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Crazy Quilters Quilt Guild

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President's Message

Jessica Dayon

We are approaching the holiday season and with that comes fun times and busyness! As things get busy, I find myself craving time at my sewing machine to feel the calmness that sewing brings me. I try to keep a few projects cut and ready for sewing so that anytime I have a few minutes, I can work on those projects. It makes me feel good when I can work on a project here and there throughout my busy day.

This month our meeting is on Election Night, so it is a Zoom Only meeting. Sue & Katrina planned for a wonderful presentation by Lyric Montgomery Kinard. Her presentation is called Living Lyrically: Be Inspired, Create Beauty, Find Joy. I hope it brings us all joy and inspiration as we watch her.

The Fall Community Service Sewcial is on October 26th from 8:30am – 4pm at Calvary Church. I hope you can all find time to sew items for a good cause. Come when you can, even if it isn't for the whole day. Bring your lunch and something to share if you'd like!

MONTHLY CHALLENGE

The October challenge topic was to make "something tiny". Save your tiny items and we will show them at the December meeting since we won't see each other in person for a guild meeting in November.

The November challenge is to make a Christmas stocking. Your Christmas stocking can be any kind- mini or large, quilted, embroidered, felt, etc... anything goes here.

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, Nov 5th, 7 p.m.

ZOOM ONLY

Sit & Sew: Saturday, Nov 2nd & 16th, 10:15 a.m. to 4 p.m., at Faith Presbyterian Church, Emmaus.



President's Message Continued

If you don't particularly need a stocking and are wondering what you could do with one, perhaps make a mini one and fill it with candy or a little gift and give it to someone to brighten up their holiday season.

GUILD QUILT

I'm still missing a few blocks for the guild quilt. I'll be sending an email to those who have them out still and hoping to collect them soon. Once I have them all, I will start assembling the quilt.

INSTRUCTIONAL TIME AT SIT & SEWS

There are 2 Sit & Sews left in 2024- November 2nd and 16th.

November 2nd- free sew only, no instructional topic.

November 16th- For this Sit & Sew, the topic is Christmas themed string quilts. For this, each person who participates, will need to bring a bag of Christmas themed strings/strips. We will all work on our own individual string quilt blocks and rotate bags of strings/strips every 20 or so minutes. This way we will all have a little bit of each other's fabric in our own quilts. I will provide string quilt ideas beforehand so that you can prepare for the type of string quilt that you would like to make. If you like to participate in this, please email me and let me know by November 5th. If we do not have enough people signed up to do this activity, then this Sit & Sew will be a regular free sew.

QUILTERS' STUDIO

There will not be Quilters' Studio in November since we are not meeting in person.

Programs

Sue Marin and Katrina Idleman

November 5, 2024 – **Lyric Montgomery Kinard**, artist and co-founder of the Global Quilt Connection will share "Living Lyrically: Be Inspired, Create Beauty, Find Joy" via **Zoom**. (**This is a ZOOM ONLY meeting** as it is election night and Calvary is not available as a meeting site.) Lyric will share her "circuitous and unexpected path towards life as a quilt artist." She is sure to make us laugh as she juggles family and fabric while dealing with duties and dreams. But the lecture is mostly about YOU. Where you are right now is the best place to start. In the end, you'll be better equipped to create your own beauty.



December 3, 2024 – Our **Annual Holiday Potluck Dinner**. This one is always a big hit. This year will not only be a feast for your tummy but will also feature a **Round Robin** event featuring the work (not necessarily quilt related) of five members:

- Diana Campbell - Art Quilts
- Cathleen Kilpatrick - Modern Influences
- Sandy O'Connor - Handbags
- Sharon Yurkanin - Miniature EPP and Reproduction Fabrics
- Pat Wolfe - Multigenerational Keepsake Quilt Using Tsukineko All Purpose Inks

This will be an In-Person meeting only. No Zoom.

January 7, 2025 – **Quilt Challenge at Faith Presbyterian**, North 2nd Street, Emmaus, PA. For this year's theme and categories, please refer to the full article in the newsletter.

February 4, 2025 – **Cyndi Grisdella** shares “The Anatomy of An Improv Quilt.”

March 4, 2025 – **Nancy Weston**, local resident and member of the Colonial Quilters, will present “HERStory Through Quilting: African American Quilting. Nancy believes the women quilters are HERstorians. Spanning Black History Month (February) and Women’s History month (March), this presentation introduces us to exhibits from the National Quilt Museum in Paducah, KY, as well as Gee’s Bend Quilting Collective in Alabama, John Lewis quilts, Bisa Butler and other modern Black quilters, and The Social Justice Sewing Academy.

April 1, 2025 – **Janellea Macbeth** presents “ScrapStashtic Quilts: Organizing Your Scrap Fabric Stash and ACTUALLY USING IT.”

May 6, 2025 – **Rachel Rossi** shares tips on “Bringing Quilting to the Next Generation.” Come and learn some tips to keep our unique art form flourishing far into the future,

June 3, 2025 – Best known for her Americana Quilt Series of watercolor paintings, **Diane Phalen**, local artist, shop owner, and writer, shares “Quilting with My Paintbrush.” Many of you may have seen her work in the Quilt Barn at the Kutztown Folk Festival. Want to see more of her work? Visit her studio at 3335 Union Street, Allentown, PA 18104.

July 1, 2025 – Guild President and well-known blogger, **Jessica Dayon**, will share a topic yet TBD with us this evening.

August 5, 2025 - **Summer Social** – end the year with fun and fellowship. Sue and Katrina are accepting theme ideas.

Better Done Than Perfect

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There will not be a Show & Tell in November since we will be ZOOM only.

Hospitality

Diana DeFanti & Sandy O’Connor

Thank you to the members who provided the refreshments for the October meeting. They were Donna Gasser, Mercedes, Lori Smith, Karen Landis and Julie McDonnell. The healthy assortment of fruit and cheese was appreciated by the group along with the sweet cake. Not sure what the cake was since it disappeared immediately.



December is the annual potluck dinner starting at 6 pm.

Traditionally, this event asked members to bring their own place setting (plate, bowl, cup, 2nd plate for dessert, and silverware) along with their dish of choice. Placemats and decorations are encouraged.

Questions or concerns can be directed to me or Sandy.

Quilt Challenge 2024

Irene Oehmke & Cathleen Kilpatrick

An email was sent to all Guild Members with the challenge description and the submission form. Questions can be directed to either Irene or Cathleen as outlined in the email.

Sit 'n Sew

Linda Wojciechowski



Mark your calendar for **Saturday November 2nd & 16th, 10:15 a.m. to 4 p.m.**, at Faith Presbyterian Church, Emmaus. The Sit 'n Sews will be on the 1st & 3rd Saturdays of each month unless notified otherwise. There are no Sit 'n Sews in December.

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.

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!

Community Service

Janet Yandrisevits & Mercedes Gurniak

We are hoping for many of you to join us on Saturday, October 26th from 8:30 - 4:00 pm at Calvary Baptist Church for our Service Sewcial Day, a day of working together, sewing and preparing kits for our many service projects throughout the year. Everyone is welcome for any part of the day. Bring your sewing machine, general sewing supplies, cutting boards and tools, irons and ironing boards. A variety of tasks will be available for your comfort level. Bring your lunch and snacks and we will enjoy working together!

Anyone wishing to drop off completed projects, please bring them on October 26th. This will be the final day for collection of placemats for the year, so that we may deliver them to Meals on Wheels during the first week of November.



Birthday wishes for November go out to members:

Kathy Moore	5 th
Julie Borden	14 th
Sue Marin	17 th
Jane Merkel	19 th
Donna Gasser	21 st
Rae Consigli	25 th
Linda Griest	26 th

Committees



Challenge: Irene Oehmke & Cathleen Kilpatrick

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

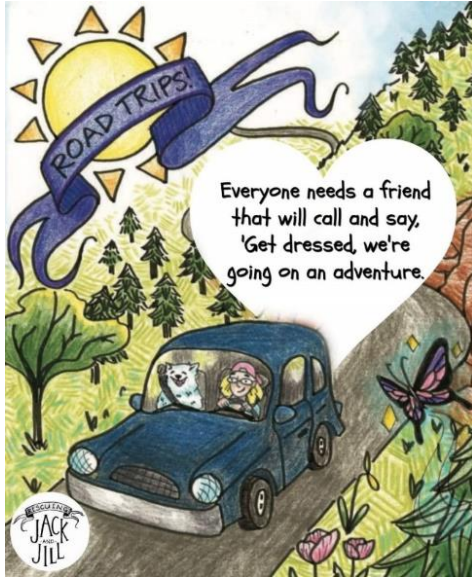
Sunshine and Shadows: Linda Anderson

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

Website: Nancy Scholz



Upcoming Events



October 25 – November 9 – Eastern PA Shop Hop

November 8 & 9 – Lebanon Quilters Guild Exhibition of Quilts, Lebanon EXPO Center.

[LQG QUILT SHOWS – 2024 – Lebanon Quilters Guild](#)

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March 7 & 8 – [Susquehanna Valley Quilt Guild](#) “Valley in Bloom”. Warrior Run Area Fire Dept, 1st Street, Allenwood, PA.

March 26-29 – [The Lancaster Quilt Show at Lebanon Valley](#), Lebanon Valley Expo Center.

Workshops highlighted in red are Crazy Quilter Guild events.

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