

March 2022

Our Mission Statement:

To promote the fellowship and art of quilting

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FROM THE PRESIDENT

What a fun retreat! Thanks for the emergency M&M medication Bobbi ; you'll have to share this cute saying at the March meeting. We all made great progress on our projects and picked up some wonderful recipes along the way.

Remember, elections are this month, and <u>we need your</u> <u>help</u>. This is your guild, and we need participation from everyone.

It finally feels like Spring. Doing a little cleaning and reorganizing; looking forward to starting some colorful projects.

Happy Quilting, Jennifer

MEMBER SURVEY

Thank you to those who completed and turned in the questionnaire from the February newsletter. If you took one home from the February meeting, please bring it to the March meeting. Extra printed copies will be available. We'll use the tabulated information for guild meeting and quilt show planning and the results will be presented later this spring

MARCH PROGRAM

March Program: Games Galore!

The March meeting will be a game night. I have found a variety of games we can play for the evening. I will pull together some prizes too. This less formal setting is a great way to get to know each other, have some fun, and talk quilts.

For one of the games, I would ask that you bring 5 Charm Squares (5" by 5") in spring colors. These can be from a charm pack or cut from yardage. Let's see your pastel colors.

Snack time!!

After a year without meetings and another year without snack, I think we are all ready for some treats during our meetings. We will list 5-6 people to bring snacks per month. With the understanding that not everyone will make it to the meeting. If it is your month, please bring a snack to share. Prepackaged food is great, homemade baked goods are outstanding!

March Treats	April Treats
Kyra R	Rob S
Paulanne R	Krista U
JoAnn R	Laura W
Peggy S	Vera W
Pam S	Chris W

BOARD ELECTIONS

This is your guild. What would you like to see? Who would you like to hear? Is there a new technique you would like to learn? What events should we participate in? These are the types of decisions you could be a part of if you join the board. It only takes about one hour a month; meetings are held via Zoom, so you don't even have to leave your house. Not a huge time commitment compared to the rewards of being an active member of our guild. We will be voting during our March meeting.

Usually, we elect half the positions each year and they stay on the board for two years. That way we always have some continuity of board members. Things got a bit off track these past two years and all the board members stepped up and stayed on for an extra two years. I am going to stay on, along with Kyra, Peg and Kathi. Therefore, we will be looking for a second VP of Programs (to focus on 2023-24 speakers), VP of Special Events, Secretary, and Director-

at-Large. Feel free to give any of us a call if you would like to discuss what is all involved. In addition, there are descriptions on our website. We will also be looking for committee chairs.

Jennifer Olbrich 815-761-1032

MEMBERSHIP

We had 13 members take advantage of the retreat. There was plenty to eat and plenty of time for productive sewing and sharing our talents and knowledge with each other. We are currently looking into the dates for our next one so stay tuned. Details will be coming soon!

Several members took advantage of our Sewing Saturday. These take place the second Saturday of every month from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. at the church. Again, a great time to visit and sew without the distractions you may have at home, so mark your calendar and plan on coming to join us!

Sadly, one of our members, Marcia Goodrich, has passed away. I was fortunate to have had the opportunity to visit with her at our December meeting. That was the last meeting she was able to attend. So at our next meeting, I challenge you to sit by and get to know someone new. I am sure glad that I did.

If you have any questions, feel free to call, text or email me 815-757-8115 or kimcolness@comcast.net.

Sew blessed!

Kim Colness

HARVEST OF QUILTS 2022 (9/24-25)

The Harvest of Quilts 2022 Quilt Entry form is attached to this newsletter and on the website, dcqg.org. Please hand these out to whomever you know that might be willing to have a quilt at our show.

The Harvest of Quilts committee meeting is now via Zoom. You can join us via a computer or your phone for free. If you are interested in sharing your ideas about the upcoming show with the committee, please contact me (Kathi Davis, <u>kad0522@comcast.net</u> or 815-895-8229). The next meeting is 6pm Monday March 14th. The meetings usually last less than an hour. The main purpose is to make sure things are getting done and to discuss the next things that need to be completed.

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 Quilt Show Entry forms from everyone, not just DCQG members.

Thanks so much for your assistance! Kathi Davis, Chair Harvest of Quilts 2022 <u>quiltshow@dcqg.org</u> 815-895-8229

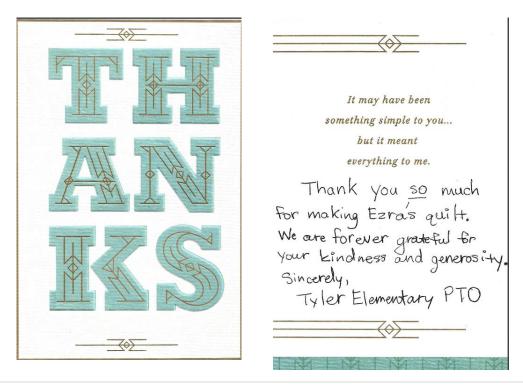
Harvest of Quilts 2022 Quilt Show Committee: Chair: Kathi Davis, Treasurer: Peg Simonds, Boutique: Jean Bradford, Volunteers: Kim Colness, Vendors: Chris Wells, Raffle Tickets: Kathy and Chris Wells, Ribbon Toppers: Kathy Wells.

A friendly reminder...

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

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

A thank you from Tyler Elementary:



GETTING TO KNOW...KAREN ELLIS

How long have you been a guild member? I just joined. Several years ago, I belonged before.

How long have you been sewing? About 15 years.

What was your first project? The Yellow Brick Road. I still use the pattern.

Favorite colors?

I especially like rich colors – cranberry, dark greens

Least favorite color?

Black. It is hard to see black thread on black material.

Who's your favorite quilting celebrity? Ricky Tims

On what are you currently working?

Baby blankets. A kit, Ombre Carnival Bloom from Moda

Any other hobbies or interests?

I am addicted to counted cross-stitch. I tell myself this is my last project – then I start another. I read a lot also – I like mysteries.

If you're interested in reading previous interviews of our members, please check out the old newsletters at dcqg.org

If you'd like to participate, please send your answers to us at <u>dcqgnews@gmail.com</u> or bring to a meeting. We'd love to get to know you!



OUT & ABOUT



2022 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

February 22 – May 7: Little Beauties: The Art of Miniature Quilts The Quilters Hall of Fame is excited to open our 2022 Exhibit season with "Little Beauties", a study of the fantasy and power of making it small. This exhibit of small and miniature quilts will feature the creative works of Kathy Tracy of Illinois, Mary Elizabeth Kinch of Canada, Shirley Liby of Indiana and Honorees Bets Ramsey of Tennessee and Mary Schafer of Michigan.

May 10 - July 30: Mary Schafer: American Quilt Maker

Presenting the work of 2007 Honoree Mary Schafer. Mary was passionate about preserving old quilts and honoring their makers by reproducing their quilts and often incorporating her own original motifs in the piecing and/or quilting. The Quilters Hall of Fame was honored recently with a donation of her quilts and we are excited to share those with you.

August 2 – October 1: TQHF 2022 Honoree: Diane Gaudynski We are so pleased to share the quilts made by 2022 TQHF Honoree Diane Gaudynski. When Diane's love of sewing took her into the world of quilting in the 1980s, it was a whole new direction for her. Over the years, intense practice and study have made her a master at the art of machine quilting. Diane will be inducted into The Quilters Hall of Fame at Celebration 2022, July 21 – 23.

October 4 – December 10: Joe Cunningham: Finding Freedom Joe Cunningham started making quilts in 1979, and for about 20 years primarily made copies of old quilts and imitations of old quilt styles. Around the year 2000, he began to make quilts inspired by the adventurous spirit of the 19th century quilters rather than the literal structure. In his attempt to find a way to be free in his thinking, Joe found he could find freedom in his quiltmaking. The Quilters Hall of Fame is honored to feature the works of Joe Cunningham. The Quilters HALL OF FAME

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February 28, 2022

Members of the DeKalb County Quilters Guild,

The Friends of the Sycamore Library received a large donation of quilting and crafting books, magazines, pamphlets, patterns and more. Approximately 6 cases of the materials apply to quilting. Other large crafting areas are appliqué, fleece, punch needle, pillows and embroidery. These items are new or very lightly used.

We are highlighting these materials at our Book Sale on April 8 and 9 at the Sycamore Library during regular Library hours. The sale will be in the meeting room (Meeting Room 1) that is to the left side of the main service desk in the main entrance area.

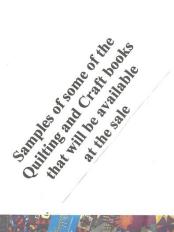
Suggested donations for items range from \$.25 to \$3.00. Cash, debit and credit cards are accepted.

All proceeds from this sale will pass from the Friends to the Library to enhance and improve your library experience.

We've included the Book Sale flyer along with a couple of sample photos of the types of materials you will see at the sale.

Please consider stopping by and please share the information with all of your talented friends.

Thank you from the Friends of the Sycamore Library











PRESENTED BY Piecemakers Quilt Guild of Brandon Friday, October 14th 9 am—5 pm Saturday, October 15th 9 am—4 pm The Regent 6437 Watson Road

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RECEIVE YOUR PASSPORT AT THE SHOW AND JOIN US ON OUR JOURNEY TO:

> Judged Quilts on Display and for Sale Marketplace Gift Shop Vendors Silent Auction Gift Basket Drawing Passport Drawing Opportunity Quilt Drawing Food Truck Admission: \$10.00 for single day; \$15.00 for 2 days

For additional information: www.BrandonQuiltGuild.com

(Discount for prearranged Groups of 15 or more, email RNRYAN1646@icloud.com)

GUILD 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.