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#### **Our Mission Statement:**

To promote the fellowship and art of quilting

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### **From the President**

Happy Summer,

So, are you all looking forward to the upcoming retreat? I hear there are a few that are actually sleeping over! Wow, what dedicated quilters. My fingers are crossed in hopes that I will be able to join in on all the fun over the weekend.

Thank you to everyone who helped out with all aspects of the garage sale. What is that saying? "Many hands make light work" – a perfect example of what we can accomplish when we all work together O

Several quilt show meetings have been held and I believe a few positions are still open. This is a wonderful opportunity to be an active member of the guild and work on a very important event to promote our guild's 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary. *Teamwork divides the tasks and multiplies the success*.

Raffle tickets have been ordered so it sounds like we are well on our way for another successful raffle quilt.

A huge Thank You to Kyra for stepping up & accepting the nomination for the Treasurer position.

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As usual, I am also looking forward to the next mystery quilt clue. It has been fun seeing how what we did a few months ago is now being used to complete a section of the block... I think... guess that is why they call it a mystery quilt <sup>(i)</sup>

Hey - it stopped raining for a few minutes - guess I'll run out and pull some weeds...

Raining again – a good excuse to get back to my quilting, Jennifer

## **JUNE PROGRAM**

By the June meeting, our retreat will be over, and we hopefully will have a really great show-n-tell with at least 1 UFO completed by each member. Hope you are thinking about what quilts you want to display at the show in October.

Plans for the next year of programs will be discussed at the meeting. Raffle tickets will be available for pick-up.

If you have not already signed up for the retreat, don't worry, you can still come. Cost is \$10 for 1 day, \$20 for 2 days, and \$25 for 3 days. Food will be potluck, based around BBQs and mostaccioli. Supply information was sent out in a separate e-mail, but if you missed it let me know and I will send it to you. The list is general supplies, but items that are often forgotten.

Anyone wishing to make the binding bag should bring the following materials cut as noted: Bag exterior 8" X 17  $\frac{1}{2}$ " Batting 10"x 20" Bag interior 1 piece cut 7"x11  $\frac{1}{2}$ " and a different piece cut 7"x5 1/2" Zipper pouch – 4 pieces cut at 3  $\frac{1}{4}$  x 7" A polyester zipper at least 9" long Pocket for scissors 5"x2 1/2" - strap for scissors cut 1  $\frac{3}{4}$ " x 3" Goody pocket – cut 5  $\frac{1}{2}$  x 8" binding for pocket cut at 2" x 7" Tie 1  $\frac{3}{4}$ " x 36" binding for bag 2  $\frac{1}{2}$  x 70" Button 5/8" (don't worry we will not be making buttonholes)



Bobbie Lundberg

## **MONTHLY REFRESHMENTS**

June refreshments will be provided by: Vera W, Chris W, Kathy W, Rosalie W.

In July, we will start the rotation over again.

A friendly reminder...

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

**54**"

### **BITS & PIECES**

Those of you that know me, know that I love to do handwork and have long been a fan of hexies. I've even done lessons for our guild on how to make hexies two different ways. But recently I've come upon something that's inspired me even more—the clamshell. Sue Daley has a wonderful video online to demo how to make these beautiful designs. And thanks to our new quilt shop in Dekalb, Aunt Sassy's, I've even gotten a brand-new template set for making clamshells. Thanks to Sally for the speedy special order! I can't wait until our next meeting to show you my newest addiction.

Kathy Wells

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# **SUMMER RETREAT**

Retreat dates are Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, June 21-23. The location is the Grange Hall on Elva Road in Elva. This is south of DeKalb off Route 23.

Times to sew will be from 9 AM - 10 PM (or until you drop) on Friday and Saturday and from 9 AM - 6 PM on Sunday.

Meals are on your own, or we can do potluck. We can decide that after signup is completed. We will have a complete kitchen to use.

Cost is \$10 for 1 day, \$20 for 2 days, and \$25 for all 3 days.

This is a chance to have 3 days of sewing fun with your quilting friends.

The grange has asked that we only work on our own personal projects or charity projects and not items that we will be selling.

I will make a list of supply suggestions for those who will be attending.

For those who wish to make the "goodie, goodie binding bag" that I had at the March meeting, I will include the supplies and we can work on that as a special project. We will also work on the strip baby quilts that we started at April's meeting. We can each make one, 2 or more blocks and get a quilt top done. They are quick and easy and might be a relaxing break.

I will have a sign-up sheet at the April meeting and at the May meeting.

If you have any questions, please ask me.

Bobbie

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!

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# **Getting to Know...Kathi Davis**

**How long have you been a guild member?** I became a member of the guild in summer of 2006 and immediately assisted with the quilt show that fall. From there, I edited the newsletter for about 10 years and was the chair of two quilt shows.

**How long have you been sewing?** I started sewing when I was about 10 years old. I still have the white in-cabinet sewing machine (in my dining room) on which my mom taught me and my sister to sew. I made clothing for myself first. I am the oldest of four siblings and when we wanted new clothes, our parents would give us a certain amount of money. I learned that I could make more clothes than I could buy for the same amount of money. I also enjoyed the "show 'n tell" that wearing new clothes created.

What was your first project? I don't really remember the first project I made. However, I do remember making many outfits during high school. Also, I remember making my own wedding dress and my daughter's wedding dress. I made clothing for my children when they were young. I've recently found out from my 36-year-old son, that when he was little, he was really proud to say that his mom had made his outfit. Why did it take him so long to let me know?

**Favorite colors?** Duh?!? Purple! I really like the deep eggplant purple and the light lilac purple (not too pinky). The next color in my preference spectrum is yellow and then pale green. Just visit me and use my bathroom...it has those colors.

Least favorite color? Red. Don't know why. And dull browns, greys, beige, etc.

**Favorite quilting celebrity?** I found Ricky Tims quite interesting. As for a workshop, I liked Frieda Anderson's dyeing class. I'm now beginning to use the fabrics I dyed; I guess I was saving them for a "special" project?!? Anyway, I always like hearing about new techniques and seeing unusual quilts.

What are you currently working on? I'm finishing up a baby quilt for the second granddaughter of another friend, Penny McIntire, that died last December. I made a quilt for her first granddaughter and had planned on making this second one (didn't want to leave her out), but I wasn't able to until recently. I also am working on the Mystery Quilt, several UFOs, and planning a quilt for my oldest, 16, grandson (brother to granddaughter for whom I just finished a quilt). And I am going to remake the curtains for my kitchen by the end of the year. I've had the fabric for two years and the curtains there now have been there since 1992. I'm afraid to touch them for fear they will disintegrate. I also am finishing a wall hanging (started by Margie) for a second of her brothers. After this one, I've one more brother for whom to finish a wall hanging which Margie started.

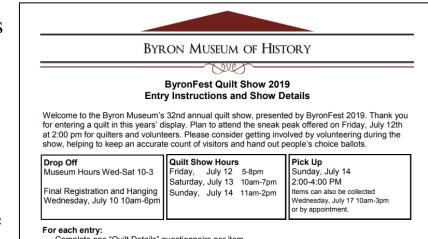
Any other hobbies or interests? Well, it has been said that "There is not a craft that Margie and I didn't like." That is still true; however, without a partner, I am not trying as many things now-a-days. I've always loved to learn new things. Crafts that I've tried are Zentangles, stain glass, flamework glass beads, tatting, jewelry making, and painting. What I still do are needlepoint, Kumihimo (Japanese braiding), marbling fabric, fabric machine embroidery (have a six-thread semi-professional machine), dyeing fabric using different means, knitting (including broomstick lace), crocheting, and making clothes. I've also done and will do whenever necessary: carpentry (second story on house and deck/screened-in porch), woodworking, and ceramic tiling (again my bathroom). I also garden (very small now) planting not only flowers but basil, kale, cucumbers, peppers, and tomatoes—all in containers or raised beds.



# **Out & About**

ByronFest is looking for quilts to show in their upcoming Quilt Show, July 12<sup>th</sup> through 14<sup>th</sup>.

For the full application, (previewed to the right, please visit the link below:



Complete one "Quilt Details" questionnaire per item.

- For each JUDGED item, include the \$5 fee. (No fee for "Just for Show" items)
- Be sure to get a receipt at time of drop off. Note your preferred pick up time, if Sunday, July 14 2-4 pm will not suit you.

http://www.byronmuseum.org/wp-content/uploads/2011/10/QS-2019-Registration-form.pdf

## **DCQG Contact Info**

| Mailing Address:      |              | G<br>Box 385<br>more IL 60178                             | Find us on Facebook!                                      |
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| Email Address:        | <u>info@</u> | odcqg.org   | Search for "Dekalb County<br>Quilters' Guild Group"       |
| New Meeting Location: |              | Federated Church<br>612 W. State St.<br>Sycamore IL 60178 | And click join for<br>conversations, sharing, and<br>fun! |

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.