

# *Crazy Quilters Stitch 'n Times*

## President's message

Hello Members,

Not sure how the holidays have crept up on us so fast again. I never feel quite ready for the holidays, but somehow everything gets done. I hope all of you have been getting everything completed. If not, don't fret, you still have a few weeks.

For me Christmas is one of my favorite times of the year. The time spent celebrating with family and friends is the best. I am especially finding it extra enjoyable with having the pitter patter of little feet around the house and watching as the grandchildren have their eyes light up in awe as they discover the wonders of Christmas.

Just a reminder that December is our annual Holiday party, and our meeting will start at 6:00 pm. The event will be catered this year, so nobody needs to bring snacks. However, I believe there is still a need for some table captains. Our Hostesses will provide tablecloths for each table. Even though a table captain is not necessary it is always nice to see the tables decorated in a festive way. If you would like to consider hosting a table, please contact Jane Busse or Judee Purdy.

We have schoolhouse coming up in January. If you have any ideas that you would like to demo, please contact Bob Ignaszak or Kristin Kulinski to see if they are still looking for people to share their skills.

One last reminder, in regard to meeting agendas. We ask if you have something that needs to be included on the agenda, that you let us know no later than the Friday before our meetings. We are requesting this as we need to make sure that there is enough time in the evening to cover everything that is on our agenda, and that we are done by our 9:00 pm end time. If we are not informed in advance, we cannot promise that there will be time in the evening to discuss your topic.

Happy Holidays and Gift Making to All!

Looking forward to seeing you at the Holiday Party on December 13<sup>th</sup>.

Tammy and Karen

**November Newsletter Deadline was November 20, 2023**

**Next Newsletter Deadline: December 20, 2023 - Send to Guild Email:**

**[mukwonagocrazyquilters@gmail.com](mailto:mukwonagocrazyquilters@gmail.com)**

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## CRAZY QUILTERS GUILD MEETING INFORMATION

**DECEMBER 13 – CHRISTMAS PARTY:** - Mukwonago High School 6:00 PM **Note change in start time!**

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.

**WE ARE STILL IN NEED OF TABLE CAPTAINS FOR THE CHRISTMAS PARTY!** Table captains typically act as a table hostess, and usually decorates the table in a festive manner. Contact one of the hostesses to sign up!

Jane Busse – [jbusse@wi.rr.com](mailto:jbusse@wi.rr.com)

Judee Purdy – [jdpurdy@wi.rr.com](mailto:jdpurdy@wi.rr.com)

Food will be catered again this year. If you have not yet signed up to attend, please do so ASAP so there is an accurate number for catering purposes.

### MEETING REMINDERS:

Guild t-shirt orders and money are due at the December meeting. Checks should be made payable to Crazy Quilters Guild, Inc. Information was previously sent via email. If you don't have it, please reach out to Karen Keys.

From Jean: Thank you to everyone who made and donated the doll cradle quilt sets, we have everything we need!

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## UPCOMING QUILT SHOWS and WORKSHOPS

- 2024 Crazy Quilters Show, Mar 23-24 2024. Show theme is Medallion Quilts
- Winter Quilt Show, Washington County Fair Park, Saturday 2/10/24 9am-4pm
- Sinnissippi Quilters, Rockford, Illinois Quilt Guild has a show titled "Seasons" May 4th & 5th 2024.
- The Great Wisconsin Quilt Show, Madison WI, September 5-7, 2024

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## QUILT SHOW UPDATES

Mark your calendars for our upcoming annual quilt show to be held March 23 & 24, 2024. Also mark your calendar for Friday, March 22, 2024 for show set up. It will take all of us to put on the show that we all want to put on.

All members are invited to join the show committee. We are currently in need of members to fill the following positions:

- Show Chair: set the meeting schedule, take notes during the meeting, overall oversight.
- Appraisal Coordinator: contract with appraiser, oversight of appraisal room during show.

In addition, here are just a few updates from the show committee:

- Our judges will be: Alison Rainboth, Maribeth Schmit, Mary Wolter, Chris Kirsch
- Due to the school spring break and when Easter falls, the show will be at the beginning of the spring break instead of at the end. As a result, we will have the quilt drop off and judging at Brooklife Church in Mukwonago 10am-12pm. This will be reflected on the entry form.
- Be sure you pick up your raffle tickets and SELL, SELL SELL.
- New at the quilt show will be Quilt Documentation Days in association with the Quilt and Fiber Arts Museum in Cedarburg.
- If you're making some gifts for the holidays, consider making a few extra for the Boutique. The proceeds will go to Mukwonago Food Pantry.

Should you have any questions, please reach out to Quilt Show Chair Brooke Furmanek at

[brooke.furmanek@gmail.com](mailto:brooke.furmanek@gmail.com).

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## BLOCK OF THE MONTH

The November block, Christmas Presents, is due at the December meeting. For complete instructions, please reference the website.

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## 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.

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## 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.

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## 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 Mary Kroll.

A Get Well Card was sent to Joanie Thuemling who had a fall and broke bones in her ankle/foot.

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.

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## HOSTESS COMMITTEE

December is our annual Christmas Party so no treat assignments have been made. The 2024 schedule is as noted below. This is also posted on our website for future reference.

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

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## 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: Dec 7th

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

Contacts Joline Palantino, Linda Forster.

Next meetings: Dec 15th

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

Contacts: Betty Butenhoff, Barb Shudy or Joline Palatino

Next Meetings: Dec 11th

**Endowment** at 11:00 am Waukesha State bank in Mukwonago

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

Next Meeting: Dec 1st

**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: No December meeting

**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: No meetings in November and December

**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: Nov 28th, No December meeting

**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 Contact is Brooke Furmanek.

Next meetings: No December meeting

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

Contact is Maureen Talbert

First meeting: Jan 3, 2024 6:30pm – 8:30 pm

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## CRAZY QUILTER'S GUILD MEETING MINUTES

**November 8, 2023      6:30 PM**  
**Mukwonago High School Commons Area**

Karen Keys welcomed 76 members. There was 1 guest, Susan who attended with Kathie Pavin and 1 new member, Stacy Stewart.

**BOM:** Mary P showed a Gift block for December. 10" square of fabric available during break. She introduced the Guild Challenge "Schnibbles & Bits" due at the March meeting. Instructions for both will be emailed.

**Program:** Sue Daurio, Long Arm Quilter Trunk Show introduced by Jodi G. The theme was batting and thread. Door Prizes provided by Sue went to Carol P, Jodi G, Mary Raddatz, Judy Y, Bonnie J, Linda B, and Jane C.

### Updates

- Featherweight Club will be holding first meeting January 3, 2024 at United Church of Christ, S93 W30740 W Veterans Way, Mukwonago. Please email group leader, Maureen Talbert for more information and if you plan to attend.
- Guild Apparel can be ordered through Karen Keys now through the December meeting. Checks should be made out to Crazy Quilters Guild Inc. Shirt information was sent by email, email Karen if you did not receive it prior to November meeting.

### Extra-Curricular Activities

- Mini Quilt Swap Exchanges were between Karen K & Mary F, Eileen N & Sue L, Laura R & Nancy S (absent), Peggy N & Jodi G. There will be others swapping in December.
- Tips & Tricks was presented by Eileen N regarding preventing frays on Raw Edge Applique. Eileen discovered Kestrel Michaud on YouTube who uses Decoupage adhesive mixed 1:3 with water on her applique fabric for a permanent solution to fraying.
- BOM Drawing: Katherine Komassa won 62 Log Cabin blocks
- Membership Drawing: Joyce Schilz and Karen Keys were the winners.
- Show & Tell
  - Karen K- Long armed and couched quilt
  - Helen B- Charity top she quilted
  - Judy V- Inspirational sayings quilt for daughter in first year of college
  - Chris P- Christmas trucks and trees top and hand-quilted kit in lavender and greens
  - Mary B- Kim Deihl wall quilt
  - Jodi G- Vintage Crazy quilt pillow she received as gift many years ago
  - Laura R- Embroidered 3D pumpkins and Snowman pillow
  - Jane C- Strip Quilt and identical quilt made for family member that had plush blanket for backing. 2 Fabric wallets for Xmas gifts.
  - Cyndee Z- Leaf quilt (BOM pattern) and Patriotic quilt
  - Nancy G & Linda S decided to make quilts using same paper-pieced pattern. Nancy's was done and Linda told of her bad experience with bleeding hand dyed fabrics.
  - Julia McK- Quilt of Valor ready to be presented

- Judee P- Charity quilts from donated blocks including one-block wonder, that she quilted. The Charity quilt committee is looking for new members!
- Jean C- 2 tree skirts: princess theme for granddaughter and MineCraft Xmas for grandson
- Bonnie J- Lemoine Star quilt using the Hope Collection kit from Moda Quilt for a Cause benefitting ALS. She purchased it 10 years ago.
- Amy S- On Point Red quilt made as commission and Camping panel quilt
- Peggy N- Baby quilt of pink & purple puppies for 12<sup>th</sup> great granddaughter
- Mary P- Challenge quilt with snowmen and reindeer
- Joline P- Needle felted project from Woolie Bees
- Nancy H- WMQFA Raffle quilt she won. She thanked guild for sympathy cards when her brother and father passed.
- Jo J- 2022 Quilt-igious Mystery "Unchained". Shown before it is washed and the hand-dyed fabrics bleed and change the look.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS!

- **December Holiday Party begins at 6 PM not 6:30.** Dinner will be catered. You must sign up. Table Captains are needed! Contact Jane Busse or Judee Purdy to sign up.
- **January School House Program:** Volunteers are needed. Please contact Kristin K or Bob I.
- **April 11, 2024 Workshop with Rhona the Riviter:** 4 hour workshop for \$30 will be shared with Lake Country Quilters in Delafield. "Perfect Points on Everything including Y-seams" Contact Kristin to sign up
- **QUILT SHOW UPDATES!**  
**Show dates are March 23& 24, 2024 with set up on Friday, March 22, 2024. Mark your calendars!**  
The Quilt Show committee is looking for a volunteer to take over Appraisal Coordinator from Joan Bernau.  
The position of Show Chair will be vacant after the 2024 Show.  
Email Brooke F for information on joining the QS Committee. The next meeting will be in January.  
Please make items for the Boutique. Contact Joline P with any questions regarding Boutique.

Meeting adjourned at 9:20 pm

Respectfully submitted by Jo Jacobi, November 13, 2023