



The News-Patch

January 2022

Our Mission Statement:

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

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From the President

Happy New Year!

I hope everyone had a happy holiday season! Looking forward to a new year with the guild and my quilting friends.

We have extended the hours of our Sewing Saturdays to 9-5, so feel free to join us for a half-day if that works better with your schedule. In addition, we have another daytime retreat planned for March; just need to confirm the dates, but it is tentatively scheduled for March 4-6.

We also have elections for new board members coming up in March/April.

A lot going on to start off our new year, so hope you will take advantage to become an active guild member. 😊

Happy Quilting,
Jennifer

JANUARY PROGRAM

January Program: Generosity Projects for 2022

January is often a time of reflection and setting goals. As a guild, we have long been committed to generosity projects. What a great time to reflect on our goals as a guild. I'm looking for open discussion on the type(s) of projects members are interested in participating in for 2022. With this, there may be need for some additional volunteers to coordinate generosity initiatives.

Susan Knoup will be on hand to speak about the Susie Appleseed Project. Susan will discuss her role in starting the project and how we can participate either as individuals or as a guild. The mission of Susie Appleseed is "to spread seeds of kindness to foster care children."

Last year, quilters in our guild donated almost 200 placemats (I think the total was 189) to the DeKalb County Meals on Wheels. In case you missed the article the DeKalb Chronicle/Midweek did on the DCQG, you can find it here: <https://www.shawlocal.com/midweek-news/news/local/2021/12/22/quilters-donate-nearly-200-place-mats-to-meals-on-wheels/>

February Program will feature Jill Shaulis from Yellow Creek Quilts

BOARD ELECTIONS

We will be accepting board nominations at the March meeting, voting at the April meeting and then installing the new board during the May Salad Supper.

The current board has stayed on an additional two years beyond their terms during the pandemic in order to keep the guild moving forward. Please give them a huge thank you for all the work they have done! That being said, many of them are ready to take a well-deserved break. Many of us have been on the board for years, filling various positions. Therefore, now is the perfect time for you to become an active member of the guild. This will give you the opportunity to bring some of your fresh ideas to our organization. Please take a look at the list below and think of how your experience could benefit our guild.

Board of Directors:

- President
- VP – Programs – Kyra has just started in this position, but it can take a year or two to secure some speakers. Therefore, we would like a second person to overlap the second year of this term so they can start looking forward to FY23-24 speakers.
- VP – Special Events
- Secretary

- Treasurer – Peg has just started, so she will be staying in the position for FY22 & 23
- Ways & Means
- Director at Large

Committee Chairs:

- Generosity
- Membership
- Newsletter / Social Media
- Website
- Quilt Show – Kathi is currently coordinating our 2022 quilt show

Nominations:

There is a listing on our website of all these positions and associated responsibilities.

Please contact me if you have any questions,
Jennifer

CLASSIFIEDS

Accuquilt GO! BIG available to DCQG Members

When Margie Musich passed away, she left us with such a legacy of quilting supplies more than just the fabrics. I have an Accuquilt GO! BIG electric fabric cutter that is available to the members of the guild. I received the GO! BIG as a gift from her brothers for assisting with going through all her quilting items and helping with cleaning her house. The brothers stipulated that I make the GO! BIG and the fabric cutting dies (LOTS of them) available to guild members. Included in the email with this newsletter is a list of the cutting dies we have available. You may use them here at my house with the GO! BIG or borrow dies to use with you own Accuquilt GO! I will have the Accuquilt GO! BIG for show at the January meeting. But I wanted to make sure to let you know that it is here for your use for Christmas projects. I mainly use it for the strip cutting and then making squares if needed. Only needing to cut fabric, the width of the cutting die (about 9 inches) is so much faster and then being able to cut up to six layers of fabrics at one time is so time and hand saving. And the resulting pieces are perfectly the same size!

Kathi Davis
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A friendly reminder...

Baby quilts made for the Rockford NICU Center should be 47" x 54"

HARVEST OF QUILTS 2022

Harvest of Quilts 2022 Quilt Show – September 24 & 25, 2022

Update on how the show is progressing: We have four vendors registered now! Yay! However, we need about twenty more to be able to pay for the venue which is our goal—to have the fees paid by the vendors cover the cost of the venue.

Things we need to do now: There are three things we need to be focused on now. And we in the committee could use your assistance:

1. Get vendors – If you have any ideas about who you think would be a good vendor for the show, please let Chris Wells know (vendor chair) at cwells3@aol.com.
2. Take the raffle quilt to other guilds/stores for showing, selling tickets, dropping off applications, and advertising the show – If you know of any guilds within about 60 miles of Sycamore that might be interested in seeing the quilt or if you would be willing to join Kathi at another guild's meeting, please let Kathi Davis know (Show Chair/Ways and Means VP) at kad0522@comcast.net.
3. Publicity – There are several ways you can help with publicity. First, sell the raffle tickets. The stub that the purchaser receives has the show details so they can't forget. Second, pickup bookmarks at the meeting or by contacting Kathy Wells or Chris Wells and distribute them to EVERY quilt/fabric store you visit. And third, talk, talk, and talk up the show! There is a poster on the website that you can print if you wish to use it (or bookmark) as a talking point! Tell all your friends and everyone you meet!!! We accept applications from everyone, not just DCQG members as do some other guilds.

Let Kathi know at kad0522@comcast.net or quiltshow@dcqg.org.

Thanks so much for your assistance!

Kathi Davis, Chair
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Harvest of Quilts 2022 Quilt Show Committee: Chair: Kathi Davis, **Treasurer:** Peg Simonds, **Boutique:** Jean Bradford, **Volunteers:** Kim Colness, **Vendors:** Chris Wells, **Raffle Tickets:** Kathy Wells, **Ribbon Toppers:** Kathy Wells.

P.S. There is a photo of the raffle quilt on the DCQG website with the most current information about the quilt show: www.dcqg.org click on Quilt Show 2022 tab at the top.

GETTING TO KNOW...LINDA DUPREE

How long have you been a guild member? I'm a returning member, who first joined around 2015

How long have you been sewing? 50 years. I've been quilting for 25 years

What was your first project? An apron I made in high school

Favorite colors? Black. There are so many beautiful shades

Least favorite color? I don't have one

On what are you currently working? Finishing up a Christmas quilt at the end of 2021

Any other hobbies or interests? I love to shop and travel.



GUILD INFO

Mailing Address: DCQG
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Email Address: info@dcqg.org

New Meeting Location: Federated Church
612 W. State St.
Sycamore IL 60178

Meeting Info:

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

Find us on Facebook!

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Group"