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Riverwalk Quilters Newsletter

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President's Message



We hope you are you looking forward to our very first Open House in May! Plan to attend in person if possible. Remember your name tag and be prepared to meet and greet newcomers. Guests will be easily identified, as they will be wearing a special name tag. We are a vibrant, friendly guild, so let's show it!

Guests (both in-person and online) pay no fee. We hope they'll like what they experience and join the Guild. Membership remains the same at \$35, but in order to take advantage of the special offer, those joining must submit payment no later than May 13-- and then enjoy membership through June 2024. Bring an interested friend! And...please be sure to make all our guests feel welcome!

Loraine Nemo, President and
Bev Parker, Vice President

Membership

We have 95 quilters in our Guild! We have 14 new members this year. This is fantastic! Membership renewal is coming due. The Membership Form is attached to this Newsletter.

Remember to wear your name tag to win the raffle!!

Happy Spring,
Margaret Zitt
Membership

Treasurer's Update:

Hello Members!

I wanted to let you know how the Guild is doing financially. Last year there was talk about raising our dues to match area guilds which would help keep Riverwalk in the black. However with two of our biggest events coming back with such success, we don't have the need to raise the membership dues for fiscal year 23-24.

To be clear the two events are the "Rummage Sale" in June and the "Small Quilt Auction" in October. These events performed well above expectations. They are both essential for the success and longevity of the Guild. Therefore I would encourage you to participate. If you'd like clarification of events, please reach out to the Board and we'd be more than happy to explain them to you.

Finally, It appears Riverwalk will break even for the 2022-23 fiscal year!

Happy Quilting!
Tracy Husch-Lissak



June Party

We are excited to have you attend our Guild's 29th birthday party on June 13 at 6:30 p.m. There will be games (& prizes), snacks at the table, an opportunity to make a donation to Loaves and Fishes, and shopping at our Rummage Sale.

Water bottles (or bring your own beverage) and light snacks will be provided. Also, don't forget to bring a contribution of non-perishable food for Loaves and Fishes Food Pantry. See you there!

Linda McShea, Amy Shuter, Leesa Jump

RQG Rummage Sale Preparation

Our RQG Rummage Sale is on schedule for our June meeting. It is not too late to start going through your fabrics, notions, patterns, books and magazines to sell at the sale. No need to price patterns, books or magazines as each category has a set price.

We also welcome unfinished projects or finished projects not suitable for the fall Auction. Leftovers are donated to Charity.

Please make the effort to clean out your stash and supplies. You will not regret it. You can sort your fabric by color if you desire.

Any sale questions contact:
Julie Milldrum Educaterread1@gmail.com
630-470-7044

All proceeds go to the RQG Treasury.

Julie Milldrum

Lacy Challenge

If you participated in the Vintage Lace Challenge, please bring your completed piece to our May meeting where they will be on display for all to see.

Lorraine



Art Quilt Trunk Show May



At our meeting this month, award-winning, local artist and art quilt designer Marisa Márquez Cortezón will be in-person at our guild meeting to give a presentation and trunk show of her works. Marisa will talk about her creative process and show samples of her work. The presentation will also be live-streamed for those who need to join the guild meeting virtually.



Philanthropy

We received 22 completed quilts, 11 bound quilts, 10 tops, 2 pillow cases. We distributed 5 kits, 10 quilts to be bound, and 1 to be quilted.

We distributed 24 quilts, 19 hand warmers, and 2 pillow cases to the following organizations; Our Saviour Lutheran Church, Naperville, St. Patricks, Naperville, Monarch Springs, Naperville, Ronald McDonald House, Winfield, and Northwestern Medical Center, Winfield.

We thank the following members to their time and materials; Leesa J., Sue D., Karen, Nancy S., Marlene, Terri H., Judy L., Margaret., Ganga G., Norma B., Mary C., Carol R., Lynn H., Linda K., Judy M., Loraine N., Sue B., Peggie G., Ivette T., Linda Y., Karen V., and Darlene E. We hope to recognize everyone, but sometimes we might miss someone. Please let us know if we did miss you. We very much appreciate all that we receive.

We are looking forward to the May Guild meeting with the in-house speaker Marisa Marquez Cortezon. The June Guild meeting will be our Guild party and Rummage Sale. For that reason, the **May Guild meeting will be the last meeting in which we will be distributing quilts to bind, tops to quilt, and kits for making quilt tops.** We will collect donations at both the May and June meeting.

We give because we care,
Terri Hayes and Judy Long
Philanthropy Committee

Social Media

Hello members from Social Media. Just before I sat down to write this update I was on Facebook and noticed a post on Pat Sloan's page from a woman relocating to this area from Las Vegas. Before I found her post 170 people had wished her well and given advice about guilds and shops and Chicagoland in general.

Someone had even invited her to our Open House in May! Way to go members. This is what it is all about; connecting and sharing with others that enjoy the same arts and hobbies.

This fall we will have another auction. This is so important to our funding of future speakers and activities. Last year post pandemic we did so well with our auction..Lets try to repeat this success.

If you would like to see what was auctioned last year type #fallauctionreturnsoctober18 into the instagram search bar and our offerings from last year will pop up. Please think about making something. The second thing you can do to help is commit to bringing a non-guild member guest. Everyone can bring one person at least right??

This year the Auction will be on the third Tuesday in October. The date is October 17, 2023. I suggest a hashtag of #2023RQGauctionOctober17 as this year's hashtag. We can start our digital auction catalog as soon as the first member tags their creation to donate.

Thanks so much!

Margaret Donahue
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Library News

The library will be available at the May 9th Membership Meeting, but not at the June Annual Party & Rummage Sale. Book returns will be accepted at both meetings.

Have a good book with great patterns or techniques that you're ready to part with? Please consider donating the book to the Library!

You can view our online Library listing at anytime from your home through Librarything at: <https://www.librarything.com/catalog/RWQG>. You can also find the links and look at book covers on our website: <http://www.riverwalkquilters.com/library.html>.

It is EASY!

Contact Lynn or Linda at rqglibrarian@gmail.com and we'll pick up your book request and make arrangements for delivery.

Thanks!
Linda Kurcz and Lynn Hamilton

Outside Events

Spring Bazaar Chicago, IL



2022-2023 RQG EXECUTIVE & COMMITTEE POSITIONS

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