



The News-Patch

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Fund Raiser Sew-In and Elections

April may bring showers, but it also promises that “Spring” will follow...and hopefully, *soon!* We’ve had our share of rain & snow for this first week of April!

This month, we will be able to work on our DCQG Fund Raiser projects: Alzheimer’s Activity Mats and Burrito Pillow Cases... Bring your sewing machines and supplies and come early! We get to set up at 6PM and sew till 9PM! We should get some great sewing accomplished for our Guild! You will find instructions and supply lists at the end of this newsletter.

Be sure to be working on your **Brown Bag Secret Sister** project! You’ll bring it to our **Salad Supper** at our **May** meeting to reveal to your Secret Sister!

Have a wonderful **April** full of Quilting Fun!

Lori Dickman

VP Programs Chair

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Our mission statement

“To promote the fellowship and art of quilting.”

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Board Elections

Elections are upon us and the following people were nominated and agreed to run for the following offices:

Treasurer-Jennifer

Olbrich

Special Events-Mike

Groark

Ways & Means-Sheryl Keiler

VP Programs 1-?

VP Programs 2-?

As you can see we are missing a few key board members. Without programs

people we run the risk of having some very boring meetings. Please consider volunteering for one of these positions. Nominations will be taken from the floor before voting.

DCQG Spring 2017 Retreat

There are still a couple of openings for this year's retreat. Join us for a weekend of fun and quilting.

Where: Stronghold Camp & Retreat Center

1922 Illinois 2

Oregon, IL. 61061

When: Thursday, May 4– Sunday May 7, 2017

What's included: 2or 3 nights

accommodations and meals. Supper night of arrival, breakfast day of departure, breakfast, lunch and dinner all days in between. Some rooms are handicap accessible

Cost: Members per person cost (based on double occupancy)

3 night program \$199.00; 2 night program \$129.00 Single occupancy is available at an extra cost. For non-members please add an

additional \$20.00

Meals: All meals will be served cafeteria style. If you need special meals there is an additional fee of \$1.50 per meal (details on the reservation form which can be found at the end of this newsletter).

If you have any questions contact **Mike Groark**

mcframing@gmail.com

Annual Salad Supper

May 25 is the date where you can flex your culinary muscles and share a dish with fellow members.

Doors open at 6:30 and bring your own table service and drinks.

We have divided the menu by last names. So if your last name begins with:

A-I Appetizer Dish

J-Q Salad Dish

R-Z Dessert Dish

If there is something you really want to bring and it doesn't fit the breakdown, bring that instead. We are just trying to avoid getting 62 chocolate cakes. (not a bad thing, but sugar comas are not a good thing!)

Bring your sew & tell and be prepared to nibble, munch, talk quilting, cama-

raderie and fellowship with the best quilters in Illinois!

Mike Groark

Special Events



Membership Renewal

It's time again to renew your membership with DCQG. Our fiscal year ends May 31, 2017. If you have not renewed by that time you will miss out on all the fun stuff—speakers, workshops, newsletters, library, sew & tell and a good time with your quilting buddies. Dues are \$30.00 for email and \$40.00 for snail mail. Membership applications can be found at the end of this newsletter, our website dcqg.org or at the membership table .

Judy Hodge, Dorothy Franke, Pat Barger

Membership Committee

Alzheimer's Activity Mats

Purpose-Activity mats are designed to safely stimulate and soothe people with Alzheimer's, dementia, autism, ADD, head trauma or persons recovering from strokes.

Basic Supply list-

1 piece of 12" by 17" stiff stabilizer (Timtex or Peltex Ultra Firm)

1 piece of 12" by 17" fabric for front of mat

1 piece of 13" by 18" fabric for backing

Suggestions for add ons:

Zipper, buttons, strings of beads and bells, objects to squeeze and stretch, yarn or braiding ribbons, soft toy animals, furry pockets, squeakers and light up objects, vinyl pocket for photos, key chains, stretch party bracelets, small glitter wands.

Complete instructions can be found at

nancysnotions.com/text/pdf/alzheimers-activity-mat.pdf

Or at our website

dcqg.org



Magical Pillowcase Tutorial

Notes: the pillowcase in this tutorial uses 3 fabrics– a main fabric, a cuff/contrast fabric and a trim fabric. You can of course make the pillowcase using only 1 or 2 fabrics if you like. The assumption is that you'll be using 44/45" wide fabric.

The pillowcase pattern makes a standard pillowcase. If you'd like to make a queen or king size, fabric requirements are provided.

Fabric Requirements

1 standard size pillowcase

3/4 yd. (27") main fabric

1/3 yd. (12") contrast

1/8 yd. trim

1 queen size pillowcase

7/8 yd. main fabric

1/3 yd. contrast fabric

1/8 yd. trim fabric

Step 2: Cut the main fabric 32" long by 41" wide.

1 King size pillowcase

1 yd. main fabric

1/3 yd. contrast fabric

1/8 yd. trim fabric

Step 2: Cut the main fabric 36" long by 41" wide

The entire tutorial can be found on the web at

twiddletails.com/patterns/PCTute.pdf

Or go to our website where you will be able to download the pdf

dcqg.org



Ugly Fabric Quilt Challenge

Did you know that over 13 tons of fabric and textiles are discarded by Americans every year in the United States? That is equivalent to 126 million cubic yards every year, an average of 65 pounds per person, occupying nearly 5% of our local landfills!

The Earth Care Team at Oswego Presbyterian Church has a challenge for you. We invite local quilters and fabric artists to enter our “Ugly Fabric Quilting Challenge”. What is an “Ugly Fabric Challenge”? Here’s how it works.

Challenge Rules:

1. You must register and pay the fee (\$5.00) to participate.
2. You must donate at least 1/2 yard of ugly fabric. “Ugly” is in the eye of the beholder. Donated fabric does not have to be brand new, but must be free of tears, holes, or stains and must be what would be considered as quilting fabric. We will collect one four inch square from everyone's one yard piece to display with your finished quilt. Fabric should be dropped off at Oswego Presbyterian Church, 1976 Route 25, Oswego, IL, 60543.
3. You will choose an ugly fabric to take home with you. Fabrics will be wrapped so no one can see what they are choosing, and can be picked up at OPC starting March, 27th, 2017.
4. Have fun creating a quilt using your ugly fabric.
5. Your finished quilt should measure at least 36” x 36” but can be any larger size you wish. Ugly fabric must be used in the quilt top. Ugly fabric should not be used as backing fabric.
6. Quilt must be finished and returned to Oswego Presbyterian Church by June 14th, 2017.
7. Quilts will be displayed (numbered and anonymous) at OPC on June 16th and 17th during Prairiefest. We invite the public to come view the finished quilts and vote for “Best in Show”. One vote per person.
8. “Best in Show” vote winner will be awarded \$50.00.
9. Additional money collected will go towards the purchase of materials for the Blackhawk Presbytery service kits challenge, which supplies school kits and clean up kits to those in need.
10. Quilts will be available for pickup starting June 18th.

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Reservation Form April 2017 Retreat

Name: _____

Address: _____

Are You a Member?: Yes No Email: _____

Telephone: _____

Please check one choice:

I want the 3 Night Package \$199.00 (non-member \$219.00)

I want the 2 Night Package \$129.00 (non-member \$149.00)

If you chose the 2 Night Package, what night will you arrive? _____

Do you require a handicapped accessible room? Yes No

Who will you room with, or do you want us to arrange a roommate for you? Or would you like single occupancy?

Do you want an Alternate Meal Choice? If so, please check below, and tell us what meals should be done this way in the "Other Food Allergies/Notes" section:

Vegetarian Vegan No Pork No Beef Lactose Intolerant(No dairy) Gluten Free

Food Allergies--Please check any food allergies you may have:

Milk Eggs Peanuts Tree Nuts Fish Shellfish Soy Wheat

Please be aware that these foods are used in the kitchen at Stronghold. If your allergy is so severe that this may be a problem, note it here:

Other Food Allergies/Notes:

DCQG is making the arrangements for this quilt retreat only as a service to its members. It assumes no liability for any acts of negligence by any vendor or other participants, and participants in the retreat agree that in exchange for this service, they will hold DCQG and the individuals who have arranged the retreat harmless for any injuries or damages sustained before, during, or after the retreat. Further, you acknowledge and agree that there are general risks associated with traveling, which are beyond DCQG's control and, as such, DCQG is not liable for any loss, cost or damage you may incur as a result thereof. Furthermore, I hereby give permission to DCQG to use photographs of me and my projects that may be taken during the retreat, in its future promotions and advertising.

I accept the terms of this retreat as specified in this flyer.

X _____

Signature

Please make your check payable to DCQG

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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY. Your name should appear as you wish to have it listed in guild publications.

Name		
Mailing Address		
City	State	Zip
Cell Phone	Home Phone	Year Joined Guild

E-Mail Address (Notification will be sent via e-mail when the latest newsletter has been posted)

DUES INFORMATION

Membership dues for 2017-2018 are \$30.00

Snail Mail users dues for 2017-2018 are \$40.00

In accordance with Guild Bylaws, the membership year runs from June 1 through May 31.

DUES ARE TO BE PAID ON OR BEFORE JUNE 1ST

Please indicate age group	Circle one	Renewal/ Rejoins*
17&under 40-49	New member	Renewing - member during the previous year
18-29 50-64	Student	Rejoining -previously a member, but not during the previous year
30-39 65+	Renewal/Rejoin*	

Make checks payable to **DCQG. DO NOT SEND CASH THROUGH THE U.S. MAIL.**

Return completed form and payment to the membership table at a general meeting or mail to the above address.

For Office Use Only

Today's Date

Cash Credit Card/PayPal Check#

Membership packet given/mailed /emailed

Member since

ACTIVITIES AND OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE DCQG

We are an active group with many opportunities to serve the guild based upon your interests. Below are listed some of the many areas where you can volunteer and with your help, the guild can continue to thrive throughout the year. Circle your choices and a board member or committee chair will contact you with information.

<p>BOARD POSITIONS-DCQG board members serve 2 year terms. They keep the guild running smoothly both legally and socially. I would like to serve DCQG in the following position:</p>	<p align="center">President</p> <p align="center">VP 1 Programs</p> <p align="center">VP 2 Programs</p>	<p align="center">Treasurer</p> <p align="center">Ways and Means</p> <p align="center">VP Special Events</p>	<p align="center">Secretary</p> <p align="center">Director at Large</p>
<p>STANDING COMMITTEE CHAIRS-Committee chairs serve 1 year terms and are responsible for organizing volunteers and reporting progress to the board. I would like to serve DCQG as the chair/co-chair of the following committee(s):</p>	<p align="center">Generosity</p> <p align="center">Quilt Show</p>	<p align="center">Newsletter</p> <p align="center">Librarian</p> <p align="center">Nominations</p>	<p align="center">Website/Social Media</p> <p align="center">Membership</p> <p align="center">Public Relations</p>
<p>COMMITTEES AND ACTIVITIES-DCQG cannot run smoothly without your help in the following areas. If you would like to volunteer for these positions they are 1 year commitments. I would like to serve DCGQ in the following area(s)</p>	<p>Quilt show</p> <p>Retreat</p> <p>Library</p> <p>Holiday party</p> <p>Membership table</p> <p>Salad supper</p> <p>Audit</p> <p>Website/Social Media</p> <p>Public relations (mass mailings, press releases etc.)</p> <p>Newsletter</p> <p>Board Nominations/Elections</p>	<p>Workshop Assistant</p> <p>Teaching a Workshop</p> <p>Guest Speaker Assistant (helping with set up/take down, holding quilts during lecture etc.)</p>	<p>I can help the guild in these other ways:</p>

PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING CAREFULLY, CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOXES, SIGN, DATE, AND RETURN THIS ENTIRE FORM WITH YOUR MEMBERSHIP PAYMENT.

I agree to have my image and all creative material photographed and used on any/all DCQG advertising and social media.

I DO NOT agree to have my image and all creative material photographed and used on any/all of DCQG advertising social media.

I release and waive any claim I may or may not have against DCQG, its' officers, volunteers, committee members or agents arising out of or related to my participation in any activities of DCQG.

Signature _____

Date _____