



# Riverwalk Quilters Guild

## President's Message

Happy New Year to all.

I trust that everyone had a safe and enjoyable Christmas and New Year's celebrations with family and friends.

Reflecting on 2019 I'm sure all of us have made many quilts last year and some of those have been donated to needy adults and children giving comfort in time of need. Keep up the good work making many people happy with our quilts.

As we move forward in this new year we at Riverwalk Quilters Guild are looking forward to our January holiday and rummage sale meeting on Tuesday, 1/14/20. And remember if your last name begins with A–G bring appetizers; H-S bring a side dish or salad; T-Z bring a dessert. With previous experience eating at our January party I know all items will be yummy.

So, make one of your resolutions be to go through your fabric stash, your notions that you are no longer using, your quilting books and patterns that you wonder why you ever bought in the first place and donate them to our rummage sale so others can benefit from them.

Keep in mind that as the price of fabric continues to rise maybe using up our own stash is not such a bad idea.

Hope to see all our members at our January 14<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Happy New Year,

**Mary Cieslak**  
President - RQG

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## Membership

Fifty-nine individuals attended the December meeting. Five of those were guests. Our membership total stands now at 103 members.

**Bev Parker and Carol Rubeck**

## Quilting Ideas

**Check this website for free patterns—some have a cost many do not**

<https://www.freespiritfabrics.com/projects/>

**Fleece Headband Warmer**

<https://www.fleecefun.com/fleece-ear-warmer-headband-diy-bow-style/>

**How to organize your batting scraps**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=C8HibPi65XQ>

**Quilt As You Go: How to Quilt Large Quilts on a Sewing Machine featuring the Build A Quilt BOM**

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RZN7H8Vu1U)

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## Riverwalk Meetings and Workshops

**January 14, 2020:** Rummage Sale & Party

**February 11, 2020:** General Meeting

Kathleen Herbach

Trunk Show

Kathleen has been quilting since 1993 when her mother introduced it to her and started a foundation flip and sew block. She was hooked and started watching Simply Quilts and other shows for inspiration and techniques. She has sailed on a quilting cruise and taken two trips to Japan to study (and purchase fabric). She has taught at Pieceful Hearts, Prairie Shop Quilts and Quilters Quest. Kathleen has been a member of Riverwalk Quilters Guild 2004.

**March 10, 2020:** General Meeting

Bill Kerr/Weeks Ringle - Modern Quilt Studio

Our Quilting Journey and Yours

[www.modernquiltstudio.com](http://www.modernquiltstudio.com)

Weeks and Bill are pioneers in the Modern Quilt Movement, both have written books and publish Modern Quilts Illustrated magazine. They discuss the importance of surrounding yourself with inspiration from a variety of sources. They help quilters learn how to harness their unique talents to broaden the quilting art form.

**March 14, 2020:** Workshop Bill Kerr/Weeks Ringle

Understanding Value and Piecing Curves

**April 14, 2020:** Philanthropy

**May 12, 2020:** General Meeting

Laura McDowell Hopper - Sonic Stitches Quilts

Details to follow

<http://www.sonicstitchesquilts.com>

**June 9, 2020:** General Meeting

Natalie Santini - Sew Hungry Hippie

Details to follow

<http://www.hungryhippiesews.com>

Workshops are filled on a first come, first served basis. Bring your checkbook, credit/debit card to guild meetings for workshops. Sign up with payment early to ensure your participation and class availability.

## Riverwalk Meetings and Workshops (continued)

class may result in workshop cancellation. Thank you for your understanding and keep learning to quilt!

Check out the website, Facebook and Instagram accounts for more information

Web: <http://www.riverwalkquilters.com/july-2018---june-2019.html>

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

Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/naperriverwalkquilts>

## Saving the Pink Fan Vintage Quilt

This article was provided by Nancy Sturgeon

I have listed a pictures of the quilt but as the article is rather long please use the link below to read the article

<https://rhondadort.com/2019/12/16/saving-the-pink-fan-vintage-quilt/>

Before



After



## Philanthropy

### **November Report:**

Thank you guild members for donating your time and materials to philanthropy. Nancy S. bound two quilts, Judy L. bound one quilt, Eileen T. bound one quilt, Darlene E. completed a quilt, Lynn H. bound one quilt, Margaret Z. bound one quilt, there was a donation of 20 pillowcases from a guild quilt angel, and Leesa J. bound one quilt. We prepared three quilt kits to be completed and one found a home.

### **December Report:**

It was another productive month from members. Thank you so much. We received two quilt tops from Judy L., Norma B. completed nine quilts, Nancy S. bound 3 quilts, Lynn S. completed 2 quilts, Linda Y completed four quilts, and Jen B. cleaned her sewing room and completed 6 quilts. So sew impressive. We prepared eight kits and one quilt to be bound. Four quilts were taken to be completed and the quilt to be bound also found a member. With all this inventory we were able to distribute many quilts and pillowcases. At the December meeting, a guild member received three quilts to be delivered to a family of three boys who recently lost their mother in a car accident. We also went to Northwestern Medical Center in Winfield and delivered 15 children's quilts and 15 pillowcases. The next stop was Habitat for Humanity of DuPage County where we donated four quilts and four pillowcases. They will be distributed in a January and February dedication. Judy and I are hoping to be involved in the February dedication. Our last stop was the Humane Society where we dropped off a pet bed. It was gladly received and more will be welcome. Thank you for the scraps. Please keep them small, approximately 5 inch square or smaller, cotton or batting pieces welcome.

In January philanthropy will not have a table set up because of the winter celebration and rummage sale. We will accept completed projects. Thank you members for donating your time and materials. We hope we recognized everyone that helped with philanthropy and hope we did not forget anyone .

**Judy Long and Terri Hayes**

**Philanthropy Committee**

## Holiday Party January 14, 2020

**Early start time at 6:30 pm**

Think winter: snowflakes, snowmen and cold days when it is nice to stay in where it is warm and quilt. That's our party theme.

**Highlights for the party are:**

***Show and tell of winter themed quilts***

***Rummage sale***

***Voting on the challenge quilts***

***Potluck supper***

***Donating to Loaves and Fishes Food Pantry***

Please bring winter themed quilts for our show and tell time at the party. They don't have to be recently made, just winter themed for January's show and tell. Designs such as feathered stars that look like snowflakes, snowmen, snowflakes, winter scenes, or snowball blocks would all be appropriate. Maybe you have a UFO that fits this category that you can finish and bring.

Bring your contributions for the rummage sale and don't forget your ca\$h to buy from the rummage sale.

Potluck: 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-G appetizers, H-S side dish or salad, T-Z dessert. Thank you.

For Loaves and Fishes, please bring a non-perishable food item. After the holidays, Loaves and Fishes needs to replenish the pantry to help more people.

Let's look forward to some party fun to help make January bright!

**Amy Shuter, Holiday Party Chair**

## January Rummage sale

### **January Rummage Sale**

Please place your items such as fabric, buttons, thread, etc., in clear plastic bags. If possible, sort fabric by Christmas, checks & plaids, conversation prints, solids, etc. Mark a price on the bag. In addition to cotton quilting fabric, we take wool and other fabrics.

**No straight pins** to hold price tags.

- Books \$3
- Magazines 50 cents
- Patterns \$1

We accept kits, tops new and old, irons, buttons, you name it.

Remember: One quilter's trash is another's treasure. It's a great time to clean up and clean out your quilting and sewing supplies.

Any questions, contact **Nancy Sturgeon**

## A Business Item for the January Meeting

There has been discussion at recent Riverwalk board meetings about some financial issues, and these will be presented at the January meeting so that guild members have the opportunity to provide input. The board is grateful for professional advice generously provided by Millington Financial Advisors in Naperville.

**Carol Wilhoit**

## Special Events – January 2020 Newsletter

### **2019-2020 Challenge – No Name Few Rules**

If you plan to turn in your project please email me, [debel721@att.net](mailto:debel721@att.net), to schedule a drop off before Monday, January 13<sup>th</sup>. Twelve projects were submitted at the December meeting and I hope to increase that number to 20. Judging and presentation of awards will take place at the January holiday party. Please remember to include your name, title of your project and to conceal your project in a pillowcase or similar cover. If you know the number of items used from one kit, please include that also. Thanks to all of you who participated in the guild's 2019 challenge.

**Member Subsidized Sew-In Retreat:** The next sew-in will be **February 29, 2020** at Grace Church from 8:30 to 4:30 in Fellowship Hall. The \$10.00 registration fee includes door prizes, beverage and choice of salad or sandwich (beef, tuna or poultry) for lunch. As in the past, we will have a large ironing station and cutting area in fellowship hall. It is always good to bring an extension cord and power strip as outlets are limited. Members of the guild can sign up at the January meeting. I look forward to seeing you at the sew-in.

**Bees:** Beekeepers please remember to send updates.

**Darlene Ebel, Chair**

## Website

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

Please contact Rosemary Sanza 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.

Website: [www.riverwalkquilters.com](http://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***

4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday, 7:00 pm Grace Church

Grace United Methodist Church

300 E Gartner Road, Naperville, IL

***Rosemary Sanza***

[rqgwebsite@gmail.com](mailto:rqgwebsite@gmail.com)

## Newsletter email

The Riverwalk Quilters Guild newsletter is published monthly. To submit articles for inclusion, contact the editor at :

**[RiverwalkQG.newsletter@gmail.com](mailto:RiverwalkQG.newsletter@gmail.com)**

by 4th Tuesday of the month.

## Riverwalk Quilters Guild

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President	Mary Cieslak
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