

# Riverwalk Quilters Guild

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### **President's Message** **Cheryl Sleboda** [rqgpresident@gmail.com](mailto:rqgpresident@gmail.com)

I've been thinking a bunch about Community Service and the wonderful Philanthropy our guild provides. We offer quilters the opportunity to make items that are actually valued by the services we work with. When I started out as a new quilter, once everyone in my family had a quilt I didn't know what to make next. Philanthropy quilts are the way for us to still be creative and serve our local community.

Our auction is next month and I hope you are making something for us to auction off. The auction is a wonderful evening that feels like a mini quilt show. You get to see everyone's work, and see the quilts go home with some lucky participant. The more items we have, the more money raised for the guild. This is another great way for you to be creative.

Lastly, I want to ask that at the next meeting you say hello to someone you don't know. Many years ago, when I moved back to Illinois, I attended a meeting and didn't know a soul. It was an awesome group of ladies who immediately invited me to sit with them that made me feel welcome to stay and join. (I'm looking at you Yvette and Dorothy!) Please say hello to our visitors and guests and help us grow our quilt community.

Cheryl

### **September 12** **Laura Wasilowski** **Lecture: Art Quilts:** **The Musical**

Join Laura in celebrating the life of a quilt artist. Listen to her adventures in quilt making and hear traditional art quilt folk songs like "Everybody Gets Rejected Sometime" and the "Minnesota Quilter's Polka". It's a quirky documentary featuring a display of her small art quilts and many other songs from the "Chicago School of Fusing Bond Fire Songbook."



### **What to Bring August 8th**

- Name Tags
- Philanthropy Items
- Treats if you signed up and favorite mug

**October 17, 2017  
Third Tuesday  
Small Quilt Auction**

The ever-popular and very successful Small Quilt Auction will be October 17<sup>th</sup> (THIRD Tuesday). As an annual fundraiser for our guild, we will need donations. Are you currently working on a fun item that we can auction? We are looking forward to seeing wonderful pieces from our talented members. If you are a beginning quilter, simple items are just fine.

For those of you who are new to the guild, typical items donated are table runners, baby quilts, lap quilts, wall hangings (holiday or otherwise), placemats, tote bags, etc. Best ideas are the things that you would like to own yourself, and items with a fresh, current look. We'd love for you to contribute an item you have made in 2017. (Please save your vintage items for our January rummage sale.)

We have a live auctioneer, and fun is had by all. And remember...friends, family, and quilt lovers are welcome to attend. There is no guest fee that evening.

Items may be dropped off anytime (phone first, please) at either location:

**North side:** Loraine Nemo 212  
Tanglewood Ln, Naperville 60563

**South side:** Margaret Donahue 1418  
Terrance Dr, Naperville 60565

The small quilt auction has been greatly successful in part due to the large number of guests who attend.

Please invite your friends, neighbors, and quilt lovers! Often they don't sew, but they do appreciate and purchase our lovely quilted items! How do you invite them? There will be bookmarks available at the membership table at guild meetings, and we also are making available something that looks more like a standard, stationery-type invitation.

It's an evening where truly "the more the merrier", grab some info and invite a few people. They will have a fun time!

Thanks!  
The Material Girls Bee

November 14  
Gudrun Erla  
Lecture: Strip your Stash

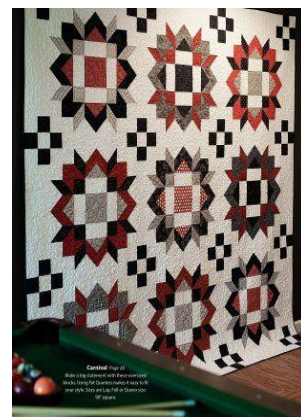


Join us in November to hear a lecture from Gudrun Erla who is the designer of the Stripology ruler and quilts. "I have been collecting strips since I started quilting. Since then I have designed and published multiple strip patterns and books. I have also designed a ruler called the Stripology ruler which makes stripping so much easier, accurate and efficient. This lecture will take you through my strip collecting process, how I choose strips for my quilts, color combination and choices in scrappy quilts and how to choose background fabrics and accents to pull your scrappy goodness together. I will take you through the thought process behind the Stripology ruler and of course show you multiple strip quilts along the way."

Workshop  
Fat Quarter Fun  
November 15

Choose to make her Millie pattern or her Carnival pattern which are both fat quarter friendly quilts. You will learn the methods to make both quilts and use the Stripology ruler to quickly and accurately cut your fat quarters.

Workshop will be on November 15th from 9:30-3:00. Cost is \$50 plus \$10 for an optional lunch. Location: TBA



## ***Upcoming Programs***

December 12  
Mickey DePre  
Lecture: Let's Get Hexed  
Workshop: Pieced Hexies Buffet

January 9  
Holiday Party

February 13  
Sue Pawlowski  
Lecture: TBD

March 13  
Emily Parson  
Lecture: TBD

April 10  
Philanthropy Sew In

May 8  
Tim Latimer  
Lecture: Time Span Quilts

June 12  
Sassafras Lane  
Lecture: TBD  
Workshop: TBD

**Hospitality**  
**Deb Obrieht**  
[rqghospitality@gmail.com](mailto:rqghospitality@gmail.com)

Thanks to all who brought treats in August and signed up for September. Please remember we will need extra snacks for the October Auction. Sign up so we can plan better. Thanks again.

**Membership**  
**Tina Orlita & Carol Rubeck**  
[rqgmembership@gmail.com](mailto:rqgmembership@gmail.com)

Thank you to all of the members who renewed for the coming year. We had one new member and 8 more renewals at the August meeting. There were a total of 62 members in attendance at the August meeting and one guest. We now have 90 members as of August 31. The email blasts will be based on the 90 current members.

**Library News**  
**Lynn Slaughter & Mary Walschot**  
[rqglibrarian@gmail.com](mailto:rqglibrarian@gmail.com)

Hello everybody;

Do you know the library stocks DVD's? Come take a look at them during the September meeting.

### **Riverwalk Video Library**

The photography and close-ups on almost all the videos makes them a personal class for you. It's easy to back up and review, and the professional photography lets you see exactly what you need to see! We should be proud of the collection of teachers on CD our library has for you, some of which are no longer available.

### **Machine Piecing**

Carol Doak Teaches You to Paper Piece - She's the master of Foundation Piecing

Sally Collins Teaches you Precision Piecing - The master at Precision - Lots of help making your piecing more accurate. This video is no longer available and is a real treasure.

Grand Finale, Ricky Tims - even if you get nothing else from this video, he shows how to bring up your bobbin thread at the end of machine quilting. It's a useful technique. But there's a ton more techniques from beginning a quilt to binding, including a special binding.

Crazy About Curves, Vikki Pignatelli. No measuring, no 1/4" seams, for piecing curves, whole cloth facing, make your own pattern or use the one included.

Triangulations - Print your own half and quarter square triangle sheets. Very accurate way of piecing, and you can use scraps!

Kool Kaleidoscopes, Ricky Tims - a strip-pieced adjustable-size kaleidoscope with Tims' easy methods

Barb Vlack's CD, We've Got 'Em Surrounded, "Design Your Own Masterpiece Quilts with Magnificent Borders" - comprehensive "book" on designing your own applique or pieced quilt

### ***Hand Applique:***

Hawaiian Quilting, Nancy Lee Chong - very close up views of beautiful hand applique technique with basic tools. Needle-turn applique and a pattern too.

And another applique video by Piece O' Cake, Becky Goldsmith and Linda Jenkins Teach You to Applique. A more comprehensive applique video using overlay technique.

### ***Machine Quilting***

Fast and Free, Volume 2 - innovative quilting designs for intermediate and advanced quilters. Also teaches you how to build your own Plexiglas extension table.

Drawing with Thread: The Fine Art of Machine Quilting - Carol Bryer Fallert

### ***Enhancements***

Masterclass: Borrowed Tools - Surface Design for Applique by Gabrielle Swain. Lessons on Colored Pencils, Pen and Ink Techniques and Water-Soluble Oil Pastels.

Judith Montano Teaches You Crazy Quilting - the basics plus combined stitches, lace and ribbons.

Paintstick Inspirations - Stencil rubbing, direct application, shading

Thread Therapy with Dr. Bob - from Superior Threads regarding thread, needles, tension

Hand Lettering on Fabric - thorough lessons on inks, pens, permanent application, hand lettering.

Quilting Arts Workshops - extensive scope of quilting related lessons

There are five: Fabric Journaling, Whimsical House Quilt, Surface Design (Lyric Kinard), Floral Wonders (trims, silks, velvets, wools, laces and specialty yarns) and one which has Episodes 1-13 from the 300 Series - many unique lessons and wonderful teachers. Take a look!

### ***History***

Why Quilts Matter - two discs Kentucky Quilt Project videos

Please check around your homes for any library materials you might have checked out but never got around to returning. We would like to get an updated inventory done in the coming year.

Lynn and Mary

**Philanthropy**  
**Lucy Blasi & Kathleen Curtis**  
**rqgphilanthropy@gmail.com**



Love this saying. It's so true too. So why not sew a Pineapple block? Once we have enough blocks we will make a quilt for donation. It's fun. It's creative. A perfect way to use up some fabric scraps. If you didn't get a block instruction sheet at the last meeting we will have more at the Philanthropy table in September. Stop by and say hello and pick up a pineapple block sheet.

**In August we received the following from members:**

**Quilts**

Non Member – 2  
Myra Harcourt – 3  
Linda Yokelson – 2

**Quilt Tops**

Veronica Van Overberghe – 2  
Jean Hilderbrand – 1  
See and Tell Bee - 1

**Heart Pillows**

Joan Dolinar – 3

**Port Pillows**

Joan Dolinar – 6

**Pillow Case**

Jen Beatty – 6

**Sew in Blocks**

Jean Beatty took 30 blocks to sew into a quilt top

**Bags**

Deb Obriecht – 6  
Cheryl Wanska

**for Stash**

Jean Hilderbrand -2 bags of batting  
Quilters Quest – 2 bags of fabric  
Linda Brenda – Many fat quarters

**Finishing Work**

Deb Obriecht	Binding – took 1 and returned 1
Nancy Lindberg	Binding – took 1 and returned
Darlene Schille	Binding – returned 1
Margaret Zitt	Binding – returned 3
Lynn Kuehn	Binding & Quilting – returned 1
Orene Springstroh	Binding & Quilting – returned 2
Sandy Bray	Quilting – returned 1
Donna Millican	Binding – returned 2 took 2
Kathleen Pallardy Quilting	– took 1

Thank you to all for your help with Philanthropy Sewing and for all you do to support us.

**Special Events**  
**Sue Damitz, Darlene Ebel and**  
**Nancy Ebel**  
[rqspeialevents@gmail.com](mailto:rqspeialevents@gmail.com)

**Lisle Depot Days**  
**September 16th - September 17th**  
**Noon to 5 p.m.**

RQG Quilters will be demonstrating at this annual family festival on Saturday, Sept. 16th and Sunday, Sept. 17th. 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. We'll be located in the Netzley / Yender House parlor once again this year.

**Member's Subsidize Sewing Retreat -**  
**October 21, 2017**

Please join us on Saturday, October 21, 2017 for our next guild's member subsidize sewing retreat from 8:00 to 4:30. We are holding the retreat in our usual meeting room at the church. Since it worked so well last February, we will be doing things similar this time. The signup cutoff will be when we hit 50 people or a couple days before so we can get the food order.

The cost to attend is \$10.00 which will cover a lunch box and holds a spot for you and is non-refundable. The following drinks will be provided: bottle water, coffee, ice tea, and hot tea that day.

Each of you will get a 6 foot or share a 10-foot table for your sewing area. In addition, the following areas will be available for all to use: layout, cutting, ironing, and lunch area. Due to possible wiring overload because of the power that irons take, we will be providing 5 - 6 ironing stations and request that you not use your own iron at your sewing station. To add to the excitement of the day, there will be door prizes provided. Last retreat each participant went home with a door prize and we plan to repeat this if we can.

This will be a day for you to sew on your own projects. Come sign up at the September meeting and join us for another fun day of sewing and fellowship with other members.

**2019 Raffle Quilt**

It is my pleasure to announce that members of the Fabric Fondlers Bee have volunteered to design and organize the creation of the raffle quilt for the 2019 Quilt show. Our ideas were presented at the August board meeting and we received their approval to move ahead. If there are any other members interested in joining us, please contact Sue Damitz.

We plan to use the blocks from the [Tula Pink's City Sampler: 100 Modern Quilt Blocks](#) book and are leaning towards the skyline pattern from that book. We will enlarge the design to at least a queen size quilt. Our idea is to have a design that allows members to participate in the creation of the quilt blocks and find that the blocks in this book are ones that members could make.

So stay tuned as the design is finalized and we need your help on sewing blocks.

Thanks,

Sue Damitz  
for the 2019 Raffle Quilt Committee



## Upcoming Midwest and Local Events & Other Items

The Faithful Circle Quilt Guild invites your members to our 20<sup>th</sup> biennial quilt show, "Bouquet of Quilts." Could you share this information with them through your newsletter and meetings?

### Faithful Circle Quilters "Bouquet of Quilts" Quilt Show

**September 16 & 17, 2017**

Saturday: 9am – 5pm

Sunday: 10am – 4pm

Admission \$7.00

Jefferson Junior High School  
7200 Janes Ave, Woodridge, IL  
Easy access from I-355 and 75<sup>th</sup> Street exit

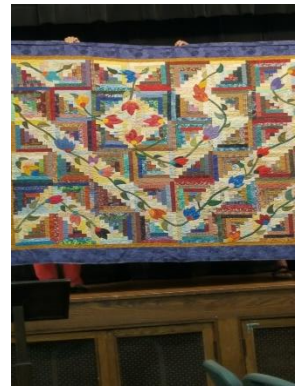
More information available at  
[www.fcquilters.com](http://www.fcquilters.com)

As of the close of registration last month, we have over 400 entries this year. There will be vendors, a Trading Post, Faithful Fabric Shop, Bed Turning, Bake Sale, raffle baskets, a silent auction, and more. And Sharon Smith is our featured quilter this year!

Thanks for sharing this information.

Judy Pacanowski  
Publicity Chair

## Show and Tell



**Website**  
**Kathleen Pallardy**  
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**Riverwalk Quilters Guild**  
**2017- 2018 Board & Committees**

If you need something added or changed on the website [www.riverwalkquilters.com](http://www.riverwalkquilters.com), please email Kathleen Pallardy at the [rqqwebsite@gmail.com](mailto:rqqwebsite@gmail.com)

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Facebook:  
<http://www.facebook.com/Riverwalk>

**Riverwalk Quilters Guild meetings**  
 - 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday, 7:00 pm  
 Grace United Methodist Church  
 300 E Gartner Road, Naperville, IL  
**RQG Board meetings – 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday, 7:00 pm**  
 Grace Church

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	<b>Nancy Ebel</b>
<b>Newsletter</b>	<b>Sandy Bray</b>
<b>Back-Up assistant</b>	<b>Nancy Sturgeon</b>
<b>Website</b>	<b>Kathleen Pallardy</b>
<b>Facebook</b>	<b>Kathleen Herbach</b>
<b>Small Quilt</b>	<b>The Material Girls Bee</b>
<b>Nominating Chair (2017/2018 Board Year)</b>	<b>Open</b>
<b>January Holiday Party</b>	<b>Carol Gruchala</b>
	<b>Anita Nothdurft</b>
	<b>Linda Yokelson</b>
<b>Rummage Sale</b>	<b>Nancy Sturgeon</b>
<b>Raffle Quilt Chair &amp; Committee</b>	<b>****Open</b>
<b>Show Chair</b>	<b>****Open</b>