



Colonial Quilters Guild April 2011

April Refreshments:

The following members are asked to provide refreshment for this month's guild meeting. The average attendance is 90. Please bring cookies, veggies, etc. by 6:15 PM. If you are unable to provide snack, please find someone to replace you.

*Richele Voice Lois Walters Joelene Weaver Evelyn Wiedl Charmaine Weisenbacher
Jane Wismer Doris Woodring Theresa Yankowy*

May Newsletter articles due on **April 25, 2011**
Contact Cuyler Augustino at 610-866-9927 or
ruffdogs1@gmail.com.

Board Meeting – Monday, April 4, 6: 45 PM at Wegman's, Rte. 512, Bethlehem

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

Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church

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Hi Ladies,

March has given us so many opportunities to enjoy our quilting passion! I was so pleased with the AQS Quilt Show in Lancaster . With my newly acquired knowledge of Sunbonnet Sue, I took a more than passing interest in the International Sunbonnet Sue Quilt on display. So thanks Michelle! And the quilt display honoring Karen Kay Buckley was breathtaking. The quilts were beautiful and the vendors helpful. I put some of my purchases (from the last AQS show) to work at the program committee's overnight retreat and have started a Pittsburgh Steelers quilt for my son. I'll share it with you in a future Show and Tell. Well, I have definitely been "marching" through the month and I trust that you have as well.

Happy Quilting, Jane

Sunshine and Shadows

Get well cards were sent to Brittney Fantasia who had chicken pox; Carol Smith as she recovers from pancreatitis; and Dolores Bartek had back surgery on March 17. Thinking of you cards were sent to Carolyn Meinhart as she recovers from knee replacement; Barbara Smith as she recovers from gall bladder surgery; Bonnie Moor as she recovers; Kathy Ehrhardt as she continues to recuperate.

Best regards, Eileen Gorzelic Sunshine and Shadows

Change of Address -

Kathy Ehrhardt 632 Benner Rd. Apt. 101 Allentown, PA 18104
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A Reminder - Membership Forms will be included in the newsletter beginning in May. Please note that you have until **Sept. 13, 2011** to submit your dues. After that date it will be assumed you wish to no longer be a guild member.

April Birthdays

14 - Barbara Franks 15 - Sharon Rehrig 16 - Betsy Golden 17 - Joan Bellis
18 - Pat Barnes Dolores Bartek 23 - Deb Kriebel 24 - Brittany Fantasia
27 - Dora Serfass 29 - Barbara Kelly 30 - Hilda Alich

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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.govf.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

Please see Felecia Geiter or refer to the Colonial Quilters website for instructions

Block of the Month

So glad March got here! We have the promise of spring arriving so we can get creative inside (sewing) and out. Wasn't Michelle McLaughlin's trunk show and presentation great. She showed us the less serious side of "Sunbonnet Sue". Who knew she was such a well known and traveled character!

Marge Fray won the blocks (Dublin Steps) this month. They sure showed well at the front of the group and we're sure she can take them to the next level in a beautiful project.

The block due in May is "Kansas Troubles". It's basically 4 identical blocks joined to make one large square and uses our muslin background a brown print, teal print and gold print. Don't let the triangle squares scare you. It looks great when done. Hey if we can do it so can you!

Your Blockheads Mary and Jean

Hello friends-

I don't know if any of you are interested in sewing for Quilts of Valor, or know someone who might be, but Moda has a new program where they are asking for just one star block to be sewn to make quilts for wounded soldiers. It's a simple Sawtooth Star, and they want 1800 stars to make 100 quilts. Just One Star from every quilter I know.... hmmm....

The Semper Fi Fund will assemble the stars they receive into 100 quilts to be given to 100 wounded soldiers under the Quilts of Valor program. they want the stars by May so the quilts can be delivered on Flag day in mid-June. I thought you might be interested.

Information>>> Please see Betsy Golden for more information

http://www.unitednotions.com/LA_just_one_star.pdf

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Colonial Quilter's Guild Meeting Minutes March 8, 2011

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by President Jane Merkel. She turned the meeting over to Betsy Lawrence who introduced our speaker for the evening.

Michelle McLaughlin, a member, did a presentation on Sun Bonnet Sue. She had many quilts and was very informative about the history and uses of Sue.

The presentation was followed by a short break, and then the business meeting.

The minutes were approved as written and motion to pass was made, Conny Schick and Michelle Mclaughlin made the motions to pass.

Treasurer Linda Kleppinger-The beginning balance for February was \$16913.70. The incoming funds were \$20.50 and the outgoing funds were \$244.05, with an ending balance of \$16690.15.

Vice-President-Shirley Chiles-There were 90 members present and 2 guests. The guests were Eugenia Emmet and Claire Cole. The door prize was won by Joan Bellis.

Program-Suzie Metz and Betsy Lawrence- \$258.00 was made at the fabric sale last month. The sewing marathon will be Friday at 3:00 PM until Saturday at 3:00 PM. There will be a charm square exchange next month. There will be speakers for April and May. We will be doing the Folk Art Flag, that was postponed, in June. Pat Naugle from Quilt in a Day will be here June 16.

Saturday Social - Wendy Harwick- There is nothing scheduled. She asked for ideas.

Newsletter- Cuyler Augustino-Newsletter is due March 25.

Sunshine and Shadows Jane Merkel-They are posted on the website.

Library- Rose Klim-\$49.00 was collected. The winner of the drawing was Judy Royer.

Fat Quarters-Evelyn Kane- Standing in for Ellie Lazar- The winners were Grace Crowther, Sue Reeps, Gail Kromer, Wendy Harwick, and Kathy Miller. Next month will be pastels.

Block of the Month-Jean and Marry Henning-There were 11 blocks made this month. Next month will be flower pots. The winner was Gail Kromer.

Bus Trips-Boots Horwath-The trip to the Lancaster show is March 17. There are 5 seats left. The bus will leave at 8:AM.

Jane Merkel then announced birthdays for the month.

Old Business- None

New Business-On Sunday May 22, There will be a show of Terry Prah's quilts in honor of her 80th birthday. It is being done by her family at the Masonic Temple.

There are shirts available for sale with the guild logo. There is a choice of T-shirts., golf shirts, sweatshirts, and denim shirts.

The meeting was then adjourned and was followed by a show and tell.

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QUILT SHOWS AND EVENTS 2011

April 29-30 " For the Love of Quilting" Penn Oaks Quilters, Griffith Hall at Ludwig's Corner, 1325 Poststown Pk., Glenmorre, PA www.pennoaksquilters.org

May 20 -22 Bayside Quilt Show, Oxford, MD 410-925-6960 baysidequiltshow@aol.com

May 21-22 "Then and Now" Quilt Show - Garden State Quilter's Guild, Mennen Arena, Morristown, NJ www.gardenstatequilters.com

May 25 -"Falling in Love with Machine Applique" by Alex Anderson, Shady Maple Banquet Center

For more information contact John Groff 717 786-3771 or jogroff@epix.net

May 27-28 " 10th Annual Quilt Show", Carbon County Quilters Guild ,

Summit Hill Heritage Center, 1 W. Hazard St., Summit Hill, PA

July 28-31 Quilt Odyssey 2011, Hershey Lodge & Convention Center www.quiltodyssey.com

September 15-18 PA National Extravaganza XVIII (Mancuso) Greater Philadelphia Expo Center

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APRIL PROGRAM-----" Tradition With A Modern Slant " will be the topic presented by Leslie Lacika. Historical blocks & new designs from old time favorites. Reshape classic blocks by drawing lines askewsounds like fun !!!!!

MAY PROGRAM-----Barbara Garret ---"Quilts & Textiles of the Pennsylvania Germans"

JUNE PROGRAM-----" Folk Flag " hands on project

APRIL CHARM SQUARE EXCHANGE -----25 different fabrics in 5" squares. Use nice quality fabrics. It is amazing what you can make with these 5" squares. Bring your squares in a marked paper bag, place at the refreshment table & at break time you can choose another's bag.

"BABY BANK"-----In March, \$ 25.00 was collected. Also, some very cute onesies were donated. Remember while you are grocery shopping wipes, ointment, & baby wash & shampoo are always needed & not very expensive. Thanks to all who contribute to this cause. It is MUCH appreciated !!!!!
Susie

Pajama Party / Sewing Marathon Update-----THANKS to all who participated---those who came, really seemed to get alot accomplished !!!!! A special thanks to those who were brave & stayed all night : Mary Henning, Ellie Lazar, Evelyn Kane, Sharon Enstrom, Debbie Kriebel, Susie Metz !!!! (We all got alittle punchy at times.). Those who worked on the Mystery Quilt really enjoyed the process (& finished their tops). Everyone who participated enjoyed the event.....and requested we have it again next year.....we'll seeeee !!!!!

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CQG Shirt Sale

The order form and measurement chart are posted on our website. I will have order forms, measurement charts, and samples with me at each of the next two meetings. If you are interested in purchasing an item with the guild logo on it. Please make sure of your sizing as all sales are final. If you need any help, contact me.

Thanks, Jane Merkel

Wanted: Someone to volunteer to make and apply the binding on our raffle quilt.
Contact Jane Merkel ASAP

SAVE THE DATE: MAY 22, 2011 As a celebration of her 80th birthday Terry Prah's family is honoring her with a quilt exhibit of all of her work. This event will take place at the Masonic Temple (by the Hill to Hill bridge) in Bethlehem.

You are all invited to attend, and yes, you can bring a friend

Fat Quarter Lottery 2011

April - pastels *Bring one, or several, fat quarters in the month's appropriate color or theme and you will have a chance to win a stack of fat quarters. Fat quarters are 18" x 22" fabric.*

A little poetry before you return to your quilting-

Laura Coates Reed

The sun has such a pretty quilt
Each night he goes to bed,
It's made of lavender and gold,
With great long stripes of red.

And bordered by the softest
tints
Of all the shades of gray.
It's put together by the sky,
And quilted by the day.

Elizabeth Crawford Yates

Great-Grandma made a "Friendship
quilt"
Of scraps of calico.
Her neighbors gave small bits of cloth
From each new gown, and so
Great-Grandma fashioned deftly
A quilt of cheerful hues,
And sewed with tiny stitches
The pink, and grays, and blues.