

Riverwalk Quilters Guild

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President's Message

Vicky Laws
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Happy 2016!

I hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas and an uneventful New Years Eve. So far, I'm disappointed in the bowl games played in the past couple of days, all of my teams are losing. But the Rose Bowl parade was beautiful. Oh well, back to quilting topics. Just returned from Thimbles and I just signed up for the Pat Sloan workshop in March. Spots are limited to about 20 people and costs \$75 for the workshop. Hope to see you in the class....don't delay.

Looking forward to our Holiday party next week. Please join us in celebrating the New Year.

What to Bring – January 12

Name Tag

Appetizer, Dessert or main course depending on your last name

White Elephant Gift

Rummage sale items

Food Pantry donation

Library Books

Show & Tell



Next Board Meeting:

January 26 at 7:00

Grace United Methodist Church

January 12 2016

Holiday Party & Rummage Sale
Mary Walschot & Nancy Niswander
rqqjanparty@gmail.com

Celebrate 2016, the year of the Monkey, at our Holiday Party.

If you haven't guessed it yet, the theme is Chinese New Year. Wear **red** or **orange** and bring a dish to share. If you have an Asian recipe, even better.



If your last name begins with:

A-I bring an appetizer

J-R bring a dessert

S-Z bring a main course

Bring a wrapped gift. This will be used in a "**white elephant**" game. It should be something you have lying around the house and can be related to sewing/crafting or not.

Please consider bringing a non-perishable food item for **Loaves and Fishes** food pantry.

To help set up and organize the rummage sale, please come to Grace Church at 5:30 p.m. You get first chance to snag some bargains!

If you can help pack up and load cars with the leftovers, please stay after the meeting.

Any questions, contact Nancy Sturgeon.

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Holiday Party & Rummage Sale
continued
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RUMMAGE SALE

At our upcoming **quilt show** we will be selling used quilting or quilting-related books, quilt patterns, and 100% cotton quilting fabric. We will **not** sell these items at the rummage sale this year. You can contact Nancy Lindberg about donating these for the show.

At our **January party/rummage sale** (January 12, 6:30 p.m.) you can donate the following items which will be sold to benefit the RQG treasury.

No need to mark price--

- Quilting magazines--yes--all are \$.50 each
- Quilting patterns--NO--to be sold at show
- Sewing patterns--not quilt-related--all are \$1 each

Mark price on each--

- Books--crafting yes; quilting books NO--books no more than \$5 each
- Sewing/quilting tools--yes
- Fiber fill--yes
- Batting--yes
- Thread--yes--package in plastic bag
- Fabric--quilting no; other kinds yes--package in plastic bag
- Quilt tops and kits--package in plastic bag
- Quilt blocks--package in plastic bag
- UFOs--package in plastic bag
- Embellishments--package in plastic bag

Please pre-price all donations, marked clearly with a bargain price. Price in increments of 25¢. Package items that go together in clear plastic bags.

Special Events

Ruth Hild and Nancy Lindberg
rqqspecialevents@gmail.com

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**. There will be bins at future meetings to collect these items. These are the only items we will sell!

Congratulations to Jill Bryan for selling the most raffle tickets for our 2015 Opportunity Quilt.



Website

Kathleen Pallardy
rqqwebsite@gmail.com

Our new website is complete and went "live" this week. Please take a few moments to explore our new website. All comments are welcome ... Click the contact page. The link is the same:

www.riverwalkquilters.com

If anyone needs something added to the website, ex. member gallery additions, show information, pictures, etc. please email Kathleen Pallardy.

HELP WANTED

Publicity Chair

rqgpublicrelations@gmail.com

As Publicity Chair, you have the opportunity to work with all the different events, committees and Guild members who are involved with each activity—Philanthropy, Special Events and helping with the upcoming Show—there’s always something going on.

One main goal is to attract new members by “putting our best foot forward”. This may include producing posters, bookmarks and anything else that will get our message out. Sometimes it’s small articles in the newspapers or a poster in the library.

Getting involved, in ANY capacity is a great way to help your Guild, give back to the community and discover new friends while having lots of fun! Please consider volunteering for this important board position.

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:

Innovative Fabric Imagery for Quilts by Cyndy Rymer

The Quilters Guide to Design Essentials by Lorraine Torrence

Quilters Playtime by Diane S. Hire

250 Continuous-Line Quilting Designs

By Laura Lee Fritz

Friendships in Bloom by Majorie Nelson

Basic Seminole Patchwork by Cheryl Bradkin

Pieced Flowers by Ruth McDowell

Machine Applique Made Easy by Jean Wells

December 8 2015

Susan Infante

Textile Arts to Sewing Couture

Member Photo Directory

Nancy Sturgeon

We all enjoyed the garment display of our talented December speaker, Susan Infante. Our members are looking forward to taking her Thermofax screen printing, classes in the future.



Last month at our guild meeting I took photos of 40+ members and have inserted them into a member photo directory which you should have received via email the week of January 4.

If you have not had your picture taken yet, or if you are unhappy with the photo that was taken, please look for me taking photos with my ipad near the membership desk.

Don't worry. These are casual photos so that our members can get to know each other a bit better. In addition I inserted a list of members sorted by zip code at the end of the directory so that you can locate members who live in your vicinity. If you have any other ideas for the directory, please let me know.

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.*

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

Sandy Hess and Joanne Sheahan
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Many thanks to all those who turned in items at our December meeting.

Nancy Lindberg - one binding
Nancy Niswander - quilted one quilt
Lynn Slauter - child's quilt for Edward Hospital
Judy Kanarak - 9 frogs
There were a total of 7 quilts received.

Now that it's beginning to feel like winter, please remember the adults and children being serviced by Hesus House. They benefit greatly from the warmth of our generosity.

Also, it's not too soon to start collecting material for our April Sew In. It's been decided to only use cotton this year and not flannel.

Happy New Year to all.

We do have some **new rules for rag quilts**. They must be **laundered** and **checked for open seams** before donating. We will no longer be accepting any that are not ready to deliver. This applies to **rag quilts only**.



Philanthropy- continued

Sandy Hess and Joanne Sheahan
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SIZE OF QUILT GUIDELINES

Please piece your quilt no wider than 40". We would like to use a backing fabric that is one fabric width wide.

Crib - 36"x42" Child's quilt- 40"x60"
Youth Quilt- 40"x72" Adult lap quilt- 40"x60"

If you want a RQG long arm volunteer to quilt your quilt and your quilt is wider than 40 inches, you can either ask for donated fabric from Philanthropy and make your own backing to fit the quilt or donate fabric from your stash, to make the backing for the quilt and a volunteer long arm quilter will quilt your quilt. If you donate a pieced top and include backing fabric, please make sure that the backing is **at least 6"** larger than the top both widthwise and lengthwise. This extra fabric is needed to attach the backing to the quilting frame and also to accommodate the quilting itself. Thanks.

Please think about making some small stuffed animals for Hesus House.

We have 10 pounds of fiberfill. Please let us know if you would like some to stuff your creations.

Hospitality

Donna Millican and Jill Bryan
rqqhospitality@gmail.com

The New Year is here and we probably all have a list of projects planned out. Maybe the top of the list is to put the Christmas decorations away. At the same time, we are going through our stash of material/quilting items for the rummage sale. Don't forget the PARTY. See you all there.

Naperville Quilts! 2016

Quilt Show Registration - Yvette Thorn
rqqquiltshow@gmail.com

Quilt Show Registration

I will be accepting the application forms at each meeting through March. Looking forward to seeing all of the beautiful quilts and quilted items that all of you will be submitting for the show. The form is at the back of the newsletter. – Yvette Thorn



Quilt Show Planning Update

We would like to thank all the guild members who have already given their time and resources to the show. We are making great progress. The venue has been secured, the chair positions have been filled, and planning is underway, but we still need everyone to help us prepare for a fantastic show.

Continue to work on finishing the beautiful quilts and projects you are going to put in the show. We would love to have every member of the guild represented. Also, please sign up for volunteer slots to make the show run more smoothly. Kathy Herbach will be coordinating volunteers for the days of the show, or contact a show chair person if you would like to help before the show.

Thank you for helping us create another wonderful show!

Celeste Akre, Rosemary Garrity, and Susan Akre

Naperville Quilts! 2016

Raffle Baskets - Amy Shuter
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You've heard of "build a bear." Welcome to "build a basket!"

Here are a couple more new themes for quilt baskets:

30'S REPRODUCTIONS FAT QUARTER

BASKET: Would everyone in the guild please donate a 30s reproduction fat quarter? This type of basket was the bestseller at the Faithful Circle quilt show. Let's try it for our show too!

LIFE AT THE BEACH BASKET: perhaps a beach tote with sunglasses, sunscreen, beach towel, etc.

Some other themes we are working on are:

GARDENER'S DELIGHT: tools, seeds, gloves

DATE NIGHT: DVDs, wine, snacks

READ AND SNUGGLE WITH GRANDMA: comfy quilt, books, soft toys

SELVAGES: please save your selvages so we can raffle a large jarful. This raffle won't even cost anything to make! Try to cut about 1/2 inch of the fabric with the selvage.

Would you or your quilt bee like to sponsor/adopt a basket? You could adopt one of the suggested themes or come up with your own theme.

If you would like to sew something for one of the baskets such as a table runner, potholders, small quilt, tote bag, toy animal, etc. please speak to me.

Please bring your donations to the meetings and look for the clipboard at the next meeting. Thanks for helping to make beautiful, bountiful raffle baskets!

Amy Shuter

March 8 2016

Pat Sloan

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: "Sponsored by Thimbles" March 9, 2016

Time: Contact Thimbles (815) 836-8735

Location: Thimbles, Lockport

940 State St. Lockport IL. 60441

Please Note that Thimbles is running this Pat Sloan workshop. Members need to contact Thimbles for workshop information.

Upcoming Midwest and Local Events

National Guild Challenge

2016 National Museum Quilts for Quilting Campaign – quilt donations must be received by April 1 2016. Details about this contest are attached to this newsletter.

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

Show & Tell December Guild Meeting



Go Blackhawks!



Dyed Fabric from the November "Fabric to Dye For" workshop by Frieda Anderson



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an email

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

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Weeks Ringle "Luminous Quilts"

Workshop: Feb 10 "Rediscovering Your Stash"

March 8, 2016

Pat Sloan

Workshop: March 9 Sponsored by Thimbles

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"

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



Expanding the Vision, Advancing the Art

Dear Quilters,

You may have received a letter or email about the 2016 National Quilt Museum Quilts for Quilting Campaign. The Quilts for Quilting Campaign is one of The National Quilt Museum's largest and most important fundraisers. Last year over 500 individuals and several dozen guilds participated. We hope that you and your guild members will participate this year and help the Museum achieve its fundraising goals.

How it works? The program is simple and everyone can participate. To get involved simply donate a full size quilt or miniature quilt to the Museum for fundraising purposes. The quilt can be a new creation or an antique and it can be any size. Most donated quilts will be a part of our three annual auctions. In a few cases they are held to be used in later events. The Museum is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization so all donations are tax deductible as allowed by law.

Over the last six years, the Quilts for Quilting Campaign has led to critical funding for the Museum. The dollars raised in this program have helped us expand several programs and expand our promotional efforts. These proceeds along with other donations have ultimately led to thousands more people experiencing the work of today's quilting community through educational programs, in-facility exhibits, travelling exhibits, and other programs.

Over the last four years a "Guild Challenge" has emerged. This is an informal contest to see which guild can send us the most quilts. In 2014, The Quilt Guild of Brandon, Florida won with 25 quilts. In 2015, the Pine Tree Needlers Quilt Guild of Wautoma, Wisconsin won with 19 quilts. The guild that sends the most quilts will be featured in a Facebook post. In addition, every guild that sends us a quilt will get a plaque.

In addition to helping the Museum, each campaign donator will receive a free gift.

How to donate your quilt to the "Quilts for Quilting" campaign:

1. **Send quilts to: National Quilt Museum, 215 Jefferson Street, Paducah, KY 42001**
2. **Please write "Attn: Quilts for Quilting" on the box.**
3. **Please include your name, address, and contact information so that we may send you a receipt and a gift.**

There is no limit to the number of quilts you may donate to the campaign. We welcome multiple donations. If possible, please donate by April 1, 2016.

Thank you so much for your donation. The Museum relies heavily on the generosity of the quilting community for funding and we need everyone passionate about quilting involved. 2016 is the Museum's 25th Anniversary and we would love to ring in this wonderful milestone with the most successful auction ever!

If you have any questions about this program please contact Lori Robbins or Amanda Ball at 270-442-8856.

Sincerely,

Frank Bennett

**The National Quilt Museum is a 501©3 nonprofit organization. Click here to get more details about how we are funded. A full annual audit is available upon request.*

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