

Riverwalk Quilters Guild

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President's Message

Vicky Laws

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Happy May! Please let the sun and warmth come back – I am so ready for summer!

We are doing well in filling our Board positions for 2016/2017 – however, we do have a couple of empty spots. We will be presenting the slate at the May meeting and the Membership vote will be happening at the June Guild Meeting. Thank you to all who have stepped up to help in making this Guild a success. Please email me or see me at the May meeting to volunteer for an open position.

President	Cheryl Sleboda
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	****Co-Chair wanted
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Special Events	Sue Damitz
	Darlene Ebel
	Nancy Ebel
Newsletter	****OPEN
Back-Up assistant	Nancy Sturgeon
Website	Kathleen Pallardy
Facebook	Kathleen Herbach
Small Quilt Auction	Rosemary Sanza
	****Co-Chair wanted
Nominating Chair (2017/2018 Board Year)	Maria Peebles
January Holiday Party	Doreen Tout
	Mary Walschot
Rummage Sale	Nancy Sturgeon
Raffle Quilt Chair & Committee	****Open

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



What to Bring – May 10

Name Tag
Desserts if you signed up to bring some
Library Books
Show & Tell
Checkbook & Membership Form

**May 10, 2016 Program
Carolyn Mack**

Parade of Quilts: Up Close & Personal



Carolyn Mack of Geneva 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.

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

June 15, 2016

Catherine Redford

"Get Those Tops Made into Quilts"

WORKSHOP Details FULL

Wednesday, June 15, 2016

At Thimbles in Lockport

9:30 am - 4. Doors open 9:15.

Beginner to advanced levels.

Machine required and supply list provided to attendees.

**June 14, 2016 Program
Catherine Redford**

Most Excellent Adventures in Quilting

Catherine Redford was brought up in the northwest of England, the "middle child" with an older brother and a younger sister. She learned to knit and sew at an early age and kept her family's Barbie Dolls and Action Men well dressed.

University years took her to Reading where she met her future husband, Steve. Knitting him a long "Doctor Who" style striped scarf and making needlepoint pictures gave welcome relief to the chemistry and microbiology course demanded for her degree in Food Science.

They married two weeks after she graduated, and moved to Naperville in 1995. Now 35 years later they have four grown children.

In 1998, Catherine discovered quilting and took her first class at Stitches and Stuffing in Naperville. Five years later she started teaching classes at Pieceful Heart Fabrics.

Catherine is a member of our Riverwalk Quilters Guild where she has served as program chair, vice-president, co-chair of "the Gathering" committee, and also a 2 year term as president. She is a member of the Fiber Art Divas, an art group that meets at Naperville Art League and or PAQA, the professional art quilt group.

In 2012 Catherine co-founded the Naperville Modern Quilters Guild to further explore the modern quilt aesthetic. She now teaches on land and sea, on TV and DVD. In 2013 Catherine was invited to appear on Quilting Arts TV and has since taped several segments. A regular contributor to Modern Patchwork magazine, she has also authored two Modern Machine Quilting Arts TV workshop DVDs. Visit Catherine at www.catherineredford.com

Naperville Quilts! 2016

Quilt Show Registration - Yvette Thorn
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Naperville Quilts! 2016

Quilt Show News
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I hope everyone is getting excited for the show, we're only a few days away!

Quilt drop off is on Saturday May 7th, please read the instructions that were sent in the April newsletter. Use the chart sent to all members via the RQG Newsletter on April 28th for the correct codes to go on your quilt labels.

Come to the show prepared to shop! Our Merchant Mall is completely full and the Hidden Treasures sale area is overflowing with wonderful merchandise. The raffle baskets and quilts look fantastic, and don't forget that we will be raffling off a brand new Bernina 350 special edition machine.



Please remember to bring your completed kennel quilts to the May meeting or to the show. Right now there are shelters in both Maryland and Louisiana that are in need of kennel quilts, so we currently plan to send our completed quilts to those areas.

Thank you to everyone for all the hard work you have been doing for the show, it has been wonderful to see the guild pull together to plan this event. Ready or not, here we come! See you all at the show!

Publicity

Make sure you keep talking about the show. A personal invitation is the best publicity. 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.

You can tell your friends with kids that children under 12 will be free. Guild members will get in free on the day(s) that they will be volunteering.

Volunteers Needed

Hi everyone,

We are getting close to the show. I have the following slots still available for volunteers:

Friday

7:30am-9am quilt organizers - order quilts for hanging

9:30 - complete hang quilts

7:30-8:15 quilt guardians - meet cars in parking lot and help unload/guard quilt

2-4:30, 4:30-7pm White Glove

11:30-2pm Vendor unload - provide assistance to vendors

Saturday

11-1pm oversee the making of dog mats for philanthropy

5pm - complete - takedown

11-1, 1-3 and 3-5pm white glove

1-3 or 3-5 lobby assistant

6-7pm quilt return

Please let me know if you can take one of these spots. I promise to remind you of your volunteer jobs a week before the quilt show. Thank you again!!

- Kathleen Herbach

Naperville Quilts! 2016

Raffle Baskets - Amy Shuter
rqgbaskets@gmail.com

Raffle Baskets

Thank you everyone for all the generous donations to the raffle baskets for the quilt show. The baskets are bountiful!"

Thanks Amy Shuter

Hidden Treasures

Thank you to all who donated books, fabric and patterns! You have helped make this venture possible. **We are not accepting anymore items.**

Please remember to bring lots of cash with you to the quilt show as we will only be taking cash. Also mention this to any friends who might be coming with you. We will be located at the end of a hall way. Look for our signs.

If any of you live near Farmstead and would be willing to take items to the Show early Friday morning please let me know. We will be packing up cars Thursday evening.

Thank you! Nancy Liindberg

Hospitality

Donna Millican and Jill Bryan
rqghospitality@gmail.com

Thank you all for the wonderful treats everyone contributed for our philanthropy sew-in. If you signed up to bring a snack for the May meeting, Jill will be sending you an email reminder.

Also, just a reminder, please be sure to take home all your left-over goodies. We cannot leave anything on the tables.

Membership

Yvette Thorn Linda Kurcz
rqqmembership@gmail.com

Membership Renewal Time!

Please complete the Member Information Form at the back of the Newsletter and return at the next RQG meeting. The annual membership dues is \$35 for the period of July 1, 2016 until June 30, 2017. Mail-in of membership form and Newsletter options are described on the form. Renewal checks should be made payable to: **Riverwalk Quilters Guild** and are due **July 1, 2016.**

Member Photo Directory

Nancy Sturgeon
rqqmembership@gmail.com

Hope you are enjoying your online photo membership directory.

If you have not had your photo taken yet, or do not like your current photo, Please look for me taking photos with my ipad near the membership desk.

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.*



Programs 2016-2017

Sabrina Marton
rqgcontracts@gmail.com

July 12, 2016

Kathy Tracy of Country Lanes Quilts
A Little History of Quilting

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
"Janets 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

WELCOME YOUNG SEWERS

Once again we will welcome young sewing enthusiasts to our July guild meeting, so, members, round up your kids and grandkids, sewing students and neighbor children and bring them along to hear Kathy Tracy's story about how she went from doll quilt creator to avid quilter. High school and younger get in for free.

Kathleen Tracy is a quilt pattern designer and author who made her first small quilt from a Martingale pattern book she picked up in 2000. Making quilts for her daughter's American Girl dolls sparked an interest in history and led to the publication of her first book, *American Doll Quilts*, in 2004. Kathleen looks to antique quilts for inspiration in making her scrappy quilts from simple blocks and hopes that her books make the past come alive and give quilters a connection with quilters from long ago. She is also the author of *Prairie Children & Their Quilts*, *Remembering Adelia* and *The Civil War Sewing Circle*. A new book on small quilts will be published in December 2016.

Kathleen is a frequent lecturer to quilt guilds across the country and conducts workshops on making small quilts with an antique look. In addition to quilting, Kathleen is an avid reader and loves gardening, cooking and making simple beaded jewelry. She has two grown children and lives near Chicago, Illinois, with her husband and mini-poodle pup, Ophelia.

Visit her at www.countrylanequilts.com

<http://sentimentalquilter.blogspot.com/> and <https://www.facebook.com/KathleenTracyQuilts>



Philanthropy Sew-In

April 12

Sandy Hess and Joanne Sheahan

rqqphilanthropy@gmail.com

What a fun evening we had at the sew-in. Great attendance, awesome goodies, and humming sewing machines. The block sorters worked hard, the sewing gals and gentleman worked hard, the pinning gals, the clippers and the checkers worked hard. The laughter was heard throughout the evening, making it a grand success. **Thank you to all who participated.**

We won't have a count until the June meeting when we need **all** the "take away" quilts to be returned.

We even received our regular philanthropy quilts, pillowcases and some more heart pillows that night! Fantastic!

Thank you again for making RQG a philanthropic success.



September 13 2016

Jane Sassaman

Janes Textile Treasure Garden

After a varied career in the design world, Jane began to quilt in 1980. She found that these "soft paintings" satisfied the draftsman, the craftsman and the artist in her. Consequently, she is now a dedicated (some say "obsessed") quilt artist and fabric designer.

Her art quilts have been shown in many national and international exhibits, including Quilt National 1989 through 2005 and Contemporary American Quilts, the first major exhibit of American art quilts in England. Her quilt "Willow" was named as One of the One Hundred Best American Quilts of the Century. Jane is also the author of "The Quilted Garden". The book includes twenty years of her work and exercises for making nature-inspired quilts.

Jane's love for historic decorative arts can be seen in all facets of her work, but it is especially evident in the exuberant fabric she is currently designing for FreeSpirit. Her designs are oversized and colorful and have been coined as "William Morris on anti-depressants". They are created for quilts, wearables and home decorating. Her latest book, Patchwork Sassaman Style, beautifully illustrates her fabric "in action".



Suns and Moons is a machine appliqué workshop based on the circle motif. Using Jane's appliqué techniques and experimenting with our decorative stitches, we will begin by making a series of colorful fabric discs which will then be arranged into a dramatic and contemporary composition.

WORKSHOP: "Suns & Moons" Sept. 14 2016

Program Host - Kathy Herbach

Time: 9:00 – 4:00 Fee: \$50 (lunch extra)

Location: 95th St Library Naperville

Philanthropy Sew-In

April 12

Sandy Hess and Joanne Sheahan

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November 8 2016

Denise Havlan

Quilting Journey



Denise began her quilting career in 1989. Her quilts focus primarily on representational subject matter such as people, animals, landscapes, etc. The trunk show that will be presented with her lecture will take us through a brief but inclusive history of the work from her beginnings to the award winning quilts of today.



The **“Nesters”** workshop will introduce students to many of Denise’s techniques in a **small format** resulting in a wonderful realistic scene. Denise welcomes beginners to advanced students. General sewing skills (feed dogs up and down) and a machine in good working order are required.

WORKSHOP: “Nesters” November 9 2016

Program Host – Ruth Hild

Time: 9:00 – 4:00 Fee: \$43 (lunch extra)

A kit fee of \$15 is required - paid directly to Denise

Location: 95th St Library Naperville

Upcoming Midwest and Local Events

Expressions in Fiber July 5-30

Opening Reception July 8, 2016 7-9PM

3 Artists- 3 Voices

Vogt Visual Art Center 708-309-4371

17420 S 67th Ct. Tinley Park, IL

Come and meet quilt artists Denise Havlan, Joy Nebo Lavrencik, and Roslyn DeBoer at the Opening Reception at the Vogt Visual Art Center in Tinley Park.

The show is running July 5-30

Hours: Tuesday 7-9 Wednesdays 4-7

Thursdays 11am 2 pm and 7-9pm

Friday 11am -3pm Saturdays 11am-4pm

QUILT EXPO—Madison, Wisconsin

September 8–10, 2016

<http://wiquiltexpo.com>

Check out the web page for more information on the show. *Want your quilt to be adored by thousands of quilting enthusiasts? Enter the Quilt Expo Quilt Contest.*

[Find Quilt Contest rules and entry forms](#)

Faithful Circle Quilters Guild

4th Wednesday; 7 p.m.; First Presby Church, Downers Grove. www.fcquilters.com

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

Friday, June 24 Karen Kay Buckley Fiesta Mexico 9-3; pattern fee \$25; Block 3 with Border Workshop

Saturday June 25 Karen Kay Buckley Circles Squared-Machine Applique Workshop 9-3 PM

August 24 Joe Cunningham My Life in Quilts

Thursday August 25 Joe Cunningham Rock the Block Album Style Workshop

All workshops \$45 members/\$55 non-members; 9-3

Upcoming Midwest and Local Events

Pride of the Prairie Quilt Guild 7:00PM

May 19th - Bonnie Hunter "String Fling" and Trunk Show

July 21st Pam Buda

Zion Lutheran Church

11007 Book Rd

Naperville, IL.

Quilt Canada 2016 June 15 - 18, 2016 Toronto, ON The International Centre

<https://www.canadianquilter.com/events/quilt-canada-2016.php?qclid=CIuRupjIyMwCFdgHgQoduS0GZQ>

Every quilter's dream under one roof in 4 incredible days packed with workshops, lectures, demos, giveaways, huge Merchant Mall and hundreds of quilts on display! If you quilt, you belong here!

Thurs. June 16 2016 Jane Sassaman

7:00 - 9:30 pm Jane Sassaman Lecture and Social

Prairie Star Quilters Guild

Meetings are held at Bethlehem Lutheran Church located at 1145 N. Fifth Ave in St. Charles, IL.

Susan Carlson has been developing and practicing her own technique of fabric collage quilting for over thirty years, teaching it for 20 years, and has written two books describing it (Freestyle Quilts and Serendipity Quilts).

May 23 & 24 – Cutting Loose

Location: Bethlehem Lutheran Church

May 22, 12:30-7:30pm *What goes around comes around*

Location: Christ Our Savior Church, OS501 Summit Drive, Winfield, IL.

Contact information for workshops: Teresa Kasch and Chris Berry, PSQG Program Vice Presidents tkasch@comcast.net and cberry1022@att.net

Show & Tell April Meeting



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Jill Bryan

Special Events

Nancy Lindberg

Ruth Hild

Newsletter

Sabrina Marton

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Kathy Herbach

Small Quilt Auction

Rosemary Sanza

Nominating Chair

Open Position

January Party

Mary Walschot

Nancy Niswander

Website

Kathleen Pallardy

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an email

Newsletter: The Riverwalk Quilters Guild newsletter is published monthly. To submit articles for inclusion, contact Sabrina Marton at rqgnewsletter@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
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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

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May 10, 2016

Carolyn Mack – “Parade of Quilts: Up Close and Personal”

May 13-14, 2016

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BE ROBIN HOOD

To show appreciation for the generosity and time spent on developing our new Riverwalk Quilt Guild website, please support Ricky Marton in the launch of his new company www.berobinhood.com which gives part of the profits to charity. Special for the guild: use promo code LAUNCH7 to receive 7% off of your first purchase.

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

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Date: _____

New/Renewal/Change of Address: _____

Riverwalk Quilters Guild Member Information Form
July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2017

Please print clearly:

Name: _____

Street: _____

City,State,Zip: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

_____ I do not have e-mail. Please send my newsletter & membership directory by regular mail, a \$12 additional fee.

_____ I would like to receive information on joining or forming a Quilting Bee.

_____ I **do not** want photos of my likeness nor my work published in our newsletter, website, or facebook page.

What year did you join the guild? (1st year was 1994) _____

Which Quilting Bee(s) do you belong to?

I understand that I am obliged to volunteer for guild activities.

Signature _____

Membership Rates for 2016-2017:

Renewal Fee/New Member Fee: **\$35.00/year**

Fee for Newsletter & Membership Directory Sent by US Mail: **\$12.00/year**

Guest Fee: **\$10.00/meeting**

(Guests who join the Guild within 1 month of paying guest fee: **\$10.00 discount**)

Pro-Rated Membership Fee (new member after Jan. 1): **\$20.00**

*(Make checks payable to **Riverwalk Quilters Guild**. Drop off at guild meeting or mail to: Riverwalk Quilters Guild, PO Box 5092, Naperville, IL 60567)*

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