

Riverwalk Quilters Guild

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President's Message

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Happy September Everyone!

School is back in session and we are entering the fall season.....Cold one week and then hotter than blazes the next.

Hopefully, everything has begun to settle down and you are able to do a lot more sewing and getting those UFOs and beginning projects completed. I am looking forward to seeing how many members took up the philanthropy challenge to make some Heart shaped pillows for Edward Hospital helping breast cancer patients. I also saw on Facebook that another guild in our area was also challenging their members as well, so I am anxiously looking forward to seeing many heart shape pillows are turned in next week.

Looking forward to our September Speaker, I always learn something new – whether or not, I use that knowledge it is filed away for future use.

What to Bring in September

Name Tag, Library Books

Heart Pillows & Other Philanthropy Donations, **Checkbook for Retreat**

Items for Small Quilt Auction, and Mason Jars for Centerpiece

Chocolate/Wine items for Small Quilt Auction Raffle Basket

Fabric, Books and Patterns for the Resale Corner of the Quilt Show

Philanthropy

Sandy Hess and Joanne Sheahan

philanthropy@riverwalkquilters.com

Sandy and Joanne delivered 12 quilts to the pediatric unit at Edward Hospital in August. As usual, they were graciously accepted.

Sandy received a call from the social worker at Edward Cancer center. She said there is a great need for heart shaped pillows used by women who have undergone breast surgery. This is the first time we have had a request like this. The pattern is on our facebook page so please help out. Several bees have taken on this challenge. Will yours?

Hope to see a bunch of heart pillows on the philanthropy table at our next meeting.



Philanthropy - Continued

Sandy Hess and Joanne Sheahan
philanthropy@riverwalkquilters.com

Many thanks to all who turned in philanthropy donations last month.

Nancy Lindberg 1 quilt ,1 pillowcase and 1 binding, Mary Cieslak 4 quilts, Donna Millican 1 quilt, Nancy Niswander 4 quilts , Roberta Hollonbeck 1 quilt , Jean Hildebrand 3 tops , Linda Yokelson 2 quilts , and 1 pillowcase made by someone who didn't sign our sheet.

Naper Settlement Challenge Quilts at 95th Street Naperville Library



Special Events

Ruth Hild and Nancy Lindberg
specialevents@riverwalkquilters.com

Quilt Show News

We will be having a "Resale Corner" at the show and need your donations of quilt **Fabric**, quilt **Books** and quilt **Patterns**. Please start going through your collection of these 3 items and start bringing them to our next meeting. I will have bins available. These are the only items we will sell; anything else should be kept for the January Party rummage sale. If you are interested in being on this committee please let me know. Thank you! Nancy Lindberg

Jar Project

83 Jar blocks were turned in. WAY TO GO! We will have several great projects, with some added features, for the small quilt auction on Oct. 20th. A big thank you to all who participated!



Riverwalk Quilt Guild Retreat

Nancy Sturgeon
nlsturgeon@gmail.com

FIRST RIVERWALK QUILTING RETREAT WEEKEND October 30–November 1, 2015

Pull out your calendar and mark the dates October 30–November 1, 2015. This is the weekend of our very first Riverwalk Quilters Guild Retreat! The registration sheet is attached to this newsletter. Send it in now to reserve your spot or **bring your check to the September 8th guild meeting.**

It will be held at the **Carmelite Spiritual Center, 8419 Bailey Road, Darien, Illinois** (www.carmelitespiritualcenter.org/). We will have use of a large meeting room with lots of electric outlets, tables, and windows. In addition there is a meditation garden with a gazebo, babbling brook, and small lake for taking a break from your sewing machine and projects.

Arrival is at 4:00-4:30 PM on Friday and departure is by 3:00 PM Sunday. Don't forget that we get an **extra hour of sewing** because that weekend we return to daylight savings time! Fall back the clocks!

Minimum requirement for a weekend is 20 people overnight. There will be no commuter packages. If we are not able to fill the 20 person minimum, we will open registration to friends and non-members.

Current pricing is **\$187 per person double occupancy and \$237 for a single**. This includes two nights, six meals (Friday dinner, all three meals on Saturday, Sunday breakfast and Sunday lunch), and the use of one large meeting room and two breakout rooms. Coffee, tea and hot chocolate are provided throughout our stay. We can sew until they kick us out at 3:00 on Sunday! You can choose vegetarian at no extra charge, but gluten free meals are an additional \$10/day. Only snacks can be brought into the Center.

This nearby venue allows us minimum driving time and maximum sewing time. What a great weekend to finish your holiday presents and even a quilt or two for our spring show. Bring your UFOs! You can ask others for advice, and we will have show and tell. It will be a great weekend for getting to know members of our guild who are not our sewing cronies and a terrific learning experience to see what projects others are involved with. Plus, you might even be able to remove some projects from your UFO list.

Naperville Quilts! 2016

Heidi Enright and Loraine Nemo
show@riverwalkquilters.com

Calling All Quilts...and quilted items!

Our fall auction is right around the corner, and while we're mainly focused on that, we hope you are planning and sewing with our May 2016 quilt show in mind.

Our goal is to have at least one item from each and every Riverwalk member. What are you making now? We'd like to see it! It can be large or small, a quilt, wall hanging, art quilt, garment, bag. Let's celebrate the wide variety of skills and talents in our guild! tuned, and keep quilting!

Detailed information about the quilt selection process will follow our fall auction...stay tuned, and keep quilting!

Next RQG Board Meeting:

September 22 at 7:00 pm at Grace
United Methodist Church

Hospitality

Donna Millican and Jill Bryan
hospitality@riverwalkquilters.com

Thank you all for your treats at the "School House" evening. I'm looking forward to our September meeting.

Small Quilt Auction

Rosemary Sanza

smallquiltauction@riverwalkquilters.com

Help Wanted!

The Auction is on Tuesday, **October 20** – Grace United Methodist Church. Preview begins at 6:30 PM and the Auction is at 7:00 PM.

Please make something special. Quilted items made by you within the last year. There are no size limits, but suitable items are wall hangings, lap quilts, baby quilts, totes, table toppers, etc. Items can be turned in at the September guild meeting or up until Saturday October 17th.

Additional locations:

Sandy Alfaia 630-946-6532, 3307 Grassmere Road, Naperville

Rosemary Sanza 630-357-0863, 100 Devon Lane, Naperville

Invite Your Friends and Family – This is of utmost importance. Bookmarks are available to hand out to remind people of the date, time and place. Attached is template of an email for you to send out to invite friends and family to the event. There is a motivation prize- a gift certificate at Quilters Quest! As guest are checked-in, non members will be asked if a member invited them. Each non-member guest equals one chance at the prize.

Mason Jars and Raffle Baskets – New centerpieces for the event are being prepared and will be using mason jars. Please bring in any mason jars that you would be willing to donate to the September guild meeting. Any size (mini 8 oz up to half gallon), any color, any shape and no lids

needed. Also, we will be assembling opportunity basket on 2 themes: chocolate and wine. Please bring any items you would like to contribute for the baskets. There are no limits, but please bring in any new items that will fit the themes and will physically fit in a basket.

Event Volunteers Needed – Helpers are needed for the following roles:

Quilt Reader (read quilt item description and help “sell” items)

Check-Out Cashier (collect payments)

Check Out Runner(organize items by bidder # & retrieve for the winning bidder),

Opportunity Basket Arranger (arrange donated items in baskets).

Training is provided!

Please contact Rosemary Sanza at Sanza@gmail.com to volunteer to sign up at the September Guild meeting.

With your help, this will be the best auction yet! Thanks for your help.

HELP WANTED

Webmaster, & Publicity,

Thank-you very much to Sue Damitz for creating and maintaining our guild **website**. Unfortunately, Sue is no longer able to continue this job. Have you ever worked on a website or would like to learn how to do it? Riverwalk needs YOU – ASAP!

Most of our guild publicity is posted there, and it needs to be current. You can do this from your home. We also need a **Publicity Chair**. Both these positions can work together to spread the word about Riverwalk. Contact Vicky Laws at president@riverwalkquilters.com for details.

September 12 2015

Faith Jones
What is Modern Quilting?



The daughter of a quilter, Faith Jones began sewing 20+ years ago. She found quilting and blogging in early 2009. She has explored aspects of quilting from independent fabric design to pattern creation. Her patterns can be found in *Vintage Quilt Revival : 22 Modern Designs from Classic Blocks, Scraps Inc, Modern Blocks : 99 Blocks from Your Favorite Designers*, Fons & Porter Scrap Quilts, Love of Quilting, Quilty, Quiltmaker, Modern Quilts Unlimited, Fat Quarterly, and Modern Quilts (UK).

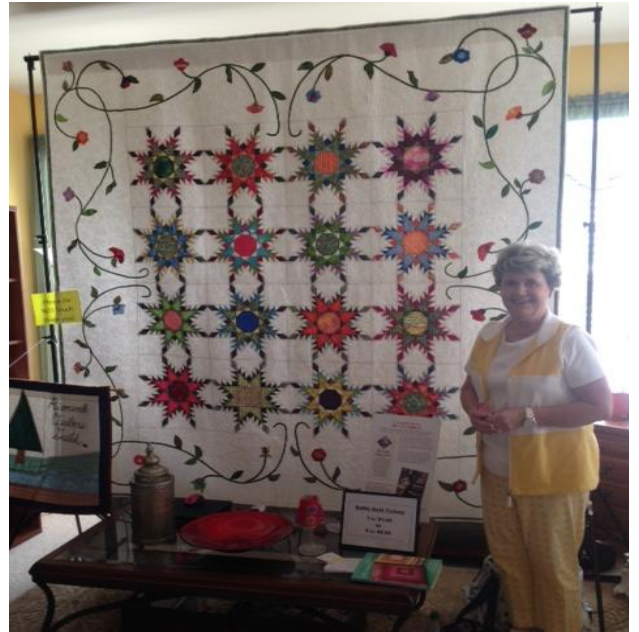
Faith is an active member of the online quilting community, enjoys sharing tutorials, hosting quilt-alongs on her blog, and participating in quilting bees and swaps.

She is a BERNINA USA Ambassador and contributes to BERNINA's We All Sew blog. Faith has a wonderfully supportive husband and is blessed with two children. She blogs at www.freshlemonsquilts.com.

Faith Jones will present her thoughts on "What is Modern Quilting?" with a focus on her favorite segment of the movement, **Modern Traditionalism**.

Opportunity Quilt

Sabrina Marton



Harvest House Quilting Picnic

Our beautiful **opportunity quilt**, "Stars in My Garden" will continue to travel to quilt guilds the final 2 months before one lucky ticket is drawn at the Small Quilt Auction on October 20, 2015.

Thank-you to all our guild volunteers who brought this quilt to various quilt guilds, stores, and quilt shows in the area. Continue to sell your raffle tickets. Please turn your money and stubs to Yvette Thorn at the next meeting.

FAITH JONES – September 12



November 10 2015

Frieda Anderson

“Fabric to Dye For”



I made my first quilt when I was in high school. I have always made things, and I love the process of creating. In college I majored in Art History and minored in ceramics, but I returned to fiber because it was more satisfying. I can't remember when I didn't sew. For years my focus was designing and making clothing. All that changed in 1992, however, when I was in fashion design and realized that all I wanted to do was make quilts. I have been designing and making original art quilts ever since.

I find each step of quilt making, from the beginning to the end, a real challenge. It is hard to say what part I like best. I love the pure creativity involved in conceiving and designing a new quilt. I love to piece and I love to fuse. I have found that by fusing smaller pieces, I can work out design issues. Then I like to make a bigger, bolder statement and piece the same quilt in a large format. Most of my work is machine quilted and nature inspired.

I discovered hand dyeing fabric 30 years ago, and I now work almost exclusively with my own hand dyed cottons and silks. I love the dye process, and I particularly enjoy seeing the colors emerge from the wet fabric.

Color is one of the reasons we love quilting, and achieving the abundance and variety of color is one reason we dye our own fabrics. The most dependable, light-fast and wash-fast dyes used by the industry are Procion MX Fiber Reactive Dyes, the same dyes used in this workshop. Participants will learn the techniques and dye formulas of 48 shades, introducing the flood of color that can be achieved with this easy dyeing method.

<http://www.friestyle.com>

WORKSHOP: “Flooded with Color”

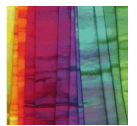
November 11, 2015

Time: TBA

Thimbles, Lockport

Level: Beginner to Advanced

No sewing machine required



Show & Tell August Guild Meeting



Membership

Yvette Thorn Linda Kurcz
membership@riverwalkquilters.com

Raffle Quilt Tickets: Just a reminder to all of you out there who have not yet brought back your raffle tickets. The stubs and money are due by the October meeting prior to the drawing. The drop off point will be at the membership desk for the September meeting and at a location to be determined for the October meeting.

Membership: We had 58 members attend our August meeting for the schoolhouse.

One new member and one returning member joined in August for a total membership of 99 members. Our newest member is Tracy Mooney, our speaker from July. Welcome Tracy!

We will be getting the current membership directory out to our members this month.

Upcoming Midwest and Local Events

June 21 - September 8, 2015

Row By Row Experience

www.rowbyrowexperience.com/illinois.htm

Wisconsin Quilt Expo Sept 10-12 2015

9am -6pm Thurs.-Fri. 9am-5pm Sat

Alliant Energy Center Ex Hall - Madison, Wisconsin

Pieces from the Heart Quilt Guild!

Fall Splendor 2015

Oct. 2 :9-5 Oct. 3:10-4 \$7 Entrance fee

Located : Chapins East

502 Twin Rail Dr. Minooka., Il. Over 100 quilts

Des Moines Area Quilt Show

Sept 30 – Oct 3, 2015

In conjunction w/ AQS QuiltWeek™ -Des Moines

Iowa Events Center, (Hy-Vee Hall)

730 Third Street Des Moines, Iowa

Great quilts, great fun, at a great time of year!

Lisle Depot Days

Sept. 19th Sept. 20th
Noon to 5 p.m.

RQG Quilters will be demonstrating at this annual family festival on Sat., **Sept. 19th** and Sunday, **Sept. 20th**. 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.

Look for a clipboard at the September meetings or contact Sandy Alfaia at salfaia@comcast.net if you'd like to spend a fun day working on one of your hand projects, getting to know other Guild members better and spreading the word about our wonderful Guild. We're looking forward to it. Come join us!



Meet the Artist Reception SUNDAY OCT. 18th 2-4 PM

Guest Mini-Show: **Riverwalk Quilters Guild Naper Settlement Challenge**

includes demos & ~50-piece **SAQA*** trunk show of work by nationally & internationally acclaimed art quilters. **Meet Denise Tallon Havlan.**

Thanks to host—Naperville Art League www.napervilleartleague.com

*Studio Art Quilt Associates Questions: 630-369-8650

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Small Quilt Auction

Rosemary Sanza

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Kathleen Pallardy

January Party

Mary Walschot

Nancy Niswander

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an email

Riverwalk Quilters Guild Meetings

2nd Tuesday of each month at 7pm

Grace United Methodist Church

300 E. Gartner Road, Naperville, Illinois

RQG Board Meetings

4th Tuesday of each month at 7pm

Grace Church Fireside Room

Address: PO Box 5092 Naperville, IL 60567

Website: www.riverwalkquilters.com

Facebook:

<http://www.facebook.com/RiverwalkQuilters>

Newsletter: The Riverwalk Quilters Guild newsletter is published monthly. To submit articles for inclusion, contact Sabrina Marton at newsletter@riverwalkquilters.com by the 4th Tuesday of the month.

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

Upcoming Programs

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programs@riverwalkquilters.com

September 8, 2015

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"What is Modern Quilting?"

October 20, 2015

Small Quilt Auction and

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November 10, 2015

Frieda Anderson "Fabric to Dye For"

Workshop: Nov. 11 "Flooded with Color"

December 8, 2015

Susan Infante

"Textile Arts to Sewing Couture"

January 12, 2016

Holiday Party and Rummage Sale

February 9, 2016

Weeks Ringle "Luminous Quilts"

Workshop: Feb 10 "Rediscovering Your Stash"

March 8, 2016

Pat Sloan

Workshop: March 9 Sponsored by
Thimbles

April 12, 2016

Philanthropy Sew In

May 10, 2016

Carolyn Mack – "Parade of Quilts: Up
Close and Personal"

May 13-14, 2016

Naperville Quilts! 2016

June 15, 2016

Catherine Redford – "Get those Tops
Made into Quilts"

<i>Small Quilt Auction Donation Form</i>			Quilt #
Riverwalk Quilters Guild			Q _ _ _ _
Maker(s) / Owners:			
Quilt Name:			
Quilt Size:			
Techniques Used: (Circle all that apply)			
Hand pieced	Machine pieced	Paper pieced	<i>Please note:</i> The Guild may use photos of your donated quilt.
Hand appliqued	Machine appliqued	Fused applique	
Hand quilted	Machine quilted	Tied	
<i>The Story Behind the Quilt</i> (The more information you can give, the more interest folks have in the quilt)			
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RIVERWALK QUILTERS GUILD RETREAT
October 30–November 1, 2015
Carmelite Spiritual Center, 8419 Bailey Road, Darien, Illinois
 arrive 4:00–4:30 PM Friday–depart 3:00 PM Sunday

Please join us for our first Riverwalk Guild quilt retreat! Reservations are limited so send your payment soon. See the table below for your room and board options. Cost includes 2 nights and 6 meals.

Payment Options—

Quilter(s) Per Room	Cost			Cancellation Refund	
	1 Payment Due 9/1	2 Payments		No Replacement	Replacement Found
		Due 9/1	Due 10/1		
1	\$237	\$100	\$137	\$187	\$200
2	\$187	\$100	\$ 87	\$137	\$150

CANCELLATION POLICY:

You will receive a partial refund if you can find a replacement or your spot can be filled by someone on the waiting list.

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Name: _____ **Email:** _____

Address: _____ **Phone:** _____

_____ I will share a room with: _____

_____ I need a roommate. _____ I prefer a private room.

Emergency Contact Name: _____

Emergency Contact Phone: _____

Vegetarian meals (circle one): YES NO

Room and board amount: _____

Gluten-free meals: add \$30 (\$10/day)

Amount enclosed: _____

Check payable to **Riverwalk Quilters Guild**. *No credit cards or debit cards accepted.*

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