



Crazy Quilters Quilt Guild

We Are Crazy About Quilting

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From The President

Jane Merkel

Happy October Crazy Quilters,

I will start this newsletter article with the closing lines of September's article. "The purpose of this event is safe, outside sharing of our guild talents. Make the most of this day!"

You ladies did just that! Our Tour de Quilts was a definitive success! We sold 128 tickets prior to Sept. 11, and 25 more on the day of our event. We will share a financial report at a later time. We also sold approximately \$257 worth of quilt raffle tickets.

But more importantly you interacted with each other, made new friendships, and met some very lovely people who share our love of quilting. The weather was spectacular and for me seeing such a wide diversity of quilts in natural daylight was just breathtaking.

Thank you! Thank you! Thank you!

Jane

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

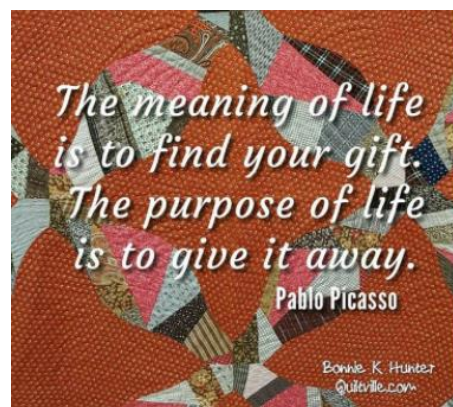
Programming Officer: Sue Marin

Membership Officers: Kathy Moore

Guild Calendar

Monthly Guild Meeting: October 5th, 6:30-8:00 Via Zoom

Sit & Sew: October 2, 16 & 30, 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Faith Presbyterian



September 7, 2021: Meg Cox's inspirational program on "Making Meaning" started our new year off with a bang! (Her little party poppers were great!) I hope everyone who heard her is ready to make positive strides forward in creating memorable moments in their lives. Can we come up with a Crazy Quilters' Friendship Ritual?

BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND: Global Quilt Connection's "All Star Virtual Sampler Platter" – Oct 2 and 3 Last year's event was so well received, we decided to offer it again. This event, held on Saturday and Sunday, October 2 and 3 from 3:00 – 6:00 PM is open and free to all members. Eighteen special guests will offer a variety of programs. Please see the special announcement included in the newsletter for the list of speakers and their topics. New this year is the option of watching both events for a 24-hour period after they end, allowing more flexibility for your viewing. I will forward the ZOOM link to everyone once I receive it from GQC.

October 5, 2021: Do you love the look of a Mariner's Compass quilt, but hate the thought of all that piecing? Robin Long of Robin Ruth Designs will present a program on creating the Mariner's Compass Star using her unique strip piecing method at 7:00 PM.



November 2, 2021: Lilo Bowman will share her thoughts and experiences on "Adapting for Change."

December 2021: This year's annual potluck potpourri theme will be "Christmas Past." A few activities may take some planning on your part, so start thinking about how you can contribute, now. One of the games will be "Santa's Babies" – a test to see who can match the most current members with their baby pictures. Browse through your family photo albums so that you can send your picture to me in November. Think about past Christmas/holiday celebrations that you remember the most. What made them special? Was it a favorite carol? A family recipe? Perhaps a treasured ornament that holds significant meaning for you? We will take time to share them with each other.



Since our first Silent Auction went so well, we will do it again. Items do not necessarily have to be quilt/sewing related. The cookies and fudge were big sellers! New this year is a "Mystery Box"!

January 2022: 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.

February 2022: Our annual Community Service project – Pillow Palooza.

March 2022: 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.

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

June 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 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 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

As we move into a new programming year, I am taking suggestions from you, the members, on the type of workshops you want as well as how many you would be willing to attend. We will take a poll at our October meeting, but I’m going to list some ideas here to get you thinking. My thoughts are that if I know there is enough interest ahead of time (most teachers have a minimum participant requirement), it will make the entire process go more smoothly. And since we can hold workshops online, I’ve realized that we can schedule workshops as separate functions that do not necessarily need to be done in conjunction with someone we have scheduled as a speaker, although that remains a possibility.

I will also include several time options in the survey.

Here are a few ideas:

- Free-motion quilting on your domestic machine
- DIY Barn Quilt Boards
- Quilt Weaving
- Applique
- Stained Glass quilts
- Photography tips to get the best picture of your quilts
- OTHER – please specify

Timing for workshops:

- Weekdays from 9 – 12
- Weekdays from 1 - 4
- Evenings from 7 – 10
- Weekends
 - o Saturday mornings
 - o Saturday afternoon
 - o Sunday morning
 - o Sunday afternoon

Sue Marin Programming Chair 2020 - 2022

Raffle Quilt -- Individual Member Raffle Tickets

Judy Walker



Tickets for the raffle quilt are ready and awaiting sale!

As stated in our by-laws, each member is required to sell raffle tickets. Our current policy set the minimum amount to \$30.

The packets are made up with a picture of the raffle quilt and \$30 worth of tickets. I will be at the October 2 pick-up/drop off for community service projects at Holy Spirit parking lot from 10 am to 11 am. If you can't pick up at that time, I will mail the tickets.

Thanks.

Quilt Challenge

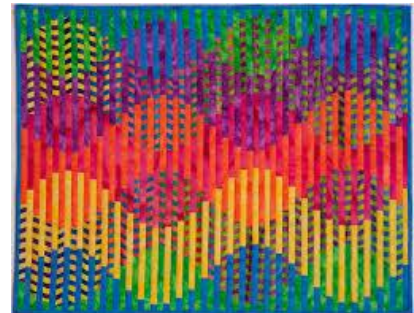
“The Brighter the Better”

Congratulations to those of you that have completed “The Challenge”!!!!!!

I am excited to see your work 😊 For those of you still working (like myself) keep at it! There is still time!!

In **November** I will be sending out a form to fill out about your entry – Looking forward to a “bright” show in dreary January!

Linda Green



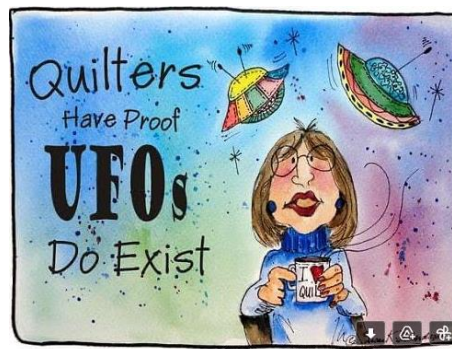
Show and Tell

Lorraine Bujnowski

Thank you to Diane DeFanti, Karen Hartzell and Julie Borden for showing their quilts in September. Deadline for photo submission for the October meeting is **October 5.**

Dirty Dozen:

I hope many of you have been busy finishing up your No. 3 quilts. We all look forward to viewing the first of this calendar year's UFO's. The October number will be No. 7!



Anyone Read a Good Book Lately?

Samantha Cetrulo

After finishing the quilt journey, most of our members have another hobby of gardening and reading.

I would like to include book recommendations in the newsletter that members suggest. It does not have to be quilt related. Please email me with any suggestions.

Here are two suggestions from Sue Marin.

I have two books that I think would be of interest to our members. They are "The Secret Lives of Colour" and "The Golden Thread: How Fabric Changed History" both of which were written by Kassia St. Clair. Both of them are good tie-ins to Emily Taylor's lectures on the color theory and Michelle Banton's presentation on Cotton to Consumer respectively.

In "The Secret Lives of Colour" one can learn where certain pigments were first used and how certain colors got their names. Some of our favorites, such as "yellow" and its various hues, had subversive meanings.

"The Golden Thread" is packed with stories of why and when humans began making cloth, as well as the importance and wealth it represented. It also includes references to the tools used to create cloth. Ms. St. Clair states that the Bronze Age and Iron Age should be renamed, as the making of cloth was just as important, if not more so, than the metals.

Sue and I had the same book in mind. Although I did not get to read the colour theory book, I did watch a good video on the book. You can find the video on YouTube by searching for videos by Just Get it Done Quilts and Let's Talk About Colour with Kassia St. Clair – Karen's Quilt Circle.

Sit & Sew

Linda Wojciechowski

Mark your calendar for **October 2, 16 & 30**, 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 Mercedes Gurniak

We look forward to seeing you on Saturday, October 2 from 1000-1100 for you to drop off any completed projects and there will be placemat kits available for pick-up as well. We'll stay outdoors and away from any construction zones. As Autumn begins, we may find ourselves indoors more often and gravitating towards our sewing!

Sunshine and Shadows

Jackie Leipter

BEST OF SHOW, RIBBONS OF EVERY COLOR, that is what some of our members have won at the Allentown Fair.

The Best of Show went to Julie Davidovich, Blue Ribbons to Karen Hartzell for a wall hanging and some smaller items, two second place ribbons to Kathie Laposata for her bed and lap quilt, also Blue Ribbons for a table runner and apron. Judy Walkers' quilt with embroidered light houses won her a White Ribbon, which is third place. Judy also won ribbons for her antiques.

Great job and congratulations to all of you who won a ribbon and also to those who entered. If anyone else won any ribbons or entered please let me know.

A get-well greeting card went out to Carole Whaling the end of August. We all continue to send her our best wishes.

If you have any news that you would like to share, please email or call me.



Membership

Kathy Moore and Phillis Walden

We had 46 members attend our September 7th meeting. Our current membership total is 78 with 46 members who have renewed for the 2021-2022 year.

We have two new members who joined the guild while participating in the Tour de Quilts. Connie Straccia volunteered several quilts for display and helped for the day at Val's house. She had been a member until last spring, and we are happy to welcome her back to the guild.

Katrina Idleman handed me a membership form after checking in for the Tour de Quilts. She indicated that she found our group via the web page. She is an intermediate quilter who likes spending time outside, gardening and sailing and also enjoys exploring with food.

Thank you to all of you have already sent checks to renew your membership for the upcoming year. For those who have not please do so no later than Oct. 6th.

Please send a check payable to **Crazy Quilters Quilt Guild** for **\$45.00** to Kathy Moore

Since Janet and/or Mercedes will be at the church on Saturday, Oct. 2 from 10-11 I will also plan to be there for any last minute in person renewals. That will give me some incentive to finish a few placemats before then.



October

- 4 Michele Mclaughlin
- 4 Roberta Whitcomb
- 5 Ann Lineberger
- 12 Doris Horwath
- 13 Lyndda Cromeans
- 13 Nancy Scholz
- 14 Nancy Keeler
- 24 Maria Hance
- 29 Patricia Piasecki
- 29 Judy Walker

Creative Quilting Hacks

Source: Quilting Digest

To hold long lengths of binding in place while pressing, I slip a circle of elastic over the narrow end of my ironing board. The elastic functions like an extra pair of hands!

—SUSAN CAMERON
BERNARDSTON,
MASSACHUSETTS



The Kutztown Folk Festival will look a bit different this year! We couldn't wait to see everyone in 2022, so we put together some events so you know we aren't going anywhere! Hope to see you there!

October 13 – 17th Quilt Store on Main Street - Open for in-person sales & viewing. Passport to Downtown Kutztown! - Visit select merchants in town, have them stamp your passport and submit completed passport for a chance to win a quilt. Ticketed Event. Winner will be selected at the Quilt Store on October 17th . **October 14th Farm to Table Dinner Event** – Features wine tasting by Blue Mountain Vineyards and Winery, dinner by Dundore & Heister, local artists & craftsmen, Wagon Ride & Fire Pit. Ticketed Event **October 15th Square Dancing on Main!** – Start (or end!) your night in the Wine & Beer Garden, and enjoy dinner at a Main Street restaurant. Your favorite Festival dessert might be available! **October 16th DIY Dutch Hex Sign Bike Tour** – Ride the backroads and view the hex sign art along the way. Ticketed Event **Return of the Folk Festival!** – Join us for a mini-Festival along Main Street! **October 19 – 25th Auction Quilt Preview** – Get a sneak peek, and plan your bids ahead of time at the Hampton Inn & Suites Kutztown **October 22nd Auction Quilt Preview** by invite - at Hampton Inn & Suites Kutztown **October 25th Online Quilt Auction** - Conducted by Zettlemyer Auction Co., LLC Kutztown Folk Festival · PO Box 306 · Kutztown, PA 19530 kutztownfestival.com · 610-683-1597

Quilt Shows

October 2021

Undercover Quilters, “Quilts For All Seasons” – October 15 – 17th. Brookhaven Municipal Building, Community Room Entrance, 2 Cambridge Road, Brookhaven, PA. Admission \$10. For more info visit [Quilt Show Flyer - UNDERCOVER QUILTERS](#)

County Line Quilt Show – October 16-17, 10 a.m – 5 p.m. St Cyril of Jerusalem Social Hall, 1410 Almshouse Road, Jamison, PA. For more info visit [Quilt Show 2021 | County Line Quilters](#)

International Quilt Festival Houston - October 28-31, 2021. Quilts, INC. produces this show at George R. Brown Convention Center at 1001 Avenida de las Americas, Houston, Texas. For more info visit <https://www.quilts.com/quilt-festival/quilt-festival-houston/>

November 2021

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



CORRECTION -- November 2022

14th Annual Exhibition of Quilts - November 12-14, 2022. Presented by Lebanon Quilters Guild at the Lebanon Expo Center, 80 Rocherty Road, Lebanon, PA. For more info visit <http://lebanonquiltersguild.com/exhibition-of-quilts/>

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!



FABRIC SALE

October 8 & 9, 2021

9 am to 2 pm

4457 S. Sunset Dr, Coopersburg, PA

(1.2 miles south of Wedgewood GC off Limeport Pike by Kozy Corner Road)

Senior citizen, Quilter/Seamstress/Crafter is downsizing

Scores of fabric: Vintage to recent purchases:

Beautiful cottons, blends, flannel, Christmas

Various sizes \$2.00 per yard,

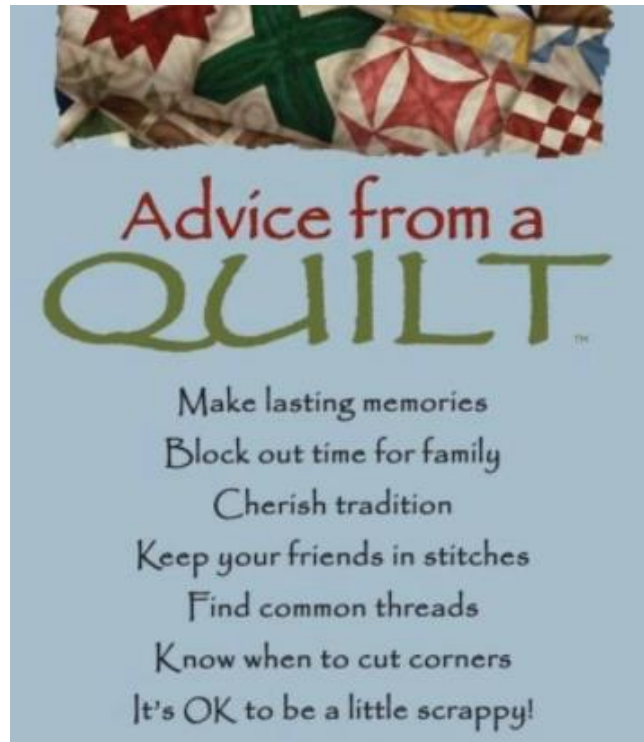
Fat quarters 50 cents, Quilt books \$1,

Patterns, ribbon, zippers, notions.

PROCEEDS TO BETTY LOU'S PANTRY

(Southern Lehigh Food Bank)

Doris Horwath (484-764-0317)





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 October 21st.