

# Crazy Quilters Quilt Guild

We Are Crazy About Quilting

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From The President

Jane Merkel

Dear Crazy Quilters,

Summer is surely on its way! Days are definitely lighter longer and that means more time to be outside, and/or more time to be in our sewing space!! That is a win-win situation. Enjoy it.

Sue Marin, our very capable program chair, has planned a grand summer for us all. First, we are going to be in person for June, July, and August meetings. Secondly, our presenters are all members or former members. Thirdly, all programs will be hybrid, that means if you are uncomfortable or unable to be in person, YOU can join us via ZOOM. We think we have all the glitches worked out, but we really won't know our success till June 7. So, bring your mask (in case it is mandatory to wear it), and enjoy the beautiful, large meeting room, with tables and comfortable chairs at Calvary Baptist Church (across the street from Josh Early Candy on Tilghman St in west end Allentown). See you there!

It is also election of officers, so please make an effort to attend, meet these ladies, and show your support.

Please mark your calendars for our outdoor sit and sews at Lindberg Park, June 21, July 19, and Aug. 16.

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**

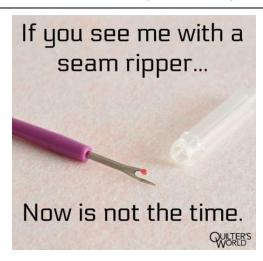
Monthly Guild Meeting: Tuesday, June 7th, 6:30-8:00

p.m. Calvary Baptist Church - Allentown

Sit & Sew: Saturday, June 11<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>, 10 a.m. to 4:30

p.m. Faith Presbyterian Church

Outdoor Sit and Sew: Tuesday, June 21st, 1 p.m.



### President's Message (continued)

I am personally so grateful for the ladies of this guild who step up and lend a hand and do such a fine job at their designated positions, on the board and off the board. YOU make our guild the best it can be. Thank you!

Stay healthy, Stay well, Stay quilting,

Jane

## **Nominating Committee**

Suzanne Nelson, Linda Anderson, Donna Gasser

The Nominating Committee is submitting the following roster of candidates for guild officers to be voted on by the membership at the June meeting.

President: Donna Gasser

Vice President: Vicki Pede

Secretary: Nancy Ayers

Treasurer: Pat Wolfe

Programs: Nicole Folino

Membership: Karen Hartzell and Linda Green



We would like to thank everyone who helped us during our search for candidates, most especially President Jane Merkel, who is tireless and always ready to graciously answer any email or call. And above all, thank you to the members who accepted the nominations and make it possible for the guild to continue.

#### SPECIAL REMINDERS FOR UPCOMING JUNE 7 MEETING

#### LIBRARY

Michele and company have evaluated books in our library. There is a large selection that will be put on sale at the June, July, and August meetings for the donation of \$1.00 for most selections. EXACT change is appreciated. They will come in small rolling suitcases, if you are willing to take one suitcase home and return to the next meeting, please step forward and let Jane know. Thanks!!

#### **GRAB BAGS**

Because the Macungie Flea Market was cancelled, we will make available to members the Grab Bags that were made to sell at that event. Most are priced at \$1.00, \$2.00 or \$3.00. Again, EXACT change would be helpful.

## NO FREE ITEM TABLE AVAILABLE AT THE JUNE 7 MEETING, DUE TO THE ABOVE EVENTS.

#### JUNE MEETING LOCATION

CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH, 4601 W. TILGHMAN ST., ALLENTOWN, PA. 18104
There are two entrances to the church parking lot off of Hausman Rd. (toward Luther Crest).
You may find it easier to use the second entrance to enter, and the first entrance when leaving.
Enter the building from the doors on the right (not the main entrance).

**May 3, 2022:** Thanks to Debbie Wendt for sharing the work of the Egyptian Tentmakers. And thanks to our members and guests who shared their own Tentmakers' quilts with us.

NOTE: \*\*\* Our June, July and August meetings will be held at Calvary Baptist Church,

4601 Tilghman Street, Allentown, PA 18104 \*\*\*

June 7, 2022: Former Guild member, Julia Davidovich, will present "Begin with the End in Mind: Everything You Wanted to Know about Having Your Quilt Top Longarmed." As a thank you to all of you who sent work her way, Julie is offering this program to the Guild free of charge. It will be held at Calvary Baptist Church in Allentown, just off Tilghman Street. Julie prefers to do this one LIVE, but we plan to offer a hybrid meeting that evening, too. Julie will cover best practices for piecing your top, selecting your batting, thread and backing fabric as well as choosing quilt designs. She will also share some finished quilts. Brig a pen and paper to take notes! The Board members encourage you to come out and see the facility. Light refreshments (coffee, hot chocolate, water and pre-packaged snacks) will be served.



**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! The program will present some EPP history, different shapes and ways of using them, as well as providing a small kit for members in attendance to make a flower that will be used to create a charity quilt. Join us live at Calvary Baptist Church in Allentown or online via Zoom.



**August 2, 2022:** Julie Borden, former guild president and coordinator of past Quilter's Studios, will present a fun trunk show on wool applique. She'll share many of her wool appliqued quilts and share with us what has consumed much of her time over the past 30 years.

\*\*\*Please note that in addition to our regular evening meetings, we will again meet at Lindberg Park on the third Tuesday of the month for summer get togethers. Mark your calendars for June 21, July 19 and August 16. We hope to see you there. Sessions begin at 1:00 PM.

Sue Marin

Programming and Workshop Chairperson, 2020-2022

Raffle Quilt Update

Judy Walker

Just a reminder to everyone that the raffle tickets need to be returned with your check by the August meeting. This will give us the chance to get all the monies in this fiscal year and ready for the drawing in September. I will be at all the meetings and Sit n Sew gatherings if you want to drop off rather than send everything in the mail.

# 2022 Quilt Challenge -- It's Only Natural!

Sue Marin & Karen Rush

Are you still looking for inspiration for this year's Challenge Quilt? Here are a few books that have an array of styles and techniques. Some were culled from our Library and may be for sale at our June, July, and August meetings. If someone else beat you to it, check your local library or peruse <a href="www.thriftbooks.com">www.thriftbooks.com</a>.

"Shoreline Quilts" Cyndy Rymer

"Watercolor Quilts" or "Watercolor Impressions" Margaret & Slusser

"Quilts from Nature" Joan Colvin



Photo featured in the book "Gallery of Quilts"

# **Community Service**

Janet Yandrisevits & Mercedas Gurniak

After we get our gardens established, we may retreat indoors at times to seek cool relief as the weather heats up again. We hope this may get creative juices flowing and considering the many opportunities we have to show our community our talent and generosity. Placemats for Meals on Wheels, pillowcases for children and teens, quilts for Turning Point and Camp Erin (when held again), kennel pads for animal shelters, breast comfort pillows, flannel premie quilts for delicate babies, and completing a block or two for Quilts of Valor are all opportunities we have to showcase our gifts of treasure, time and talent.

A new opportunity is opening up also as we partner with Habitat for Humanity in providing a gift for the household, such as a throw size quilt, a wall hanging, a table topper or a table runner. We thank Suzanne Nelson and her husband for giving us this suggestion to help a very worthy organization that they have been involved with for some time.

Habitat for Humanity will be happy to accept table runners or table toppers or wall hangings for a TOTAL of 4 items in time for the completion of 4 homes by the end of summer. If you have any you would like to donate, please bring them to our in-person meetings in June, July or August, or contact us to make other arrangements. We thank Suzanne Nelson for making this connection for us.

We will be available at the in-person meetings in June, July and August, and can exchange supplies and collect any completed projects you may have. You can also contact either of us directly if you need another way to exchange.

We thank Kathie Laposata and Lorraine Bujnowski for their special efforts in spearheading projects to show support for the people of Ukraine. Funding from the Community Service budget is offered to help with expenses involved.

Please see the information provided by Kathie Laposata and Lorraine Bujnowski regarding suggested projects to show support for the people of Ukraine. We thank them for taking the initiative and responsibility to lead these efforts and hope you will participate if interested.

Community Service has selected three ways our members might use our talents to help Ukrainian refugees.

1. Make an 8-1/2 inch block in the colors of the Ukrainian flag. Use any combination of blue, yellow or white in your fabric selection. Claudia Pfeil, an award-winning German quilter, is collecting 8-1/2 inch blocks that will finish to 8 inches in a quilt. She will arrange to have quilters assemble the blocks into quilts to be given to refugees. We currently have 12 blocks and will make the final collection at the June meeting.



# 2. Make Pat Sloan's 'Quilters Stand for Ukraine' block using the directions here:

We have 12 blocks and Kathie Laposata and Lorraine Bujnowski will complete a quilt with them. The quilt will be delivered to Lutheran World Relief, who will send it to Ukraine.

**3. Donate a finished quilt of any color to Lutheran World Relief.** This charity has an ongoing effort to send quilts to those in need. They are asking for quilts that are about 60 inches by 80 inches of any color or design except patriotic or religious. Give your quilts to either Kathie Laposata or Lorraine Bujnowski by our June 7 meeting. Here are the guidelines; <a href="Lutheran World Relief quilt guidelines"><u>Lutheran World Relief quilt guidelines</u></a>



<u>Sit & Sew</u> Linda Wojciechowski



Mark your calendar for June 11 & 25, 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!

<u>Show and Tell</u> Lorraine Bujnowski

What a nice Show & Tell we had in May with many members participating. Thank you to Julie Borden, Lorraine Bujnowski, Diana Campbell, Diana DeFanti, Kathie Laposata, Kathy Moore, Sandra Mugridge, Suzanne Nelson and Judy Walker for sharing their quilts with us.

The "dirty dozen" number for June will be 6.

Please remember to send your photos to Roberta Whitcomb, Nancy Scholz, and Lorraine Bujnowski. Due date for photos will be June 5.

<u>Hospitality</u> Diana DeFanti

Coffee and hot chocolate will be back at the June meeting. Feel free to bring your own beverage. Individually wrapped snacks will be available to complement your beverage.

<u>Sunshine and Shadows</u>

Jackie Leipert

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

<u>Membership</u> Kathy Moore

For our May zoom meeting we had 44 members attend out of our total membership of 75. We also had a guest attend, Rose Valentine from Florida, who is Sue Marin's sister-in-law. I hope that lots of you will be able to attend in person for our June meeting on the 7th.



# June Birthdays

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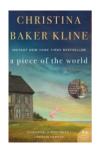
25 Nicole Folino

Book Recommendation Samantha Cetrulo

Summer is a good time to read a good book. Here are a couple selections from Sue Marin.

The first is a new book from our library that was never read. We culled it from the library, but I'd be willing to share it with others if they want to read it. The title is "Mrs. Lincoln's Dressmaker" by Jennifer Chiaverini. A former slave who bought her freedom by the skill of her needle. Elizabeth Hobbs Keckley went on the be Mary Todd Lincoln's dressmaker and friend. The story provides an intimate look into the workings of the White House and its members during the Civil War era.





The second novel is by Christina Baker Kline (author of "Orphan Train"). **A Piece of the World** is a fascinating story of Christina Olson and Andrew Wyeth. One gets a look at Christina's life before and after she becomes Wyeth's model for his iconic painting, *Christina's World*.

If anyone has any book reviews, please email me.

# **Committee Chairs**

Challenge: Sue Marin and Karen Rush

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

Communication Chain: Diane Pesola

Historical:

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



# Quilt Shows and Events

June 10-12 June 10-11	Mountain Laurel Quilt Guild Quilters in Bloom Quilt Show Celebration of Quilts 2022 Quilt show	Columbia Montour Vo Tech School 5050 Sweppenheiser Drive, Bloomsburg, Pennsylvania, York College of Pennsylvania Grumbacher Sport & Fitness Center 899 S. Richland Avenue	Mountain Laurel Quilt Guild: Quilters In Bloom Quilt Show  Celebration of Quilts 2022 - Quilt & Flower Show - Home  Our own Paula Jacobus is a
	presented by York Quilters Guild "A Quilter's Journey: Then and Now" Flower Show presented by The Garden Club	York, PA	member of this guild and will have two quilts in this show.
June 11 10 am to 1 pm	Main Line Quilters Trash to Treasure Sale	Saint Luke Lutheran Church 203 North Valley Forge Road <b>Devon</b> , PA	Main Line Quilters   a quilt guild based on Philadelphia's historic Main Line
September 15- 18	Pennsylvania National Quilt Extravaganza	Greater Philadelphia Expo Center Oaks, PA	Pennsylvania National Quilt Extravaganza » Mancuso Show Management (quiltfest.com)
October 28 – Nov 12	Eastern PA Shop Hop	Ten shops this year!	



Deadline for the next newsletter is June 21st.