



# The News-Patch

August 2018

## Our Mission Statement:

**To promote  
the fellowship  
and art of quilting**

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## From the President

Well my bags are packed & I'm ready to go! Just received my tickets for the Madison show. Hey, did you hear that we have a celebrity amongst us? Our very own Lori Dickman has two quilts that have been accepted to the show. Congratulations Lori!

I'll be joining the group to quilt the day away on the 18<sup>th</sup>. I've been focusing on completing my UFO for this month's drawing, so haven't made any progress on my anthology blocks this month. Hope to see you there.

Remember, don't eat a big dinner before the August meeting – you need to leave room for the ice cream sundae bar 😊

Happy Quilting,  
Jennifer

## AUGUST PROGRAM

Huge thank you to Chris for her assistance in helping members join our Facebook group.

To all who attended the July meeting, great job on completing your number 4 UFO! Please check out the pictures that Chris posted on our Facebook group page.

Five members attended the last workshop and a sixth member joined us later in the day to cut fabric for a new project from an old kit. We all accomplished something and had a fun time – isn't that what quilting is all about? Please come and join us at the next workshop on Saturday, August 18 at the Federated Church.

For those who are interested, we will go over the technique of making 8 half-square triangles from 2 squares of fabric – you end up with 8 duplicate blocks. I will also demo a new technique (at least to me) on making scrappy half square triangles – no block will be duplicated. If you would like to learn this, please bring at least 12 fabric squares cut any size – and I will show this new technique - no need to worry about light – dark – just a little of everything.

### **Workshops dates:**

Saturday dates for workshops August 18, September 29, October 13, and November 17. December date will be set if there is a desire for members to have a day to sew and finish those Christmas projects without interruption.

All workshops are held at the Federated Church, 612 W. State St, Sycamore from 10-4. You will need to bring all necessary supplies to work on your project. We do not have access to the kitchen, so bring your lunch, have lunch delivered or go out to one of the local restaurants.

If you do not have a UFO to work on, you can bring a new project to start!

The UFO for August is your number 6 project. We all look forward to seeing your completed projects.

For the August meeting, we will be having an ice cream social. As a reminder the following offered to bring these ingredients:

Dorothy – hot fudge  
Kim – cereal  
Peg – vanilla ice cream  
Judy – chopped nuts  
Jan strawberry ice cream  
Jean – caramel topping  
Kay – cherries & whipped cream  
Kathy W –bananas  
Mary Lou – sprinkles  
Susan – Brownie bites  
Sheryl – ice cream cups



Thank you to those who signed up to bring ingredients to make our ice cream yummy!

Bobbie

**Do you have any friends that are interested in quilting or would like to learn? Invite them to attend the next workshop or meeting with you!**

**If everyone brought a friend, we could double our size.**

**The more the “quiltier”!**

**REMINDER FOR ANTHOLOGY SUPPORT GROUP MEMBERS!!**

**DON'T FORGET TO BRING THIS MONTH'S BLOCK FOR SWAPPING PRIOR TO THE MEETING**

## Ways & Means

Hello from Ways & Means! August is bringing us ever closer to our first fall event of the year. I've been working fast and furious on getting the photo boards complete and ready to go with the hopes that this will help stir up interest in our Guild and perhaps bring in just a couple more members! I've also been helping with the quilting of the child/doll quilts for our raffle.

I'm planning on making up a few of the "Periwinkle" baskets for sale as well. Please spread the word about the Maple Park Fun Fest and the Sycamore Pumpkin Fest. Regarding the Pumpkin Fest, I still need a few more time slots filled up for our booth. Please check your calendars and volunteer for a slot or two. Thank you to those that have already signed up. I'm sure we can all find a couple of hours to give to the Guild in spreading the word about us.

Since we won't be doing a Quilt Show this year, these fundraisers are very important to our Guild, so please help out! I will be passing the sign-up sheet around at the next Guild meeting. Thank you in advance.

### ANTHOLOGY "Support Group:"

Anthology "Support Group" is moving along quite nicely. As of this writing, I am frantically trying to get my blocks done in time! Happy to say, now that my daughter's wedding is a memory, I have re-claimed some of my sewing time and hope to have started assembling the blocks I have so far. Not sure how much I'll have done in time.

Sheryl

### WANTED!!!!

I was told that "somebody" in the Guild has an outdoor canopy that I could possibly use for the Maple Park Fun Fest. I don't remember who it was that has one, but if you do and you'll let me use it, would you bring it to the next Guild meeting? Thanks- Sheryl



# OUT & ABOUT



8-Point Star- Southern Trail

Details at: <http://dekalbcountycvb.com/dekalbcountybarnquilts/>



Old Tippecanoe  
Quilt Guild  
Presents

Festival  
of Quilts  
2018

September 29<sup>th</sup>,  
2018

9 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Raffle Quilt: Stars of Liberty, 96"x96"

Faith East Community Center  
5572 Mercy Way, Lafayette, IN 47905

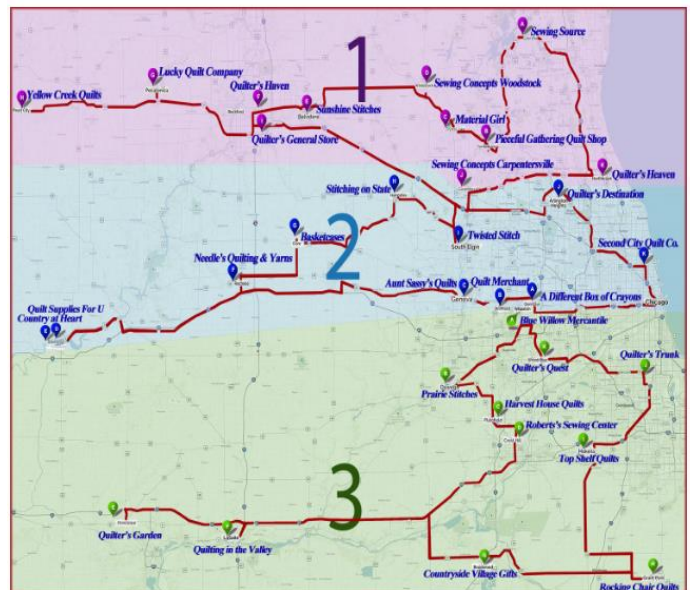
Admission: \$6

Features over 100 quilts on display, a raffle quilt, a trading post, and vendors.

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*Three Month Quilt Shop Hop*  
**June - July - August 2018**



Details at: <http://www.northernillinoisquiltfest.com>



## Gazebo Quilters – Valor Quilts

### APPLICATION

We're looking for veterans of all branches of the service. Men and women who have served their country with valor. We'd like to honor them by presenting them with a Valor Quilt to thank them for their service.

Name of Veteran: \_\_\_\_\_

Height \_\_\_\_\_

Branch of Service: \_\_\_\_\_

Years of Service: \_\_\_\_\_

How can we contact you or the veteran? Phone/email \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Any special service information?

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

When would the veteran be available for presentation of a quilt? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Your name and email address or contact # \_\_\_\_\_

Sue Bruss and Janet Meyer, Co-chairs for Gazebo Quilters Valor Quilts

12560 Green Meadow Court.....Huntley, Illinois.....60142 ....847-961-5157 or sdbcopper@aol.com



## Getting to Know... Susan Ruiz

**How Long have you been a guild member?** Although I only just joined this guild in July, I have previously been a member of other guilds since 2011.

**How long have you been sewing?** I began sewing in HS when I took “Home Economics”.

**What was your first project?** In that Home Economics class, I made a blouse for myself. In 1992 I discovered quilting and my first project here was a small Log Cabin quilt.



Susan with her mom

**Favorite colors?** I pretty much love all colors, I especially like working with bright colors,

**Least favorite color?** I’ve recently discovered that it must be brown as this would be what I have the least in my stash.

**Favorite quilting celebrity?** Wow there are so many great quilting celebrities out there and I follow a few, if I were to say my favorite then I would have to say Bonnie Hunter.

**What are you currently working on?** Last month I took a class with my favorite celebrity “Bonnie Hunter” and the quilt is called Cathedral Stars. If I’m lucky enough to squeeze in some sewing time this is what I’m trying to work on. I am no different than many quilters and I have several projects going at any one given time. I am looking forward to the guild’s challenge of getting UFOs completed.

**Any other hobbies or interests?** I am lucky enough to LOVE crafting, which began when I was about 12 years old. with crocheting (which I no longer do.) I enjoy knitting, reading especially if it has quilting in the subject, and cross stitch. I also enjoy scrapbooking and card making.

## Bits & Pieces



Have you heard of “Dividends”? For years I’ve been doing something but had no idea it had a name. While piecing patchwork we often need to trim corners or repeatedly make a large block smaller, yielding similar size throw-a-ways. Being a very frugal quilter (I rarely discard anything unless it’s the size of a string) this generally bothered me. So, I got in the habit of collecting these bits and resewing them to make another project.

Recently at “Stitches-Midwest” I ran into Lynn Schmitt of [A Different Box of Crayons](#) (Her shop in Glen Ellyn) and purchased her book, “Mixing Textiles in Quilts”. In that book she discussed “Dividends”. I suddenly knew I wasn’t alone and that this process had a name.

Thought you might like to see a few of my Dividends.

Kathy





The Formula for cutting the original squares so that the half-square triangles are oversized is:

$$\text{Finished size} \times 2 + 2$$

Don't care to do the math? Not a problem! Follow the cutting chart below.

Finished Size HST:	Cut Squares:	Trim completed HSTs to:
1" x 1"	(2) 4" x 4"	1 1/2" x 1 1/2"
1 1/2" x 1 1/2"	(2) 5" x 5"	2" x 2"
2" x 2"	(2) 6" x 6"	2 1/2" x 2 1/2"
2 1/2" x 2 1/2"	(2) 7" x 7"	3" x 3"
3" x 3"	(2) 8" x 8"	3 1/2" x 3 1/2"
3 1/2" x 3 1/2"	(2) 9" x 9"	4" x 4"
4" x 4"	(2) 10" x 10"	4 1/2" x 4 1/2"
4 1/2" x 4 1/2"	(2) 11" x 11"	5" x 5"
5" x 5"	(2) 12" x 12"	5 1/2" x 5 1/2"
5 1/2" x 5 1/2"	(2) 13" x 13"	6" x 6"
6" x 6"	(2) 14" x 14"	6 1/2" x 6 1/2"
6 1/2" x 6 1/2"	(2) 15" x 15"	7" x 7"

Finished Size HST:	Cut Squares:	Trim completed HSTs to:
7" x 7"	(2) 16" x 16"	7 1/2" x 7 1/2"
7 1/2" x 7 1/2"	(2) 17" x 17"	8" x 8"
8" x 8"	(2) 18" x 18"	8 1/2" x 8 1/2"
8 1/2" x 8 1/2"	(2) 19" x 19"	9" x 9"
9" x 9"	(2) 20" x 20"	9 1/2" x 9 1/2"
9 1/2" x 9 1/2"	(2) 21" x 21"	10" x 10"
10" x 10"	(2) 22" x 22"	10 1/2" x 10 1/2"
10 1/2" x 10 1/2"	(2) 23" x 23"	11" x 11"
11" x 11"	(2) 24" x 24"	11 1/2" x 11 1/2"
11 1/2" x 11 1/2"	(2) 25" x 25"	12" x 12"
12" x 12"	(2) 26" x 26"	12 1/2" x 12 1/2"

To read this chart, "Finished HST" means, completely sewn into a block. Find either the finished size or trim completed HSTs to" size to determine what the cut size is for your squares.

# LIBRARY

## THE LIBRARY IS OPEN!

If you have a library book, please return it to the library at the next meeting. If you don't have a book...check out the great books in the library! There's plenty of inspiration just waiting in the pages of a book!

## DCQG Contact Info

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Meeting Location: Saint Mary Church PAC  
322 Waterman St.  
Sycamore IL 60178

### Meeting Info:

- Meetings are held the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the month, January through October, with an annual Christmas Party in December.
- Doors open at 6:30pm for gathering to meet and greet, with the meeting beginning at 7pm.



**Do you have a trip or trick you'd like to share?**  
**Something you'd like to buy or sell in Classified ads?**

**Email us!**

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