



Crazy Quilters Quilt Guild

We Are Crazy About Quilting

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From The President

Donna Gasser

New beginnings and a fresh restart are what summer's ending and autumn's approaching is all about. It used to be about school starting for my kids and getting back to a regular schedule. Now it is about switching my house from spring/summer mode to fall/winter mode and a desire to learn new techniques in quilting. Julie Borden's excellent presentation last month was an inspiration to try something I have dabbled at but never given a serious trial. I won a drawing which gives me a place to start. Suzanne Nelson's Show and Tell Simple Whatnots project inspired me in the same way. What a terrific method to learn a new skill and improve precision piecing and machine quilting without committing to a larger project!

As I write this, I am looking at the new beginnings for our quilt guild. Our September meeting will be at Holy Spirit where the new board members will be inducted, our quilt raffle will be drawn, and our 2022-2023 programs will be announced. As of October our meetings will normally be at Calvary Baptist Church. We will be learning how best to use that space to accommodate our guild's needs. What are our guild's needs? What do you want our guild to do for you, and what do you want to participate in for the support of our guild? These are questions we need your help in answering. A few suggestions have already been made that will be discussed during September's meeting. Vicki Pede and I are always open to suggestions from you regarding the guild. Please call, email, or text us with your suggestions.

The Crazy Quilters Quilt Guild

meets the first Tuesday of the month, 6:30 PM

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Guild Officers

President: Donna Gasser

Vice-President: Vicki Pede

Secretary: Nancy Ayers

Treasurer: Pat Wolfe

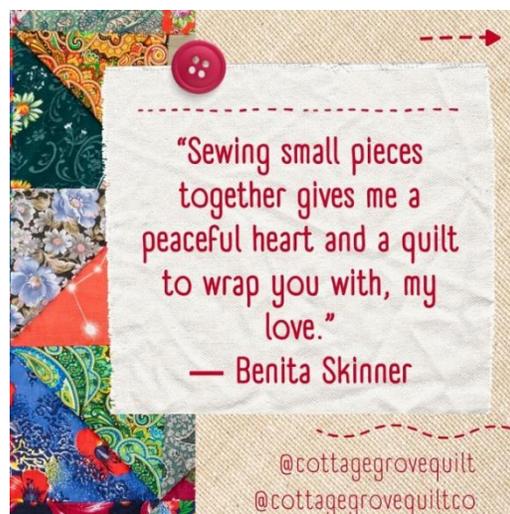
Programming Officer: Nicole Folino

Membership Officer: Karen Hartzell & Linda Green

Guild Calendar

Monthly Guild Meeting: Tuesday, Sept 6th, 6:30-8:00 p.m. Holy Spirit Lutheran Church, 3461 S. Cedar Crest Blvd, Emmaus

Sit & Sew: Saturday, Sept 3 & 17, 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Faith Presbyterian Church



A Note from Our Outgoing President

Jane Merkel

Hello Crazy Quilters,

Summer is coming to a close and so is my years as your President. As I indicated before, it has given me much pleasure to serve this guild and I thank you once again for that opportunity. The transition from one executive board to the next should go very smoothly with the very capable Donna Gasser as your President and Vicki Pede as Vice President. They have worked diligently all summer to prepare us for a new year. I know you will support them and offer assistance whenever you can. Crazy Quilters are the best!

Thank you,
Jane

ALLENTOWN FAIR REMINDER

Our participation in the Allentown Fair will be from 4:00pm to 8:00pm each day, Aug 31 to Sept 5. All slots are filled, and further reminders will be forthcoming.

If you have time and want to stop by the display of our raffle quilt and chat with fellow members, I am sure they would be pleased.

Sit & Sew

Linda Wojciechowski



Mark your calendar for Sept 3 & 17, 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.

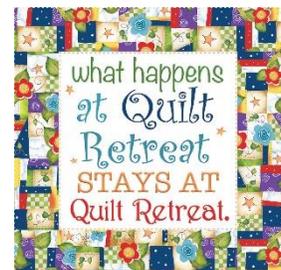
Text or call me by noon the day before to reserve your spot, and please be prepared to help set up and store tables. I look forward to seeing you there!

Retreat

Sandy O'Connor

The next retreat is scheduled for November 10, 11, 12, 13, 2022. Location will once again be at the "Blue Lake House" Denver PA.

Information was shared at the August meeting. Please let me if you have additional questions.



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2022 Quilt Challenge -- It's Only Natural!

Sue Marin & Karen Rush

Entry forms are attached to the newsletter email and will be available at upcoming Guild meetings. Please fill out one form for each entry. Entry forms are due at the November meeting. Last date to drop off your challenge entry will be December 17th.

Copy of entry form also included in the newsletter – Page 6. To print - select format (portrait), no of copies desired and which page number to print.

Questions? Reach out to Karen or Sue.

September Program

Nicole Folino

It's a Jelly Roll Jubilee!

In honor of September being Jelly Roll Month please bring your favorite Jelly Roll Quilts to the September meeting, new or old, for show and tell and enter to win some wonderful prizes courtesy of Moda Fabrics!

In addition, we've signed up for the Global Quilt Connection September Sampler Platter to be held September 17-18. Viewing information will be sent in a separate email.

Simple Whatnots Club

Suzanne Nelson

Here's your chance to join in the fun! Kim Diehl's new book, Simple Whatnots III is just out and gives like-minded quilters a chance to enjoy her adorable little quilts together. I'm looking to rustle up some other people to join me in making one of her projects a month. It's like a block of the month, only better! You end up with a finished quilt instead of just a block.

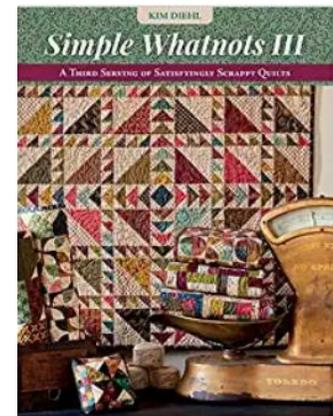
I've sewn my way through her two previous books and had a blast. These quilts are small, but mighty. I've learned new techniques, become much more precise at piecing, had fun using up small bits of fabric and odd-ball chunks of batting, and

tried out new color palettes. I've been able to audition new kinds of machine quilting and learned some fun and easy new ways to appliqué. These small quilts are a low-risk way to try out techniques you've been curious about, but didn't want to commit to in a full-size quilt. Kim's book offers lots of little tricks and tips along the way, so you are always going to learn something new.

And do not worry — your sanity will remain intact. These are not miniature quilts, so you won't be working with ridiculously tiny pieces. If you've always wanted to try machine quilting but were intimidated, these little projects are just the right size to handle on a domestic sewing machine.

And what do you do with these quilts? I've loved having a stash to give as gifts. I place them around my house as a table topper with a vase of flowers. They are the perfect size to hang on a wall and even frame.

So far, Vicki Pede, Sue Marin and I are the members of the club. We are looking to welcome others to join us. Simple Whatnots III is available on Amazon, FatQuarterShop.com, and Missouri Star website. The prices I've seen run from \$22.95 to 27.95.



You've heard me refer to these small quilts as Quilt Snacks. They are pretty tasty! Join the fun and find out for yourself. If you are interested, email Suzanne at snelson@ptd.net.

Show and Tell

Lorraine Bujnowski

Mercedes Gurniak, Liz Riccaboni, Sam Cetrulo, Linda Anderson, Suzanne Nelson, Kathie Laposata, Karen Rush and Lorraine Bujnowski showed us their lovely quilts this past month.

The Dirty Dozen Challenge concluded in August with Kathie Laposata taking first place for completing an unfinished project every month this past year. Wow! Kathy Moore and Karen Hartzell took the second and third position respectively. Congratulations to all of them as now they have more room in their closet for new projects!

Roberta Whitcomb and I are retiring from the Show & Tell position. We've enjoyed doing this over the past few years and learned some technical skills while being challenged during the pandemic and our Zoom meetings.

Sam Cetrulo will be assuming the S&T position in September.

Community Service

Janet Yandrisevits & Mercedes Gurniak

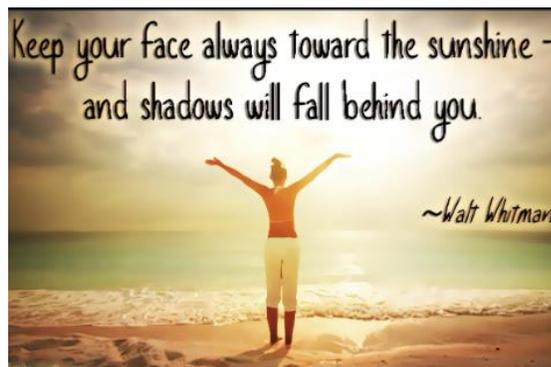
Thank you to everyone who has shared their talent and generosity with the household gifts for 5 families with Habitat for Humanity, as they enter the new phase in their lives with their new homes. I was happy to deliver your gifts, cheerily presented in colorful gift bags, to the office of Habitat for Humanity for distribution.

We are also grateful to collect any and all other items that you are willing to give to our many project opportunities. The call has gone out for placemats for our Autumn drive, and you are again showing what a wonderful group of women you are! We will be continuing to accept your beautiful gifts at all upcoming meetings, and are also available to meet with you individually if that is better for you. Just contact either Janet or Mercedes and we will make arrangements with you. Remember that instructions for all projects are always available on our website.

Hospitality

Diana DeFanti

Hospitality is back with some limitations. Food items will be mostly pre-packaged for your safety. Coffee, tea, and hot chocolate will be available in addition to bottled water. Members who will be providing a treat for September are Kim Bringhurst, Mercedes Gurniak, Linda Wojciechowski, and Kathy Laposata.



Sunshine and Shadows

Jackie Leipert

I am interested in hearing from those who submitted entries into the various fairs this summer and how you did. Please contact me.

Membership

Kathy Moore

We had 46 members attend our August meeting in person and 4 attending via zoom. We had 3 guests to appreciate Julie Borden's interesting presentation on wool applique. Pat Karo was the winner of a fat quarter for wearing her name tag.

So far over half of our members have paid their dues for the 2022-23 year and the new membership officers will look forward to accepting your checks or cash in person at the September meeting. The annual membership fee is \$45.00. You are also welcome to mail your checks before Sept. 6 to:

Kathy Moore

I have enjoyed being the membership officer for the last two years and look forward to the wonderful job I'm sure that Karen and Linda will do for the next year.



September Birthdays

- 2 Sharon Yurkanin
- 10 Carole Whaling
- 12 Karen Rush
- 15 Vicki Pede
- 16 Irene Oehmke
- 20 Tami Jones

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2022 Challenge – “It’s Only Natural”**

One form per entry.

Name:

Size (Check only one)	✓	Topic (Check only one)	✓
Large Quilt 40x40 or larger		Landscapes/Seascapes	
Small Quilt Smaller than 40x40		Animals/Birds	
Other Placemats, table runners, pillows, wearable art, etc.		Flowers	

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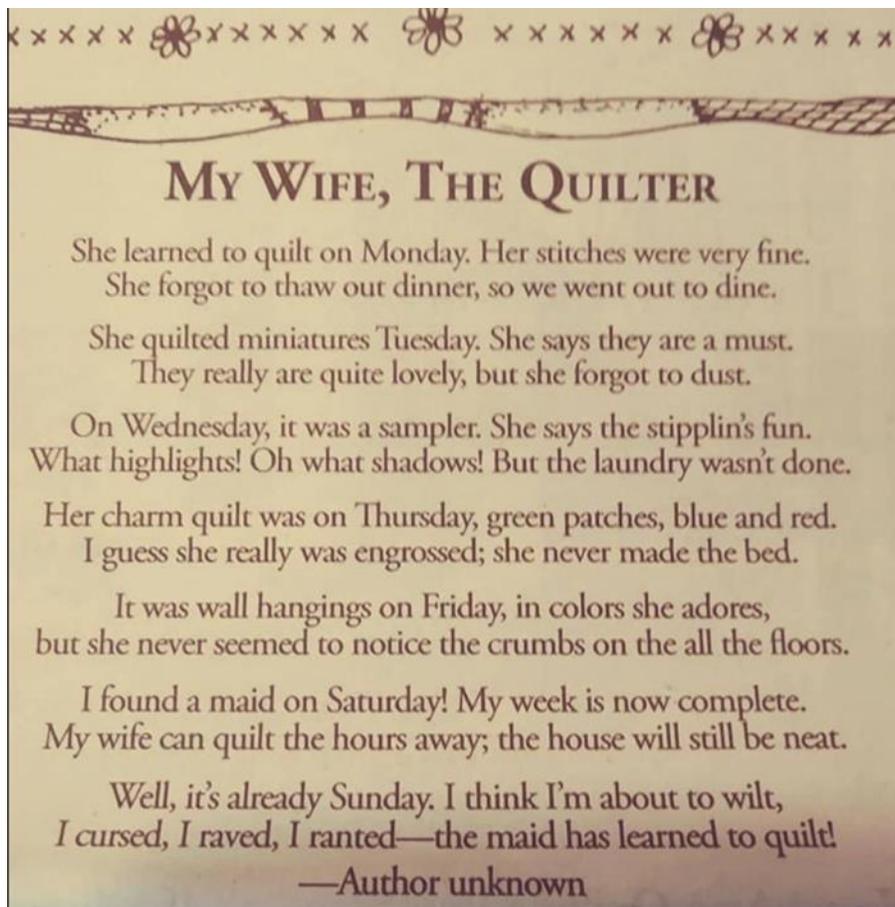
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MY WIFE, THE QUILTER

She learned to quilt on Monday. Her stitches were very fine.
She forgot to thaw out dinner, so we went out to dine.

She quilted miniatures Tuesday. She says they are a must.
They really are quite lovely, but she forgot to dust.

On Wednesday, it was a sampler. She says the stipplin's fun.
What highlights! Oh what shadows! But the laundry wasn't done.

Her charm quilt was on Thursday, green patches, blue and red.
I guess she really was engrossed; she never made the bed.

It was wall hangings on Friday, in colors she adores,
but she never seemed to notice the crumbs on the all the floors.

I found a maid on Saturday! My week is now complete.
My wife can quilt the hours away; the house will still be neat.

Well, it's already Sunday. I think I'm about to wilt,
I cursed, I raved, I ranted—the maid has learned to quilt!

—Author unknown

Committee Chairs

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



Quilt Shows and Events

September 15-18	Pennsylvania National Quilt Extravaganza	Greater Philadelphia Expo Center Oaks, PA	Pennsylvania National Quilt Extravaganza » Mancuso Show Management (quiltfest.com)
September 30 – October 2nd	Courthouse Quilters Guild “Quilts in the Mill” 2022 Quilt Show & Boutique	Prallsville Mill Stockton, NJ	Quilts in the Mill Show (courthousequilters.org)
October 7 & 8	Berks Quilters Guild	Leesport Farmers Market 312 Gernants Church Road Leesport, PA	Home bcgg (berksquiltersguild.org)
October 14-15	Keystone Quilters Quilt Fanfare	Finland Mennonite Church 1750 Ziegler Rd, Pennsburg, PA 18073	https://www.keystonequilters.org/quilt-show
October 21-22	Valley Forge Homestead Quilters	Good Shepherd Church on Henderson Road in King of Prussia, PA. For directions visit the map and directions page .	VFHQ - Quilt Show (valleyforgequilters.org)
October 28 – Nov 12	Eastern PA Shop Hop	Ten shops this year!	https://www.facebook.com/EasternPAShopHop/



COURTHOUSE QUILTERS GUILD

Proudly presents

“Quilts in the Mill”
2022 Quilt Show and Boutique

Prallsville Mill
Stockton, New Jersey

Friday, Sept. 30th - Sunday, Oct. 2nd
10:00 am to 4:00 pm daily
Admission: \$12
(A portion of the proceeds benefit the Delaware Valley Society.)
Debit/Credit Cards now accepted.

Over 200 handmade quilts on display!
Raffle Quilt • Vendors • Mini-Quilt Raffles
Door Prizes • Lunch available

New for 2022!
Barn Quilts Photo Exhibit
Baby Quilt Sale for local charity

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Deadline for the next newsletter is September 21st.