

Meanderings

LeTort Quilters of Carlisle

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Spooky Hallow - Maywood Studios

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

LeTort Quilters, Happy Fall Y'All! I hope you are enjoying the cooler weather, wonderful colors of Autumn, and small bits of light that bring you creative surprises. I am glad we are getting back into our LeTort Quilters routine with so many opportunities to connect and create. Thank you to the 111 members who have renewed their membership. Thank you to the 65 members and visitors who attended our kick-off meeting. Thank you to the 23 members who attended the retreat. Thank you to the nine members who participated in our first workshop to make their one-of-a-kind cards. Thank you to the many hands that made our service day a success! What a way to join in the fun and build our quilting community.

There is great news on the president-elect position. We have two co-leads that have taken the helm. Lin Keller and Sandy Kohler will partner as president elect this year and president next year. They are both experienced guild members who will help shape and guide our guild for the future. Please congratulate them the next time you see Lin or Sandy!

October is another busy month for our guild. We have two meetings, one workshop, one service day, two sewing bees and one board meeting. There are plenty of chances to get involved. I am particularly excited for our time with Sheri Cifaldi-Morrill of Whole Circle Studio. It'll be interesting to hear her story about approaching quilting as a graphic designer. How do color and pattern play into her approach? She will get us started on the Picnic Petals quilt pattern during her workshop. It should be fun!



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2023 - 24 GUILD CALENDAR

Even with all this going on, don't forget about the two challenge projects and block of the month. Any member that wants to participate in the scrap quilt challenge needs to sign up NLT October 1st. No sign-ups are necessary for the reading pillow challenge or the block of the month. Have fun sewing!

Thanks for being a sharing and caring group of quilters. Your willingness to share ideas, help each other, and work together for good is fantastic. Have a great month and keep it scrappy,

Julie

MINUTES

September 18, 2023

First meeting of 2023/2024 Membership

Julie Rhen, our new president, greeted all of the members with many thanks to the numerous helping hands at the various stations for our activities. She welcomed new members who joined since our June 2023 meeting, as well as returning members.

Board members were introduced. We learned from committee leaders about comfort quilts, fidget quilts, challenge quilts, pet beds, bingo 2024, raffle tickets for the raffle quilt, retreats, upcoming service days, the quilt for Pappus House (hospice), block of the month, December boutique and dessert blizzard, workshops, and the upcoming perennial favorite – second chance auction.

Our next meeting is Sunday, October 1. Set up for the second chance auction is at 1:00 p.m. Bring your items and fill out those tickets!!

We participated in a small group, getting-to-know-you activity about accessing creativity and license plate design.

There was a show and share of beautiful completed quilts. Beth Cline was a winner of \$29 in the 50/50 drawing.

Becky Davis and Lindee Nelson were shop drawing winners. Many thanks to Faust Textiles and The Fabric Center for their donations to these prizes.

Respectfully submitted, Melissa Greevy

CHALLENGES

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!

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!

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!

RETREATS

Don't forget to sign up for the retreat to be held January 3-7, 2024.

There are still openings!

The second retreat of 2024 will be May 8-12. Sign-up starts on January 15, 2024.

January cost:

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

There is a \$75 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

MEMBERSHIP

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). You can mail the form to LeTort Quilters, PO Box 260, Carlisle, PA, 17013. If you would like your membership card before the next 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.

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.

Bingo Raffle Basket Collection Dates/Themes

The collection dates are:

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:

- 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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TREASURER'S REPORT

By Becki Davis

Letort Quilters Profit & Loss July 2023

	Jul 23
Income	
Membership Dues	150.00
Misc. Income	13.00
Total Income	163.00
Expense	
Facilities Rental	337.50
Misc.	177.00
P.O. Box Rental	175.00
Total Expense	690.50
Net Income	-527.50

Letort Quilters Balance Sheet As of July 31, 2023

	Jul 31, 23
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	14,085.21
Checking - M&T Bank (LQ of C)	14,085.21
Total Checking/Savings	14,085.21
Total Current Assets	14,085.21
TOTAL ASSETS	14,085.21
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Other Current Liabilities	27.63
Sales Tax Payable	27.63
Total Other Current Liabilities	27.63
Total Current Liabilities	27.63
Total Liabilities	27.63
Equity	
Education Fund	10,795.61
General Fund Retained Earnings	1,203.67
Retreats - Equity Account	2,888.80
Net Income	-527.50
Total Equity	14,056.58
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	14,085.21

QUILT SHOWS



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

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

Scrubgrass Grange
104 Emlenton-Clintonville Rd.
Emlenton, PA 16373
In Route 208 between Emlenton and Clintonville



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

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CENTER
LEBANON, PA
APRIL 10-13, 2024

Quilting on the Line Quilt Guild's
Autumn Ribbons Quilt Show
Jarrettsville Gardens at the Jarrettsville Fire
Company

3825 Federal Hill Rd.
Jarrettsville, MD 21084
November 4 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM
November 5 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM
\$10 admission. Children 10 and under free.

The show will display the creations of our members from the
past four years. It will feature: quilt challenges, block of the
month, round robin, mystery quilts, silent auctions, quilt
raffle, craft table, Granny's attic of gently used
books/tools/patterns for sale, vendors, knife and scissors
sharpening, fabric from Capital Quilts of Galtersburg, and
our highlighted quilter - Jeanne Kehl. Visit
www.quiltingontheline.com for more information.

Make a day trip to beautiful Harford County!

Visit the Autumn Ribbons Quilt Show. Travel the scenic
byways and explore the 25 barn
quilts on the Harford Barn Quilt
Trail. Enjoy delicious
creameries. Relax at the
breweries and wineries. "There
is something for everyone to
love." www.visittharford.com



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



October Birthdays

Happy Birthday to you all!

10/2 - Nancy Edmondson

10/4 - Melinda Hillard

10/7 - Ruth Cox

10/8 - Shaunda Rentze

10/11 - Shirley Lebo

10/13 - Roberta DeWire

10/19 - Sarah Burkett

10/25 - Bev Stine

10/31 - Vicki Knepp

NORTHERN SHENANDOAH
VALLEY QUILT SHOW
CLARKE COUNTY PARKS AND
RECREATION CENTER
225 AL SMITH CIRCLE,
BERRYVILLE, VIRGINIA, 22611
FRIDAY, APRIL 12, 2024 10 AM -
SUNDAY, APRIL 14, 4 PM

HELPING THE COMMUNITY

Fidget Quilts

Thank you for returning fidget quilts at the September 18 meeting.

1. Thank you all for donating all sorts of items for the fidget quilts and for sewing 48 fidget quilts so far.
2. On September 22, I delivered 34 fidget quilts to the CAIU preschool classes. They were so impressed with these wonderful, creative fidget quilts for the preschool children with special needs. Some of these quilts will also be shared with the HeadStart classes located in their learning center. Enjoy the pictures that I took of children exploring fidget quilts.
3. We have about 14 fidget quilts for adults ready to be shared with memory care facilities for adults. Sue Aigeldinger shared her list of nursing home locations, and I will soon be calling them to determine their needs.
4. If you know someone or a nursing home who would like to receive a fidget quilt, email me their name and contact details.
4. We currently have 75 mats ready and 28 kits ready to be signed out. Some kits are designed, and other kits contain various materials for you to design your own fidget quilt.
5. My secret...I have actually lost my list of who signed out kits, so if you find one in your UFOs please make a goal to create it before the end of 2023. Thank you so much!

Jane Shull 717-609-9954 or ibentravlin@comcast.net
(If you text, include your name so I will know who you are.)



Comfort Quilts

There was a very positive response to the request for guild members to piece blocks for the quilt for Pappus House. There are 13 pieced blocks for the quilt, and we only need two more takers! Once those are all complete, we will need people to help with each of the steps to completion, namely putting the blocks together, adding borders, making binding, and putting on the binding. As mentioned before, MaryEllen Wical will be doing the quilting. Our goal is to have the quilt completed by the end of December.

The focus on comfort quilts at the September service day was Christmas quilts to be given to Homeland Hospice. In the meantime, we continue to provide quilts to the numerous local agencies who service those in need.

Recently, we have been blessed with so many donations of fabric. As a result, we are "bursting at the seams" with usable fabric. We are always grateful for the generosity of these donations and find a use for all of it. In order to make the donation process a little more efficient, we ask that you let us know if you have fabric to donate, and we can make sure we are prepared to receive it at a meeting, or we can make arrangements to pick it up. Thanks so much for helping us out in this process.

Sew long for now,
Carlene and Sue

Notice from the Pet Bed Committee

Since The Fabric Center has done an incredible job of revamping of the store, they will no longer be able to accept fabric scrap donations. Please do not drop off any more scraps at The Fabric Center.

A big thank you to The Fabric Center for helping us for the past couple of years.

PHOTO DIRECTORY

A big thank you to everyone that has sent a photo for the new directory or had their photo taken at the last meeting. We're off to a good start with 45 photos so far.

To be a part of this project, please share a photo that captures your radiant smile and quilting spirit or a snapshot of one of your quilts. Email the photo to Sarah Burkett at sbrktt@gmail.com (don't forget to include your name in the email). If you prefer a more personal touch, we will have a dedicated station where you can have your photo taken at the meeting on Monday, October 16th.

LETORT QUILTERS FACEBOOK GROUP

We're excited to remind you about our Facebook group, which is a great platform for you to connect with fellow members and friends of LeTort Quilters, ask quilting questions, share your latest projects, spark creativity, and stay informed about upcoming events.

There has been a recent change to our Facebook group guidelines. We now welcome and encourage posts that support our local quilt and fabric shops. Do you have a favorite shop that's been your go-to source for fabrics, tools, or quilting advice? Now is the time to give them a shoutout in our Facebook group! Share your positive experiences, highlight their unique offerings, or let your fellow guild members know about any upcoming events or promotions at these shops. Your support can make a significant difference in keeping these businesses thriving.

If you're not yet a member of our Facebook group, search for "LeTort Quilters of Carlisle" on Facebook and request to join. Our group administrators will gladly welcome you to the group.

best,
Sarah Burkett



Quilter's Attic Sale

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

Sale is cash or checks only.

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



Boutique

We will be having the boutique this year at the December meeting. If you have items to donate, please bring them to the meetings and give them to Debbie Weigle. If you would like to help with the boutique, please email Debbie.

Bingo Door Prizes

We are still collecting items such as table runners, sets of placemats, zipper pouches, sets of mug rugs, and other items you enjoy making. Please give them to Debbie Weigle at a meeting or contact her.

AROUND THE GUILD

September Retreat and Forever Card Workshop



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

LeTort Quilters of Carlisle

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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By Erin Wilde

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