NORTHERN LAKE COUNTY QUILTERS GUILD

THREADLINES





JULY 2023





President's Letter

I scream, you scream, it's time to celebrate with ice cream! July brings our traditional 'start of summer' social event, our ice cream social. This year we'll be adding games and decorations in the form of bingo and mystery quilts! I just love fun meetings like this one.

We've had some new members in the past few months and are also expecting some guests who participated in the mystery quilt along so this is a great meeting to get to know them. I encourage everyone to invite someone new to sit at your table and show them our NLCQG hospitality! With every new guest and member, we add to the patchwork of our guild.

Like most of our newsletters, this month's issue is full of things going on within our guild as well as other items of interest. Take a few minutes to give it a read! I'm sure you'll find some activities that work with your schedule and interests.

Please have a happy and safe July 4th and I look forward to seeing you all on the 5th!

Karen

Charity Corner

As always, activity abounds in the area of charity in our guild. In June we had the joy of making two deliveries. The first was placemats, table toppers, etc. (a total of 37 items) to Antioch Lake Villa Township office for the seniors in our area. The second was 27 walker bags to Oak Hill. The items were greatly appreciated by those receiving them. These deliveries are only possible because of you, our generous NLCQG quilters. Once again, thanks to everyone who participated.

Several of you have asked what we will be doing



for seniors this holiday. I am happy to share we will be making mug rugs. We are asking that all mug rugs be 8" x 10" in either holiday or winter fabrics. These were fun and quick

to make. We will be collecting them from now until our December meeting. We will have several samples and additional info to share at the July meeting Happy Quilting!!



Roberta and Shar

Dues Increase Proposal & Voting

The board will be proposing a \$10 increase in dues starting with our 2023-2024 year, bringing our yearly dues fee to \$35. Guild members will have the opportunity to make comments and ask questions before voting on this increase at our July meeting. Feel free to email president@nlcqg.org ahead of time if you have any questions regarding this vote.

Upcoming Guild Meeting Info

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

Our July meeting will include our traditional ice cream social, mystery quilt displays and Quilter's BINGO!

Quilter's Bingo requires you to make your own bingo card. Click on this link to download instructions: http://www.nlcqg.org/wp-content/uploads/nlcqg-quilters-bingo.pdf Guests are welcome and the guest fee for nonmember mystery quilt participants is waived for this meeting.

August 2 - "WHAT'S NEW AT THE STITCHERY"

Nancy Snyder previews the upcoming holiday season. The Guild will be giving away four \$25 gift cards to The Stitchery in a random drawing. Kits will be available for sale.

Opportunity Quilt - Village Quilters

September 6 - ELECTIONS, CHALLENGE QUILT DISPLAY & ORNAMENT CREATION

It's time to vote!

At our September meeting we'll be casting our ballots for Vice President, Membership and Program chairs.

It is also our challenge quilt meeting so bring your completed quilt and get ready to cast your ballot for 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's tree at Antioch's Kringle's Christmas Village.

October 4 - ANTIQUE QUILTS

Claudia Moffat will present a trunk show featuring antique quilts.

November 1 - TBD

December 6 - Traditional Holiday Party

Show & Tell

Our May and June meetings saw us using our quilt racks for show and tell. Our July meeting will feature our mystery quilt displays so the racks will not be available for show and tell this month. Look for them in August when we'll once again be able to display our creations for the entire meeting.

Nominations for Vice President

The election of officers will be held during the September meeting. There are 3 positions up for election, but only the office of Vice President remains without a candidate.

The responsibilities of the Vice President are:

- 1. Back up board members when they are not able to attend guild meetings.
- 2. Coordinate guild inventory and checkouts.

This is a great way to ease into helping this organization continue it promote the art and education of quilting along with being a welcoming, encouraging group for its members.

If you are interested please contact Cathy Brusky or Karen Grage

Block of the Month

For July, we are sending you the stem and leaf portion of the flower row. It is also paper pieced. Questions, please contact Pat Frieman or Cathy Gorski at bom@nlcqg.org.



Post Office Box Closing

The guild will not be renewing the post office box. If you have a need to mail anything to the guild contact president@nlcqg.org for mailing information.

Upcoming Quilt Events



Saturday, August 12, 2023 9:00 am - 3:00 pm Live auction begins at 10:00 am https://www.lutherdale.org/quilt-auction

The Great Wisconsin Quilt Show

Alliant Energy Center Sept 7-9, 2023 THURS & FRI: 9 AM TO 6 PM

SAT: 9 AM TO 5 PM https://quiltshow.com

Southport Quilters Guild, Kenosha Wisconsin Seasons of Stitching Quilt Show

September 11 – October 15, 2023 Anderson Art Center, 6603 3rd Avenue, Kenosha https://www.southportquilters.net/quilt-show

Faithful Circle Quilters

A Quilt Odyssey Quilt Show
September 23-24, at Jefferson Junior High School,
72 Janes Ave, Woodridge, IL.
Admission \$7.
For information visit www.fcquilters.com

Quilters Hall of Fame

July 20-22, Marion, Indiana Featuring Elly Sienkiewick 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 Quilting Links

Do you like to have something fun to listen to while you quilt? Try one of these quilt themed podcasts:

https://thenotsodramaticlife.com/5-creative-podcasts-for-quilters-2022-edition/

Need help keeping your quilting scraps under control? Karen Brown (from Just Get It Done Quilts) has some great ideas!

http://quiltingdigest.com/keep-scraps-under-control-with-10-easy-blocks/

Need more help with those scraps? Try this free adding machine tape paper piecing pattern from sewcanshe.

https://sewcanshe.com/receipt-roll-scrap-quilt-using-adding-machine-paper/



.. do you have a link you'd like to share with the guild? Send it to newsletter@nlcqg.org

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

Advent Exchange

The Advent Exchange is more popular than ever! We have enough sign-ups this year already to make everyone's advent box a little different. 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@nlcqg.org

12 Days of Christmas Block Kit Swap

Our new 12 days of Christmas' block kit swap is also a go! Those that have signed up have started a discussion about how things will run so sign up now to include your ideas and look for details soon. Contact advent@nlcqg.org with any questions.

Dear Jane

This ongoing group meets monthly to look at



everyone's progress, discuss options on how to sew the blocks, and to give encouragement. Free to join at any time. Any questions, contact Donna Lechowicz or Cathy Gorski.

dearjane@nlcqg.org

Opportunity Quilt

Opportunity Quilts are a wonderful fundraiser for our guild but they are long term projects. We currently have two committees working on quilts and could use additional volunteers to work on blocks. Contact opportunity@nlcqg.org if you are interested.

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.



July Birthdays



Happy Birthday Ladies!

Membership & Directory

Our membership count is 69

The 2022-23 Membership Directory is available to members.

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

UFO Meetings

Quilt 'til You Wilt Staytreat

Sign-ups for our July Staytreat started at our June meeting. Details:

Friday, July 14th – Sunday, July 16th 9 am – 9 pm (Sunday 9 am – noon)
Antioch Township Center 1625 Deep Lake Rd,
Lake Villa. Cost: \$10.00 per person **
(an additional \$5.00 per day for non-members)
** Funds donated to the Antioch Township Food Pantry.

All Lunches & Saturday dinner are Bring Your Own

Friday Dinner – Pizza will be ordered out for those that would like to participate. (Cost for pizza will be collected Friday evening)

Attendees are encouraged to bring snacks for the counter. (Snacks should be manufacture wrapped.) Coffee, tea, hot chocolate and water will be provided.

Attendance is limited to the first 30 to sign up. Due to limited tables, the larger tables will seat two. Attendees are welcome to bring their own tables. Please sign up and pay at the June or July guild meeting. Questions: email - ufo@nlcqg.org

July Staytreat Skill Builders - Paperpiecing

During our July staytreat there will be two paper piecing skill building workshops offered. Feel free to sign up for one or both.

Potted Flowers



Learn the basic and intermediate skills of paper piecing while creating your own potted flowers block. The basics of paper piecing will be reviewed and teaching assistance

will be available all weekend to help you complete this block.

Teacher: Karen Grage

Supplies Provided: Patterns and fabric scraps. Supplies Needed: Sewing machine, basic sewing

supplies, fabric scraps, paper scissors.

Price: \$10.00

Date: July 14, 2023

Time: 10:00 Friday introduction and pattern distribution. Paper piecing assistance throughout

the retreat.

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 more advanced paper piecing techniques, how to 'read' patterns and how to use unseparated patterns. Teaching assistance will be available throughout the weekend to help you complete this block.

Teacher: Karen Grage

Supplies Provided: Patterns and fabric scraps Supplies Needed: Sewing machine, basic sewing

supplies, fabric scraps, paper scissors.

Price: \$10.00

Date: July 15, 2023

Time: 10:00 Saturday introduction and pattern distribution. Paper piecing assistance throughout

the retreat.

Advance sign up required as no printer will be available at the retreat. Payment due by our July guild meeting. Email skillbuilders@nlcqg.org with any questions and to sign up.

Future UFO Dates

Mark your calendar for the next few month's UFO meetings! Join us to work on your unfinished objects at the Antioch Township Center from 9am – 5pm on:

July 22, August 26, September 23... Link for a suggested supply packing list <u>here</u>.

Sneak Peek at Future Skill Builders

August 26 - Piecekeeper Project Bag Store and carry all your project pieces or supplies in this handy zippered bag with attached handle.

September 23 – Quilt-As-You-Go Repeated by popular demand! In this workshop we will learn a quilt-as-you-go technique. Imagine having a quilt ready for binding to be applied once the piecing is complete. That's exactly what you will have when you use this easy technique!

October 28 - Fidget Quilts
In this workshop we will be making a fidget quilt using either a planned or serendipitous design.
We will be making a quilt foundation which will then be embellished with a variety of ribbons, buttons, trims, yo-yos, etc.

Ornament of the Month

This month's Ornament of the Month is a Folded Christmas Tree and can be found at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LlmYqd_18\/z

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Any variations are welcome and encouraged! Any questions, contact: ornaments@nlcqg.org

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.)

NLCQG Library

Books

Books owned by the guild:

https://www.goodreads.com/review/list/967874 11

Rulers

Rulers (or ruler sets) owned by guild: nlcqg.org/wp-content/uploads/ruler-library.pdf

Accuquilt Dies

Dies owned by the guild:

<u>nlcqg.org/wp-content/uploads/accuquilt-die-library-.pdf</u>

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@nlcqg.org and a drop off or pick up will be arranged.

Board Members - 2022-23 NLCQG

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Committee Chairs - 2022-23 NLCQG

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