President’s Message

Dear Members,

It has certainly been a long hot summer. Hopefully everyone had air conditioning. Fall and spring are my favorite time of the year. Sunflowers are for sale at ShopRite and the back-to-school sales are everywhere. Time to clean your sewing machines and get ready to start a new project or finish a UFO. This year fall is a very special time for me - I get to serve as your President. Every President has different ideas about how our guild should work. Sometimes they differ greatly from one to another. Even though they differ, all Presidents have the best interests of the guild in mind.

I am always willing to hear your thoughts about what you want to do or suggestions for the guild. I see many new faces and I know you must feel alone sometimes. Members, let’s try to reach out and welcome our new quilting sisters. New members, don’t be afraid to ask the person next to you a question. Together we’ll have a great time.

The program for September looks fantastic. Come early for the best seats.

See you soon, Cindy

From your VP, Kathy Miller: Welcome back to a new year. Right now there’s no waiting list for guild membership, so if you know anyone who would like to join, this is a good time. Dues are $25 (check to CQG) and should be submitted along with a completed membership form to Kathy Miller, 2197 George Lane, Bath, PA 18014. See you at the first meeting; I will have the membership cards ready so pick them up when you sign in. This is going to be a fun year.
President, Nancy Snow opened the meeting wearing the quilt apron which was made for the quilt show many years ago.

Secretary, Susanne Nelson, had no report.

Treasurer, Wendy Bookhultz stated the beginning balance is $7770.14, outgoing balance is $2,641.82, incoming balance is $1,021.50, ending balance is $6,149.82.

Vice President, Kathy Miller, stated there are 66 members present, and 1 guest. The door prize was awarded to Jane Merkel.

Quilt Show Chairperson, Betsy Lawrence, asked the guild to consider making a banner for the Military Affairs group. This group also asked for a tricky tray basket for their May, 2020 program. Lillian Behrens volunteered to be the vendor chairperson.

Community Service Chairperson, Susan Truby, reminded the guild about the June 15, 2019 Saturday Sewcial at the church. Bring a friend and receive a prize. The five-inch square winner of a free 2019-2020 guild membership was Vicky Pede.

Sunshine and Shadows Chairperson, Jane Merkel, asked the guild to honor Jane Schofield, a charter member who passed away in May. The guild membership agreed to purchase a quilt book in her remembrance. June birthday winner was Anne Reiner and July’s winner was Charlene Weiss.

Librarian, Kathy Lopez announced she had purchased a book. The $28.25 raffle was won by Rayann Rohrer.

Charlene Weiss, Fat Quarter Chairperson, reported that Doris Woodring donated a lot of fabric. The FQ winners were Brenda Hoagland, Kathy Miller, and Dolores Bartek. Charlene Weiss will make a Tricky Tray basket for the Military Affairs group. Larry Weiss’s truck will be at the September meeting for quilt show materials. No books or magazines.

Boots Horwath, Bus Trips, reported there are openings for the Hersey Quilt Show bus trip on July 27. The group will leave from the church at 8:30 A.M. Cost $40.00. Contact Boots if interested.

Historian, Bev Repsher, had no report. Bev and Nancy Snow are going through old records to downsize and save important materials.

Website, Carol Moll, had no report. Any problems, call her.

Program Chairperson, Beth Swain, wants to know how many members will be coming to the September, 2019 meeting with Kevin the Quilter’s presentation on September 10 & 11, 2019. There are openings for the Karen Eckmeier workshop June 12, 2019.

President, Nancy Snow, installed the new president, Cindy Fantasia, current vice president, Kathy Miller, current treasurer, Wendy Bookhultz, new secretary, Rayann Rohrer, and program chair person, Beth Swain.

They all stated they would accept the position and carry out their duties.

Nancy Weston, Communications, asked for September newsletter articles be submitted to her by August 22, 2019.

Nancy Snow asked the guild if anyone knew what was the purpose of the sticks with clips that were found during the guild’s inventory. No one knew.

Nancy Snow presented retiring secretary, Susanne Nelson, flowers for her service.

The meeting was adjourned with a motion by Mary Henning and seconded by Cindy Fantasia. Respectfully submitted,

Susanne C. Nelson, secretary
EVENT DATES (Planned and Potential) for Guild Year 2019-2020

2019 Meetings, Programs, Workshops, Community Sewing Days

BOARD MEETINGS (6:45pm): 9/30, 11/4, 12/2
REGULAR MEETINGS (7pm): 9/10, 10/8, 11/12, 12/10
COMMUNITY SEWING DAY: 10/19
QUILT SHOW MEETINGS: 9/24, 10/29

9/10  Meeting: Kevin the Quilter. Let Beth know if you plan to bring guest(s); fellowship Hall fire code seating limit is 135. There will be a small guest fee.
Announce Program Plans: Xmas Exchange Quilt & Signup sheet - $10 refund with completion.

9/11  Workshop: Star Strip Quilt Workshop 9am-3pm, $45
9/21  FH pending approval
9/24  First quilt show planning meeting, 6:45pm
10/19 Community Sewing Day

FROM THE PROGRAM COMMITTEE:
✯✯✯ You’re going to love September with Kevin the Quilter - we’ve confirmed his visit and he’s really looking forward to coming East to meet us. What a wonderful way to kick off the September meeting! If you enjoyed Mark Lipinski and Bonnie Hunter, our time with Kevin will be a lot of fun. Kevin’s blog: http://kevinthequilter.blogspot.com/hequilts.com

NOTE: Any questions about programs, direct to Beth Swain or a committee member. Workshops will be advertised and offered to other guilds. CQG members may sign up on a “first come - first served basis”, up to 2 months prior to a workshop, at which time workshops will be advertised and/or offered to other guilds. PROGRAM SIGNUPS: mail to Beth Swain, PO Box 696, Long Valley, NJ 07853. Checks should be made payable to CQG. Contact Beth at 908-432-2505 if you have any questions.

REMEMBER from the treasurer:
If you purchase things for the guild, please remember to save your receipts and to fill out a petty-cash/check request form (available from the treasurer or from the guild website) to submit.

FUTURE OF QUILTING - Annual Speech from the National Quilt Museum
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SthNxFzCMGA
FROM HOSPITALITY: Please remember that hospitality needs cleanup help each meeting. If it is your turn to bring snack, cleanup is part of the job. And everyone, if you clean up your area, that would be great! Thanks.

LIBRARY Kathy Lopez & Betsy Lawrence

Reminder: There is a serger sewing machine available for use by guild members; it can be checked out through the library.

Sunshine and Shadows:
Jane Merkel sent out get well/thinking-of-you cards to Meg Ferry, Kathy Mouer, Eugenia Emert, and Connie Schick. Jane also reports the passing of long-time members Doris Schofield and Lucille Serman.

BIRTHDAYS:
SEPTEMBER
Lisa Zinkler 9/6
Shirley Chiles 9/11
Vicki Pede 9/15
Barbara Smith 9/18
Dolores Danner 9/21

By Board decision on Aug. 5, there will no longer be a birthday drawing lottery for a gift card.

FAT QUARTER FRENZZZY from Charlene Weiss

IT’S GONNA BE BETTER THAN EVER! You donate the fat quarters (18”X22”), as many as you like. We like anything, so long as it is nice, quilt-shop quality fabric. There is no requirement about theme or colors. Your donations are always appreciated, but please be sure what you donate would be fabric you would want to use in your own quilts! Bring in as many as you like and we’ll put’em in the bucket (smaller this year = more chances to win!) until it’s full. At each monthly meeting you fill out a chance to win for each FQ you donate and hopefully you’ll get an entire “Bucket O’ Quarters!” Imagine what you could do with a whole bucket of nice, clean, quality fat quarters.

SUFFRAGE CENTENNIAL CHALLENGE
Celebrating the 100th Anniversary of Women’s Right to Vote on Aug.18, 2020.
Create a quilt that illustrates something about women’s suffrage! Michele McLaughlin and Beth Bacher are holding a year-long celebration of women’s suffrage from Aug 1, 2019, to Aug. 18, 2020. Join them at the Pennsylvania Piecemaker blog on July 4. Prizes! www.pennsylvaniapiecemaker.blogspot.com, allentownquilter@gmail.com

GUEST POLICY - A guest may attend two meetings per guild year and the guest fee is $5 (as decided by the board).

Free Floor Quilting Frame!
Gail Thomas contacted our guild through the website. Her mom, a longtime member of the church where we meet, has a floor quilting frame she no longer uses and is happy to offer it for free to our guild members. Contact gthomas_tx@yahoo.com, 717-673-5156
UPCOMING EVENTS: QUILT SHOWS, EVENTS, BUS TRIPS, CRUISES, QUILT RETREATS:

**09/7-8** Schuylkill County Quilters Guild, 30th Annual Quilt Spectacular, Schuylkill Haven, PA, michlynn26@hotmail.com.


**10/3-6** TAPESTRY NEW ENGLAND ADVENTURE: Docent-led tour of the New England Quilt Museum in Lowell, Massachusetts, visits to Keepsake Quilting in Center Harbor, New Hampshire, Marden’s Surplus and Salvage in Sanford, Maine, Stonewall Kitchens in York, Maine and Camp Wool in Kennebunk, Maine. Lodging: Portsmouth, NH. 7 meals included. To see flyer and get more info: Rosemary McGuinness (908-319-4436) or Kathy Daniels (908-763-1181). Make reservation payments by May 1 at Boscov’s in the Palmer Mall, Easton, PA with Michele Tymon (610-250-2772). Space is limited.

**10/11-12** Keystone Quilters 2019 Quilt Show “Beauty and the Batik” Fri 10am-6pm, Sat. 10am-5pm, Finland Mennonite Church, 1750 Ziegler Rd, Pennsburg, PA 18073. NACQJ Judged Quilt Show/Free Demonstrations/Door Prizes/Boutique and Recycle Room/Chinese Auction/Keystone Cafe/Vendor Mall. www.keystonequilts.org / 610-282-0651

**11/8-9** The Brownstone Quilters Guild will be having its biennial quilt show, “A Celebration of Quilts,” Northern Highlands Regional High School in Allendale, NJ.
COMMUNITY SERVICE NEWS

“Be the reason someone believes in the goodness of people”

Looking forward to another year of generosity, kindness and giving. We are wonderful group of Quilters and we can be proud of all the good work we do!!

Here is a friendly reminder about the community service requirements for Sept 2019-June 2020. Annually, each member is asked to donate something from one category. Please see the website (http://www.colonialquilters.org) for the categories or refer to your new member information. Patterns for charity items such as the walker bags are on our FACEBOOK page: https://www.facebook.com/groups/604180513018705/. All donations are to be given to Susan Truby at the monthly meetings. We are at the Community Service table at every meeting to answer questions and have patterns and instructions available. Please remember to sew a guild label on your quilt (printed labels are available from Susan), include your name on a slip of paper pinned to your donation, and sign in at our table. You can also donate 4 yards of fabric. Donated fabric must be 100% cotton fabric of good quality and appropriate for our projects, as it will be used for pillowcases for children, mastectomy bags or wheelchair bags. Please wash your fabric before donating.

Along with making Mastectomy Bags and Pillows in October, NEW this year - we are going to have a Community Sew Day making Twin Quilts for Turning Point tentatively planned for February 22, 2020. We will be using our donated 5-inch blocks and turn them into tumbler blocks using The Missouri Star Tumbler Template!! These twin-size Tumbler quilts will be great!! So back by popular demand we are again going to be Stashing for Charity - donate 12 squares for a chance to win a free membership!!

Please remember you can fulfill your service requirement by participating in Mastectomy Day on Saturday, October 19, 2019, 9am-3pm. We are asking that you bring two cut out and ready to sew mastectomy bags and pillows. Don't forget each bag has two layers the outside of the bag and the coordinating lining. The patterns are available from Susan at the Community Service table. We will also have a limited number cut-out bags available also. If you don't want to bring your machine, we always need "stuffers" for the bags. Fiberfill will be provided.

**** This is a fabulous day of fellowship and if you are a new member, a great way to get to know fellow guild members. Please bring your machine if you want to sew, a lunch, and be prepared to have fun!! Snacks, iced tea and water will be provided. Thank you for all that you do, dear fellow guild members, we so appreciate it.

CHARITY SEWING - Susan Truby

Back By Popular Demand!!! We had so much fun with this we are going to do it again!! Every month we will be collecting Charm Squares/5” squares, nice quality cotton, preferably I-Spy type fabrics - no flannel please. Your name will then be entered in a lottery to win a free guild membership. Bring in a minimum of a dozen squares; for every 12 you donate, you will receive one lottery ticket. Blocks will be used at the Community Sew Day to make preemie NICU quilts & Kids’ comfort quilts.
Our quilt show will be held May 2 & 3, 2020, at the Charles Chrin Community Center in Palmer Township. Our quilt show is our major fund raiser for the guild and our charity of choice. Pat Christ will be the featured speaker at the show, with a presentation on quilts with eagles and stars. The quilt challenge for the show will be “Polka Dot Party” organized by Susan Truby. “Salute to Feathered Stars” is the 2020 raffle quilt and was made by Darlene Repash and Richele Voice.

Lehigh Valley Military Affairs Council was selected as our charity by the guild members; our funds will be directed to the local chapter of Blue Star Mothers. “The Lehigh Valley Military Affairs Council (LVMAC) formed an association in 2003 as a 501(c)(3) non-profit, community-service organization of organizations to support the Lehigh Valley’s active and reserve component military service members, its veterans, and their families because they have made sacrifices for our nation.” [http://www.lv-mac.org](http://www.lv-mac.org).

The first quilt show planning meeting will be held on Tuesday September 24 in the adult Sunday school room. Meeting starts at 6:45 PM and will end no later than 9. If you are a committee head please try to attend the first meeting. Email reminders will be sent out prior to the meeting.

**QUILT SHOW CHARITY and Beyond….. SEEKING DONATIONS**

Since we chose Blue Star Mothers as our charity for the quilt show, we decided to have a box to collect supplies throughout the year for our active Troops overseas. Charlene is a member and has asked that we provide CQG members with the list of items they would like donated. There is a PDF as part of your e-newsletter; please print the list and save it so that you know what you can donate. Charlene will snail-mail the list to those who do not have email.

**POLKA-DOT PARTY QUILT CHALLENGE**

America has had a long love affair with polka dots. Who doesn't love Minnie Mouse with her polka-dot dress and matching bow, Marilyn Monroe and her polka dot bikini? More recently Quilter Freddy Moran is famous for her exuberant use of polka dots in her quilts. This Challenge invites you to do something a little different, expand your use of color and use polka-dot fabrics in ways you never did before. Polka dots are fun, colorful and sure to make you smile.

The rules are simple:

1. Submissions can be quilts, wallhangings, clothing or items that have been stitched using polka-dot fabric.
2. Must be at least 30% polka dot fabric.
3. No size limit.

**TRICKY TRAY!**

From Charlene Weiss: “I will be collecting for Tricky Tray for Quiltfest as of the September meeting. Same as last year, Larry will be outside before the meeting with the big red truck for all donations. NO MAGAZINES!!! Thank you.

**UPDATE ON QUILT RAFFLE TICKETS**

- Starting at the Sept. meeting, raffle tickets will be handed out by Deb Shupe
- 986 quilt raffle tickets were sold at the Hershey Quilt Show. Thanks to Jane Merkel and her volunteers!
- It is suggested that we sell tickets at the Oaks show in September.
- The charity, Lehigh Valley Military Council, will sell our raffle tickets at their board meetings.
**September Meeting Refreshments:**
The following members are asked to provide refreshments (cookies, veggies, cut-up fruit...whatever you would like to bring) for the meeting:

Lois Walters  Charlene Weiss  Nancy Weston  Jane Wismer  Janet Yandrisevits
Theresa Yankowy  Lisa Zinkler  Dolores Bartek  Joan Bauer  Lillian Behrens

*Please ask someone to take your place if you are unable to help this month.*

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| Nancy Weston imcajuntwo@me.com        | **✅ SEPT. MEETING CHECKLIST! ✅**  
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  □ Bring items for Show & Tell |