

January 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.

Dorothy Freeman Edie Gaughan Felecia Geiter Betsy Golden Eileen Gorzelic Mary Lou Green Eileen Gregor Marilyn Hansen Carol Hartway Wendy Harwick

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

Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church

2700 Jacksonville Rd., Bethlehem, PA 18017

January Board Meeting - There is no meeting this month. There will be a Quilt Show Committee meeting on Jan. 24.

February Newsletter articles due on **January 25, 2012** Contact Cuyler Augustino at 610-866-9927 or ruffdogs1@gmail.com.

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Colonial Quilters Guild January 2012

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Hi Ladies, Hope your Christmas was full of happiness, fun, surprises, and love. What a great December meeting. It was wonderful to see the beautiful jackets and vests made and modeled by our very own guild members. Such talent!

I hope everyone is working on something for our Guild Show in May. We need your talent, donations, and help to make our Quilt Show a great success. Remember to volunteer to work at least 2-4 hours at the show.

Coming in January–Dan McKinney will be at our Meeting to receive the Quilt,

Anna Mae Temos made, and Lois Walters quilted . It is being donated to Miracle League to raise funds for the new field being built in Easton. Ground breaking for "Field of Dreams" was on December 12, 2011, where handicap children will learn and enjoy the game of baseball.

Jane and I will be meeting Doug Sheriff at Shirley DeVries house on January 2, 2012, to have Shirley present a check, in the amount of \$1,698.00 to Angel 34. These funds are from the sale of Shirley's "quilting stash". Thank you Shirley for your generous donation.

Also, I invited Nancy Biltcliff to our meeting to pick up the Star Blocks which she requested to help support her daughter Alayna's battle with Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia. Hope you will help by donating an Ohio Star Block finished size 91/2", Colors blue & white or purple & gold.

A big thank you to Jane Merkel for donating and making the "Wine and Cheese" wall hanging for the Angel 34 affair.

WISHING YOU ALL A HEALTHY HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Mary



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)

Fat Quarter Lottery 2012

January - Batiks 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.

January Birthdays

8 - Elizabeth Lerch 14 - Rose Macaluso 15 - Eileen Gorzelic

16 - Sue Reeps 19 - Lorraine Bujnowski 21 - Laurel Eime 24 - Darlene Repash

27 - Sheri Seip 31 - Connie Weaver 31 - Evelyn Weidl

JANUARY PROGRAM——" Hands-On " Project......a kit will be provided to do a small English Paper Piecing Project. Please bring a sewing needle, neutral thread and a small scissors. It will be fun to sit at the round tables and chat with fellow members as we sew !!!!!

FEBRUARY PROGRAM——Jane Merkel will present this program on using a special ruler to create a block !!!!!

MARCH 9 AND MARCH 10-SEW-A-THON

Starting Friday at 3:00 P.M. until 10:00 P.M. come & sew on your own project. Saturday will begin at 7:00 A.M. until 3:00 P.M. It is a great opportunity to do your Community Service Project, finish a project for the Quilt Show or whatever your heart desires !!!! Most of all it is FUN and a time to spend with other members chatting, sewing and of course EATING !!!!! For a mere \$ 5.00 per day, you will be provided with supper on Friday & Lunch on Saturday.....of course snacks & sweets will be available !!!!! We will have sign-ups at the January meeting so we will know how much food to prepare. Really, really, really think about participating and having some informal interaction with fellow members !!!!! Any questions ????? Ask any member of the Program Com.~ Susie Metz, Betsy Lawrence, Deb Kriebel, Ruth O' Connell, Sharon Enstrom, Grace Crowther.

"BABY BANK " \$68.00 was collected in December as well as some diapers, wipes, cream & onesies. I was able to make a substantial delivery of sleep sacks, ointment and some rattles (for learning) wipes etc. to the joy of the staff at NFP. It is difficult for everyone during the winter months, but can be even more so for single, low income, first time moms.....so thanks to all who contribute to this cause to benefit women in our own communities!!!!

QUILT SHOWS AND EVENTS 2012

March 1-4, 2012 "The Quilt Fest of New Jersey VIII". Garden State Exhibit Center, 50 Atrium Dr. Somerset, NJ (just off exit #10 of I-287) www.quiltfest.com

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 ll: Patterns and Variations" at Packwood House Museum, Lewisburg, PA, www.packwoodhousemuseum.com

PLAN A VACATION

February 23-26, 2012 Mid-Atlantic Quilt Festival XXIII Hampton Roads Convention Center, 1610 coliseum Dr. Hampton, VA (just off 1-64, exit 263) (Greater Chesapeake Bay/Williamsburg Area) www.quiltfest.com

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



Sunshine and Shadows

A sympathy card was sent to Linda Kleppinger and family on the loss of her sister-in-law.

A thinking of you card was sent to Pat Conklin as she continues to recover from her surgery.

Happy New Year! Best regards, Eileen Gorzelic

Block of the Month

Next Month's Block is the Wandering Star. It takes 1 medium and 2 darks and of course the muslin. It's a nice easy block to do. Enjoy making the block and maybe you will win all the blocks turned in at the February meeting. I hope you are having a good start to the New Year.

Happy Quilting, Kathy Kemmerer

SATURDAY SEWCIAL I SPY QUILTS

FEB. 25, 2012 9 TO 3 WITH JANE MERKEL

START COLLECTING AND PROCESSING YOUR NOVELTY FABRICS SO THAT YOU CAN CREATE A COLORFUL, DELIGHTFUL QUILT.

WE WILL SWAP SQUARES; EACH MUST BE CAREFULLY CUT TO 6 ½" X 6 ½" MUST DO AHEAD OF TIME SO THAT YOU CAN ARRANGE AND SEW IN CLASS. BRING LOTS OF EXTRA PRE-CUT SQUARES TO SWAP.

SUPPLY LIST AVAILABLE AT JAN MEETING OR ON THE WEBSITE.

MUST REGISTER FOR THIS CLASS: FEE IS \$5.00 SAMPLES OF QUILTS WILL BE AT THE JAN AND FEB MEETING.



Chocolate and Wine Raffle Wallhanging from the December meeting. I apologize to the Fashion Show and Sow 'n Tell~the camera battery passed away after this shot.

Colonial Quilters Guild Minutes December 13, 2011

The meeting was called to order by president, Mary Henning.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as they appeared in the newsletter.

Treasurer - Linda Kleppinger - Beginning balance \$15,386.06, Incoming funds - 2,570.33 (\$799.58 transferred to quilt show treasury), Outgoing \$768.13 for an ending balance of \$779.58.

This is the last month to subscribe to Fons & Porter's Love of Quilting through the guild.

V-P - Shirley Chiles - 73 members were present along with 2 guests. Janice Anthony won the door prize.

Community Service - Felicia Geiter - samples of the community service projects are available for new members to view before the meetings. 14 oncology quilts were delivered before Thanksgiving.

Bus trips - Boots Horvath - April 14th will be the next fabric purchasing trip. A trip will

also be run to the Lancaster Quilt Show in March.

Saturday Sew-cials - Wendy Harwick - The next Saturday Sew-cial is Feb. 24

Quilt Show Committee - Rita Schmell - Only 143 days until the challenge quilt is due. The show will be May 5 and 6 with Friday, May 4, 2012 being the set-up day.

Boutique – Procedure for the tags for boutique items was explained. It would also help to put the size of the item on the back of the tag. The registration form is online.

Book Nook - cars will be in the lot accepting books at each of the meetings leading up to the show.

Newsletter - Cuyler Augustino - deadline will be December 25th.

Sunshine and Shadows - Pat Conklin had knee surgery. Shirley Devries fell and broke her ankle.

January meeting will be English paper piecing. Members were asked to bring a small needle and neutral thread.

A thank you note was read from a resident of the veterans' sanctuary.

March 9th and 10th will be the non-sleepover sleepover at the church. The cost is \$5 per day. Friday hours are 3 – 10 pm and Saturday from 7 to 3. Members can work on community service projects or bring along their own UFO's.

Eugenia Emert, Delores Danner, Betsy Lawrence, Rayann Rohrer and Marge Fray all won fat quarter bundles.

Dan McKinney will be at the January meeting to be presented with the quilt for Miracle League of Northampton County.

Blue and white and gold and purple Ohio Star blocks are still be accepted to be included in a quilt to raise funds for childhood cancer research.. Blocks should be 9.5 inches and finish at 9.

The meeting was then adjourned and a colorful fashion show followed with members wearing their quilted garments. The talent and style was appreciated by audience. Show and tell followed.

Respectfully submitted, Kathy Boushell, secretary

Thanks to our wonderful models for the Christmas Fashion Show at the December general meeting. Nanci Blankowitsch, Rita Schmell, Bev Repsher, Maryann Dutkin, Doris Woodring, Jane Merkel, Lois Millheim, Mary Henning, Connie Schick, Marge Fray, Eugenia Emert, Mary Ellen Martin, Cathy Rupp, and Janice Anthony modeled beautiful garments. Thank you, ladies, for displaying your talent and making the program a special event.

Also, as requested, here are the story and poem I shared with everyone who attended:

Fabric Hoarders Beware!

A recent study has indicated that fabric gives off certain Pheromones, that actually hypnotize women and cause them to purchase ungodly amounts. When stored in large quantities in enclosed spaces, the Pheromones (in the fabric) cause memory loss and induce the nesting syndrome (similar to the ones

squirrels have before the onset of winter, i.e. storing food) therefore perpetuating their species, and not having a population loss due to their kind being cut up into pieces and mixed with others. Sound tests have also revealed that these fabrics emit a very high-pitched sound, heard only by a select few of breed of women known as customers. When played backwards on an LP, the sounds are heard as chants "Buy me" "Cut me" "Sew me"! In order to overcome the so-called feeding frenzy effect that these fabrics cause, one must wear a face mask when entering a storage facility and use ear plugs to avoid being pulled into their grip. (One must laugh however, at the sight of customers in a fabric store, with WW2 army gas masks and headphones!)

Studies have also indicated that aliens have inhabited the earth, helping to spread the effect that these fabrics have on the human population. They are called fabric store clerks. It's also been my experience that these same Pheromones cause a pathological need to secret these fabric purchases away when taken home (or at least blend them into the existing stash) and when asked by a significant other if the fabric is new, the reply is "I've had it for a while".

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Addicted to Quilting

She Learned to Quilt on MONDAY.

Her stitches all were fine

She forgot to make us dinner

So we all went out to dine

She guilted miniatures on TUESDAY

she says they are a must

They really were quite lovely

But She forgot to dust

On WEDNESDAY it was a sampler.

She says stippling's fun

What Highlights What Shadows!

But The Laundry wasn't done

Nine Patches were on THURSDAY

Green, Yellow, Blue and red.

I guess she really was engrossed

She never made the Bed.

It was wall hangings on FRIDAY

In colors she adores

It never bothered her at all

That crumbs were on the floor

I found a maid on SATURDAY

My week is now complete

My wife can quilt the hours away

The house will still be neat

Well, now its only SUNDAY

I think I'm about to wilt

I cursed, I raved, I ranted

Cause the Maid has learned to QUILT!

Colonial Quilters Guild January 2012 Quilt Show Information



Quilt Show-The quilt show is 4 months away. Remember to mark your 2012caldendars.... Saturday, May 5 and Sunday, May 6. Set up will be on Friday, May 4.

BOUTIQUE

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

For items you plan to sell, your vendor number is your number on the meeting sign-in sheet. You will be using this number to identify your sale items on the registration form (available on website) and the sales tags.

If you have any questions, contact Ruth O'Connell

Book Nook

Book Nook co-chairs, Linda Kleppinger and Carol Hartway are accepting donations for the 2012 Quilt Show. We will have our cars at the upcoming Guild Meetings so you can put your donations right in them. We are collecting Cookbooks, Novels (Quilting Themes only), Craft Books (Quilting/sewing/Needlework/Crafts/Patterns associated with quilting and embroidery), and of course Quilt Magazines.

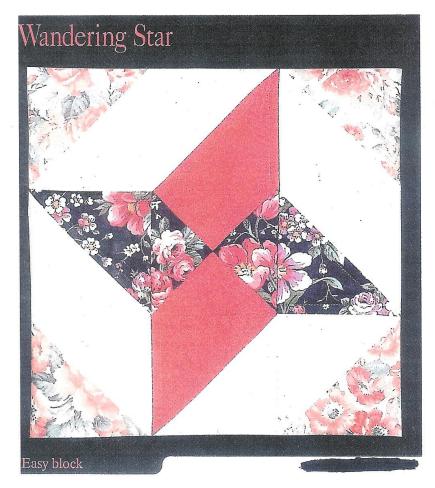
Magazines - we are asking guild members to separate them as follows: either bind or place in a bag quantities of 15 by magazine name, i.e. Fons & Porter, Quilting Newsletter, etc. all bundled in same titles. Plastic bags are fine.

We plan to use crates or printer paper boxes to display items. If you would like to provide crates or boxes, please them to a meeting or deliver them to Linda's house (610 Zucksville Rd., Easton - Forks Township -edlinklep@rcn.com) or Carol Hartway (just down the street from Linda at 2270 Biddle Lanechartway@rcn.com).

We will be looking for volunteers - 4 per 4 hour shift over the course of the two days, and for set up on Friday, May 4.

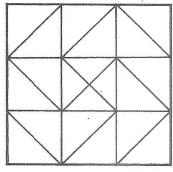
Tricky Tray

Hope you all had a wonderful holiday. Now that we are facing some long winter days, 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. Any questions, please feel free to contact Barbara Smith, Carol Smith or Gail Kromer. Thank you.



January

Choose a Mislim medium, and two darks.



Create your own block.

Cutting Instructions

Layer Cut Right Sides Together

- (1) 5" x 10" light
- (1) 5" x 10" medium



- (1) 5" square light
- (1) 5" square first dark



- (1) 5" square light
- (1) 5" square second dark



Cut in Fourths on the Diagonals

- (1) 5 1/2" square first dark
- (1) 5 1/2" square second dark



Discard 2 of each.

Making Four

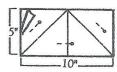


Making Two





- 1. Draw on a 5" square line.
- 2. Draw on diagonal lines. Pin.



3. Draw on diagonal lines. Pin.





4. Sew a 1/4" seam on both sides of the diagonal lines. Start at *. Press.





- 5. Cut apart on all lines.
- 6. Press the seams to the darker side.



7. Square to 4 1/2".





If the piece is less than 4 1/2", the seam allowance was too wide. Resew with a narrower seam and remove the original stitches.

Making

One



1. Lay out four pieces in this order:



- 2. Flip the pieces on the right to the pieces on the left.
- 3. Assembly-line sew.

 Open, turn, and flip right sides together.
 Sew, matching the seam in the center, and pushing the seams in opposite directions.



5. Press and square to 4 1/2".





Sewing the Block Together

- 1. Lay out the pieces.
- 2. Flip the second vertical row right sides together to the first.
- 3. Assembly-line sew, matching the pieces and backstitching the outside edges. Do not clip apart.



- Flip the third vertical row right sides together to the second. Assembly-line sew.
- Sew the horizontal rows, pushing the seams in opposite directions, toward the dark when possible.

