

# Crazy Quilters Quilt Guild

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From The President

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Jane Merkel

As I write this message, I realize it is Valentine's Day! I hope you were able to share your love with those you care about (over and over again)! And I also hope you were able to enjoy in some way your love of quilting.

On National Quilting Day, March 19, Nancy Ayers will share with us her special techniques for creating 3-D designs. Her butterflies from the January Challenge have haunted me since that meeting. I am ready to learn, Nancy! She promises it is not hard. So come to this CQ on Cue free event for members. Please sign up SOON and have a great start to your quilting day. It will be a zoom event, but we hope to provide special ways to share this program.

As we approach the time for election of new officers, it is so valuable to the success of our guild that you step up when asked at whatever level you feel comfortable. I am especially thankful and proud of all the past and future members who were willing to share all the jobs, little or big, that pull us all together.

I have it on good authority that Spring is coming!! Enjoy each day!

Happy Quilting, Jane The Crazy Quilters Quilt Guild meets the first Tuesday of the month, 6:30 PM <u>info@crazyquilters.org</u>

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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, March 1st, 6:30-8:00 Via Zoom
Sit & Sew: Saturday, March 12<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup>, 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Faith Presbyterian
Community Service Drop Off: March 19<sup>th</sup>, 10-11 a.m. at Holy Spirit Church in Emmaus



### 2021 – 2022 Program Review and Updates

Sue Marin

<u>March 1, 2022</u>: There are so many things to celebrate in March: Women's History Month, Mardi Gras, Read Across America Day, World Wildlife Day, St. Patrick's Day, National Quilting Day, National Oreo Day, Daylight Savings, Purim, the first day of Spring, and too many more to mention here. What a great time to **welcome Diane Murtha** who will encourage us all to join the fun in 2023 with her presentation on *"Accept the Challenge!"* Our challenge for 2023 will be announced during the business portion of our March 1<sup>st</sup> meeting. This meeting is via Zoom only.

### March 19, 2022: Celebrate National Quilting Day with two special events!

<u>Start your day with CQ on Cue:</u> Nancy Ayers will teach all interested members how to make origami butterflies, birds, and flowers. Registration deadline is March 6. Just let Nancy know if you plan to attend. (Email or call.) Nancy will share samples at our meeting and provide a materials list for those who are attending the workshop. This **free**, virtual event will run from 9:00 AM to noon. For those who would like to meet in person, a room has been reserved at Zion's Lutheran Church, Old Zionsville, PA. Contact Sue Marin if interested.



<u>Continue the fun with Global Quilt Connection's Sampler Platter!</u> Take advantage of one, several, or all of the events presented on Saturday,

March 19 and Sunday, March 20, 2022. Both sessions run from 3:00 PM – 6:00PM. Please refer to the list of presenters and materials needed for each session on the full-page ad in this newsletter. Both days are **free to guild members.** Log in information will be sent out a couple days before the event.



**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. Per Elly's request, both events will be conducted virtually. The workshop will run from 9:30 AM to 1:00 PM. There is a maximum of 12 participants. Cost is \$30. No sewing machines required! **Registration deadline is March 6, 2022**. Forms are available upon request to Sue Marin. A space has been reserved for this date at Zion's, too. Just let me know if you'd like to attend live and view the workshop on the big screen.

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

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."

<u>July 5, 2022</u>: 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."

### **Upcoming Raffle Quilt Opportunities**

Volunteers are needed to sell raffle tickets at two spring craft/vendor fairs. The first will be held at Green Lane Fire Company in Green Lane, PA on April 2 from 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM.

The second will be held at Macungie Park on May 7. More details to follow.

Contact Jane Merkel, Sam Cetrulo, or Sue Marin if you can donate a few hours of your time for either or both events.



All Star Virtual Sampler Platter

Saturday March 19, 2022 - 3:00-6:00 pm (eastern) Sunday March 20, 2022 - 3:00-6:00 pm (eastern)



Come enjoy a fantastic zoom classroom experience! Learn lots of quilting techniques from some of the best teachers around! Come when you can, stay as long as you'd like!

Experience some of the best teachers the virtual world has to offer in this live zoom event offered by the Global Quilt Connection. An All-Star cast of 18 quilt teachers will demonstrate some of their favorite quilting techniques, showcasing a wide variety of styles and techniques. You'll see everything from traditional to modern and art quilting techniques. You'll also receive a PDF that includes written instructions to go along with each teacher's demonstration.

Come when you can, stay as long as you'd like, grab a cuppa and join the fun. If you haven't yet had the opportunity to experience a live zoom class, this is your perfect risk-free opportunity to check it out. Each teacher will demonstrate her Zoomin'-awesome teaching style so you can get a good feel of how wonderful virtual classes can be.

### Saturday March 19, 3:00 - 6:00 pm eastern

This list may be subject to last minute changes and may not indicate presentation order

Kim Brownell, Artful Memories Ana Buzzalino, Acrylic Skins Christina Cameli, Free Motion Blends Kristin Echols, Two-Sided Binding Dana Jones, Demystifying Design for Foundation Piecing MJ Kinman, Playing With Pixels Carolina Moore, Cutting Machines - Learn the basics! Linda Sullivan, Easy Wonky Piecing Carol Wilhoit, English Paper Piecing by Machine

### Sunday March 20, 3:00 - 6:00 pm eastern

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Vicki Conley, Code Breaker Michele Crawford, Explore the World of English Paper Piecing Beth Helfter, Consistency in the Chaos Jenny K. Lyon, Make a statement with sheer fabrics Scarlett Rose, Scarlett's Cultural Embroidery Journey Lisa Shepard Stewart, Quilted Memo Pad Cover Brenda Gael Smith, Improvise with ImproVines! Margaret Willingham, Added Dimension Valerie Wilson, The Eyes Have It



### New: you'll be able to watch the events for 24 hours after they end!

GQC will make each days event accessible to you to watch for 24 hours after each live event ends! We know that our viewers are located all across the globe and we want to make it easier for you and your guild members to watch. We don't want you to miss any of the great content that our presenters have for you!

### Sit & Sew

Mark your calendar for March 12<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>, 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., at Faith Presbyterian Church, Emmaus. Bring your guilt project, sewing machine and guilting 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!

### Books and Block of the Month

I have come across two subscription options that feature books and block of the month. Looks like we are not the only ones that have both hobbies and some even include gifts!

Quilt Folk- Patchwork & Prose: https://www.quiltfolk.com/product/block-of-the-month-patchwork-and-prose/okish Block of the Month With **Quiltfolk - Quiltfolk** 

Stitch and Story Program - not based in US https://www.sarahfielke.com/products/stitch-and-story-program

Another option is blocks for a book called "The secret lives of color" on Pat Sloan's blog. I overheard someone at sit and sew talking about this so I know at least one person in the guild is participating.

Is anyone participating in these?

### Show and Tell

February produced a nice showing of quilts. Betsy Golden, Judy Walker, Kathie Laposata, Suzanne Nelson, Karen Hartzell and Rae Wong showed us their quilts.

The dirty dozen participants were Kathie Laposata, Kathy Moore, Karen Hartzell and Katrina Idleman.

The Block of the Month quilts from the past year were also shown. Judy Walker, Kim Bringhurst, Donna Gasser, Lizzie Riccaboni and Jane Merkel's guilts were viewed.

Dirty Dozen will be #1 for April.

Please send your photos for the March meeting by February 27<sup>th</sup> to Lorraine Bujnowski, Roberta Whitcomb and Nancy Scholtz.

## Linda Wojciechowski

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### Samantha Cetrulo

#### Lorraine Bujnowski



### Crazy Quilter Challenge in The Press

The Press weekly newspapers for the week of February 3<sup>rd</sup> ran our Challenge pictures. They are in the Focus section on the church page. Unfortunately, not in color. (But perhaps in color on the website?)

(Note from the editor: Apologies to Linda for not sending this out earlier so you could pick up a paper. I was waiting for a link to their website. I couldn't find one. If anyone has the article, please forward to me.)

### **Community Service**

### Janet Yandrisevits and Mercedas Gurniak

Thank you to those attending the February meeting in person for participating in the fabric exchange and for taking home supplies to work on our Community Service projects at home. And thank you to all who attended the February meeting via Zoom for participating with the instructions for the improv cutting that will yield 3 mug rugs/coasters that we will collect and distribute to brighten the day for others in our Lehigh Valley community.

SAVE the DATE!! March 19th from 1000-1100 in the parking lot of Holy Spirit Church in Emmaus, where we will have a meet-up hour for you to collect supplies/kits from me and for me to collect completed projects from you. I hope to see you there.

Quilts of Valor has provided us with the instructions for their 2022 block selection, which is the Churn Dash. I am attaching the two pages of instructions they provided as a separate file. As a Guild, we ask you to make these blocks in patriotic colors and fabrics throughout the year, and I will take care of sending them to the organization.

I have also received NEW information regarding Camp Erin and pass this along to you now. The camp has been updated and renamed CAMP ALL YEAR. They are hoping to hold an in-person camp event at their Collegeville, PA site on June 10-12, 2022. Quilts should be 60 x 70, and they would prefer gender neutral if at all possible. There is an inventory of stored quilts, but additional quilts will also be accepted this year.

Thank you all for everything you do. It is a pleasure to be a part of such a wonderful group of women with talent and generosity to help others.

### **Sunshine and Shadows**

A little sunshine was sent in the way of a card to Jane Merkel and husband Ab as he recovers from an injury. If you have any news you would like to share email me or call me.

### **Membership**

For our second in person meeting in almost two years we had 21 members attend in person and 19 attend via zoom. Since we resumed meeting in person those who wore name tags had the opportunity to win a fat quarter. Kim Bringhurst was the lucky recipient. Your next opportunity will be June, so you have lots of time to go find your name tag or make a new one. If anyone needs instructions let me know and I'll email them to you. We have no new members this month so our membership still stands at 75.

### Kathy Moore

Jackie Leipert



### March Birthdays

- 2 Sandy O'Connor
- 9 Patricia Karo
- 12 Irene Madalena
- 15 Diana Defanti
- 20 Lizzie Riccaboni
- 23 Kathy Schuessler

### **Committee Chairs**



Challenge: 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

Deadline for the next newsletter is March 21st.

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March 23-26	Lancaster Quilt Show	Double Tree Willow Valley Resort 2400 Willow Street Pike Lancaster PA	The Lancaster Quilt Show at The DoubleTree Willow Valley Resort
April 8-9	Homemakers Country Quilters Fabric Sale Fabric,Panels, Buttons and More!	4H Center 1015 Bridge Rd. <b>Collegeville PA</b>	Home - Homemakers Country Quilters
April 12-15	Spring Ladore Quilting Retreat	Ladore Conference Center in <b>Waymart, PA</b>	Info forwarded via email.
April 22-24	North Pittsburgh Quilters Guild Flowers of Hope Quilt Show	Ross Township Community Center 1000 Ross Municipal Drive <b>Pittsburgh, PA</b>	Quilt Show 2022 (npqg.org)
May 1	Quilt Bingo Colonial Quilters Guild	American Legion 2260 Corriere Rd Easton, PA	Home (colonialquilters.org)
May 11-14	Quiltfest Virtual Schoolhouse 2		QuiltFest Virtual Schoolhouse #2 » Mancuso Show Management
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!	



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