

## Jan - Feb Classes

<b>Be Mine in 3-D</b>	<b>\$35</b>
Fri, Jan 15 & 22, 9:30 am to 12:30 pm	
<b>3-D Frosty Banner</b>	<b>\$36.50</b>
Tues, Jan 19, 9:30 am to 2 pm Tues, Jan 26, 9:30 to 11:30 am	
<b>UFO Day</b>	<b>\$10</b>
Thurs, Jan 21, 10 am to 8 pm	
<b>Winter Door Hanging</b>	<b>\$27</b>
Wed, Jan 27, 10:30 am to 3 pm	
<b>Dear Jane</b>	<b>Free</b>
Thurs, Jan 28, 9 am to Noon	
<b>Double Diamond Sweatshirt</b>	<b>\$32</b>
Fri, Jan 29, 9 am to 3 pm	
<b>Rag Quilt</b>	<b>\$26</b>
Tues, Feb 2 & 9, 9 to 11 am	
<b>Dear Jane</b>	<b>Free</b>
Thurs, Feb 4, 6 to 9 pm	
<b>Venetian Tile Stack 'n Whack</b>	<b>\$30</b>
Wed, Feb 10 & 17, 9 am to noon	
<b>Flossie's 4 Patch</b>	<b>\$43</b>
Fri, Feb 12 & 26, 9am to 1pm	
<b>Scrappy Chenille Vest</b>	<b>\$30</b>
Tues, Feb 16 & 23, 1 to 4 pm	
<b>UFO Day</b>	<b>\$10</b>
Thurs, Feb 18, 10 am to 8 pm	
<b>Hanky Panky Crazy Quilt</b>	<b>\$20</b>
Fri, Feb 19, 9:30 am to 2 pm	
<b>Dear Jane</b>	<b>Free</b>
Thurs, Feb 25, 9 am to noon	

Stop in to see class samples!

## Girtie's Ponderings

Happy New Year! Can you believe 2016 is here? We have a brand new calendar ready for whatever we choose to fill our days. Right now my calendar is full of doctor appointments, but that is changing quickly. Between a leg operation and a fall on a sheet of ice, I have used up most of December and a lot of January recuperating.



The good news is, with all your help, I have been able to turn things around and improve my outcome. I am feeling better to the point that it is hard to just sit and rest. I want to take this opportunity to thank all my dear friends who have been more like my family than I can ever tell you. If there is anyone that I missed thanking or calling to express my appreciation for all the delicious food and treats that you sent over, please forgive me and blame it on the bump to my head. Mom was sure she was going to eat "chicken pot pies" until the cows came home. Personally I couldn't understand the problem - I like "chicken pot pie!" Everything went well at my doctor appointments this week, my recovery is right on schedule.

Tonight, as I sit here, I realize how very lucky and fortunate I am. I just got home from a meeting of the Central PA Machine Quilters Guild where twelve ladies are working to make my vision become a reality. The structure of the organization is being developed and the program activities are starting. Let me tell you, these visionaries are making it happen in a timely manner. We will all become better machine quilters as a result.

Back to the calendar, I hope you will fill some of your empty dates with a class or two at Girties and/or schedule May 14 for attending our Quilters Holiday. Our celebration will be highlighted with a keynote presentation by Ami Sims entitled "How NOT to Make a Prize Winning Quilt." Ami was recognized as the 2005 Teacher of the Year by Professional Quilter Magazine. We are thrilled that she will be coming from Michigan to join us.

Another thing about the calendar, if you see a class you want that doesn't meet your schedule, let us know. If you bring a friend or two, we will schedule that class to accommodate your calendar rather than ours.



Driveway Expansion

*Happy Quilting,*

*Girtie*

## BFFs

Do you have a group of friends who are looking for new experiences? Gather your 'besties' and Girtie's will develop a class to suit you. We have projects for newbies and seasoned quilters alike. Spend a morning, afternoon, evening or full day together learning something new with your group. It's a great way to spend quality time with friends and sharpen your skills at the same time.

## SOS! Help Us Help You

Register early for the classes you like. By signing up soon, you will be able to reserve your spot and not be disappointed. Also, Girtie will be able to have all your patterns and supplies ready when you walk through the door. This is the perfect time of year to enjoy quilting! -- Oh, wait! Anytime of year is great for quilting! We look forward to seeing you!

## Ham Pot Pie

2 qts. water  
1-2 t. ham broth base (opt.)  
1/2 t. pepper  
3 potatoes, peeled and diced  
1 onion, diced  
1 lb. ham, sliced, diced, or chopped  
1 sprig parsley, finely chopped  
1 bag pot pie noodles \*\*

Place water, ham broth base, and pepper in large Dutch oven. Bring to boil. Add potatoes and onion and cook until tender (about 20 min). Add ham. Bring to boil and add pot pie noodles. Stir gently, but often. Cook 12-15 minutes. Remove from heat and serve garnished with parsley.

\*\*Note: This is the quick and easy version.

If you choose to make your own pot pie noodles (Yum!), the recipe follows:

### Pot Pie Squares

4 c. flour  
1 t. salt  
2 T. butter  
1 1/2 - 2 c. milk  
1 t. baking powder  
1 egg

Mix ingredients. Knead into smooth ball. Dust with flour and roll to 1/8" thick on board. Cut into 1 1/2" x 2" pieces.

## Give Yourself a New Years Gift

### Quilter's Holiday

ON

**May 14, 2016**

**9 am to 5 pm**

**\$55**

**at Rolling Pines Golf Course, Berwick PA 18603**

*2 character performances*

*Ami Sims Keynote: "How Not to Make a Prize Winning Quilt"*

*A High Tea Luncheon*

*Vendors for Shopping*

*Fun and Laughter*



## Central PA Machine Quilters Guild Meetings

February 2 and March 1 at 6:30 PM

Penn State Extension, 702 Sawmill Road, Bloomsburg,



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**We're on the Web at  
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