



# Crazy Quilters Quilt Guild

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## From The President

Donna Gasser

I hope you are all staying safe and enjoying air conditioning whenever possible. This is a fabulous time to take advantage of sewing while confined to the house! I have started pulling some projects for our Quilt Show—things that I bought a while ago that have been sitting bagged in my sewing room. I hope you are doing likewise or at the very least **thinking** about doing something for the boutique table. I would also suggest that a few of you combine forces and put together a silent auction item or basket. These can be themed on anything—the more variety the better and the more variety of price ranges for the baskets the better.

Vicki will be presiding over our next meeting as I bounce back from knee replacement surgery **finally** taking place on July 23. I am sorry to miss the Mad Hatter Unbirthday Party because Sue and Katrina have some really fun things planned. Hopefully I will be able to Zoom in to at least watch what I am missing.

And lastly our budget meeting was held on July 18<sup>th</sup> via Zoom. Some requested changes were added for programming and workshops; some line items were added for Sit & Sew payments to Faith Church, our Quilt Show operating monies, and the creation of our Guild Quilt; and lastly, we approved money to purchase upgraded technology equipment needed for our Zoom broadcasts rather than borrow Jane Merkel's equipment for our meetings. Our savings

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: Donna Gasser

Vice-President: Vicki Pedo

Secretary: Nancy Ayers

Treasurer: Pat Wolfe

Programming Officer: Sue Marin & Katrina Idleman

Membership Officer: Karen Hartzell & Linda Green

## Guild Calendar

**Monthly Guild Meeting:** Tuesday, Aug 6<sup>th</sup> 7 p.m.

**Sit & Sew:** July 30<sup>th</sup> Noon to 6 p.m., Lindberg Park, Allentown

I HATE a messy house.

Not enough to actually clean it.  
But enough to give it a really  
disgusted eye roll  
from my  
sewing machine

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## From the President – Continued

be reduced due to many of these purchases but the purchases will enhance meetings for many years to come. Please take some time to look over the budget and bring any of your questions to the August meeting.

## Programs

Sue Marin and Katrina Idleman

### **July 20, 2024 - WORKSHOP** - Making Magic: A Disappearing Block Sampler Quilt Workshop with Brita Nelson



### **August 6, 2024 – A Very Merry Unbirthday!**

We hope you are getting ready to celebrate your unbirthday on August 6, 2024! Please note that the format of our meeting that evening will be slightly different. We will begin at 7:00 PM by singing Happy Birthday to everyone and enjoying our cake, tea and scones. (Sorry, no ice cream is on the menu.) Those who want to participate in the games afterward can do so. Not up to a bit of silliness? Feel free to mingle and get to know each other better.

The business meeting, including the election of officers for 2024 – 2025, will begin promptly at 8:00 PM. We will conclude with Show and Tell. We will NOT have a free table this evening. Bring your items in September.

## **2024 – 2025 Program Lineup**

Although we have a few more spots to fill, we wanted to share the current list of speakers and programs for the 2024 – 2025 season. More in-depth details and a full list will be available at the September meeting.

September 3, 2024 – Rebecca Penniston

October 1, 2024 – David Sirota (Quilt Maven Dave) will return for a live lecture on Tuesday evening and lead his Scrappy Chevron Star workshop on Wednesday. Registration is now open. Sign up today!

November 5, 2024 – Lyric Montgomery Kinard will present her lecture on Living Lyrically. This is a Zoom only meeting.

December 3, 2024 – Annual Potluck meal and Round Robin  
January 7, 2025 – Annual Guild Challenge.  
February 4, 2025 – Cindy Grisdela (Hybrid or total Zoom if inclement weather)  
March 4, 2025 – Nancy Weston  
April 1, 2025 – Janellea Macbeth – Scrapstastic Quilts  
May 6, 2025 – Rachael Rossi – Bringing the Art of Quilting to the Next Generation  
June 3, 2025  
July 1, 2025  
August 5, 2025 – Annual Social

### **Registration for David Sirota's Scrappy Chevron Star Workshop**

Registration for Dave's workshop on Wednesday October 2, 2024, is now open. Cost is \$35 for a full day. Please make checks payable to Crazy Quilters' Quilt Guild. Look for the sign-up sheet at the Program Table in August and September.



### **Membership**

Karen Hartzell & Linda Green

At our July meeting, 60 members attended in person and 2 members attended on zoom, for a total of 62 in attendance. Our total paid guild membership remains steady for 2024 at 93.

The guild received a copy of the Georgia edition of Quiltfolk magazine. It was won by Kathie Laposata at the Lindberg Park Summer Sit & Sew on June 13.

We will be accepting early membership renewals at the August general meeting. Dues for the year are \$45.00 and are due by the September meeting. Please make your checks payable to 'Crazy Quilters Quilt Guild' or pay in cash, with exact amount of \$45.00. You can always mail a check to either of the Membership Officers.

### **Library**

Michele McLaughlin

We will begin to sell the library books in September. Each month, we will sell off the books from one suitcase. The books will be sold for \$3 each or 2 for \$5. All this money will be going donated to the guild. Please consider supporting our guild and enriching your own library!

## **Guild Quilt**

Jessica Dayon

We are making progress with the Guild Quilt! I received all of the fabric donations from the June meeting and have washed everything that was received. I will be cutting fabric for the quilt and packaging block kits before the August Guild meeting. I am planning on arriving at Calvary Baptist Church at 5:30. Anyone who wants to help is welcome!

If you'd like to join me, send me an email so I know who to expect and I will let you know if you need to bring cutting supplies. There will be cutting jobs but also packaging bags so not everyone will need cutting supplies (ruler, cutting mat, & rotary cutter).

The kits that we package before the meeting will be available to be handed out at the meeting to members who are interested in making a block for the guild quilt. I'll be sitting by the table flag named 'Guild Quilt' and you can come over to me to get a bag. You'll sign up on a sheet that says what bag you took and you can then take the bag home to work on the block. Please bring the completed block back to the September meeting. There are no extra fabric kits so each kit that is taken, needs to be returned so that we have enough blocks for the quilt.



To anyone who would like to make a block and take a kit bag, the Kutztown Fair looks for the highest quality quilts. It is important to maintain a consistent 1/4" seam allowance, that the points in the blocks are lining up, and the good pressing practices are followed (there are pressing arrows on the pattern).

We are still in need of two donations: 2 1/2 yards of solid black fabric and 1 yard of a blue civil war-style print. If you are interested in donating one of these, please bring them to the August meeting and leave them with me.

This quilt is going to be great! Thank you for your help!

## **Summer Sit 'n Sew at Lindberg Park**

Jane Merkel

The next Sit 'n Sew at Lindberg Park in Allentown will be Tuesday, July 30<sup>th</sup>, from noon until 6 or whenever. The last will be Tuesday, Aug. 20<sup>th</sup>.

## **Better Done Than Perfect Round 2**

Lorraine Bujnowski

What a nice showing of finished quilts we saw earlier this month, 9 quilts from 8 quilters. Nice job ladies! With all this hot weather I'm sure many of us are spending more time in our sewing rooms. Let's hope that we see just as many finished quilts at our August meeting.

## Community Service

Janet Yandrisevits & Mercedes Gurniak

During the past month, we have been busy making deliveries of your wonderful gifts to our community recipient partners! Kennel pads were given to Peaceable Kingdom Animal Shelter in Whitehall, pillowcases to Ryan's Cases for Smiles, Premie quilts to the hospital via Julie Borden, 20 quilts to Family Promise of the Lehigh Valley in Allentown, and comfort pillows to the Cancer Support Community of the Lehigh Valley. These organizations are always highly appreciative and shower us with compliments about your wonderful talents!

Here is the tally of your donations for the 2023 - 2024 year:

Placemats for Meals on Wheels	680
Calendars for Meals on Wheels	54
Pillowcases for Ryans Cases for Smiles	216
Comfort Pillows for Cancer Community of LV	245
Quilts for Family Promise of LV	20
Premie Quilts for NICU of hospital	49
Kennel Pads to Peaceable Kingdom	18

We thank you and congratulate you for these wonderful achievements. Let's keep that generous spirit going as we move into the 2024-2025 Guild year.

### Quilts for Family Promise of LV 20

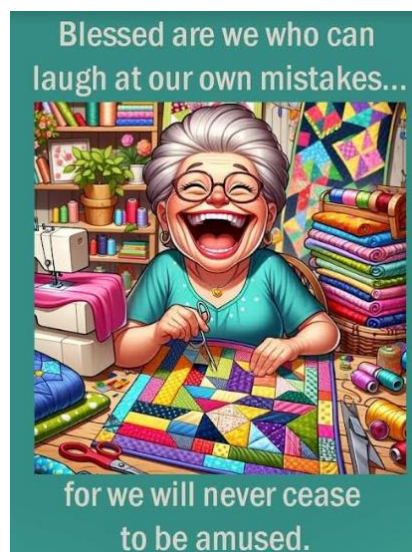


## Hospitality

Diana DeFanti & Sandy O'Connor

Many thanks to the members who provided our snacks for the July meeting. We had an excellent variety of items to munch on. The volunteers were Patty Feninez, Judy Walker, Pat Wolfe, Rae Consigli and Karen Landis. August members who have signed up to bring a specific item for the UNBIRTHDAY PARTY will be reminded a week before the meeting. They are Quinn Pagano, Jessica Dayon, Irene Madalena, Lorraine Bujnowski, Diane Pesola, Dawn Dengler, Diana Campbell, Jane Merkel, Judy Schilla, Linda Griest, Pat Piasecki, Doris Horwath, Eileen Burgo and Sharon Yurkanin.

I still need members to sign up for the September meeting. Email me if you would like to participate. Contributing once a year is appreciated.



## Quilt Challenge 2024

Irene Oehmke & Cathleen Kilpatrick

The challenge this year will be “Quilts in Movies/Literature”. This can be an actual quilt seen in a movie or mentioned in a piece of literature or a quilt inspired by either of these. All entries should have a little write up that can be posted with their quilt telling what the inspiration was for the entry. Entries due by December 28<sup>th</sup>.

Four Categories:

Large (over 40x40)

Small (less than 40x40)

Other (garments, placemats, bags, etc.)

Original (items that were not created using a pattern created by someone other than the maker)

Any questions, feel free to contact me (Irene).

### **Ruth Smith's stunning quilt from the Kutztown Folk Festival.**





### ***Birthday wishes for August go out to members:***

Mercedes Gurniak - August 15  
Linda Johnston - August 16  
Georgine Gilligan - August 22  
Karen Landis - August 22  
Katrina Idleman - August 24  
Diane Martin - August 26  
Cathleen Kilpatrick - August 27

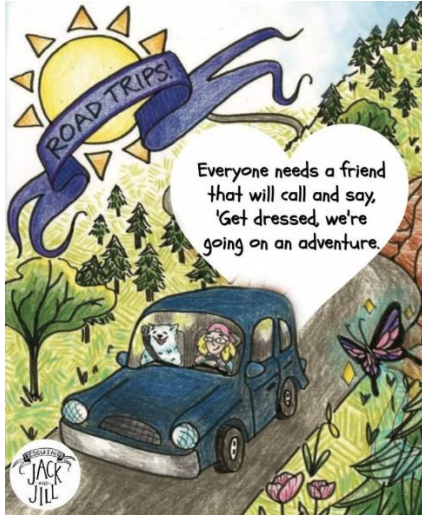
### **Committees**



**Challenge:** Irene Oehmke & Cathleen Kilpatrick  
**Community Service:** Janet Yandrisevits and Mercedes Gurniak  
**Fundraising & Ways & Means:** Vicki Pede, Donna Gasser, Julie McDonnell, Sue Marin, Pat Piasecki, Jane Merkel  
**Guild Quilt Construction:** Jessica Dayon  
**Historical:** Kathy Moore  
**Hospitality:** Diana DeFanti  
**Library:** Michele McLaughlin  
**Newsletter:** Karen Rush  
**Publicity:** Linda Wojciechowski  
**Quilters Studio:** Julie Borden  
**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, Vicki Pede  
**Website:** Nancy Scholz

**Deadline for the next newsletter is August 21st.  
Please mark your calendars!**

## Upcoming Events



**September 11-14** – AQS Quilt Week, Spooky Nook Sports Conference Center, 75 Champ Blvd., Manheim, PA 17545

[American Quilter's Society -](#)

**September 12-15** – [Pennsylvania National Quilt Extravaganza](#), Greater Philadelphia Expo Center, Oaks, PA

**September 14 & 15** – Cranberry Quilters Quilt Show, Weatherly Area Middle School Gym, 602 6<sup>th</sup> St, Weatherly, PA

**October 2** -- [David Sirota's Scrappy Chevron Star Workshop](#)

**October 4 & 5** – [Berks Quilters Guild 2024 Quilt Show, Quilts from the Heart of Berks](#), Leesport Farmers Market. 9 am – 5 pm.

**October 11 & 12** – [Keystone Quilters Quilt Show](#) "Star Struck", Finland Mennonite Church, 1750 Ziegler Road, Pennsburg, PA 18073

**October 18 & 19** – [Valley Forge Homestead Quilt Guild](#), Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, King of Prussia, PA

**October 25 – November 9** – Eastern PA Shop Hop

**November 8 & 9 – 15<sup>th</sup>** -- Biennial Lebanon Quilters Guild Exhibition of Quilts, Lebanon EXPO Center.

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

**If you discover any events to be added, please send to Karen.**