The News-Patch

## June 2021

## Our Mission Statement: <br> To promote <br> the fellowship and art of quilting

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## From the President

Hi Everyone!

I am writing this after returning from our first Sewing Saturday in 15 months! What an enjoyable day we had. Not sure if a lot of sewing got done, but we sure had a good time seeing each other \& visiting (). (Even our buddy from Jimmy John's found us again.)
Thanks to the 12 brave (crazy?) members who showed up for the May meeting. Really, I was only kidding when I put that blurb in the last newsletter about snowing in Northern Illinois in May; and it almost happened. I never thought I would lead a guild meeting in front of a campfire (thanks for the firewood, Kim).
We will also be organizing a Raffle Quilt Committee to get our next quilt planned, so think about joining this fun group.
I am looking forward to our first in-person meeting hope to see many of you there.

Happy Quilting, Jennifer

## SEWING SATURDAYS

Sewing Saturdays are Back! We are scheduled to meet the second Saturday of the month from 10:00-4:00. Bring your projects and enjoy the day in the company of your fellow quilting friends once again. We have a few cords to share but, bring long extension cords if you have them! We have an ironing board, iron, big
 cutting mat and ruler stored at the church,


## JUNE MEETING AND MEMBERSHIP

With the start of our new fiscal year in June, we will start meeting again at our usual day \& time on Thursday, June $24^{\text {th }}$. Doors will be opened at $6: 00$ with our meeting starting at 7:00. The room may be set up a bit differently according to their safety policy, but no Zoom, Yeah! Bring your sew and tell!

Membership dues for the coming year will be accepted at the June meeting! You can find the application at dcqg.org or in this newsletter.

We realize that some people may not be comfortable meeting just yet, therefore we will be offering reduced dues for a second membership sign-up in September.

DeKalb County Quilters' Guild P.O. Box 385 Sycamore IL. 60178 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

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

| Name |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Mailing Address |  | State |
| City | Home Phone | Zip |
| Cell Phone |  |  |

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

| Please indicate age group |  | Circle one | Renewal/Rejoins* |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :--- |
| 178 under | $40-49$ | New member | Renewing-member during the |
| $18-29$ | $50-64$ | Student | previous year |
| $30-39$ | $65+$ | Renewal/Rejoin |  |
|  |  | Rejoining-previously a member, but <br> not during the previous year |  |

DUES INFORMATION
Membership dues currently are $\$ 30.00$
Snail Mail users dues currently 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 $1^{\text {ST }}$

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.
Turn the page over to complete form.

|  | For Office Use Only |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Today's Date | Cash | Credit Card/Paypal |
| Membership packet given/mailed /emailed |  |  |

## 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.

| BOARD POSTITONS-DCOG board members serve 2 year terme. They keep the guild running smoothly both legally and socially. I would like to serve DCQG in the following pocition: | President <br> VP 1 Programs <br> VP 2 Programs | Treasurer <br> Ways and Means <br> VP Special Events | Secretary <br> Director at Large |
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| 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 DCOG as the chair/co-chair of the following committee(s): | Generosity <br> Quilt Show | Newsletter <br> Librarian <br> Nominations | Website/Social Media <br> Membership <br> Public Relations |
| 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) | Quilt show <br> Retreat <br> Library <br> Holiday party <br> Membership table <br> Salad supper <br> Audit <br> Website/Social Media <br> Public relations (mass mailings, <br> press releases etc.] <br> Newsletter <br> Board Nominations/Elections | Workshop Assistant <br> Teaching a Workshop <br> Guest Speaker Assistant (taking them to dinner, helping with set up/take down, holding quilts during lecture etc.) | I can help the guild in these other ways: |
| PLEASE READ THE ROLLOWING CAREFULLY, CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOXES, SIGN, DATE, AND RETURN THIS ENTIRE FORM WITH YOUR MEMBERSHIP PAYMENT.$\qquad$ I agree to have my image and all creative material photographed and used on any/all DCQG advertising and social media.$\qquad$ I DO NOT agree to have my image and all creative material photographed and used on any/all of DCQG advertising and social media. |  |  |  |
| $\qquad$ I release and waive any claim I may or may not have againat DCQG, its' officers, volunteers, committee members or agents arising out of or related to my participation in any activities of DCQG. <br> Signature $\qquad$ <br> Date |  |  |  |

# A friendly reminder... <br> Baby quilts made for the Rockford NICU Center should be 47" x 54" 

## CLASSIFIEDS

** SALE ** At our April meeting we had a guest (and I hear new member!) named Carolyn Hutchinson that is located in Elgin and looking to downsize her stash. She said she has many kits, sometimes doubles, that she is selling for $50 \%$ or less. She also has a lot of fabric that she is selling for $\$ 5 /$ yard or less. If you would like to arrange for a shopping visit, please text or call Carolyn at 815-703-8301.
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A Note from Carol Barkhurst: Currently, I am in Colorado helping my daughter. I will be back at the beginning of June. At that time I will be organizing my apartment to put into storage. I plan to travel the US for a while. I have relatives in states from coast to coast that I haven't seen for a long while.

I will be going thru my crafts and getting rid of a lot. I will have books, patterns, kits and fabric. Will have it all in my van. What doesn't go will go to goodwill. Some is actually from Carolyn H's stash that I bought a year or so ago.

Do you have something you'd like to sell or give away to fellow quilters? Email us at DCQGNews@gmail.com and we'll add it to the next newsletter.

## JUNE QUILT LOTTO

For our next block, I have chosen another block which is easy and fun to do! It is a variation of a Churn Dash with a pinwheel in the center.

To make this block, choose any color (patterned or solid) 10 " square and pair it with a plain white 10 " square. With right sides together, sew a quarter inch around all 4 sides. Then cut across diagonally in both directions. You will now have 4 half-square triangle blocks. Sew these 4 blocks together to make a pinwheel. Your pinwheel block should measure 12-1/2" square.

Measuring 4" from each edge, make four cuts, like the red lines in the diagram to the right. These cuts will yield 9 blocks:

- 4 half square triangle blocks that are 4 " square.
- 4 half rectangle blocks measuring $4 " x 4-1 / 2$."
- 1 pinwheel measuring $4-1 / 2$ " square.

Trim the center pinwheel down to 4 " square by trimming a quarter inch off each side. I did this by centering one of my HST corner blocks on top of the pinwheel and then trimming the edges off.

Next trim all half rectangle blocks down to 4 " square by trimming a quarter inch off the dark side and a
 quarter inch off the light side. Again, I did this by centering one of the HST corner blocks on top and trimming a quarter inch off each of two sides only.

Finally arrange the nine segments and sew to form the churn dash with a pinwheel center.


## JULY QUILT LOTTO

Next month's Quilt Lotto for July is a double nine patch block. It is comprised of 5 scrappy nine patches and 4 plain blocks.

The smaller scrappy nine patches are made with $1-1 / 2$ inch strips. These can be constructed two different ways. The first way has 5 darker squares in the outside corners and center, with 4 lighter blocks in between. The other way is the exact opposite, 5 lights and 4 darks. The completed nine patches will finish at $3-1 / 2$ inches square.

To complete the block, add alternate plain blocks that are also $3-1 / 2$ inches square. I used tone on tone fabrics in neutral colors for the plain blocks. These can also be set with 5 scrappy nine patches and 4 plain blocks, or vice versa.


The completed double nine patch block will measure $9-1 / 2$ inch square.

## GETTING TO KNOW...

We still have plenty of members to profile but no volunteers! $:-$ Please help us introduce YOU to the rest of our guild members. It's a fun and EASY way to put a name with a face and get to know each other! If you would like to participate, please email or snail mail Kathy Wells a photo to share as well as your answers to the following questions:

- How long have you been a guild member?
- How long have you been sewing?
- What was your first project?
- Favorite colors?
- Least favorite color?
- Favorite quilting celebrity?
- On what are you currently working?
- Any other hobbies or interests?


## GUILD INFO

Mailing Address: DCQG
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Sycamore IL 60178
Email Address: info@dcqg.org


- Prior to the pandemic closures, meetings were held the $4^{\text {th }}$ Thursday of the month, January through October, with an annual Christmas Party in December.
- Doors opened at $6: 30 \mathrm{pm}$ for gathering to meet and greet, with the meeting beginning at 7 pm .

