## Riverwalk Quilters Guild

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### **President's Message Cheryl Wanska**

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Celebrate! We've been a quilt guild for 20 years! Some things have changed, but the good things about us remain.

Being a member of Riverwalk Quilters Guild, attending meetings and workshops, helping at our fundraisers, working on philanthropy projects, and serving on our Board and committees has:

- increased our guilting skills
- taught us new ways to look at fabrics, patterns, and methods
- given us enduring, close friendships
- expanded our world
- rewarded us with satisfaction, joy, pride, and recognition. CELEBRATE!

Many thanks to our Board and committee members for your time and effort on behalf of our guild this past year. We appreciate vou! And we welcome our new Board members who will continue to find fun and interesting ways to add to our joy and knowledge in guilting.

Happy Quilting,

Cheryl Wanska President



WHAT TO BRING—June 10 Name tag—library books—show & tell

### RQG BOARD MEETING

6:30 p.m. June 24 Heidi Enright's house Retiring board members, bring a report of the duties of your job and also a salad, entrée, or dessert. Let Carol Gruchala know what you plan to bring. NEW board members invited too!

### **RQG Board 2014–2015 Nominations**

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## Tuesday, June 10

### 7 pm Grace Methodist Church **PICTORIAL QUILTS**

Rosalie Baker RQG 20th Anniversary Celebration

# Riverwalk Quilters Guild 2013–2014 Board & Committees

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### **PROGRAMS**

### **Lisa Noonan**

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# Tuesday, June 10 at 7 pm lower level, Grace Methodist Church PICTORIAL QUILTS—Rosalie Baker

Rosalie Baker began quilting in 1993 after retiring from a career as a commercial artist. She has applied her artist training to making and designing pictorial guilts which range from small wall hangings to gueen size. Rosalie's subjects are realistic, whimsical, and challenging. Her work reflects pictorial images inspired by her family and surroundings. She offers a mixture of original design along with traditional quilt blocks and uses a variety of techniques to achieve the desired results. Rosalie is an award-winning quilt artist. In 2010 her guilt won Best of Show in the Celebrate Spring Challenge at the International Quilt Association Quilt Festival in Chicago. Her quilts were featured in the AQS Quilt Art Engagement Calendar in 2002, 2010, and 2011. A guilt of hers was exhibited at the Museum of the American Quilter's Society in Paducah, and two guilts are published in the 2010 book 500 Art Quilts An Inspiring Collection of Contemporary Work by Lark Books.

Thank you to Leesa Jump for serving as hostess to Rosalie.

#### **HOSTING A SPEAKER**

Each time you host a RQG speaker overnight in your home, you will be given a \$25 gift card to a local quilt shop. Contact Sandy Doubek.

### HOSPITALITY

Nancy Lindberg & Lois Skooglund

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A big thank you to those who brought the delicious treats to the May meeting!

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### SPECIAL EVENTS

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Happy anniversary to Riverwalk Quilt Guild! We are celebrating our 20th year at our June meeting. Come enjoy cake and a great speaker. Bring cash for a chance to win a fabulous raffle basket containing gift cards from many local shops and other great stuff. If anyone has any anniversary quilts from previous years, please bring them that night. Also, if you haven't signed a leaf for our anniversary signature quilt, please see Susan or Celeste Akre.

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The Riverwalk Quilters Guild—2nd Tuesday 7pm
Grace United Methodist Church
300 E. Gartner Road, Naperville, Illinois
The RQG Board—4th Tuesday 7pm Grace Church

### **MEMBERSHIP**

**Sharon Goodman & Joan Carter** 

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Two guests and 80 members attended our May meeting. We currently have 72 membership renewals out of 129 current members. If you plan to renew and have not yet done so, please bring your **MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL** form and \$35 payment to the June 10 meeting. *An extra fee of \$12.00 covers the newsletter sent out by US mail.* Don't forget: A late fee of \$5 will be charged for renewals received after July 1, 2014. A completed renewal/member information form must be included with your payment.

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### **SMALL QUILT AUCTION**

Kathy Herbach & Sandy Alfaia smallquiltauction@riverwalkquilters.com

We know it is early, but we wanted to remind you of our Small Quilt Auction on October 21 (*THIRD Tuesday*). This is our main fund raiser for the year, and we need your donations. Please think of some fun things to make during the summer. We look forward to seeing them soon! If you are new to the guild, we typically donate baby quilts, wall hangings, placemats, table toppers, etc. We have a live auctioneer, and it is a blast. We will be urging you to invite all of your friends to attend. We would love for you to contribute a donation of something you have made in 2014. Thank you

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Wisconsin Museum of Quilts & Fiber Arts **April 9–June 22** www.wiquiltmuseum.com

### April 10-June 22

DePaul Art Museum, Chicago click on the title link below for more info on 2 special weekend programs

"From Heart to Hand: African American Quilts from the Montgomery Museum of Fine Arts."

### July 1 deadline

DuPage County Fair Online Entries 150,000 fairgoers—60th anniversary Make-It\*Grow-It\*Show-It www.dupagecountyfair.org/makeitgrowitshowit

October 4–5 Rock Valley Quilt Show <a href="http://www.rvqg.org/">http://www.rvqg.org/</a>

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June 12–14 **Private Fabric Sale** 8 am to 5 pm—910 Westshire Dr., Joliet.

September 4–6
Quilt Expo Quilt Contest—Madison, WI entry form deadline 6/30/14

wiquiltexpo.com

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# RQG RAFFLE QUILT Ticket Sales & Travel Itinerary Persons Needed

We a need one or two of you to chair our raffle quilt ticket sales and/or organize and arrange the travel itinerary for our raffle quilt. Can you help? Contact Cheryl Wanska

#### **BETTER BINDING TECHNIQUES**

I am in a quest to learn to sew a better binding on my quilts. Below are several tutorials on the subject to get you thinking. Some of my friends are now cutting their bindings from 2" to 2-1/8" wide instead of the traditional 2-1/4" to 2-1/2" because they want a narrower binding that is firm and fully packed. In addition to these articles and videos, there are many binding tutorials on line. Try a new binding technique on a small quilt sandwich to see if you like it.

The tutorials vary in their recommendations—the width of the cut binding, whether to sew the binding to the front or back of the quilt first, best way to sew the binding ends together, best way to turn a corner on the first sewing, best way to stitch the final edge to the quilt whether it be with a decorative stitch or hidden stitches with invisible thread, etc. Beware: I have heard that if a judge cannot find anything wrong with the body of a quilt, she will go over the binding with a fine tooth comb!

One quilter makes her binding strip, irons it in half along the long side and then winds it around a ruler, pins the end, and removes the ruler. The binding will stay neat until she needs it. Try to cut the binding when you cut out the quilt so you won't use up that special matching fabric in another project and then be searching for alternative fabrics for your binding!—editor

### Faux Piping on Binding technique:

google: Susie's Magic Binding

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### **Binding by Machine Only**

no hand stitching by Judy Laquidara

https://www.youtube.com/watch? v=5iw0EcUJsDE

Binding with Leah Day Part 1 & 2

https://www.youtube.com/watch? v=wprg5vzkuGw

https://www.youtube.com/watch? v=7MRfADz\_pyg

**RQG Note Cards & Pins now 50% off!** 

### 

in June Rosemont Quilt Show

Six members of Riverwalk Quilt guild who also belong to the Naperville Modern Quilt Group will each have a 36" x36" quilt in the upcoming June show, "Modern in the City", at Rosemont. They are Ruth Hild, Nancy Lindberg, Sharon Maroni, Nancy Niswander, Catherine Redford and Yvette Thorn.

### **QUICK EASY QUILTS**

I needed a quick easy quilt to make for my niece's new baby, and I found lots of great simple patterns at the Naperville Library in Mary

Fons' magazine for modern quilters, *Quilty*. The design I chose consists of only 2-1/2" strips made into pyramid shapes with each block reversed. I changed the colors to suit my project and made them very bold—

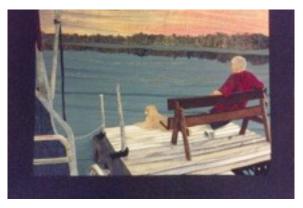
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and now I have to finish it by the shower this Sunday! Still have to sew the rows together, quilt and bind it. I do hope it won't take too long! The pattern is from the October 2013 issue and is called *Pyramid Dance*.—editor

Photos of Pat Bishop's work in May

thanks to Norma Beckemeier's phone













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### **SHOW & TELL**

So sorry these are blurry. I was trying to take them in a hurry as the battery on my phone was about to go dead. At least you get the idea of the quilts! —the editor

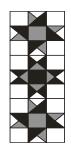












# Expressions in Threads

### **JANOME of LeClaire**

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Pre-Sale: Thursday, July 24, 2014 – Admission \$20

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Friday, July 25, 2014 – 8:00 am – 8:00 pm Saturday, July 26, 2014 – 8:00 am – 6:00 am

Special Fabric Groupings - \$4/yard - \$5/yard - \$6/yard LeClaire, lowa 52753 Fabrics from Moda, Quilting Treasures, Red Rooster, Benartex, & more www.expressionsinthreads.com

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### 2014-2015 PROGRAMS

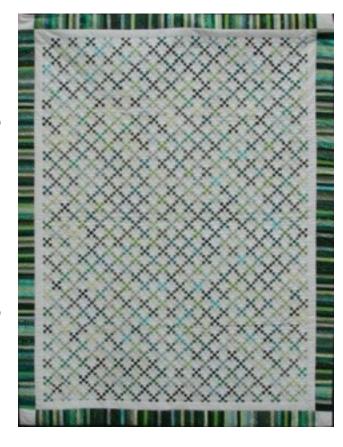
### **Sandy Doubek**

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**July 8—Mickey Mowry** is an award winning quilter, pattern designer and quilt shop owner (Sew Many Pieces in Richfield, WI) who is known for the tiny pieces in her quilts. Each one averages 5000. She will bring a trunk show of her amazing quilts with pieces



that get smaller and smaller. Her challenge is to make the "world's most pieced quilt" with over 131,000 pieces.



### August 12—School House





September 9—Aniko Feher shares her expertise in bringing fabric to life through portraits. If you have been to any international quilt shows or keep up with

quilt magazines, you will recognize quilts from her her trunk show of award winning quilts. Aniko will also present a **2-day workshop** *From Photo to Quilt* to turn your special photo into a work of art using raw edge applique. Start choosing some of your photos for a "selfie" or special person/animal in your life. Check out Aniko's website to see what her students have accomplished. <a href="https://www.quiltsbyaniko.com/">www.quiltsbyaniko.com/</a>

### October 21—Small Quilt Auction

**November 11—Dr. Clarice Boswell** will be presenting her production of songs, quilts and stories. Her first book *LIzzie's Story:* A Slave Family's Journey to Freedom is the result of her research into the origin, struggle and journey of her own family. She studied oral family history, photos and an 1876 family Bible. Dr. Boswell's presentation is historical story of quilts made by African-American slaves before the Civil War and the significance of hidden codes for the routes to freedom on the underground railway.

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# Riverwalk Quilters Guild Member Information Form July 1, 2014 – June 30, 2015

Please print clearly:
Name:
Street:
City, State, Zip:
Phone:
E-mail:
I do not have e-mail. Please send my newsletter & membership directory by regular mail, a \$12 additional fee.
I would like to receive information on joining or forming a Quilting Bee.
I <b>do not</b> want photos of my likeness nor my work published in our newsletter, website, or facebook page.
What year did you join the guild? (1st year was 1994)
Which Quilting Bee(s) do you belong to?
I understand that I am obliged to volunteer for guild activities.
Signature
Membership Rates for 2014-2015:
Renewal Fee/New Member Fee: \$35.00/year
Fee for Newsletter & Membership Directory Sent by US Mail: \$12.00/year
Dues Late Payment Fee (after July 1): \$5.00
Guest Fee: \$10.00/meeting (Guests who join the Guild within 1 month of paying guest fee: \$10.00 discount)
Pro-Rated Membership Fee (new member after Jan. 1): \$20.00
(Make checks payable to <b>Riverwalk Quilters Guild</b> . Drop off at guild meeting or mail to: Riverwalk Quilters Guild, PO Box 5092, Naperville, IL 60567)