



Crazy Quilters Quilt Guild

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From The President

Donna Gasser

What a wonderful evening those that attended our Covered Dish dinner had. Diana Defanti put her excellent organization skills into making this event successful and with the help of a few other members set the room up the day before. The food was excellent—a great big thank you to all members that participated in bringing it to share. The program by The Sweet Adelines was a last-minute change and a surprise to many attendees. I hope it was appreciated by all.

The Silent Auction was a success due to Sue Marin, Karen Rush, and Julie McDonnel's efforts. All the donations to the flood victims in Kentucky as well as all our other charities was heart-warming. And all the Show & Tell, Sweet Whatnots, and Better Done than Perfect quilts show that we are all very busy ladies!

And now, moving into 2023 we have a Bingo to get ready. In January we are going to have a sign-up sheet for contributions to our Bingo. Vicki needs to be assured we have enough lap quilts to cover our 20 regular games and 5 larger quilts for the specials. Also we would like to know we have a number of table runners for tie-breakers. After our next Fundraising Committee meeting, we hope to have deadline dates for these submissions and more information about tickets. In the meantime, mark your calendars for September 10, 2023. We need all of you to contribute some time that day, but rest-assured you will be able to play your bingo cards.

The Crazy Quilters Quilt Guild meets the first Tuesday of the month, 6:30 PM at Calvary Baptist Church-Allentown

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Guild Officers

President: Donna Gasser

Vice-President: Vicki Pede

Secretary: Nancy Ayers

Treasurer: Pat Wolfe

Programming Officer: Nicole Folino

Membership Officer: Karen Hartzell & Linda Green

Guild Calendar

Monthly Guild Meeting: Tuesday, Jan 3rd, Faith Presbyterian Church, Emmaus

5:45 – Quilters Studio

6:30 -- Meeting

Sit & Sew: Saturday January 7th & 21st, Faith Presbyterian Church, Emmaus



Quilters Studio News

Julie Borden

Quilters Studio will resume in January with a wrap up on wool applique. We will meet at 5:45 at Faith Presbyterian Church in Emmaus. Remember to bring your projects.

I am looking for members to share on the following topics. Please RSVP if you have tips to share for these sessions.

February: Share your favorite measuring tips and favorite rulers. (This will be a round table discussion)

March: Share your favorite threads, (This will be a round table discussion)

Community Service

Janet Yandrisevits & Mercedes Gurniak

Thanks to the wonderful generosity of Guild members and their friends, a total of 40 quilts were sent to the Breathitt County Museum in eastern Kentucky, whose director is spearheading a project to assist community members in need as they continue to rebuild their lives following devastating flooding in July 2022. I especially thank Suzanne Nelson for bringing this project to our attention, and also to Phillis Walden and her daughter Diana who assisted me in completing the shipping of these quilts in the most economical manner possible. I am sure that those who have received these truly beautiful works of art will be aware of the effort and dedication placed into each and every stitch. For some of our members, these quilts should bring comfort in the knowledge that someone is now benefiting from your many hours of diligent work.

Thank you again for your terrific response and call to action!

Simple Whatnots

Suzanne Nelson

What fun it was to see all the beautiful variations of the same pattern, Woven Star, at December's meeting. I hope you are as impressed as I am by the creative use of color and fabric among our group. The range of color choices really brings home how much a pattern can change based on the creative vision of the quilt maker. And the best news is, we have lots more projects to go! Remember, it's never too late to jump in and join us.

Here's a schedule of upcoming Simple Whatnots:

January: At the meeting, show any past projects you might have just finished. In your sewing room, be working on Charm School (page 33).

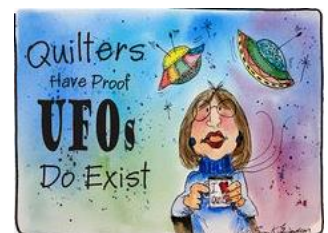
February: At the meeting, show Charm School. In your sewing room, be working on Pint Size (page 37).

March: At the meeting, show Pint Size. In your sewing room, be working on Apple Baskets (page 43).

UFOs – Better Done than Perfect

Lorraine Bujnowski

UFO's quilts will be shown in January. Please remember to sign in on the Show & Tell sheet located at the Membership sign in table. The UFO's sign in will be located the bottom of the Show & Tell sheet.



The 2023 Fundraiser -- Crazy Quilters' Quilt Bingo, September 2023

Vicki Pede

Please mark your calendars for our first Quilt Bingo which will be held at the Fearless Fire Company in Allentown on **Sunday, September 10, 2023**.

At our January meeting, I will have a couple of samples of Tricky Tray Baskets for you to see the various types of items that can go into them. Believe me, the sky's the limit! There will also be a sign-up sheet available for you to peruse to see what you may be able to make for the occasion. The success of our bingo depends on each one of us! Since the weather outside is rather cold with snow and ice, it is a great time for you to start sewing something.



The committee intends to have 25 games of bingo (20 regular and 5 special games). For the regular bingo, we are hoping to have lap quilts made and donated; larger quilts of sizes twin through queen or king can be used for the special games. Perhaps a few folks could work on one of those sizes. We are hoping that there are volunteers who may even quilt for those of us donating quilts. For tie breakers, we could use table runners of some sort as explained at our last meeting. In any case, I would bet some of us even have quilts we have made before around our houses that have not been used. I know I am famous for trying a new technique out and making a quilt that will not be used in my house at all and hope that perhaps you do too.

Please ask your questions at our next meeting and we will try our best to answer them. Again, since this will be our only fundraiser for 2023, we are hoping that it is really successful for our guild, and YOU are the determining factor in that.

Hospitality

Diana DeFanti

Thank you to all who assisted at the potluck December meeting. It was an enjoyable and gastronomic night with added entertainment.

Members who signed up to bring a snack for the January 2023 meeting are Rae Wong, Rhonda Moore, Irene Oehmke, Lori Smith, and Nancy Ayers. A reminder will be sent prior to the meeting.

Sit 'n Sew

Linda Wojciechowski



Mark your calendar for January 7th and 21st, 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!

Library Trolley News and Notes

Michele McLaughlin

Notes from the Library Trolley: It was decided at the December meeting that the library will not be available at the meeting in January. Also cancelled is the Raffle Gift and 50/50 for the meeting. Wishing everyone a happy and safe New Year full of sewing and reading!

Sunshine and Shadows

Jackie Leipter

A get-well card was sent to Vicki Pede.

As this year comes to a close and many of us think of the loved ones that we lost, me included, we wish each other friendship and love as we hold our memories dear. I for one am thankful that I have hobbies that enhance my life and friends that share my interests. May we continue to grow our friendship and talents.

If you have any news that you wish to share, contact me.

Membership

Karen Hartzell & Linda Green

At our December meeting we had a total of 40 attending: 38 members in person and 2 members on zoom. We have 76 members in our guild at this point. We have four members who have volunteered for the mentoring team, to introduce new members to our guild and make them feel welcomed. We welcomed one new member in December, Linda Griest. She visited with us several times, is happy to make new quilting friends, and expects a new grandbaby in the Spring. Welcome Linda!

Quilt Folk

Our guild is participating in the Quiltfolk guild locator program, joining more than 350 guilds, by enabling prospective members to discover and connect with their local quilting community.

As part of this program, participating guilds will receive two free copies of each new quarterly release, and when possible, other Quiltfolk products.

Winners of December's drawing were:

South Dakota magazine - Diana DeFanti & Ruth Skinner

Quiltfolk puzzle - Irene Oehmke



JACKIE LEIPERT 1/5
LORRAINE BUJNOWSKI 1/10
JANIE ROSSETTI 1/12
SUZANNE NELSON 1/24
DEB VESHINFSKY 1/25

Committees



Challenge: Sue Marin and Karen Rush

Community Service: Janet Yandrisevits and Mercedes Gurniak

Communication Chain: Diane Pesola

Historical: Kathy 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: Sam Cetrulo and Lizzie Riccaboni

Sit & Sew: Linda Wojciechowski

Sunshine and Shadows: Jackie Leipert

Website: Nancy Scholz

Technology: Kim Bringhurst, Katrina Idelman, Cathleen Kilpatrick, Jane Merkel, Vicki Pede

Fundraising & Ways & Means: Vicki Pede, Donna Gasser, Julie McDonnell, Sue Marin, Pat Piasecki, Jane Merkel, Phillis Walden

Upcoming Events:

March 29-April 1, 2023

Lancaster Quilt Show

Wyndham Lancaster Resort and Convention Center

2300 Lincoln Hwy. East (U.S. Route 30)

Lancaster, PA 17602

[Visit Website](#)

May 6 & 7, 2023



Our guild will once again be offering the Global Quilt Connection All Star Sampler events in May. The sampler listing is not yet available. However, the Global Quilt Connection is now listing on demand and live virtual courses that individual quilters can join. If you are looking for a live or on-demand virtual workshop, we invite you to check it out!

[Workshop Listings](#)