

Crazy Quilters Quilt Guild

We Are Crazy About Quilting

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From The President

Julie McDonell

I've always been able to appreciate different styles of quilting, but I felt that the divide between traditional and modern is considerable. Listening to Melanie Tuazon made me see it from another perspective. It's not that hard to transition from one style into another. Of course, we've seen that done using colors in our raffle quilts. But I found it interesting how, when she "pushed" some of those traditional right angles one way or another, it easily nudged traditional blocks into the modern category. So, sometimes traditional and modern aren't that far apart-maybe just tilt your head and squint a little.



We still need one or two more quilters to help Sue with Raffle Quilt Marketing for the next year. This is an admirable way to help support the Guild, and get better acquainted with fellow Guild members in the process. We have another great quilt to promote and working with it close up may help inspire you in your own creative process.

I'm writing this on a day when it isn't raining, and does it ever feel good! Apparently, the upside to days and days of rain is that, on this one day when it's finally not, everyone is walking around smiling. I guess you can always find something good in everything, even if it's just smiling at the sunshine.

And since rain pushed yard work from most of our agendas, I hope that quilting was able to fill in some of your time. During the dreary weather, it's easy to fall into a melancholy mood. I find it interesting how the "psychology" of quilting can lift your spirits. It might be from working with colors, or handling fabric, or thinking of how happy this quilt will make someone else. Of course, there's always a good chance of some sewing aggravation along the way. In fact, when I spotted this saying, I can see using it as a quilt label – at least sometimes.

If you only knew how much swearing was stitched into your hand-sewn gift!

The Crazy Quilters Quilt Guild
meets the first Tuesday of the month, 7:00 PM
except November at
The Lutheran Church of the Holy Spirit
3461 Boulevard
Emmaus, PA
Cedar Crest

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www.facebook.com/crazyquiltersquiltguildemmauspa

Nominating Committee

Jackie Leipert and
Karen Hartzell

The nominating committee, of Jackie Leipert and Karen Hartzell, has put forth the following names for officers in the Crazy Quilters Quilt Guild for the next term:

President - Valerie Johnson
Vice President - Jane Merkel
Secretary - Suzanne Nelson
Treasurer - Kathy Moore (second term)
Program Officer - Nicole Folino (second term)
Membership Officers - Janet Tryson & Janet Yandrisevits (second term for both)

Programs and Workshops

Nicole Folino

For our June meeting we will have a trunk show and workshop with Heather Kojan (photo below). The workshop fee is \$25 and we have only two spots remaining. All payments are due at the June meeting.

Looking forward to August when we will have our show & tell switch up again. If you are interested in being a participant, please let me know.



Quilters Studio

Julie Borden

Thanks to Judy Walker for her demo lesson on templates and your domestic machine. We had a great turn and we all learned the basics and challenges of this. We will be on hiatus for the summer.

Please send me any ideas you would like to learn more about. We will go back to the basics in the fall with hand quilting, hand appliqué, hints and wool work.

Sit & Sew

Helen Hanton

Sit & Sew will meet the Saturday, June 8, from 10:00 to about 4, at Faith Presbyterian Church, Emmaus. Bring your projects, machine, light, extension cord, and lunch.

There is plenty of room to spread out. Help and opinions abound. Come share the fun.

Community Service

Kathie Laposata

I loved seeing the 10 Camp Erin quilts at May's Show and Tell. They are sure to bring a smile to some kids' faces at camp this year. Thanks to all who made this project a part of their sewing life in 2019.

Quilts for veterans will be collected at the June and July meetings. These quilts will be distributed to veterans using the services of the Veteran's Administration Clinic and Hospital here in eastern PA. I'm sure these veterans appreciate both the physical warmth of the quilt and the warmth of knowing that people in the community care for their comfort.

Library

Michele McLaughlin and Dawn Martrich

No report.

Show and Tell

Lorraine Bujnowski and Roberta Whitcomb

Show & Tells for May were presented by Suzanne Nelson (3), Linda Wojciechowski, Diana DeFanti, Judy Walker, Peggy Kiefer, Pradnya Bal, Marsha Heimann, Kathie Laposata and Nancy Ayers.

Show and Tells for Camp Erin were presented by Pat Piasecki, Doris Horwath, Ruth Hoffman, Betsy Golden, Jane Merkel, Julie Davidovich, Sandy Mugridge, Kathie Laposata, Maria Hance and Lorraine Bujnowski.

Modern Bee

Nicole Folino

The Modern Bee is still hibernating.

Hospitality

Diana DeFanti

Thank you to the hospitality volunteers who had signed up to bring a refreshment for the May 2019 meeting. They were Nancy Skok, Cindy Fantasia, Pat Piasecki, and Kim Bringhurst.

June volunteers are Nancy Dunham, Linda Green, Karen Hartzell, Carole Whaling, Deb Veshinsky, Sue Marin and Roberta Whitcomb. You will be reminded the week before the meeting. The Guild appreciates the effort you make to provide a friendly atmosphere during our social half hour.

Phone Chain

Diane Pesola

The phone chain has been updated and callers notified of changes.

Houston International Quilt Show

Jane Merkel

The Houston trip is full. There is a waiting list.

Optical Illusion Quilt Challenge January 2020

Samantha Cetrulo

Optical Illusion Challenge –“How did they do that?” Optical illusions are often easy to do with careful planning. Do you often see Optical illusion quilts and wish you could have one of your own? Now is the time to make you own!

Our challenge has an event post on facebook. Check out: <https://www.facebook.com/events/332060070761753/>. Inspiration photos will be posted. Select that you are interested or going to see more posts.

Questions or inspiration to share: contact Sam.

Raffle Quilt Creation

Jane Merkel

There were 12 suggested names for our raffle quilt, and the committee selected "Confetti Garden". Thank you all for your support of this guild project and Happy Quilting!!!!

Membership

Janet Yandrisevits and Janet Tryson

We had 61 members attending the May meeting, and welcomed Jackie Owens as a guest. Jackie is a friend of Lizzie Riccaboni and all members are welcome to bring a guest to our meetings. We held a prize drawing for wearing a name tag, and 33 members had a chance in the drawing by simply wearing their name tag! Marsha Heimann was our winner, choosing a fat quarter from a selection we had available.

We will be trialing a new method of renewing your membership for 2019-2020, accepting renewals/dues immediately rather than waiting for the September meeting. I am attaching a membership renewal form that can be mailed with payment to Janet Yandrisevits, or turned in at an upcoming meeting. This will streamline the September meeting check in desk, where you will be able to pick up your membership cards. We will be accepting renewals in person at meetings as well.



June Birthdays

- 1 Denise Reimer
- 16 Adele Bush
- 25 Nicole Folino
- 30 Carol Willis

Member News and Requests

Allentown School District Homeless Project

Marsha Heimann

Summer is coming soon and as we travel I want to remind you to collect the small hotel toiletries for the Allentown School District Homeless Project. Again, this year the ASD has over 600 homeless students attending the Allentown Schools and fear there will be even more in September when school begins again. At Christmas they look forward to the little toiletries' bags in their bright, festive fabrics filled with products the children so desperately need.

If you have small travel size toiletries such as toothpaste, deodorant, shampoo, conditioner, lotion or anything small tucked away from your hotel stays or pick up a few small hygiene items in the travel section at your grocery store or Target please consider bringing it to a guild meeting. Bring your items to a guild meeting between now and November and we will see how many bags we can provide for the kids this year. Thank you for your support.

Lehigh Valley Quilt Study Group

Michele McLaughlin

If you are interested in learning about old and vintage quilts, why not consider attending a quilt study meeting? Meetings are held at the Hellertown Public Library, weather permitting.

If you have questions or wish to be placed on the email list, email Michele McLaughlin.

Long Arm Machine Quilting Help

Roberta Aeschliman

Member, Roberta Aeschliman, is willing to help people finish quilts for veterans. Her email is rjaartdealer@gmail.com.

Stamps for the V.A.

Mercedes Gurniak

Please bring cancelled stamps, **with ¼ inch of the envelope remaining around the stamp**, for the V.A. The stamps are used to decoupage items for sale in the gift shop.

Yarn for Cedarbrook

Ruth Skinner

I am still accepting yarn of all size skeins or balls to make shawls for Cedar Brook Nursing Home residents.



**CRAZY QUILTERS GUILD
MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL 2019 – 2020**

Please fill in the membership renewal below and include a check for **\$45.00** payable to **Crazy Quilters Guild**. Hand in at a meeting OR mail your payment + form to:

Crazy Quilters' Quilt Guild
c/o Janet Yandrisevits
P.O. Box 527
Whitehall, PA 18052-5424

NOTE: All members are required to pay their \$45 dues (except Charter Members) AND return completed membership renewal form.

All newsletters are available on the Crazy Quilters Guild website at www.crazyquilters.org

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PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY

Print your name. If any information is different from last year, please enter it. Otherwise you can leave the rest of the lines blank.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____

Home Phone: _____ **Cell:** _____

Work Phone (Optional): _____

Email Address: _____

Verify Email Address: _____

Date of Birth – Month / Day: _____ / _____

Check # _____ **or Cash** _____

Events

from the editor

June 8, Colonial Quilters Guild Yard Sale, Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Bethlehem, PA,
www.colonialquilters.org.

June 15, Main Line Quilters Trash to Treasure Sale, Tredyffrin Township Library, 582 Upper Gulph Road, Strafford, PA, www.mainlinequilters.org.

June 26-29, Vermont Quilt Festival, Champlain Valley Exposition, 105 Pearl St., Essex Junction, VT,
www.vqf.org.

July 25-28, Quilt Odyssey, Hershey Lodge and Convention Center, Hershey, PA.
www.quiltodyssey.com.

August 15-17, World Quilt New England, Springfield, MA, www.quiltfest.com.

Sept 7-8, Schuylkill County Quilters Guild, 30th Annual Quilt Spectacular, Walk in Art Center, 220 Parkway, Schuylkill Haven, PA, lvtosew4@gmail.com.

Sept 12-15, PA National Quilt Extravaganza, The Greater Philadelphia Expo Center, Oaks, PA,
www.quiltfest.com.

October 11 -12, Keystone Quilters, 2019 Quilt Show "Beauty and the Batik, Finland Mennonite Church, 1750 Zeigler Rd, Pennsburg, PA,
www.keystonequilters.org.

Guild Calendar

June 4 - **Guild Meeting**, 7pm, Lutheran Church of the Holy Spirit, Emmaus, PA

June 8 – **Sit & Sew**, 10:15 – 3 or 4, Faith Presbyterian Church, Emmaus, PA

October 30 – November 3, **International Quilt Show Trip**, Houston, TX

Guild Officers

President: Julie McDonell

Vice-President: Barb Kissell

Secretary: Denise Reimer

Treasurer: Kathy Moore

Membership: Janet Yandrisevits and Janet Tryson

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Committee Chairs

Challenge: Sam Cetrulo

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Newsletter: Kathy Schuessler

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Quilt Raffle Marketing:

Raffle Quilt Creation: Jane Merkel

Retreat: Sandy O'Conner

Show and Tell: Lorraine Bujnowski and Roberta Whitcomb

Sit & Sew: Helen Hanton

Sunshine and Shadows: Sandra Mugridge

Website: Nancy Scholz