

Meanderings

LeTort Quilters of Carlisle

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Autumn Album - Heidi Pridemore

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

LeTort Quilters, Happy September! I hope you had a wonderful summer and are ready for a great guild year. With the help of many hands, we are putting the final touches on fun learning and sharing opportunities to sew and grow. Please join us on Monday, 18 September, to reconnect and get inspired. Come to St Matthews United Church of Christ at 6:30 p.m. for social time, sign ups, and refreshments. The meeting officially starts at 7:00 p.m. We'll have some fun, share some stories and quilts, and talk about the coming year's activities and events. Bring your favorite pin cushion also! I noticed a wonderful variety of pin cushions at a retreat last year; they are a great way to express your individual creativity and personality in a useful way. And, on Saturday, 23 September, we have our first workshop creating fun, forever cards using scraps of material. The possibilities are endless. To end the month on a positive note, we have a service day on Wednesday, 27 September, at South Middleton Township Bldg. We will cut, sew, stuff, and design pet beds, comfort quilts and fidget quilts. Not forgetting the quilting retreat at the start of September, our guild is hosting four events this month. Thank you to all the volunteers who are dedicating their time and creative energy to make this happen. You are exceptional.

As you read through the newsletter, take time to digest all the diverse programs, workshops, and service days we will host in 2023-2024. If you have questions, bring them to our first meeting to get answered. If you are inspired by an event and want to help, reach out to a committee lead or board member to find out how to



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2023 - 24 GUILD CALENDAR

help. If you find a big hole somewhere, let us know so we can discuss it and fix it if necessary. We are all giving our best effort to sustain and grow the LeTort Quilters of Carlisle guild for our mutual benefit. As we are stitched together with consideration, kindness, and community, we become a beautiful quilt.

The update on the search for a volunteer to fill the role of president-elect is that we have a member who is willing to co-lead as president-elect. Lin Keller said yes during our calls in August. She is ready to get started, but we need another co-lead to say yes. It seems to me that this partnership would be half the work and twice the fun. Given the new facts of the search, please let me know if you want to fill the position as a co-lead.

Happy Labor Day. I wish you quiet moments to reflect on the labors of love you have created and freely given away.

Julie

RETREAT NEWS

We have three retreats this year in the beautiful hills of Carlisle, PA.

This is the perfect time to visit, laugh, and get some quilting done!

September 7-10, 2023.

January 3-7, 2024. Sign-up starts on September 18, 2023.

May 8-12, 2024. Sign-up starts January 15, 2024.

January cost:

Days	Single	Double
Wed-Sun	\$350	\$310
Thurs-Sun	\$305	\$265
Fri-Sun	\$260	\$220

There is a \$25 deposit to hold your place.

We will have Earl Martin there for spa treatment for your sewing machines and Deb Gdovin available to work on your tired muscles.

Sign up early for the retreat since space is limited.

Questions? Call Deb Weigle 717-460-8606 or Cathy Irwin 717-919-8470.

Meeting Reminder

Remember, for Monday meetings, the doors open at 6:30, and the meeting starts at 7:00. For Sunday meetings, doors open at 1:30 and the meeting starts at 2:00.

NEWSLETTER

If you have information on upcoming events, quilty news, sewing items for sale, or tips and tricks, the deadline for articles for the October issue is September 23. Articles are welcome from all members. Email articles to letortquilters@gmail.com

Monday Meetings

If it's a Monday meeting, there is dinner at Brad's!

Are you looking to meet friends and enjoy a meal together? You are welcome to meet us at Brad's on Spring Rd, Carlisle. We arrive around 5:15, order at the counter, and join the group.

Gathering time for the guild meeting is 6:30, so there is plenty of time to visit.

Any questions, please contact Deb Weigle.

Smile

Can you smile and say hello? Then you can be on the greeting committee. At each meeting, we like to have someone stand at the door and say hello to everyone that attends. Email me for the available dates. This is a very easy but important job for the guild!

PICTURE DIRECTORY

This year, we'd like to create a LeTort Quilters picture directory to show the friendly faces that make our guild so special. We believe that this directory will help with connecting faces to names and allowing us to know one another better.

To give you a sneak peek, we've prepared a sample of how a page in the directory will look. Once it's complete, we'll email the directory to members, enabling you to save and print it at your convenience. We understand the value of privacy, and rest assured, we will only display your picture if you wish to be included. For those who prefer not to have their photo displayed, you could send a picture of one of your quilts in its place.

To bring this vision to life, we need your help. Please share a photo that captures your radiant smile and quilting spirit or a snapshot of one of your quilts. It's as simple as emailing your photo to Sarah Burkett at sbrktt@gmail.com (don't forget to include your name in the email). If taking or sending a photo is troublesome, worry not! During the September meeting, we'll set up a dedicated station where you can have your photo taken as you sign in.

If you have questions, contact Sarah Burkett at sbrktt@gmail.com or Jane Shull at ibentravlin@comcast.net.

The sample page is titled 'CANVA STORIES' and features a grid of member profiles. Each profile includes a photo, a name, a title, an address, a phone number, and an email address. The profiles shown are:

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Phone
Email Address

Raffle Tickets

Raffle tickets are now available! The board encourages all members to pick up at least one packet of tickets (30) to sell. Tickets are only \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. The point of contact for raffle tickets is Miriam McMechen.



September Birthdays

Happy Birthday to you all!

9/2 - Virginia Leber

9/2 - Cherrie Terry

9/4 - Laurel Cook

9/4 - Denise Hutek

9/9 - Claudia Lehman

9/10 - Carol Richardson

9/11 - Barbara Maggi

9/18 - Cathy Irwin

9/18 - Jackie Kreitzer

9/19 - Sherry Simmeth

9/20 - Winnie Thuma

9/21 - Laura Ax-Fultz

9/21 - Sandy Moore

9/22 - Cindy Bender

9/23 - Carmen Eiserman

9/24 - Sandra Kohler

9/25 - Mary Wohler

BINGO - RAFFLE BASKETS

Fellow Quilters,

I hope everyone is having a wonderful summer relaxing and possibly quilting.

The raffle basket committee for our upcoming Quilt Bingo, to be held April 27, met recently. As you may know, we will have raffle baskets at this event. We have selected themes for these baskets, and they are listed below. Your help is needed to make these baskets a success.

We request the items for the baskets be new and unused. We have suggestions for each theme but please use your imagination and creativity! Handmade items that fit the theme are certainly welcome as are gift cards. If you make a donation, please include your name or the name of the person/company making the donation as we want to acknowledge their support.

We also thought it would help with motivation and our organizing of the baskets if we designated a meeting for the collection of each theme.

The collection dates are:

September 18 - Gardening
October 1 - Pamper Me and Kitchen/Cooking
October 16 - Kitchen/Cooking
November 5 - Family Fun/Games
December 3 - Christmas
February 4 - Quilting/Sewing

The themes are:

- Gardening - (Julie Rhen is the contact person) watering can, containers/pots, garden gloves, bug spray, sunscreen, seeds, garden books.
- Cooking/Kitchen - (Karen Pinker is the contact person) kitchen utensils, cookbooks, spices, gourmet sauces, jellies, salsas, potholders, tea towels.
- Pamper Me - candles, soaps, bath oils, gift cards for pedicures/manicures, chocolates, body lotions and creams, personal care items.
- Christmas - any Christmas themed handmade items, ornaments, cards, special candies, cookie cutters, cookie decorating supplies.
- Family Fun Night - games, cards, soft throws, fuzzy socks, snacks, gift card for pizza, puzzles - all types, crossword and jigsaw.

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Bees

Wool Bee—2nd Monday of the month

Handwork Bee—4th Monday of the month

We will not meet in Nov and Dec because of the holidays.

Both bees meet at the Bosler Library in Carlisle from 1:30-4:00 p.m.

For both bees, we work on our own projects, share ideas, and meet all year long!

We are a small group and would love to have you come and join us!

If you have questions, contact Cathy Irwin 717-919-8470 or Lin Keller 717-979-0506



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HELPING THE COMMUNITY

June 28 Service Day

A big shout out to all who helped with service day on June 28. It was an amazing turnout with 25 members and one guest showing up to work on community projects. We were able to make 20 kits for comfort quilts, numerous fidget quilts to go to organizations in the community, and 73 pet beds for local shelters. The comfort quilt kits will be available at the September 18 meeting or anytime before from Carlene Brenize or Sue Aigeldinger. Fidget quilt kits will also be available at the first meeting or contact Jane Shull if you would like to pick up fidget kits beforehand.

Thanks to Sue Aigeldinger, Ruth Cox, Jean Ilgenfritz, Jane Shull, Karen Kay Buckley, Terry Stibrany, Sue Renex, Vicki Knepp, Diane Fitzgibbon, Barb Maggi, Jacki Kreitzer, Jan Van Aucken, Becki Davis, Debbie Weigle, Nancy Garvin, Pat Szabo, Melissa Greevy, Sue Beinhaur, Cathy Walker, Julie Rhen, Linda Bishop, Linda Doty, Laura Dries, Jeannie Weddle, and Carol Houf for helping make this service day a great success. We hope to see you at the next service day. Look for more information in the newsletter.



Comfort Quilts

Beautiful fabric has been selected for the Pappus House quilt, and kits should be ready for the 13 pieced blocks at the first guild meeting in September. If you don't want to piece a block but still want to help, we will need people to put the blocks together, add borders, make the binding, and bind. MaryEllen Wical will be quilting the quilt for us.

We will also have the regular kits and batting available. We are looking forward to seeing you soon!

Sew long for now,
Carlene and Sue



5th Bi-Annual Meandering Trails

QUILT SHOW

Sponsored by Scrubgrass Stitchers Quilt Guild

Friday
Oct. 13, 2023
10-5 p.m.

Saturday
Oct. 14, 2023
10-4 p.m.

Admission: \$5 per person
Includes one table runner (set of 12)
raffle ticket and one basket raffle ticket

Scrubgrass Grange
5104 Emlenton-Clintonville Rd.
Emlenton, PA 16373

In Route 208 between Emlenton and Clintonville

For More Information or for a
Show Entry Application:

Call Quilt Show Co-Chairs:
• Diane Weibel (412) 629-4408
• Kim Webb (814) 229-4701
• Jen Feicht (724) 679-7280
• or send an email to:
ssgquiltshow@gmail.com



Join us for a fun day enjoying the displays,
meeting vendors and entering the raffles.

Current vendors include:
Quilter's Cupboard and Create with Claudia

Membership

by Marcia Brumbaugh

If you haven't already, make sure you renew your membership for the exciting year ahead of us. The membership form can be found on our website (letortquilters.com), which you can mail to LeTort Quilters, PO Box 260, Carlisle, PA, 17013. If you would like your membership card before the September meeting, enclose a SASE with your form. Memberships need to be renewed by the October 16th meeting to continue receiving the newsletter and to receive your membership roster. Also, the newsletter will only be sent via email; the guild will no longer be printing and mailing out newsletters.

QUILT CHALLENGE

Are you ready for the next Challenge?

LeTort Quilters, get your machines oiled and your needles changed. We are taking off for new challenges this year that support our community and create new sewing adventures.

We will have two challenge projects for you to participate in. Both are fun opportunities!

Challenge One—The Scrap Quilt Challenge

What it is: All participants will use the same fabric that has been donated by each participant to create their unique masterpiece. Your mission, should you choose to accept it, is to bring one piece of fabric. Size will be determined when we know the number of members participating.

Rules: You must use every fabric you receive in your project/quilt, but you may eliminate one. You can also add only one additional fabric of your own. You can design your creation any way and size you want. Make anything—a pillow, table runner, quilt, coat, or wall hanging!

Process: Members will sign up to participate by 1 October (at September 18 or October 1 meeting or via email). The reveal for your creation will be in **May, 2024**.

Challenge Two—The Reading Pillow Challenge

What it is: All participants will use any fabric(s) of their choice to create a 16" X 16" pillow (or similar size) with an outside pocket for a book and a handle for carrying (if you want to!). There are many YouTube videos available to show how to make a reading pillow either with an envelope backing or a zipper backing. This is another quilt guild opportunity to support kids in our community as we will donate our reading pillows to a local non-profit organization in December, 2023. We are coordinating with local businesses to provide the books for the pillows, so a child will receive a wonderful pillow and book! Please join us in the endeavor to support our community and reading for children. There aren't any rules. You don't need to sign up. Just make a pillow and bring it to December's meeting!

Happy Fall Y'all!

Yard-age Sale and Quilter's Attic Sale

Two sales are coming soon that you may be interested in!

The Yard-age Sale is at the MCC, Material Resource Center, Ephrata, on September 8 and 9.

The Quilter's Attic Sale is at Groffdale Mennonite Church near Leola and New Holland on October 14.

Both sales are cash or checks only.

Please see the following flyers! Any questions, please call or email me! Cathy Irwin jckji@aol.com or 717-254-6855

2023 MCC
Quilter's
Yard-age Sale

Friday, September 8 • 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.
Saturday, September 9 • 8 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Material Resources Center
517 W. Trout Run Road, Ephrata, PA 17522

An event that will delight any quilter, sewist or crafter!

Yard sale items include:

- fabric (cotton, craft, etc.)
- unfinished quilt projects
- vintage items
- quilt books & magazines
- patterns
- sewing tools & supplies
- ...and more!

Pre-priced finished quilts and wall hangings will also be available for purchase!

Upcycled items for sale:

- rugs
- table runners
- tote bags
- potholders
- clothespin bags
- fabric pouches
- ...and more!

Proceeds benefit the ministries of Mennonite Central Committee.
Please note we can accept cash or checks only.

Questions? (717) 733-2847 | EastCoastMRC@mcc.org

TREASURER'S REPORT

By Becki Davis

Profit & Loss Budget Performance July 2023 through June 2024

	Jul '23 - Jun 24	Budget	Jul '23 - Jun 24	YTD Budget	Annual Budget
Income					
Membership Dues	350.00	5,375.00	350.00	5,375.00	5,375.00
Misc. Income	10.00	1,971.69	10.00	1,971.69	1,971.69
Newsletter - Advertising	100.00	275.00	100.00	275.00	275.00
Promotional Items(T-Shirts,etc)	0.00	333.63	0.00	333.63	333.63
Royalties from Quilt Doc. Book	0.00	36.35	0.00	36.35	36.35
Sale of Quilt Doc. Book	0.00	120.00	0.00	120.00	120.00
Total Income	460.00	8,111.67	460.00	8,111.67	8,111.67
Expense					
Comfort Quilts	0.00	341.26	0.00	341.26	341.26
Dues and Fees	0.00	235.85	0.00	235.85	235.85
Facilities Rental	337.50	985.00	337.50	985.00	985.00
Insurance	0.00	262.00	0.00	262.00	262.00
Licenses and Permits	0.00	140.00	0.00	140.00	140.00
Membership	0.00	93.17	0.00	93.17	93.17
Misc.	177.00	5,474.06	177.00	5,474.06	5,474.06
Newsletter	0.00	-150.00	0.00	-150.00	-150.00
Officer Supplies	0.00	147.26	0.00	147.26	147.26
P.O. Box Rental	176.00	166.00	176.00	166.00	166.00
Postage and Shipping	0.00	12.60	0.00	12.60	12.60
Printing and Reproduction	0.00	452.18	0.00	452.18	452.18
Total Expense	690.50	8,159.38	690.50	8,159.38	8,159.38
Net Income	-230.50	-47.71	-230.50	-47.71	-47.71

Letort Quilters Profit & Loss July 2022 through June 2023

Letort Quilters Balance Sheet As of June 30, 2023

	Jul '22 - Jun 23
Income	
Membership Dues	5,375.00
Misc. Income	1,971.69
Newsletter - Advertising	275.00
Promotional Items(T-Shirts,etc)	333.63
Royalties from Quilt Doc. Book	36.35
Sale of Quilt Doc. Book	120.00
Total Income	8,111.67
Expense	
Comfort Quilts	341.26
Dues and Fees	235.85
Facilities Rental	985.00
Insurance	262.00
Licenses and Permits	140.00
Membership	93.17
Misc.	5,474.06
Newsletter	-150.00
Officer Supplies	147.26
P.O. Box Rental	166.00
Postage and Shipping	12.60
Printing and Reproduction	452.18
Total Expense	8,159.38
Net Income	-47.71

	Jun 30, 23
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
Checking - M&T Bank (LQ of C)	14,427.80
Total Checking/Savings	14,427.80
Total Current Assets	14,427.80
TOTAL ASSETS	14,427.80
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Other Current Liabilities	
Sales Tax Payable	27.63
Total Other Current Liabilities	27.63
Total Current Liabilities	27.63
Total Liabilities	27.63
Equity	
Education Fund	10,796.61
General Fund Retained Earnings	1,251.38
Retreats - Equity Account	2,399.89
Net Income	-47.71
Total Equity	14,400.17
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	14,427.80

On August 15, 2023, Melinda Hillard and Vicki Knepp audited the books for the Letort Quilters for the fiscal year July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023, and found no discrepancies.

Vicki Knepp: Vicki Knepp

Date: 8/15/23

Melinda Hillard: Melinda Hillard

Date: 8/15/23

LeTort Quilters of Carlisle

Meeting Schedule 2023 - 2024

September 18, Monday	New Guild Year Introduction
October 1, Sunday	Second Chance Auction
October 16, Monday	Content, Concepts & Quilts Sheri Cifaldi-Morrill
November 5, Sunday	Forgotten Treasure Jill Coleman
December 3, Sunday	Christmas Activity and Dessert Social
January 15, Monday	EPP vs FPP: The Showdown Tina Craig
February 4, Sunday	In House Trunk Show Guild Members
February 19, Monday	Keep It Simple, Pack a Punch Rachel Derstine
March 3, Sunday	Tips & Tools & Techniques Guild Members
March 18, Monday	Breaking Free Miki Howell
April 7, Sunday	Before & After: Repeating Patterns Timna Tarr
April 15, Monday	Back to Basics Round Robin Guild Members
May 5, Sunday	More Than Just Quilts Dawn Gerber
May 20, Monday Reveal	New England Quilt Museum/BOM Leslie Robinson
June 2, Sunday	EOY Celebration

Saint Matthews Church of Christ, 3240 Spring Road, Carlisle, PA 17013

Monday Meetings: 6:30 - 9:00

Sunday Meetings: 2:00 - 4:00

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Workshop Schedule 2023 - 2024

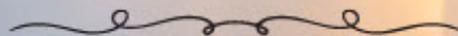
September 23
Saturday 10 AM - 3 PM
Monroe Township Building

Forever Cards
Susan Beinhaur



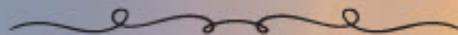
October 17
Tuesday 9 AM - 4 PM
Location: TBA

Piece Curves with
Confidence
Sheri Cifaldi-Morrill



November 15
Wednesday 9 AM - 3 PM
Monroe Township Building

Mondo Bags
Marty Jones



March 15
Friday 9 AM - 3 PM
South Middleton Township
Building

Textile Fusion:
Inspiration for Art Quilts
Miki Howell



April 6
Saturday 9 AM - 3 PM
Monroe Township Building

Stitched Mosaics
Timna Tarr



May 2024
Date and Location: TBA

Rope Bowls
Joan Gavigan

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Quilter's Attic Sale

From the PA Relief Sale

Date & Time: Saturday, October 14, 2023,
8am -3pm

Location: Groffdale Mennonite Church
168 N. Groffdale Road
Leola, PA 17540

Google Maps: Groffdale Mennonite Church
(Promise Learning Center)

What is Quilter's Attic?

An opportunity to shop and purchase donated quilt-related items. You will find cotton fabric, fat quarters, wool, patterns, books, notions, quilt tops, antique quilts, linens, and orphan blocks that can spark your creativity.

All proceeds go to the PA Relief Sale benefitting Mennonite Central Committee (MCC). For more information on the PA Relief Sale and MCC, please go to: pareliefale.org and mcc.org.

Forms of payment: **Cash or checks only.**

Donations of quilt-related items can be made at the New Holland Re-Uzit Shop, must be labeled Quilter's Attic.

For more information call Cathy Irwin (717) 919-8470 or quiltersatticpa@gmail.com.

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