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## Crazy Quilters Quilt Guild

We Are Crazy About Quilting

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July 2025

### **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

Jessica Dayon

It is officially summer! I hope you are all enjoying the fun that the summer brings (between rain showers).

I recently got an email from Joann Fabrics saying that something exciting was coming. And since then, they have revealed the Joann x Michaels announcement. Michaels has successfully acquired the intellectual property and private label brands of Joann. Michaels has over 10,000 fabric options available online now and is adding more as time passes, as well as adding more sewing machines, Clover, FISKARS, & Coats & Clark. They are also debuting 10+ Pellon stabilizers and interfacing, specialty scissors, and Pellon cut-to-order batting coming in August. Hopefully this will help fill the void that Joann's going out of business left.

Thank you for all of your hard work making items and spreading the word for our 'Crazy About Quilting' show. Let's keep working! We are going to make this a really special event!

I'm looking forward to seeing you at our July meeting!

### **Monthly Challenge**

There will be no monthly challenge in July to give you time to work on the fruit and veggie challenge for our August meeting. Please see the programming portion of the newsletter for more information.

### **Quilters Studio**

There will be no Quilters' Studio in July since I am giving the lecture and will need time to set up.

The Crazy Quilters Quilt Guild  
meets the first Tuesday of the month, 7 p.m.  
at Calvary Baptist Church-Allentown

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### **Guild Officers**

President: Jessica Dayon

Vice-President: Donna Gasser

Secretary: Nancy Skok

Treasurer: Linda Johnston

Programming Officer: Sue Marin & Katrina Idleman

Membership Officers: Pat Piasecki & Quinn Pagano

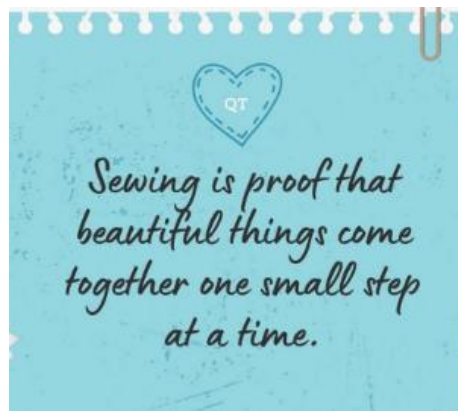
### **Guild Calendar**

**Monthly Guild Meeting:** Tuesday, July 1<sup>st</sup>

**Sit 'n Sew:** Saturday June 21<sup>st</sup> at 10:15 a.m.. Faith Presbyterian Church.

**Virtual Sit 'n Sew:** Wednesday, July 23<sup>rd</sup>, 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

**Sit 'n Sew at Lindberg Park:** Tuesday, July 29<sup>th</sup>, Noon to 4 p.m.



## Programs

Sue Marin and Katrina Idleman

### July 1, 2025 – “Designing a Quilt from Concept to Finished Quilt”

Have you ever wondered how designers come up with their creative designs? Welcome our president, **Jessica Dayon**, to center stage as she presents a program and trunk show for us that will provide insights into the process of designing a quilt from beginning to end and share some of her designs.

### August 5, 2025 – LIVE ONLY EVENT

Come celebrate “The County Fair”. Join in the fun as we share the best of events seen at a County Fair. In addition to sharing popcorn, ice cream, lemonade, iced tea, and summer salads, we are encouraging members to participate in the mini-quilt challenge. Here are the details:

Quilts must measure 20” x 20” when finished.

The design must be a fruit or vegetable, or groupings thereof.

Only one entry per person.



Be creative in technique and style. Are you a traditional piecer? Perhaps a basket with fruit pattern will work for you. For inspiration, check out Barbara Brackman’s “Encyclopedia of Pieced Patterns”. One might want to add some applique using fruit in the basket. Do you like something more realistic? Try your hand at collage quilting. Emily Taylor has several designs to choose from. Try incorporating fabric designs with fruits or vegetables in the pattern. Fussy cutting or intentional piecing could work well.

First-, second- and third-place prizes will be awarded.

If you plan to participate, please contact Sue Marin via email. This includes people who told me in passing at guild meetings that you were going to enter. You will be contacted in June with details of when and where to drop them off.

Help us celebrate the end of another busy year as we play a few games and just enjoy one another’s company.

## Sit ‘n Sew

Linda Wojciechowski



In person Sit ‘n Sews will be the third Saturday of the month.

Mark your calendar for **Saturday July 19th.**, at Faith Presbyterian Church, Emmaus.

Bring your quilt project, sewing machine and quilting supplies and your lunch. 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. If you don’t want to pack up all your supplies, bring a hand project instead or just come by to chat.

The Virtual Sit ‘n Sews will be the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of every month and will alternate between afternoon and evening. The next virtual Sit ‘n Sew will be **July 30, 6-8 p.m.**

SUMMER DAYS AT LINDBERG PARK, 2800 LINDBERG AVE, ALLENTOWN, PA. (Lindberg Ave is between S. 24th St., and S. Cedar Crest Blvd.) Tuesday, **JULY 29**, Tuesday, **AUGUST 19**

## **Hospitality**

Diana DeFanti & Sandy O'Connor

Many thanks to the members who provided our refreshments for the June meeting. They were: Kathy Moore, Cathy Schadler, Laurie Murray, Linda Finklestein and Dawn Dengler.

For the July meeting, the members who signed up to bring an item for the hospitality table are: Quinn Pagano, Donna Gasser, Karen Hartzell, Deb Veshinsky, and Dawn Martrich. You will receive a reminder prior to the meeting.

The August meeting is our County Fair event. Looking ahead we are asking 6 people to make a salad of their choice to share. Your dish could be a blue-ribbon winner. In addition, we have a separate signup sheet for drinks. Ice cream will be provided by the hospitality group.

Please check with Sandy or Diana to sign up and make this evening a real county affair.

## **Community Service**

Janet Yandrisevits & Mercedes Gurniak

I was happy to deliver 2 pet beds to Peaceable Kingdom in Whitehall on June 15 and 19 quilts to Family Promise of the Lehigh Valley in Allentown on June 17. This is a wonderful tribute to the great generosity of our Guild members.

We congratulate Kim Orndorf who was our raffle winner with her ticket pulled out of our jar at the May meeting. She was one of many Guild members who were entered into the drawing by virtue of making donations of projects for Community Service during this Guild year. Her prize is the monetary portion of a Guild membership for the 2025-2026 year. And many thanks to everyone who participated this year.



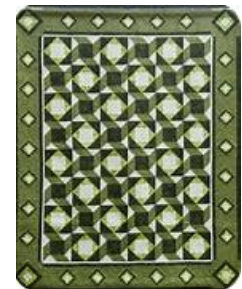
Let's put most of our efforts over the summer into completing placemats for Meals on Wheels and pillowcases for Ryan's Cases for Smiles.

We will provide you with a total count of all Community Service donations received during this Guild year as we prepare to turn over leadership to Dawn Dengler and Pat Piasecki beginning for the 2025-2026 year. We are confident in their enthusiasm and abilities to lead us on and know that all Guild members will welcome and support them too.

## **Quilt Challenge 2025**

Cathleen Kilpatrick & Quinn Pagano

The challenge this year will be to make a "Monochromatic" quilted piece. The definition of Monochromatic is having or consisting of one color or hue. You can use a variety of shades of a single color or hue. OR, you can use black, white and grey. To make it more interesting you may optionally add one additional color. The added color may only be used in less than 10% of the piece. The fabrics used may be solid, blenders or patterns, but the overwhelming color in each fabric should be the selected monochromatic or added color.



For more information, see the [May newsletter](#), or contact Cathleen or Quinn.

**The Quilt Show-- Jane Merkel**—Jane still needs more quilts to show. At present she has about 20 committed to the show. Please get in touch with her via email, phone call, or at our next guild meeting to give her the form listing the quilts you will bring. As well, she needs white glove attendants so that the quilts are not touched by our guests. She is creating a schedule for sign-ups.

## **QUILTS, QUILTS, QUILTS!**

Your Guild Needs **YOU!**

October 4, 2025 will be **HERE** before you realize it and Crazy Quilters ***need to be prepared.***

Our Goal is to share 100 quilts that we have made with the public ! They do not all have to be recent works, just quilts you are proud of and want to share with others. Please submit more than one, if we have room, we will gladly display it.

Please take a moment or two and fill out what information you can on a registration form and turn it in at the next meeting. Deadline is our August 5 meeting night.

Quilts, Throws, Wall Hangings, Pillows, Quilted Jackets, Quilted Crafts etc. all are welcome in this show!

Questions: See Jane Merkel, Pat Piasecki, Pat Wolfe

**The Boutique—Sharon Yurkanin**—Sharon is asking for you to let her know if you have any items you will be bringing to our Show for sale. She is running a list of these items so that she can plan the layout of her area.

**Silent Auction—Cathleen Kilpatrick**—Cathleen needs to know if you are working on a quilt for this area. Also any item deemed worth more than \$50 from the boutique area will be put up for this auction.

For the silent auction, we're looking for donations of quilts and other homemade items valued at least \$50. If you donate something, we'll ask you to make a starting bid for your item. We plan to set a 'buy it now price', so if someone doesn't want to risk losing an auctioned item, they can make a purchase on the spot. We have so many talented quilters in the guild, please consider making something for the auction. Please let me know by August 5 if you're willing to commit to the silent auction.

**Quilters' Cupboard—Donna Gasser**—Please let me know what you are bringing for this area. Diana DeFanti is making up mystery bags with our scraps so she will need to know what you are bringing. Anything in your quilting supplies that you don't use, have duplicates of but don't know why, books on quilting that you no longer need, etc.



# Crazy About Quilting Celebration

October 4 (Saturday) 9am-4pm

Admission: Adults \$10 • Kids Free

Come and help the **Crazy Quilters Quilt Guild** celebrate a carnival of color and endless creativity! Become inspired and spend time immersed in the beauty of the quilting world.

Plus: learn something new. Review a forgotten technique. Discover wonderful handmade gift items. Bid on awesome quilts. Acquire some recycled quilting essentials. Keep kids busy with a quilty-type project. Have a quick lunch and bring home a sweet snack.



*"Autumn Night" from Prairie Grove Peddler  
by Cheryl Haynes*

## Calvary Baptist Church

4601 Tilghman Street, Allentown, PA  
(across from Josh Early Candies)

Display of 100+  
Quilts & Quilted Items  
Silent Quilt Auction

Handmade Items Boutique

Quilters Stash Cupboard

Multiple Technique Demos

Kids Quilty Activity

Lunch & Bakery Items

Check [www.CrazyQuilters.org](http://www.CrazyQuilters.org) for more info.



*"Brightly" by  
Cluck Cluck Sew*



*"Color Schemes" created with  
Jenny Haynes Twist Block pattern*

## Membership

Pat Piasecki & Quinn Pagano



At the June meeting we had 63 members in person, 4 on Zoom, 1 new member, and 9 guests in attendance.

Welcome new member Janet McBride from Emmaus. Janet makes quilts for the animal shelters.

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| JACOBUS  | PAULA    | 1-Jul  |
| MCBRIDE  | JANET    | 2-Jul  |
| AYERS    | NANCY    | 9-Jul  |
| CETRULO  | SAMANTHA | 9-Jul  |
| MCDONELL | JULIE    | 11-Jul |
| CAMPBELL | DIANA    | 21-Jul |
| LAPOSATA | KATHIE   | 21-Jul |
| LEVINSON | JANET    | 23-Jul |

The latest issue, #34: Arkansas, was awarded to our president, Jessica Dayon. Quiltfolk offers a discount to our guild by using the code GUILD34, to receive 15% off your total order through June 30.

## Committees

**Challenge:** Cathleen Kilpatrick & Quinn Pagano

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

**Fundraising & Ways & Means:** Donna Gasser, Julie McDonnell, Pat Piasecki, Jane Merkel, Cathleen Kilpatrick, Gail Shearer, Sue Marin

**Guild Quilt Construction:** Jessica Dayon

**Historical:** Kathy Moore

**Hospitality:** Diana DeFanti & Sandy O'Connor

**Library:** Michele McLaughlin

**Newsletter:** Karen Rush

**Publicity:** Linda Wojciechowski

**Quilters Studio:** Julie Borden & Jessica Dayon

**Retreat:** Sandy O'Conner

**Show and Tell:** Suzanne Nelson & Judy Walker

**Sit & Sew:** Linda Wojciechowski

**Sunshine and Shadows:** Linda Anderson

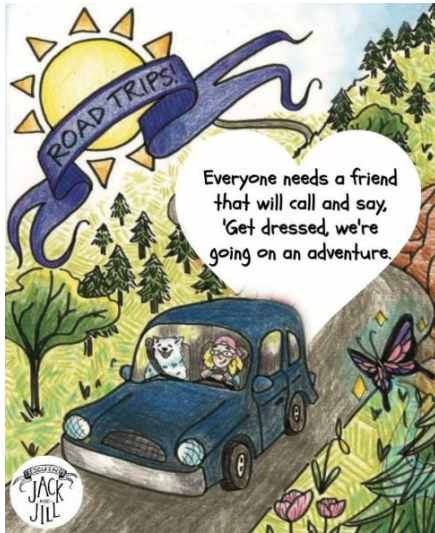
**Technology:** Kim Bringhurst, Katrina Idelman, Cathleen Kilpatrick, Jane Merkel, Gail Shearer

**Website:** Nancy Scholz



**Reminder: Newsletter Deadline is always the 21<sup>st</sup> of the Month  
Mark your calendars!**

## Upcoming Events



### 2025

**July 1 – August 31 – [All Mid-Atlantic Shop Hop](#)**, Six States, 125 Shops!

**July 11-12 – [Quilt Show - Ladybug Quilt Guild](#)**

**July 17-19 – [The North East Ohio Quilt Show](#)**, Wayne County Fair Event Center, 199 Vanover St, Wooster, OH

**September 6 & 7 – Schuylkill County Quilters Guild, Quilt Spectacular 2025 – Winter Whimsy, Walk In Art Center, 220 Parkway, Schuylkill Haven, PA.**

**Sep 10-13 -- [American Quilter's Society](#) – AQS Quilt Week, Manheim, PA**

**Sept 11-14 -- [Pennsylvania National Quilt Extravaganza » Mancuso Show](#)**

**[Management](#)**, Oaks PA

**September 25 – 28 – [Montgomery County 4H Giant Fabric Sale](#)**, Farm, Home & Youth Complex, 1015 Bridge Road, Collegeville, PA

**October 4 – Crazy About Quilting Show, Calvary Baptist Church, 4601 Tilghman Street, Allentown, PA**

**October 11 – [Doll Quilt History](#)**, Noon – 1 p.m. Schwenkfelder Library & Heritage Center, 105 Seminary St., Pennsburg. This is a ticketed event.

**Oct 17-19 – Undercover Quilters Quilt Show, “Quilty as Charged”, [Undercover Quilters – PO Box 1334, Brookhaven, PA 19015](#)**



**Workshops highlighted in red are Crazy Quilter Guild events.**

**If you discover any events to be added, please send to [krush6123@hotmail.com](mailto:krush6123@hotmail.com)**

