



Riverwalk Quilters Guild

July 2020

President's Message

Members:

Happy 244th Birthday America on 7/4/2020. Let us all celebrate the freedom that we all enjoy by living in this great country and remember the sacrifices that many have made for our freedom.

And in our case the freedom to enjoy our hobby of quilting and donating many quilts with others who are less fortunate making their days happier just lying beneath them.

Let us think positive that what we are experiencing now will be over soon and we can get back to our somewhat normal lives again.

Speaking of being positive, one of our members, Rosemary Sanza is graciously organizing the means of actually having our July general guild meeting via Zoom on Tuesday, 7/14/2020 at 7 PM where many of our members will be displaying quilts that they have made during the lockdown in a Show & Tell format.

So, members please furnish pictures of your lockdown creations to Rosemary so we can all see how creative you have been.

Please remain safe and healthy.

Mary Cieslak

President - RQG



July 2020 Membership

We ended FY20 with 102 members, three more than a year ago.

Well over half the members have already renewed their dues. If you did not renew at the early rate, please see the renewal form attached to the email and mail it along with a \$35-check to the address on the form.

If you will not be renewing your dues, please let us know so that we can remove your name and won't continue to contact you...but we do hope to see you later this year!

Bev Parker and Carol Rubeck

Membership

Fun Quilting Ideas

Ways to use Ugly Fabrics

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RePQz1eN5Ko>

Piecing Accuracy 101 ~ Quilting tutorial from GE Designs

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=haxCn_xCe8k&t=5s

Ideas to display your quilts outside

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vfEugBHJSPA>

Riverwalk Meetings and Workshops

2020

July 13, 2020 Monday 7:00 PM -- Zoom Practice Meeting with Rosemary Sanza

Want to join the July Show and Tell meeting but you haven't used Zoom? Come to this meeting to learn the basics. You will need internet connection and a device with a camera and a microphone. Most tablets and laptops will have camera/microphone. Desktop computers work, but sometimes don't have the camera/microphone built in. Check your equipment. A meeting invite will be sent out via email to all members the weekend before. The invite will include a link and further instructions to follow.

July 14, 2020 Tuesday 7:00 PM – Zoom Guild Show and Tell with Rosemary Sanza

So what have you been working on? Let's share our creations with each other and have a chance to say "Hello". This meeting will be held via Zoom. The weekend before the meeting, an invitation and instructions to join the guild's Zoom meeting will be sent to all guild members. If you have large items you want to share and would like to share a photo, please feel free to send a picture to RQGWebsite@gmail.com and I will be sure to have the photos available for the meeting. There will be drawings for door prizes.

Aug 11 - meeting will be on Zoom instead of at church. Kathy Herbach will arrange a virtual tour of selected sewing spaces. If you would like to offer your space for our meeting please contact Kathy (Kathleen.herbach@gmail.com) You will receive an invitation in your email to join the Zoom meeting, with instructions.

Sept 8 – hopefully we will be back in the church's lower level, if not we will be on Zoom. Deb Strain will be our guest speaker. She will show us how she designs new fabric collections and show quilts

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she designs new fabric collections and show quilts featuring her fabrics.

Oct, 20 – note the 3rd Tues, instead of the auction, we will have Chris Moline lecture, "You Be the Judge" and trunk show in the church. She will talk about various items judges look for in quilts.

Nov 10 – Bobbie Butler will lecture on techniques she used on her award winning quilts and trunk show.

Not sure if we will have the mystery quilt workshop on Sat. Nov 14.

Dec 8 – Connie Martin's lecture and slide show about pre-civil war quilts and their secret code to the Freedom Trail on the Underground Railroad. www.Precivilwarquilts.com

2021

Jan 12 – Holiday Party and rummage sale – Amy Shutter, Chair

Feb 9 - Philanthropy Sew in

Mar 9 – Lori Dickman's lecture on My Favorite 3 – D quilts & trunk show featuring Diamonds, Dresden & Drunkard's Path. www.QuiltingWithLori.com

Mar 10 -Lori Dickman workshop using Diamonds, Dresden & Drunkard's Path

April 13 – Quilt Auction – Dee McHale, Chair

May 11 - Ruth Ann Berry – presentation and trunk show featuring Bargello and stunning 3 D quilts. www.quiltersclinic.com

May 12 – Ruth Ann Berry Bargello workshop

June 8 – Betsy Habich – presentation on designing and making a pieced quilt with freezer paper and trunk show

NOTE – In order to keep everyone safe, when we resume church meetings, we plan to adhere to the current guide lines at that time.

Meetings and Workshops (cont'd)

Thanks for being patient as we work this out.

Ruth Hild, and Leesa Jump,

RQG Programs@Gmail.com

Special Events

Challenge: I am working on a virtual challenge and hope to open this new challenge during the August meeting. Details will be available in the upcoming newsletters and on the RQG web page.

SEW-In: As Grace Church hopefully begins reopening to groups of 50 or less, I am there and ready to start working on the next member subsidized sew-in. Hopefully we can continue this fun tradition in the fall.

Block Drive: I encourage all members to check out the 2020 Quilts of Valor block drive which features a basic 9-patch using red, white and blue fabric. This is a good way for our guild, it's members, bees and groups to keep on sewing and contribute to a good cause. QOV has a waiting list of quilt requests totally 627 from 2017 and 3712 from 2018. Information on block design and specifications is available on line at: <https://www.qovf.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/08/Block-drive-2020-Revision2-2019-0830.pdf>

I will be glad to organize collection and submittal of blocks beginning in November 2020. Please stay safe.

Darlene Ebel
Special Events

Philanthropy

Philanthropy has been collecting and completing quilts. We have contacted organizations that have received quilts and pillowcases too. Northwestern Medical in Winfield and Wayside Ministry are currently accepting donations. We donated 10 quilts to Northwestern Medical and 7 quilts to Wayside Ministry.

Guild members have been involved with philanthropy by donating material and time. Thank you. Several members have had scraps and material to donate. Nancy S. has taken the material and made pet beds and pads. Nancy has donated over 50 to A.D.O.P.T in Naperville and 23 to a pet shelter in South Holland, Michigan. Kathy H. donated material to make quilts and bound a quilt, Norma B. completed 5 quilts and quilted 2 quilts, Judy L. completed 4 quilts and quilted 2, Terri H. made 2 quilt tops and bound 2 quilts. Thank you guild members. We hope we did not miss anyone. Let us know, we appreciate all the time and donations from our members and we would like to thank you.

Philanthropy is keeping busy. We have several quilt tops to be quilted. There are members who will bind quilts. We have batting and material to complete a quilt and material to back a quilt and make a quilt top. We can put together a kit to make a top. Drop off or pickup can be arranged. Contact Terri at 630 915 6599.

We are looking forward to seeing everyone, take care and stay safe.

Terri Hayes and Judy Long

Philanthropy Committee

Website

Do you provide quilting related services for hire or sell related products? Think long arm, workshop teacher, lecturer, trunk show, binding or something else? Did you know we have a directory on our website of guild members who do these things? Well we do! There is so much talent and service in our guild and it would be great to have it all listed in one place for everyone (including non-members) to reference. So take a moment during your sheltering and send me your information. And it's free to members.

If you need something added or changed on the website www.riverwalkquilters.com, please email Rosemary Sanza at the rggwebsite@gmail.com

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Ads

Ads must be prepaid and received by the Newsletter editor by 4th Tuesday of each month. Ads are free to guild members

- 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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www.riverwalkquilters.com

Newsletter email

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RiverwalkQG.newsletter@gmail.com

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