

THREADLINES



MAY 2023



President's Letter

I was able to take my first guild skill builder class at April's UFO meeting. What I really like about classes like these is that not only do I learn the skill, (in this case, needle turn applique), but I also learn so much more! We discussed thread weights, needle sizes, different kinds of freezer paper, needle threaders and learned about a number of Shar's gadget tricks. I highly recommend signing up for future skill builders, there's just so much to learn!

May brings us our 'Three Yard Quilts' presentation and as a charity quilter, I'm really excited! I've used some of these patterns in the past and can't wait to fill my head and book shelves with more ideas.

Enjoy this month's newsletter and all the wonderful activities we have going on and I look forward to seeing you all on the 3rd.

Karen

April Meeting Quilt Pictures

Click [here](#) to see the beautiful quilt pictures from our April meeting presentation.

Charity Corner

Spring is just around the corner and so is a new quilt design. "Building Blocks" is a fun quilt that uses a quilt-as-you-go technique. The binding is being applied as this article is being written. Next step is to write the pattern. We are hoping to have this new quilt and kits ready for the May meeting.

Project Linus kits will be available at our May guild meeting. These kits include blocks colored by kids along with fabrics to complete. We know you have enjoyed making these quilts in the past so be sure to stop by the charity table and pick up a kit or two. Remember, if you would like the batting to complete any of our quilt kits, email charity@nlcgg.org prior to the meeting and we will be happy to bring some along.

Fourteen wheelchair quilts and two walker bags were delivered to Oak Hill in Round Lake Beach. They had indicated there was a need for additional walker bags and I know several of you are making them. Please bring any completed bags to the May guild meeting as we will make a delivery in May. Thanks!

Happy Stitching!!
Roberta & Shar

Upcoming Guild Meeting Info

May 3 – THREE YARD QUILTS

Debbie Tomec is the owner of The Sewing Source that has been located in Lake Villa for 12 years. She will showcase how to make “Three Yard Quilts”. These quilts were made popular by Donna Robertson. They would be the perfect gifts and make up quickly. Pattern books will be available for sale at the meeting.

The Guild will be giving away four (4) \$25 gift cards to The Sewing Source in a random drawing.

June 7 - RAFFLEMANIA

Members bring gently used fiber related items to “raffle” off as a guild fundraiser. This includes items such as yarn, crochet and knitting supplies, sewing supplies, sewing patterns, gadgets, rulers, templates, threads, bobbin holders, needles, pins and of course, those fabrics that you once loved and now categorize as hideous (as Bonnie Hunter says...if it’s still ugly, you didn’t cut it small enough).

These items are placed on tables with a paper bag to hold the raffle tickets. Members purchase and fill out raffle tickets to enter for the items they wish to win. (Hint: Return address labels come in handy for this!) Tickets are also earned during the year for meeting attendance and wearing a name tag. A name is drawn from each bag and the winner gets to take home the goodies!

Ticket Prices: 6 for \$5; 15 for \$10; 35 for \$20

July 5 – BINGO GAME NIGHT & ICE CREAM SOCIAL & THE MYSTERY QUILT REVEAL

Enjoy yummy ice cream treats (watch those sticky fingers) while viewing our finished mystery quilts and playing Bingo!

Please click on this link to download instructions to make your personal bingo card:

<http://www.nlcqg.org/wp-content/uploads/nlcqg-quilters-bingo.pdf>

August 2 – “WHAT’S NEW AT THE STITCHERY”

Nancy Snyder previews the upcoming holiday season. Kits will be available for sale.

September 6 – CHALLENGE QUILT DISPLAY & ORNAMENT CREATION

Bring your completed challenge quilt for display and enjoy voting on your favorite. After you’ve cast your ballot...

Christmas is coming! Instructions and supplies will be available for the ornaments we have been featuring all year. Enjoy creating one-of-a-kind ornaments to decorate the Guild Tree at the Antioch Kringle’s Christmas Village.

October 4 – Claudia Moffat on Antique Quilts, featuring a trunk show.

November 1 - TBD

December 6 - Traditional Holiday Party

Opportunity Quilt Schedule

The following quilt guilds/organizations will be presenting their Opportunity Quilts at our monthly meetings. Thanks for supporting all our quilting friends.

May 3 – Project Linus

June 7 – Faithful Circle Quilters Guild

August 2 – Village Quilters

Show & Tell

It's so hard to get a really good look at all the wonderful quilted items brought for show and tell so we're going to try something new. Four of our quilt racks will be set up at meetings to hang our show and tell items. If your quilts have a sleeve, they can be hung directly on a rack. If not, please bring quilt clips or clip hangers to hang your quilt. We ask you to come a little early so we can hang items before our business meeting. Looking forward to getting a better look at everyone's wonderful pieces!

Membership & Directory

Our membership count is 67.

If you need to update your information, email Cathy at membership@nlcgg.org

Block of the Month

We sent out both the April and May blocks in April: the pinwheel and the butterfly. Together they form the 6th row. The butterfly is paper pieced and the pinwheel consists of 4 half square triangles. Any questions, please contact Pat Frieman or Cathy Gorski at bom@nlcgg.org



Upcoming Quilt Events

2023 Northwest Suburban Quilters Guild Quilt Show, "Art of Hope"

Saturday May 20th, 9a - 6p

Sunday May 21st, 10a - 5p

Judson University Lindner Fitness Center (1151 N State Street, Elgin, IL)

There are more than 200 quilted entries submitted for display, 10+ vendors, a sale room that includes used quilting books & patterns, scrap fabric sale and a miniature quilts sale.

Please plan a visit to the show and bring a friend, if you can. It's been nearly 4 years since the Northwest Suburban Quilters Guild has held a quilt show and the members have been busy making some really beautiful quilts.

Elkhart County Quilt & Fiber Expo

June 8-10

This quilting event includes seminars, workshops, a quilt show and even a quilt challenge. Visit www.elkhartcounty.com

Quilters Hall of Fame Museum

926 S. Washington, Marion, IN

Free Open House June 10, August 26 and November 18.

May 9 – July 29 1876 Centennial Quilt Project

Visit www.quiltershalloffame.net

Upcoming County & State Fairs

Get ready for a summer of sharing your quilts! Attached is a link regarding quilt entries and contests at the County and State Fairs.

List of Fairs and General Information [here](#)

Interesting Quilt Links

Remember our presentation entitled 'Accept the Challenge & Win a Prize'? Diane Murtha, the presenter of that program has a new book available for pre-order.

<https://www.amazon.com/Artful-Insights-Fabric-Quilted-Wisdom/dp/1667891316>

Need a quilt for a little one in your life? Check out Sew Fresh Quilts 'Ernie & Bert'.

<https://sewfreshquilts.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/04/ERNIEandBERT.pdf>

Our new member Cindy Monachos has offered to share her 'Ultimate Quilt Size Guide' with all of us!

<https://mailchi.mp/50c0340e5b8a/ultimate-quilt-size-guide>

Fabric Cafe has a free 3 yard quilt pattern - Strip Happy

<https://www.fabriccafe.com/Strip-Happy-Free-3-Yard-Quilt-Pattern-p/091530-free.htm>

Our new member Michael shared a deco quilt picture he plans to make at UFO in April, here is the link.

<https://www.loandbeholdstitchery.com/blogs/lo-and-behold/deco-the-cover-quilt>

Michael also shared a link for a Brother SA109 1/4 Inch Binding Foot <https://a.co/d/aQ6MeSN>

.. do you have a link you would like to share with the Guild? Send it to newsletter@nlcgg.org

Advent Exchange

Back by popular demand, we will once again be hosting the Advent Exchange.

Participants make 12 small items and purchase 12 small items to swap. These items are turned in at our October meeting and swapped out and wrapped by the coordinator. Boxes with the 24 swapped out items are returned to participants at our November meeting to be opened starting December 1st. Sign up at any guild or UFO event or by contacting advent@nlcgg.org.

Want the fun to continue? Look for the announcement of our '12 days of Christmas' block kit swap at our May meeting!

Dear Jane

Interested in completing a Dear Jane quilt? This group meets monthly to look at everyone's progress, discuss options on how to sew the blocks, and to give encouragement. Currently we are working on completing the blocks from row A. Free to join at any time. Any questions, contact Donna or Cathy.

dearjane@nlcgg.org



Fabulous Fat Quarter Birthday Gift

Each month, our birthday quilters will choose from a selection of fat quarters. Laura Tritschler and Sunny McGuinn will be accepting donations of fat quarters throughout the year. Thanks for supporting this renewed endeavor.



May Birthdays



Sunshine Notes

We hope everyone is well. If you hear of anyone experiencing a difficult time or who needs special cheering up, please contact Nancy Taylor, our Sunshine Coordinator.

sunshine@nlcgg.org



Opportunity Quilt

Opportunity Quilts are a wonderful fundraiser for our guild but they are long term projects. Our current committee has one in the works and one in the wings and another beautiful kit was just donated to our guild (thanks Joanne!). While the current group is working, we'd like to get another group going on this one. This pattern is called Honey Cooler and is all patchwork. We're looking for a committee chair and some members to work on blocks with them.

Contact president@nlcgg.org if you are interested.



2023 Challenge

Signup for the 2023 Challenge is still open!

Everyone will get a Fat Quarter of the same fabric. The challenge is to use some of it some way in the quilt.

You can use a sliver or the entire fat quarter, as long as it is recognizable.

Quilts can be up to 144" around the perimeter. That's 36" x 36" but you could make it 5" x 67" or 52" x 24" -- or just 12" x 12". The reveal will be at the September meeting.

Cost to participate is \$5.00. (This pays for the FQ and underwrites the cash prizes.)

Ornament of the Month

This month's Ornament of the Month is a pretty little Cathedral Star and can be found at <https://youtu.be/VwvNU1pGd-Y>



Any variations are welcome and encouraged!
ornaments@nlcwg.org

Facebook

Did you know our guild has two Facebook pages to keep you up to date?

The **Northern Lake County Quilters' Guild** page is the guild's way of communicating through Facebook. Join this page to get up to date posts about timely events.

The **Friends Who Like Northern Lake County Quilters' Guild** is the members place to share. See an interesting quilting pattern on-line? Have a quilting item to sell? Post it here! The Friends page is open (with approval) to any quilter.

Looking forward to seeing you all out on Facebook and if you have any questions, contact facebook@nlcwg.org

NLCQG Library

New Rulers

Starmaker by Kay Wood - Quilt without templates

X Blocks by Quilt Queen Designs - Rotary cutting tool for making blocks and borders

Boondoggle Ruler by Bella Nonna - For use with Bella Nonna Patterns

9 Degree Wedge for Circle Cutting - 18 Inch wedge ruler

Mini fit to be Geese by Open Gate - Mini flying geese ruler

Books

Books owned by the guild:

<https://www.goodreads.com/review/list/96787411>

Rulers

Rulers (or ruler sets) owned by guild:

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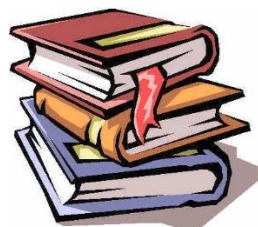
Accuquilt Dies

Dies owned by the guild:

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New Books in our library. Press [here](#)

If you find a specific book, ruler or die you would like to borrow, just email Cathy Warchal at library@nlcwg.org and a drop off or pick up will be arranged.



UFO Meeting

Please join us with your unfinished objects at the Antioch Township Center on May 27, 9 am – 5 pm.

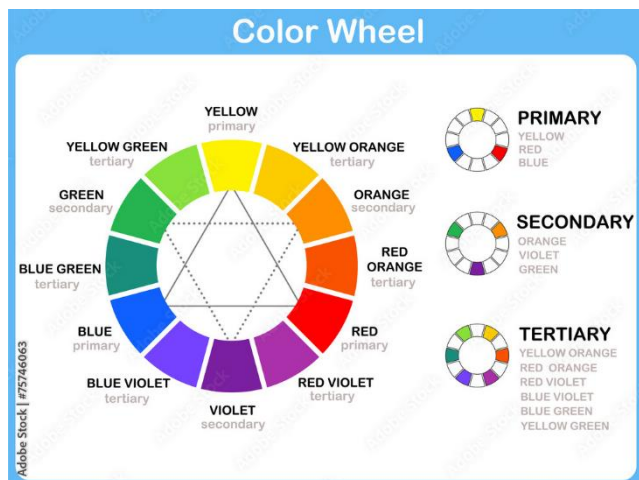
Link for a suggested supply packing list [here](#).

Special note for July: There will be a 3 day stay-treat July 13,14 and 15 AND a regular UFO meeting on July 22nd.

Signups for the stay-treat start at our June guild meeting.

May UFO Skill Builder

Color Theory Workshop for Quilters!!



Have you ever asked yourself or someone else, “what colors go well together?” Do you find yourself always choosing the same colors because you “like” them?

Come enjoy a day of no sewing, but learning all about color. We will start the day by mixing colors to paint and create color wheels and value scales, and learn about color theory; primary, secondary, tertiary, analogous, neutrals, warm and cool, monochromatic, tints/shades, complementary, split complimentary, etc.

After lunch, participants will create a variety of color schemes, using swatches of fabric, that will work well for future quilts. Never feel the need to ask “what color should I use” again!!

Teacher: Lory Leyman

Date: May 27, 2023

Time: 10:00 - 3:30 (½ hour break for lunch)

Price: \$20

Supplied: Tempera Paint, paint brushes and painting supplies.

Bring:

*Colored Pencils or Crayons

*Many colors of cloth from your stash and scraps (some to share too)

*Glue stick

*Scissors

*Pencil and paper

Advance sign up required. Payment due by our May guild meeting.

Email skillbuilders@nlcqq.org with any questions and to sign up.

Sneak Peek at Future Skill Builders:

June 24 -Quilt As You Go

Imagine having a quilt ready for binding to be applied once the piecing is complete. Quilt as you go makes this a reality!

July 14 - Paperpiece Your Own Fairy Quilt Godmother

With several rolls of the dice and Paper Panache’s patterns, you’ll be on your way to paper piecing your own unique Fairy Quilt Godmother. Learn basic paper piecing techniques, how to use unseparated patterns and how to join sections.

August 26 - Piecekeeper Project Bag

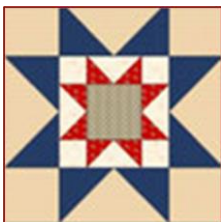
Store and carry all your project pieces or supplies in this handy zippered bag with attached handle.

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