

Riverwalk Quilters Guild

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President's Message

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Happy 2016!

I am looking forward to our upcoming Speaker, Weeks Ringle and her fun workshop. We should have a few guests present, so please welcome them to our group.

It is that time of year again: Looking for volunteers for our upcoming 2016/2017 Riverwalk Guild Board of Directors.

These are the positions that still need to be filled before the end of our current calendar year.

President (1)

Treasurer (1)

Programs/Workshops (1) - (Quilt Bs are setup to take each month but need a Chair)

Public Relations/Publicity (2)

Philanthropy (2)

Library (1)

Hospitality (2)

January/Holiday Party (2)

Small Quilt Auction (1)

Nominating Chair 2017-2018 – (1)

Special Events (2)

Raffle Quilt Chair (1)

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If you are interested, please let me know by either email or at our next meeting. We are a small but mighty group; however, we do need your help in keeping our Guild forever growing both in knowledge and in fun.

**Next Board Meeting:
February 23 at 7:00
Grace United Methodist Church**



A big Thank-you to all guild members who brought food for the Loaves and Fishes Food Pantry at the January meeting.



What to Bring – February 9

Name Tag
Desserts if you signed up to bring some
Library Books
Raffle Basket Items – See Below
Show & Tell

Website

Kathleen Pallardy
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Our new website is complete and went “live” the first week of January. New gmail accounts (starting with rqq...@gmail.com) have been created for all the positions in the guild. An auto-response is being sent to anyone who accesses the “old” names through June when we close the old accounts for good. Please take a few moments to explore our new website. All comments are welcome. Click the contact page and select contact website support. The link is the same:

www.riverwalkquilters.com

If anyone needs something added or changed on the website, ex. member gallery additions, show information, pictures, etc. please email Kathleen Pallardy by clicking on the link rqqwebsite@gmail.com or go to the website and click on the contact tab and select contact web support.



January 12 2016

Holiday Party & Rummage Sale
Mary Walschot & Nancy Niswander

rqqjanparty@gmail.com

A Big thanks to our Chinese New Year Party Hosts; Mary Walschot & Nancy Niswander and thank-you to our rummage sale Coordinator, Nancy Sturgeon. We couldn't do it without you!



Membership

Yvette Thorn Linda Kurcz
rqqmembership@gmail.com

We have added two new members to our guild in January and one returning member. Please join us in welcoming Mike Akre, Kathy Curtis and Sydney Jostes



Naperville Quilts! 2016

Quilt Show Registration - Yvette Thorn
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Quilt Show Registration

We have started receiving application forms for the show and the quilts are going to look great. The form is available at the end of the newsletter or on the RQG website. Print out one copy for each quilt that you want to submit. Include a photo for that quilt. The photo does not have to be a glossy print. A paper copy is fine.

If you did a quilt that is part of a challenge for another group, each quilt should have its own application and photo. Include that information in the write up about the quilt.

Some of you have expressed an interest in having assistance in taking photos of your quilts. Bring the quilts to the February meeting and I will help take a photo of your submissions.

We are looking for bed and wall quilts, purses and totes, quilted clothing, and table runners. Also those of you who have finished the weekend bag from the Sarah Lawson class should include the bags as well.

The March meeting is the deadline to receive your applications.

Thank you, Yvette Thorn



Remember to keep working on your quilts for the show!

Thanks, Your Quilt Show team - Celeste Akre, Rosemary Garrity, and Susan Akre

Publicity

Please continue talking about the show and begin inviting your friends and family members! Word of mouth is our most effective way to advertise. We have an event on Facebook (<https://www.facebook.com/events/518290278339734/>) that you can use to invite your friends and give them more information.

Guild Information Table

It is our hope that we will be able to recruit some new members at the show. Near the entrance, there will be an information table where visitors can ask questions or become members. We are putting together a slideshow that will run in a continuous loop to show prospective members what our guild does. If you have any pictures of guild events, please submit them to rqqquiltshow@gmail.com.

Demos

Our demo area at the show this year will be going along with our "Giving Back, Stitching Forward" theme. Bernina has just released a new Special Edition 350 with an adorable paw print design on the front. We will be raffling one of these "Best Friend" machines and half of the profit will go to the Petfinder Foundation which is a public charity that works to end the euthanasia of adoptable pets by assisting animal shelters and rescue groups.

During the show, visitors will get the opportunity to create a Kennel Quilt. These are small comfort quilts that will be donated to animals in need. Guild members are invited to make kennel quilts on their own before the show, more instructions will be coming out in future newsletters.

Member Photo Directory

Nancy Sturgeon

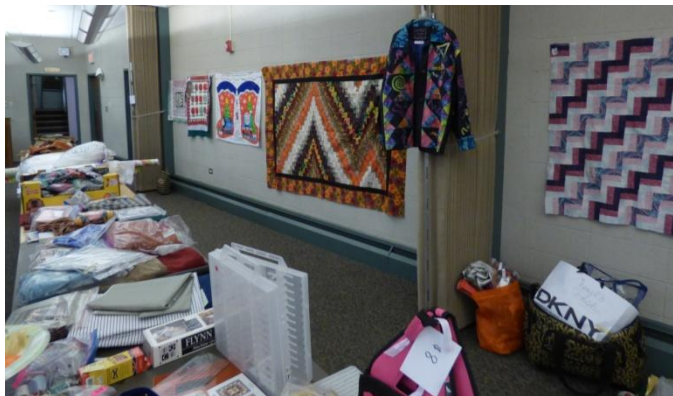
rqgmembership@gmail.com

Hope you are enjoying your new online photo membership directory.

Nancy Sturgeon will once again be taking photos at our next Guild meeting to include in our member directory. If you do not like your current photo, you are always welcome to a no hassle retake. Please look for me taking photos with my iPad near the membership desk.

If you have any ideas for additions or improvements to this directory, please contact one of the membership chairman, Yvette Thorn or Linda Kurcz rqgmembership@gmail.com, who will forward the message to Nancy.

Please note: *The directory is not posted to our guild website or anywhere on the internet. It is only available to dues paying members via an attachment to an email.*



Library News

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Please look through your book stash and see if you still have any of the following library books that have not been returned: Thank-you

Fast & Free Beginners Guide to Easy Motion Quilting (Volume 1 – DVD)

Color-Splashed Quilts by Carol Burniston

The Experts Guide to Foundation Piecing by Jane Hall

Everything Flowers by Jean & Valori Wells

Ultimate Book of Quilt Labels by Margo Clabo

Scrappy Duos – Color Recipes for Quilt Blocks by Donna Lynn Thomas

Drafting & Design by Rodale

Simple Start, Stunning Finish by Valori Wells

Color Shuffle by Karla Alexander

Machine Applique Made Easy by Jean Wells

Hospitality

Donna Millican and Jill Bryan

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Thank you all for the wonderful food at our holiday party. The evening was enjoyed by all. Please plan on bringing a snack for February. Also, just a reminder, please be sure to take home all your left-over goodies. We cannot leave anything on the tables.

Thank you, Donna



February 9 2016

Weeks Ringle
Luminous Quilts

Creating quilts with luminosity is a challenge to even the most experienced quiltmaker. This lecture will explore the concepts of contrast, value and color relationships.



Weeks Ringle and Bill Kerr are professional quiltmakers and co-founders of Modern Quilt Studio, a design studio in Oak Park, Illinois. Since 1999 Bill and Weeks have brought a modern twist to the great American quilting tradition with decades of quilting experience and graduate design degrees.

Modern Quilt Studio launched the first ever magazine exclusively dedicated to modern quilting, *Modern Quilts Illustrated*, in 2011. Their books on modern quilting and design include *Transparency Quilts*, *Quilts Made Modern*, *The Modern Quilt Workshop* and *Quiltmaker's Color Workshop*.

Their work has been featured widely in the national press including in *O: The Oprah Magazine*, *TIME*, *The New York Times*, *Dwell*, *American Patchwork & Quilting* and *Country Living*. They design multiple lines a year for *Andover Fabrics* and have developed bedding and textiles for *Crate and Barrel*.

Bill and Weeks lecture and teach design and quilting throughout the US and internationally. When not busy designing and sewing, Weeks writes about craft and creativity on her blog *Craft Nectar*.

WORKSHOP: "Rediscovering Your Stash" February 10, 2016

Time: 9:30 – 4 pm

Location: Thimbles, Lockport

Level: Adventurous beginning
To advanced

Cost: \$59 including lunch for non-members
\$69 for non-members.



Non-members that come to the lecture will be let into the guild meeting for **FREE** if they signed up for the workshop.

Gain color confidence and plan creative ways to use your stash in one day! Mix a big dose of color theory with an in-depth discussion of combining patterns and a pinch of working with large-scale fabrics and you'll end up with a plan for projects that you want to make from the fabrics you already have. In addition, you'll have consultations about how to freshen up your stash while learning how to use fabrics that you love but find perplexing. You'll see new possibilities for working with your stash and leave the workshop with beautiful palettes and plans for your next few projects. Bring patterns you love and fabrics you'd like to use or are unsure how to use and you'll be amazed at how you'll be able to pull it all together.

***** Supplies Needed *****

An open mind and a large assortment of cotton quilting fabric. Try to include different values and hues, small-scale prints, tone-on-tone prints, solids, stripes, batiks, large-scale fabrics and especially fabrics you love but find challenging to use. Small quantities are fine. You'll also need a sewing machine, rotary cutting equipment, extension cord, thread, seam ripper, notebook or journal, and any supplies you like to have handy when quilting. Our **Fabric Fusion** quilt, shown above, is just one example of a quilt that students have made using their stashes and what they have learned in this workshop.

Philanthropy Sew-In

April 12

Sandy Hess and Joanne Sheahan

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Happy February, the month of love! Let's show how much love our Guild has for others and remember to take some time for quilting for those in need.

Our sew-in will be here before we know it. There are a few changes this year. NOTHING hard! It's time to begin the process.

Here are our guidelines for 2016

1. We will use **only cotton fabric** this year. **NO FLANNEL**. It is soft and cuddly but caused a lot of problems while preparing them for delivery. We will not accept any flannel for the sew-in. If you are making and completing one at home, it must be washed and brushed, to remove the lint before we will accept it.
2. Begin by cutting (2) each 8" squares of cotton fabric. Using the same fabric for the front and back of sandwich is preferred.
3. Cut (1) 7" square of batting. You may mix and match batting.
4. Assemble the sandwich. 8" square on top, batting in middle, 8" square on back – just like a regular quilt but really small!
5. Keeping all sides matching, sew from corner to corner forming a big X.
6. Square is finished – have some chocolate!

If you are completing a rag quilt at home, use 49 squares. 7 squares across and 7 rows up and down and a 1/2 inch seam to join the squares and also to connect the rows. Please check your seams because it is easy for a square to slip and then it comes apart.

These instructions are on our new website but please feel free to call or e-mail me, Sandy Hess or Joanne Sheahan for any questions.



Programs 2016-2017

Sabrina Marton

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Announcing our new line-up of speakers and workshops for the calendar year 2016-2017. B's will be our program hosts each month:

July 12, 2016

Kathy Tracy of Country Lanes Quilts
"A little History of Quilting"

August 9, 2016

School House

September 13, 2016

Jane Sassaman
"Janes Textile Treasure Garden"

Workshop: Sept 14, *Suns & Moons*

October 18, 2016

Small Quilt Auction

November 8, 2016

Denise Havlan *"Quilting Journey"*
Workshop: Nov. 9 *Nester*

December 13, 2016

Melissa Wraalstad. Executive Director of Wisconsin Museum of Quilts & Fiber Arts
"Treasures from the Vault"

January 10, 2017

Holiday Party and Rummage Sale

February 14, 2017

Valli Schiller *"My Life in Quilt Years"*

March 14, 2017

Maggie Weiss
"The Sacred Feminine in Fiber"

April 11, 2017

Philanthropy Sew In

May 9, 2017

Lisa Binkley *"Adding Sparkle & Texture to your Quilts"*

Workshop: May 10, *Bead Embroidered Mini Quilts*

June 13, 2017

Susan Cleveland of Pieces Be With You
Lecture TBA

Workshop: June 14 TBA

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We would like to thank Mary Jo Campbell for 2 quilts and Amy Shuter and friends for 7 pillowcases.

Naperville Quilts! 2016

Quilt Show News - Heidi Enright

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YOUR Quilt Show is drawing near. YOUR Quilt Show will be displaying your talented RQG member quilts. YOUR Quilt Show isn't juried. It's not about winning ribbons. It's about showing the community what our guild members are doing—all the members.

It's about encouraging that new guild member to show her first quilt. It's about showing what **you** have learned and what **you** have been working on the past couple of years. YOUR Quilt Show inspires quilters and encourages more people to join the guild and learn. YOUR Quilt Show is the best way for us to reach out to the public and let them know how we are progressing in our quilting hobby.

YOUR Quilt Show needs YOUR quilt! We need EVERY member from beginner to advanced to submit at least 1 quilt. Wouldn't it be great to have 100% participation?! YOU are part of what will make the Quilt Show a success. YOU are what makes RQG so great!

See **QUILT SHOW REGISTRATION ABOVE** for details. Form is Attached & on Website

Naperville Quilts! 2016

Raffle Baskets - Amy Shuter

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The "Build a Basket" adventure continues...

Bee Baskets - would your bee like to donate a basket? (Basket committee can package it)

30's Reproductions - please, could each member donate a fat quarter of 30's reproduction fabric

Gardner's Delight - gardening tools, gardening apron, seeds, etc

Date Night - snacks, chocolate, wine glasses, chick flick, coffee

Life at the Beach - flip flops, sunglasses, towel, sunscreen, books to read

Read and Snuggle with Grandma - children's books, quilt, soft toys

Selvages Jar- fabric selvages with at least 1/2 inch of fabric in addition to the selvage

Miscellaneous quilting supplies such as fabric, books, rulers, needles, thread, etc are also always welcome as good basket fillers.

Please bring your donations to the guild meetings.

Thank you for your help in making baskets so full of treasures that people will buy lots of raffle tickets! Amy Shuter

We will be having a "**Resale Corner**" at the show and need your donations of quilt **Fabric**, quilt **Books** and quilt **Patterns**. There will be bins at future meetings to collect these items. These are the only items we will sell!

Thank-you! Nancy Lindburg & Ruth Hild
rqqspecialevents@gmail.com

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

The volunteer sheets for the quilt show have made their debut at the January party. They will now be at every meeting. Please sign up for at least two slots. If you would like a specific job but will not be at the meeting, feel free to contact me. We can discuss what works best for you.

Thank you! Kathy Herbach

March 8 2016

Pat Sloan - Wild and Free

Pat Sloan designer, author, lecturer, and with her weekly radio show... Pat truly is the "Voice of Quilting". She has a deep passion for making quilting fun for herself and everyone around her. Pat loves to hang out with quilters on the internet as well as visit you in person. Be inspired to get more done!

Sewing since she was a child and quilting for over 20 years, Pat eventually looked to her craft as a business. After a few years quilting she started to teach quilt making to others and then turned her skills to pattern designing. She found that she really enjoys designing and seeing how other quilters made her patterns. In 2000 Pat's designs became so popular that she and her husband Gregg formed a design and publishing company called Pat Sloan & Co. In addition to designing and publishing her work, they now travel around the country teaching and showing her quilts to quilt guilds and quilt shops. Also, Pat has had her designs published in all the national magazines, she has written 31 quilt books and has designed many lines of fabric for Moda Fabrics.

When Pat took her passion to the internet she built several quilt communities, the largest is her group on Facebook with over 41,000 quilters from around the world.

Over Five years ago she started a weekly All Quilting radio/podcast. You can hear her interview quilt celebrities, historians, designers and authors from around the world, all on your computer! All the podcasts are available for download.

Visit her web site www.patsloan.com to see all the Pat Sloan & Co. patterns.

WORKSHOP: "Mamas Garden" March 9, 2016

Time: 10:00 – 4:00

Fee: \$75 includes pattern & lunch

Contact Thimbles directly to sign up for this workshop (815) 836-8735

Location: Thimbles, Lockport 940 State St.



Learn Pat's tricks to "punch up" your appliqué quilt backgrounds. No more neutral tan or beige backgrounds. Bring on the Color and the pattern to make your quilts sing! Pat's classic and popular "Mama's Garden" is the project quilt. Then we will spend the day making the most spectacular background for your appliqué. Contact Thimbles directly to sign up.

May 10 2016

Carolyn Mack

Parade of Quilts:Up Close & Personal

Carolyn has been quilting for 30 years, making over 200 quilts to date. She is passionate about solving complex design problems, working with friendship exchange blocks, pushing the boundaries of machine quilting and experimenting with new techniques. Her quilts have a contemporary look noted for their intricate quilting, innovative piecing and artistic feel. Accolades include numerous Viewer's Choice awards and prizes at local shows, quilts exhibited at AQS, Paducah and having a quilt published in Quilter's Newsletter Magazine.

She enjoys sharing her passion for teaching as she presents her trunk show of almost 50 quilts.

Upcoming Midwest and Local Events

International Quilt Festival/Chicago

April 7-9, 2016 Donald E. Stephens Convention Center

Please think about entering your quilts for the show! All the information and forms can be found on our website at:

www.quilts.com/home/contests/index.php now. The deadlines are January 29th for traditional or February 12th for modern.

Guild members can earn money for your guild by working the show. We are looking for workers to help hang quilts, guardians to watch over the quilts during the Festival, doorpersons to scan tickets, and workers to help with takedown after the show is closed. We pay \$8.25 an hour, for parking (up to \$13), and you receive free entry to the show for each day you work. If guild members sign up under the guild's name, the guild would receive a check for the hours worked. Have members contact me through email or by calling. I will begin scheduling after January 20th, 2016.

Terri Winsauer Quilts, Inc Piece Corps Coordinator E-mail:

worktheshow@quilts.com

45th Annual Kalona Quilt Show/Sale 2016

Thurs. **April 28** Evening Only 5 pm- 8 pm

Fri. **April 29** 9 am - 7 pm

Sat. **April 30** 9 am - 5 pm

Admission \$5.00 (good for all three days!)

Located in the Kalona Community Center, on the corner of 6th & D. Ave. in **Kalona, IA.**

Over 300 New and Antique Hand Quilted quilts will be on display and for sale. Many are Amish - Mennonite made. Don't miss the Fabulous Kalona Quilt and Textile Museum just one block east of the show. There will be a craft show at the museum.

Upcoming Midwest and Local Events

Faithful Circle Quilters Guild meets the fourth Wednesday of the month at First Presbyterian Church, corner of 4th and Fairview Ave. in Downers Grove. Meetings begin at 7 PM. Check out the website at www.fcquilters.com

March 30 Jacquie Gering Modern Quilting

Friday, April 1 Jacquie Gering Precision Lines Workshop

\$45 members, \$55 non-members 9-3 PM

Saturday, April 2 Jacquie Gering Creative Quilting with Your Walking Foot Workshop

\$45 members, \$55 non-members 9-3 PM

June 22 meeting Karen Kay Buckley To Border or Not to Border

Friday, June 24 Karen Kay Buckley Fiesta Mexico \$45 members, \$55 non-members 9-3 PM Pattern fee \$25

Block Three with Border Workshop

Saturday June 25 Karen Kay Buckley Circles Squared-Machine Applique Workshop \$45 members, \$55 non-members 9-3 PM

August 24 Joe Cunningham My Life in Quilts

Thursday August 25 Joe Cunningham Rock the Block Album Style Workshop

\$45 members, \$55 non-members 9-3 PM

Salt Creek Guild Quilt Show

Traditions with a Twist.

Dates: April 2 & 3, 2016

Time: 10:00 am to 5:00 pm

Location: Hinsdale Community House
415 W. 8th Street
Hinsdale, IL 60521

See Attached Flyer for Details!

Show & Tell January Meeting



Catherine Redford is our featured Speaker for our June 14 RQG Meeting and will host a Workshop, *"Get those Tops Made into Quilts"*



Riverwalk Quilters Guild

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Click blue titles to send
an email

Newsletter: The Riverwalk Quilters Guild newsletter is published monthly. To submit articles for inclusion, contact Sabrina Marton at rggnewsletter@gmail.com by the 4th Tuesday of the month.

Advertising: Rates are based on one month's issue. Ads must be prepaid and received by the Editor by the 4th Tuesday of each month.

Full Page \$50.00 Half Page \$25.00
Quarter Page \$12.50 Eighth Page \$5.00
Full page ad available for single month only.

RQG Board Meetings

4th Tuesday of each month at 7pm

Upcoming Programs

Tracy Husch-Lissak, Joan Der, Leesa Jump

rggprograms@gmail.com

February 9, 2016

Weeks Ringle "Luminous Quilts"

Workshop: Feb 10 "Rediscovering Your Stash"

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Naperville Quilts! 2016

June 14, 2016

Catherine Redford – "Most Excellent Adventures in Quilting"

Workshop: June 16, 2016 "Get those Tops Made into Quilts"



Riverwalk Quilters Guild Meetings

2nd Tuesday of each month at 7pm

Grace United Methodist Church

300 E. Gartner Road, Naperville, Illinois

Address: PO Box 5092 Naperville, IL 60567

Website: www.riverwalkquilters.com

Facebook: www.facebook.com/RiverwalkQuilters

Naperville Quilts! 2016

Quilt Show Application Form

Please fill out all pertinent information

Leave this Box Blank			
Entry Number		Placement id	

SHOWPIECE SIZE (for placement)

As you view the quilt hanging	
Top to bottom height:	
Left to Right width	

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Address: _____

Town: _____

Name of Quilt: _____

Pattern/Source: _____ **Quilted by:** _____

Description: This will be displayed by your entry at the show. It can also include stories, inspiration, etc

If this is a bed sized quilt, is it ok to hang from the second floor balcony? **Y or N** (circle one please)

Although this is not a juried show, we are limited by hanging space mostly for bed sized quilts. Please put a priority number (ie., 1, 2, 3, etc) for your desire to have this quilt in the show. Again, we will use this only if we have run out of space. _____

I have read and understand the stated rules. Riverwalk Quilters and Northern Illinois University, Naperville, IL are not responsible for any theft or damage that might occur. (Consult you insurance agent regarding coverage under your homeowner's policy.) Information will be furnished to you later regarding quilt preparation and quilt hanging sleeves.

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

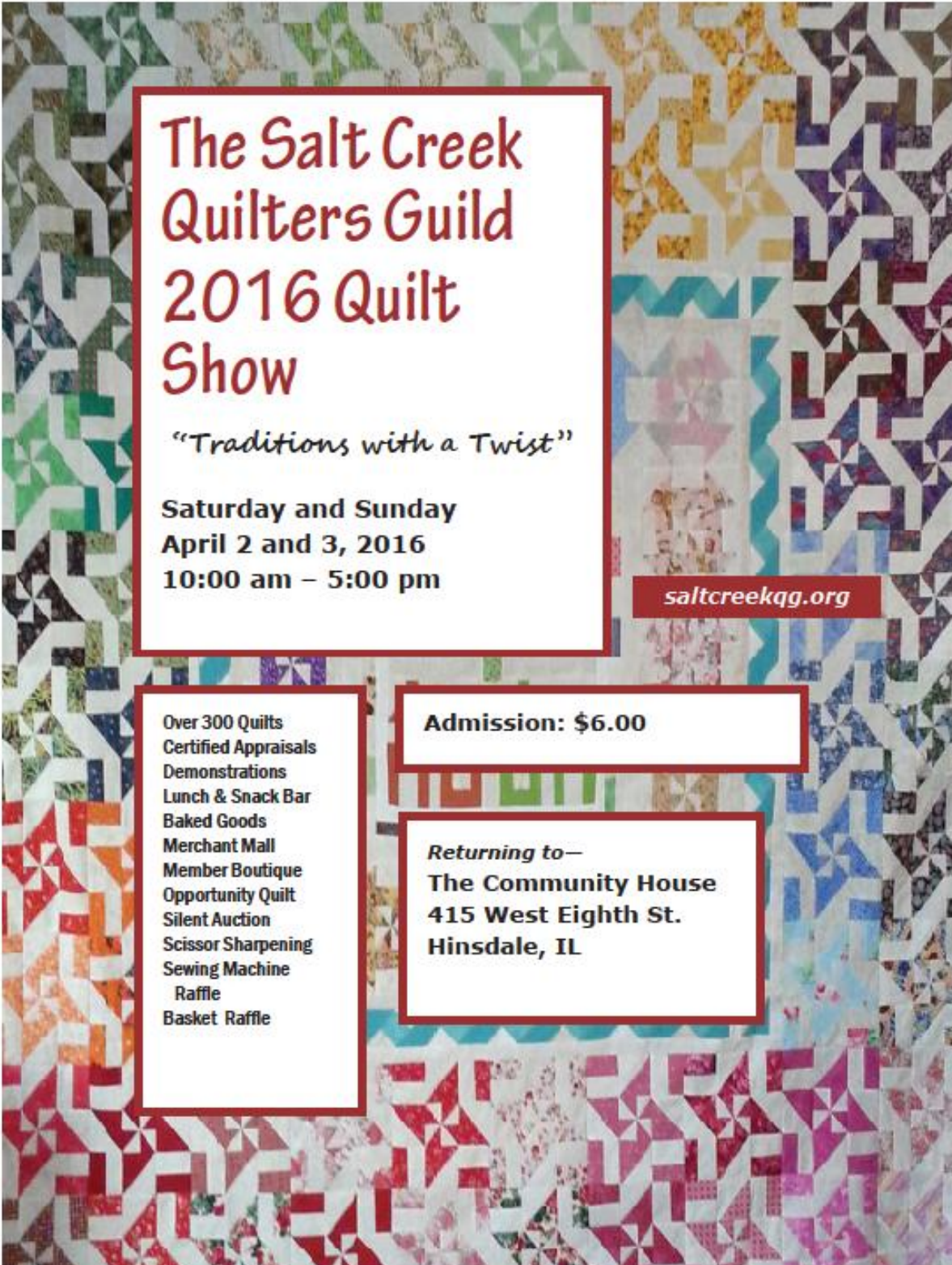
Staple Photo Here

Please do not cover registration info at left with photo

Does not need to be a professional photo –

This is for identification purposes

Your Quilt will hang with the **sleeve** at the top



The Salt Creek Quilters Guild 2016 Quilt Show

"Traditions with a Twist"

**Saturday and Sunday
April 2 and 3, 2016
10:00 am – 5:00 pm**

saltcreekqg.org

Over 300 Quilts
Certified Appraisals
Demonstrations
Lunch & Snack Bar
Baked Goods
Merchant Mall
Member Boutique
Opportunity Quilt
Silent Auction
Scissor Sharpening
Sewing Machine
Raffle
Basket Raffle

Admission: \$6.00

Returning to—
**The Community House
415 West Eighth St.
Hinsdale, IL**