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*Riverwalk Quilters Newsletter*

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# Riverwalk Quilters Guild

## President's Message

### As The Year Closes...

It has been my pleasure to serve as Riverwalk's President the past two years. To have a thriving Guild as we do, takes a village. Each of our fine Board members these last two years has been enthusiastic, diligent, and delightful to work with, but they are only *part* of the village.

The rest of the village is you, our members. You are essential to making our guild run smoothly, so when the call goes out for volunteers, please step up. Your talents, time and energy are valuable.

I'm passing the baton (school bell) to the very capable Bev Parker who has for two years been every bit my partner. Please welcome her and give her your full support. I look forward to continuing to be a part of this vibrant group.

### Change in Administration

June is the last month of our Guild year. Most of the current Board will be retiring, a few are continuing or moving to new positions. We will have an official thank you to those outgoing at our June business meeting. Please make a point to

personally thank the outgoing Board, and welcome the incoming ladies who have graciously volunteered their time and talent.

### Auction - now??

It's only summer, but we hope you are pondering our Small Quilt Auction which will take place this fall. We are looking for an auction chair or group that can chair. Are you sewing something special for the auction or boutique, considering what volunteer role you will take that evening, thinking about the friend or friends you plan to invite? Please keep the auction and boutique on your front burner!

*There will be no show n' tell in June.  
Please save your creations for July!*



## June Party

We hope you can join us to celebrate our 29<sup>th</sup> birthday on June 13 at Knox Presbyterian Church.

We will be having a special give away, thanks to Bernina of Naperville. They donated a Bernette machine for a lucky Guild member to take home! We will have a special drawing for this machine. It would be great to take to classes, quilt retreats or to gift to a grandchild or someone just starting their quilting journey. It is light weight and has several stitch options.



The party will begin at 6:30. There will be games, but we will NOT be having show and tell...to allow more time for shopping at the rummage sale. Also, please bring non-perishable food items to donate to Loaves & Fishes. There will be snacks on the table, along with a sweet treat and a bottle of water.

We look forward to seeing you on the 13th!

Amy Shuter, Linda McShea, Leesa Jump

## RQG Rummage Sale June Meeting: Knox Presbyterian Church.

**Drop off begins at 4:30 p.m.** Carts are available at the church entrance. Please bring your items back to the room we are using. Can any of you come then and help me with loading and organizing?

Prior to the sale— Organize and Categorize your stuff: Organize similar items into Distinct Categories: Magazines, patterns, notions, quilt fabric, fat quarters, fabric strips, fabric scraps, felt, thread, yarn, rulers, tools, batting, embellishments, orphan blocks, UFOs, quilt tops, and even completed quilts will be accepted. One member is bringing an old sewing machine to sell. Books and magazines will have a separate table. No patterns from Stitches and Stuffing No books or magazines with copyright before 2000.

### **BUNDLE AT EVERY OPPORTUNITY--**

Bundle similar items together in clear plastic bags. (Thread, fabric scraps, zippers, strips from same line of fabric...) and price accordingly with Sharpie marker. There will be a separate section for Christmas, Halloween, and Fall fabrics.

**PRICE EVERYTHING** (except patterns \$1, books \$3 and fabric which we will weigh). No prices less than \$1.00. One pound of quilting cotton is approximately 3 yards. We will sell most fabric for \$6/pound, which works out to about \$2 yard.

**RQG will ACCEPT-- Cash, Checks, Credit Cards** Leftovers will be taken to local charity thrift shops. Bring shopping bags for yourself and others. Any questions? Contact me:

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## July 11—KITTY WILKIN



**Guild Zoom LECTURE (Can be viewed either at Knox Church or at your home.)**

### **Take Great Quilt Photos Now!**

Learn pro quilt photography tips that can take your photos from meh to wow. Kitty is known for her outdoor photography. A self-taught quilt photographer, she uses the outdoors and natural lighting as the backdrop for her quilt photos. She's known for choosing unusual locations and perspectives to shoot her quilts "in the wild." She will also discuss photographing quilts indoors.



**For more about Kitty:**

Google "Kitty Wilkin Quilt Photography". <https://nightquilter.com>

Instagram: [@nightquilter](#)

Facebook: [nightquilter](#)

Twitter: [@nightquilter](#)

Flickr: [night.quilter](#)

Pinterest: [Kitty Wilkin](#)

YouTube: [Kitty Wilkin – Night Quilter](#)

TikTok: [@nightquilter](#)

## August 8— Labels as a Love Language

**Laura Hartrich** of Oak Park, Illinois, is an artist working mostly in quilts. Some of these are heartfelt gifts made especially for a beloved recipient. Some are art works with themes of reflection, acceptance, time, and memory. She's currently going back to school after a 15-year hiatus and is loving her undergrad art classes.



### GUILD LECTURE—

#### In Person Knox Church & also on Zoom

In this presentation Laura will talk about how labels factor into her quilt-making practice. She will share lots of images as she discusses technique, inspiration, and motivation for creating labels as detailed and unique as her quilts themselves. Every quilt needs a label!

<http://www.laurahartrich.com/>

instagram @laurahartrich

## Membership

Please put your 2023-2024 new member forms or renewal forms with the fees in the box on the membership table at our June Annual Party. Please find a copy of the new form attached to the end of this newsletter. If you have any questions, please ask me. Our new program year begins on July 1, 2023, so we need the forms returned by June 30, 2023.

Look for our “Photo Booth” at the party to get your picture taken for our directory. We would like to get pictures of the new members and anyone else can update their picture on file.

Margaret Zitt  
Membership  
630-618-9231

## Library News

The Library collection will be available again at the July meeting. If anyone has any books they want to return at the June meeting, please pass them along to Linda Kurcz.

Thank you for your patronage and support the past 2 years. A new team is coming in beginning in July!

Linda and Lynn

## Philanthropy

May has been another wonderful month for philanthropy. We received 21 completed quilts, 11 quilt tops, donated fabric, 8 pillowcases, and 8 quilts that were bound. Thirteen of the 21 completed quilts were from an outside organization that is no longer in existence. Members picked up 1 kit to make a top, 10 quilts to be bound, 12 labels put on quilts, and 3 quilt kits to be quilted.

We distributed a total of 19 quilts. The organizations we visited were Silver Cross Hospital Lemont, and Sharing Connections Downers Grove.

Thank you to the following members that have contributed their time and materials: Leesa J., Kathy W., Donna M., Sandy H., Nancy S., Amy S., Debbie K., Terri H., Judy L., Norma B., Bev P., Lyn K., Sue Damitz, Mara G., Peggy G., Linda K., Darlene S., Linda Y., Deb. O., Heidi E., Karen V., and Becky K. That is more than 20 people that have helped people in our community. We hope we recognized everyone. Please let us know if we missed anyone.

The June Guild meeting will be our Rummage Sale and Member's Party. We will not be distributing any kits, but we will accept and completed projects. If you are unable to attend the meeting, items can be dropped off at Terri H. Contact information is available in the directory.

We give because we care,  
Terri H. and Judy L.  
Philanthropy Committee

## Greetings from Social Media

This month on 6/13 we will have our Guild Rummage Sale. If you have an especially enticing pile of rummage please take a quick photo and we can use it to advertise to our members

We would also love to see any items you subsequently make from your treasures found at the sale. I suggest #RQGummage as a tag for these items. Play along will you?

I made a little bag this month after seeing a picture on Instagram. The pattern maker was doing a sew-along. Five easy steps over the course of 5 days....well my day 5 took 2 weeks but still my #Alpenbeltbag by @centerstreetquilts is done and....I just may get another done in time for the Auction.

This fall we will have another Auction....This is so important to our funding of future speakers and activities. Last year post pandemic we did so well with our Auction..Lets try to repeat this success.

If you would like to see what was auctioned last year type #fallauctionreturnsoctober18 into the Instagram search bar and our offerings from last year will pop up. Please think about making something. The second thing you can do to help is commit to bringing a non-Guild member guest. Everyone can bring one person at least right??

This year the auction will be on the third Tuesday in October. The date is October 17, 2023. I suggest a hashtag of #2023RQGAuctionOctober17 as this year's hashtag. We can start our digital auction catalog as soon as the first member tags their creation to donate.

Thanks so much!

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## 2022-2023 RQG EXECUTIVE & COMMITTEE POSITIONS

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Photo Membership Directory & Rummage Sale	Nancy Sturgeon

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If the ad is for a business, Rates are as follows:

**Full Page:** \$50.00

**Half Page:** \$25.00

**Quarter Page:** \$12.50

**Eighth Page:** \$5.00

Full page ad available for single month only.

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