

## **CALICO CUTTERS QUILT GUILD POLICY** (updated October 2005)

### **MEMBERSHIP**

Please sign in at the front table when you come to each meeting. It takes “just one minute” and you will be advised of any handouts that are available. A new-member packet will include: membership card, by laws, policy letter, NQA application, library list, and member address list.

### **NAME TAGS**

We would like you to wear your name tag at each meeting. A name tag “piggy” collects 25 cents for each forgotten name tag!!

### **BULLETIN BOARD**

Each month be sure to check the bulletin board for any pertinent information not available in the Newsletter. This can be used as an information exchange within the membership for any classes le, current quilt shows, etc. The minutes of the previous meeting will also be posted there.

### **SHOW AND TELL**

Each month members are encouraged to bring in finished or ongoing projects or new acquisitions to show at the meeting. We always enjoy sharing the anecdotes that often accompany each item.

Please sign in on the Show and Tell sheet if you have something to share.

### **NEWSLETTER**

Save your Newsletter in order to refer back to various articles and block patterns.

If you wish to submit an article for the Newsletter, please submit it in writing to the editor by the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month for publication in the next Newsletter.

#### **Rates for classified ads in the Newsletter:**

Display ads (1/8 page) \$5 per issue or \$25 for 6 issues.

Display ads (1/4 pge) \$10 per issue or \$50 for 6 issues.

Classified ads: 10 cents/word, minimum of \$2.50/ad.

### **LOGO PINS**

Calico Cutters has a special logo pin. A pin may be purchased from the Ways and Means Chairperson for \$5.

We also have Calico Cutters – Discover Quilting pins available for \$5.

### **KIDS QUILTS – COMMUNITY SERVICE**

As a community service project, we make about 130 Kids’ Quilts a year for the Chester County Domestic Violence Center. These quilts provide comfort for children whose family life is in turmoil.

We ask that each member make at least one quilt a year or donate money or 3 yards of good quality all cotton fabric. Some members have made one quilt a month! We also collect toiletries – samples, small bottles from hotels, toilet paper etc.

Our January Guild meeting is a giant Kids' Quilt-in. Bring lunch and have fun staying all day to cut fabric, make kits, sew quilts, tie quilts – the works!

**Guidelines**

1. Use the kits, batting and backing provided by the guild, or use your own materials.
2. Use ½ inch seam allowances.
3. Sew layers together pillowcase fashion, and turn inside out.
4. Quilts may be tied or machine quilted. Tie with yarn or heavy thread as close together as the width of your hand.
5. Stitch around the quilt ½ inch from the outside edge as a false binding to give extra strength and stability.
6. Be sure to check for straight pins, safety pins, and loose threads.
7. Quilts' size is generally from 40" X 60" to 44" X 72". Craft panel quilts will be slightly smaller.

**WEATHER EMERGENCIES**

If adverse weather creates dangerous road conditions, we will abide by the decision of the West Chester Area School District as to whether or not to hold our monthly Guild meeting. If the West Chester Area School District closes its schools or delays opening, Calico Cutters will CANCEL its monthly meeting. The emergency closing number is **WEST CHESTER #851**.

The following radio stations will broadcast notice os school closings and delays:

KYW	Philadelphia	1060
WFIL	Philadelphia	560
WIP	Philadelphia	610
WCAU	Philadelphia	1210

In addition the three major TV networks – Channels 3, 6, and 10 – have a scroll on the bottom of the screen listing school closings.