



# The News-Patch

October 2018

## Our Mission Statement:

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

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## From the President

Happy Fall!

I love this season. It gives me the chance to sit on my porch reading all wrapped up in a quilt ☺

As I write this I am looking forward to our upcoming open sewing day. We had a great time last month. I finished the baby quilt I started. However, I do need to add a border for it to be large enough for the NICU. Apparently, I was “mathematically challenged” when I calculated the number of blocks that were needed to downsize the pattern. I forgot to account for trimming all the outside blocks when I put it on point ☹.

Have you been thinking about your favorite holiday recipe you’ll be bringing to our holiday party? We had such a great selection last year! (Jean – you may need to bring two cheesecakes this year, as I will be bringing my Tupperware for leftovers ☺). Also, start thinking about the ornament you would like to make for the exchange. We had some cute patterns at last month’s open sewing. Put November 17<sup>th</sup> on your calendar and come sew with us & make your ornaments.

Happy Quilting!  
Jennifer

## OCTOBER PROGRAM

I hope everyone is working hard on their #5 UFO. Our next workshop is scheduled for Saturday, November 17th at the Federated Church 612 W. State Street, Sycamore. Please come and join the fun. Bring a UFO, a new project, or that Christmas gift that you must finish. It is hard to think about, but our next regular Thursday night meeting will be on the 25<sup>th</sup> of October, just 2 short months before Christmas.

We will be playing Left, Right, Center at the October meeting. To join in the fun, please bring 5 (five) – 5” charm squares of Christmas fabric. If you have never played this before, it is a fun, quick, and easy to learn game and some lucky person will win some charm squares to take home. We will divide up into groups depending on the number of members attending.

### CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Christmas party will be a potluck on December 6 at 6:30 at St Mary’s in Sycamore. Everyone attending is asked to bring a dish to pass.

We will also be having an ornament exchange. Bring 2 Christmas ornaments put 1 in the basket and one on the tree. Handmade ornaments are nice, but not mandatory. If you bring an ornament, take an ornament before leaving. The basket of ornaments will be given to DeKalb County Rehab & Nursing Home.

There will be a gift exchange this year. Bring a wrapped gift, something “quilty” that you as a quilter like and that another quilter would also like. This can be a book, pattern, charm pack, notion, or something that you have made. Watch for the Black Friday and Small Business Saturday sales at quilt shops – you might just find a really nice bargain on gift items and don’t forget to put your own name on that gift list.

For more information, please contact me.

Bobbie Lundberg, Program Chair



# MONTHLY REFRESHMENTS

WHEN WILL IT BE MY MONTH TO BRING TREATS TO GUILD?

For those members who are planning ahead and have asked what month they are assigned to provide refreshments for the guild meeting, below is the list:

October	Mary Lou C Kim C Ilene C Kathy D Lori D	March	Mary Jean L Bobbie L Eena L Jennifer O Susan R
January	Jill D Dorothy F Kay F Judy H Kelly H	April	JoAnn R Peggy S Pam S Mary T Krista U
February	Susie H Rachel H Anita H Sheryl K Jan K	May	Salad supper – all bring dish to pass
		June	Vera W Chris W Kathy W Rosalie W

# WAYS & MEANS

Hello from Ways and Means!

October brings us to the **Sycamore Pumpkin Festival** which will be held: Saturday, October 27 and Sunday, October 28. If you're not volunteering to work the guild booth, please be sure to stop by and say "Hi!"

Don't forget! We will be raffling off FOUR (4) quilts at the festival! 3 quilt sets (child size and doll size) along with an American Girl style doll for the girls and one child size quilt for a little boy. Tickets are available at \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. Be sure to stop by and pick up a few tickets for a chance to win one of these wonderful quilts for the little ones in your life. Be sure to tell your family, friends, neighbors and co-workers about this wonderful opportunity to get a jump on their Christmas shopping and to take a chance on winning one of these quilts, as all the proceeds will directly benefit

our guild! I'll provide a few items to sell with a percentage of the proceeds directed back to the Guild as well.

I'm hoping to "spread the word" about our Guild at the festival, will display the photo/informational board and prepare some informational handouts about the Guild as well. Also, there will be a sign-up sheet for those attendees that may be interested in more information, or possibly joining the Guild. The goal here is to gain new members in our Guild. If we want to keep the Guild going and provide top quality speakers and/or educational workshops and other programs in the future, it takes ALL of us to be involved in spreading the word and bringing a friend (or as many as you like) to one of our meetings or "Funtastic" Sew Days!

Below are the volunteer sign-ups for Pumpkin Fest:

SYCAMORE PUMPKIN FEST		
VOLUNTEERS – SATURDAY, OCTOBER 27 9:00 – 5:00		
Time Frame		
From	To	Name
8:30	11:30	Peg Simonds
		Mary Jane Lane
11:30	2:30	JoAnn Russell
2:30	5:30	Jennifer Olbrich
VOLUNTEERS – SUNDAY, OCTOBER 28 9:00-4:00		
Time Frame		
From	To	Name
8:30	11:00	Bobbie Lundberg
11:00	2:00	Kathy Wells
2:00	4:30	Kathy Wells

## ANTHOLOGY

October is our final sharing of blocks with our Anthology "Support Group"! (I PROMISE! I'll have ALL my blocks ready for you!) This has been a fun and FAST ten months of sharing the blocks necessary to complete the Anthology quilt top. I can't wait to finish mine and see how everyone else's quilt tops turn out. Please bring yours to a "Sew and Tell" when completed.)

I have had several members ask me "Now that 2018 is coming to an end, what do you have planned for next year?" Well, I have a couple of ideas that I am pondering, and I will share them at the December Christmas dinner. A couple of "clues": think of Sherlock Holmes! And a "whodunit"!!!! That's all for now – stay tuned!

## VARIOUS AND SUNDRY ITEMS

(My husband says this when he has a mix of ideas or thoughts running through his head!)

I had mentioned in the last newsletter and meeting the idea of doing a fundraiser in the spring in the form of a “garage sale/plant sale/bake sale.” We are looking in to a date and location to hold this so, if you were thinking of splitting any of your perennials in your garden next spring, please think of our sale. I would ask that you pot them up yourself and bring them to our location the morning of the sale. We’ll do the rest! More to come as we have it available.

Also, JoAnn Russell shared a couple of ideas for a Raffle Quilt for our next quilt show (2020! Not too early to begin the quilt) **WE NEED TO GET GOING ON A RAFFLE QUILT FOR THE NEXT QUILT SHOW ASAP!**) Perhaps we can use fabrics from the stash that Kathy Davis acquired from Margie. I’m sure she would be more than happy to off load some of these fabrics for this great cause. Let’s put our heads together and get moving on a Raffle Quilt for the 2020 show. Set our goal to begin this quilt in January of 2019! This quilt will “travel” to other guilds, festivals, etc. and is our greatest fundraiser for the Guild. If you have any suggestions for a design, aside from what JoAnn suggested, please submit it to the Board ASAP. We need to get board approval before we can proceed on the quilt. Bring your ideas to the October meeting so we can present them to the board at the November meeting.

WHEW!!!! That’s A LOT of information for one month!

Until our next meeting, - happy quilting!

Sheryl – Way & Means

## **LIBRARY CLOSING**

As we announced in last month’s newsletter, the library is closing. The sale of the books was to start at the September meeting, however, the closet was locked, and we could not get to the bookcase. We will be selling the books at the October meeting for \$1.00 each. We are also taking bids on the bookcase. This is the last meeting of the year, so come prepared to purchase some books.

## Getting to Know... Rosalie Williams

### How long have you been a guild member?

Since February of 1983

### How long have you been sewing?

I have been sewing with a machine since I was 10 yrs. old – sewing doll clothes by hand before that. I even made a girdle for my Barbie doll out of wide elastic – like she needed that to ‘support’ her figure!

### What was your first sewing project?

The first project I remember making with a sewing machine was my 4-H elastic waist skirt. I won a set of stainless-steel measuring cups for the workmanship on that skirt. I don’t remember my first quilt project – we have family quilts made by great-grandmothers & grandmothers, so we have always had quilts and quilting in the family. My sister, Anita, and sister-in-law, Jo Ann, are also part of this Guild – so our family is still into quilting!



### Favorite color?

Purple, plum, fall colors

### Least favorite color?

I used to not like orange much but have grown to like the ‘spark’ it can add to a project.

### Favorite quilting celebrity?

Jenny Doan, Missouri Star Quilts – I have used several of her tutorials to make projects

### What are you currently working on?

I have fabric waiting on my cutting table to be made into a new purse. I am enjoying the monthly UFO challenge – great incentive to get some things finished!

### Any other hobbies or interests?

I have sung in a choral setting since my freshman year at Waterman High School and have been blessed to sing in the choir at First Baptist Church in DeKalb since 1973. I became the director of my church choir in 2003 – I love to sing! I enjoy playing my piano – one of my favorite pieces to play is one I grew up hearing my mother play, “Flower Song”. My husband and I own Jim’s Body Shop in DeKalb – I am the bookkeeper for our shop, process payroll & tax payments. I worked for over 30 years for DEKALB Ag/Monsanto and now work at the DeKalb Chamber of Commerce. My husband and I have two beautiful daughters, Rachel & Erica, and 2 amazing grandsons – Jackson & Joseph!

## Bits & Pieces

It may be only October, but if you're a quilter that means just a few short weeks until the Holidays. For the past several years I've been including hand-made ornaments in my hand-crafted holiday cards. Our family celebrates both Christmas and Hanukah. No store-bought cards for me. This year, I've got three ornaments that are sure to please. The first is an origami hexagon, the second is a hexagon wreath and the last is a cute 3D star made with quilt candies (those two and a half inch pre-cuts that are available at most quilt shops) This one can serve as both an ornament and a piece of wearable quilt art. I'll be looking forward to sharing these at our next all-day work session in November. Until then keep creating,

Kathy Wells

## DCQG Contact Info

Mailing Address: DCQG

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Meeting Location: Saint Mary Church PAC  
322 Waterman St.  
Sycamore IL 60178

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.

**Find us on Facebook!**

**Search for "DeKalb County  
Quilters' Guild Group"**

**And click join for  
conversations, sharing,  
and fun!**

**Do you have a trip or trick you'd like to share?  
Something you'd like to buy or sell in Classified ads?**

**Email us!**

**DCQGnews@gmail.com**



## OUT & ABOUT

### Fiber Arts Divas present Elements of Innovation 2018



Fiber art show & sale

**Oct. 30 – Nov. 10 2018**

**Show Hours:**

**10:00 - 4:00 Tues. – Sat.**

**Free admission**

**Reception Sunday, Nov.4,**

**2 to 4 pm**

**demos, refreshments**

**Original work by the Fiber Art Divas**

Art quilts-felting-wearables-

2d and 3d art. Introducing...

**“Adventure” challenge**

at the  
Naperville Fine Art Center and Gallery  
508 N Center St. Naperville, IL 60563

Questions: 630-355-2530

Hosted by the Naperville Art League

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## Sarah's Grove Quilters' Circle

Schaumburg, IL

### Press Release

Ann Kelly, Program Chair, [annk220@att.net](mailto:annk220@att.net)



*Photos provided by Valli Schiller*

The Sarah's Grove Quilters' Circle is excited to welcome Valli Schiller, an award-winning fiber artist from Naperville, IL, who will offer her class, "Folk Art Free Motion Quilting" on Sat., Nov. 10, 2018, from 9:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. (with a break for lunch). The class will be taught at the Shorewood Bible Church, 1900 Hicks, Rolling Meadows, IL.

**CLASS DESCRIPTION:** Go BOLD with your free motion quilting! Learn how freehand doodles can take simple shapes from basic to breathtaking. You'll get hands-on free motion quilting practice on a whimsical 16"x 22" whole cloth quilt (pattern provided) that you'll finish at home. You choose your own background and border fabrics. The stitching techniques you learn can be applied to any future quilting project.

**SKILL LEVEL:** Confident Beginner to Intermediate

To get the most out of this class, Valli advises that you need working knowledge of free motion quilting. You should already be comfortable with installing a free motion foot, dropping the feed dogs, setting automatic needle down, and making thread tension adjustments on your machine. You should also be able to free motion quilt along a marked line, and do freehand stippling/meandering.

**SIGN-UPS** are underway. The class will cost \$55 per student (non-guild members) for 6 hours of instruction, and includes the pattern (pictured above). Class size for this workshop is limited and pre-registration is required. For workshop registration and supply lists, please contact Ann Kelly, [annk220@att.net](mailto:annk220@att.net)

**About SGQC:** SGQC was incorporated in Schaumburg, IL in 1991 and has approximately 50 members. SGQC is a social club engaged in fostering the art of quilting, and our membership is open to any person with an interest in quilting. The guild meets on the first Tuesday of every month at the Schaumburg Public Library. At each monthly meeting, we offer programs to inform and inspire our members to pursue their quilt-related interests. "Like" us on Facebook to follow our activities.



## Gazebo Quilters – Valor Quilts

### APPLICATION

We're looking for veterans of all branches of the service. Men and women who have served their country with valor. We'd like to honor them by presenting them with a Valor Quilt to thank them for their service.

Name of Veteran: \_\_\_\_\_

Height \_\_\_\_\_

Branch of Service: \_\_\_\_\_

Years of Service: \_\_\_\_\_

How can we contact you or the veteran? Phone/email \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Any special service information?

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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

When would the veteran be available for presentation of a quilt? \_\_\_\_\_

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Your name and email address or contact # \_\_\_\_\_

Sue Bruss and Janet Meyer, Co-chairs for Gazebo Quilters Valor Quilts

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