

# Crazy Quilters Quilt Guild

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From The President

Jane Merkel

Hello Crazy Quilters,

As I write this, Christmas is not yet here, and just around the corner is 2022.

Last month I confessed to not having my BOM blocks finished, well they still remain incomplete. This will mean some serious time must be allotted for this purpose. I have enjoyed doing them, but life seems to have interrupted what was originally a great start.

I am taking the Robin Ruth workshop on Jan 29, so that is my deadline to have the remaining blocks 5 and 6 finished. Any encouragement over the next 4 weeks to complete this goal will be much appreciated.

GOOD NEWS!! Our January challenge presentation (in person with vax proof) will also be virtual.

We will send out a zoom invite if you are unable or uncomfortable about joining us at Faith Presbyterian Church. Karen Hartzell will use her I-pad to share all the colorful quilts that are on display. You can then vote in the chat section. More on this from Linda Green in her Challenge section. I am so thrilled for Linda's choice for the challenge. We need all the color in our lives that we can get. Please support this Guild event.

May I wish you all the blessings of the Season,

Jane

The Crazy Quilters Quilt Guild meets the first Tuesday of the month, 6:30 PM info@crazyquilters.org
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## **Guild Officers**

President: Jane Merkel

Vice-President: Samantha Cetrulo

Secretary: Karen Hartzell Treasurer: Kathie Laposata Programming Officer: Sue Marin Membership Officer: Kathy Moore

#### **Guild Calendar**

**Monthly Guild Meeting:** Tuesday, Jan 4<sup>th</sup>, 6:30-8:00 at Faith Presbyterian Church, 2nd & Cherokee Streets in

**Emmaus** 

**Sit & Sew:** Saturday, Jan 8<sup>th</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup>, 10 a.m. to 4:30

p.m. Faith Presbyterian



#### 2021 - 2022 Program Review and Updates

Sue Marin

December 7, 2021: Members enjoyed participating in another Silent Auction. Thank you to all those who donated items and those who bid. The total raised was \$1,758.25. We also played several games, listened to a Cajun version of "The Night Before Christmas," and shared many quilts during Show and Tell. The "Dirty Dozen" initiative is proving quite successful!

January 4, 2022: It's Challenge time! We hope you'll come out to see all the lovely, bright creations and vote for your favorites on January 4, 2022. Weather permitting, this event will be held live at Faith Presbyterian Church in Emmaus. In the event of inclement weather, it will be shared via Zoom. For more details, please refer to Linda Green's article in this edition of the newsletter.

February 1, 2022: Janet Yandrisevits and Mercedas Gurniak have plans for either an in-person meeting or a Zoom presentation based on weather conditions at the time. More details are provided in this newsletter. The topic for the evening is "Enjoying Community Service." We will meet live at Calvary Baptist on Tilghman Street in Allentown. Participants will have lots of room to spread out.

March 1, 2022: Diane Murtha will encourage you to join the fun in 2023 with her presentation on "Accept the Challenge!

April 5 and 6, 2022: Elly Levie will present her "Not for Mother's Day Only" program on Tuesday evening and conduct her "Weave a Quilt with Me" workshop on Wednesday morning. Both events will be conducted virtually. More details on the workshop will be provided later. I do know you won't need your sewing machine!

May 3, 2022: Travel with Debbie Wendt to Egypt as she shares her experiences with the Egyptian Tent Makers.

June 7, 2022: Guild member, Julia Davidovich, will present "Begin with the End in Mind: Everything You Wanted to Know about Having Your Quilt Top Longarmed."

July 5, 2022: EPP anyone? Members Vicki Pede and Kathy Moore will do a program on English Paper Piecing. I can guarantee you will see and learn a lot more than Grandmother's Flower Garden! I know there are several Crazy Quilters who do EPP. It would be great to have lots of EPP quilts in our Show and Tell this month.

August 2, 2022: Another Crazy Quilter with loads of talent, Julie Borden will present a program on "Wool Applique."

# MARINER'S COMPASS WORKSHOP DETAILS

Fifteen people have registered for this workshop on Saturday, January 29, 2022, for Robin Long's Mariner's Compass Workshop. This is a six-hour workshop starting at 10:00 AM and concluding at 4:30 PM. We will take a half-hour lunch break around 1:00.

If you would like to meet in-person, please join me at Zion's Lutheran for the day. We'll have access to a big screen which will make viewing her presentation easier. Please let me know by January 22 whether you'll join me there so that I know how to prepare the room setup. Doors will be open at 9:00 AM to give you plenty of time to set up.

## **GLOBAL QUILT CONNECTION'S SAMPLER PLATTERS**

For those of you who participated in the Global Quilt Connection's Sampler Platters dates in 2021, the organizers have planned three more for 2022. Mark your calendars now for March 19 and 20, July 30 and 31, and September 17 and 18. All three sessions run from 3:00 - 6:00 PM Eastern time.

# Block of the Month (BOM) Reminder

Phillis Walden

Thanks to all of you who have participated in the BOM project.

REMEMBER - Display of your finished projects is scheduled for the February Show and Tell. I know that everyone has been busy with the holidays, and some tops have not yet been completed by Longarmers. If your quilt is not finished in time for the February Show and Tell, we will plan to show the others in May.

Please send photos of your finished quilts to Lorraine Bujnowski and Roberta Whitcomb for Show and Tell and to Nancy Scholz for posting on the website.

Questions or delays, please let me know via e-mail to Waldenquilts@verizon.net or phone Phillis Walden

Sit & Sew

Mark your calendar for January 8<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>, 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., at Faith Presbyterian Church, Emmaus. Bring your quilt project, sewing machine and quilting supplies, your lunch and a \$5 donation for the church. And don't forget an extension cord and light. An iron and ironing board are provided, but you may also bring a small iron for use at your station.

Text or call me by noon the day before to reserve your spot, and please be prepared to help set up and store tables. I look forward to seeing you there!

# Linda Wojciechowski



#### Anyone Read a Good Book Lately?

Samantha Cetrulo

I did not receive any book suggestions. Everyone must be busy sewing for the holidays. If anyone has any book reviews, please email me.

Not a book, but very interesting.

Jackie Leipert submitted an interview with Kaffe Fasset on YouTube. Did you know Kaffe is a knitter and started out as a paint artist? The interview is in two parts.

Part 1: <u>Kaffe Fassett - Part One - Ep. 116 - Fruity Knitting - YouTube</u> The interview starts at 23:20 and fabric discussion starts at 1:23.



## The Brighter –The Better Quilt Challenge

Linda Green

It's here!

The challenge!!!

So get out your sunglasses and join in the fun!

WHEN: January 4<sup>th</sup>

WHERE: Faith Presbyterian Church

2<sup>nd</sup> & Cherokee Street, Emmaus

TIME: Doors will open at 6:30

Voting will end at 7:10 so make sure you have plenty of time to vote.

For our members who will not be able to join us in person—you will be able to join us through ZOOM. Karen will be showing you the entries on a ZOOM call. She will be able to show you the entries live!!!! And you will be able to vote.

# **HOW WILL YOU VOTE??**

- 1. You will vote on chat.
- 2. You will send your choices directly to Karen Hartzell's chat thread on Zoom.
- 3. You will be voting for first place in each of the 3 categories.
- 4. So you would write in the chat line --Category 1- #6 (the number of the entry you are voting for)
  - -- Category 2- #12
  - -- Category 3- #8

If you have not handed in your entry yet:

- You may come the morning of January 4<sup>th</sup> to the Church at 10 a.m.
- Or you may arrive early the night of January 4<sup>th</sup>

Please email letting me know either way thank you.

Show and Tell Lorraine Bujnowski

Many thanks to all the participants of Show & Tell in December. They were Karen Shaffer, Kathie Laposata, Dawn Martrich, Sam Cetrulo, Jackie Leipert, Diana Campbell, Phillis Walden, Karen Hartzell, Linda Anderson, Kathy Moore, Susan Marin and Lorraine Bujnowski. And, these ladies showed projects that were completed as UFO's. Kathie Laposata, Jackie Leipert, Phillis Walden, Karen Hartzell and Kathy Moore. It was so nice to see so many members participating in Show & Tell.

For the month of January we will be working on Dirty Dozen #5.

In January we will be meeting in person therefore, Show & Tell will be as well.

#### **Community Service**

#### Janet Yandrisevits and Mercedas Gurniak

Looking ahead to the February 2022 meeting, we will be ready for an in-person program to work together on sorting, cutting, and preparing kits for our Community Service projects, with emphasis on kits for kennel pads for local animal shelters. We have fabrics and some batting ready and will be happy to also accept any other supplies you may wish to donate. This is a good project to use scraps of batting that would otherwise be challenging in a larger quilt project. We are asking you to bring cutting mats, ruler, pins, rotary cutter and also fabric scissors that may be easier to use with some of the heavier weight fabrics. We will not be sewing that evening but helping to be creative in preparing the kits for sewing at your homes should also prove to be fun.

Also remember, that if the February meeting becomes an at-home Zoom meeting, we will work on a different project! You will need to have the following items ready at your sewing space at home:

Three 5" squares, in a variety of solid colors or prints

Three 5 1/2" squares, coordinating with the fabrics chosen for the 5" squares

Three 4 1/2" squares of batting

I will send the instructions for the project via a separate email that you will receive several days prior to the meeting so that you can review the instructions and be ready to get sewing. Completion of this project will enable an extra donation project for Community Service for our Guild.

Thank you for your support and encouragement, and ready action to participate with helping others in our Community. You are a wonderful group of women!

Sunshine and Shadows Jackie Leipert

This month a condolence card was sent to Linda Wojciechowski on the death of her husband Jerry. We are all thinking of her and sending our sympathy at this sad time.

As we start to settle into the New Year with new traditions, may we find time to work on our unfinished projects to make 2022 Merry and Brighter.

If you have any news you would like to share email or call.

Membership Kathy Moore

We had 43 members attend our festive December meeting.

Welcome to new member Anne Maberry from Emmaus. She found us through our webpage and is an aspiring beginning quilter. She is a retired CFO for a medical facility and also a retired social worker who now has some spare time to devote to learning more about quilting.

As of 12-21-21 we have had 25 members out of our total of 75 provide proof of vaccination to be able to attend our January in-person meeting. You can either email or snail mail me a copy of your covid vaccination any time.

Kathy Moore



# January

- 5 Jackie Leipert
- 19 Lorraine Bujnowski
- 24 Suzanne Nelson
- 25 Deb Veshinfsky

# **Committee Chairs**



Challenge: Linda Green

**Community Service**: Janet Yandrisevits and Mercedes Gurniak

Communication Chain: Diane Pesola

**Historical**: Rhonda Moore **Hospitality**: Diana DeFanti

Library: Michele McLaughlin and Dawn Martrich

Newsletter: Karen Rush

Publicity: Linda Wojciechowski Quilters Studio: Julie Borden Retreat: Sandy O'Conner

Show and Tell: Lorraine Bujnowski and Roberta Whitcomb

**Sit & Sew**: Linda Wojciechowski **Sunshine and Shadows**: Jackie Leipert

Website: Nancy Scholz

Deadline for the next newsletter is January 21st.