

# Riverwalk Quilters Guild

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## **President's Message** **Cheryl Sleboda** [rqqpresident@gmail.com](mailto:rqqpresident@gmail.com)

Included with this issue of the newsletter is the revised version of the Guild By-laws and Policies and Procedures. Bev Parker and our itty bitty By-Law committee put in many hours to revise these and bring them up to date. Here's an over view of what has changed:

- we simplified and clarified the language used in the documents
- we eliminated redundant and repetitive rules from many areas of the document
- we moved job duties to their appropriate positions
- we updated outdated technology terms.

We did not make any major policy changes to affect the running of the guild.

The originals are still on the Riverwalk website for you to review if you want to see what we are changing them from. We will be voting on this at the May meeting.

Speaking of the May meeting, we should be announcing the new slate of board members there too, but there's a small problem. To operate as a guild, we need someone to step up and fill our Secretary and Contracts positions. It would be nice if every position on the board is filled, so we do not have to cancel the library, hospitality, raffle quilt, and the quilt show for the coming year, but we cannot operate as a guild without those positions. We DO NOT HAVE A NOMINATING CHAIR this year to selectively ask you to be part of the board.

You will have to think about what you are willing to do for our group to continue operating. The immediate positions of Secretary and Contracts must be filled. Please think about what you can contribute in the way of time to our Guild this year and please consider being part of the board! If you would like to get an overview of the open positions, take a look at our by-laws as to their essential functions. The open positions are:

Secretary  
Contracts  
Hospitality  
Library  
January Party  
Raffle Quilt  
Show Chair  
Nominations Chair

Now is the time to step up and be part of the board. Thanks for your attention.

Cheryl

## **May 9** **Lisa Binkley** **"Adding Sparkle & Texture to your Quilts"**

Lisa Binkley holds a B.S. in Textiles & Design from the University of Wisconsin-Madison and a Master's in Urban Planning from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee. Formerly a public policy analyst, she has maintained an active fiber art studio since 2000 and exhibits her award-winning work nationwide. Her work has been selected for inclusion in major exhibitions including those of the American

Quilters' Society, International Quilt Association, Crafts National, CraftForms, and Wisconsin Artists Biennial. Lisa and her artwork have been featured on local and national television, in internationally-distributed books and magazines, and in many local publications. Her art is represented in private and corporate collections. Lisa enjoys sharing her passion for fiber and beads through her artwork, classes, and lectures, and she teaches throughout the U.S. She lives in Madison, Wisconsin with her husband, their two young-adult children, and their sweet fluffy dog.

Whether you're interested in trying bead embellishment for the first time or you've done some embellishment but are looking for additional inspiration, this lecture is for you. You'll learn step-by-step instructions for embellishing your quilts and garments with beads and see 75-100 images of Lisa's beadwork for additional inspiration. This lecture includes the display of some of Lisa's quilts and smaller framed work and is about 1 hour in length, including time for Q&A with the audience.

**May 10 Workshop**  
**Lisa Binkley**  
**Bead Embroidered Mini Quilts**

**There are several openings for the May beading workshop with Lisa Binkley. It is on Wednesday, May 10 from 9:30-4:00 in the classroom at Quilter's Quest. Your fee will cover supplies provided by Lisa, and no sewing machines are needed. If you have any questions, email Lenore at [lenorehreja@hotmail.com](mailto:lenorehreja@hotmail.com).**

In this workshop students explore both simple and more complex bead embroidery techniques while creating a beautiful beaded mini quilt for their home, as a gift for someone special, or to be incorporated into a wearable art object such as a jacket or small handbag. Lisa makes kits containing the ornate fabric base for each project as well as coordinated beads and thread and detailed instructions. The beads for each project are carefully selected to represent a wide range of the beautiful shapes, sizes, and finishes of beads available today.

**What to Bring May 9**

- Name Tags
- Philanthropy Items
- Treats if you signed up and favorite mug

**June 13, 2017  
Susan Cleveland of  
Pieces be with You**

Susan Cleveland is known for her enthusiasm and clever solutions to quilting challenges. She has enjoyed teaching her techniques and meeting quilters internationally. Her quilts, showcasing impeccable workmanship and eye catching details, have received seven awards at International Quilt festivals in Houston and many other shows.

Join us with one of the most enthusiastic personalities for ooo's and aaahs and laughter to learn a plethora of tips to increase accuracy and add fresh, interesting details with piping, prairie points, heavy threads and embellishments. See how to take show pieces to new levels and add charming surprises to simple pieces. Susan will share the live quilts with close ups through the projector so you're sure to see oodles of detail. Don't miss out on this good time.

**June 14, 2017  
Susan Cleveland  
Workshop**

Susan's workshop on Disappearing Dresdens will be held the Wednesday after our meeting. This will be a project workshop where we will be sewing and cutting based on her Dresden Plate techniques and pattern.

The workshop will be held at a new location for the guild, Naperville Bank and Trust, on the corner of Aurora Ave and Fort Hill Drive. The time is from 9:00 – 3:30 and the cost is \$65 and \$5 for lunch if you choose. Please join us for a fun day of learning and laughing.

**July 12, 2017  
Jodi Madison Paper Piecing  
Workshop**

Join us on July 12<sup>th</sup>, 2017, for a fantastic workshop with Jodi Madison, who is an accomplished Judy Niemeyer Certified instructor. No paper piecing experience required. Jodie will begin with the fundamentals before teaching us more advanced techniques. Judy Niemeyer has refined the process of paper piecing to an organized art form. Come learn how to master complex piecing and achieve flawless curves. Jodie will be teaching the Desert Sky pattern which is perfectly suited for a beginner or an advanced paper piecer. The workshop cost is \$50 plus an optional \$10 for lunch. The location is yet to be determined.



**October 17, 2017  
Third Tuesday  
Small Quilt Auction**

Small Quilt Auction –The Material Girls will chair this fall event this year! Quick Reminder – The Small Quilt Auction will be October 17th (THIRD Tuesday). This is our annual fundraiser and we will need donations. Please think of a project for some fun items to auction. We are looking forward to seeing them!

For those of you who are new to the guild, the typical items that are donated are table runners, baby quilts, lap quilts, wall hangings (holiday or otherwise), placemats, tote bags, etc. Best ideas are the things that you would like to own yourself. We have a live auctioneer door prizes and raffle baskets. Everyone enjoys the evening. We will be urging you to invite friends to attend. We would love for you to contribute an item you have made in 2017 or at least finished in 2017 as we all have the habit of taking longer to finish than we would like!

Ronnie Van Overberghe will assemble the baskets this year.

Be thinking about what your role will be this year at the auction! There are lots of little jobs that make the evening go smoothly. Sign-ups to follow in late summer.

**Philanthropy**  
**Lucy Blasi & Kathleen Curtis**  
***rqgphilanthropy@gmail.com***

Our April Sew In was fabulous! Thanks to all the members that came out and participated. We had such a fun night. Three quilt tops were completed. We have many blocks and strips in our philanthropy stash to make into donation quilts. Make sure you stop by our table at the next meeting. We will have strips available so we can continue to make blocks. Its easy quick sewing.



**At the Sew In we received the following:**

**Quilt**

Terri Hayes -1  
Judy Long -2  
Myra Harcourt - 3

**Quilt Tops**

Darlene Schille -1  
Darlene Ebel – 1 (for Sew In)

**Sew In Blocks**

Kathleen Herback - 3  
Mary Walschot – 8  
Darlene Ebel – 4  
Mary Cieslak – 16  
Camille Padilla – 5  
Jen Beatty – 30  
Nancy Lindberg - 6

**Fabric Stash**

Joanne Sheahan - Many yards

**The following members have helped with finishing work:**

Sandy Bray – quilting work – 2 returned  
Nancy Lindberg – binding work – 4 returned

**Donations Made:**

Edwards Hospital - 43 Port Pillows, 12 Heart Pillows and 10 Quilts  
Hesed House – 10 Quilts

As always, if we have missed anyone or mis-spelled your name we are very sorry.

Thank you to all for your help with Philanthropy Sewing and for all you do to support us.

**Hospitality**  
**Tracy Husch-Lissak**  
[rqqhospitality@gmail.com](mailto:rqqhospitality@gmail.com)

Thank you everyone for bringing your sweet and savory snacks to share with the guild during an important evening of philanthropy! I would like to encourage you to bring a snack this month as I have only one person signed up.

In addition, please consider taking on the duties of Hospitality. The position is not difficult! It is a wonderful way to meet the guild; so it's perfect for a new member or 2. Also great for a bee to share duties.

Finally, Thanks to all that remember to bring their mugs from home to help the guild, GO GREEN!

Thank you,  
Tracy Husch-Lissak

**Library News**  
**Carol Rubek & Judy Long**  
[rqqlibrarian@gmail.com](mailto:rqqlibrarian@gmail.com)

We have had requests for new books. They have been ordered and should be available at our next meeting.

1. Catherine Redford: Modern Machine Quilting
2. Tula Pink's City Sampler: 100 Modern Quilt Blocks
3. Denyse Schmidt: Modern Quilts, Traditional Inspiration
4. Cynthia England: Picture Piecing: Creating Dramatic Quilts

If anyone has any other requests, please notify Carol Rubeck or Judy Long

**Membership**  
**Yvette Thorn & Linda Kurcz**  
[rqqmembership@gmail.com](mailto:rqqmembership@gmail.com)

Membership stands at 113 members with two new members joining in April. There were 44 members at the April philanthropy sew in. Membership renewals begin this month for 2017-18. Annual membership dues are \$35. Please see the form at the end of the newsletter or on the web site. We need the form to update our records. Also if you have changed your phone number, please don't forget to include that.

Thanks and we look forward to seeing you next year.

Linda & Yvette

**Special Events**  
**Sue Damitz, Darlene Ebel and**  
**Nancy Ebel**  
[rqqspecialevents@gmail.com](mailto:rqqspecialevents@gmail.com)

**Member's Subsidize Sewing Retreat**

We raised the idea to have the Subsidize Sewing Retreat twice a year at the March Board Meeting. We were given the go ahead, so we will start working on a date for the Fall Retreat. We will publish the date in the newsletter once the date is determined.

**2017 Riverwalk Quilters Guild Quilt Challenge**

We have 28 members signed up for the Quilt Challenge, Two Color Quilt. The challenge information rules are included in this newsletter and posted on the website at:

<http://www.riverwalkquilters.com/quilt-challenge-2017.html>.

The finished projects are due at the May 9, 2017 meeting and voting for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd viewer awards will be done by the attendees that night.

Please fill out the Entry Form included in the newsletter and posted on the website at:

[http://www.riverwalkquilters.com/uploads/6/1/7/4/61743207/2017\\_riverwalk\\_quilte rs\\_guild\\_quilt\\_challenge\\_entry\\_form1.docx](http://www.riverwalkquilters.com/uploads/6/1/7/4/61743207/2017_riverwalk_quilte rs_guild_quilt_challenge_entry_form1.docx)

I will have extra entry forms at the meeting.

Please bring your completed entry form along with your completed project by 6:30 PM on May 9, 2017. This will give us time to hang the entries by 7:00 to give you plenty of time to view all the entries and to vote for the top three projects.

See you on Tuesday,

Sue Damitz, Darlene Ebel and Nancy Ebel

[rqqspecialevents@gmail.com](mailto:rqqspecialevents@gmail.com)

**Upcoming Midwest and Local Events & Other Items**

**QUILTER'S GARAGE SALE**

Date Friday May 19th

Time 8AM - 2 PM

Location 439 Orion Road

Batavia IL 60510

Fabric-Books-Patterns-Pre-cuts

30's Reproductions-Batiks-Fossil Fern-ETC

Embellishments-Ribbons-Button

**In Search Of**

Bernette Overlocker 5 Stitch Serger

Model #MO 335

Chain stitch and Overlock

Contact: Nancy Sturgeon

[nlsturgeon@gmail.com](mailto:nlsturgeon@gmail.com)

**Website**  
**Kathleen Pallardy**  
[rqqwebsite@gmail.com](mailto:rqqwebsite@gmail.com)

**Riverwalk Quilters Guild**  
**2016-2017 Board & Committees**

If you need something added or changed on the website [www.riverwalkquilters.com](http://www.riverwalkquilters.com), please email Kathleen Pallardy at the [rqqwebsite@gmail.com](mailto:rqqwebsite@gmail.com)

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Website: [www.riverwalkquilters.com](http://www.riverwalkquilters.com)

Facebook:

<http://www.facebook.com/Riverwalk>

**Riverwalk Quilters Guild meetings**

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday, 7:00 pm

**Grace United Methodist Church**

**300 E Gartner Road, Naperville, IL**

**RQG Board meetings – 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday, 7:00 pm**

**Grace Church**

<b>President</b>	<b>Cheryl Sleboda</b>
<b>Vice President</b>	<b>Bev Parker</b>
<b>Secretary</b>	<b>Lenore Hrejsa</b>
<b>Treasurer</b>	<b>Vicky Laws</b>
<b>Programs/Workshops</b>	<b>Open/Co-Chair</b>
	<b>Various Bees</b>
<b>Contracts</b>	<b>Celeste Akre</b>
	<b>Susan Akre</b>
<b>Membership</b>	<b>Yvette Thorn</b>
	<b>Linda Kurcz</b>
<b>PR/Publicity</b>	<b>Margaret Donahue</b>
<b>Philanthropy</b>	<b>Lucy Blasi</b>
	<b>Kathleen Curtis</b>
<b>Library</b>	<b>Carol Rubeck</b>
	<b>Judy Long</b>
<b>Hospitality</b>	<b>Tracy Husch-Lissak</b>
<b>Special Events</b>	<b>Sue Damitz</b>
	<b>Darlene Ebel</b>
	<b>Nancy Ebel</b>
<b>Newsletter</b>	<b>Sandy Bray</b>
<b>Back-Up assistant</b>	<b>Nancy Sturgeon</b>
<b>Website</b>	<b>Kathleen Pallardy</b>
<b>Facebook</b>	<b>Kathleen Herbach</b>
<b>Small Quilt</b>	<b>Rosemary Sanza</b>
	<b>--Co-Chair Needed</b>
<b>Nominating Chair (2017/2018 Board Year)</b>	<b>Maria Peeples</b>
<b>January Holiday Party</b>	<b>Doreen Tout</b>
	<b>Mary Walschot</b>
<b>Rummage Sale</b>	<b>Nancy Sturgeon</b>
<b>Raffle Quilt Chair &amp; Committee</b>	<b>****Open</b>



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Check #: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

New/Renewal/Change of Address: \_\_\_\_\_

## Member Information Form

Riverwalk Quilters Guild

July 1, 2017 – June 30, 2018

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? (1<sup>st</sup> 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 2017-2018:

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)*