



Riverwalk Quilters Guild

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President's Message

Greetings from RQG Lockdown Central.

I trust that you have all been staying safe, staying healthy and staying sane during this pandemic.

I hope that all of you have been keeping yourself busy either making quilts, making face masks or heaven forbid cleaning your sewing rooms or your house. A scary thought that last one.

In other words, keeping busy doing something productive.

I do not know about the rest of you, but I am getting tired of singing Happy Birthday twice to myself every time I wash my hands. By the time my birthday comes around that will be one song I will not want to hear.

Moving forward after this pandemic is through and we all pray that it is soon we need our members to pull together and seriously think about stepping up to fill the executive board and committee positions that will be ending on 6/30/2020.

The Executive Board Positions are: President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary

The Committee Positions are: Contracts, Hospitality, Library, Membership, Newsletter, Programs/Workshops

Do not be afraid because members who have held these positions are willing to answer any questions you may have.

Please contact me if you are interested in filling these open positions.

Be safe and keep quilting,

Mary Cieslak
President - RQG



Library

Looking for a book to borrow?

You can locate the library under the "Home" tab.

Order to pick up at the next meeting, or request a book to add to our collection by emailing to rgqlibrarian@gmail.com or put a note in the comments section of the Librarything profile page.

Profile Page: <http://www.librarything.com/profile/RWQG>

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Contact: [Librarian](mailto:rgqlibrarian@gmail.com) (rgqlibrarian@gmail.com)

Note: books currently checked out will be due upon our first/next in person meeting. Enjoy them in the meanwhile. Until then, we will still take requests for new materials, or to put a book on "hold" for our next meeting. Hope to see you soon.

Riverwalk Meetings and Workshops

NOTE: All information listed below is tentative based on government restrictions that may apply

June 9, 2020: General Meeting

Guild Show and Tell - What have you been working on?

Karen Jordan Hickson

Kathy Clancy

Jill Bryan

Programs

Looking forward to when we can resume our regular meetings.

July 21, 2020 (note, this is 3rd Tues) – General Meeting

Deb Strain Designing Fabric

Deb is going to walk us through, step by step, how she designs a new fabric collection.

Aug. 11, 2020 – General Meeting

Suzi Parron -The Barn Quilt Trail.

Suzi's talk will take you on a journey along the quilt trail, beginning with the very first barn quilt, which stemmed from Donna Sue Groves and her wish to honor her mother's quilting art.

Aug. 12, 2020 - Suzi Parron workshop

Paint your own quilt block.

Supplies provided

Workshop is at The Bernina of Naperville Store

Sept. 8, 2020 – General Meeting

School House

Oct. 20, 2020 (note, this is 3rd Tues) Viewing at 6:30 PM

Small Quilt Auction at 7 PM

Nov 14 – Bobbie Butler workshop

At the workshop you will make a Mystery quilt.

Directions and suggested fabric choices will be provided.

Dec. 8, 2020 – General Meeting

Connie Martin - Pre-Civil War Quilts:

Their Secret Code to Freedom on the Underground Railroad

WWW.Precivilwarquilts.com

Jan. 12, 2021 – (note 6:30 PM start)

Holiday Party and Rummage Sale

Feb. 9, 2021 – Philanthropy Sew - In

March 9, 2021 – General meeting

Lori Dickman lecture/trunk show

My Favorite 3 D's, Dresden, Diamond, & Drunkard's Path

www.QuiltingWithLori.com

March 10, 2021 – Lori Dickman's Sunny Dresden workshop

We will piece 4 different shaped Dresden Blocks in this 37" x 37" quilt. The 6 in blocks features machine applique.

April 13.2021 – General Meeting

Chris Moline lecture/trunk show - "You Be the Judge",

Chris takes you through the various items that appraisers and judges look for in your quilts.

Fun Things To Do

Free Quilt pattern for Garden Paths

<https://www.allpeoplequilt.com/quilt-patterns/quilt-throws/garden-paths>

Riverwalk Meetings and Workshops (continued)

May 12, 2021 – Ruth Ann Berry’s Bargello Workshop

Choose any of the lap-sized Bargello projects from the website. Kits are available \$50 or fabric requirements will be provided.

June 8, 2021 – General Meeting

Betsy Habich

Designing and Making a Pieced Picture Quilt with freezer paper.

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. If a participant is unable to attend a workshop, the student must responsibly contact the workshop coordinator for a replacement student to attend from the existing waiting list. No refunds issued unless a workshop is cancelled. No attendees at 2 months prior to class may result in workshop cancellation.

Thank you,

Ruth Hild, Leesa Jump
Contracts

Member Sew-In June Retreat Update

The June 27th Member Sew-In is cancelled due to the uncertainties surrounding the Covid-19 safety guidelines and restrictions. I look forward to scheduling our next sew-in and seeing you all soon. Please stay safe.

Darlene Ebel

Special Events

Riverwalk Board Members

The Riverwalk Board met on 4/28 and agreed to keep our present positions until we are able to meet and vote on board positions (Please see Mary’s note above on upcoming vacating positions). Exception would be programming board members will be replaced by the contract board member and the contract board member will be open until we can vote. If you have any concerns or have questions please send an email to Mary

Riverwalk Quilt Board

Special Message

In these unprecedented times, it is incumbent for us to step up to help others in our community. To that end, the guild leadership has approved a charitable contribution to Hesed House and Northern Illinois Food Bank in the amount of \$500 each. These one-time contributions are funded from amounts that have not been spent due to the cancellation of recent meetings. These charities were selected based on several factors. They both serve crucial and urgent needs of those that are most vulnerable in our community. Due to the economic impact of COVID, both are experiencing exponential growth in the requests received and are effectively adapting to continue to serve under “new” conditions. Per charity review metrics, Hesed House and NIFB have received high marks for efficient use of funds and effectiveness for serving the community.

When a person needs food and shelter, the need cannot be postponed. We can be proud that the guild has provided aid to these organizations to assist their vital work.

Rosemary Sanza

Philanthropy

Philanthropy recently received a letter from Jill Sobie with Habitat for Humanity of DuPage County. She included a picture of two quilts donated from the guild given to a family. We have over a dozen quilts ready to go to other families homes. We have seen and heard of other quilts that members have completed during their time at home. We are looking forward to delivering these quilts when it is safe. We are including a list of organizations that we have included in our donations. We welcome suggestions of other organizations. We are still looking for home(s) for our heart and port pillows. We have contacted, Edward Hospital, Silver Cross Hospital, Presence Mercy Hospital of Aurora, Elmhurst Hospital, and Copley Medical Center of Aurora, If anyone has a direct contact, please let us know.

Philanthropy Committee was not involved in mask making or delivering, but we want to thank all members that contributed to the effort to help others. Thank you for the email blasts and the information for the people and organizations in need.

The following organizations are included in our donations: Ronald McDonald House Winfield, Norther Med. Ctr. Winfield, Habitat for Humanity DuPage and Kane County, Wayside Cross Ministry, Suzy's Place Joliet, Family Shelter Wheaton, and Sharing Connections Downers Grove. We also give pet beds to: ADOPT Naperville, Humane Animal Society Naperville, and PAWS Tinley Park.

We are looking forward to seeing everyone. Take care, stay safe.

Terri Hayes and Judy Long

Philanthropy Committee

As Chuck from Millington Financial Advisors has been very helpful to our guild please consider them for any financial planning or accounting you may need..

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Website

Do you provide quilting related services for hire or sell related products? Think long arm, workshop teacher, lecturer, trunk show, binding or something else? Did you know we have a directory on our website of guild members who do these things? Well we do! There is so much talent and service in our guild and it would be great to have it all listed in one place for everyone (including non-members) to reference. So take a moment during your sheltering and send me your information. And it's free to members.

If you need something added or changed on the website www.riverwalkquilters.com, please email Rosemary Sanza at the rggwebsite@gmail.com

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Ads

Ads must be prepaid and received by the Newsletter editor by 4th Tuesday of each month. Ads are free to guild members

- Full Page \$50.00 *
- Half Page \$25.00
- Quarter Page \$12.50
- Eighth Page \$ 5.00

*Full page ad available for single month only.

Riverwalk Website:
www.riverwalkquilters.com

Newsletter email

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

RiverwalkQG.newsletter@gmail.com
by 4th Tuesday of the month.

Riverwalk Quilters Guild

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