

March 2021

Our Mission Statement:

To promote the fellowship and art of quilting

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From the President

Happy Spring!

The News-Patch

Well, the snow has melted, and I am seeing robins in my yard. (2) That, along with receiving my second shot last week, has made me feel that I am finally seeing the light at the end of the tunnel after this crazy year.

The board had a great meeting with many ideas for how we can get together, one way or another, over these next few months. We'll still be having virtual presentations in March and April, but then maybe meet outside in May for our annual Salad Supper – details to follow.

Also, it is election time for the board, so if anyone is interested you can read further about it in this newsletter.

Hang in there,

Jennifer

P.S. Does anyone ever remember seeing an actual salad at the Salad Supper? ③

MARCH MEETING

Scrappy quilt as you go placemats by Madaline Carpenter.

Featured during the Thursday 3/25 meeting at 7:00 pm



If you follow our Facebook page you have seen the amazing quilts Madaline creates out of her many scraps. Part of the reason she is able to get them <u>done</u> is because she uses a quilt as you go method. Madaline will demo this technique via prerecorded video and will be available during the meeting to answer any questions. Please be sure to join us during the meeting to see the video.



Join us on Zoom from any computer

with an internet connection. You will need speakers to hear or connect via phone (to add speaker and microphone)– if necessary.

Connect in one click with the following link:

https://kish.zoom.us/j/89115417738?pwd=ZEtzSnpHOGZNWUxLamJxU1R5VDU3UT09

OR

Go to <u>https://zoom.us</u>

Click join a meeting and enter:

Meeting ID: 891 1541 7738 Passcode: Thread Dial in at 1-312-626-6799



If you want to try Zoom before the meeting, send me email or text and I'm happy to work with you.

Kyra

FUTURE MEETINGS

When Will We Meet Again...?

I have been in contact with The Federated Church. They will discuss at their next meeting when we will be able to hold guild meetings, along with our Sewing Saturdays. Right now, we are looking at meeting inside starting in September with a few outside options for this summer.

We will still be meeting virtually for our March and April meetings; featuring our very own guild members!

The board has discussed a few options for meeting outside, weather permitting, starting in May. We are looking at having the May Salad Supper at the Sycamore Park. Everyone would bring their own "salad" and have the option of sitting wherever you feel comfortable. Most quilts are big enough to see from a distance, so we could have an actual show & tell.

With all the bus shop hops being cancelled, we are also discussing organizing our own Shop Hop. People can drive with or without others, again, however you are comfortable and meet at an outside location for lunch.

Just some of the ideas we are working on to give us options for getting together, in one form or another.

Jennifer

BABY QUILTS

If you have any baby quilts to donate for the NICU, please contact JoAnn Russell and she will be happy to pick them up!

A friendly reminder...

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

VIRTUAL FREE TABLE

I suspect many of you have spent time cleaning and organizing your quilting space; I know I have. And, let me guess, you have that pile on the table or bag full of items you were planning to bring to the next meeting to put on the "free table". Well, here is your opportunity!

If you have anything you'd like to share, please bring it to our March Zoom to show off or email us for inclusion in the next newsletter. Members can then contact one another and arrange for contact-less front porch pick up or delivery! Hey, maybe even throw in a little treat (chocolate for me, please) if you'd like 🕄

Jennifer.

MARCH QUILT LOTTO

Last month we shared the next three quilt lotto blocks that were never collected due to the events of the last year. Hopefully you've been sewing away and have some blocks to enter in the drawing.

To be entered in the lotto, please drop off your completed blocks along with your name, by Tuesday, March 23rd. If you are unable to drop your blocks off, snail mail works too. (Please reference your membership list for addresses.)

DeKalb Drop off: Kathy Wells Sycamore Drop off: Kathi Davis

Winners will be announced at the Zoom meeting on the 25th. Each block earns another chance to win. Last year we collected enough blocks to have 3 winners!







(Courtesy of Jordan Fabrics: https://jordanfabrics.com/pages/sisters-choice-runner-free-pattern)

GETTING TO KNOW...

We still have plenty of members to profile but no volunteers! Delease help us introduce YOU to the rest of our guild members. It's a fun 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?

ELECTIONS

Normally we would be asking for nominations at our next meeting. Due to our inability to meet at this time, the current board members have agreed to stay on (again) to ensure the continuity of the guild (a huge THANK YOU to our board members).

Of course, if there is anyone interested in a board position, please let me know. In no way do we want to dominate the board positions; just trying to keep the momentum going.

We have had the VP of Programs and the VP of Special Events open for a few years, with no one interested. Kyra has expressed an interest in taking over the VP of Programs, but we would then need someone to step into the Treasurer position, so please let me know if you are interested in the Treasurer position as well.

Jennifer

GUILD INFO



- Prior to the pandemic closures, meetings were 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.