

Message from the President

Great News!!! Spring has arrived four weeks early. According to the calendar spring actually begins on Monday, March 20th. I believe the groundhog's prediction may have been incorrect, but we will not complain.

The Chinese Auction was a huge success. Thanks to Diane Hollenbach, our Program Chairperson, for the great organization that went into setting up the tables. \$312.00 was added to our treasury. Great Job!!!

The March 15th program will showcase Michelle McLaughlin and her "Harvest of Quilts" trunk show inspired by nature and gardening. This month's meeting will be at Janelle Hall. Also remember that St. Patrick's Day is two days later on Friday. Let's dress to impress with our green outfits. I plan to have a "prize" for the best outfit.

Daylight Savings Time begins the Sunday before our March meeting..... so remember to move your clocks one hour forward, or you will be late for the meeting on Wednesday.

I have scheduled a Board Meeting for Wednesday, March 1, at the home of Ann Burrows beginning at 5:00 p.m. Board members should try to attend.

Everyone be safe and enjoy this great weather.

God Bless Arlan R. Christ

NATIONAL QUILTING DAY MARCH 18, 2017

2017 MYSTERY QUILT February- Clue 2

Gather your 93 medium/dark from baggie A and 93 light 8 1/2" strips from baggie C. Place a medium/dark strip onto light with right sides together and stitch a 1/4" seam along the end.



Continue chain stitching to make 93 sets total. Be sure to mix up your prints randomly as you go, don't sew all the same light prints to the same medium/dark prints. Once you have sewn all 93 sets, clip your threads and press all of your sets toward the dark print.



When any chairperson or member needs to speak at a meeting please contact me prior to the night of the meeting. This will help me facilitate a more efficient meeting. Please call Arlan Christ @ 610-756-6768.

NEXT MEETING MARCH 15, 2017 6:00 PM JANELLE HALL BOWERS

Refreshments

March Virginia Conrad - sweet Judy Corl - savory Virginia Cusatis - savory Tracey Diehl - sweet Margo Dufresne - sweet Linda Dupler - sweet Candace Edwards - savory



April Linda Epler - sweet Kathy fisher - savory Eleanor Follweiler - sweet Maribeth Gardilla - savory Sara Ginder - sweet Gerry Glutz - savory Gerry Grabiias - sweet

REMEMBER some members are diabetic! IF YOU ARE UNA-BLE TO ATTEND : Please Call Louise Rubright 610-488-7557 or GNL2008@hotmail.com It is your responsibility as a member to help provide the refreshments when it is your turn.

Sunshine:

If you know of a member who is ill or in need of a card from the guild, please contact Linda Hilbert at 610-899-0306 or rissaroo@ptd.net

WEBSITE ADDRESS...... www.heartandhomequiltersguild.org

Bad Weather and Cancellation

It has been the policy in the event of bad weather that YOU, each member call one of the officers to find out if there is a meeting. With so many having e-mail, a message will be sent to those whose addresses the guild has. The phone numbers are:

Arlan Christ	610-756-6768
Doris Schappell	610-683-3550
Eleanor Follweiler	610-756-6355
Diane Hollenbach	610-926-0210
Linda Hilbert	610-899-0306
Linda Epler	610-926-1200
Pat Christ	610-756-6768



March 12, 2017



Clockwise, Starting above: Cathy Phillips Jane Hague Melanie Steiner Jane Hague

March 15, 2017 Michele McLaughlin

"A Harvest of Quilts" Trunk Show Our March program will be at Janelle Hall in Bowers and feature Michele McLaughlin. Michele has been quilting for over thirty years and sewing since she was a child. She is the founder of the Lehigh Valley Quilt Study Group . Michele will present a new trunk show developed in 2016 called a Harvest of Quilts. The trunk show contains over 30 heirloom quilts featuring or inspired by nature and gardening. Let's celebrate spring's arrival with this beautiful trunk show.

Guest fee: \$5.00

SHappy Spring!

Programs

April 19, 2017 Tips and Tricks

In April, we will have our second Tips and Tricks evening. Last year was such a fun and informative time, we decided to do it again. Stations will be set up and Guild members will rotate to each station learning a different technique at each.

Childhood Picture due

by July Meeting

Bring one picture of yourself from any time during your childhood (baby to age 12). Place it in an envelope with your name on the outside and give it to Diane Hollenbach by the July Guild meeting. We will put the pictures up at the August picnic and give everyone a list of members participating and see who can identify the most Guild members correctly. Prizes will be awarded!

SHOW AND TELL





Fat Quarter Lottery:

For March Polka print fabrics of your choice are requested. Bring a piece of 100% cotton that measures 18" x 22" and put your name in for a chance to win all the others. Betsy Pienta and Melanie Steiner were the winners.

Block of the Month:

The new block for April 2017 is included in this newsletter. For every block that you make you get to put your name in for a chance to win all the others. Some times there are enough to make a quilt. Betsy Pienta won 23 heart blocks.

50/50 Drawing: Chris Squire

Please bring \$1.00 bills, as it is hard to make change with large bills.

March Meet and Greet:

Joyce Blew & Louise Rubright

Sit and Stitch



There will be no sit and stitch in March.

August Challenge

The challenge will be due at the August picnic dinner. The theme is Kitchen. The project must be quilted and identifiable as kitchen. It may be any size. More information will be forth coming.

St. Joseph's Hospital is requesting monitor bags approx. $4\frac{1}{2}$ "x6". Cut fabric 14" x 5"". Fold in half and surge (sew) up the 2 sides. Hem the top 1/2" down, put 27" cut strap into hem 2 1/4" apart and then top stitch in place. Twill tape for the strap will be provided.







Community Service

Collected at the February meeting were 183 eye glass cases and 14 baby hats = Lehigh Valley Hospital.

March - 30 laundry bags for Reading Children's Home. And monitor bags for St. Joseph Hospital.

July - Fidget Quilts for Reading Hospital NO button, NO beads, NO metal rings. Yes -ribbons, zippers, yo yos and different textures.. Flannel backing so it won't slide off the lap. Size 12"x12" to 24"x24". Chris Squire will be collecting any texture items for this project.

Fall - Lap Quilts for adults and children given at cancer treatment center at Lehigh Valley Hospital. Baby quilts for Nurse Family Partnership in Reading.

Also collected at each meeting, canceled stamps, Christmas stockings, shampoos, hand lotions etc. and money for our military personnel

Reading Hospital is again asking for abdominal pillows 10" x 27", neck pillows and boppy pillows **Stuffing will be provided**. **Call Cathy Phillips @ 610-926-1520 for stuffing**.

Berks Women in Crisis is now called SAFE BERKS.

Directions for laundry bags

One yard of masculine or solid sturdy fabric (prewashed). Cut off 6" x width of fabric for cord casing. Cut this in half (about 20-22"), hem the short ends, Fold the 30" x 42" fabric in half (30x21) and sew the seam and bottom edge. (This is like a pillow case) Sew the 2 casings to the top. **Cord will be provided by the guild.**



Alta Brobst	March 3
Margo Dufresne	March 4
Karen Hoshour	March 7
Virginia Cusatis	March 9
Marlene Heffner	March 17
Diane Hollenbach	March 20
Sue Hensel	March 24
Trudy Beidler	March 29



4-H VOLUNTEER WANTED

With the lost of Sue Dompkowski moving to North Carolina, I am in need of a volunteer to help with teaching 4-H members how to sew. We meet in my home in Blandon on a Sunday evening. Projects are mainly garments of all skill levels from beginner to moderate with girls ages 9 to 16. Anyone interested please call me @ 484 333-0494 or email me at catjjt86@aol.com. It's very rewarding when you see what they accomplish by June!



Arlan Christ called the meeting to order at 6:40PM followed by the pledge to our country's flag.

Attendance numbers not available at time of meeting.

<u>Announcements:</u> Sharon Phillips spoke about her church selling candy and passed around an order sheet. Arlan Christ gave a list of three quilt shows that are coming up in the area that our members may be interested in attending. Doris Schappell asked if there was anyone in the guild who could machine embroider patches for her 4-H group. Arlan also informed members to check out our guild's website which has been updated.

<u>Treasurer's Report:</u> Linda Epler's report is as follows: Checking=\$1,678.06; Savings=\$8,843.22 for a combined total of \$10,521.28. Expenses for month: \$416.76; Income: \$289.50 being filed for audit.

<u>Recording Secretary</u>: Betsy Pienta's minutes for January were accepted and approved with a motion from Linda Dupler and seconded by Alta Brobst.

Corresponding Secretary: Linda Hilbert sent a sympathy card to the family of Linda Lorish on the passing of her brother-in-law.

<u>Programs:</u> Program for this evening was our annual Chinese Auction. Diane Hollenbach reminded members that the March meeting will be at Janelle Hall in Bowers. Looking ahead to the August picnic, Diane has asked members to look for a photo of themselves as a child. These will be posted and numbered and a contest will ensue for members to guess "Who Is That Person". We will all know which will be Arlan Christ.

Library: This month Betsy Pienta brought novels and DVD's for members to check out.

Newsletter: Ann Burrows has requested items be submitted to her by Wednesday, February 22nd.

<u>Community Service</u>: Cathy Phillips has cording available for the laundry bags and twill tape for the monitor bags. Linda Dupler will be purchasing additional twill tape and members are asked to see her for their supply to finish the monitor bags. Tracey Diehl brought two boxes of stuffing for pillows and it was suggested that members could bring their pillows to April's Sit & Stitch for stuffing and then sew them closed. Chris Squire spoke about the Fidget quilts. Arlan Christ read a short part of two thank you letters that were received from LVHN for the lap quilts and from the Nurse Family Partnership. Cathy Phillips also received thank you notes from Safe Berks for the donations of socks, etc. and from Reading Hospital for the angel gowns.

<u>Fundraising:</u> Karin Lilley showed the beautifully redesigned blue and yellow fundraising quilt. She passed around a sign- up sheet for hand quilters to work on the quilt. Linda Epler graciously volunteered to have the quilt set up at her residence for members to come and work on the quilting.

Karin also reminded members that if they wish to donate a throw or baby quilt for the festival, to let her know before the April deadline to have them registered.

<u>Challenges:</u> Robin Phillips is working on one that will be due in August. The theme will be anything that you will use in your kitchen. To be continued.....

<u>Sour Dough:</u> Linda Epler had the drawing for one project recently completed and the winner was Lisa McKenrick. The other Sour Dough project is still being passed around to participants.

Old Business: None.

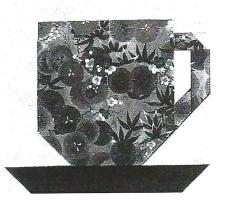
<u>New Business:</u> 50/50 Winner = Chris Squire - \$42.00 Fat Quarter = Betsy Pienta and Melanie Steiner Block of the Month=23 blocks won by Betsy Pienta

A motion was made by Ann Burrows and seconded by Melinda Novatnak to adjourn the business meeting at 7:25PM LOM=45 MINUTES

Respectfully submitted, Eleanor Follweiler, Recording Secretary



APRIL 2017 BOTM

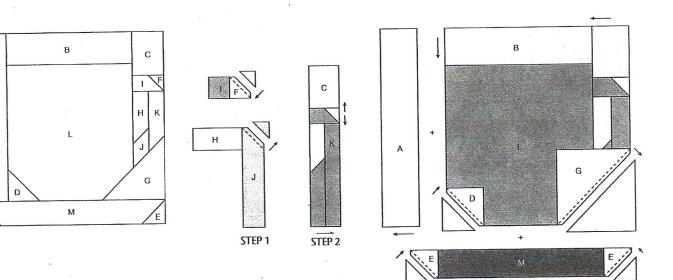


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Background: provided and Choose a flowered, print or solid from your stash for your teacup.

USED FOR	SHAPE/ COLOR	NUMBER TO CUT	12"
A		1	2½ X 11
В		1	2½ X 8½
С		1	21/2 X 31/4
D		1	21/2
E		2 🗌	2
F		1	11/2
G		1	4½
Н		1	1½ X 3¾
1		1	1½ X 2½
J		1	1½ X 5
К		1	1½ X 7¼
L	Ū	1	8½ x 9
М		1	2 X 12½





STEP 3

OFFICERS: President 1st VP/ Membership 2nd VP/Program Treasurer Recording Secretary Corresponding Secretary Past President

Block of the Month Community Service Fat Quarter Fund Raiser Librarian Military Collections Mystery Challenge Newsletter Parliamentarian Refreshments Scrapbook/Historian Sour Dough Project Take Down 50/50 Drawing Web Site Arlan Christ Doris Schappell Diane Holllenbach Linda Epler Eleanor Follweiler Linda Hilbert Pat Christ

Lisa McKenrick

Jane Hague

Betsy Pienta

Robin Phillips

Ann Burrows

Louise Rubright

Colleen Stamm

Pat Christ

Pat Christ

Linda Epler

Sue Wertz

Cathy Phillips, Tracey Diehl

Karin Lilley & Diane Hollenbach

Karen Cleveland & Judy Corl

Jean Ziegler & Joyce Blew

Heart and Home Quilters' Guild meets the third Wednesday evening of the month at 6:30 PM for business, show & tell, social time and a program. Refreshments begin at 6:00 in the Fellowship Hall of St. Paul's United Church of Christ 47-51 South Whiteoak Street, Kutztown, PA 19530 www.heartandhomequiltersguild.org

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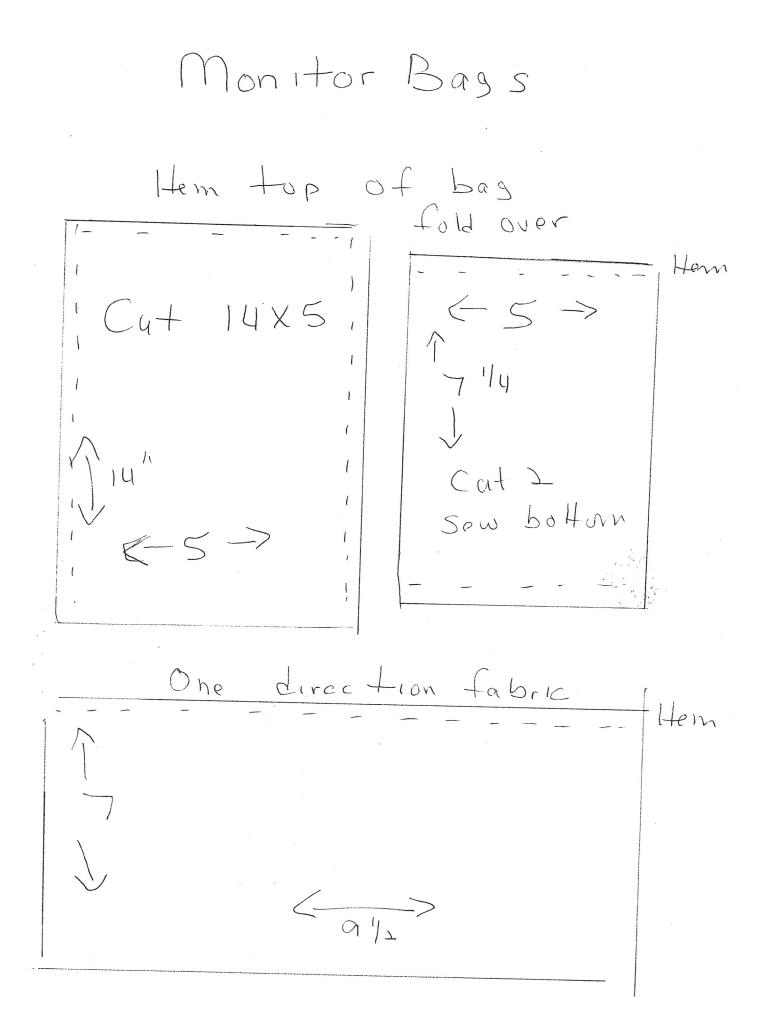
> > VISITOR POLICY

Guests may attend meetings for a fee of \$3.00 per meeting. This fee may vary according to the program.

Heart and Home Quilters Guild PO Box 48 Kutztown, PA 19530

STAMP





The guild is able to enter up to 20 wall hangings, 5 crib quilts and 3 lap quilts because we are entering a bed size quilt. Below are the rules for entry of the items. Please let Karin Lilley know by the March meeting if you will be donating a quilted piece. This is a good fund raiser opportunity for the guild.

2017 RULES:

- Review included chart for size suggestions and styles of quilts.
- It is expected that all quilts submitted to the Kutztown Festival Quilt Sale and Competition will be substantially the work of the person submitting the quilt. That person will have a significant role in the selection, design, piecing and completion of the quilt. At registration all quilters will certify that their quilts are <u>MADE IN AMERICA.</u>
- All fabrics should be<u>pre-washed</u>. All fabrics release dye and shrink at different rates. Pre-washed quilts sell better. Avoid complaints and returns because of damage.
 All fabrics will be 100% COTTON. Poly-cottons and flannel quilts are not acceptable.
- <u>Batting</u>: polyester, cotton and other suitable, new batting will be accepted and should be noted at registration.
- <u>Binding</u>: should be made from bias cut fabrics that coordinate with the body of the quilt. Mitered corners are preferred. Tops or backings wrapped as an edging will not be accepted.
- <u>Hanging sleeves</u> on wall hangings: Hanging sleeves must be a separate fabric constructed as a tube, minimum width 4" wide (to allow for a pole), long enough to cover the width of the wall hanging. Tab tops and binding that are folded down will not be accepted.
- <u>Clean quilts:</u> Quilts with spots, stains, fuzz and threads trapped in batting and other damages will not be accepted. The Festival staff will inspect each quilt at registration and have the right to reject a quilt that is defective. Quilts cannot be cleaned and returned at a later time.
- <u>Measuring</u>: Quilts should be spread flat and measured for width and length. Scalloped quilts will be measured between the two shortest points.
- <u>Labels:</u> Pinned to each quilt submitted will be a label with the following information: Quilter's price, width and length and the title of the quilt
- <u>Hand quilting and machine quilting</u> will both be accepted. It is expected that machine quilting will show an artistic contribution to the body of the quilt.
- <u>Signing quilts:</u> It is the policy of the festival that quilts will not exhibit the name and location of the quilter. Initials and dates of completion will be accepted.

NOT ACCEPTABLE:

- Block of the month (shop & commercial), Kits, pre-printed quilt fabric (cheaters), painted designs and poly/cotton and flannel fabrics (except on the back of crib quilts). Markings on cross-stitch quilts must be removed.
- <u>Pre-packaged bindings will not be accepted.</u> Bindings must coordinate with the body of the quilt; mitered corners are preferred.

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All Quilters must submit one Bed Sized Quilt in order to submit Wall Hangings, Throws or Cribs.

QUILT STYLE, CATEGORIES & REQUIREMENTS: Quilts will be made from new, 100% cotton fabrics. Only those that are acceptable in color, workmanship, cleanliness and salability will be accepted.

QUILTS WILL BE DISPLAYED IN THE FOLLOWING STYLES: PIECED PATCH, APPLIQUE, COMBINATION (PIECED AND APPLIQUE), ALL QUILTED

SIZES: With the exception of wall hangings, minimum sizes are approximate and should be considered a guideline for pricing.

CATEGORY	Minimum Size	Min. Quilters	Handling Fee*	Number Accepted
		Asking Price	+ Sales Tax	
CRIB	36" X 36"	\$100	ADDED AT REGISTRATION	MAX 5
WALL HANGING	24" X 24" MINIMUM	\$50	u	MAX 20
THROW	45" X 60"	\$100	u	MAX 3

CATEGORY	Minimum Size	Max. Quilters	Handling Fee*	Number Accepted
		Asking Price	<u>+ Sales Tax</u>	
TWIN	70" X 90"	\$800	ADDED AT	NO LIMIT - NO 2
			REGISTRATION	ALIKE IN PATTERN OR FABRIC
FULL	80" X 96"	\$800	"	u
QUEEN	90" X 108"	\$950**	u	u
KING	108' X 108'	\$1100**	u	u

*Quilts priced up to \$160 will have a handling fee of \$40 added. Higher priced quilts will have a 25% handling fee added. PA Sales Tax is 6%.

**Festival Management has prerogative to allow higher prices for exceptional quilts. All decisions by management are final.