

# *Crazy Quilters Stitch 'n Times*

## March President's message

**Reminder: The April Guild meeting will be held in the Commons Room at Mukwonago Public High School. This is just a few steps further down the hall from Room 42 where we usually meet.**

Hello Quilters and Happy Spring! I know it isn't quite Spring yet, but when I think of Spring, I think of flowers, sunshine, rain and singing birds. I also think our fast approaching quilt show. Every year it seems to me that once our quilt show is over Spring is here. We hope that all of you have had a chance to enter a quilt into the show and we hope that you have signed up to volunteer at the show. Our annual quilt show could not be pulled off without all of our wonderful volunteers. Volunteering at the quilt show is a great way to get to know your fellow quilters, plus you have all the lovely quilts you get to look at.

In upcoming months we will have our annual elections for board members. There are open positions for both Vice President's/Programs Co-ordinator and for Membership. If you are interested in either of these positions, please let us know. We will also be working on the budget for the upcoming year soon. So for those of you who are on committees or involved in activities that need funds, please start to think about those budget proposals. Please note, that this year with your proposal we would like you to include a detailed description as to what the funds will be used for.

Looking forward to seeing all of you and your beautiful quilts at the show in a few weeks. Now off to finish up my last projects for the show.

Happy Quilting!

Tammy and Karen

**March Newsletter deadline was March 20, 2023**

**Next Newsletter Deadline: April 24, 2023 - 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 April 12<sup>th</sup> Mukwonago High School in the commons at 6:30 This is just a few steps further down the hall from Room 42 where we usually meet.

The April meeting speaker is Kristie Jorgensen, representing the State Fair Quilt competition. She is the quilt coordinator. She has a bunch of info to share with us an some exciting news.

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## Block of the Month/Guild Challenge

The Block of the Month due at the April meeting is Chopsticks. It is posted on our guild website and attached to the newsletter e-mail.

The Guild Challenge was Going Batty. We had a nice selection of great entries to vote on. Our winners for this challenge are listed below and the entries will be displayed at our show. Quiltageous gift cards in the amounts of \$20, \$15, \$10, and \$5 were given to the winners. Congratulations!

1st: Sue Cesar, 2nd: Tammy Brandt, 3rd: Kristin Kulinski and 4th: Karen Keys.

Any questions please contact Mary Pfeiffer.

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## 2024 Raffle Quilt

Contacts for Raffle Quilt are:

Lucy 262-227-6267

Jo 414-313-4606

Judy 262-378-8030

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## 2023 Raffle Quilt Ticket Sales

Thank you to everyone who has returned their tickets for our Quilt Raffle and Sewing Machine Raffle.

Since the Quilt Show is less than a month away on April 1 & 2, I wanted to provide a reminder that the Guild needs all your unsold tickets returned before the Quilt Show so we can sell them during the Show.

I will have a collection box set up in the Lobby of Park View Middle School on Friday, March 31- Show Set Up Day, so you can drop off your envelopes containing the sold ticket stubs and money plus any unsold tickets. You may also return them during the show at the raffle sales tables.

Please remember if paying by check to make out a separate check for each type of raffle ticket sold.

Please contact me if you have questions or concerns.

Thank you!

Jo Jacobi

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## The Quilt Show Countdown is On!

That's right, there are only 11 days left until we welcome the community to our 34th Annual Crazy Quilters Inc Quilt Show! Which means we are checking and re-checking to make sure everything ready to go for a successful show. Let's review the check list, shall we?

- Have you signed up to volunteer? Putting on an annual two-day quilt show takes lots of hands, but we also have lots of fun doing it. This is our guild's major fundraiser for the year and funds our guild activities. **YOUR HELP IS NEEDED!** There are still several critical openings that need to be filled. Please consider signing up for the following (but please also check the entire list for openings). <https://volunteersignup.org/CB4XE>
  - Friday, March 31 - help set up the vendor areas with Carol Pilgrim.
  - Friday, March 31 - help hang the show quilts - we need help with those who can go up/down a ladder AND those who will work the floor.
  - Saturday, April 1 - help in the bargain bin rooms (there are two rooms: one with books/magazines and one with everything else).
  - Saturday, April 1 - help in the boutique to raise funds for our chosen charity.
  - Saturday, April 1 - help with the bed turning 11:15-12:30 (we need 2 people and only have 1).
  - Saturday, April 1 - help with sewing machine raffle ticket sales and the door prize drawing.
  - Saturday, April 1 - help at the information table in the large gym.
  - Saturday, April 1 - need 2 more people to do demonstrations.
  - Sunday, April 2 - help with quilt appraisals.
  - Sunday, April 2 - help in the bargain bin rooms.
  - Sunday, April 2 - help in the boutique.
  - Sunday, April 2 - help with the bed turning 11:15-12:30
  - Sunday, April 2 - help with the bed turning 2:30-4:00
  - Sunday, April 2 - help with quilt raffle ticket sales (LOTS OF HELP NEEDED)
  - Sunday, April 2 - help with sewing machine raffle ticket sales and door prize drawing (LOTS OF HELP NEEDED)
  - Sunday, April 2 - help at the information table in the large gym.
  - Sunday, April 2 - take down - table moving (LOTS OF HELP NEEDED)
  - Sunday, April 2 - take down - quilt crew (ladder helpers and floor crew)
  - Sunday, April 2 - take down - unload the trailer at the shed (LOTS OF HELP NEEDED)
- Have you made something for the boutique? We love seeing everyone's creativity and our guests love to buy things. Joline Palatino is the coordinator.
- Please, please, please bring your unsold raffle tickets as well as sold raffle ticket stubs and money to the set up day on Friday, March 31. Jo Jacobi is the coordinator and will gladly accept your tickets. We're serious, we need all tickets returned.
- Now's the time to clean out your sewing spaces of fabric and notions you'll never use as well as quilt pattern books, magazines, and patterns. These donated items can be brought to the school Wednesday, March 29 or Friday, March 31. Linda Bohling and Lisa Suminski are the coordinators.
- Consider having a quilt appraised by Allison Rainboth during the show. Appointment times are still available. Joan Bernau is the coordinator.
- Join one of the groups sharing a meal during the weekend (Friday breakfast, Saturday dinner, Sunday dinner). Sign up on the volunteer sign up website.

## Retreat

The retreat at Lutherdale is on May 3<sup>rd</sup> through 7<sup>th</sup>. Participants can choose accommodations with a single room, double or triple and prices are according to how many per room. Participants can choose a 3, 4, or 5 day retreat. People need to sign up on the Lutherdale website. This is not being coordinated by the guild.

Information on Lutherdale was sent out with our September Newsletter.

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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: Mar 23, April 20, May 25

**Friday night Sew** 6:00 pm at Waukesha State Bank in Mukwonago. Bring your own project. Contacts Joline Palantino, Linda Forster. Next meetings: April 7, May 19

**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: April 3, May 15 at 11:00 at bank

**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: April 14, May 12

**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: Apr 19th, May 17th

**Wooly Bee's Group** 6:00-8:00 pm 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the Month January - October at Mukwonago United Church of Christ S93W30740 County Rd NN, Mukwonago. Contact is Carol Ann Blank  
Next meetings: Mar 28th, Apr 25th

**MCQ Handwork Only Group** 10 am – 4 pm 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month at Waukesha State Bank. Drop in anytime or stay the full day. Contact is Carol Pilgrim. Next meetings: Mar 28th, Apr 25th, May 23rd, Jun 27th.

**Quilt Show Committee** All are welcome to attend. Contact is Brooke Furmanek

## 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.

A card was sent to Mary Kroll

A Get Well card was sent out to LuAnne Pankowsk.

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

For April if your last name falls Spear-Veigh it is your month to bring in a snack/treat of your choice. Thank from your Hostesses Jane Busse & Judee Purdy.

2023 Treat Schedule			
JAN	Lamp-Nargis	JUL	Summer Potluck
FEB	Nelson-Prokuda	AUG	Brandt-Czech
MAR	Raddatz-Southgate	SEPT	Dawson-Glueckstein
APR	Spear-Veigh	OCT	Grace-Hughes
MAY	Wall-Zapfe	NOV	Ignaszak-Kutil
JUN	Allen-Booth	DEC	Holiday Party

## FYI - Upcoming Quilt Shows and Workshops

- **KALONA QUILT SHOW AND SALE** 2023 Thur. April 27 “Evening only” 5 pm – 8 pm, Friday April 28 9 am – 7 pm, Saturday April 29 9 am – 3 pm. Located at 511. C. Ave. Kalona, IA, in the Kalona Community Center YMVA. 200 New and Antique Quilts on Display and for Sale. Sponsored by the Woodin Wheel 319-656-2240. Email: [katie@woodinwheel.com](mailto:katie@woodinwheel.com) Website: [www.woodinwheel.com](http://www.woodinwheel.com) Check us out on Facebook ! This is the 52<sup>nd</sup> year for the show. Also check out all the wonderful shop in Kalona, and the Kalona Quilt and Textile Museum!!
- **Surface Quilting Workshop** May 5 & 6 at Sonesta Select Hotel in Brookfield WI. Cost is \$150 for 1 day, \$225 for 2 days. The Great Lakes Professional Machine Quilters association (GLPMQA) is hosting Cathy Franks for a 2 day lecture / drawing style workshop on surface quilting. Cathy is a nationally known quilter and instructor. Although the class is hosted by a long arm guild, the quilting that Cathy is going to teach will translate well to a sit down or domestic machine. She is going to teach 2 classes on backgrounds, a quilting technique that looks like broken glass, quilting for modern quilts, and how to get the most out of your rulers. Contact new member Gwendolyn Roark with questions. [steamtrain1003@hotmail.com](mailto:steamtrain1003@hotmail.com)

- The Rock Valley Quilters Guild invites you to join us at several special upcoming programs, specifically:  
**Native Stitches and Stories** by Pat Ehrenberg and Deb Morningstar on April and/or **Be Inspired to Try Something New by Sally Manke** on May 17, 2023. Sally also offers a **3 hour workshop** on May, 18--  
Landscape Confetti Art Quilt.  
Our meetings begin at 6:30 p.m. at the UAW Hall, 1795 LaFayette, Janesville, 53545.  
Guest fee is \$10 per person. Details re the workshop pending. Feel free to contact me for more information as needed. Thanks! Sandy [chucksandrakohls@gmail.com](mailto:chucksandrakohls@gmail.com)
- **Great Wisconsin Quilt Show**, Sept. 7-9, 2023 in Madison WI

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## CRAZY QUILTER'S GUILD MEETING MINUTES

March 8, 2023 Minutes of the Crazy Quilters Guild, Inc. Meeting

Park View Middle School, Cafeteria

6:30 pm: Presidents Karen Keys and Tammy Brandt welcomed members to the March meeting. There was 1 guest and a new member who attended her first meeting.

Jodi Grzeczka announced that a workshop was being offered for the Jack's Chain pattern.

Mary Pfeiffer showed the BOM for April. The block is Chop Sticks in black, white and brights using fabrics from your "stash". Instructions available during break.

Program: Melissa Wraalstad, Executive Director of WMQFA (Wisconsin Museum of Quilts and Fiber Arts) presented Treasures from the Vault. She showed several antique quilts from the Museum. She emphasized the importance of documenting our own quilts with informative labels. Thank you to Debbie Huber and Bob Ignaszak for holding the quilts during the talk.

Break:

Going Batty Challenge entries were displayed and members voted for #1, #2, #3. Snacks were served by Jane Busse of the Hostess Committee.

The Business Meeting was called to order at 8 pm

Minutes of February meeting were accepted as published in Newsletter on Chris Petersen motion with second by Maggie Mulroy.

Show & Tell:

- Chris Petersen- Triangle Trees quilt
- Mary Pfeiffer- Autumn Leaves quilt (August BOM)
- Barb Smokowicz- - Bird Walk Quilt (BOM from Sew Much More) & One Block Wonder
- Kath Holmes- Kit given to her by Carol Pilgrim
- Betty Butenhoff- Route 66 hand embroidered quilt

- Bob Ignaszak- Baby Quilt from panel
- Linda Wall- Triangles quilt for 1<sup>st</sup> grandson, pattern from The Quilt Maker's Gift book
- Jody Kerzman- Coiled bowl. She offered to demo at January 2024 School House.
- Brenda Richter- St. Patrick's Day and Snow Kisses wall hangings, tote bag
- Carol Pilgrim- Antique Star quilt in cream & green, circa 1840 and Vintage Peony applique quilt with scalloped edges, circa 1930

Thanks to Tammy Brandt, Cheryl Christenson and Bonnie Eales- Jensen for holding and folding.

#### Old Business:

- Due to lack of white boards in Cafeteria, please refer to Members Only for dates and times of group meetings or call group chair person
- Lilo Bowman Book Raffle was postponed until April meeting. There is a copy available in Guild Library.
- Bus Trip to Shishewana- a few seats are still available. See Karen Keys to sign up and please pay your deposits ASAP.
- Quilt Show Updates- Brooke F. reported on the Quilt Show
  - Entries are due by March 22. Cindy has received 150 to date. Our maximum is 250
  - Bring your sold and unsold raffle tickets to Show Set up day, Friday March 31. There will be a box in the Lobby to deposit them. Or hand them in to the volunteers selling tickets any time during the Show.
  - Volunteers are still needed. See Brooke or use the online Volunteer form.
  - Volunteers are needed to do Demos during the Show
  - The charity receiving funds from the Boutique is Haase House, Mukwonago.
  - Locations for dinners are Badger Burger on Saturday and Boneyard on Sunday. Sign up so committee can make reservations.
  - Joan Bernau has openings for Appraisals during show.
  - Carol Pilgrim reported that Bigsby's Sewing Center donated a B325 machine (MSRP is \$1499.00) to the Guild. The Quilt Show Committee has decided to use it for a Silent Auction at the Boutique with proceeds included in Boutique charitable donation. Starting bid will be \$500.
  - Displays during show include Batty Challenge, Threadbenders, Quilts of Honor, Great Lakes Machine Quilters, and Charity quilts.
  - Brooke is retiring as Show Chair and we are looking a new Show Chair.
  - Please remember that during the show, we are asked to park at the District Office further north on NN or at Metro Market.
- Upcoming Election for Board Positions- Open positions include 1 Membership Committee co-chair and 2 Vice Presidents who head the Programs committee. The next VP/ Program chairs will have 6 months of their year booked.

Karen explained that all Officers are elected for only one year but can be reelected with a term limit of 3 years on the Board. The idea that an office is a 3-year commitment is a misunderstanding!

- Nominations Committee- Betty Butenhoff, Julia McKagen, and Jo Jacobi will be making phone calls.

## New Business

- Budget Requests- All officers and committees must submit Budget requests and explanation of expenses for the 2024 Budget year to Maggie M. If unsure of current spending, contact Maggie.
- Tips & Tricks- Helen Best showed two great ideas from the Dollar Store: a double compartment pencil box for hand work supplies which was won by Mary Hess and a transparent folder with spine to hold sheet protectors for protecting your patterns while working on project. This was won by Carol Pilgrim. Thanks to Helen for the ideas and prizes.
- Tips & Tricks- Jodi Grzeczka shared that she was inspired to organize her studio after the lecture from Lilo Bowman. She purchased a multi-drawer tool cabinet from Harbor Freight after finding their price was better than anywhere else.
- Batty Challenge Results- Congratulations to our winners: 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Sue Cesar, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Tammy Brandt, 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Kristin Kulinski, 4<sup>th</sup> Place: Karen Keys. Each winner received a gift card as their prize. Challenges will be displayed at the Quilt Show.
- Quilt Retreat at Lutherdale, May 3-11, 2023- There are a few openings. Contact Joline Palatino.
- Block of the Month Drawing- 17 Snowmen blocks were won by Sally Wojnar
- Little Lucy raffle- small quilt made from left overs of the Lucy raffle quilt and quilted by Jo Jacobi was won by Helen Best.
- Name Tag Drawings won by Linda Merklein and Denise Slawny.

Meeting adjourned at 9 pm

Respectfully submitted by Jo Jacobi, March 13, 2023