

# COLONIAL QUILTERS GUILD

March 2017



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## **President's Message March 2017**

What a beautiful weekend! I've gotten spoiled with the warm weather but I know it is a passing fancy.

I guess you have to take the good with the bad. I have tried my help wanted approach, but that hasn't worked. I tried to guilt people into doing a job, but that isn't working. The guild really needs help. I leave my office in June and I can't do everything or leave it to the Executive board of two officers. It is possible to make a lot of smaller jobs and ask that more people get involved in order to get the jobs done. The quilt show organizer can be more than one person. We just need someone(s) who can work together to see that every item gets finished. Darlene is working on the quilt but has informed me that she can't be in charge of the raffle tickets, so we need some who is willing to follow the excellent directions of the past raffle chairwoman to get them made up, then also divide the tickets up for members so they can be sold. Most of this work can be done from the comfort of one's home, except for the distribution of the tickets at meetings. We must have a charity decided on before the tickets are printed; one thing depends on another. Here's my wish list:

- Nominating committee to seek out a candidate for President and Secretary for the guild.
- President candidate
- Secretary Candidate
- Quilt show Chair/ Organizer
- Charity
- Raffle ticket chair

Short list for a BIG job! Please consider talking to me if you have any ideas on shortening my list.

Madame President Eugenia



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From Kathy Kemmerer, VP: We still have 9 spaces for members, so let your quilting friends know who would like to join.



## Minutes – Colonial Quilters Guild – February 14, 2017

Call to Order – Meeting was called to order at 7:00PM by President Eugenia Emert.

Minutes and Correspondence – The minutes of the December meeting were approved as presented in the newsletter, motion made by Barb Smith and seconded by Judy Smullen. The minutes will be placed on file.

Treasurer's Report – Charlene Weiss gave the Treasurer's Report. Beginning balance for the month of Feb. was \$16,068.94. The Treasurer's Report will be placed on file for audit.

Community Service – Susan Truby reported on the Feb. 11th Mastectomy Day. Forty members attended the event and completed 80 bags with others being completed at home.

Vice President's Report – There were 66 members present. Marcella Smullen won the door prize.

Communications – Please have information for the newsletter to Sue Nelson and Nancy Weston by 2/22/17.

Library – Lottery drawing of \$27.00 was won by Ann Reiners.

Fat Quarter Lottery – Fat quarters were won by Kathy Lopez and Doris Woodring.

A vote was taken with a majority of the members present to continue donating personal care items to Turning Point. Sue Nelson will be the contact person for the donations.

Questions were answered regarding the Quilters Yard Sale on June 10<sup>th</sup>.

Jane Merkel announced a Sept. trip to Paducah. Anyone interested should contact her.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 PM by Nancy Weston, seconded by Boots Horwath.

Program committee continued with "Tools, Tips and Techniques". The members made fabric storage trays to be donated to Turning Point.

### COMMUNITY SERVICE NEWS

from Susan and Jami

Thanks to all that participated in this year's Community Sew Day! We filled the room at church with 40 members in attendance. We made almost 100 mastectomy bags and pillows and had a great time. In addition, members also machine quilted and took home to finish many baby quilts. It was a day filled with fun, fellowship, inspiration and food. For new members it was a great way to meet and talk with fellow guild members. We had a wonderful day. Many thanks to everyone for a job well done.

Here is a friendly reminder about the community service requirements for Sept 2016-June 2017.

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. 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!



March program : Jody Beck trunk Show and Talk on March 14; workshop on March 15: Table Topper - There are still some openings in Jody's Table Topper workshop so if anyone wants to sign up, send Mary Jo Gonsiorowski (at 1017 Resolution Drive, Bethlehem, PA 18017) a check (made payable to CQG) for \$25 by March 8. If there are still openings available by March 14, the night of Jody's talk/trunk show, you can also sign up then.



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

(\*\*denotes Show-and-Tell nights)

- 3/11 Saturday Sewcial, 9am-5pm. \$5
- 3/14 Jody Beck - Trunk Show and Talk
- 3/15 Workshop with Jody Beck: Table Topper, 9AM-1PM
- 4/3 Board meeting 6:45
- 4/11 Barb Garrett - "Come Learn About Your Antique Quilt" - Members are asked to bring in old quilts. Barb will talk about each quilt, answer questions, and share visuals and information.
- 4/22 Fabric Bus Trip to Lancaster
- 5/1 Board meeting 6:45
- 5/6 Saturday Sewcial, 9am-5pm. \$5
- 5/9 Gylene Fitzgerald - presentation: "Make Mine with Scraps"
- 5/10 Workshop with Gylene Fitzgerald: "Trash to Treasure Pineapples"
- 6/5 Board meeting 6:45
- 6/10 Quilters' Yard Sale
- 6/13 End-of-Year Potluck, Show-and-Tell of Mystery BOM quilts by guild members \*\*



From Boots: The **Fabric Bus Trip to Lancaster** will be April 22. Cost : \$32, leaving from the church at 7:30am and returning @6pm. It will be a backwards trip: first stop will be Family Fabrics, then Log Cabin, Zook's, Country Store, and Burkholders. Checks to hold your spot made to CQG by April 1. Sign up at the March meeting.

**Special Notice: PAT SLOAN EVENT April 7 and 8, 2017**  
 April 7: lecture - Evening Star Quilters' Guild, Belvedere High School Cafeteria, 809 Oxford St., Belvedere, NJ. 7pm. \$20; April 8: workshop - THE MAGIC OF EASY MACHINE APPLIQUE, St. John's UMC Church, 354 HGH ST., HOPE, NJ. \$50. Contact Sharon Kubich 908-343-9031 sharon.kubich@gmail.com

**UPCOMING EVENTS AND DATES**

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

\*\*\*\**See listings for a quilt show bus trip, June 20-25 & October Quilt Cruise*



- Through March 6: *Exhibit of four panels from The AIDS Memorial Quilt*, Bradbury-Sullivan LGBT Community Center, 522 W. Maple St., Allentown. The AIDS Memorial Quilt was the largest community art project in U.S. history. For times and more info. call 610-437-9988.
- March 2-4 - PA Relief Sale Quilt Preview, Ephrata, PA. Preview quilts to be auctioned to benefit Mennonite Central Committee. Auction will be held on March 31 – April 1 in Collegetown PA. <http://pareliefsale.org/>
- March 2-5 - The Quilt and Sewing Fest of NJ, Garden State Exhibit Center, Somerset, NJ, [www.quiltfest.com](http://www.quiltfest.com)
- March 11 (9:30-2:30): Undercover Quilter's Inspirational Fair "Something Wonderful, St. Matthew Evangelical Lutheran Church, 400 Lynbrooke Rd, Springfield, PA 19064 .Registration required for mini-sessions. <http://calicocutters.com/wp-content/uploads/2014/04/undercover-event.pdf>
- March 24-25, Homemakers Country Quilters, "Quilts of Many Colors" Quilt Show, Montgomery County Penn State Extension, Collegetown, PA, [www.homemakerscountryquilters.com](http://www.homemakerscountryquilters.com)
- March 29- April 1, AQS Quilt Show, Lancaster, PA Convention Center, [www.QuiltWeek.com](http://www.QuiltWeek.com)
- March 29-April 1, Lancaster Quilt Show, The Continental Inn, [www.lancasterquiltshow.webs.com](http://www.lancasterquiltshow.webs.com)
- April 26-29, AQS Quilt Week, Paducah, [www.quilt-show.com](http://www.quilt-show.com)
- May 5-6, Penn Oaks Quilt Guild Quilt Show, For the Love of Quilting IX, [www.pennoaksquilters.org](http://www.pennoaksquilters.org)
- May 6-7 Northern Star Quilters Guild: A World of Quilts, O'Neill Center – WCSU, West Side Campus, 43 Lake Ave Extension, Danbury, CT 06811 (used to be in Somers, NY), [www.northernstarquilters.com](http://www.northernstarquilters.com)
- June 20-25 - Shipshewana Quilt Show Bus Trip. Bus will depart from Palmertown, PA; Perkiomen Motor Coach to Goshen, IN. Costs: \$685-1095 (depending on accommodations; \$250 deposit holds your seat). Costs includes all accommodations, bus, baggage handling, 1 Amish group dinner, admission to the quilt show, an evening with Ricky Timms, quilt shop visits. Circle of Friends Quilting, [cofq2010@pdt.net](mailto:cofq2010@pdt.net), 610-657-1151
- 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>

**If you plan on taking Gyleen Fitzgerald's May 10 workshop, you might want to start now keeping your scraps in a container dedicated to use at her workshop.**

*Gyleen says: "Gather all your scraps squirreled away waiting for that "special" day. I mean all of it. This can be vintage, novelty, floral, geometric, folk art etc. No solids unless you have a huge collection that you are trying to get rid of."*

More info on Gyleen and her workshops, lectures, patterns, etc. : <http://www.colourfulstitches.com>





☑ ☑ ☑ ☑ **MEETING CHECKLIST!** ☑ ☑ ☑ ☑

March meeting:

- ☐ Check (last page) to see if you are supposed to bring snacks/dessert for the meeting
- ☐ Let us know if you are bringing an antique quilt for the April meeting - fill out a card
- ☐ Sign up for any remaining spots in the March 15 Table Topper workshop / \$25 includes pattern
- ☐ Sign up for the April 22 fabric trip to Lancaster \$32
- ☐ Sign up for May 10 workshop with Gyleen Fitzgerald \$25

NOTE: All checks should be made out to Colonial Quilters Guild

**BIRTHDAYS**



Joanne McCarthy	3/3
Nancy Weston	3/6
Geolira Lohn	3/18
Marjory Fray	3/20
Betsy Lawrence	3/21
Marie Yost	3/29
Theresa Yankow	3/30

**Fat Quarter Lottery**



March Theme: Batiks  
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

**UPCOMING DATES**

- 3/11 Saturday Sewcial, 9am-5pm. \$5
- 3/15 Jody Beck Workshop



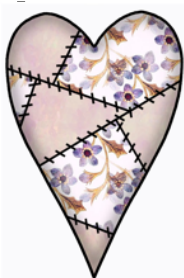
**LIBRARY - from Kathy Lopez & Betsy Lawrence**

*These new quilting books will be available at the next meeting:*



- The Bible Sampler Quilt: 96 Quilt Blocks Inspired by the Bible by Laurie Aaron Hird
- The Best of Fons and Porter Star Quilts by Leisure Arts
- Scraps and Shirtsails II, Continuing the Art of Quilting Green by Bonnie Hunter
- Miss Rosie's Farmhouse Favorites by Carrie Nelson
- Simple Christmas by Kim Diehl
- The Farmer's Wife 1920's Sampler Quilt by Laurie Aaron Hird

**Continued support for Turning Point**



At this time, Turning Point needs ladies/women's /children's sweatpants and sweatshirts, any type of comfortable clothing - yoga pants, leggings, long & short sleeve tee shirts and socks. Large-size toiletries are also being collected. Sue Nelson will have a large tote bag at the guild meetings to collect and take items to TP. Thanks for your support!

**From the presentation on February 14: Tips Tools and Techniques - Wendy Bookhultz**  
*Some of you asked at the meeting for information/address/websites for some of the tools or tips shared; here is that information:*

- Rotary blade exchange website - LP Sharp Company ([www.LPSharp.com](http://www.LPSharp.com))
- Post-It Adhesive roll - Amazon (and some Staples)
- Seam Fix stitch ripper and thread remover tool - Amazon
- Eyebrow Razors for seam ripping - Amazon or drugstore
- Plastic file folio- C-Line 13-Pocket Expanding File, Coupon Size - Amazon or dollar store
- Make your own pressing spray recipe : 2 T vodka, 2 cups distilled water, 3 drops scented oil
- For machine cleaning in tight spots: Micro Eyelash extension applicator brushes -Amazon
- Terry elastics hairband pony tail holders to secure bobbin threads - Amazon, drugstore
- Tulips Bobbin Holders and Peels Thread Spool Huggers - Amazon
- Gypsy cutting gizmo - Amazon
- Clear Hugo's Amazing tape - Amazon
- Frixion pens for marking - Staples
- Thread cutter for front of sewing machine "Sew Unique Easy Cut Thread Cutter" - Create for Less website
- ViviLux craft light - Amazon



### **Saturday Sewcial March 11**

**9am-5pm**

**\$5**

Please consider coming out for the March Saturday Sewcial. This is a great opportunity to get to know each other while enjoying something we all love to do! Think of all the fun the charity sewers had on Feb. 11!  
 We have some folks signed up but you can just join us & pay your \$5 at the door even if you did not sign up at the Feb. meeting.

**Nancy Weston will demo a small project you can make: a portable grip sewing machine foot pedal floor pad that keeps your foot pedal from "traveling" while you are using it. All you have to do is bring a small amount of fabric (a half of a FQ is fine) and a square of batting about 10'x10' - the other needed material will be supplied. No charge for this demo.**

May 6 is our last Saturday Sewcial for this year. Darlene Repash will do a snap-happy bag mini-workshop. More later on that.

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.
- Bring your projects, sewing machine and supplies. We provide cutting tables, ironing boards and irons and mats.
- Bring a snack to share (optional). Coffee and tea will be available.

**JODY BECK WORKSHOP: "Starry Wonder Table Topper"**

Wednesday, March 15, 2017 9:00 am – 1:00 pm

\$25 includes the pattern and workshop.

**\*\*\*\*\*Reminder that this is a fragrance-free workshop.****FABRIC REQUIREMENTS:**

For Sample that is scrappy (appx. 25" sq):

6 – 10" squares of different fabrics with high contrast – each pops and none read the same. Bring 30" x 35" piece of fabric for backing 25" table topper and a piece of 30" sq. batting We should get this 25" size completed, down to the quilting, in class.

IF you choose to make this the largest size, bring 6 squares all the same size from 6 fat qtrs. – all 17" or 17 1/2" or 17 3/4" squares, 57" x 57" backing with 5-6" basted in the center of the seam, and 57" x 57" batting. Plus bring your biggest square ruler – 20", 15", or Salem Rule.

Questions? MaryJo G. 609-558-0849

Jody Beck: 602-228-1364 cell (msgs) 610-326-6929 (no msgs)

**SUPPLIES NEEDED: XX Necessary**

- XX** A good working sewing machine
- XX** Cutting Mat (18"x24" is a good size)
- XX** Fabric for quilt (see below)
- XX** Extension cord or power strip
- X** Box or bag for sewing notions
- XX** Invisi Grip so rulers don't slide
- XX** 6" x 12" ruler
- X** Stiletto or The Purple Thang
- XX** 1 in. safety pins, pins opened (100)
- XX** walking foot

**X Recommended**

- XX** 60mm Rotary Cutter and new blade
- XX** Ruler (6"x24" is a good size)
- XX** 20 blank stickers or 4 blank address labels for labeling
- X** Tote for carrying supplies & project
- XX** 1/4" presser foot, if available
- XX** 6" metal sewing gauge with slider for 1/4" measure
- XX** 12 1/2" or 15" square ruler
- XX** Kwik Klip
- X** Rotating Mat

NOTE: The cutting mat MUST stay flat and out of the sun. Be careful because it will warp and be unusable.

**Basic Sewing Kit should include:**

- XX** Fabric scissors
- XX** Tape measure
- XX** Several bobbins filled
- X** Mechanical pencil
- XX** Pins (1 3/8" sharp .50mm glass head silk pins are my favorite)
- XX** White, cream, gray, or matching good quality, name brand, 100% cotton thread
- X** Hand sewing (betweens or sharps) and Sewing machine (sz 80/12) needles
- X** Magnetic pin dish or pincushion
- X** Thimble
- XX** Seam ripper (Clover is best)



### GRATITUDE

Many thanks to Carolyn Marrazzo who nearly singlehandedly cut out, sewed together, and finished off the inside seams of the 100 tidy trays we completed (hand sewing) at the February meeting. Carolyn spent many hours preparing the project for our meeting. Bravo!! And thanks to all the hand-sewers who participated in the final stitchings on February 14th.

### Quilters Indoor Yard Sale is ON!!!

Saturday June 10, 2017 9AM -2PM Holy Cross Lutheran Church



Cost for members to rent a table is \$15.00

If you donate a baked product for the bake sale, the table cost is \$10.00.

All profits at your table are yours. Tables will be assigned on a first come, first paid

basis. Each table will have 2 chairs provided for the sellers.

Set up will be from 6PM - 8PM on Friday June 9<sup>th</sup>, so we can open the doors on Saturday, ready to sell!

The guild will operate a table of cherished treasures that members can donate to if they don't want to have their own table. Donations can be brought in at the May meeting. Charlene Weiss will go through items and keep any special items for QUILTFEST 2018.

Quilts will be sold in a separate room by a volunteer from the guild.

If your quilt is sold you will owe the guild 10% of the sale price. All quilts should have a price tag. Cash and checks will be accepted. The checks are to be made out to the seller of the quilt.

Help needed to:

—Advertise the sale

—Make a large sign for front yard of church; the sign can be placed on Friday PM and needs to be removed Sat. after show

—Work at Guild table —Work at Bake Sale

—Sell quilts —Bake items to sell at bake sale

Come and buy items

Signup sheets to help will be available at March Guild meeting.

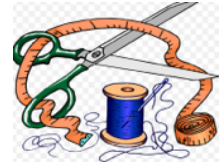
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## MYSTERY QUILT BOM - Month 7

Merry Mayhem's Case #105:

The Case of the Accidental Amish PART 6



Measure the length of your pieced quilt top, and cut the two longer Solid Black (or what color you chose for you palate) border strips — the ones you cut 'way back during Part 1 — to this length. Sew one strip to each side of your quilt top. Press seam allowances toward the border strips.

Measure the new width of your quilt top, including the two borders you just attached. Cut the remaining two Solid Black border strips to this measurement. Also cut the two shorter Dark Green (or what color you chose for you palate) border strips to this same length, but then set them aside for the moment.

Sew one Solid Black strip to the top, and the other to the bottom edge of the quilt top. Press seam allowances toward the border strips.

Measure the new length of your quilt top, including the two Solid Black borders you just added. Cut the remaining two (longer) Dark Green border strips to this length. Sew one to each side of your quilt top. Again, press the seam allowances toward the border strips.

Sew the 6 1/2" Dark Blue squares (or what color you chose for you palate) (the ones you cut 'way back during Part 1) to each end of the two Dark Green border strips you have left. Press seam allowances toward the Dark Green strips.

Sew one of these borders to the top, and the other to the bottom of your quilt top. Press seam allowances toward your border strip once again.

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

**Kristen Gregersen    Mary Ann Harmanos    Carol Hartway    Wendy Harwick  
Kate Hauck    Mary Henning    Brenda Hoagland    Gladys Hontz  
Kathleen Horvath    Joanne Hughes**

*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.*

April Newsletter articles due by March 22

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Regular Guild meetings are held on the **second Tuesday of the month**

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