

Crazy Quilters Stitch 'n Times

President's message

Happy Winter Everyone!

Well, I believe winter has truly arrived. Karen and I hope that all of you have been staying safe and warm during the snow and ice storms that we have been getting clobbered with the past few weeks. What a perfect reason to stay inside and sew to our hearts content. As Karen stated in our last newsletter with us living in Wisconsin there is always a chance that our meeting could be cancelled if there is dangerous driving weather. Be sure to check our website, Facebook or your email if we are having dangerous weather on the day of the guild meeting. If we do have to cancel a meeting, we will do our best to inform all of you by 4:00 pm. That being said, we are all hoping for good weather for our next guild meeting which happens to fall on Valentine's day. We are especially excited for this meeting as we will have Alex Anderson via Zoom. Also, a reminder that our quilt show is fast approaching, please be sure to go to the website and sign up to volunteer.

See you in a few weeks, happy sewing everyone.

Tammy and Karen

November Newsletter Deadline was January 20, 2024

Next Newsletter Deadline: February 20, 2024 - Send to Guild Email:

mukwonagocrazyquilters@gmail.com

On a side note, Carol Pilgrim provided the following information – Thanks Carol!

Coins and Quilts is open in a new location. Many members have been asking about them and I received this info this evening. They will likely be vending at the show this year too!

Our new address is:

Coins & Quilts
5158 S 108th
Suite E & F
Hales Corner, WI 53130
website coinsandquilts.com / our hours are on the calendar.

w.i.numismatics@sbcglobal.net

coinsandquilts.com

414-546-3233 / Robert 414-779-0528

CRAZY QUILTERS GUILD MEETING INFORMATION

FEBRUARY 14 – ALEX ANDERSON: - Mukwonago High School **6:30 PM**

Our meeting location can change based on the high school's needs, we are typically either room 42 or the cafeteria, just follow the signs on meeting night.

If you have any questions you'd like to ask Alex, please forward those to Bob via email at signaszak@wi.rr.com no later than Feb 3, 2024. He is compiling a list of questions to provide to Alex ahead of time as time may be limited at our meeting.

PROGRAMS - LOOKING FORWARD

MARCH 13 - Brita Nelson, "The Questioning Quilter" (Zoom Presentation)

APRIL 10 – Rona the Ribbiter Presentation

APRIL 11 – Rona Ribbiter Workshop 9am at Christ the King Lutheran Church in Delafield. Thank you all for your interest in this workshop. All of our seats have been sold.

MAY 8 – Rob Stoll, quilt_whisperer on Instagram, "My Creative Process Trunk Show"

JUNE 12 - Pat Ehrenberg, "Civil War Quilts" Visit her website: [Pat Ehrenberg's Main Page \(wisconsinfolks.org\)](http://PatEhrenberg'sMainPage(wisconsinfolks.org))

JULY 10 – Summer Dinner

AUGUST 14 – Birgit Ruotsala, "My Journey in Quilts, Traditional and Art"

SEPTEMBER 11 – Theresa Lockner, pattern designer

OCTOBER 9 – Maribeth Schmidt, "Preparing to enter a show"

NOVEMBER 13 – Wendy & Brad Kleman, Machine Maintenance

DECEMBER 11 – Christmas Party

UPCOMING QUILT SHOWS and WORKSHOPS

- 2024 Crazy Quilters Show, Mar 23-24 2024. Show theme is Medallion Quilts
- 2/10/2024 - Winter Quilt Show, Washington County Fair Park, Saturday 9am-4pm
- 12/7/23 – 2/25/24 – Wisconsin Museum of Quilts and Fiber Arts “Conversations in Cloth” Exhibit, Cedarburg WI
- 3/1 – 7/28/24 - Wisconsin Museum of Quilts and Fiber Arts “25 Millions Stitches: One Stitch, One Refugee” Exhibit, Cedarburg WI
- 4/2 – 5/4/2024 – Quilters Hall of Fame Solar Eclipse Exhibit, Marion Indiana
- 5/4-5/5/2024 - Sinnissippi Quilters, Rockford, Illinois Quilt Guild has a show titled "Seasons"
- 9/5-9/7/2024 - The Great Wisconsin Quilt Show, Madison WI
- 9/14/2024 – Sheboygan County Quilters Guild Annual Show. Reference their website for additional information: <https://www.sheboyganquiltersguild.org/>

CRAZY QUILTERS GUILD LONG ARM QUILTERS INFO

Many members have been asking us to put together a list of longarm quilters for hire within our guild. If you are a longarm quilter and would like to offer your services to members within our guild, send an email directly to Nancy Spindler at nancy.spindler@gmail.com . Please provide your name, phone number, and email. This information will be posted on the members only page of the guild website.

QUILT SHOW UPDATES

QUILT SHOW WEEKEND IS QUICKLY APPROACHING!

Thank you to everyone who stopped at the table at our guild meeting schoolhouse night. You had great questions about the impact of the quilt show for the guild and our community. As we get closer to the show there are some things that I'd like you to consider.

First, please access the volunteer sign up and get yourself signed up for at least one shift (preferably more, if you are able). There are lots of shifts available and it is a fun time. The website is: volunteersignup.org/WHHH3. The list of job descriptions will be added to the members only area of the website as well as this newsletter. Please do not share the website outside of the guild.

Second, if you've made a quilt that you'd like to enter, now is the time to download the entry form, complete and mail it in. We can only accept the first 250 items entered.

Third, consider making something for the Boutique for the guild to sell. The proceeds will be going to the Mukwonago Food Pantry.

Fourth, start cleaning your sewing spaces and set aside some items for the Bargain Bins. These can be dropped off at the middle school during the show set up Friday, March 22.

Finally, please consider signing up for a demonstration time slot. We all love to learn something new or just watch someone creating.

AND ... we are still in need of a couple people to take over the quilt show chair co-chair positions.

Any questions can be directed to Brooke Furmanek at brooke.furmanek@gmail.com

2023 CRAZY QUILTERS GUILD CHALLENGE

SCHNIBBLES and BITS

You are challenged to create a project utilizing at minimum a 12" square that uses fabric scraps that are cut 1" or less for one of the dimensions. It can be small triangle scraps (1 ½" or less at the point), strips that are 1" by 12", ¾" by 5", 1" square, etc. with scraps that you collect from your scrap bin. However, the 12" square must have only pieces that have a height or width less than or equal to 1" (or 1 ½ " for the triangle). If the strip is uneven, the thickest part of the single dimension has to be cut at 1" or less. The 12" square can be a stand-alone project or may be incorporated into a pillow, wall hanging, table runner, clothing article, etc. Your finished project is due at the Guild Meeting, March 13, 2024. The projects will be judged by all members in attendance at the March Meeting considering creativity, workmanship, overall presentation, and adherence to these guidelines. There will be prizes awarded to the winning projects. The projects will be displayed at the Crazy Quilters Annual Quilt Show and returned to the owners after the show. Have fun with this project and let your creativity shine.

MCQ RAFFLE QUILT INFORMATION

Come and Get your Raffle Tickets!!

Our Guild raffle tickets are ready to be picked up by guild members. We were able to start selling them October 11th. If you haven't picked them up yet they will be available at future meetings. If you need additional tickets and don't want to wait until the meeting, please contact Jo Jacobi to arrange to get them.

SUNSHINE COMMITTEE

Please continue to remember our guild members who are ill or experience a death in the family. If you know anyone, please contact Kathryn Komasa.

A Sympathy Card was sent to Eileen Naber for loss of her dad.

A Sympathy Card was sent to Denise Slawny for loss of her sister.

If anyone has any Get Well or Sympathy Cards they would like to donate I would love to have them. Please bring them to the Guild Meeting for Sunshine and please continue to let me know of any members that would like a card. Thank you so much for your help spreading a little sunshine to our members in need.

HOSTESS COMMITTEE

The 2024 schedule is as noted below. This is also posted on our website for future reference.

2024 Treat Schedule			
JAN	Dunaway - Gruenewald	FEB	Busse - Distasio
MAR	Johnson - Kulinski	APR	Grzeczka - Jensen
MAY	Allen – Bruemmer	JUN	Kutil - Nelson
JUL	SUMMER PICNIC	AUG	Slottke – Thomas
SEP	Onasch – Raddatz	OCT	Thuemling – Zapfe
NOV	Raupp - Slomczewski	DEC	HOLIDAY PARTY

THANK YOUS

The following are thank you messages the Guild received:

CORRECTION: Alli Chase – thank you for the \$50 donation to the Alice Baker library in Eagle (this was formerly listed as being in Mukwonago).

Terri Winiarski - Fine Arts Supporter!

We acknowledge, with thanks, the receipt of \$1,800.00 which you so generously contributed in 2023. This amount had been contributed in May 2023 for the 2022/23 school year.

SEWING GROUPS

Thursday night Sew 6:00 pm at Waukesha State Bank in Mukwonago. Bring your own project.

Contacts Joline Palantino, Linda Forster.

Next meetings: Jan 25, Feb 29, Mar 28, April 25, May 23

Friday night Sew 6:00 pm at Waukesha State Bank in Mukwonago. Bring your own project.

Contacts Joline Palantino, Linda Forster.

Next meetings: Feb 16, Mar 15, Apr 19, May 17

Charity Quilts One Monday a month at Waukesha State Bank in Mukwonago (time & location can vary).

Contacts: Betty Butenhoff, Barb Shudy or Joline Palantino

Next Meetings: Feb 12 11am at the bank

Endowment at 11:00 am Waukesha State bank in Mukwonago

Contacts: Donna Andrews, Jane Busse, Linda Forster, Sue Glueckstein, Cindy Osinski, Joline Palantino, Clare Prokuda, Judy Purdy and Mary Raddatz

Next Meeting: Feb 2, Mar 1, April 5, May has no endowment sew

Machine Embroidery 1:00 pm 3rd Wednesday of the month at Waukesha State Bank in Mukwonago.

Contact is Tammy Brandt. No meetings in July or December.

Next Meetings: Feb 21, Mar 20

Wooly Bee's Group 6:00-8:00 pm 4 th Tuesday of the Month January - October at Mukwonago United Church of Christ

S93W30740 County Rd NN, Mukwonago.

Contact is Carol Ann Blank

Next meetings: Feb 27, Mar 26

MCQ Handwork Only Group 10 am – 4 pm 4 th Tuesday of the month at Waukesha State Bank. Drop in anytime or stay the full day.

Contact is Carol Pilgrim.

Next meetings: Feb 27, Mar 26

Quilt Show Committee Any guild member can join the committee. The planning meetings are held at Waukesha State Bank, Mukwonago at 6:30 pm the first Tuesday of September through March. Brooke is going to retire from the Chairman position so anyone interested should contact her.

Contact is Brooke Furmanek.

Next meetings: Feb 6, Mar 5

Featherweight Group: this is a brand new group for those interested in featherweight machines. The first meeting was held at United Church of Christ, S93 W30740 W Veterans Way in Mukwonago.

Contact is Maureen Talbert

CRAZY QUILTER'S GUILD MEETING MINUTES

January 10, 2024 6:30 PM
Mukwonago High School Commons Area

Welcome: 70 members, including 1 new member, Pauline Weickardt and no guests attended.

Block of the Month red and white zig-zag made with 2-½" strips. Directions will be in newsletter.

Program Committee:

Workshop on April 11, 2024 12:30-4:30pm taught by Rona the Ribbeter (ronatheribbiter.com) in conjunction with Lake Country Quilters, Delafield. The cost is \$30. Workshop will focus on making perfect points. Contact kristinkulinski@gmail.com for more details and to reserve a spot.

February program will have Alex Anderson via Zoom. Meeting will be in the High School as usual. If you have questions for Alex, please email them to Bob ASAP by email to Rignaszak@wi.rr.com

School House

- Amy S- topic was Round Robins. Anyone interested in a Round Robin should contact her.
- Bob I- topic was Virtual Round Robins done in EQ8. Contact him if interested.
- Tammy B- demonstrated making a block holder. Her step-outs were given as prizes.
- Brooke F- explained volunteer positions open for the March Quilt Show. Form is online at volunteersignup.org/WHHH3 or contact Brooke.Furmanek@gmail.com
- Peggy N- topic was Kawandi, a quilting technique done in India by people of African descent.
- Karen K- showed MHS Safety maps for tornado shelters & AED. She explained the Embroidery Club is open to all members with embroidery machines. Meetings are Wednesday following Guild meeting at 1 pm, Waukesha State Bank, Mukwonago.
- Treats/ Break

Show & Tell:

- Julia McK- Wall hanging of Scottish shaggy cow
- Carol P- Vintage Inscribed, embroidered quilt from Central IL. Backing is feedsack fabric. #2 hand embroidered crib quilt with nursery animals.
- Suzanne C- Applique quilt that was a UFO and is done!
- Chris P- Chain quilt in shades of purple
- Mary W- Marmalade Dreams quilt from kit sold by The Stitching Post
- Jane B- Oasis quilt in pastels, quilted by Judee Purdy
- Bob I- Noah's Arc baby quilt
- Barb S- Thimbleberries flannel mitten quilt
- Amy S- Panel quilt for husband featuring chocolate Labs and trucks
- Joline and Charity Group: 10 quilts made for Sleep in Heavenly Peace of Racine/ Kenosha

Drawings

- **Tammy B's Block holders:** Linda, Cyndee, Judee, and Kath
- **Block of the Month:** Cyndee
- **Name Tag:** Judy V & Linda K

Respectfully submitted by Jo Jacobi January 14, 2024

CRAZY QUILTER'S BOARD MEETING MINUTES

January 9, 2024

Via Zoom

Attending: Karen Keys, Tammy Brandt, Robert Ignaszak, Kristin Kulinski, Jo Jacobi, Maggie Mulroy, Cheryl Christenson, LuAnne Pankowski, Jane Busse, Judee Purdy, and Judy Wilke (interested member)

6:30 pm Old Business:

Meeting format-

- Members felt that Programs and Announcements needed to be on every Agenda or information falls through the cracks.
- Agenda items must be submitted by the first Monday before the meeting to be included.
- The President's will read the Announcements to save time
- The White Board is another method of sharing information.

New Business:

Start Budget Discussions:

- All Board positions should prepare list of budget needs. Program and Hostesses should note spending trends.
- All Committees and Board members must attend next Board meeting for Budget discussion and vote to approve.

Upcoming Elections Preparation:

- The following positions will need to be filled: Treasurer, Hostess Committee (4 members)
- The remaining Board members indicated a willingness to stay on for an additional year.
- Those whose terms are ending must give a list of responsibilities to be used in recruitment.
- Nominating Committee will NOT be formed unless absolutely necessary! At March meeting, we will set up an "Experts" table to explain and encourage self-nomination.

Hostesses:

- At this time, extra help will be needed by our 2 Hostesses through June.
- Catered meals will be in July and December. Maggie M asked why more meals were ordered than RSVP's. Timing for placing orders vs getting RSVP list was problematic.
- When meals are catered, include gluten free and vegetarian options.

Programs:

- List of speakers and spending for the year sent to all board members prior to Board meeting.
- Maggie added the catering cost to December figures. Most of the 2022-23 budget is spent.
- A New Budget year begins July 1, 2024 for consideration by Programs.

Current Needs by Committee

VP- If Karen is pursuing Jenny Doan, alert Programs to prevent double booking dates. Karen said she has not gotten an answer and dates look to be far in the future.

Treasurer- Maggie asked if we will continue to accept new members. Currently at 150 (as of 1/10/24 meeting) LuAnne reviewed attendance logs to find that only 28 members have not signed in to attend any meetings since July. Average attendance is around 80 members at any given meeting. The discussion was tabled.

Membership- no unmet needs.

Hostess- Need additional help through June from everyone.

Historian- Requested we take pictures at meetings and events as she is currently unable to attend January or February. Email to the guild mailbox or christensoncheryl@yahoo.com

Respectfully submitted: Jo Jacobi January 14 2024