



Colonial Quilters Guild December 2011



December 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.

Refreshments will provided by the Program Committee

Regular Guild meetings are held on the second Tuesday of the month at-

Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church

2700 Jacksonville Rd., Bethlehem, PA 18017

*December Board Meeting – Monday, Dec, 5 2011 6:45 PM Wegmans Rte. 512,
Bethlehem*

January Newsletter articles due on **December 25, 2011** Contact Cuyler Augustino at 610-866-9927 or ruff-dogs1@gmail.com.



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Hi Ladies, I hope you all had a Happy Thanksgiving!

I wish to thank to everyone who supported the sale of "Shirley's Stash" of fabrics and notions. Complying with Shirley's wishes the proceeds of \$1698.00 will be donated to Angel 34 at a later date.

Reminder; Can you make an Ohio Star Block, finished size 9 1/4"; colors Blue and White and/or Purple and Gold? Please bring your block or blocks to our January meeting. The money raised for this quilt raffle will be donated locally to childhood cancer research. This project is being done by Nancy Biltcliff to support her daughter, Alayna Biltcliff who was diagnosed with Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia in May 2010.

Pat Conklin called she is at home and wishes to thanks everyone for their cards and best wishes.

Don't forget girls Christmas is just around the corner so~~~~~for those of you I might not get to see MERRY CHIRSTMAS and HAPPY NEW YEAR.

Mary



Fat Quarter Lottery 2011

December - Christmas 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. Please stick to the month's theme.



December Birthdays

5 - Tracy Sturmack 9 - Boots Horwath
10 - Nanci Blankowitsch 10 - Cindy Fantasia
20 - Carol Hartway 21 - Gail Kromer
23 - Judy Thompson 23 - Charmaine Weisenbacher
24 - Sue Jones 25 - Lillian Behrens 26 - Susie Metz
28 - Margo Billetz 28 - Conny Schick 31 - Linda Kleppinger

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 Scared Heart Hospital and St. Luke's Hospital
- two mastectomy pillows and bags - donated to Lehigh Valley Hospital Cedar Crest
- four teddy bears - donated to St. Luke's Hospital Emergency department
- one wounded soldier quilt (55" by 65" minimum - 72" x 90" maximum) - donated to Quilts of Valor Foundation: <http://www.qovf.org>. Looking for a longarm quilter? Lois Walters, a member of Colonial Quilters, will provide the batting and quilt your Quilt of Valor on her longarm machine. Check the directory in Member's Only section on our website.
- one Visiting Nurses Association (VNA) of St Luke's Hospice quilt (63" by 93")
- two VNA of St Luke's Hospice pillowcases
- one VNA of St Luke's Hospice nightgown

NICU COVERS FOR INCUBATORS FOR ST LUKES"S---Finished size should be 48" x 55"

Easy to make-- One Children's Panel with a contrasting border to create the right size, or you can use 1 1/4 yd of a children's print and add borders to that 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 binding and it is done. Have fun, any questions, ask Mary Henning or Jane Merkel. (Jane made the sample)

Quilt Shows

March 24-25, 2012 "Celebrate 25" by County Line Quilters 10 am-5pm. Archbishop Wood High School, 655 N. York Rd., Warminster, PA admission \$5, seniors \$4 www.countylinequilters.org

June 23-24, 2012 "Celebration of Quilts" by York Quilters' Guild, 10 to 5, Old Main Bldg., York Expo Center, York, PA, Admission \$10 (seniors \$8), www.celebrationofquilts.com

July 26-29, 2012 "Quilt Odyssey 2012" - Hershey Lodge and Convention Center, Hershey, PA, www.quiltodyssey.com

August 10-12, 2012 "Pennsylvania Quilts II: Patterns and Variations" at Packwood House Museum, Lewisburg, PA, www.packwoodhousemuseum.com

PLAN A VACATION

April 13-15, 2012 International Quilt Festival, Duke Energy Convention Ctr., Cincinnati, OH
www.quilts.com

June 1-3, 2012 - 39th Annual Quilt Show" by Quilters Unlimited, Dulles Expo & Conference Center, Chantilly, VA, www.quiltersunlimited.org



Programs

DECEMBER PROGRAM "Colonial Quilters Fashion Show" Members will be the modeling their fine creations of jackets, vests etc. If you are participating, please bring an index card with your name & brief description of garment. A great night to socialize and feel the spirit of the season !!! Remember to bring a CANNED GOOD for the food pantry.....thank you !!!!

JANUARY PROGRAM "Hands-On" project for English Paper Piecing will be offered. A kit will be provided....you will need to bring a sewing needle (not big), scissors , & a neutral thread (beige or gray) We will have some threads available also if needed..

" BABY BANK " In November \$ 12.00 was collected as well as a pack of baby wipes, a package of diapers, onesies, and a receiving blanket. Thank you for your donations. They are always in need of diaper rash cream, onesies, wipes, sippee cups, small feeding spoons, socks.....these are some inexpensive items , but can mean very much to a struggling mom !!!!! When you give, you also get.....

Sunshine and Shadows

Congratulations to Rita Schmell as she welcomed a new baby boy grandchild into the world on September 16!

Sally Viglione is at home recuperating from a knee replacement. Pat Conklin had surgery on October 26.

Our deepest sympathies go to Maryann Kostenbader. Her husband passed away on October 29. Also to Joelene Weaver recently lost her daughter. Please remember them in your thoughts and prayers.

Happy Holidays!

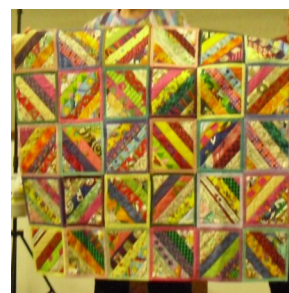
Eileen Gorzelic

Block of the Month

Next month's Block will be (appropriately) the Christmas Star. I know if you win them you'll have to use them next year, but they are really nice. Last month's winners were Kathy Kemmerer (me) and Deb Shupe. I know I will make something nice with them. Thank you for the nice blocks. Have a Safe and Happy Holiday season.

Happy Quilting, Kathy Kemmerer

Colonial Quilters Guild December 2011 - Nov. Show & Tell



Raffle Quilt made for Miracle League Network by Anna Mae Temos and quilted by Lois Walters

Colonial Quilters Guild November 8, 2011 *Minutes*

Prior to the program, Barbara Weisman of the Easton Public Library spoke briefly on the historical flag dating back to July 8, 1776 and is housed at the library. They are requesting a cover for the flag to be quilted by any members who may be interested.

The program "Threads of the 30's" was presented by Madge Ziegler who has been quilting for 35 years and teaching for 33. Many beautiful quilts were shown illustrating quilts of the period.

President Mary Henning called the meeting to order at 8:25. A quilt made by Anna Mae Temos and quilted by Lois Walters was shown. It will be donated to Miracle League of Northampton County to be raffled off.

On a motion made by Barbara Smith and seconded by Nancy Blankowitz, the minutes of the October meeting were approved.

Treasurer - Linda Kleppinger - Beginning balance \$15,844.01, incoming funds, \$282.25, outgoing funds \$742.15 for an ending balance at the end of October of \$15,384.12. Subscriptions are still being taken for Fons and Porter. \$20 checks should be made out to the guild and of that amount \$5 will be donated to the guild.

Colonial Quilters Guild December 2011 - minutes continued

Vice President – Shirley Chiles – 84 members present and 2 guests. Betsy Lawrence won the door prize.

Program committee – Betsy Lawrence and Susie Metz – Next month will be a fashion show featuring garments made and modeled by the membership. Members are asked to bring canned goods to be donated to the church food bank. January's program will be a hands-on paper pieced project.

Community Service – samples of projects will be available at the next meeting.

Bus Trips – There will be a bus trip scheduled for March 2012 to the Lancaster Quilt Show. Next fabric buying trip will be April 14, 2012.

Quilt Show – Rita Schmell and Mary Lou Green – members were requested to give Joan Bellis or Beth Swain ideas for PA German food to be sold in the café.

Darlene Repash reminded members there are 177 days until the quilt challenge.

Boutique – Nanci Blankowitsch and Ruth O'Connell explained items needed for the boutique such as childrens' and sports quilts, jackets, vests, etc. 90% goes to the seller with 10% going to the guild. Fabric, ¼ yd and up as well as UFO's and notions will be sold.

Tricky Tray – Gail Kromer will have a sign up sheet for donations.

Book Nook – Linda Kleppinger and Carol Hartway – books, magazines and boxes will be collected at every meeting until the show.

Raffle Quilt – Betsy Lawrence – asked members to pick up remaining tickets

Newsletter – Cuyler Augustino – Deadline will be Nov. 25th

Sunshine and Shadows – Pat Conklin and Sally Viglione had knee surgery. Shirley DeVries is walking a few steps. Bonnie Moore shared an inspirational message with the guild members.

Fat Quarters – Ellie Lazar – winners included Doris Woodring, Theresa Yankowy, Bonnie Moore, Betsy Lawrence, Judy Royer and Eileen Gregor. Next month will be Christmas fabrics.

Block of the month – Kathy Kemmerer. 10 blocks were won by Kathy Kemmerer and 10 by Deb Shook. Next month will be "Spools."

Bylaws - Sharon Enstrom's committee is looking for any ideas for the possible revision of the bylaws

A letter was shared from Doug Sheriff requesting blocks for a quilt blocks to be made to benefit childhood cancer research. Angel 34 is looking for a donation of a Wall Hanging for their Wine and Chocolate Affair. Jane Merkel has all the fabric if anyone is interested in making the wall hanging.

Discussion followed on changing the meeting time to 15 minutes earlier. After discussion it was decided to keep the time the same. Meeting will be shorter if everyone is standing up and ready to go for the "show and tell" portion of the evening.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:10.

Show and Tell followed.

Respectfully submitted, Kathy Boushell, secretary



Quilt Show: Our quilt show is a month earlier than it has been in the past, so be thinking about what that means for the timing of your projects. Also, for the two days of the show there are many more slots where volunteers are needed than we have guild members. Please be thinking of where you as a guild member would like to help so that when the various committee chairmen ask for volunteers, you are ready to sign up for more than one job. The success of our show benefits both the community charity and our own education program in the guild.

Rita and I will have an optional quilt show committee meeting on January 24, 2012, at Wegman's in Bethlehem at 7pm. The agenda will be a progress report from each person attending. We realize that you are all working at planning your part in the quilt show and we want to offer support to you as well as deal with questions that you may have about the various aspects of the show. So, we will be there in January, weather permitting of course, and look forward to working with you. Thanks again for being such a great team.

Tricky Tray

After the holidays have passed, please give some thought to donating an item to Tricky Tray for our 2012 Quilt Show. There will be a sign up sheet at the desk for anyone interested in donating an item. We would appreciate any hand made items, gift baskets, tote bags, table runners, place mats, wall hangings, gift certificates or whatever you feel you would like to donate. No plants, please. Any questions, please feel free to contact Barbara Smith, Carol Smith or Gail Kromer. Thank you.

BOUTIQUE

At the December meeting, we will be collecting UFO's and any other items you plan to donate to the BOUTIQUE.

If you have any questions, please contact Nanci Blankowitch or Ruth O'Connell.