



Crazy Quilters Quilt Guild

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From The President

Donna Gasser

It has been a busy month! I hope you are all getting outside and enjoying this fine weather. When inside I hope you have checked out the items offered for our online auction. Directions for bidding are in the November newsletter. Sue Marin has done an excellent job organizing all so it runs smoothly. This is such a fun way to clean out some of your sewing room extra stuff and replace it with something you will look forward to making, eating or enjoying while you are sewing!

As well, I hope you are planning (or starting) your offerings for our Bingo Fundraiser just around the corner in 2023. I am not one of those quilters that finish quilts and stack them in a closet. Mine go to my kids (where they probably stack them in a closet) or they go out to a charity (my church, the library, the Lehigh Gap Nature Center where I volunteer). I know a lot of quilters that have a lot of quilts tucked away in their homes. If they are unused, this Bingo would be the perfect place to put them to good use. In addition, table runners are in the same category. I have a few I use all the time to dress my table or server. But there are a few that don't see the light of day and probably never will. Again, this is the perfect venue to pass them to someone who will use them.

We booked a Bingo venue - The Fearless Fire Company in Allentown. Our Bingo will be held on September 10, 2023. With that done, we will be ordering tickets in the spring with first sales going to our guild

The Crazy Quilters Quilt Guild
meets the first Tuesday of the month, 6:30 PM
at Calvary Baptist Church-Allentown
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Guild Officers

President: Donna Gasser
Vice-President: Vicki Pede
Secretary: Nancy Ayers
Treasurer: Pat Wolfe
Programming Officer: Nicole Folino
Membership Officer: Karen Hartzell & Linda Green

Guild Calendar

Monthly Guild Meeting: Tuesday, Dec 6th, Calvary Baptist Church-Allentown
6 p.m. – Potluck & Guild Meeting
Sit & Sew: Saturday December 10th, Faith Presbyterian Church, Emmaus



President's Message – Continued

members. As well, I hope all of you will help a few hours the day of this event. Vicki Pede has offered to organize this. She will be keeping you up to date on what is needed and when it is needed. If anyone can long-arm for someone making a quilt for this event, that would be much appreciated. Please let her know.

I hope you all enjoy the holidays with all the fun and excitement that goes along with them. The shopping, the cooking, sharing with friends and families, maybe even traveling all make happy memories to cherish throughout the year. Please be safe and enjoy!

2022 Quilt Challenge -- It's Only Natural!

Sue Marin & Karen Rush

The last day for submitting your registration is **Tuesday, December 6**.
Please email the dimensions of your project by **Saturday, December 17** to Sue Marin.

Drop off dates and locations are as follows:

Saturday, December 17th

Karen Rush will be at Calvary Baptist on Tilghman Street in Allentown from 9:30 – 11:30 AM
Sue Marin will be at the Target parking lot on Cedar Crest Boulevard from 1:30 – 3:30 PM.

Wednesday, December 28th

Karen will be at Calvary Baptist Church from 11 AM – 12:30 PM.
Sue will be at Zion's Evangelical Lutheran Church in Old Zionsville from 4:30 – 6:00 PM.

We will not accept any new entries the day of the event. If you cannot make either of these drop off dates, please contact Karen or Sue to make alternative arrangements.

When submitting your entries:

- Please have your entry wrapped in a pillowcase with a tag on the pillowcase with your name and phone number.
- If you have a label on your entry, please cover it.
- If you do not want pins to be used to secure your entry to the bulletin boards, please put a temporary sleeve so we can use a dowel to hang it.

At the program, during the counting of the votes we will ask each of you to just talk briefly about your entry.

SPECIAL NOTE: After talking with several members and reviewing our By-laws, we realized that Show and Tell is to be held at each monthly meeting. Therefore, please feel free to bring your latest projects to share with all of us to the meeting.

We look forward to seeing you all at Faith Presbyterian in Emmaus on January 3, 2023.

Programs

Nicole Folino

BINGO - is the name of the game for December! Come ready to play for some exciting quilty prizes. January brings us our guild challenge so there will be no program in January.

Quilters Studio News

Julie Borden

We will not meet in December due to the potluck and other busy things happening at the meeting. I will resume quilters studio sessions in January. January Wool wrap up.

I am looking for members to share on the following topics. Please RSVP if you have tips to share for these sessions.
February: Share your favorite measuring tips and favorite rulers. (This will be a round table discussion)
March: Share your favorite threads, (This will be a round table discussion)

Community Service

Janet Yandrisevits & Mercedes Gurniak

On October 28th, I delivered 53 pillowcases for Ryan's Cases for Smiles to our Coordinator at Wooden Bridge Dry Goods Shop. On November 3rd, I delivered 264 placemats, 24 Mug Rugs and 68 calendars for the upcoming year to Meals on Wheels. Many, many compliments and thanks to all our Guild members!

The drive to provide quilts to the people of Breathitt County in Eastern Kentucky continues, as they move forward in rebuilding their lives following destructive flooding in July. Suzanne Nelson has already sent some quilts to them, and I have also received some quilts with promises of more to come. Please bring any quilts you wish to donate to our December 6th meeting or contact Janet or Mercedes to make arrangements for pick-up. The quilts will be shipped to Kentucky immediately following the December 6th meeting.

We are very THANKFUL in this season for your talents and generosity!

Simple Whatnots

Suzanne Nelson

Our group of small-quilt enthusiasts is 15 members and going strong. It's never too late to join in the fun. Just purchase a copy of Kim Diehl's Simple Whatnots III and jump in. (Let me know so I can add you to our group email.) We have created and shared two quilts at this point, with a third to be unveiled at December's guild meeting.

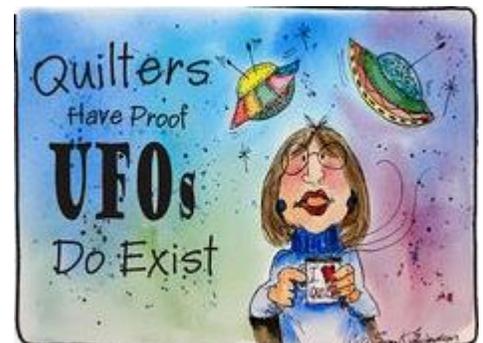
Here's a reminder of our sewing schedule. For December, we will share Woven Stars, but there will not be a tip-sharing gathering prior to the meeting due to the Potluck. In January, due to the Guild Quilt Challenge, we will not share any Simple Whatnots. For February, we are back in business with Charm School. I won't be attending the meeting due to baby wrangling duty in San Francisco, so no tip sharing. In March, we share Charm School and in April, Pint Size. Lots of fun sewing therapy to get us through the dark days of winter!

UFOs – Better Done than Perfect

Lorraine Bujnowski

I'm happy to report that there are 18 members participating in this challenge. We will look forward to seeing their completed quilts in the coming months.

Participants will need to check in with me to be sure that I have checked off your completed project and deposited a ticket in the box for the drawing. Remember to sign in on the Show & Tell sheet. There will be a designated area for UFO quilts.



The 2022 Online Silent Auction Fundraiser

Sue Marin

Let the Bidding Begin!

Once the items have been compiled, a PowerPoint presentation will be sent out to each member for viewing and bidding.

There are three rounds of bidding:

Round #1 will commence at 3:00 PM and run until midnight on December 1;

Round #2 will run from 3:00 to midnight on December 2,

Final bidding round will start at 3:00 PM and run through midnight on December 3.



Winners will be notified late Sunday evening (12/4) or early Monday morning (12/5) so that winners can be prepared to pay for their items at the meeting on Tuesday, December 6. Items and payment should be brought to the meeting at Calvary Baptist on Tilghman Street in Allentown that evening. Checks should be made payable to: Crazy Quilters Quilt Guild.

DIRECTIONS FOR PLACING BIDS:

You've decided to bid on item #13 which has a minimum bid of \$5. Send an email to me with the following information **in the Subject Line: Your name, Item #13, \$6 bid**. If you feel more comfortable leaving more detailed information, please put it in the BODY of the email.

Follow this procedure **for each item** you want to bid on. If you are bidding on five items, you should send me five, **separate** emails.

After the close of Round #1, I will update the slides with the highest bid submitted for each item. When Round #2 and #3 begin, follow the same procedure as listed above with your new bid. Should there be a tie on an item at the end of Round #3, I will contact the individuals and give them an option to either go higher or drop out. The highest bid submitted by midnight on December 3 (as noted on the delivery time of the email) will be declared the winner. Any bids placed after that time will be considered null and void.

- PLEASE NOTE: if an item receives no bids or does not receive at least the minimum suggested starting bid, it will be pulled from the auction.

If you have any questions about bidding, please feel free to contact me or email me.

The 2023 Fundraiser -- Crazy Quilters' Quilt Bingo, September 2023

Vicki Pede

The Crazy Quilters Quilt Guild Bingo will be held on SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2023 at Fearless Fire Company in Allentown. In order for it to be very successful, we need YOU to help us out in a number of capacities. Of course, the most important is your willingness to make or donate a quilt that you have that has not been used! I am sure that many of us already have something or are willing to make one. The Bingos that I have run have included 20 regular games of bingo with a lap size quilt as the prize. In the event of a tie, member made table runners were given to the "loser" of a tie game. That was very successful and there were many happy folks. The other 5 games (Specials) had a prize of a large donated quilt. Perhaps a few of you would think about getting together with some other folks to complete one of those.



Think about what you may be willing to contribute to the Bingo. And anyone who wishes to play, please remember that any helping parts to the day's events do not interfere with playing at all! You can still purchase a ticket and play

along. I know that I had a lot to do that day, and still was able to purchase a ticket and enjoy playing! The last one I had attended was lots of fun for all involved. Some of our own members attended and walked away with a prize...or two! We will also discuss things at our next meeting in December. IF you have any questions or comments to share, please do so. It takes all of us to make this successful!

Hospitality

Diana DeFanti



December Potluck dinner. Please bring a dish to share with a serving utensil. We ask that you bring your own place setting and any decorations for your table. Place setting includes plates, bowl, and eating utensils. Placemat is recommended.

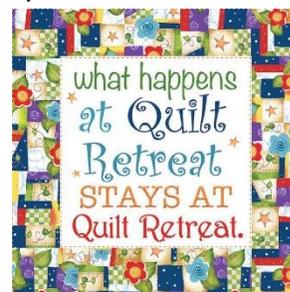
Join us at 6 pm for an evening of cheer, fellowship and sharing. Dining begins at 6:30. Any questions or concerns, please call or email me.

Retreat

Sandy O-Connor

We all had a wonderful time at the Retreat. We enjoyed the extra day. Thanks to everyone who attended and helped out. Also, we shared great recipes. Lizzie provided us a nice break by building fire outside before dinner.

Keep in mind, next year's dates are November 9, 10, 11, 12, 2023.



Sit 'n Sew

Linda Wojciechowski



Mark your calendar for December 10th, 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 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!

Library Trolley News and Notes

Michele McLaughlin

Greetings and Happy Holidays from your Trolley Librarians! Just a reminder that the library will not be available during the December meeting. We are also not having a raffle gift during that meeting. Have a great holiday!

Sunshine and Shadows

Jackie Leipter

Although the autumn leaves were very pretty this year, they brought illnesses to some of our members. Get well cards were sent to cheer them on their road to recovery. Hopefully they will feel better soon, ready for winter hibernation in their sewing rooms. Get well ladies.

If you wish to share any news, please send me an email.

Membership

Karen Hartzell & Linda Green

At our November meeting we had a total of 59 attending; 48 members in person, 8 members on zoom and 3 guests

We have 75 members in our guild at this point.

We are still looking for a few members to join our mentoring team. This is a group of ladies who are willing to show a new member the "ins and outs" of our meeting. To introduce them to a few other members – just to make them feel comfortable and welcomed.



Karen Hartzell 12/10

Linda Green 12/15

Valarie Barbeer 12/23

Ruth Hoffman 12/28

Nancy Skok 12/30

Susan Zencka 12/30

Sadly we are losing another brick & mortar quilt shop. Check their website for store hours through December 15th which is the last day for in store shopping.

BIG NEWS FOR LADYFINGERS 2023

Ladyfingers Sewing Center will be an ONLINE STORE EXCLUSIVELY

Shop ONLINE 24/7 at www.ladyfingerssewing.com.

Enjoy a fabulous online shopping experience with over 12,000 items in stock!

Committees



Challenge: Sue Marin and Karen Rush

Community Service: Janet Yandrisevits and Mercedes Gurniak

Communication Chain: Diane Pesola

Historical: Kathy 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: Sam Cetrulo and Lizzie Riccaboni

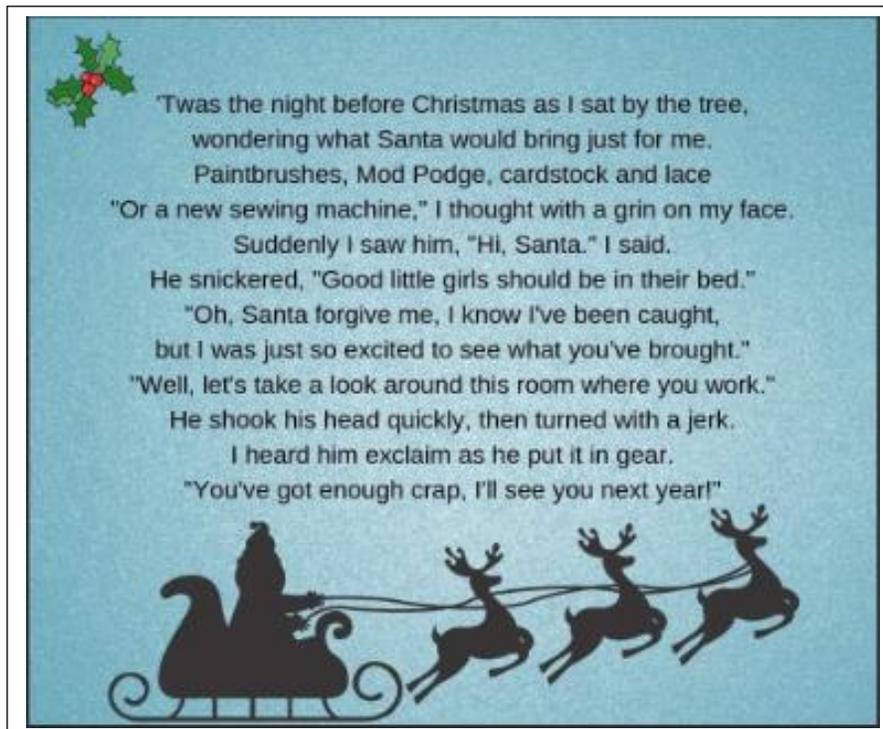
Sit & Sew: Linda Wojciechowski

Sunshine and Shadows: Jackie Leipert

Website: Nancy Scholz

Technology: Kim Bringham, Katrina Idelman, Cathleen Kilpatrick,
Jane Merkel, Vicki Pede

Fundraising & Ways & Means: Vicki Pede, Donna Gasser,
Julie McDonnell, Sue Marin, Pat Piasecki, Jane Merkel,
Phillis Walden



Deadline for the next newsletter is **December 21st.**