

Riverwalk Quilters Guild

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President's Message

Vicky Laws

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Hello everyone,

Summer seems like it is just whizzing by. School will be starting before you know it. I heard that the July meeting went well and we had a number of children of all ages join us for the evening. I am glad to hear that it was warmly received and was sorry to have missed it because of vacation.

Thank you to Kathleen Pallardy who has volunteered to be our nominating person for this guild year. Thank you for joining Riverwalk and volunteering for this position.

I am excited about our first ever Riverwalk Quilt retreat happening at the end of October. I always look forward to getting away for a sewing weekend. Look for details and a sign up sheet at the end of the newsletter. Thank you Nancy Sturgeon for coordinating this event. Looking forward to our upcoming School House in August. Can't wait to experience some new ideas and techniques. Hope to see everyone there.

What To Bring in August

Name Tag, Library Books
Philanthropy Donations

Items for Small Quilt Auction, and Mason
Jars for Centerpiece

Chocolate/Wine items for Small Quilt
Auction Raffle Basket

Fabric, Books and Patterns for
The Resale Corner of the Quilt Show

Philanthropy

Sandy Hess and Joanne Sheahan

philanthropy@riverwalkquilters.com

The following members turned in quilts, quilt tops, pillowcases, and quilts in need of the finishing bindings: Jean Hildebrand, Nancy Lindberg, Nancy Sturgeon, Rosemary Sanza, Terri Hayes, Rosemary Garrity, Linda Yokelson, Myra Harcourt, Lydia Ferrigno, Joan Carter, and Loraine Nemo.

There were six quilts that needed binding and all were taken! Good time to improve your skills with quilting or binding. Thank you ladies for jobs well done.

Remember, we have batting for your philanthropy quilts. Please contact Sandy Hess, Joanne Sheahan, or Nancy Sturgeon when you need it. It is being stored at Nancy's house and please give plenty of time for it to be cut.

Remember, that every stitch for a philanthropy item is a stitch that gives needed warmth and joy to the one receiving it. RQG is an awesome guild with many talents. Please consider giving of your talent for philanthropy.



August 11 2015 School House

Spend the evening learning from our talented members. Attend every session or attend a few and instead get advice from others regarding questions or dilemmas you have on a project. If you are not attending a session, you will be on the advisory panel to off up ideas.

Make it a single - Nancy Sturgeon - Binding trick for the home stretch of your quilt

Make it a double - Ruth Hild - Use a tool found at Paducah for creating a binding made with two fabrics at once

Make mine curvy - Kathy Herbach - Create a colored scalloped shape trim to insert before the binding or around a shape, adding a bit of whimsy or sophistication to your quilt

Hexagon since the Stone Age - Celeste Akre - English paper piecing method that you see her sewing by hand at a guild meeting

Hexagon in the machine age - Nancy Lindberg - Machine method for joining hexagons with a y-seam

Brainstorming your UFO - Bring your unfinished project and ask members to offer suggestions as you request input - approximately 10 minutes each. Bring a UFO or wear your thinking cap to give ideas regarding the UFO. We brainstorm with our bees, but let's expand our reach to other members.

Special Events

Ruth Hild and Nancy Lindberg
specialevents@riverwalkquilters.com

Trade Days - We had a great turnout by members for Trade Days at Naper Settlement on July 26th. They demonstrated hand appliqué, hand quilting and English Paper piecing. A special thanks to all who gave their time!

Jar Project

83 Jar blocks were turned in. WAY TO GO! We will have several great projects, with some added features, for the small quilt auction on Oct. 20th. A big thank you to all who participated!

Quilt Show News

We will be having a "Resale Corner" at the show and need your donations of quilt **Fabric**, quilt **Books** and quilt **Patterns**. Please start going through your collection of these 3 items and start bringing them to our August meeting. I will have bins available. These are the only items we will sell; anything else should be kept for the January Party resale. If you are interested in being on this committee please let me know. Thank you!

Nancy Lindberg



First Riverwalk Quilt Retreat

Nancy Sturgeon
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FIRST RIVERWALK QUILTING RETREAT WEEKEND

October 30–November 1, 2015

Pull out your calendar and mark the dates October 30–November 1, 2015. This is the weekend of our very first Riverwalk Quilters Guild Retreat! The registration sheet is attached to this newsletter. Send it in now to reserve your spot.

It will be held at the **Carmelite Spiritual Center, 8419 Bailey Road, Darien, Illinois** (www.carmelitespiritualcenter.org/). This center is conveniently located on 40 acres between I-55 and 75th Street just west of Cass. We will have use of a large meeting room with lots of electric outlets, tables, and windows. In addition there is a meditation garden with a gazebo, babbling brook, and small lake for taking a break from your sewing machine and projects.

Arrival is at 4:00-4:30 PM on Friday and departure is by 3:00 PM Sunday. Don't forget that we get an **extra hour of sewing** because that weekend we return to daylight savings time! Fall back the clocks!

Minimum requirement for a weekend is 20 people overnight. There will be no commuter packages. If we are not able to fill the 20 person minimum, we will open registration to friends and non-members.

Current pricing is \$187 per person double occupancy and \$237 for a single. This includes two nights, six meals (Friday dinner, all three meals on Saturday, Sunday breakfast and Sunday lunch), and the use of one large meeting room and two breakout rooms. Coffee, tea and hot chocolate are provided throughout our stay. We can sew until they kick us out at 3:00 on Sunday! You can choose vegetarian at no extra charge, but gluten free meals are an additional \$10/day. Only snacks can be brought into the Center.

Opportunity Quilt

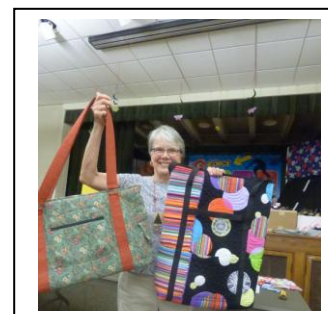
Sabrina Marton



Our Opportunity Quilt was on display twice at Naper Settlement in July. It was displayed during Trade Days and also on the porch of the Daniels House for the 2 day Art Fair. Sales were very successful. Thank-you to all the volunteers who took shifts to sell tickets in July.

Our quilt will continue to travel to guilds during the next 2 months. We are also the featured quilt at the Harvest House Quilting Open House and Picnic on Saturday August 22nd 10:00-4:00. Plan to stop by and visit this stocked little quilt store in a home. See advertisement in this newsletter.

Show and Tell
by
Nancy Sturgeon



Retreat
Continued

This nearby venue allows us minimum driving time and maximum sewing time. What a great weekend to finish your holiday presents and even a quilt or two for our spring show. Bring your UFOs! You can ask others for advice, and we will have show and tell. It will be a great weekend for getting to know members of our guild who are not our sewing cronies and a terrific learning experience to see what projects others are involved with. Plus, you might even be able to remove some projects from your UFO list.

Small Quilt Auction

Rosemary Sanza

smallquiltauction@riverwalkquilters.com

The Small Quilt Auction will be **October 20th (THIRD Tuesday)**.

As we are coming up on the Auction, it's time to start asking for your contribution. The auction and the quilt show are our only fundraisers, so we are looking to make this a success. Here is what we need to do.....

Items to Auction – Please donate something wonderful, something that you would want to own! It should be an item made by you in the last year or so. There are no size limits and suitable items are wall hangings, baby quilts, lap quilts, totes, purses or table runners/toppers, etc.

There is only so much time in the evening to sell - the more each item brings in the better off the guild is. Get creative and put together a great gift item. If you have any questions about your piece, call or email Rosemary Sanza. The auction donation form is attached to this newsletter and on the Guild website under *forms*.

Turn in quilts at the August and September guild meetings or up until the weekend before the event. Additional drop off locations: Rosemary Sanza's and Sandy Alfaia's in Naperville

Invite your Friends and Family! Non quilters generally buy a lot! Bookmarks are available at guild meetings. Each guest of yours equals one chance for you to win a great opportunity prize.

Volunteer for the event – It's fun to be a part of the event. Sign-up sheets will be at the August and September Guild meetings or contact Rosemary Sanza for more information. Some of the roles that are needed:

Quilt Reader – stand up front with the auctioneer; reads the item description and “sells” the item.

Bidder Sign in – sign in guests and distribute paddles.

Quilt Hanger – arrive at 5:45 to hang quilts.

Quilt Puller – Brings quilts to Reader and shows quilt to audience.

Item Recorder – Write down amount of winning bid and bidder number during the event.

Check out Cashier – Collects payments.

Check Out Runner – Organizes items by bidder number & retrieves items for cashier.

Opportunity Basket Arranger – assemble items and basket and decorate.

Opportunity Basket Ticket Sales – Sells tickets.

Mason Jars and Raffle Baskets – New centerpieces for the event are being prepared. We will be using mason jars so, please bring in any mason jars that you would be willing to donate to the August or September guild meeting. Any size (mini 8 oz up to half gallon), any color, any shape and no lids needed.

Also, we will be assembling opportunity basket on 2 themes: chocolate and wine. Please bring any items you would like to contribute for the baskets. There are no limits, but please bring in any new items that will fit the themes and will physically fit in a basket.

It's been a long article, thanks for making it to the end. Let's make the auction a terrific event!

September 12 2015

Faith Jones
What is Modern Quilting



The daughter of a quilter, Faith Jones began sewing 20+ years ago. She found quilting and blogging in early 2009. She has explored aspects of quilting from independent fabric design to pattern creation. Her patterns can be found in *Vintage Quilt Revival : 22 Modern Designs from Classic Blocks, Scraps Inc, Modern Blocks : 99 Blocks from Your Favorite Designers*, Fons & Porter Scrap Quilts, Love of Quilting, Quilty, Quiltmaker, Modern Quilts Unlimited, Fat Quarterly, and Modern Quilts (UK).

Faith is an active member of the online quilting community, enjoys sharing tutorials, hosting quilt-alongs on her blog, and participating in quilting bees and swaps.

She is a BERNINA USA Ambassador and contributes to BERNINA's We All Sew blog. Faith has a wonderfully supportive husband and is blessed with two children. She blogs at www.freshlemonsquilts.com.

Faith Jones will present her thoughts on "What is Modern Quilting?" with a focus on her favorite segment of the movement, Modern Traditionalism.

Naperville Quilts! 2016

Heidi Enright and Loraine Nemo
show@riverwalkquilters.com

We can hardly wait to see all of the wonderful creations (quilts, fiber art, bags, garments, etc.) that, you, our Riverwalk members, will be entering in our spring quilt show. Please keep sewing! Specific information about quilt entry forms will be available after our fall auction.

Sew and press on!

Heidi & Loraine

Membership

Yvette Thorn Linda Kurcz
membership@riverwalkquilters.com

We had 3 new members join and one returning member from the month of July.

Please welcome to the guild the following new people:

Jen Beatty

Joanne Beatty

Sandra Risvold

Valli Schiller

We now have 97 members in our guild.

FAITH JONES – September 12

Click on Pictures below to Go to Link



November 10 2015

Frieda Anderson

“Fabric to Dye For”



I made my first quilt when I was in high school. I have always made things, and I love the process of creating. In college I majored in Art History and minored in ceramics, but I returned to fiber because it was more satisfying. I can't remember when I didn't sew. For years my focus was designing and making clothing. All that changed in 1992, however, when I was in fashion design and realized that all I wanted to do was make quilts. I have been designing and making original art quilts ever since.

I find each step of quilt making, from the beginning to the end, a real challenge. It is hard to say what part I like best. I love the pure creativity involved in conceiving and designing a new quilt. I love to piece and I love to fuse. I have found that by fusing smaller pieces, I can work out design issues. Then I like to make a bigger, bolder statement and piece the same quilt in a large format. Most of my work is machine quilted and nature inspired.

I discovered hand dyeing fabric 30 years ago, and I now work almost exclusively with my own hand dyed cottons and silks. I love the dye process, and I particularly enjoy seeing the colors emerge from the wet fabric.

Color is one of the reasons we love quilting, and achieving the abundance and variety of color is one reason we dye our own fabrics. The most dependable, light-fast and wash-fast dyes used by the industry are Procion MX Fiber Reactive Dyes, the same dyes used in this workshop. Participants will learn the techniques and dye formulas of 48 shades, introducing the flood of color that can be achieved with this easy dyeing method.

<http://www.friestyle.com>

WORKSHOP: “Flooded with Color”

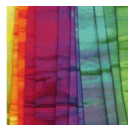
November 11, 2015

Time: TBA

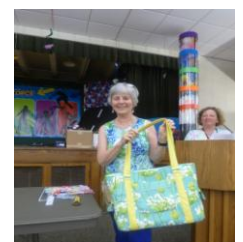
Thimbles, Lockport

Level: Beginner to Advanced

No sewing machine required



Member Gallery



Hospitality

Donna Millican and Jill Bryan

hospitality@riverwalkquilters.com

Thank you all for bringing treats to the last meeting. It was greatly appreciated and enjoyed by all. Another Thank You to all who signed up for the August meeting. I look forward to gathering and learning new things in school house. Now that we have learned the true use of extension cords-our hot coffee pot and tea pots will be located in different areas with their own outlets.

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Night Lights * much more Machine Quilting Services &
Rental options avail. (trained over 150 renters/Gammill
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Participating in the Row by Row Experience
2015

7th Annual Open House & Picnic

Saturday, August 22, 2015 - 10am - 4pm
Instant Door Prizes * Demos * Sales Galore
Picnic Lunch 11am - 3pm - YUM

Colleen, John & Staff

Cash + Check + Visa + MasterCard + Discover
24231 Apple Tree Ln, Plainfield, IL 60585
815-609-5831

hhquilting@comcast.net

Upcoming Midwest and Local Events

June 21 - September 8, 2015

Row By Row Experience

www.rowbyrowexperience.com/illinois.htm

Pieces from the Heart Quilt Guild!

Fall Splendor

October 2 :9-5

October 3:10-4

\$7 Entrance fee

Located : Chapins East

502 Twin Rail Dr. Minooka., Il.

100+Quilts, Vendor Mall, Raffle Baskets,

Raffle Quilts

And Quilters Boutique

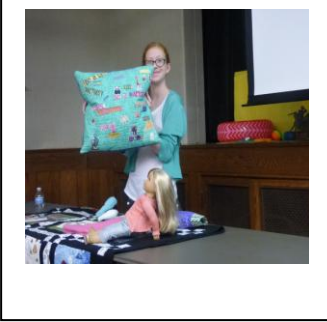
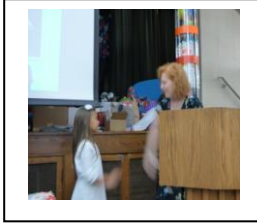
Lisle Depot Days

Sept. 19th Sept. 20th
Noon to 5 p.m.

RQG Quilters will be demonstrating at this annual family festival on Sat., **Sept. 19th** and Sunday, **Sept. 20th**. It is held at the Museums at Station Park campus, 923 School St. in Lisle Noon to 5 p.m.

Handwork is preferred as this is a celebration of what life was like 100 years ago. We will be joining blacksmiths, bakers, lace makers and spinners, a petting zoo area and so much more! If you can stay the whole afternoon, a box lunch is provided. Look for a clipboard at the August meetings or contact Sandy Alfaia at salfaia@comcast.net if you'd like to spend a fun day working on one of your hand projects, getting to know other Guild members better and spreading the word about our wonderful Guild. We're looking forward to it. Come join us!

Tracey & Cydney Mooney
July 21 Guild Meeting Pictures



Riverwalk Quilters Guild

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Kathleen Pallardy

January Party

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Nancy Niswander

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an email

Riverwalk Quilters Guild Meetings

2nd Tuesday of each month at 7pm

Grace United Methodist Church

300 E. Gartner Road, Naperville, Illinois

RQG Board Meetings

4th Tuesday of each month at 7pm

Grace Church Fireside Room

Address: PO Box 5092 Naperville, IL 60567

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Facebook:

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

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Eighth Page \$5.00

Full page ad available for single month only.

Upcoming Programs

Tracy Husch-Lissak, Joan Der, Leesa Jump

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August 11, 2015

School House

"Promoting Confidence"

September 8, 2015

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Workshop: Nov. 11 "Flooded with Color"

December 8, 2015

Susan Infante

"Textile Arts to Sewing Contour"

January 12, 2016

Holiday Party and Rummage Sale

February 9, 2016

Weeks Ringle "Luminous Quilts"

Workshop: "Rediscovering Your Stash"

March 8, 2016

Pat Sloan

Workshop: TBA

April 12, 2016

Philanthropy Sew In

May 10, 2016

Carolyn Mack – "Parade of Quilts: Up
Close and Personal"

May 13-14, 2016

Naperville Quilts! 2016

June 14, 2016

Catherine Redford – "Most Excellent
Adventures in Quilting"



Next RQG Board Meeting:

August 25 at 7:00 pm at Grace
United Methodist Church

Small Quilt Auction Donation Form			Quilt #
Riverwalk Quilters Guild			Q_____
Maker(s) / Owners:			
Quilt Name:			
Quilt Size:			
Techniques Used: (Circle all that apply)			
Hand pieced	Machine pieced	Paper pieced	Please note: The Guild may use photos of your donated quilt.
Hand appliqued	Machine appliqued	Fused applique	
Hand quilted	Machine quilted	Tied	
The Story Behind the Quilt (The more information you can give, the more interest folks have in the quilt)			
Final Bid (\$)			Bidder #

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RIVERWALK QUILTERS GUILD RETREAT
October 30–November 1, 2015
Carmelite Spiritual Center, 8419 Bailey Road, Darien, Illinois
 arrive 4:00–4:30 PM Friday–depart 3:00 PM Sunday

Please join us for our first Riverwalk Guild quilt retreat! Reservations are limited so send your payment soon. See the table below for your room and board options. Cost includes 2 nights and 6 meals.

Payment Options—

Quilter(s) Per Room	Cost			Cancellation Refund	
	1 Payment Due 9/1	2 Payments		No Replacement	Replacement Found
		Due 9/1	Due 10/1		
1	\$237	\$100	\$137	\$187	\$200
2	\$187	\$100	\$ 87	\$137	\$150

CANCELLATION POLICY:

You will receive a partial refund if you can find a replacement or your spot can be filled by someone on the waiting list.

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 Name: _____ Email: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

_____ I will share a room with: _____

_____ I need a roommate. _____ I prefer a private room.

Emergency Contact Name: _____

Emergency Contact Phone: _____

Vegetarian meals (circle one): YES NO

Room and board amount: _____

Gluten-free meals: add \$30 (\$10/day)

Amount enclosed: _____

Check payable to **Riverwalk Quilters Guild**. *No credit cards or debit cards accepted.*

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