

### President Mary Cieslak

Members:

It's hard to believe that we are into the month of June already. Where did the time go?

Needless to say, our world has gone through so many changes both good and bad and we have survived to experience better days to come.

As your departing President at the end of this new month I want to thank every one of our board members and committee chairman for all your hard work in keeping our guild going through the challenges of Covid. May God bless each and every one of you for your encouraging words during my tenure as president it is very much appreciated.

I want to also wish the new executive board and committee members the best of luck for 2021-2022 and hope you will have as much fun as I have had fulfilling their duties going forward. We are a great group of ladies enjoying a hobby that makes us happy doing what we love to do.

Thanks to every one of you for making my job as President an experience that I won't soon forget.

See you all at the next Zoom meeting,

Mary Cieslak President - RQG



# Programs Ruth Hild, Leesa Jump

June 8<sup>th</sup> is the last program I'm in charge of and I'm pleased we were able to have Zoom meetings each month with up to 60 members attending. I want to thank all who helped make this possible, the moderators and tech assistants, Rosemary Sanza, Kathy Herbach, Lyn Kmiecik, and Sue Damitz. Two are needed at every meeting and practice session.

Special thanks to Rosemary who developed the guidelines and schedule, and for teaching many of us to use Zoom. Thanks Margaret Zitt who kept us informed and the whole board who helped and continued with the duties of their offices. It has been an amazing year. Thanks to those who have volunteered to take offices so the guild can continue.

Ruth Hild

#### June 8, 2021 - Betsy Habich

Designing and Making a Pieced Picture Quilt with freezer paper templates. Check out her web site before the meeting. www.betsyhabichquilts.com

Starting with a description of early quilts, Betsy explains how she began designing picture quilts to achieve more realistic images by piecing with freezer paper templates. The freezer paper template method frees you from the perfect 1/4" seam by marking and sewing on the seam. Unlike paper piecing, freezer paper templates let you use curved seams, and lets you easily audition fabric.

The first part is a slide + trunk show, covering both what works and what not to do. The second part takes you from photograph to quilt top, including designing the pattern, checking it for piece-



ability, making the freezer paper templates, selecting fabric, mocking-up, marking, and sewing. <a href="https://www.BetsyHabichQuilts.com">www.BetsyHabichQuilts.com</a>

Betsy Habich has been sewing since the third grade. Her quilts have been juried into national and regional shows, including International Quilt Association (IQA/Houston), American Quilters Society (AQS/Paducah), Machine Quilters Expo (MQX), and Quilters Gathering, and been awarded ribbons at regional quilt shows.

She is a self-confessed fabricaholic and cat person. She lives with her husband, cats, and fabric in Beverly Farms, MA, a coastal community north of Boston.

### **Ruth Hild and Leesa Jump**

### <u>Philanthropy</u> Terri Hayes, Judy Long

Philanthropy would like to thank the outgoing board and committee members for their time and efforts to support the guild. It has been a challenging time for all of us. We have been able to continue through the creativity and dedication of these members to keep the guild moving forward. We would also like to welcome new board and committee members.

We have been amazed and thankful for the efforts of the members. We have received material, quilts, pillow cases, hand warmers, burp bibs, receiving blankets, dog beds, and Christmas stockings.

We have been able to expand the organizations that we donate to by the suggestions from guild members. It has been a success to create new

projects to increase our contributions to the community. We look forward to continuing the receiving, creating of new projects, and giving.

This month we are including the contributions of members for April and May. Darlene E. 4 completed quilts, Loraine N. 2 pillowcases, Carol W. 1 completed quilt, Judy L. 3 completed quilts, Wanda J. 8 pillowcases, Jean L. 15 completed quilts, Donna M. material, and Darlene S. 1 quilt top. We hope we included everyone. Please let us know if we did not include someone. We appreciate everyone.

Because of all the donations of material and time, the philanthropy committee has been able to distribute the following: 4 quilts to Northwestern Medical in Wheaton, 8 quilts and 4 pillowcases to Ronald McDonald House in Winfield, and our new organization, Second Hand Resale Shop in Naperville, 8 quilts to be donated to Metropolitan Family Services.

This organization empowers families to learn, to earn, to heal, to thrive. Please check the site at: <a href="www.metrofamily@org">www.metrofamily@org</a>.

Wow, 20 quilts and 4 pillowcases. Let's keep on giving.

Looking forward to continued contributions,

Terri Hayes and Judy Long Philanthropy Committee



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### Darlene Ebel Special Events

During the month of June, I will be contacting the Bee Keepers for updates to the information in our bee book and work with Sue and Nancy on updating information in membership file and the guild directory.

As we near the end of our guild's fiscal year I would like to thank all who participated in this past year's virtual challenge and to the bee keepers who have kept our bees active and productive.

Unfortunately, we did not have a sew-in, yet the board is planning the events that we love to be a part of next year. It will be fun to see each other again.

My term comes to an end in June and I encourage anyone interested in the **Special Events Chair** position to please contact our president. This is a fun, easy and low stress position.

Thanks again and I look forward to seeing you all soon

Darlene Ebel, chair

### Membership Sue Damitz

Membership renewals started in May for the 2021-22 year and is due by June 30, 2021. Annual membership dues are \$35. Please fill-in the attached form and mail it to me at

Sue Damitz, 10S588 Curtis Lane, Naperville, IL 60564. I need the form to update the records. Also, if you have changed your phone number or email address, please don't forget to include that also.

I have received 19 renewals as of today. Joan Der has worked hard on setting up some interesting speakers for the 2021-22 year (see page 4). Please send in your renewal today so you can continue to join us on our zoom meetings.

Thank you Sue Damitz

### <u>Margaret Donahue</u> Facebook and Instagram

We are a group that gathers to celebrate an art that was developed of necessity back when fabrics were scarce.... which maybe explains our reluctance as a group to share our work on modern platforms like Instagram and Facebook. If this year has taught us anything it is that we miss being together sharing conversation about our textile hobby.

Please consider jumping in at least once a month to the online world of quilting. Look up our speakers who will be highlighted on Facebook and Instagram. After locating the speaker's name in our newsletter, a simple google search will open all sorts of information to you.

Please share your pictures of works in progress, completed projects, and any special quilt shops or activities you do over the summer.

My email is <a href="mailto:mdonahue1068@gmail.com">mdonahue1068@gmail.com</a>. Our Instagram account is @naperriverwalkquilts.



You can even post on your own page and tag our group as a member with #naperriverwalkquilts so others can be inspired by your work.

Our Facebook page is Riverwalk Quilters Guild. Please engage today!

#### **Quilt Novels**

I have a very nice series of novels that revolve around a fictional community of quilters in Missouri. This series is called The Colebridge Community.

The books are written by Ann Hazelwood, a former quilt shop owner in St. Charles, MO, and are published by The American Quilter's Society. There are 7 books in all. They are:

The Basement Quilt,
The Potting Shed Quilt,
The Funeral Parlor Quilt,
The Jane Austen Quilt Club,
The Ghostly Quilts on Main,
Quilted Lilies,
A Colebridge Quilted Christmas.



If you would like to borrow these, please contact me, Nancy Sturgeon, at <a href="mailto:nlsturgeon@gmail.com">nlsturgeon@gmail.com</a>



### <u>Programs</u> <u>Joan Der</u>

### Programs for July 2021 - June 2022

All speaker presentations will be via Zoom. A meeting invitation will be sent out to all Members the weekend before the meeting.

July 13, 2021. Cassandra Beaver, Ohio <a href="http://thenotsodramaticlife.com/about/">http://thenotsodramaticlife.com/about/</a>

As a trained scenic and costume designer, and then a professor of these subjects, Cassandra is keen to dream up designs and now creates a quilt. Her quilts might be called "modern" or an "art quilt." Many of the patterns she creates are foundation paper pieced.

Several quilts are in the permanent collection of the National Quilt Museum. She has lived in several midwestern states. She has a blog, newsletter and is on Instagram and YouTube.

August 10, 2021 Timna Tarr, Massachusetts <a href="http://timnatarr.com">http://timnatarr.com</a>

Timna is from a long line of quilters and studied Art History in college. She began long-arming at home in 2001 and now occupies a warehouse studio.

Her quilts with many circles evolve when sewing many independent blocks and then arranging them on a design wall. Each quilt has a selfassigned challenge.

She pieces award-winning contemporary quilts with circles, maps and farm animals. Individual webinar workshops are offered. She has a blog, and is on Instagram and YouTube.



September 14, 2021 Gloria Loughman, Australia

https://www.glorialoughman.com

October 12, 2021. Note the second Tuesday In process

November 9, 2021 Maria Shell, Alaska <a href="https://mariashell.com">https://mariashell.com</a>

https://talesofastitcher.com

**December 14, 2021 Helen Godden**, Australia <a href="https://helengodden.com">https://helengodden.com</a>

January 11, 2022. Sujata Shah, California <a href="https://therootconnection.blogspot.com/p/blog-page.html">https://therootconnection.blogspot.com/p/blog-page.html</a>

February 8, 2022. Valerie Goodwin, Florida <a href="https://www.valeriegoodwinart.com">https://www.valeriegoodwinart.com</a>

March 8, 2022. Annual guild party

April 12, 2022. Philanthropy evening sew-in

May 10, 2022. In process

June 14, 2022. In process

## Many Thanks!

At the end of June quite a few of our current board members will be taking a much deserved "retirement". Sincere thanks to all who have served during these challenging times:

**Mary**, our steady, unshakable president who had no idea all she would face when suddenly put in a leadership role, but met the challenge with solid decision-making.

**Margaret**, our step-up-to-the-plate and very capable VP and newsletter chair whose down to earth communication, positivity and humor helped carry us.

**Carol**, our detail-oriented treasurer who also came into a challenging situation and was able to patiently untangle our finances and get us on a solid track.

**Lyn** our secretary who brought objectivity and organization to our communications.

**Ruth & Leesa** our program chairs who were able to work booking speakers and keep excellent programs going.

**Rosemary, Sue, Kathy**, and all those who provided all things technical to keep monthly meetings going smoothly and maintain our website.

**Terri, Judy**, our philanthropy dynamos who zeroed in on people and organizations with genuine needs and for whom we could provide comfort and support through the pandemic.

**Darlene**, for fun and creative special events.

Thanks to all other board members who continued to be involved, by doing their jobs well to keep our guild going. The outgoing board has served well and paved the way for the coming year!

Lorraine Nemo 2021-2022 President



#### **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 \* Full page ad for only one month.

Half Page \$25.00 Quarter Page \$12.50 Eighth Page \$5.00

The Riverwalk Quilters Guild newsletter is published monthly. To submit articles for inclusion, contact the editor at: RiverwalkQG.newsletter@gmail.com by the 4th Tuesday of the month.

Please contact Rosemary Sanza (<a href="mailto:rqgwebsite@gmail.com">rqgwebsite@gmail.com</a>) to post your quilting services for hire on the RQG website. Please include a brief description of your services and preferred contact information to be posted to the website.

Naperville Riverwalk Quilters Guild P.O. Box 5092 Naperville, IL 60567

The Riverwalk Quilters Guild usually meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month at 7:00p, at Grace Methodist Church, 300 E. Gartner Road, Naperville, Illinois. The RQG board meets the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday at 7pm at Grace Methodist Church.

Currently, the RQG is meeting through ZOOM meetings and programs. All members are invited to these ZOOM programs.



# Riverwalk Quilters Guild 2021-2022 Board

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#### RIVERWALK QUILTERS GUILD MONTHLY REPORT MARCH 2021

2021	Budget	Total	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	Ma y	Jun
Income														L
Membership	2025.00	1220.0 0	755.00		400.00					65.00				
Guest Fees	150.00	0.00												
Interest	40.00	40.71	4.62	4.76	4.57	4.50	4.48	4.46	4.59	4.58	4.15			
Newsletter Ads	0.00	0.00												
Miscellaneous	0.00	0.00												
Quilt Challenges	0.00	0.00												
Rummage Sale	300.00	0.00												
Workshops	1000.00	0.00												
Sew-In (two)	750.00	0.00												
Small Quilt Auction	2500.00	0.00												
Total Income	6765.00	1260.7 1	759.62	4.76	404.57	4.50	4.48	4.46	4.59	69.58	4.15	0.0	0.0	0.0
Expenses														
Charitable Contributions														L
Naper Settlement	50.00	0.00												L
Naperville Public Library	50.00	0.00												L
National Quilt Museum	50.00	0.00												L
Hospitality (& Party)	225.00	0.00												L
Library	200.00	0.00												L
Membership	50.00	0.00												<u></u>
Prizes at meetings	200.00	120.00		120.00										<u></u>
Miscellaneous														L
Bank Service Charge	50.00	0.00												<u></u>
Equipment	100.00	0.00												
Insurance	1000.00	0.00												L
Office Supplies	10.00	0.00												
Post Office Box Rental	118.00	118.00							118.00					L
Postage	25.00	0.00												L
Newsletter	40.00	15.07	15.07											
Philanthropy Supplies	375.00	194.59				50.83		143.76						
Professional Fees														
Legal	100.00	10.00	10.00											
CPA	500.00	0.00												
Website and Video Conference	180.00	102.43	102.43											
Programs (Speakers)	5500.00	2100.0 0	150.00		250.00	300.00	250.00	300.00	100.00	500.00	250.00			



Public Relations/Publicity	100.00	0.00												i
Space Rental														
Board Meetings	300.00	0.00												
General Meetings	1000.00	0.00												1
Workshops/Room Rent	0.00	0.00												ı
Joint board meeting food	100.00	0.00												ı
Special Activities														ı
Challenge	100.00	100.00									100.00			ı
Sew-In (two)	1300.00	0.00												
Total Expenses	11723.0 0	2760.0 9	277.50	120.00	250.00	350.83	250.00	443.76	218.00	500.00	350.00	0.0	0.0	0.0
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Net Income (Loss)	4958.00	1499.3 8	482.12	-115.24	154.57	-346.33	-245.52	-439.30	-213.41	-430.42	-345.85	0.0	0.0	0.0
Checkbook Register Balance	1935.61		2413.11	2293.11	2443.11	2092.28	1842.28	1398.52	1180.52	1745.52	1395.52			
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Certificate of Deposit	1		8	1	3	8	1	2	6	0	1			
Money Market	6059.66		6059.91	6060.14	6060.19	6060.24	6060.29	6060.34	6060.39	5060.43	5060.47			
Total Deposits at PNC	23292.0 8		23924.2 0	23658.9 6	23813.5 3	23467.2 0	23221.6 8	22782.3 8	22568.9 7	22138.5 5	21792.7 0	0.0 0	0.0 0	0.0 0

Why is there a push for quilters to use up their stash?

Nobody asks stamp or coin collectors to mail letters or spend their coins!!

The "Repository for Textile Accumulation and Investment" sounds more impressive than Fabric Stash!

Two sewing machines are at a bar. One turns to the other and says, "Hey, aren't you a Singer?!"

The other one turns and says, "Why Ja-no-me?"

Star light, Star bright, Quilt all day and Quilt all night! Soft fabric, warm fabric, Buy it by the yard. Happy fabric, pretty fabric, Here's my credit card.