

Crazy Quilters Quilt Guild

We Are Crazy about Quilting

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September 2018

From The President

Julie McDonell

NOTE: Our next meeting will begin at **7pm**. In August, a majority of members indicated that 7 o'clock is the preferred start time.

There'll be a whole lotta votin' goin' on at the Sept. meeting. We need to approve: an adjusted slate of officer nominees, the final slate of officers, and the revised Bylaws and Policies.

Please take time to read through the revised Bylaws and Policies, which were thoroughly reviewed at the August meeting. Highlights were: after extensive consideration thus far, the changes have been approved the Bylaw Committee and the Board; committees were added and deleted; various duties were updated; and the deliberation over dues was based on basic Guild costs, rising expenses, and the last increase in 2010. (Many were not aware that we pay \$150 per meeting. And yes, we have investigated other venues.)

Please note the current Bylaws and Policies can be found on the CQ website. Look under the Members Only/Forms tab. You do NOT need a password to access this information.

The '18-'19 budget was also closely scrutinized before presentation. As a result of dwindling attendance at quilt shows and increasing competition in raffle quilt sales, the budget is much tighter than before. We are hoping to reconsider a couple of items.

Also, it's time to get serious about the next raffle quilt. This doesn't mean doing all the work alone. It means finding a pattern will appeal to "the masses", determining a time table, and delegating work. This guild has a lot of willing and able assistance.

See you on Sept. 4 at **7pm**.

Fabracadabra

[fab-ruh-kuh-dab-ruh]

noun

a mystical word or expression used when fabric magically appears in your stash that you forgot buying, hid under the stairs, or stashed under your bed months ago.

The Crazy Quilters Quilt Guild meets the first Tuesday of every month except November at
The Lutheran Church of the Holy Spirit
3461 Cedar Crest Boulevard
Emmaus, PA 18049
7:00pm

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Officers for 2018-2019 Roberta Whitcomb

The following is the slate of officers for '18-'19 approved at the June meeting. The vote and installation will occur at the September meeting.

President – Julie McDonell
First Vice Presidents/Programming –Nicole Folino
Second Vice Presidents/Membership – Janet Tryson and Janet Yandrisevits
Secretary – Denise Riemer
Treasurer -

Robin Steinhofner had to withdraw as candidate for Treasurer; however, another member has volunteered for that position and will be presented at the August Board meeting for approval in the slate of officers. Also, Cindy Fantasia needed to withdraw from Programming.

New Committee chairs for '18-'19 will be Linda Wojciechowski for Publicity, and Roberta Whitcomb and Lorraine Bujnowski for Show and Tell.

Thank you, ladies, for agreeing to take on these positions to keep our guild the best in the Lehigh Valley.

Members of the Nominating Committee for the slate of officers were Maria Hance, Jackie Leipter, and Roberta Whitcomb.

Programs and Workshops

Julie Davidovich and Donna Gasser

COMING Tuesday, September 4, 2018 – 7:00 pm at **Holy Spirit**, award winning quilter, **Joyce Hughes** will visit us from Bucks County.

She will present "My Journey into Quilting" an open and inspiring talk about how Joyce started quilting and the transformation into thread painting and using panels as art quilts. Her lecture may inspire you to participate in our January 2019 Panel Play Challenge!

Sit & Sew

Laurie Murray and Helen Hanton

Sit and sew in September will be on September 22nd, from 10:15 am until 4 pm at Faith Presbyterian Church, Emmaus. Please note this is NOT the Saturday following our regular guild meeting. All are welcome. Bring you projects to sew, cut, and layout. There is plenty of room to spread out and work..

Community Service

Kathie Laposata

Our Community Service projects start out on the small side, to get you in the sewing mood after summer vacation. Coming up first are the collection of breast cancer pillows in September and October and Meals on Wheels placemats in November and December. The instructions on sizes are found in the Community Service section of our website. Both projects help you do good, and at the same time you use up some of that excess, unused fabric, blocks and batting in your stash. At the next few meetings, ready-to-sew kits for making these items will be available at the back table. If you are new to the guild and have any questions, please don't hesitate to call or email me.

I look forward to seeing the results of your work in supporting projects that benefit so many in our community. If you'd like to join the Community Service committee, let me know. We do some of the 'behind the scenes' work of preparing kits for pillowcases, breast cancer pillows and premie quilts. We also plan a block or blocks for members to make for veterans' quilts and put them together to make the quilt.

Quilt Exhibition at Allentown Art Museum

Sharon Yurkanin

The dates for our quilt exhibition in the AAM community gallery have been moved to November. The new dates are as follows:

November 11 – December 30, 2018

Friday, Nov. 9	9:00 – 4:00	Delivery and Installation
Sunday, Nov. 11	1:30 – 3:30	Opening and Reception
Sunday, Dec. 30		Closing day
Wednesday, Jan. 2	9:00 – 4:00	Deinstall

Entries will be taken at the October 2nd guild meeting, and further information and forms will be available at the September guild meeting.

Library

Michele McLaughlin and Dawn Martrich

Ronnie Moore has volunteered to bring the raffle gift for the September meeting. Dawn and I thank Barb Seely for all her hard work on the library. Barb will be unable to attend future meetings because of family responsibilities. We will definitely miss her. Thank you Barb for all your assistance!

We've added some new books to our library including a nice book of autumn patterns called **Stitches from the Harvest** by Kathy Schmitz. Have a safe and happy August!

Show and Tell

Diane Pesola

August Show & Tells were presented by Karen Hartzell, Linda Anderson, Roberta Whitcomb, Judy Walker (2), and Sharon Pieller (2).

Quilters Studio

Julie Borden

Labels, labels, labels. How do you label your quilt? We will discuss different ways to label and document your quilts. Please email Julie Borden if you have an idea to share or plan to attend. We will meet at 5:30 prior to the meeting. Ideas for future sessions are appreciated.

Hospitality

Diana DeFanti

Thank you hospitality volunteers who had signed up to bring a refreshment for the August meeting. The volunteers were Sandy O'Connor, Debbie Heeps, Linda Wojciechowski, Diana Campbell, Nancy Scholz and Karen Hartzell. The variety of refreshments was enjoyed by everyone.

September is the ice cream social and the annual anniversary cake.

Membership

Judy Walker

With all the changes going on at this time, there is bound to be some confusion. September's meeting will start with the approval of the by-laws and of course the new dues amount. Since we cannot collect the dues until the bylaws and dues are approved, we will not be able to take your renewals or any new applications until the dues are approved at the Sept. meeting. Bear with us and if you are going to renew or join, and please pay by check. It will really help if we don't have to make change. If you must use cash, try and have the right amount. The new membership application is on the website.

Our August meeting had 51 members in attendance and two visitors. One of those visitors is planning on joining in September. There were 33 members who wore their name tags. The winners for the last two fat quarters were Dawn Martrich and Maria Hance. There will be no name tag drawing at the September meeting, but as usual, it helps the newer members get to know you if you wear a name tag. We still encourage new members to make a name tag.

This is my last membership report, since Janet Tryson and Janet Yandrisevits will be taking over the position of Membership. I will, however, be at the September meeting helping Janet Y. out since Janet T. cannot attend the September meeting.



September Birthdays

2 Sharon Yurkanin	10 Carole Whaling	22 Julia Davidovich
3 Agnes Rayome	11 Helen Dubas	29 Linda Anderson
4 Jackie Owens	12 Karen Rush	
10 Barbara Seely	20 Tami Jones	

Modern Bee

Nicole Folino

The Modern Bee meets once a month, the last Wednesday of the month, alternating mornings and evenings to accommodate all of our members who are interested in attending. You may attend some, any, or all of the meetings, mornings and/or evenings at your convenience. Locations will be announced in the newsletter. We have Show and Tell, talk modern quilt aesthetics of design and color, etc., sew, snack, and converse. Bring your machine or handiwork and a packed lunch or dinner, if you wish.

The next Modern Bee will be held at the home of Linda Anderson on August 29th beginning at 9:30 am. Please feel free to bring your ROYGBIV challenge project or handwork. Please RSVP with your reply by Monday 8/27 so we have a count. Looking forward to seeing you there.

Raffle Quilt Marketing

Samantha Cetrulo

Thank you to all the volunteers who helped at the Hershey Show. The total was \$407 for raffle ticket sales.

Upcoming Events for the Raffle Quilt include:

Allentown Fair - Parking passes are available for those that car pool, and additional days are available if interested. Additional slots were opened to have 4 people there per shift to work on projects on Tuesday, 8/28 and 8/31.

Macungie Farmers Market - 10/4 from 4-7 pm

Farewell Summer Festival - 9/9 from 10 am - 3 pm at Triangle Park in Emmaus

Indie Craft Market - 12/1

The previous raffle quilt event from last year is at a new location this year at Macungie Park. Also, The Lehigh Valley Fiber Festival is September 29-30th, so check it out.

Challenge

Jane Merkel

By now you have read the guidelines for our challenge, and have pulled out of your stash some possible panels to consider, or you have had a road trip and have seen some panels you instantly see have HOPE for your challenge entry. The planning stages can be the most fun, but then it is time to begin the creative process and put your ideas to work. Crazy Quilters, Go for it!! The challenge is designed to be easy in theory and wide open to possibilities in execution. Creativity abounds in this guild and I am anxious to see it on display. In the fall, I will ask "how many" are participating so I can begin to visualize the space and setup plans for our January meeting. Panel away.

Member Retreat

Sandy O'Conner

There are 17 members signed up to go in to the retreat in November. There is room for 20 participants, so if no one else signs up by September 15th, sign-ups will open to a couple people who went in the past and have expressed an interest in going.

Also, I'll send participants a list of all attendees with email addresses included, so we can make plans for meals which are Friday dinner, Saturday brunch, Saturday dinner and Sunday brunch. I'll also send driving directions.

Member Requests

Allentown School District Liaison Project

Marsha Heimann

The Christmas Bags are beginning to accumulate and are filling with toiletries that you have so generously donated. I am so grateful for your contributions to this project. The homeless children in the Allentown School District always look forward to receiving this small gift during the holiday season, and they, too, are grateful. So, as you travel this summer and fall please bring your unused hotel toiletries back home with you and bring them to the guild meetings. Or if you are walking past the travel section in your grocery or drug department please consider picking up a few things to donate. This small gesture means so much to the kids who have nothing. Thank you.

Stamps for the V.A.

Mercedes Gurniak and Ruth Skinner

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. I sent 41 shawls last month, and the supply is low. Thanks.

Singer Featherweight for sale

Pat Cisek

Singer Featherweight model 221-1 from around 1939 in working condition for sale \$225.00 or best offer. Included are the case, cord, & attachments. **See the photos attached to this newsletter.** If interested, call Pat Cisek.

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Calendar of Events

from the editor

September 13-16, Pennsylvania National Quilt Extravaganza, Greater Philadelphia Expo Center, Oaks, PA.

October 5-6, Berks Quilters Guild, Quilt Show 2018, Leesport Farmers Market, www.berksquiltersguild.org.

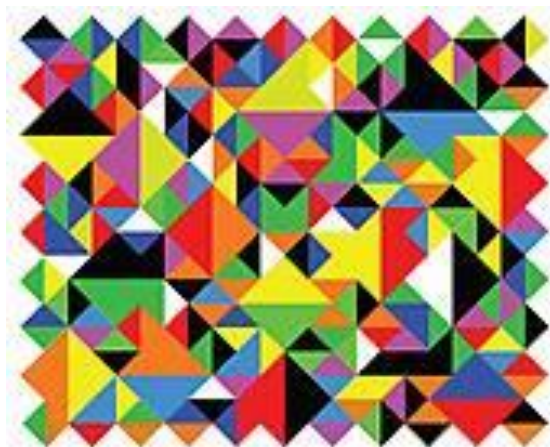
October 5-6, Peaceful Shores Quilters Guild, Shore Points 25 Quilt Show, Ocean Acres Community Center, Manahawkin, NJ, visit their Facebook page, Pieceful Shores Quilters Guild.

October 20 -21, Brandywine Valley Quilters Quilt Show, The Brookhaven Municipal Building, Brookhaven, PA www.brandywinevalleyquilters.com.

November 2-17, 16th Annual Eastern PA Shop Hop, Facebook.com/EasternPASHopHop.

November 9-10, Lebanon Quilters Guild 12th Annual Exhibition of Quilts, Lebanon Expo Center & Fairgrounds, www.lebanonquiltersguild.com.

November 17, Mail Line Quilters, Quilt Show and Holiday Boutique, Berwyn United Methodist Church
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Guild Calendar

from the editor

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