



**** The September meeting will start at 6:50 PM ****

President's message from Nancy Snow:

Welcome back everyone. It almost feels like returning to school, but much, much better because this is what we do for fun!! I'm looking forward to seeing what everyone has been working on this summer. We had a nice turn out for the July and August open sews where we concentrated on making pillow cases that are being donated to Turning Point. Thanks to everyone who came out.

2018 is going to be a busy year - It's our Quilt Show & 35th Anniversary. We need people to step-up & volunteer for one of the quilt show committee openings. I hope you will consider volunteering. If you have volunteered in the past for a position, consider taking a job that you've never done before and give it a new/fresh viewpoint. Grab your friend & work together to distribute the load.

Strive to be active & get involved, smile at a stranger & meet the new members that have joined recently, take a class to learn a new technique or pattern. But most of all -- HAVE FUN - that's the real reason that we're all here!!

As the old song lyrics say: See you in September, See you when the summer's through....

PIECES OF THE PAST - THE COLONIAL QUILTERS GUILD

by Bev Repsher, Historian

Since it is a guild anniversary year, each month I will let you know what has happened since The Colonial Quilters Guild started. I hope you find it interesting and if there are any questions, please don't hesitate to ask me. This is how the Guild got started: A series of meetings were held at The Quiltery, Nazareth, Pa, for the purpose of forming a quilting guild. The first preparatory meeting took place on February 3, 1983 and the last meeting, which was just before the first guild meeting, was held on June 7, 1983. The organizers of the guild were: Mary Ann Dutkin, E. Lorraine Miller, Mary Beth Gower, Pam Probasco, Beverly Repsher and Sheri Purdy. The first organizational meeting of the guild was held on Tuesday, June 14, 1983 at 7 PM. A group of 93 women met at the Easton National Bank & Trust, 25th & Northampton St., Easton, Pa. We viewed a film "Quilts in Woman's Lives." Our first organized meeting place was at the Leader 11 Nursing & Rehab Center, Bethlehem, Pa., on Tuesday, November 7th, 1983 at 7pm. The first year we made a quilt named Hope, for the Ronald McDonald House in Wisconsin, and it was made by 40 guild members and also quilted by guild members under the direction of Joan Lukens. The pattern was a double star of blue & burgundy with a yellow center. Dues went from January/January and were \$5.00 yearly. There is no record of minutes nor any papers for the years 1983 and 1984.

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

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Colonial Quilters Guild General Meeting June 13, 2017 - MINUTES

Call to Order The meeting was called to order by President Eugenia Emert at 7:03 p.m.

Secretary Minutes & Correspondence-The May 9, 2017 general meeting minutes were approved by Barbara Smith and seconded by Nancy Blankowitch.

Treasurer's Report- Charlene Weiss

The balance is \$14,277.33. The treasurer's report will be placed on file for audit.

Vice President- Kathy Kemmerer- Eighty-nine members are in attendance. Three new member were in attendance Karen Layfert, Patricia Root and Kate Mulberger. The guild is taking new members. The door prize was won by Jane Merkel. Renewals are due by June 30th.

Nomination Chair- Betsy Lawrence presented a slate of officers. Nancy Snow was installed as guild president. Susanne Nelson will be the secretary. Kathy Kemmerer and Charlene Weiss will complete their terms as Vice President and Treasurer.

Bus Trip- There is a bus trip scheduled for Hershey Quilt Show on July 22, 2017. Cost is \$32.00 plus \$10.00 show admission. Contact Boots Horwath.

Community Service- Susan Truby & Jami Cooper- There will be a pillowcase making session at the July Summer Open Sew.

Communications- Nancy Weston & Susanne Nelson- The Sept. newsletter information is due to Nancy and Sue by Aug. 22, 2017.

Library- Kathy Lopez & Betsy Lawrence- Sharon Rehrig and Stephanie Oblas each won \$20.75 from the 50-50 raffle.

Fat Quarter Exchange- Ellie Lazar- Eugenia Emert and Dolores Bartik each won 1 pack of squares

Quilters' Yard Sale- It was a good day. Profits of \$600 were donated to Holy Cross Church for their continued support of our guild. Money came from the boutique, bake sale and table rentals. Cindy Fantasia volunteered to run a 2018 sale in April or June. Possibilities will be discussed at Aug. Board meeting.

Quilt Show – Betsy Lawrence explained what chairmen are still needed to complete the Quilt Show committee. First meeting is Sept.25th at 6:45 in the Adult Sunday School room.

Program –Make your own Sundae event. The Mystery Quilt will be unveiled. Pineapple Workshop participants showed their projects. Members also had Show and Tell. The September meeting will begin at 6:50 PM so a speaker from Meals on Wheels can address the membership.

Jody Beck Workshop will be held Sept.13th. Registration will continue until Aug. 1st.

Announcements- June 12, 2018 will be the 35th anniversary dinner at Blue. Details will follow at a later date. Motion to adjourn was made by Mary Henning and seconded by Mary Misiura.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Emert/ Smullen

Reminder: 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. The newsletter is also posted prior to reach meeting on the www.colonialquilters.org webpage under members only. Enter imcajuntwo@me.com and queeniesue18@gmail.com into your email address book/contacts to make sure you receive the newsletter/messages, and check your spam box as well.



THINGS TO KNOW FOR THE YEAR



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!

Sept - football **Oct** - Halloween **Nov** - black&white **Dec** - Christmas, holiday

Jan - animal prints **Feb** - hearts red&white, pink **Mar** - greens, Irish prints

Apr - polka dots, stripes **May** - flowers **June** - banquet - *no FQ exchange*

Saturday Sewcials 9am-4pm \$5 11/11/2017, 3/17/2018

Please consider coming out for a Saturday Sewcial. This is a great opportunity to get to know each other while enjoying something we all love to do! You can sign up at a meeting but you also can just join us & pay your \$5 at the door even if you did not sign up. Remember:

—Bring your own lunch (or go out to lunch). We will have a list of local eating places that are within a short drive. Coffee and tea will be available. Optional: bring a snack to share (optional).

—Bring your projects, sewing machine and supplies. We provide cutting tables, ironing boards and irons and mats.

----If you have a small project that you would like to teach, contact a member of Program or Sat.

Sewcial committee so we can agree on a date to give attendees enough time to get supplies.



NEW PROJECT - monthly “stashing for charity”

For several years we did the block-of-the-month as a monthly guild project. Last year we did the Mystery Quilt. This year we are doing a “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 sew day in June to make premie & children’s cancer quilts.

QUILT SHOW CHALLENGE : Reuse,Recycle and Repurpose = Reborn



From Susan Truby: Quilters have always found a way to get the fabric that they needed to make quilts to keep loved ones warm. From the humble scrap bag with bits of fabric saved from making clothing to saving feed sacks to make quilts, quilters have worked their magic to create beautiful quilts for their families and friends.

We as quilters have also recycled and repurposed ties and men's shirts to honor loved ones. We make t- shirt quilts for our kids. We save baby clothes to put into their quilts for their wedding day. We save jeans to make quilts for our kids to play on, take naps on and take to college. We take bits and pieces of scraps given to us from

dear friends to make string quilts. We repurpose vintage blocks, orphan blocks, embroidered pillowcases and handkerchiefs and old quilt tops made long ago, and we breathe new life into them. This challenge is a celebration of taking a recycled fabric and giving it new life. I hope that you join me on this adventure! The rules are simple -

1. The quilt can be any size.
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 the quilt 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.



SAVE THE DATES! 2016-2017 Calendar of Events: Programs, Workshops, Saturday Sewcials and Charity Sewing

(NOTE ABOUT SHOW & TELL: show & tell will take place at every meeting except the June banquet. The show & tell limit is three pieces/articles per member on any given night.)

- 9/12 Meeting: **6:50 start time!** Program: Jody's Jems Presentation and Trunk Show of Jody's patterns and adventures as she relocated many times with her husband of 34 years
- 9/13 Workshop: Starry Wonder Table Topper, Jody Beck, 9am-1pm
- 10/10 Meeting: Laura Lyman, Color Play Presentation - Hands-on experience on color concepts to help quilters choose color combinations that wow! Choosing and arranging color swatches allows participants to see how colors work together and helps determine color preferences. Instructions are provided to complete a wall-size quilt in various color combinations such as complimentary colors, triads, analogous colors, and monochromatic colors.
- 10/14 Workshop: Color Play Workshop - Make a nine-block wall hanging to practice the color concepts learned in the *Color Play* presentation. Requires a wide selection of solid or tone-on-tone-fabrics which can be shared among participants. A fun day of playing with color to create vibrant combinations and to learn about your own color preferences. (Prerequisite: Attendance at the Color Play Presentation on 10/10). 9am-4pm, \$25
- 11/11 Saturday Sewcial, 9am-4pm. \$5
- 11/14 Meeting: Barbara Schulman, Fiber Artist - "A Textile Artist Inspires Us to Reuse, Recycle, and Renew" - She will show some of her work, in which she uses paint, fire, razor blades, bandaids, credit card pieces etc., when working the surface of a quilt. She will also present visuals of quilts by artists who use innovative materials and techniques, with the goal of inspiring you to create your own Reuse, Recycle, Renew quiltfest challenge quilt.
- 12/12 Meeting: Holiday potluck and fun, presented by the Program Committee
- 1/9/18 Meeting: Layer Cake Celebration with Layer-Cake Poker and layer-cake treats, presented by the Program Committee
- 2/10 Community Service sewing day, 9am-4pm. Mastectomy Bags and other projects
- 2/13 Meeting: Hand sewing for the Quiltfest Boutique, focusing on the "Reuse, Recycle, and Renew" theme, presented by the Program Committee
- 3/13 Meeting: Quiltfest preparation and organization, presented by the Quiltfest Committee
- 3/17 Saturday Sewcial, 9am-4pm. \$5
- 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, "Trash Stash Quilting" - Play hooky away from your quilting fabrics. Combine tea-bag packaging, coffee bags, and other foil-lined packaging along with felt, buttons, and bottle caps, to create little works of folk art. Last chance to get ideas for the QuiltFest challenge!
- 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.
- 6/16 Community Service sewing day, 9am-4pm - Children's Quilts using the 5" squares collected all year
- 7/10 Open Sew, 6-9pm
- 8/14 Open Sew, 6-9pm



WORKSHOP — The March programs with **Jody Beck** (trunk show and talk, workshop) were canceled due to the snowstorm. Jody is rescheduled to do the September meeting on the 12th and her workshop will be on the 13th. The workshop is \$25 and will go from 9am-1pm. The fee includes the pattern. If you want to take the workshop but are not yet signed up, email Mary Jo or call her (484-281-3525), and then make arrangements mary.gonsiorowski@yahoo.com. There is a pdf file attached to the newsletter that has the supply list.

WORKSHOP — Laura Lyman will be doing the regular meeting-night program (a lecture and demo) on October 10th. On Saturday October 14th she will do a workshop, **COLOR PLAY**, based on her presentation. When you sign up for the workshop, you will receive a materials/supplies list (it is also a pdf attached to the newsletter email). Laura recommends that you do not buy your fabrics until after the lecture because you will get information at the lecture on how to choose fabrics. Laura will bring ample supplies of my hand-dyed fabrics for members to choose from at the lecture as well as at the workshop, so you will not need to worry about having the right fabrics. What you can do in advance: **start separating out solid and tone-on-tone fabrics- NO multi-colored prints - to bring to the lecture for the demo.**



WORKSHOP PARTICIPATION - New twist on workshops! We have 4 workshops this guild year. For each one that you pay for and attend, your check (or cash) will be put in a container at the workshop on the workshop day, and one person's fee will be drawn out of the container. That person will receive back her check/cash!

QUILT SHOW HELP WANTED:

Quilt Show planning is under way. There are a number of Committee Chair openings for the 2018 Quilt Show. The Committee Chair responsibilities include organizing you committee actives and help in planning the quilt show. The first large planning meeting will be held on Monday September 26. More details in the September newsletter. Open committees are: Admissions, Book Nook, Boutique, Café, Displays, Door Prizes, Program Pamphlet, Raffles, Registration, Secretary, Set up/take down, Vendor Care. For more details on any of the committee chairs responsibilities, contact Betsy Lawrence. Working on the quilt show planning is a great way to get involved in your guild and to know other guild members. Profits from the show benefit our charity and other guild activities like programs. **9/26 is the first QuiltFest (Quilt Show) planning meeting !! 6:45pm** in the Adult Sunday School room at the church. All committee chairs should plan to attend the first meeting.

Any guild member who is considering volunteering as a show committee member is more than welcome to attend the meeting to see which open chair would be a good fit for her.

NOTE: Raffle quilt tickets will be handed out starting at the Oct. meeting; contact Deb Shupe if you need them earlier.

THE PROGRAM COMMITTEE for quilt 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 you are interested.

UPCOMING EVENTS AND DATES

******Save the date! The Colonial Quilters Guild's Quiltfest (show) will be held May 5-6, 2018*

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

- **Quilting Cousins** - Sharon Kubich of Phillipsburg, NJ, runs 4 wonderful quilt retreats per year, mostly at the St. Francis Retreat House in Easton. Contact her at sharon.kubich@gmail.com, 908-343-9031, to get information for the "Quilting Cousins" retreat.
- October 7 (7 nights) - **Quilt Retreat Cruise**, Canada and New England 2 sewing days at sea. 9 partial deposit due. <http://ageiger.dreamvacationsgroups.com/#/groups/7946649>

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.

TEDDE ANDERSON is a founding member of the guild. She worked in accounts payable in Oregon and moved to Hellertown, PA in 1981 when her husband got a job at Lehigh University. She is married and has two grown daughters, one son, and a "herd" of grandchildren and great grandchildren.

She joined the guild in 1983. She was not employed outside the home when she moved to Hellertown. Not knowing many people, Tedde was saved when guild members helped her through hardships.

Starting in the late 1970's, Tedde has made over 50 quilts. She is self-taught and also has taken lessons from Lorraine Miller and others. Her favorite colors are teal, turquoise, and aquamarine. She likes to make scrappy quilts using fabrics from many decades, types, and colors. String quilts and same shape quilts are also her favorites. When it comes to fabric, she is almost a hoarder. In her recently made quilts, Tedde likes to put a piece of butterfly fabric in the quilt as a symbol of hope. She is one of the last holdouts for hand quilting. Along with quilting, last year Tedde loomed over 60 hats that she gave away.

She has served on numerous CQG committees. For 2 years she took pictures of the guild's activities. She worked with Ellie Lazar on the fat quarters committee. Show & Tell is her favorite part of the meetings. She used to know the ladies by the type of quilts they made.

One quilting tip from Tedde is to use many different types of fabrics. The more you use, the more you can get away with. Other tips: the only person you have to please is yourself, and a little bit of red goes a long way! She is as free as a bird when she quilts!



NEW QUILTING NOVEL

Jennifer Skinnell, a quilter from Herndon, VA, has recently published her first novel, [One Sweet Development](#), on Amazon. The first book in the Hope Springs Romance Series is about a group of women of all different ages who live in the small town of Hope Springs. The ladies of the Advice Quilting Bee meet every week at Rosie's Quilting Emporium to hand-quilt a quilt they have pieced for a deserving cause. While sitting around the quilting frame, the older ladies give advice about love, relationships and life to the younger members.



COMMUNITY SERVICE NEWS from Susan and Jami

Here is a friendly reminder about the community service requirements for Sept 2017-June 2016. Annually, each member is asked to donate something from one category. Please see the website for the categories or refer to your new member information. All donations are to be given to Susan Truby and Jami Cooper at the monthly meetings and are to have a CQG label attached. Please remember to include your name on a slip of paper pinned to your donation and sign in at our table. If you are donating 4 yards of fabric please remember it must be 100% cotton fabric of good quality and appropriate for our projects. Please wash your fabric before donating. We are so proud to be part of such a caring, giving group of women. Thank you!



TURNING POINT

from Sue Nelson

***Turning Point will take the pillowcases that were made at the sewcial.

***Turning Point was not able to use most of the clothing donated at the June meeting; only one item was accepted. This is because TP is taking only NEW clothing due to the possibility of bedbugs.

*****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.

QUILT SHOW CHARITY:

Meals on Wheels of Northampton County was chosen by guild members at the May 2017 meeting to be our charity for the 2018 Quilt Show. A Meals-on-Wheels representative will be at the September meeting to talk briefly about the program. **6:50pm meeting start time!**



Fat Quarter Lottery

Sept. Theme: Football

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



BIRTHDAYS

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



LIBRARY - from Kathy Lopez & Betsy Lawrence

NEW BOOK: Cute Quilts for Kids by Kristin Rylance

✓ SEPTEMBER MEETING CHECKLIST! ✓

- CHECK to see if it is your turn to bring snacks (see last page).
- SIGN UP for workshops 9/13 and 10/14. \$25 each. Check payable to CQG.
- BRING Fat Quarters for FQ lottery; 5" squares for "Stashing for Charity"

COLONIAL QUILTERS GUILD

September 2017

These members are asked to provide dessert (cookies, cake, fruit, etc.) for the April meeting:



Gloria Larson Betsy Lawrence Ellie Lazar Karen LeyFent
Gloria Lohn Kathy Lopez Sue Mangina
Mary Ellen Martin Joanne McCarthy Annette Mihalow

Please ask someone to take your place if you are unable to help this month. Please have snacks at the church by 6:30pm and also please help during the clean-up of the refreshment area.

October Newsletter items due by Sept. 22
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