



The News-Patch

March 2020

Our Mission Statement:

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

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From the President

Happy Spring!

We have just learned that the Federated Church will be closed until April, therefore we will need to cancel our March meeting. We will stay in communication with all of you as we work through the social distancing process in response to the COVID-19 outbreak.

Sorry to have missed the last guild meeting. It sounds like the Quilt Lotto idea was inspiring to many. I can't wait to see the finished products.

We had a great turnout at our sewing day yesterday, so many interesting projects everyone is working on. Now, to start compiling all my projects to take to our quilt retreat weekend fast approaching. Again, we will let everyone know as soon as possible if this event is cancelled.

Remember, if you'd like to share your ideas for the guild, becoming a member of the board would be a great idea 😊

Happy Quilting,
Jennifer

MARCH MEETING CANCELLED!!!

Due to the Federated Church being closed till April, our March meeting has been cancelled. Hold on to your sew and tell till next month. Hopefully with hand washing and social distancing practices, things will get back to normal sooner rather than later!

Save those quilt lotto blocks you made for March. We will have the lotto when we are able to meet next. In the meantime, the April block is posted in this newsletter. It's a variation on the March block!

Reminder the guild sew-in day is the 2nd Saturday of the month from 10 – 4.

Dates are:

April 11

May 16 ***** please note this is the 3rd Saturday in May

Bring your machine and sewing project. If you do not want to bring your machine, then bring hand work – hand quilting, embroidery, knitting, crochet, or cut out a new project whatever you wish to work on. The sew-days are like a 1-day retreat when you can have some quilt friend time.

MONTHLY REFRESHMENTS

Treat smorgasbord in April....? 😊

March treat providers:

Suzanne P
Susan R
JoAnn R
Kyra R
Paulanne R
Peg S

April treat providers:

Mary T
Krista U
Vera W
Chris W
Kathy W
Rosalie W

A friendly reminder...

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

QUILT LOTTO

Each month a new block will be introduced at our regular Guild meeting. Following the directions as to size, and color choice, you may choose to make one or more blocks to bring to the next meeting. For each block you contribute, your name will be put into a drawing. At the end of the evening, one lucky member will go home with all the blocks. In February we had such a great turn out we were able to divide them up and have three winners! What a fun way to get a head start on a new quilt! You might like to make one or more blocks for the guild and a few more just for you. Remember, there's no pressure. If you like the block and want to participate great. If not, no problem. Think of it as a way to learn new skills and try new things.



The March block was a pattern courtesy of Jordan fabrics, called Sister's Choice. For continuity we are using colors in red, white and blue.

Kathy Wells

APRIL QUILT LOTTO

For April's Quilt Block Lotto, we are going to do another variation on the Sister's Choice Block. Remember we are using red, white and blue fabrics in prints or print fabrics that read as solids.

Although this is the same block as last month, construction-wise, it looks completely different due to the color placement.

Remember, if you make a block or two for the lotto and one for yourself, you can end up with a lovely table runner when all the variations come together. Since we're using red, white and blue, it will be perfect for any patriotic holiday or as a gift for that special vet in your life.

April's block layout is displayed to the right.

Hope you all are enjoying Quilt Block Lotto as much as I am.



HARVEST OF QUILTS 2020

I am more excited! The quilt show committee is getting established. If you would like to assist with the show but don't want to be a chair, just contact the chair and let them know. A lot or a little goes a long way to assist us in having a GREAT show!

Here are the current committee members:

Kathy Wells: Demonstrations and Quilt Award Toppers

Kim Colness: Volunteers

Jean Bradford: Boutique

Peggy Simonds: Raffle Baskets

Rob Stoll: Youth Encouragement

JoAnn Russell: Raffle Quilt

Pat Boesche: Treasurer

Chris Wells: Vendors

What we need now is PUBLICITY! We need to spread the word that DCQG is having a show AND that we accept quilts for judging, display only, and from youth made by ANYONE! (Some guilds only allow quilts from their own guild.) The poster for the show is on the website and attached to this newsletter for your use to **SPREAD THE WORD!** The application is on the DCQG website and attached to this newsletter. We will have cash awards for "Best in Show" categories, and for "First" and "Second" place in each of the categories on the application. The bookmarks are in! I'll have the box at the next monthly guild meeting. If you are going to quilt shops and wish bookmarks sooner, just let me know.

Next meeting is Monday April 13th 7:00pm at my house. Looking forward to our show!

Kathi Davis, Chair

Harvest of Quilts 2020

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Be thinking about items you'll want to contribute to fill the raffle baskets (fat quarters and chocolates were popular items at our 2019 quilt show!) and be on the lookout for enticing basket combinations when you attend quilt shows and fundraisers this spring and summer. Share your ideas with Rob Stoll or Peggy Simonds, Raffle Baskets co-chairs, and watch for additional information in the coming months.

Thanks!

Peg Simonds

GETTING TO KNOW...PAT BOESCHE

How long have you been a guild member? I have been a member of the guild since 2002 with a few years lapse. I was invited by Pat Barger. Funny story. Pat was trying to get me to join the guild and I told her "Why would anyone take a large piece of fabric, cut it into tiny little pieces, then sew them all back together?" Now I know why!

How long have you been sewing? I have been sewing - or wanting to sew - since I was 3. I had a friend who lived near my Grandmother. I was at her house a lot and her mother sewed. Sparked my interest and she let us sew some small pieces of fabric together with needle and thread.

What was your first project? My first real project was a skirt in Home Ec. class in 8th grade. I didn't do very well but enjoyed the process. We didn't have enough money to buy a sewing machine or any of the supplies needed to sew but my goal was always to find a way to sew. After marriage my husband bought me my first machine. A Singer Touch and Sew which my oldest daughter still has. I made our daughters clothes until they got to be teenagers and wouldn't wear "homemade". I also made all the Christening dresses for the grandchildren. Then I found quilting.....

Favorite Colors? My favorite color is red. Love Fall and Christmas fabric.

Least favorite color? Gray.

Favorite quilting celebrity? Man Sewing. I was on a Pfaff yahoo group many years and one of the women lived in CA. In 2007 she invited a group of us from around the country to come to CA. for a quilt retreat with Rob Appel. We had no idea who he was but had a wonderful 5-day retreat with him. And I got to know a lot of amazing women from across the country.

On what are you currently working? I have spent the Winter sewing binding on three gift quilts and am in the process of designing in EQ8 three more quilts for my youngest daughter's 50th birthday, my oldest grandson's wedding, and my granddaughter's graduation from High School.

Any other hobbies or interests? My main hobby other than quilting is making stained glass windows. I haven't done much glass since starting to quilt but made four windows for our house in Florida. I'm in the process of selling all my glass and supplies and plan to quit that hobby. Too stressful on the hands. I like quilting better.



OUT & ABOUT

PLEASE CHECK WITH GUILDS TO CONFIRM SHOWS ARE ON BEFORE TRAVELING!!



<http://www.springfieldquilts.com/>

Friday, March 20, 2020 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Saturday, March 21, 2020 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Illinois State Fairgrounds - Orr Building (gate 9)

- Over 400 quilts on display
- Bed Turning featuring Judy Martin and her quilts
- Special Exhibit: I Can Quilt 'n Sew quilts
- Quilts of Valor demonstrations and presentations
- Make & Take
- Door Prizes
- Scavenger Hunt for Kids
- "Looking Out for Others" Charity Sale.
- More than 50 vendor booths
- Convenient On-site Lunch
- Free Parking
- \$10 at the door
- Children 16 and under free with adult admission

Salt Creek Patchmakers Annual Quilt Show 2020

March 27 - 28

9 am to 4 pm daily

Bed Turning, Quilter's Garage Sale*, Vendors, Raffle Quilt, Lunch/Dessert Bar*, plus a Special display by Bloomington-Normal Modern Quilt Guild.

Little Galilee Christian Camp
7539 Little Galilee Rd.
Clinton, IL 61727

Admission is \$5. Children 12 and under admitted free.

*Cash or Check only

For any questions please email:
Saltcreekpatchmakers@gmail.com

Do you have a tip or trick you'd like to share?
Something you'd like to buy or sell in Classified ads?
PLEASE email us!

DCQGnews@gmail.com

Decatur Quilters Guild

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40th



Anniversary Quilt Fest

Ruby Celebration

April 3 & 4, 2020

Friday 10 am - 5 pm | Saturday 10 am - 4 pm

Decatur Area Civic Center

One Gary K Anderson Plaza | Decatur, IL

Admission: \$7.00 per day

Children under 12: \$5, under 5: Free

Wheel-chair accessible

FEATURING...

200+ QUILTS on display

Quilt Fest First Quilt Auction- Friday 6:00 PM
Benefiting Macon County
Historical Museum

Merchant Mall & Boutique Shop

Raffle Quilt 'Ruby Celebration Heirloom Quilt'
Drawing at 3:45 PM Saturday

Quilt Appraiser & Silent Auction

For more information on registering a quilt for
viewing, Quilt Auction attendance,
or Raffle Tickets visit
DecaturQuiltersGuild.com
Or call 217-706-5570

Featured Events: Vendor presentations
throughout each day. Visit the website for a
complete listing.

Quilt Appraisals: Appointments are available with
Sandy Schweitzer, an AQS Certified Quilt & Textile
Appraiser. Cost per quilt is \$50, payable to Ms.
Schweitzer. Call 217-454-4159 to arrange an
appointment.

Quilt Auction: Friday, April 3 at 6:00 PM. Quilts
will be auctioned by Andy Black. To reserve a seat
call 217-706-5570. Percentage of proceeds to
benefit Macon County Historical Museum.

Quilt Display: Over 200 quilted items will be
displayed. All items must be preregistered. First,
second, third and Best of Show winners to be
chosen by our judging panel. Viewer's Choice
balloting ends at 2:00 pm on SATURDAY.

Raffle Quilt - Ruby Celebration Heirloom Quilt.
Made by Guild Members and Quilted by Joy
Voltenberg. Tickets available from any Guild
Member at \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00.



Silent Auction: Items made by Guild Members will
be available for bids throughout the show. Auctions
will close at 3:30 pm on Saturday. All proceeds will
go to – **Macon County Historical Museum.**

Quilt Registration - Quilts may be registered by
non-members for display at the show with entry fee
of \$5.00 per quilt. Contact 217-972-6629.
Registration forms are available on website:
www.decaturquiltersguild.com.

String-A-Long Quilt Guild

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2020 Focus:



***Generations
of
Quilters***

18th Biennial Quilt Show

Saturday, April 4, 2020

9:00 am-5:00 pm

Sunday, April 5, 2020

10:00 am-4:00 pm

Newly remodeled 10,000+ Sq. Ft.
Porter County Expo will display:

- ⊗Quilts of All Sizes⊗
- ⊗Traditional & Modern Quilts⊗
- ⊗Antique & Youth Quilt Display⊗
- ⊗Youth Division Block Challenge⊗
- ⊗Quilts of Valor Presentations⊗
- ⊗Kits for K9's Charity Silent Auction⊗
- ⊗Raffle Baskets⊗ ⊗Raffle Quilt⊗
- ⊗Boutique⊗ ⊗Bed Turning⊗
- ⊗Vendors & Food ... And More⊗

Admission: \$7.00 Adult 18 & Over

\$2.00 Children 11-17

Free Children 10 & Under

Porter County Expo Center

215 E Division Road

(South of US 30 on IN 49)

Valparaiso, IN 46383

For more information visit our website

www.stringalongqg.org or email us at

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GUILD INFO

Mailing Address: DCQG
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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 open at 6:30pm for gathering to meet and greet, with the meeting beginning at 7pm.

Find us on Facebook!

Search for “Dekalb
Group”

And click join for
conversations, sharing,