



Crazy Quilters Quilt Guild

We Are Crazy About Quilting

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June 2025

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Jessica Dayon

Happy almost June! The weather this year has been quite a bit different than normal, and I can't believe summer is almost here! There are only a few weeks left of school and then my kids will be out for the summer. Summer is the time when I usually have the least amount of time to sew and quilt but I still try to squeeze in it whenever I can.

Thank you to Jane, who has organized our Summer Sit & Sew in the Park days! Those dates will be announced as soon as they are finalized. There will be one day in June, one in July, and one in August. There will also be one in person Sit & Sew at Faith Presbyterian per month and one virtual Sit & Sew per month. So, there are lots of opportunities to get together and work on our projects in companionship with other guild members. Please read on to find the dates for each.

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

Monthly Challenge

The May Challenge was to make something with an American flag-inspired block.

There will be no monthly challenge in June or 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.

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

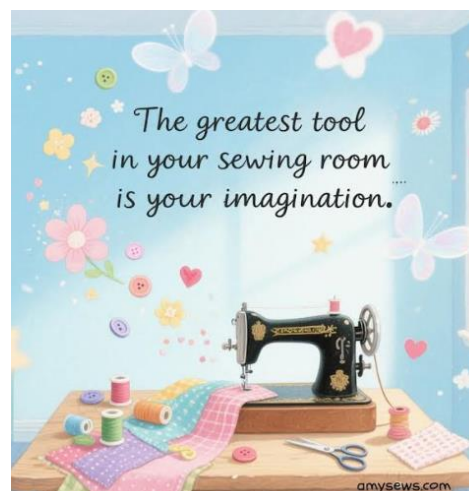
Guild Calendar

Monthly Guild Meeting: Tuesday, June 3rd

--Quilters Studio at 5:45 p.m. --Meeting at 7 p.m.

Sit 'n Sew: Saturday June 21st at 10:15. Faith Presbyterian Church.

Virtual Sit 'n Sew: Friday, June 25th, 1:30 – 4 p.m.



President's Message – Continued

Quilters Studio

I will be teaching the June Quilters' Studio on how to make a Dresden plate. We will begin at 5:30. Please send me an email- Jessica Dayon, if you plan to attend.

Programs

Sue Marin and Katrina Idleman

May 31 – Workshop **Cancelled**

Due to a lack of interest, Janellea Macbeth's Scrapstashtic Workshop was cancelled. It will not be rescheduled at a later date.



June 3 – Diane Phalen -- How often do we quilters struggle to get those points to match and make the seams meet up properly? Can you imagine the challenge of getting them perfect in a painting? Although Diane rarely picks up a needle, she has created more than 300 original quilts within her paintings. Diane often describes her art as "Quilting with a paintbrush." Best known for her popular Americana quilt series, a vibrant collection of paintings featuring flowers, cottages, country stores, and Amish country life with a rainbow of quilts hanging from porch rails, clotheslines, and fences, Diane's goal is to convey to collectors of her art the smell of spring flowers, the warmth of a

summer day, the mood of an autumn sky, or a winter sunset and the peace and contentment of nature and her Pennsylvania heritage.

Diane has also written several books, including "Quilts from a Painter's Art: 28 quilts and Bonus Projects". In addition to sharing her painting journey with us, Diane will have prints, notecards and fabric for sale that evening.

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

Have you ever wondered how designers come up with their creative designs? Our President, Jessica Dayon, will present a program and trunk show for us that will give us insights into the process of designing a quilt from beginning to end and share some of her designs through a trunk show.

August Social on 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 flower 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 flowers 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 or flowers 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 flowers 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 the April or May meetings that you were going to enter. You will be contacted in June with details of when and where to drop them off.

Of course we will play a few games, including a cake walk. Prizes may include fresh baked goods or mini-charm packs. A grand prize of a precut layer cake fabric bundle is also an option.

We hope to see you there!

Check the [website](#) for additional programming.

Sit 'n Sew

Linda Wojciechowski



Mark your calendar for **Saturday June 21st.**, at Faith Presbyterian Church, Emmaus. In person Sit 'n Sews will be the third Saturday of the month.

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 4th Wednesday of every month and will alternate between afternoon and evening. The next virtual Sit 'n Sew will be June 25, 1:30 to 4 PM.

CRAZY QUILTERS ANNOUNCING...

SUMMER DAYS AT LINDBERG PARK

2800 LINDBERG AVE, ALLENTOWN, PA.

(Lindberg Ave is between S. 24th St., and S. Cedar Crest Blvd.)

(It is in Salisbury Township)

Thursday, **JUNE 12**, Tuesday, **JULY 29**, Tuesday, **AUGUST 19**

This is an informal chance to connect or reconnect with members.

Bring your hand work, or cutting projects, or a small sewing machine with an extension cord. Share what you are doing or get suggestions from others. We hope to brainstorm ideas regarding our quilt show also. There are restrooms and electricity. We have the pavilion all day, but we generally say 12-4+. Come when you can, leave when you must!! This opportunity was started during Covid and has continued by popular request.

Hospitality

Diana DeFanti & Sandy O'Connor

Many thanks to the members who provided refreshments for the May meeting. They were Ronnie Moore, Roberta Whitcomb, Maria Hance, Karen Landis, Kim Orndorf and Suzanne Nelson.

June volunteers are Kathy Moore, Cathy Schadler, Laurie Murray, Linda Finkelstein, and Dawn Dengler. A reminder will be sent prior to the June meeting.

Questions or concerns please call or text. Diana DeFanti or Sandy O'Connor

Community Service

Janet Yandrisevits & Mercedes Gurniak

Please remember to put your name and telephone number on a raffle ticket (or 2!) and place the ticket(s) into the raffle jar at the upcoming June meeting. We will draw a winning ticket for the prize of a free membership for the 2025-2026 year! The June meeting is the deadline for the raffle!



Thank you to every member who shared so much talent, creativity and generosity on behalf of our Guild for the various Community Service projects throughout this year. And thank you to every member who encouraged those participants, and we hope your encouragement will entice YOU to add yourself to our list of contributors. We have had many devoted donators, and do hope to gain more members in sharing now and in the future.

Dawn Dengler and Pat Piasecki have graciously volunteered to take over the leadership of Community Service projects for the 2025-2026 year. Mercedes and I are grateful they have stepped up to help our Guild and know that all Guild members will applaud and help them as you have helped us over these past five years.

I will provide you with a total listing of all donations for year by the end of the summer. Please remember, that your donations are the method we have to support the tax exempt status of the Guild.

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.

Our Crazy About Quilts Show is well underway. Some of you have asked me to list again who you should contact for each of the areas of the Show. So here is the list again:

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

Admissions—Quinn Pagano—Quinn needs people to cover the desk. We are hoping to have a POS (Square) terminal to make non-cash transactions. A few members will need to be trained on using this device (see Linda Johnston) but besides that, she will need hand-stampers at all doors and at admissions desk and members to talk to and take cash payments for admissions.

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. She is asking for all items to be held and brought in on October 3.

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. I am asking that you hold these items to bring in on October 3, but I ask that you let me know what you are bringing ahead so I can plan the layout of this area. I will be setting up a sign-up sheet to work shifts in this area. You can start signing up at our next guild meeting.

Demos—Suzanne Nelson—Suzanne is setting up a large room just outside our meeting area with two stations. One is the demo area where our members will actually be making or doing something. In the opposite end of the room, there will be a Spotlight area where a member will have one or more quilts (or other project) and be available for people to ask questions as they examine the work close up. Suzanne wants these two activities running concurrently and is setting up a schedule where demos start on the half-hour throughout our meeting times—7 slots each for demos and 7 Spotlight people. Please let her know if you are interested. She definitely needs more Spotlight people.

Membership

Pat Piasecki & Quinn Pagano



SMITH	LORI	15-Jun
BUSH	ADELE	16-Jun
SHEARER	GAIL	23-Jun
SMITH	RUTH	24-Jun
WILLIS	CAROL	30-Jun

At the April meeting we had:

Members present:	48
Members on Zoom:	6
Guests:	2
TOTAL:	56

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

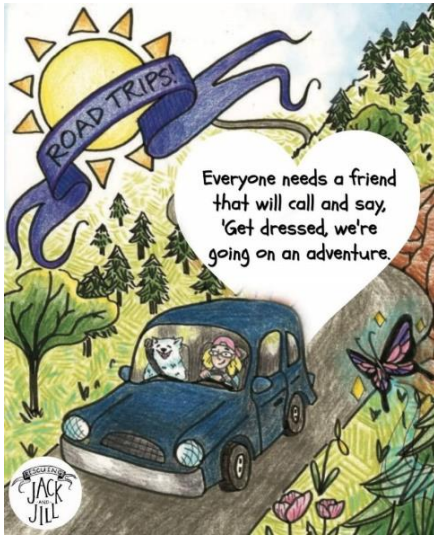
Technology: Kim Bringhurst, Katrina Idelman, Cathleen Kilpatrick, Jane Merkel, Gail Shearer

Website: Nancy Scholz



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

Upcoming Events



2025

June 5-8 – [Mid-Appalachian Quilters Annual Education Seminars](#), Gettysburg College

June 12-14 – [Quilt & Textile Show - Muncy Historical Society](#)

June 14 – [Mainline Quilters, "Trash to Treasure" Sale](#), 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.
St Luke Lutheran, 203 N. Valley Forge Road, Devon, PA

June 26-28 – [Road to Virginia](#), Greater Richmond Convention Center, Richmond, VA

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**

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 Karen.

