in keeping with the program theme of the evening !

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Regular Guild meetings are held on the  
**second Tuesday of the month**  
(September through June) at 7:00 pm  
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