

August 2019

Our Mission Statement:

To promote the fellowship and art of quilting

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From the President

My bags are packed, and I am ready to go,

... Off to a retreat this weekend with a past member who moved out of state. As usual, I have packed enough projects to last me until the end of the month \odot .

We had our board meeting last night. Along with our show coming up in October, we also have some interesting topics to demo in the upcoming meetings. We also plan to introduce a Quilt Lotto project in the New Year (hard to believe we are already planning around a busy holiday schedule). I've read about this and it looks like a lot of fun!

On this note, regarding the holidays, we are still in need of a VP for Special Events (i.e. someone to plan the holiday party). Please think about volunteering for this position (with a friend) and we can discuss at our August meeting.

Thanks to all for your contributions needed to make this guild successful!

Happy Quilting,

Jennifer

AUGUST PROGRAM

Thank you to all those who turned in their program survey at last month's meeting. If you did not complete the form, there will be some available at the August meeting. This is your chance to give program ideas.

At the August meeting Kathy Wells will be showing the self-binding baby quilts. We can work on them at the September 14, workshop. As always you can work on any project you wish. If you do not want to bring your machine, you can always bring hand work and join in on the fun. Workshops are held from 10-4.

Reminder: Continue to work on your UFO's and the ugly fabric quilts. The ugly fabric quilts are due at the September meeting. They can be any size as long as you use a portion of each of your ugly fabrics in the quilt. You can add any other fabrics you wish your quilt.

We will be setting up for the quilt show at the October meeting and will need all members there to assist.

If you have sold raffle tickets to turn in or if you need more tickets, please see me at the September workshop, as I will be in Missouri at the time of the August meeting. All money, stubs and any unsold tickets must be turned in at or before the October meeting. The winning ticket will be drawn at the close of the quilt show.

WORKSHOP DATES

September 14, and October 12 Workshops are held at the Federated Church in Sycamore from 10 am -4 pm You can work on the technique for the month or whatever project you want

If you have any questions – please e-mail me.

Bobbie Lundberg

MONTHLY REFRESHMENTS

Refreshments in August to be provided by Jean Bradford JoAnne Burrows Madeline Carpenter Mary Lou Cochrane Refreshments in September to be provided by Kim Colness Ilene Covert Kathi Davis Lori Dickman

MEMBERSHIP

Dear Guild Friends,

We currently have 35 registered members for the 2019-20 year, nine of which were not registered last year. To refresh your memories (and mine) ...we would like to see all members wearing a name tag. It is nice to put a name to a face. If you do not bring/wear a name tag, you may buy a sticky one for 25 cents, which goes into the 'pot'. If you do wear/bring your name tag, you may put your name into the drawing to win the pot.

Those of you who are receiving this newsletter by email and have not yet paid your dues for this year, please plan on doing so at the next meeting, through the website, or by printing off the form (from our website) and mailing it in ASAP. We will be switching over to the current membership list in September so you will no longer automatically receive a copy of the newsletter (or other very important information) if you have not renewed your membership.

Happy sewing!

Kim Colness

GENEROSITY

Thank you so very much for all the baby quilts that you have completed for the NICU unit at the former Rockford Memorial Hospital. One of these days I will get the correct name for you. I have received a very nice thank you from them for the recent delivery. In total, 44 baby quilts were delivered to them during our 2018-2019 calendar year. I have batting for use with the baby quilts. If you need some, please let me know how many and what size you need.

I apologize for missing the last three guild meeting, but I will be there this month to receive any new quilts at that time.

Jo Ann Russell

A friendly reminder...

Baby quilts made for the Rockford NICU Center should be 47" x

54"

BITS & PIECES

Each Wednesday evening at 6 pm, Quilting in the Valley quilt store in LaSalle is live on Facebook. Lisa displays new fabric lines and items available at both of her stores, as well as providing new information in the quilting world.

Tonight, she revealed that she will become a 7 store business. In May she opened her second store in Moline on John Deere road. In November she plans to open a third store in Rockford in the Riverside/Perryville area. And more to come.

To see the full information, be sure to go the website at <u>https://quiltinginthevalley.com/</u>.

Also on Thursday evenings at 7 pm, Monique Dillard Jacobs, Opengatequilts.com, also is live and provides an overview of new items and designs she has.

Hope you enjoy these, and great quilting adventures to come.

Do you have a trip or trick you'd like to share?

Something you'd like to buy or sell in Classified ads?

Please email us!

DCQGnews@gmail.com

CLASSIFIEDS

WANTED!

Demonstrators to provide a brief "How To" segment at the Quilt Show!

We have such a talented group of individuals that know SO MANY different techniques and tips, we would LOVE to have you show off your talents with a brief demonstration at the Quilt Show. The demonstration would be short, no longer than an hour in duration. Topics that we already have demonstrations for are as follows

- Toilet tank Toppers
- "Cutter" quilts
- Fabric bowls

- Hand Quilting
- Different types of appliqué

- Flange binding
- Strip pieced baby quilts
- String piecing

Other ideas may include:

Paper piecing, the use of different tools; rulers, templates, etc. ¹/₂ square triangles, using a rotary cutter, binding, etc.

Won't you consider demonstrating <u>your</u> talent on either day? Think about what YOU can share! A signup sheet will be passed around at future meetings. Thanks for considering a time slot!

GETTING TO KNOW...ROB STOLL

How long have you been a guild member? Brand new member...joined in July 2019.

How long have you been sewing? I first learned to sew in 6th grade. In my middle school in Ohio everyone had to take Home Economics and learn the basics of cooking and sewing (hand and on a machine). My mom sewed so having a machine (or two) in the house was commonplace. I got my first machine as a Christmas present in my mid 20's and mainly did things like curtains and stuffed animals for my niece and nephew. I started piece work and quilting in the summer of 2018 as I was going through thyroid cancer treatment and surgery and had time on my hands. It had impacted my left vocal nerve so I could only whisper for a while which made work challenging (on the phone a large portion of the day) so got the nickname "Quilt Whisperer" from my pastor and it stuck.



What was your first project? My first quilt project was a king-sized quilt with the center portion a pattern and all the borders my own design work. That was all pieced on a basic Singer Simple machine and the quilting done by Basketcases. For a first project it was good since the main pieces were large (13 inches) and aside from some Y seams that I had to work through, it was quick to piece together. The fabrics used were all quilting cottons from Joann's as it was before learning about all the great fabric shopping options.

Favorite colors? While I lean toward rich greens and blues. I don't really have a favorite color. For me any color can be made to look great if paired correctly.

Least favorite color? Like with favorite colors, I don't have a least favorite color. In fabrics I want to make sure the eye has a place to rest – if the entire piece is "frantic" and screaming for attention it does not appeal to me.

Favorite quilting celebrity? While still new to the quilting world, I have found there are a lot of "celebrities" out there. I have found that Dale Rowse's videos are fun and instructive, and don't come across as pretentious and emphasize the fun in quilting along with technique. As a former corporate educator, I find he has a great delivery as a quilt coach. I am in a couple active Facebook groups with other men who quilt and find that a great source of information and inspiration whether they are 'famous' or not in the quilting world.

What are you currently working on? I just finished a baby quilt for a co-worker in Connecticut that I'll be delivering when traveling there for a project launch. This was based on a printed panel and 50th anniversary fabric for Eric Carle's The Very Hungry Caterpillar. In addition, I have started my "Red, White, and One" creation finally landing on concept and design but can't share anything else about it. I also have one just back from Basketcases to bind and dropped another one off for quilting. I'll not talk about everything in queue to be started or fabric still waiting on an inspired design.

Any other hobbies or interests? I am a huge live theatre fan and see 20 or more shows a year in Chicago and regional/local productions as well as in New York on Broadway (I get there a couple times a year for work). Along with that, gardening and home improvement fills up the time when not working or sewing. I also used to be a hot air balloon pilot - still have the license, just not the balloon.

QUILT SHOW



Harvest of Quilts 2019 Anniversary Quilt Show – October 25 – 26, 2019 (Pumpkinfest)

Mission of Anniversary Show: To **CELEBRATE** our 40th Anniversary by describing the many things we have done and to continue to promote quilting in order to encourage new membership. Secondary mission is to bring in income for the guild.

Application: Now available in this newsletter an on the website (dcqg.org).

Current Chairs: Show Chair: Kathi Davis; Raffle Quilt: Joan Russell & Bobbie Lundberg; Boutique: Jean Bradford; Raffle Baskets: Peggy Simonds; Volunteer: Kim Colness; Demonstrations: Sheryl Keiler

- From Raffle Basket Chair, Peg: A variety of Raffle Baskets at Harvest of Quilts 2019 will provide an opportunity for quilters <u>and</u> nonquilters to support our fundraising efforts. Peg Simonds is contacting several quilting-related businesses, Northern Illinois Shop Hop shops, and local eating establishments for contributions. Would you or a group of your guild friends be willing to put together items for a partial or complete basket? Raffle Basket idea themes include Celebrate the Holidays, Never Enough Chocolate, Quilter's Delight, Let's Create, Spa Night, What's for Dinner? Coffee AND Tea for Me, and Fur Babies. Bring your items and/or ideas to the guild meetings and add them to the display. Thanks in advance to Jennifer, Dorothy, Sheryl, Mary Jean, Chris, Rachel, Madeline, and Annemarie for signing up to bring items!
- **From Volunteer Chair, Kim**: The Quilt Show needs YOU! Check your calendars and times that you will be available to work your shift at the DCQG 40th Anniversary Quilt Show! There will be a signup sheet at the meeting on August 22. If you are not at the meeting please call, text or email Kim Colness at kimcolness@comcast.net or 815-757-8115 and I will be glad to reserve your spot.

Needs are as follows:

Thursday, October 24 6:30 p.m. ALL hands-on deck to set up for the show PLUS, Quilt Check-In (5 people) Friday, October 25 9:30 a.m.-8:30 p.m. - two-hour shifts Admissions (2 per shift) Quilt/Basket Raffle Tickets (2 per shift) Boutique (2 per shift) White Gloves (4 per shift) Floaters (2 per shift) Saturday, October 26 9:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Admissions (2 per shift) Quilt/Basket Raffle Tickets (2 per shift) Boutique (2 per shift) White Gloves (4 per shift) Floaters (2 per shift) 5:00 p.m. Quilt Check-Out (5 people) ALL hands-on deck for show take-down

If you wish to assist with <u>ANY</u> of the tasks, please just email the chair or Kathi!!! Remember you don't have to do this alone, grab a friend and share in the fun! <u>Here's a couple of chairs that are needed ASAP</u>:

- **Special Displays**: Displays of the "things we do". Collect and setup displays of baby quilts, workshop items, etc. in order to let people know what we do.
- **Publicity, publicity, and publicity**: We will have a poster and bookmarks to distribute to friends, neighbors, quilt shows, quilt shops, and anywhere else you can think of.

Kathi Davis - Harvest of Quilts 2019 Chair



Harvest of Quilts 2019 DCQG 40th Anniversary Show

October 25th & 26th, Federated Church, Sycamore, IL More information: dcqg.org

Entry Deadline: October 1, 2019

Submit to: Kathi Davis (via snail mail, via email, or at meeting)

**** DCQG MEMBERS ONLY **** Only DCQG members are displaying quilts in this SPECIAL 40th Anniversary Quilt Show) Quilt Entry Form

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY:

Quilt Number:

NAME How Long DCQG Member?

EMAIL

I understand that DeKalb County Quilters' Guild, Inc. will take every precaution to protect my item exhibited in this show. I agree not to hold them liable for any damage or loss to any property left in the Guild's care, custody, or control.

SIGNATURE:

INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR QUILT: (Quilts MUST have a label on the back.)

PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE PRINT VERY CLEARLY !!!

Name or title of the quilt:	Date Completed:		
Name of Original Design(er):	Size:	(width) X	(length)
Who made the quilt: V	Who quilted the quilt:		
Special Techniques: () Embroidery () Trapunto, () Ap	plique () Hand Pieced () Hand Quilted	
() Mystery Quilt () Ugly Quilt () Other			
Awards won by quilt:			
Quilt story to be shown on the quilt in the show (LIMITED to 50	WORDS)		

OUT & ABOUT



Northwest Suburban Quilters Guild

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Photos from Victoria Findlay Wolfe.

Northwest Suburban Quilters Guild (NSQG) is excited to welcome Victoria Findlay Wolfe as our guest speaker and instructor in September, 2019. Victoria grew up in Minnesota, is trained in fine arts, and loves painting, sculpting, and photography. She is not happy unless she is making something, and quilts are her greatest passion. Greatly influenced by her grandmother's crazy quilts, she learned her sense of color while buried under them in the cold Minnesota winters. After spending time in New York pursuing her painting, she came back to sewing and started a quilting blog.

Lecture: On Thursday, September 19, 2019, Victoria will present her lecture and trunk show, "Creativity & Play: The What and Why's of PLAY!" Victoria will share about her process and inspire you to push your creativity. It's exciting, and she promises to send you home with a creative buzz! Our meetings are held at the Rolling Meadows Community Center Auditorium, 3705 Pheasant Drive, Rolling Meadows, IL 60008. The guest fee is \$10. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. and the meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m.

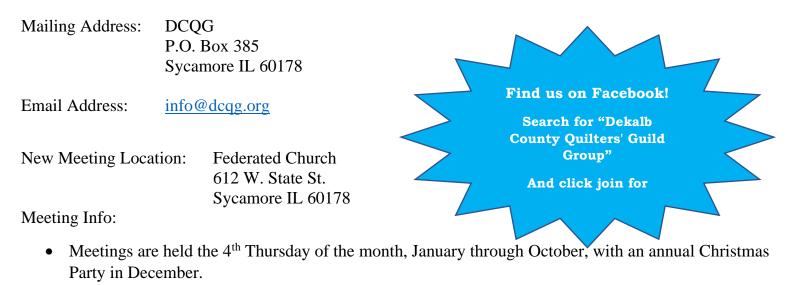
Workshop: On Wednesday, September 18, 2019, Victoria will teach her pattern for "Cascade", a very popular quilt from Victoria's book, "Modern Quilt Magic". The class time is spent talking about design, and will focus on the fabrics the students have brought and helping them find a direction for their own quilts. The construction technique is based on slight curve piecing and understanding bias. The light to dark version is only one possibility, and we work with what fabric is available. We talk about all the possibilities! The pattern is full of surprises and options! At this time, this class is only open to NSQG members. You may join our guild via our website, <u>www.nsqg.club</u>.

Workshop: On Thursday, September 19, 2019, Victoria will teach us how to construct a single Double Wedding Ring block. Victoria's obsession with DWRs is contagious! Learn the tricks for success in her class and discover that these quilts are really not difficult to make. Learn how to pin for results, piece curves, and build patience and confidence! You'll make one "ring" in this class. You can decide whether to stop there for a pillow or wall hanging, or keep going at home for something bigger. At this time, this class is only open to NSQG members and is filled.

To learn more about Victoria, visit her online at http://www.vfwquilts.com/.

About NSQG: NSQG was incorporated in Arlington Heights, IL in 1979 and is one of the largest and oldest guilds in the Chicago area, with over 150 members. All levels of quilting expertise are welcomed. The guild meets on the third Thursday of every month (excluding December). At each monthly meeting, world-class quilting instructors are invited to lecture and inspire the audience with their colorful quilts and exceptional creativity. Workshops are usually held on the Friday and Saturday following the monthly meeting. Our next quilt show will be held on Nov. 2 – 3, 2019, at the Elk Grove Village, IL Holiday Inn; details are on our website. For more information about NSQG, email us at nsqg.info@gmail.com. "Like" and follow us on Facebook.

GUILD INFO



• Doors open at 6:30pm for gathering to meet and greet, with the meeting beginning at 7pm.

Find us on Instagram! Search "Dekalb County Quilters" to find us. Please send us pictures to share at the email below!

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