



President's Message



During this time of the year I like to reflect on what I am thankful for. Of course, there are all the typical things: family, health, etc. This year, with the passing of my husband, I learned that the friends we have play a huge part in healing during the hard times.

The cards, calls, and hugs I received at our meeting did wonders for me. I thank all of you more than could possibly know. Have a wonderful Thanksgiving.

By the way my birthday present came early this year: we have volunteers to be the Program Committee for the next two years. Of course, if you are interested you could help. So who wants to be Vice President?

Cindy

From your VP, Kathy Miller: Please help me make our new members feel welcome and at home. There is still 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.

REMINDER from the treasurer:



NB: Any requests for money much be made either at a meeting or by a phone call to the treasurer. No email requests for money will be honored. 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.



REMEMBER TO WEAR YOUR NAME BADGE TO THE MEETING! Otherwise you will need to "Feed the Pig" (\$.50)

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Minutes: Colonial Quilters Guild General Meeting November 12, 2019



The general meeting opened at 8:05 PM

President's Report: Cindy Fantasia thanked the guild members for their many cards and the planter that she received acknowledging the passing of her husband.

Secretary's Report: No corrections or additions were required to the October minutes. A motion to accept the minutes was made by Annette Mihalow and seconded by Mary Henning. A thank you note was sent to Mr. and Mrs. Mahler acknowledging their donation of \$25.00 to the guild.

Treasurer's Report: Beginning balance as of 10/1/19 was \$6,274.64. Incoming was \$920.25. Outgoing was \$237.30, leaving a balance of \$6597.59 as of 10/31/19.

The budget for 2019/2020 was sent to the guild members for review prior to the meeting. A motion to approve the budget as submitted was made by Mary Henning and seconded by Betsy Lawrence.

Vice President's Report: The door prize was won by Marjory Frey.

Website: Carol Moll reported that the registration forms for Quiltfest 2020 quilt entries and items for the boutique can be found on the guild's website.

Historian: Nothing to report

Community Service: Sue Truby read two thank you notes from recipients of community service projects. One note contained a monetary donation to the guild.

Bus Trips: Boots Horvath reported that the Lancaster shopping trip, scheduled for November, was cancelled. A Spring trip is planned.

Program: The Christmas Friendship project was distributed tonight to all registered participants.

Sunshine and Shadows: Jane reported that cards have been sent to Richele Voice and Joan Bellis.

Library: Ann Holte's book, Quilts of Valor, has been ordered. Betsy Lawrence won the 50/50 raffle.

Quilt Show: 1) See Carol Moll for pamphlets and flyers, promoting our quilt show, for distribution at events that you are attending. 2) If you email or text pictures to Lois Walters for your registrations of quilts for display, please indicate the name of the quilt(s). This will help her to appropriately connect the picture with the registration form. 3) Nancy Snow reported that 15% of the individuals' boutique sales will go to the guild. Credit cards will be accepted this year. 4) If you have not picked up your raffle tickets to sell, see Deb Shupe.

Old Business: None **New Business:** None

The business meeting was preceded by making pin cushions, an activity that was coordinated by the program committee. It was wonderful fellowship and seemed to be enjoyed by everyone in attendance. There was a lot of "chit chat", laughing and getting to know each other.

Respectfully submitted, Rayann Rohrer



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



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.



EVENT DATES for Guild Year 2019-2020

2019 Meetings, Programs, Workshops, Community Sewing Days

BOARD MEETINGS (6:45pm): 12/2 2020: 1/6, 2/3, 3/2, 4/6, 5/4, 6/1

REGULAR MEETINGS (7pm): 12/10 2020: 1/14, 2/11, 3/10, 4/14, 5/12, 6/9

COMMUNITY SEWING DAY: 2/22/2020

QUILT SHOW MEETINGS: 1/28/2020, 2/25, 3/31, 4/28, 5/26

- 12/10 **Meeting:** Musical Entertainment & Refreshments - Holiday with John Bauer. Holiday Square Exchange. Return your squares, \$10 refunded. (Assistance available to finish up/ glue your pincushion)
 - 1/14 **Meeting:** "Come and Learn": 1) binding in the dip, around the corner, 2) 1/4" seams, when to press open or not, 3) squaring up, 4) measuring a miniature
 - 2/11 **Meeting:** "Come and Learn": Round Robin: Cathedral windows; Start a Folded Star. Mystery Project handout #1
 - 3/10 **Meeting:** "Farewell to Program" - 2-year display of guild members' projects, introduce new program committee. Strip Poker; announce flower pincushion winner; Mystery Project handout #2
 - 4/14 **Meeting:** Quilt Show; Mystery Project handout #3
 - 5/12 **Meeting:** Quilt Show review: celebrate the quilt show, the winning quilts; Mystery Project anonymous display and guild votes (places #1, #2, #3)
 - 6/9 **Meeting:** End-of-Year Finale; Ice-cream Sew-Cial & Mystery Quilt display, announce winner
- NOTE: Any questions about programs, direct to Beth Swain or a committee member (see names and info in the officer/chair list on the first page of the newsletter).**

UPCOMING EVENTS: QUILT SHOWS, EVENTS, BUS TRIPS, CRUISES, QUILT RETREATS:



****12/7** IndieMade at Starlight Ballroom, Fearless Fire Co., 1221 S. Front Street, Allentown, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. <https://www.indiemadecraftmarket.com>

*****5/2-3/2020 The Colonial Quilters Guild's Quiltfest (show), Charles Chrin Community Center, 4100 Green Pond Rd., Palmer Township, PA. Sat. 10-5, Sun. 10-4**



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



Sunshine and Shadows:



Sent: A Thinking-of-You card to Richele Voice, and a sympathy card to former member Joan Bellis on the death of her son. David.

LIBRARY Kathy Lopez & Betsy Lawrence



New Book: QUILTS OF VALOR by Ann Holte

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

BIRTHDAYS: DECEMBER



Kathleen Horwath	12/9
Cindy Fantasia	12/10
Carol S. Moll	12/11
Darlene Dreisbach	12/14
Michele Glynn	12/18
Romy Norris	12/19
Carol Hartway	12/20
Mary Lou Straka	12/20
Gail Kromer	12/21
Judy Thompson	12/23
Sue Jones	12/24
Lillian Behrens	12/25
Margo Billetz	12/28
Karen Hallman	12/29
Marcella Smullen	12/30

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



FAT QUARTER FRENZZZY continues... 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.

WEBSITE! From Carol Moll, Webmaster

The URL is www.colonialquilters.org.

ATTENTION: Website "members only" password changed on Sept. 15! New password is on your membership card. You will no longer need the login. If you experience problems with the website or see links that don't go to the right places, don't hesitate to contact Carol at colonialquilters@gmail.com

WHAT'S ON THE WEBSITE?



Sometimes you might wonder where you can access various policies, information, forms, etc. Well, wonder no further. Go to <http://www.colonialquilters.org> and you will see a number of sections. If you click on "Members Only," which you must access with your CQG password (hint: it's on your membership card), you will find the New Member Packet, the Membership Directory, Newsletters, Forms (such as for reimbursement of commitment expenses), Quilt Show Registration Forms, By-laws and Policies, Officer and Chairperson Duties, our Library Book holdings, and the Budget.

COMMUNICATION ROUNDUP



NEW MEMBERS (and a reminder to members): An electronic newsletter is published every month except June/July and sent to your email address. It lists the minutes, committee information, and other guild announcements and events, as well as *the list of names responsible for the next meeting's refreshments*. If you do not have email, a copy will be sent to you via the postal service. Please enter imcajuntwo@me.com into your email address book/contacts to make sure you receive the newsletter/messages, and check your spam box as well. The newsletter is also posted on the www.colonialquilters.org webpage under "members only." Newsletters are mailed to members without email access. These newsletters are now printed in-house and mailed by Nancy Snow; contact her for problems. **NEW MEMBERS:** If you would like to be on **GroupWorks!**, please send an email to Nancy Weston at imcajuntwo@me.com to sign you up. You will get an email from them telling you what to do next; there will be a link to sign in and a unique temporary password. Once you do, you will find the shortcut to "Colonial Quilters" in the upper left side of the screen. **FACEBOOK** : ATTENTION all members who use Facebook: Check out the Colonial Quilters Guild Facebook page! It's a closed group, so you'll need to ask to join (email Darlene R., crazysew@aol.com) Once you join, feel free to share any info you'd like with our other guild members (ie: photos of your latest quilt project, questions about quilt related items, etc!) You will find the patterns for the charity projects, such as the walker bags, on our website. <https://www.facebook.com/groups/604180513018705/>

COMMUNITY SERVICE NEWS

"Be the reason someone believes in the goodness of people"



We are in the middle of 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/>. Give all donations 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. Community Sew Day making Twin Quilts for Turning Point tentatively planned for 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 - see below.

CHARITY SEWING - Susan Truby

PROJECT - "stashing for charity"



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.

QUILTFEST 2020: **Join The Party**— **Quilting is Sew Much Fun**



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>.

QUILT SHOW MEETINGS: The meetings will start at 6:45pm (see dates section of newsletter); the door to the church should be open by 6:30. The meetings will be held in the Adult Sunday School room which is just past the area where we have our snacks at the regular meetings. We will like to keep the meetings short & focused & plan on ending no later than 8:30.

Next quilt show meeting is Tuesday January 28 starting at 6:45 PM.

QUILT REGISTRATION & Vendor Bucks

- ▶ The rules for quilt submissions and submission forms for Quiltfest are separate pdf’s attached to your newsletter email. All quilt submissions need to be submitted by March 10. Vendor bucks will be given out for quilts registered in Nov., Dec., Jan.
- ▶ If you email or text pictures to Lois Walters for your registrations of quilts for display, please indicate the name of the quilt(s). This will help her to appropriately connect the picture with the registration form.

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

There will be a basket at front table to turn in ticket stubs. Please put money or check made out to Colonial Quilters Guild in an envelope with your name on outside. You should have 24 tickets to sell. If you were short, you can pick up extras at meeting from Deb Shupe or email at deb.shupe201@gmail.com

☆☆☆ See Carol Moll for pamphlets and flyers, promoting our quilt show, for distribution at events that you are attending.



QUILT SHOW BOUTIQUE This is your chance to make some beautiful items & sell them in the Quilt Show Boutique. Items don't necessarily need to be quilted. Start working on your items now. Both you & the guild will make money from your crafts - guild commission is 15%, so price your items accordingly. Please see Nancy Snow for a registration form & your vendor number or download the form from our website. Nancy S. will also be accepting donations, where the guild will get 100% of the price - think about making a couple extra items for the guild. Don't let this list of suggestions limit your imagination -- we will sell completed quilts, unfinished quilt tops, orphaned blocks and new items such as: small totes, zippered pouches, table runners, wall hangings, thread catchers, purses, scarves, pot holders, jewelry, pin cushions, aprons, etc.



From Lisa Zinkler: We will be having signups for the quilt show cafe starting in January, Items we are looking for are soda, water, desserts, and cash. The cash we will be using to buy paper goods, food, and other things needed in the cafe, since the budget is only \$300 for the cafe.

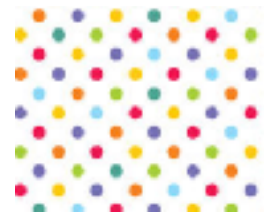


From Betsy:

We are looking for donations for door prizes. Right now we have about 25 and it would be nice to have a few more. So if you have any like-new items that you would like to donate, please bring them to the guild meetings at your convenience. Who knows, you may find that you have duplicate rulers, patterns you thought would be nice to make that special quilt and never used or some fat quarters that no longer appeal to your taste. Any donations not used for door prizes will be given to tricky tray collection.

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.



There is no size limitation.



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. [See the guild website for the list of suggested items for what to donate.](#)

**December Meeting Refreshments:
...will be supplied by the program committee**

**Dec. items due
by Dec. 22**

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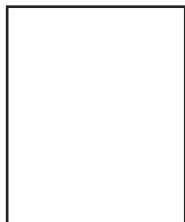


DECEMBER MEETING CHECKLIST!



- ▶Check the list for snack-bringer ▶Bring FQ's and 5" squares ▶Bring items for Show & Tell
- ▶Bring items for Blue Star mothers collection ▶Bring back library books! ▶Bring quilt show quilt registrations ▶Return your holiday squares for refund

Meetings are held on the 2nd Tuesday, 7pm, at the Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church, 2700 Jacksonville Rd., Bethlehem, PA 18017



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