

Riverwalk Quilters Guild

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President's Message
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November 14
Gudrun Erla
Lecture: Strip your Stash

Can you believe it's November already? I can't. The year has flown by and we are already hearing Christmas music and seeing holiday commercials. But I always like to take time in November to give thanks at Thanksgiving. Like how thankful I am for my Quilt Guild, and for our successful Small Quilt Auction. Or how thankful I am for this hobby that has become a career for me. Or how thankful I am for the many friends I have gained through it.

What are you thankful for?

Don't forget that our meeting is in the activity room, upper level, around the other side of the church this month!

Cheryl

What to Bring October 17

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



Join us in November to hear a lecture from Gudrun Erla who is the designer of the Stripology ruler and quilts.

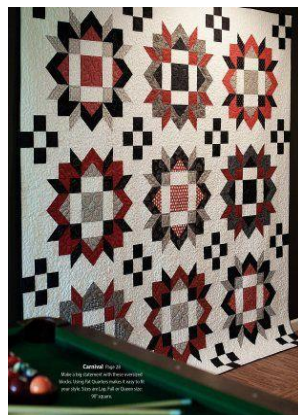
"I have been collecting strips since I started quilting. Since then I have designed and published multiple strip patterns and books. I have also designed a ruler called the Stripology ruler which makes stripping so much easier, accurate and efficient. This lecture will take you through my strip collecting 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**

Spaces are still available in this month's workshop! Contact Susan Akre for more information.

Workshop: Fat Quarter Fun! 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: New Covenant Church, 1 Bunting Lane, Naperville, IL 60565



**December 12
Mickey DePre
Lecture: Let's Get Hexed**



An interactive lecture/demo/audience participation event that includes a small trunk show of English Paper Pieced quilts, some made by myself, some antique. I will take the audience through basting a Hexie hands-on as they will actually baste one Hexie during the PowerPoint presentation that will be filled with tips and tricks about English Paper Piecing!

**Workshop
Pieced Hexies Buffet
December 16**

Learn how to take the Hexie to a whole new level with Mickey's Pieced Hexies Patterns. Three pieced Hexie designs will be covered during the workshop. Students will leave class with three new design samples and their imagination running wild. Workshop will be on December 16th from 9:30-3:00. Cost is \$50 plus \$10 for an optional lunch. Location: New Covenant Church, 1 Bunting Lane, Naperville, IL 60565

January 9 Holiday Party

Please join us on January 9th for our annual Members Only Party.

There will be FOOD! There will be FRIENDS! There will be FUN! And, there will be FABRIC! What other ingredients do we need for a great night of getting together to share these things that we love? We will have lots of time to visit with each other, welcome the new quilters who have joined us since last year, and eat some great food together.

Our main course will be chicken, and we ask that members bring a dish to share based on the first letter of your last name as follows:

A through F: Dessert
G through P: Salad or side dish
Q through Z: Appetizer

Coffee, Tea, and Water will be provided. As usual, if you can bring your own mug and save on paper goods, that would be much appreciated. We will have dinnerware and cutlery.

Our party begins at 6:30pm. We will plan to play some games, so get your Fat Quarters together. See next month's article for specifics.

Hope you will join us for a great time!

Carol Gruchala, Anita Nothdurft and Linda Yokelson

Riverwalk Small Quilt Auction 2017

A big thank you to all the Riverwalk Quilt Guild members for their participation in the October Auction.

This year the Material Girls Bee chaired the Auction. We felt it was a good model for a group or Bee taking it over next year. Many hands make light work. Of course, previous chairs will be there for guidance along the way.

We had 86 items to auction. The winning bids ranged from \$15 to \$130. The top bid went to a Christmas quilt made of blocks contributed by former member Marilyn Bennish and finished up by The Material Girls and quilted by Nancy Sturgeon.

The Material Girls were pleased with all the donations, however, a total number of 70 auction items may be best going forward to make for a more relaxed evening. We felt that some of the items were underbid due to time constraints.

The total revenue for the evening was \$3840.00.

Paddles given out 88.

Guest attendees -27.

Please think about working on the auction next fall! Winter is coming, a great time of year to begin planning your finest piece for next October

The Material Girls Bee

Upcoming Programs

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

January 9 Holiday Party & Rummage Sale

When you are cleaning up your rooms for the holidays, don't forget our January Rummage sale. We accept books, magazines, notions, fabric, thread, various craft supplies, etc. Set them aside and add to the pile between now and the second Tuesday in January. I will publish packaging and pricing info in the December newsletter. Any questions, email Nancy Sturgeon. Check your Guild member directory for the address.

Nancy Sturgeon

Hospitality Deb Obriecht rqqhospitality@gmail.com

Great big thanks to all who brought snacks to the Auction. I did not have a sign-up sheet for the Nov.14 meeting. Soooo, please bring something yummy for the Nov.14 meeting. It will be greatly appreciated.

Deb Obriecht

Membership Tina Orlita & Carol Rubeck rqqmembership@gmail.com

Our guild currently has 97 members. Please review your listing in the photo directory

Update emailed to everyone in November. If there are any updates to what is listed, please contact Tina or Carol. We want to thank Nancy Sturgeon for taking the pictures, so we can easily identify other members.

See Nancy in November if you want your picture included in the next update.

Tina Orlita & Carol Rubeck

Library News
Lynn Slaughter & Mary Walschot
rqglibrarian@gmail.com

New Books:

Bonnie Hunter "Scraps & Shirttails"

Jacquie Gering "Walk"

Please check your personal library for any books you may have borrowed from the guild but forgot to return.

Philanthropy
Lucy Blasi & Kathleen Curtis
rqqphilanthropy@gmail.com

Looking for a project for the April Sew In. We discussed possibly sewing small tote bags for Edwards Hospital. We are open to any suggestions. If you have an idea, please let us know.

In October we received the following from members:

Quilts

3 quilts - no name was record

Finishing Work

Nancy Niswander	Binding – returned 1
Orene Sprinstroh	Quilting & Binding
Orene Sprinstroh	Took 1 to complete

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

Kathleen & Lucy

Special Events
Sue Damitz, Darlene Ebel and Nancy Ebel
rqqspecialevents@gmail.com

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

Twenty-two members enjoyed our guild's member subsidize sewing retreat on Saturday, October 21, 2017.

Everyone sewed and chatted with each other throughout the day. Towards the end of the afternoon we had a show n tell where everyone shared what they had done during the retreat. We are working on getting another date in February or March next year.

**Maker Fair at 95th Street Library
November 4, 2017**

Five RQG members, Lyn Kmiecik, Darlene Ebel, Nancy Ebel, Carol Gruchala, and Sue Damitz demonstrated at the Naperville 95th Street Library on Saturday, November 4th. A fun day was spent spreading the word about quilting and our wonderful guild. Despite being a rainy day, we had many youngsters try their hand at creating their own blocks on flannel boards with pre-cut squares, rectangles, and triangles. While the kids were working on their blocks, we talked with their parents about the guild. There were a few that seemed interested in the guild, so let's make sure that we welcome them if they attend a meeting in the future.

As we were leaving, we heard that there were more than 175 kids that had attended that afternoon. This was a great opportunity for us and we let them know to keep us in mind for the next Maker Fair that they have.

Special Events
Sue Damitz, Darlene Ebel, and Nancy Ebel

**Upcoming Midwest and Local
Events & Other Items**

**Fiber Art Divas Present Annual Art
Show**

Please visit our annual fiber art show and sale October 25 through November 11, 2017 at the Naperville Fine Art Center & Gallery, 508 N. Center Street, Naperville, IL 60563.

An Artists Reception will take place on Sunday, October 29, from 2-4:00 p.m. where you'll see demos, enjoy refreshments and meet many of the artists participating in the show.

Show hours: Wednesday- Friday, noon-4:00pm and Saturdays, 10-4:00pm. Free admission n.

The Fiber Art Divas is an informal group of fiber art enthusiasts who meet at the Naperville Art Fine Art Center every fourth Monday of the month with the purpose of sharing ideas and explore new techniques. Several of the group's members are award-winning and published artists although anyone with an interest in art expression through fiber is welcome to join the group. Fiber art includes art quilting, wool felting, knitting, mixed fiber, silk painting to produce original, one of a kind works.

fiberdivas.blogspot.com

Mistletoe Marketplace

November 11, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
Grace United Methodist Church
Fellowship Hall

Quilt Drawing, Silent Auction, Baked Goods, Hand Crafted Items and much more!

All proceeds go to United Methodist Women Missions.

Website
Kathleen Pallardy
rqqwebsite@gmail.com

Riverwalk Quilters Guild
2017- 2018 Board & Committees

If you need something added or changed on the website www.riverwalkquilters.com, please email Kathleen Pallardy at the rqqwebsite@gmail.com

Please contact Kathleen Pallardy 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.

Advertising rates are based on one month's issue. Ads must be prepaid and received by the Editor by 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.

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

Website: www.riverwalkquilters.com

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

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

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	Nancy Ebel
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Nominating Chair (2017/2018 Board Year)	Open
January Holiday Party	Carol Gruchala
	Anita Nothdurft
	Linda Yokelson
Rummage Sale	Nancy Sturgeon
Raffle Quilt Chair & Committee	Fabric Fondlers Bee
Show Chair	Lorraine Nemo and Rosemary Sanza