

# Crazy Quilters Quilt Guild

We Are Crazy About Quilting

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## From The President

Jane Merkel

Happy October Crazy Quilters,

November is just a few days away. Can you believe it!

It was wonderful to see and visit with you as you dropped off your community service and paid your dues at our Oct 2 drop off at the Holy Spirit Parking Lot. As you know, by your willing participation, we also collected fat quarters for Sam, who is now Mrs. Daniel Liston. Congratulations and best wishes to Sam and Dan from your crazy quilters' family!!

Our guild is trying to keep you engaged even though group meetings are not yet able to be held.

Linda is taking reservations on the Friday before a Sit and Sew. Another community service pick up is scheduled for Nov. 13, at the Holy Spirit parking lot. And on Saturday, Nov 20, we will try to have a zoom workshop which we have dubbed, CQ on Cue. An easy Holiday table runner will be made.

Please be gathering your items for the December Silent Auction and send to Sue. We had a great response last year and hope to continue its success this year.

Happy Quilting and a Blessed Thanksgiving,

The Crazy Quilters Quilt Guild meets the first Tuesday of the month, 6:30 PM Via Zoom until further notice

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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, Nov 2nd, 6:30-8:00

Via Zoom

Sit & Sew: Saturday, Nov 6th, 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

@ Faith Presbyterian

Community Service Drop Off: Saturday, Nov 13<sup>th</sup>,

10-11 a.m. @ Holy Spirit

**CQ on Cue:** Saturday, Nov 20<sup>th</sup>, 9 a.m. – Noon Via Zoom



#### 2021 - 2022 Program Review and Updates

Sue Marin

October 2021: Thanks to Robin Long of Robin Ruth Design for a fascinating presentation of creating Mariner's

Compass quilts using her strip-pieced method. Based on the comments of those who attended, I am communicating with Robin about doing a workshop sometime January 2022.

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**November 2, 2021:** Lilo Bowman, the current Editor-in-Chief of TheQuiltShow.com., will share her thoughts and experiences on "Adapting for Change."

<u>December 7, 2021:</u> Christmas is coming! Our theme this year is "Christmas Past." Various games, a reading of "The Night Before Christmas" (with a twist!), our Silent

Auction Results, and some music will be the focus of the evening. If you want to participate in any of the following, please take note of the deadlines listed below.

Memories of Christmas Past: If you want to share an ornament, a gift or item from a past Christmas, please send your name and a photo of the item to **Karen Rush** at. Due to time constraints, participation will be limited to the first ten people who respond. You will be given 2-3 minutes to share your item with others. **Deadline to sign up is December 1.** 

Santa's Babies Matching Game: Everyone can participate in this one! Send a baby photo and a recent selfie to Karen Rush. (Her email address is listed above.) **Deadline to submit pictures is November 23.** 

Silent Auction Items: Items for the auction are starting to pour in. Keep them coming! The **deadline for submitting** items will be 7:00 PM on Saturday, November 27. Please remember to send photos as email attachments to Sue Marin and include a starting bid or value for each item submitted. If you have any questions, please contact me and I'll walk you through the process.

Sample of some of the items up for auction:









Kits, Dolls, Cookies and much, much more!

#### Other Auction news:

Bidding for Round #1 begins at 8:00 AM on Saturday, December 4.

Bidding for Round #2 begins at 3:00 PM Sunday, December 5.

Bidding for the Final Round #3 begins at 5:00 PM Monday, December 6 and runs through 5:00 PM on Tuesday, December 7. Winners will be notified during our meeting.

# Specific directions for placing your bids will be included in December's newsletter.

The Drop Off/Pick Up Day will be held on Saturday, December 11 from 10:00 - 11:00 AM in the parking lot at Holy Spirit Church, Emmaus. Payment must be made before items will be distributed. Checks should be made payable to Crazy Quilters' Quilt Guild. If you can't make this date, other arrangements should be made between the individual donors and winners.

<u>January 2022:</u> This year's challenge topic is "The Brighter the Better!" This event will once again be held at Faith Presbyterian Church. Keep working on your projects. Let's make the room pop with color! Contact Linda Green if you have any questions.

<u>February 2022:</u> Janet Yandrisevits and Mercedas Gurniak have plans for either an in-person meeting or a Zoom presentation. More details will come in December's newsletter. The topic for the evening is "Enjoying Community Service."

<u>March 2022:</u> Diane Murtha will encourage you to join the fun in 2023 with her presentation on "Accept the Challenge!

**April 2022:** Elly Levie will present her "Not for Mother's Day Only" program. I am also in conversation with her to do her workshop on quilt weaving in April.

<u>May 2022:</u> Travel with Debbie Wendt to Egypt as she shares her experiences with the Egyptian Tent Makers. <u>June 2022:</u> 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 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.

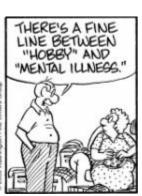
August 2022: Another Crazy Quilter with loads of talent, Julie Borden will present a program on "Wool Applique."

Sue Marin Programming Chair 2020 – 2022









#### **WORKSHOP SURVEY RESULTS**

Thank you to all who have submitted ideas for speakers and/or workshops for the coming year and beyond. I thought it would interest you to see the results of the recent poll. Results are based on the 46 members who attended the October meeting.

- Free-motion quilting on your domestic machine **55%**
- DIY Barn Quilt Boards 55%
- Quilt Weaving 24%
- Applique 14%
- Stained Glass quilts 28%
- Photography tips to get the best picture of your quilts 52%
- Dying your own fabric 14%
- OTHER 34%

Timing for workshops:

Weekdays from 9 – 12: 41%

• Weekdays from 1 – 4: **34**%

• Evenings from 7 – 10: 28%

• Weekends: **72**%

Saturday mornings: 66%Saturday afternoon: 52%

Sunday morning: 14%

Sunday afternoon: 41%

Thank you all for input.

Sue Marin

## CQ on CUE



Saturday, Nov. 20, 2021, 9:00am to noon.

Project: Celebrate! by Jen Daly.

Zoom invite to all registered members will be sent Nov. 18, 2021.

Please <u>register with Jane Merkel before Nov. 18</u>.

Project: Celebrate! By Jen Daly. Pattern required, cost \$6.00, can be downloaded.

Materials: Table Runner is 18 inches x 50 inches (total of 20 gift boxes, can make less)

Background: 1 yd of tone on tone light fabric (white, gold, etc)

Assorted colorful prints: approx.. 1yd total or less

Each gift package requires 2 - 2 ½ " x 5" rectangles of a print fabric

For ribbon: 1-1 ½ "x " 5" rectangle and 2-2 ½" x 3 ½" rectangles of ribbon fabric (use additional print

fabric)

From background: 1-3" square, 1-3" square, cut diagonally, and 2-2" x 4" rectangles ( 5 pieces all

together for each gift box)

Pattern contains the paper pieced bow top pattern; make copies to use with the project.

Have your sewing machine near your computer so you can watch and then sew.

Project will not be completed but you will know what to do to finish it.

### Raffle Quilt -- Individual Member Raffle Tickets

Judy Walker



All the raffle tickets have been mailed or delivered to the members who have renewed their membership for 2021/2022. As new members join, they will be sent tickets also. If you sell your required tickets and need more to sell, let me know. Call 610 753 7117, text or email (jwttcpsi@aol.com).

Thanks

## **Quilt Challenge**

"The Brighter the Better"

We have November and December to finish a "Challenge" piece!

Just a reminder the categories are:

- 1. Large Division 40 x40 or larger
- 2. Mini Division- smaller than 40x40
- 3. Non-Quilt Division items other than quilts that are quilted (pillows, purses, jacket)

Let's brighten up dreary January with our challenge entries!!

Thank you to those of you who have contacted me about finished projects excited to see your finished pieces!!



Show and Tell

Lorraine Bujnowski

What a lovely display for Show & Tell last month. Julia Davidovich, Diane DeFanti, Suzanne Nelson, Vicki Pede, and Judy Walker had quilts for us to view. And, for the Dirty Dozen participants, we had Karen Hartzell, Kathie Laposata, Kathy Moore, Phillis Walden and Roberta Whitcomb. Thank you to all of you for sharing your talents with us.

Photo submission for the November meeting is October 31st.

#### **Dirty Dozen**

For the month of November plan to work on your #11 quilt. I know many of you have UFO's lurking around in your sewing rooms. Perhaps they have been resting far too long and need to be finished.



#### Anyone Read a Good Book Lately?

Samantha Cetrulo

Along my travels this weekend for my wedding, I found this book in the book library that people have outside their house.

It is called "The Master Quilter" by Jennifer Chiaverini
It is book 6 in the Elm Creek Quilts which is a New York Times best seller.

Although I have not read the book, I have heard of the series and you can't go wrong with a New York Times best seller.

Please send book recommendations so I can feature a book next month.



#### Sit & Sew

Mark your calendar for **November 6th**, 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 at 610-360-8693 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!



#### **Community Service**

Janet Yandrisevits and Mercedas Gurniak

Jackie Leipert

We have a new Coordinator for Ryan's Cases for Smiles pillowcase program. I met her and some of the other women volunteers at Wooden Bridges this afternoon, and she was happy to receive the completed pillowcases from our Guild. Her name is Stacey Pfeiffer and she is very friendly and has a can-do attitude. We'll learn more as she gets herself settled in and makes her decisions about how we'll continue forward. Funding for the fabric may be a concern.

I also delivered a large bag of breast comfort pillows to the office of the Cancer Support Community of the Lehigh Valley, and one quilt to Pat Piasecki for Quilts of Valor program. Arrangements have also been made for me to deliver placemats to Meals on Wheels on November 15th.

Don't forget our exchange date for **Saturday, Nov. 13th from 1000-1100** in the parking lot of Holy Spirit Church. If that doesn't work out for you, please call me or send me an email and we'll work something else out. Drop off at my front porch is okay too, as long as you let me know.

THANK YOU all again for your support and your gifts of time and talent! Your creativity and generosity is far reaching and appreciated by many more people than you might imagine.

## Sunshine and Shadows

Wedding congratulations was sent to Sam and her husband Dan.
If you have any news that you would like to share, please email me or call me.

#### Membership

#### Kathy Moore

There were 45 members who attended the October zoom meeting. Our current membership stands at 72 and I anticipate a few more renewals before the November meeting. I will have an updated membership list for all of you before the November meeting.

Welcome back to former member Irene Oehmke. She is a retired family consumer science teacher and is married with 2 daughters and 5 grandchildren. She is an intermediate quilter and interested in community service, hospitality and show and tell. Welcome Irene!



#### November

- 5 Kathy Moore
- 14 Julie Borden
- 15 Sharon Schaffer
- 17 Sue Marin
- 19 Jane Merkel
- 20 Nancy Dunham
- 21 Donna Gasser
- 27 Linda Bieber

# **Creative Quilting Hacks**Source: Quilting Digest

I have a dry-erase board hanging in my sewing room. On it I write in large print the rotary-cutting measurements of my current project. I find it is easier to read the large print on the board than the small print in a magazine or book. I also make notations on the board about what size needle is in my sewing machine and the date it was installed. That way I know at a glance when it's time to replace my sewing machine needle.

> -DIXIE FEUERBACHER MASON, TEXAS

I make a knot every
20 stitches when
I'm hand sewing
binding to the back
of the quilt. That
way if the binding
ever gets caught on
something, it won't
rip out completely
and will be much
easier to repair.

-LOIS KISER SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA

# **Quilt Shows**

#### November 2021

Court House Quilters, Crafts 'N Quilts Show and Sale – November  $6^{th}$ , 10 am – 5 pm. Flemington Elks, Route 31, Flemington, NJ. Free admission. For more info visit <a href="http://courthousequilters.org">http://courthousequilters.org</a>



# The Eastern PA Shop Hop is Back!

Looking forward to Eastern PA Shop Hop 2021?

Dates are Nov 5 - 20, 2021.

Hours: Mon - Sat 10-5; Sun Noon - 4PM.

Wooden Bridge, In Stitches, and Ladyfingers will be closed on Sundays.

Featured fabric collection is "Bali Impressions - Photo Impressions", which is a batik collection by Benartex.

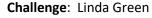
Eight shops participating this year. Passports will go on sale at each participating shop starting August 1.

Price is \$6 which includes a block fabric kit with pattern, passport, and tote bag.

Great excuse to take a ride to see the fall colors!



# **Committee Chairs**



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 **November 21st.**