

# *Crazy Quilters Stitch 'n Times*

## **President's message**

Hello Everyone,

It's official. Fall is here and we are looking forward to the cooler days. It means more time in the sewing room, as there is less to do outside. Thank you to all the board members and guild members who have helped get the year off to a great start.

It was good to see you all last month and what a fun presentation by Eileen Daniels. Perhaps it inspired us all to try more embroidery to enhance our projects. Next month we look forward to having Lois Levenhagen who will share her experiences with the Zieman-Leckrone event and her association with the UW marching band.

We will be hearing more from our hostess committee about what they have planned for our December meeting.

We have received a suggestion from a member to bring back some time each meeting to share tips, new notions, quilt show information, new books, quilt store discoveries, etc. calling it "Sew You Know". Let us know what you think.

Also, in October we will get a peak at future road trips from Karen Keys. You won't want to miss this.

We will be keeping you updated on Quilt Show activities as well. Remember that our annual show is a major focus of the guild each year and we need all hands on deck. Be thinking of how you can participate. It's a great way to get to know your fellow quilters and enhance your skills.

Happy Sewing and see you in October.

Chris and Jean

**September Newsletter deadline was September 22, 2025**

**Next Newsletter Deadline: October 20, 2025 - Send to Guild Email :**

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

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## **Crazy Quilters Guild Meeting Information**

Our next guild meeting is October 8th at Mukwonago High School at 6:30 pm. Please enter door 11 on the Northeast side of the school. Door 5 by the Front Performing Arts center on the North side of the building will also be open from 6-7pm for those whom need a shorter walk.

Our program will be presented by Lois Levenhagen.

Please provide Bob I. with any recommendations for speakers that you would be interested in presenting for our guild.

### **PROGRAMS - LOOKING FORWARD**

**November 12** – Gone to the Dark Side presented by Chris Lynne Kirsch

**December 10** – Christmas Party

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## Block of the Month

The Block of the Month (BOM) is a Scrap Block using colors (light, medium, dark) of your choice. The block is 12 1/2 inch x 12 1/5 inch unfinished

You will find the pattern on our guild website and attached with the e-mail containing this newsletter. Please contact Jodi with any questions.

Jodi Grzecka  
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262-745-7654

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## 2026 MCQ Quilt Challenge

Our Annual Guild Challenge that is displayed during our spring quilt show is a table runner this year.

The piece is to be returned on or before the March 2026 guild meeting. Your piece is to be anonymous so please do not show it to others. Bring it to the meeting in a bag or box so others cannot see who it belongs to.

Guild members at the March meeting will vote on creativity, workmanship, and overall appearance. One entry per person, all guild members are welcome to participate.

Completed piece (including binding) is 18"x40", it must be quilted, have a 4" sleeve for hanging on the 18" side for hanging. Colors are black, white and 1 other fabric.

A detailed copy of the challenge is included with the newsletter and our website.

Questions - please contact Mary P. at 414-915-1589.

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## Guild Library

Our guild library contains many books from beginner to expert for any guild member to check out and use. We also have any of the Historian books available for checkout also.

Historian books can be reviewed during meeting breaks also if desired.

A list of our books are on the guild website to review. Any requests or suggestions for the library please pass on to Carol Pilgrim or Cheryl Christenson

Carol & Cheryl

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## Crazy Quilt Guild Project

You are invited to make a 7-1/2" unfinished crazy quilt block for our guild quilt project. Embellishments will be available at meetings. Turn in your completed crazy blocks at any meeting. Feel free to work on the block during our meeting also. We still have a need for some more blocks. There are enough blocks to make a banner. We would like to make a quilt so blocks will continue to be accepted.

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## 2026 Raffle Information

I am happy to announce that tickets for the Crazy Quilters Guild raffles are here!

I will bring them to the October meeting, or you can contact me to arrange to get them if you will not be at the meeting. Call or text 414-313-4606 or email: [jo.a.jacobi@gmail.com](mailto:jo.a.jacobi@gmail.com)

The quilt that will be raffled at the 2026 Quilt Show is a queen-sized log cabin variation called "Eureka!" The pattern was designed by Jackie Robinson, and the committee selected a spring pallet of greens and blues for the quilt. It was long arm quilted in an overall feather pattern. The batting is Dream Bamboo. Thanks go out to the members of the Raffle Quilt Committee for making such a beautiful quilt.



listing  
on your phone.

This photo will be included with your tickets  
download the image from the MCQ website and save it

The sewing machine that will be raffled is a Bernina B335 donated by Bigsby's Sewing Center of Elm Grove. For machine information from Bernina USA, please visit [BERNINA 335 Sewing Machine ► A Beginner's Favourite](#) There will be information included with your tickets to assist in selling to your quilt friends or family.

The tickets are \$1.00 each or the stapled pack of 6 tickets is only \$5.00. I will have envelopes available so you can return the stubs and matching payment at each meeting. Just look for the ticket table and white box. Cash and checks payable to Crazy Quilters Guild, Inc are accepted.

Raffles must follow the rules set by the State of Wisconsin Dept. of Charitable Gaming and USPS which PROHIBIT MAILING raffle tickets. Please abide by this regulation and don't worry about returning the tickets and payment right away. They can be returned to the Raffle table at the Quilt Show in March 2026. I am looking for volunteers to arrange and sell tickets at other Guilds they belong to! Please inquire with your other guild for dates and we can make it happen!

Crazy Quilters will be selling tickets at the Winter Quilt Show at the Washington County Fair Grounds on February 14, 2026, and 3 volunteers will be needed. A ticket to the show is provided to each volunteer. FYI, Patched Works and Sew 'n Save of Racine sponsored the printing of the tickets. Please support these local businesses and say "Thank you" when you are there.

I hope you are excited to participate in this important guild activity which helps fund other activities and our program budget!

Jo

Call or text 414-313-4606 or email: [jo.a.jacobi@gmail.com](mailto:jo.a.jacobi@gmail.com)

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## Quilt Show 2026

Tammy L has cards for distribution/advertising our annual show in March 2026.

The Middle School where we hold our show will be having construction during our show and parking will be severely limited. Please start to plan for car pooling or drop offs at the school during the days of the quilt show.

Bargain Bin prices will remain the same as last year. Please start gathering your items and price them.

Please mark bargain bin items that are being donated.

Fabric; \$4.00 per yard, \$2.00 for 1/2 yard and fat quarters \$1.00

Gallon size full bags of scraps at \$8.00

Tammy & Claire

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## Quilt Retreat 2026

Our Quilt Retreat is planned for April 29, 2026 - May 3, 2026 at Lutherdale in Elkhorn WI. You can come for as many days as desired. Meals are included. Please contact Lutherdale directly to register online or call. Spots fill up quickly so early registration is highly encouraged.

A separate email had been sent out with details about mid May.

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## Upcoming Quilt Shows and Workshops

- Sep 7-Oct 12 in Kenosha WI by the Southport Quilters. See website for details [southportquilters.net](http://southportquilters.net)
- September 27th Splashes of Color at Sheboygan Lutheran High School 9-4. Sheboygan County Quilters Guild <https://www.sheboyganquiltersguild.org/show>
- Oct 17-18 held by the Chequamegon Bay Quilters 10-4. It is at the St Louis School 713 Washington Ave Washburn WI. website [www.chequamegonbayquilters.weebly.com](http://www.chequamegonbayquilters.weebly.com), email [Chequamegonbayquilters@yahoo.com](mailto:Chequamegonbayquilters@yahoo.com), or on Facebook chequamegonbayquilters
- Oct 18-19 held by the Northshore Quilters Guild 9-4. Harvest of Quilts at the Fairground. It is located on the Ozaukee County Fairgrounds in the Pavillion. W67 N866 Washington Ave Cedarburg WI. Admission is \$8, children 12 and under are free.
- Mar 28th & 29th Celebrating America Crazy Quilters 37th Annual Quilt Show. Parkview Middle School in Mukwonago.

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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 of anyone that you would like a card sent to, please contact Kathryn Komassa.

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.

Kathryn

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## HOSTESS COMMITTEE

The 2025 schedule is as noted below. This is also posted on our website for future reference.

| 2024Treat Schedule |                   |             |                     |
|--------------------|-------------------|-------------|---------------------|
| <b>JAN</b>         | Allen-Bruemmer    | <b>JUL</b>  | Taco Bar            |
| <b>FEB</b>         | Busse-Doubek      | <b>AUG</b>  | Moore-Prey          |
| <b>MAR</b>         | Erdmann-Gruenwald | <b>SEPT</b> | Prokuda-Skudlarczyk |
| <b>APR</b>         | Grzecka-Jahnke    | <b>OCT</b>  | Slawny-Tauchen      |
| <b>MAY</b>         | Jensen-Kucharski  | <b>NOV</b>  | Thomas-Zapfe        |
| <b>JUN</b>         | Kulinski-Merklein | <b>DEC</b>  | HOLIDAY PARTY       |

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## Sewing Groups

**Thursday night Sew** 6:00pm at Waukesha State Bank in Mukwonago. 1160 N. Rochester St. Bring your own project.

Contacts Joline Palantino, Linda Forster.

Next meetings: 10/30

**Friday Sew** 6:00pm at Waukesha State Bank in Mukwonago. 1160 N. Rochester St. Bring your own project.

Contacts Joline Palantino, Linda Forster.

Next meetings: 10/24

**Charity Quilts** 10:00am Betty's House

Contacts: Betty Butenhoff, Barb Shudy or Joline Palantino

Next Meetings: 10/3 This meeting will be at Waukesha State Bank in Mukwonago 1160 N. Rochester St at 11 am

**Endowment** 11:00am Waukesha State bank in Mukwonago 1160 N. Rochester St.

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

Next Meetings: 10/6

**Machine Embroidery** 1:00pm 3rd Wednesday of the month at Mount Olive Lutheran Church, 211 Main Street, Mukwonago 53149.

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

Next Meetings: 10/15, 11/19

**Wooly Bee's Group** 6:00-8:00pm 4th Tuesday of the Month January - October at the Mukwonago Library. Due to space limitations the small group has to close the membership. Contact Carol Ann Blank if you would like to go on a membership waiting list.

Contact is Carol Ann Blank

**MCQ Handwork Only Group** 10 am – 2 pm 2nd Tuesday of the month. Drop in anytime or stay the full day at Mount Olive Lutheran Church, 211 Main Street, Mukwonago 53149.

Participation has been low, let's see if we can get our numbers up in the new year. A great opportunity to use their tables to layout and sandwich a quilt!.

Contact is Carol Pilgrim.

Next meetings: 10/14, 11/11, 12/9

**Quilt Show Committee** Meetings first Tuesday September through March. Waukesha State bank in Mukwonago 1160 N. Rochester St. New committee members are welcomed.

Next Meetings: 10/07 6:30

**Featherweight Group:** A group for those interested in featherweight machines. Meet at Mount Olive Lutheran Church, 211 Main Street, Mukwonago 53149.

Contact is Maureen Talbert

Next meeting: 11/3, 2/5, 5/7

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## CRAZY QUILTERS GUILD LONG ARM QUILTERS INFO

We have a list of longarm quilters for hire within our guild posted on our members only page of our website.

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](mailto: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.

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### Crazy Quilter Website

Nancy Spindler is our Guild website builder. The members only section does require you as a member to sign up and create your own password to access.

Our membership list is maintained on the members only page of our website. You can also find the voucher for reimbursement, By-Laws, Policies, treasurer reports, newsletters, BOM's and more.

Check it out: <https://mukwonagocrazyquilters.com/>

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### Crazy Quilter Newsletter

Please feel free to submit information to our monthly newsletter. As a group we decided to limit our business during the meeting, so the newsletter is a way to communicate information to other guild members. The newsletter deadline is 10 days after our monthly meeting, and is sent out 2 weeks after the monthly meeting. Our guild email is monitored by multiple people so it would be helpful to note "newsletter" in the subject line. [mukwonagocrazyquilters@gmail.com](mailto:mukwonagocrazyquilters@gmail.com)

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## CRAZY QUILTER'S GUILD MEETING MINUTES

### **Minutes from September 10, 2025 meeting at Mukwonago HS in the Commons Area:**

Meeting called to order by Co-Presidents Jean Cruikshank and Chris Petersen at 6:30 pm.

Jodi, BOM chairperson, explained how to follow the procedure of making a BOM, bringing it to a meeting, and writing your name on a slip of paper and drop it in a basket to become eligible to win all the blocks.

This month, use all one color to make a 12 ½" x 12 ½" scrappy block with the dimensions on the pattern supplied. Members Only page has the pattern.

Bob Ignaszak introduced the speaker Eileen Daniels, [www.DanielsStudios.com](http://www.DanielsStudios.com), a Maker of Creative Quilted items.

### Membership Committee:

LuAnne and Denise asked birthday month members to join them at the membership table. LuAnne and Denise gave each table a BINGO sheet. The various tables read the questions on the BINGO sheet and got to know each other.

The UFO challenge was described. You can still enter even if you did not bring your completed UFO Tracker form (available on the Members Only website) to the meeting.

E--mail the form to LuAnne Pankowski [www.pankow.lu75@gmail.com](mailto:www.pankow.lu75@gmail.com) or Denise Slawny [www.dslawny75@outlook.com](mailto:www.dslawny75@outlook.com)

The Challenge for the Quilt Show Committee:

Mary Pfeifer described the challenge is to create a table runner and the size must be 18" x 40". The project must use fabric that is black, white and one other fabric. The additional fabric can be multi-colored. Bring your completed table runner to the March 2026 meeting for judging. Three factors will determine the winners: creativity, workmanship, overall appearance. One entry per person.

Quilt Show Update:

Tammy has cards for advertising the show. Start looking for fabric and books to donate for the Bargain bins. The entrance fee will remain the same. Construction is taking place at the Middle School so car pools/drop off on the day of the Quilt Show are suggested. An e-mail with details about unloading the trailer will be sent soon. The date is Sept. 25 at 10:00 am. Help is needed!

Quilt Raffle Committee:

Tickets for the Eureka Quilt and Sewing Machine raffles will be available at the next meeting. See Jo Jacob. [www.jo.a.jacobi@gmail.com](mailto:www.jo.a.jacobi@gmail.com)

Doll Cradle:

Jean Cruikshank described the need for Doll Cradle quilts. The size is on the Members only website. She was given wooly like fabric that can be used for crafting or possibly quilting, maybe a backing or as batting. If you would like some, ask her to bring a yard to next meeting. [www.jcruikshank68@gmail.com](mailto:www.jcruikshank68@gmail.com)

Show & Tell:

LuAnne Pankowski (colorful carry-all bag)

Bonnie Jensen (small quilt using ½ of a jelly roll and slashed then re-sewn)

Jane Busse (2 table runners)

Linda Kilsdonk (large bed quilt Talavera by Studio R Quilts)

Shirleen Hazelberg (Tim Holz fabric quilt)

Kathie Pavin (Ugly Fabrics quilt – made from landscape colors donated by Nancy Zieman)

Jo Jacobi (a photo of her quilt is in the Cat Quilt Magazine)

Kath Holmes (Christmas Ho Ho Ho quilt)

Drawing:

The Block of the Month winner was Sue Slotke

An announcement made about a Stash Bash at Sew Much More on September 27<sup>th</sup>.

Respectfully submitted by Kathie Pavin