



Colonial Quilters Guild

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Hello Everyone,

Today we had freezing rain and then sunshine. It felt good!

Winter is not over but spring is around the corner. We will be busy for the next two months finalizing all the plans for the Quilt Show. Finish those quilts and don't forget your quilt registrations at our March meeting.

If you haven't completed your community service project, we have 4 more meetings.

Please read the newsletter carefully. It is packed with information about everything happening this spring : The Quilt Show, The "Non-sleepover" weekend, Lancaster Bus Trip, and the Lancaster shopping trip are just a few.

Hopefully the snow storms are over for the season, if not I hope you can use your "snowed-in" time to quilt.

See you in March

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Sunshine and Shadows

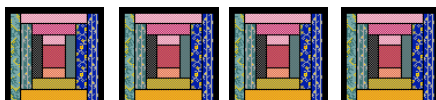
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Fat Quarter Lottery

March Theme

Green Fabrics

Bring in a fat quarter or two.

You will 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.

Event Calendar

Feb 26	Quilt Show Meeting
Mar 3	Board Meeting
Mar 7-8	Non-Sleepover
Mar 11	Monthly Meeting
Mar 15	Bus Trip - Lancaster Quilt Show
Mar 31	Board Meeting (Note date change)
Apr 8	Monthly Meeting
Apr 26	Shopping Bus Trip
May 5	Board Meeting
May 13	Monthly Meeting

PROGRAMS AND WORKSHOPS



QUILT WEEKEND - March 7-8. There's still time to sign up for one or both days of our quilt weekend! Friday from 3:00-9:00 (including dinner and snacks) and Saturday from 9:00-3:00 (including a light breakfast and lunch). The cost is \$5/day. Please call Darlene no later than March 3 if you'd like to join us. [610-442-3768](tel:610-442-3768)

MARCH - Big Show & Tell. We'll be spending a good part of our meeting talking about the quilt show, then finish up the evening with show & tell, so this is your chance to share the projects you've been working on during the snowy winter season we've been having.

APRIL - Candace Perry, **Curator of Collections** at the Schwenkfelder Library & Heritage Center will be presenting the program. She'll bring along a trunk show and talk about PA German quilting traditions, including Fraktur quilts from our area. I'm sure it will be an interesting and enjoyable presentation.

MAY - Pat and Arlan Christ of Berks County will be our guests this evening. Their presentation and trunk show is titled "The Quilt Revival of the Thirties". Arlan and Pat have an extensive collection and want to preserve the legacy of quilts from past generations by sharing the history that surrounds the art of quilting.

JUNE - **Money, Myth, and Madder: Women and Quilting during the Civil War** Michele McLaughlin, Beth Bacher and Betsy Golden will present the program they're giving at our quilt show in May.

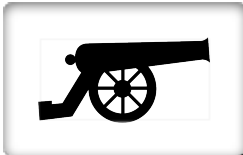
- Darlene Repash and Richele Voice

TOTE BAGS

Blue tote bags with Colonial Quilters Guild logo are available for sale. Nice wide bottom.....good for fabric , groceries etc. The cost is **\$ 1.00** ----- see Susie Metz at the meetings.



GUILD CHALLENGE



Hi Ladies, I hope you are all working on your "Civil War" Challenge. Please let me know if you have any questions. - Mary Henning

SATURDAY SEWCIAL & OPEN SEW

We would like to ask for volunteers to lead a Saturday Sewcial. Anyone with a quick project or a great technique to share is welcome to lead us some Saturday. Please get in touch with Wendy Harwick or Lillian Behrens. Thank you very much.

- Wendy Harwick & Lillian Behrens

SUNSHINE AND SHADOWS



Please let me know if anyone is in need of cheering up or has something happening that we should all celebrate!

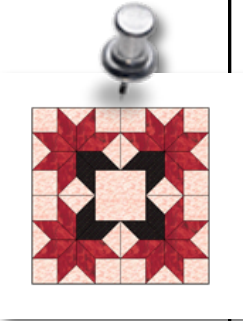
- Char Weisenbacher

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

3/1 Arlene Renninger	3/18 Gloria Lohn
3/20 Marjory Fray	3/21 Betsy Lawrence
3/27 Joyce Farley	3/30 Theresa Yankow



UPCOMING SHOWS AND EVENTS



January 13- April 6	2014 Quilt Competition and Display, Peddler's Village, Routes 202 and 263, Lahaska, PA www.peddlersvillage.com
March 6-9	Quilt Fest of New Jersey; 50 Atrium Dr. Somerset, NJ (Exit 10 of I-287) www.quiltfest.com
March 6, 7, 8	2014 Quilt Preview of quilts to be sold at the Pennsylvania Relief Sale, free admission. Shop Quilter's Corner - featuring used, unused, or unfinished quilt projects, orphan blocks, vintage items, books, patterns, magazines, linens, quilting tools, fabrics, and supplies. Shop unshippable warehouse treasures. Location: Material Resources Center, 517 W. Trout Rd., Ephrata, PA 17522, (717) 733-2847 - March 6 and 7 (9am-8pm) March 8 (9am-3pm)
March 12-15	AQS Quilt Week, Lancaster County Convention Center, 3 E. Vine Street, Lancaster, PA 17603
April 4-5	2014 Pennsylvania Relief Sale Harrisburg Farm Show Complex (Benefits Mennonite Central Committee) Shop at the Quilter's Attic at the RELIEF SALE featuring used, unused, or unfinished quilt projects, orphan blocks, vintage items, books, patterns, magazines, linens, quilting tools, fabrics, and supplies. Quilt pictures and more information www.pareliefsale.org
May 16-17	Rebecca's Reel Quilters of Poricy Park present Shore Points , a professionally judged Quilt Show, on Friday, May 16, 2014 and Saturday, May 17, 2014 from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm at Poricy Park, 345 Oak Hill Road, Middletown, NJ.



COMMUNITY SERVICE

Our guild is committed to community service and asks that each member supports that commitment in one of the following ways , annually:

- one children's oncology quilt (42" by 44" or 42" by 54") - donated to Lehigh Valley Hospital Muhlenberg
- two preemie quilts (18" by 25") - donated to Sacred Heart Hospital and St. Luke's Hospital
- two mastectomy pillows and bags - donated to Lehigh Valley Hospital Cedar Crest
- four teddy bears or cats - donated to St. Luke's Hospital Emergency Department
- one wounded soldier quilt (55" by 65" minimum donated to Quilts of Valor Foundation (<http://www.qov.org>))

Looking for a longarm quilter? Lois Walters, President of Colonial Quilters, will provide the batting and quilt your Quilt of Valor on her longarm machine. Check the first page of the newsletter for her contact information.

- one Visiting Nurses Association (VNA) of St. Luke's Hospice quilt (63" x 93")
- two VNA of St. Luke's Hospice pillowcases
- one VNA of St. Luke's Hospice nightgown
- NICU covers for incubators (48" x 55" finished size)

NICU covers are easy to make -- one children's panel with a contrasting border to create the right size, or you can use 1-1/4 yard of a children's print and add borders to create the needed size. Please use a light color fabric for the back. Simple quilting -- can use diagonal quilting one or both ways. Add a binding and it is done!



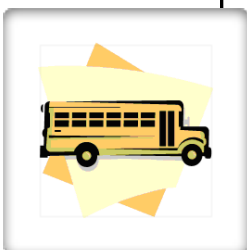
Please sew your own label on your Oncology Quilts - "Made and Donated by Colonial Quilters Guild 2013". You may also attach your own label to the Hospice and Wounded Soldiers quilts, using your name if desired. Thank you.

Also... please note we do not send or deliver Soldier's Quilts but you can get credit for them if you show them or a picture to us.

Remember to finish your projects. If you are attending the non-sleepover in March that would be a great time to work on them.

Thanks -- **Rose Macaluso & Sally Viglione**

BUS TRIPS



Saturday March 15th - Lancaster AQS Show

Cost for the bus \$28.00. (Does not include the ticket into the show) Money will be due at time of sign up. Bus will leave from the church at 8:00 am sharp and should arrive back at the church between 5:30 – 6:00 pm. See you in February!!!

Saturday April 26th - Shopping Trip - Details soon!

See you in March!!!

- Boots Horwath

FEBRUARY 11, 2014 MEETING MINUTES

Our meeting began with a presentation by Jacquelynn Steves. She explained how a drawing becomes the fabric prints we buy and shared some of her designs. She brought lots of great items to purchase and held a drawing for a \$25 gift certificate to her shop won by Deb Shupe.

The Meeting was called to order by President Lois Walters.

There were no corrections to January minutes and they stand approved.

Vice President—Cindy Fantasia—80 members attending, door prize was won by Doris Woodring New directory will be updated and memberships cards for next month

Treasurer's report—Charlene Weis--balance is \$14566.95
Reminder: This is the last month for the Fons and Porter Love of Quilting subscription for this year. The price is regularly \$20 with \$5 going to the Guild but in honor of our 30th anniversary, the rate is only \$15. Please see Charlene if interested. This applies to a new subscription or a renewal.

Community service—Sally Viglione- None

Saturday Sewcials—Wendy Harwick—Nothing scheduled yet. Any ideas please contact Wendy

Bus Trips—Boots—Bus trip to Lancaster AQS show March 15 leave at 8 am cost is \$28(does not include show ticket) sign up soon. Also shopping trip to Lancaster in April info to follow

Sunshine and Shadows—Charmaine—none

Website---Ellen Inghrim— none

Hospitality---Please bring refreshments when assigned or find someone to replace you if you cannot participate.

Nominating Committee—We have 2 volunteers and a 3rd is needed. Please contact Lois if interested. We will be nominating for positions of Vice President and Treasurer.

Quilt Show—
Sign ups for volunteer hours will be at March meeting. We are asking for 4 hours per member. Husbands, significant others, men etc .needed for set up and take down.

Advertising materials are available (handouts, posters). Please sign up if you are taking some and where you will be hanging them.
Café—Thank you for the donations of turkey for the Turkey BBQ. Please sign up for donations and if you are baking. The list is available and we are asking for specific items.

Boutique—Check the website for

directions and form to sell your items. 10% of the selling price goes to the Guild. The form needs to be turned in by April. March is the last month to donate items for Recycle.
Tricky tray—sign up for what you are donating, donations will be accepted starting next month
Quilt Registration —quilts will need to be registered by March, All challenge quilts need to be registered. Form is available on website

Block of the Month— February winner was Connie Weaver

50/50—MaryAnn Harmanos

Fat Quarters—Deb Shupe, Cathy Mouer(2), Sally Viglione. March will be green and white

Newsletter—none

Program— March will be all about the quilt show. Also please bring any Show and Tell this month. (With all this snow we should have lots!!!) The date for a Non Sleepover sleepover weekend March 7 3-9PM and March 8 9-3PM. Sign up as soon as possible.

The meeting was followed by Show and Tell.

Respectfully submitted,
Deb Shupe, Secretary

LIBRARY AND 50/50 NEWS

We have 5 new books to start off the new year:

1. Pillow Pop - not just for pillows but block designs
2. Modern Quilting Designs - 90 free motion inspirations
3. In Love with Squares and Rectangles
4. Bright and Bold Cozy Modern Quilts by Kim Schafer and one donated by a member....
5. Quilts Made Mdern by Weeks Ringle and Bill Kerr **Thank you Elaine Kantor!**



Please do not give me and \$20 bills for the 50/50 tickets unless you want 20 of them. Thanks.
- Margo Billetz

QUILT SHOW - QUILTFEST 2014

Quilt Show Committee Meeting:

The next committee meeting for the quilt show will be on Wednesday, February 26. **Meeting will start at 6:30.** Please plan to attend this meeting to provide updates on your committee. If you are not able to attend please call or email Kathy or Betsy with the status of your committee.

Quilt Show News:

Quiltfest 2014 is almost here! May 3 and 4 are just around the corner and just think most likely there will be no SNOW! Show will be held at the Charles Chrin Community Center, 4100 Green Pond Rd. Palmer, PA 18045.

Sign up sheets for the quilt show work hours will be available at the March & April guild meeting. There are a number of committees that need your help before, during & after the show. At the March guild meeting each committee chair will review what is needed to fill the spots for their particular function. Quilt members are asked to work at least 4 hours during the show.

There are a number of different types of jobs that will need to be filled to make our show a success. We could use help from husbands, fathers, sons & daughters for set up on Friday and tear down on Sunday. Large ladders (5 ft. to 6 ft.) are needed to help with the hanging of poles and large quilts. If you have one, please bring it to the set up on Friday.

Set up starts at noon on Friday, May 2 and continues until all the quilts are hung. Over the years we have become very efficient and in previous years we completed the set up by 6PM. It is hard work but also a lot of fun seeing the gym transform into the best quilt show in this area. Great way to meet guild members.

If you are not able to commit time to help during the set up or show do to prior commitments or work schedules, there may be some committees that need help prior to the show. See Betsy Lawrence or Kathy Kemmerer for more details.

GUILD MEMBERS YOU CAN SELL YOU QUILTED ITEMS THROUGH 3 DIFFERENT SOURCES:

New quilts that will be entered in the show for the first time and you intend to sell that quilt will need to be registered using the **registration form available on the guild website**. You will follow normal registration guild lines for these quilts. Quilt will be displayed amongst the show quilts. If a show guest would like to purchase the quilt they will go to the Show Quilt Sale Booth to pay for the quilt. Quilts will be marked with a distinctive tag with the sell price. Payment must be made at the time of interest and pick-up of those quilts will be at the end of the show on Sunday. **Registration is due by the March guild meeting.** See Lois Walters if you have any questions.

The boutique will handle small to medium wall hangings (approximately 36 X 36 or smaller), table runners, unfinished tops, quilted clothing & purses. **Registration forms & instructions for the boutique items are available on the guild website.** Registration is due by the April guild meeting. See Susie Metz & Ruth O'Connell for have any questions.

Previous shown quilts or quilts you do not intend to have in the show but would like to sell will be sold through the Show Quilt Sale Booth. Size of the quilts will start at large wall hangings, baby quilts, lap size to bed size quilts. **Hot pink registration forms will be available at the March & April guild meetings only.** Do not use the registration forms on the guild website for these items. Quilts will be displayed in a manner that can be easily viewed by show guests and potential buyers. Items that are purchased can be taken at the time payment is made. There is no need to take a picture of you quilt to include with the registration form. Registration is due by the April guild meeting. See Carolyn Meinhart if you have any questions. No matter where the guild member intends to sell their quilts, the guild will receive 10% of the sale price. Please price your items accordingly.

Quilt Show Co-Chairs -

Betsy Lawrence
Kathy Kemmerer

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QUILT SHOW - QUILTFEST 2014 (CONTINUED)

Guild Polo Shirts:

Jane Merkel will be taking orders for polo shirts with the guild embroidered emblem. You will have the choice of 5 oz. blend or 6 oz. cotton fabric. Orders are due no later than the March guild meeting with delivery by the quilt show. Payment is due with the order and the check will be made out to S Jane Merkel. You may also mail Jane your order form and check no later than March 11.

See the guild web site member section for the order form and the sizing chart. All sales are finally, so if you are in doubt of the size you may want to order the next size up. There will be a sample of the shirt at the March meeting and also at the sewing weekend on March 7 (ONLY)

POLO SHIRTS (Golf Style, Short Sleeves, Color: Light Blue) LADIES SIZING ONLY

HARRITON M265W (65/35) 5 OZ BLEND POLO

SIZING & PRICE: S, M LG, XL \$18, 2XL \$20, 3XL \$22

HARRITON M200W 6 OZ COTTON Pique

SIZING & PRICE: S, M LG, XL \$20, XL \$23, 3XL \$25

Boutique

Thank you for all of your donations.

Print (2 copies) of your registration form if you are selling items in the boutique. (90% to you and 10% to guild)
Email ruth1904@ptd.net or smetz1226@rcn.com if you need your vendor number.

TIMELINE:

MARCH LAST time for donations of fabric and notions

Submit Registration Forms for items sold in exchange for your tags and pins.

APRIL LAST time to submit Registration Forms for items sold in exchange for your tags and pins.

DIRECTIONS FOR PROCEDURES AT CHRIN:

CHECK-IN Friday, May 2 (12-7)

- . Please come prepared with items tagged.
- . Expect to spend time having your items checked in.
- . Take home your containers.
- . Please give us your cell phone number.

PICK-UP Sunday, May 4 (5:00-

- Please return with your containers.
- Be prepared to spend time picking up your unsold items.
- We feel responsible for your sale items and hope you will have patience with the check-in and pick-up process.
- Thank you to all the members who have donated so generously to the boutique. Vendors, we appreciate your items for sale.

Tricky Trays

This is a partial list of ideas for Tricky Tray Basket Themes:

Quilting Items
Children (Books and Games)
Spa Items
Pet (cat or dog)
Books
Tools
Soup or specialty food

Cooking
Kitchen
Beauty Items
Desserts
Art Supplies
Gift Certificates
Wine



The possibilities for themes are endless. Please consider signing up for a donation even if you haven't decided what to donate. 100% of ticket sales go to "CHOP" at LV Muhlenberg. Our donation will stay at LVM Hospital to benefit local children.

At the March meeting, I will continue to have sign up sheets for donated items and sign up sheets to help out at the show.

Questions? Call Barbara Kelly (610) 838-1581

QUILT SHOW - QUILTFEST 2014 (CONTINUED)

Book Nook

We will be collecting items after the monthly meetings. Look for silver Lincoln Navigator in parking lot to place items. Pick up service also available email -- susantr@aol.com

Thanks - Susan Truby

Cafe

The response to the sign up sheets in February for DONATIONS and BAKED GOODS was terrific!!! Thank you!! We will have them again at the March meeting.

However, DONATIONS are still needed : WATER, SODA(brand specific: Coke, Diet Coke, Sprite), and hot dogs(brand specific: Hatfield), Thanks to Dolores Bartek, Cindy Fantasia, Joan Bellis, and Margo Billetz, who have offered to make Cabbage and Noodles. If you would like to do this also, please let us know.

Delivery of all water, soda, coffee, and hotdogs should be on set up day: FRIDAY.

Delivery of baked items can also be on Friday or the day you attend the show, BUT

In the morning of that day. IF YOU NEED OR WOULD LIKE me TO PICK UP YOUR DONATIONS please contact me and I will work out a pick up schedule the week before the show.

If you prefer to have us do the shopping, CASH DONATIONS will be accepted. See Doris at the March or April meeting.

BAKED GOODS are a highlight of our CAFÉ. Please have your items individually wrapped or placed in a zip lock snack bag. Reminders: 2 1/2" size for Brownies, 3" size for large cookies, 3 to a bag for smaller cookies or miniature cupcakes. IF YOU ARE

BAKING AN ITEM WITH NUTS and/or PEANUT BUTTER, please mark the packaging accordingly.

NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY TO WORK IN THE CAFÉ: However, Sense of humor is mandatory! On the job training will be provided. Sign up at the March meeting.

BABY BANK

A "baby bank" was started a few years ago to help provide small baby needs to the Nurse Family Partnership of the Visiting Nurse Assoc. at St. Luke's. NFP is a program that pairs a specially trained registered nurse with a first time, low income mom. The nurse will provide home visits throughout the pregnancy until the child is 2 years of age. The goal is to promote & teach positive health & attachment behaviors between the mother & her baby. Currently, 250 families are being served by NFP.

You can help " make a difference" by donating small items for the babies. Some ideas are wipes, diaper rash cream, diapers (any size), sippee cups, onesies ,baby socks etc. Also, a bank is available for monetary donations for me to shop.

In February I received some onesies and wipes. \$ 31.00 was also collected. Thanks to all who support this cause.

For more info about NFP you can refer to: www.slhn.org
or ask Susie Metz ----- Look for the gift bag & bank at the sign-in table.
Thank you for all the help.....the staff is most appreciative.

...Susie Metz





BLOCK OF THE MONTH

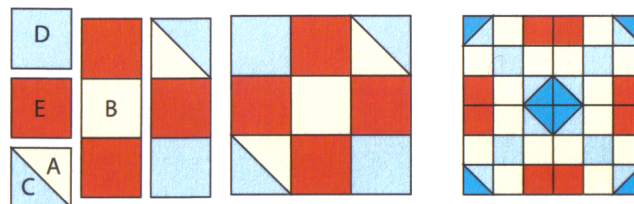
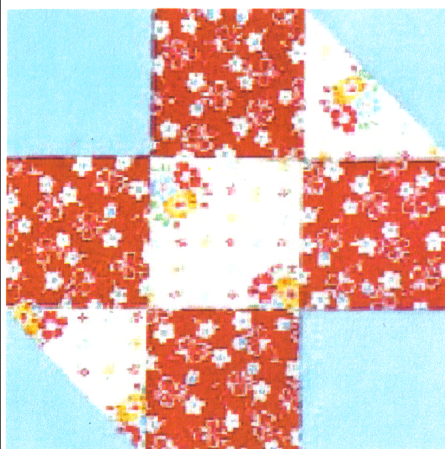


Our pieced heart blocks this month will be sent to our long distance member Connie Weaver. She won eight red and white blocks. Next month is the green and white Old Maid's Puzzle. May the luck of the Irish be with you.
The April block is "Hour Glass" made in a pastel print and a solid pastel with the white muslin accent.

-Eugenia Emert and Kathy Kemmerer

APRIL BLOCK OF THE MONTH - HOUR GLASS

Hour Glass



Cutting Chart			FINISHED BLOCK SIZE		
			6"	9"	12"
			STRIP WIDTH		
Light	A:	2	2½"	3½"	4½"
	B:	1	2½"	3½"	4½"
Medium	C:	2	2½"	3½"	4½"
	D:	2	2½"	3½"	4½"
Dark	E:	4	2½"	3½"	4½"

Follow 12" block Measurements

Light color (A & B) - White

Medium color (C & D) – Solid Pastel

Dark color (E) – Pastel print

Cut 1 5 inches Squares of white and the coordinating print. Draw a diagonal line in the center and stitch on either side. Cut in half and square to 4 ½". Sew a seam ¼" away along BOTH SIDES of the diagonal line then rotary cut right on the line.

Cut 4 ½" squares 1 White muslin, 2 solid pastel and 4 Pastel print.
Assemble according to diagram



March Refreshments

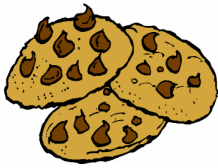
The following members are asked to provide refreshments for the meeting. Cookies, veggies, cut up fruit.. .whatever you would like to bring. Please ask someone to take your place if you are unable to help this month. Please have snacks at the church by 6:30 PM.

Please help during the clean up of the refreshment area.

***Jane Merkel, Susie Metz, Annette Mihalow, Kathy Miller, Lois Milheim,
Carol Moll, Bonny Moor, Catherine Mouer, Susanne Nelson, Bethanne Nemish***

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

**Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church
2700 Jacksonville Rd., Bethlehem, PA 18017**



April Newsletter articles due by ***March 22, 2014***

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