

Crazy Quilters Stitch 'n Times

President's message

Hello Members,

Well, here we are again, finishing up our quilts to enter into the annual quilt show. I don't know about the rest of you, but I always look forward to seeing all the new quilts our talented community enters into the annual show. I feel like our quilt show is one of the best in the area.

We are finding this to be a very busy time of the year. Along with finishing up quilts and working diligently to put the show together, our members have also been very busy planning for the upcoming year. It seems there is always something to be done within the guild. Some of the other things we are busy with this Spring are board meetings, elections, program planning/workshops and our upcoming trip. There seems to be something for everyone to do to keep busy in our guild.

Please note that there are a few spots still available for the Karen Stone workshop in May, if you are interested in attending the workshop please contact Kristin Kulinski.

One last note, Karen and I would like to remind everybody that if you need to be on the agenda for the monthly meeting, to please contact us at least one week in advance so that we can properly prepare for the meeting. If we are not notified in advance, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to place you on the agenda.

Good Luck to everybody at this year's quilt show. I cannot wait to see your beautiful creations.

Happy Quilting,
Tammy and Karen

March Newsletter deadline was March 24, 2025

Next Newsletter Deadline: April 21, 2025 - Send to Guild Email:

mukwonagocrazyquilters@gmail.com

CRAZY QUILTERS GUILD MEETING INFORMATION

Our next guild meeting is March 12th 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 in March is Orphan Block presented by Joan Cain.

PROGRAMS - LOOKING FORWARD

April 9 – Illusion Quilts presented by Quiltacious

May 14 – Karen Stone talk and New York Beauty Workshop

June 11 – Scraps presented by Judy Gauthier (Patched Lives guild co-sponsor)

July 9 – Summer Party

August 13 – Ruby McKim Artist & Quilter presented by Allison Rainboth

September 10 – Wool Appliqué presented by Eileen Daniels

October 8 – Trunk Show presented by Joan Ledanski

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

December 10 – Christmas Party

Block of the Month

The Block of the Month (BOM) is called "Fly a Kite". The background/sky is a light blue or tone-on-tone fabric and the kite & tail can be any color print. Please do not trim the 12" blocks. Copies of the current BOM and past blocks are on our website also.

Chris Petersen 414-899-7303 or cdpetersen@wi.rr.com

Jane Craig 414-378-2167 or janecraig3@hotmail.com

Crazy Quilter Guild Challenge

Our guild challenge had a great turnout. We had a beautiful assortment of colors and many different ideas. They will be hanging in our show. If your Guild Challenge quilt was not turned in at the last meeting, but you want it hung as part of the display, bring it to Park View Wednesday March 26 between 9 am -Noon. The winners received a gift card.

First place: Judee Purdy

Second place: Sue Kroll

Third place: Nancy Horwath

Honorable Mention: Peggy Nelson

If your quilt is displayed at the show, Mary Pfeiffer said you can pick it up on Sunday March 30 or she will bring them to the April Guild meeting.

Upcoming Workshop May 14th

The Karen Stone New York Beauty workshop is coming up quickly. May might sound far off but time does have a habit of flying.

My email is kristinkulinski@gmail.com

The Location: Christ the King Lutheran Church, 1600 N. Genesee St. Delafield, start time 9:30 am. Anticipate this class to last about 6 hours.

Cost: \$45.00 for the Workshop and \$20.00 for the pattern. Please make your workshop check out to Crazy Quilters, Inc. and for the pattern, please bring cash the day of the workshop to pay Karen Stone directly for the pattern.

You can plan to go out to grab lunch or pack and bring your own from home.

If you have previously reserved a spot for this event, please re-confirm with Kristin via email to her address as listed above. This will be a joint workshop with the Lake Country Quilters. There are 6 spots still available for our group, so if this one is on your bucket list, now is the time to get on board!!

Supply List for New York Beauty / Cinco de Mayo

In class we plan to construct a basic New York Beauty block, and also a more elaborate one with some fun variations. Skills include color placement within the block and overall palette considerations, basic paper-foundation piecing, and curved piecing.
We'll probably also have some fun!

Please bring:

- **Sewing machine** in good working order, equipped with a **quarter-inch foot (no flange)**, and a medium-sized needle (**90/14**). If you already have an open-toe embroidery foot (like the Bernina #20), pop it in your bag.
- **Basic sewing supplies**, including good fabric scissors, and scissors for cutting paper.
- **Freezer paper** (about 15").
- **Travel iron** and **personal ironing board**, if permitted (optional).
- **Rotary cutting supplies**.
- **Wide masking tape** for clean-ups, **cellophane tape** for repairs (both optional but handy).
- **Retractable box cutter** for trimming paper on mat, (optional).
- **Pattern fee of \$10** for pages to work from in class, plus pattern masters for completing the quilt, with permission to photocopy for personal use.
- **Fabric:** The key word to remember is *contrast*, especially between the "spires" and their background. Bring a **minimum of 10-15 fat quarters** (used OK) of fabrics that you want to work with. Try to include a variety of scale & pattern, some that read solid, and maybe an interesting multi-colored print that you love. There are five fabrics in the basic block, and nine in the more complex one.

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.

Crazy Quilters Show Information

CALL TO ARMS - Volunteers Needed: we offered shorter shifts to allow volunteers opportunities to move often and work different areas. Unfortunately, this left us with many open shifts. Please look at the sign-up sheets at the side tables and consider taking another shift.

Also, although we all pay our own way, if you plan to attend meals, please make sure you sign up by Monday, March 24th for Friday Breakfast, Saturday Dinner and Sunday Dinner as we need to give numbers to the different venues.

Demonstrations/Education/Presentations: this year's demonstrations will be handled a little differently. To avoid blocking hallway flow with people who want to watch & learn, demonstrations have been moved to a room where we can put up chairs for people to observe and ask questions. We are very excited with this new

opportunity. **For signage purposes, if you have signed up for a 45 minute slot (or more than one slot), please let us know the name of each demonstration as soon as possible.**

Bed Turning: Still accepting UFO's. As we have not received as many as we had hoped, and in the spirit of UFOs, we are now accepting completed UFO tops, even if they are not quilted or have final binding completed. The important part of all of this is the story. How long has it been? What made you start this pattern to begin with? What caused the delay? What is your plan for your UFO?

Parking: Reminder, when you come to volunteer, please park in the Metro Market (fka Pick 'n Save) parking lot. Parking in the school parking lot is meant for attendees. We recommend getting dropped off or car pool if possible.

Eye Glasses Found: In going through quilt show bins, we came across a pair of glasses in a box that was used by the info table last year. Let us know if you know who they may belong to.

Guild Challenge: If you plan on being judged for the guild challenge, hopefully you have brought your entries tonight. If you want to just "show" your entry challenge, we are happy to display your work for the show. We will need your entry by Wednesday, March 26th. Contact Mary Pfeiffer, Claire Prokuda or Tammy Lindner to make arrangements.

Appraisals: If you are interested in having a quilt appraised, send an email to Jean at crazyquiltersquiltshow@gmail.com. Be sure to put "Appraisals" in the subject line.

Final Call for Boutique Items: items can be dropped off at the school on Wednesday, March 26th between 9:00 am – 12:00 pm. or on Friday, March 28th after 9:00 am. Again, please make sure your items are priced in whole dollars.

Bargain Books / Bargain Bin Items: items can be dropped off at the school on Wednesday, March 26th between 9:00 am – 12:00 pm. or on Friday, March 28th after 9:00 am. Again, please make sure your items are priced following previously provided guidelines.

Documentation: pre-register at wiqltmuseum.org

Friday Workers: If you are dropping your quilt off at the station, quilt needs to be in a bag and your name (largely written) must be inside the bag. Your claim ticket will be available after check-in completion in the breakroom.

Friday Night Food Count: We offer a small dinner (3" sub) to those who are working a later afternoon and/or evening shift on Friday, March 28th. If you wish to join us, please sign up on the sheet that is going around the room.

Final Reminder: If you were hoping to contribute towards the twin sheet and pillow case sets towards our charitable donation to 'Sleep in Heavenly Peace', please bring them to the quilt show boutique and leave with/for Joline Palentino.

Any questions please feel free to contact either Claire Prokuda or Tammy Lindner

Quilt Appraisals at the Quilt Show

Spots for appraisals are still available. Please see below for how to schedule an appraisal!

A quilt appraisal is a written statement of value prepared by a certified appraiser offering an unbiased opinion of value along with documentation to support the appraiser's conclusions. The reasons for an appraisal to determine value will vary but may include selling the piece, insuring the quilt, donation of the quilt, determining value of an estate, entering the quilt in a contest, determining value for shipping or just for curiosity.

Written Appraisal for Insurance Purposes \$60.00

Written appraisals for insurance purposes will be offered for antique or vintage pieces that warrant insurance or for newly made pieces, i.e. quilts made in the last 10 to 15 years. The client will receive a completed appraisal in the mail, ready to share with their insurance provider. Written appraisals include a determination of value.

Those desiring to set a fair market value without an appraisal can find comparable sales information on Etsy or EBay. At the appraiser's discretion, information may be offered about a quilt if it is a catalog quilt or foreign import masquerading as something else. The appraiser reserves the privilege of determining whether or not a given quilt will be evaluated.

Verbal Assessment \$25.00

Verbal assessments do not include a determination of value. Verbal appraisals are not available for newly made quilts, i.e. quilts made in the last 15 years. There is no reason to complete a verbal appraisal, as the reason for examining a newly made quilt is almost always to insure it or to set a fair market value....both of which require a written appraisal. If a quilt was made before 1970, qualifying as vintage or antique, and if the appraiser determines that in her opinion, the piece is not worth insuring (or if the owner only wants information and is not interested in insuring the piece), she may decide to proceed with a verbal assessment. The appraiser can conduct a verbal review to provide information about date, care and any other facts that can be determined by examining the quilt. This is most useful if the quilt has an unknown history.. The appraiser can make specific recommendations about repairs on a case by case basis.

Allison Rainboth, an AQS certified appraiser, will be doing our appraisals at the quilt show in March. Appointments may be made for either Saturday or Sunday during show hours by contacting Jean Cruikshank, 262 470-4055, or by emailing Jean at jcruikshank68@gmail.com or crazyquiltersquiltshow@gmail.com . A written appraisal will cost \$60 and a verbal appraiser is \$25. Appraisals can be done on quilts in the show or on quilts brought in by the owner.

2025 Raffle Tickets

Please make sure to get your raffle tickets turned in, they can be brought to the quilt show to be turned in.

The Crazy Quilters Guild is excited to offer chances to their 2025 Raffle Quilt, "Stars for a New Day" pieced and quilted by members of the Raffle Quilt Committee. This quilt was paper-pieced using a pattern designed by Sue Garmen. The classic feel of the design is echoed in the color scheme of blues, reds and tans. The quilt is finished with custom quilting in individual sections with variegated thread.

Chances are also offered to win a new BabyLock Jubilant sewing machine donated for our raffle by Sew Much More, Waukesha WI. The Jubilant features an LCD screen, 80 stitches with 8 drop-in buttonholes, built-in needle threader, quick set drop in bobbin, drop feed for free motion quilting with flat bed and free arm sewing. The MSRP is \$899.99.

Tickets are \$1.00 each or get a pack of 6 for \$5.00 from any member of the guild. We will be offering tickets for sale during the Winter Quilt Show February 8, 2025 at the Washington County Fair Grounds and during the Crazy Quilters 36th Annual Show, March 29 & 30, 2025 at Park View Middle School in Mukwonago, WI.

Upcoming Quilt Shows and Workshops

- March 29th & 30th. 36th Annual Crazy Quilters Show at Parkview Middle School in Mukwonago Admission \$8.00 daily \$10.00 2 Day Sat 9-4, Sun 10-3 For more details go to the Crazy Quilters website.
- March 29th Spring Fling Quilt Show at Lourdes Academy, 110 N Sawyer St, Door 12, Oshkosh WI 9-4 free parking. More information at OshkoshQuilters.org
- April 5th & 6th Garden Party Quilt Show at the Manitowoc Expo Center, 4921 Expo Drive, Manitowoc 9-3. Admission is \$6.00 by A Patch of Lakeshore Quilters Guild www.patchoflakeshore.com
- April 5th Quilting Inspirations 2025 at Poynette Village Hall 106 S Main St Poynette WI by the Lodi Quilt Guild (LVQG). Cost \$60.00 for non-members.
- April 10th Jennifer Chiaverini will be at the Oconomowoc Public Library. 6:00 pm Registration is required at booksco.com. The event is free.
- Sept 4th-6th Great Wisconsin Quilt Show at the Alliant Energy Center in Madison WI.
- Sep 7-Oct 12 in Kenosha WI by the Southport Quilters. See website for details southportquilters.net
- September 27th Splashes of Color at Sheboygan Lutheran High School 9-4. Sheboygan County Quilters Guild

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 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.

HOSTESS COMMITTEE

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

	2024Treat Schedule		
JAN	Allen-Bruemmer	JUL	SUMMER PICNIC TBD
FEB	Busse-Doubek	AUG	Moore-Prey
MAR	Erdmann-Gruenwald	SEPT	Prokuda-Skudlarczyk
APR	Grzecka-Jahnke	OCT	Slawny-Tauchen
MAY	Jensen-Kucharski	NOV	Thomas-Zapfe
JUN	Kulinski-Merklein	DEC	HOLIDAY PARTY

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: 4/24

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

Contacts Joline Palantino, Linda Forster.

Next meetings: 4/4

Charity Quilts 11:00 am Waukesha State Bank in Mukwonago

Contacts: Betty Butenhoff, Barb Shudy or Joline Palatino

Next Meetings: 4/11

Endowment 11:00 am Waukesha State bank in Mukwonago

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

Next Meetings: 4/11

Machine Embroidery 1:00 pm 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: 4/16, 5/21, 6/18, 8/20, 9/17, 10/15, 11/19

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

United Church of Christ S93W30740 County Rd NN, Mukwonago.

Contact is Carol Ann Blank

Next meetings: 4/22, 5/27, 6/24, 7/22, 8/26, 9/23, 10/28

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: 4/8,5/13,6/10

Quilt Show Committee Any guild member can join the committee.

The meetings are held at Waukesha State Bank, Mukwonago at 6:30 pm the first Tuesday of September through March.

Next Meetings: May 7th show wrap up

Featherweight Group: A group for those interested in featherweight machines. Meet at the United Church of Christ, S93 W30740 W Veterans Way in Mukwonago.

Contact is Maureen Talbert

Next meeting: May 7 at 6:30

Treasurer Note

Cat will be out of town in April. If you need reimbursement(s) please make sure to include the signed voucher form and receipt. You can bring them to the quilt show or make arrangements to email or mail them to Cat. Her home address is w325s7280 Squire Lane, Mukwonago, WI 53149. She will be back for the May meeting.

Catherine (Cat) Cusick

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. Please provide your name, phone number, and email. This information will be posted on the members only page of the guild website.

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/>

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

CRAZY QUILTER'S GUILD MEETING MINUTES

March 12, 2025, Minutes of The Crazy Quilters Guild Inc. Meeting
Mukwonago High School Commons Area

The meeting was called to order and Co-Presidents, Tammy and Karen welcomed 86 members and 2 guests, Joan Vandembush and Pam Wileg.

Jane C. presented the Kite block for the BOM project.

Kristin introduced Joan Cain who spoke about "Orphan Blocks" and ideas for using scraps.

Membership presented a "what's in your purse" game with fat quarters as prizes.

Quilt Show Updates by Claire and Tammy L:

1. A pair of glasses were found in a bin in the storage shed from the 2024 show. They will be in Lost & Found.
2. If your Guild Challenge quilt is not turned in tonight but you want it hung as part of the display, bring it to Park View Wednesday March 26 between 9 am -Noon.
3. Appraisal appointments available. Email crazyquiltersquiltshow@gmail.com Attn: Jean. Prices for appraisals are \$25 verbal and \$60 written.
4. Boutique Items and Bargain Bin Items should be brought to Park View on Wednesday March 26 from 9 am-Noon or Friday March 28. Price your items.
5. Bed Turning needs UFO quilts and will accept tops with a good story. Linda Forster.
6. Documentation appointments must be pre-registered at wiquiltmuseum.com
7. Volunteers still needed, sign up tonight or on-line or by calling Barbara Blessman.
8. Demos at the Show have new location in the room across from the cafeteria.
9. Sign Up to attend Friday night dinner or Wednesday morning breakfast at Blue Bay.
10. Guild members must park in the Metro Market lot across the street not at ParkView.
11. The Boutique will take donations of new twin sheets for Sleep in Heavenly Peace.

Show & Tell:

1. Chris P- machine embroidered quilt she digitized and one by her granddaughter
2. Judee P- Judy Neimeyer pattern Drunken Waves quilt
3. Sue Giese- Irish themed wedding remembrance wall quilt
4. Karen E- quilt begun in 1986 recently finished by quilting with embroidery machine
5. Linda Allen- 2 QOV tops made with stars sewn by guild members
6. Jodi G- Barn sale quilt she repaired with skills learned in class at the Great Wisconsin Quilt Show and a By Annies 2 zipper bag.

7. Lucy K- quilt from the Leafy pattern by Elizabeth Hartman in aqua and green
8. Joline- UFO challenge from MCQ block exchange 33 or 34 years ago.
9. Georgia & Joan- Sisters Sewing Week projects and gifts consisting of several bags, totes, purses, bowl cozies, embroidered towels, potholders, placemats and reading pillows.
10. Kath Holmes- 3-yard blue quilt
11. Linda Forster/ Endowment: quilt made by Mary Bruemmer and thank you for quilt donated to a Veterans group in Burlington used for fundraising raffle.
12. Tammy B- custom quilted "Midnight at the Log Cabin" quilt
13. Nancy H- 2 table runners
14. Carol Pilgrim- Vintage bonnet girls quilt embroidered, appliqued and quilted by hand
15. Jo J- quilted a baby quilt for the Charity Committee

Budget Meeting will be on Zoom at 6:30 pm Wednesday March 26. All Board members and heads of committee should plan to attend. Budget requests will be discussed for the 2025-26 Budget. Contact Karen Keys for the link. All are welcome.

Annual Election: Nominees for 1-year terms to the Board are needed. We MUST fill positions for officers who have completed 3 consecutive terms:

- President or co-presidents
- Secretary
- Historian

Incumbents that are willing to run again are:

- Vice President/ Programs- Bob Ignaszak will seek another term. Kathie Pavin nominated herself to serve with him.
- Treasurer, Membership, and Hostess

Jodi G volunteered for the BOM program and is looking for a second person to help her.

Drawings: BOM winners of 14 Potato Chip blocks each are Renee D and Nancy H and Lucy K won 6 Winter blocks.

Guild Challenge: 16 quilts were entered and members voted for top 4. The winners received a gift card. They are First place, Judee Purdy, Second place, Sue Kroll, Third place, Nancy Horwath, and Honorable Mention, Peggy Nelson. Congratulations to everyone who entered. If your quilt is displayed at the show, Mary Pfeiffer said you can pick it up on Sunday March 30 or she will bring them to the April Guild meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 9:08 pm

Respectfully submitted Jo Jacobi, Secretary March 15, 2025