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President's Message

Summer greetings members!

Our guild ship has set sail into the '21-'22 seas, and we're cruising smoothly! Your crew (board) had our first meeting and much business was accomplished.

Do you have questions, suggestions, ideas? Talk to one of our board members and we'll get your concerns and ideas on the agenda for our next board meeting. We're here for you.

All through the year we welcome new passengers (members) on our ship. It's certainly not too late for people to hop aboard. Do you know someone you can ask to join and take advantage of this year's wonderful programs?

Members can even live out

of state since most of our meetings will be online.

If you did not see our July presenter Cassandra Beaver, check her website or Instagram. She also has an Etsy shop. She is not only creative, but prolific, and is an AQS award winner. For those of you who have an older sewing machine, take heart. Cassandra said she does all of her matchstick quilting on her mechanical Bernina 1080!

Is your bee doing something special or fun? Please share your adventures in our newsletter. With no January rummage sale, The Material Girls tried a Round Robin Rummage, where each person filled a bag with castoffs and bags were passed

around. One bee member's trash is another's treasure and it was fun to find a bag on our doorstep with potential inspiration.

Carol, our Special Events chair, and our dynamic philanthropy duo, Terri and Judy, have planned a wonderful event, so read on for details. Please plan to join in the fun!

Don't forget we all love show n' tell and you can strut your stuff by sending photos in for our monthly meeting.

See you August 10! Sew on & sew forth, Loraine Nemo

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New Books In the Library

We have new items available to check out:

12 issues of "Quiltfolk" Magazine Mary Fons

"Lady Bug & Friends Quilts" from Quilted Frog by Carla Scott & Leanne Smith "Pretty in Pink Quilts & More," by Suzanne Sievers (Thank you Mary Cieslak for donating the books.)

If anyone has recommendations for new library materials, please let us know. Remember to send in your library requests to us by **August 15**.

Linda and Lynn lindakurcz@yahoo.com ljham903@gmail.com



Social Media Report

Hello from the Social Media Chair . I add things to Facebook and Instagram so we can share information between meetings. Most people have heard of Facebook and have made a choice to participate or not. Instagram is a bit more visual and less controversial...though owned by Facebook. I have posted a link of a YouTube teaching how to use the Instagram app.

To begin, you need a phone or desktop that can download apps. You also should have a photo option on your phone. Start slowly. Pick a user name. Mine is @magm3501. The guild name is

@naperriverwalkquilts. When I post a project that my Bee does together or I want Bee members to find I add #materialgirlsrqg. You will need a password that you create. You can use either your phone or email as the second verification.

Start slowly. I just walked my husband, a nonuser, through this as a prep for this paragraph. It was uncomfortable at first, now he is following a couple of our kids, but still not ready to post. So take your time and you never know what new ideas or beautiful textiles you will see on IG.

Thanks Margaret Donahue, mdonahue1068@gmail.com



Programs - The Year's Overview

Programs remaining for guild year July 2021 – June 2022

Enjoy speakers from far and wide!

All speaker presentations through March 2022 will be via Zoom. A meeting invitation will be sent out to all Members the weekend before the meeting.

September 14, 2021

Gloria Loughman from Australia

"The Quilted Landscape"
https://
www.glorialoughman.com

October 12, 2021

Suzi Parron

"American Barn Quilts"

http://barnquiltinfo.com

November 9, 2021

Maria Shell from Alaska "Patchwork to Artwork"

https://mariashell.com

https://talesofastitcher.com

December 14, 2021

Helen Godden from Australia

"Top 10 Art Quilt Techniques"

https://helengodden.com

January 11, 2022

Sujata Shah from California

"The Root Connection"

https://therootconnection.b logspot.com/p/blogpage.html

February 8, 2022

Valerie Goodwin from Florida

"Mapping Narratives using Fabric, Paint and Thread" https://www.valeriegoodwin

March 8, 2022

art.com

Annual Party
Meeting will be in person.
More to come!

April 12, 2022

Philanthropy evening sew-in Meeting will be in person. More to come!

May 10, 2022

To Be Announced

Meeting will be in person.

More to come!

June 14, 2022

More to come!

To Be Announced Meeting will be in person.

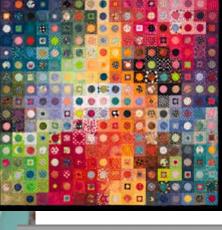
Important: Some lectures may look the same on paper, but each presenter is unique in their approach, artistic and teaching style, tips, tricks, and space-saving approaches. Learn something whatever your style, ability level and interest to apply to your own projects. Don't miss the opportunity to learn from some recognized talents coming to our own backyard.

A Spotlight on August 10, 2021

Timna Tarr from Massachusetts "Flying Colors" http://timnatarr.com

Timna is from a long line of quilters and studied Art History in college. She began long-arming at home in 2001 and now occupies a warehouse studio. Her quilts with circles evolve when sewing many independent blocks and then arranging them on a design wall. Each quilt has a self-assigned challenge. She pieces award-winning contemporary quilts with circles, maps and farm animals. Her new Noble Menagerie fabric line is with Studio e Fabrics. She offers individual zoom workshops, has a blog and is on Instagram and YouTube.







Upcoming in September

September 14, 2021 Gloria Loughman from Australia "The Quilted Landscape"

https://www.glorialoughman.com

Gloria began a career as a school teacher and then began quilting nearly 30 years ago. She travels extensively with her photographer husband to capture the stunning beauty of the Australian landscapes. See her website for the photos used as her inspiration. Her collage quilts are awardwinning. Quilts also feature abstracts and architecture subjects. Several books are published and she offers individual online workshops on her websites. She is found on YouTube, as well.





Riverwalk Quilters Library is OPEN

We are currently working on an inventory of our collection and updating the catalog of available materials on Library-Thing. We have sent emails to members with materials checked out in an effort to get those returned and making a way

for you to access our collection going forward until we are able to meet in person again.

If you would like to check out an item, contact either Linda Kurcz, lindakurcz@yahoo.com or Lynn Hamilton, liham903@gmail.com with

the title(s) you'd like. We will make a trip to the church once a month to grab those and they will be available for porch pick up and return.

Please request your books by the 15th of each month and you will be notified when they are available for pickup. Materials checked out are due back on the 15th of the month as well.

How To Find Books in the RQG Library

Go to RQG Website: http://www.riverwalkquilters.com/. From the Home page, go to "Library" Page in the pulldown menu..

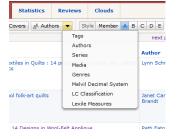
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On the library page, click the link "View" to go to "Library Thing" and see the list on our books.



The library listing is first displayed in alphabetical order by title (List tab). If you click on the "Covers" Tab, only the book covers are in view. You can search by Tags, Authors, Series etc. by clicking the tab "Authors" as seen below. "Style Tab" box A will display the book cover along with the book titles. (Keep "Your Library" in view to remain in the active RQG library.)



Once you find a book of interest, click on the listing and further description of the book will be displayed.

At the far right of the screen, you will find a Search function for finding a specific title, author, tags etc. Search our library here, and not the "site" which will take you to other members of LibraryThing.

First-ever Riverwalk VIRTUAL Philanthropy Sew-In: September 25 8:30-4:00

Since we aren't yet able to have an in-person sew-in, we've planned the next best thing – a virtual sew-in – complete with your favorite features, including snacks, door prizes and spending the day with guild friends. We will be working on philanthropy quilts that day, so the bonus is that we will be making quilts to share.

Here are the details:

This event is for members only.

The sew-in will be on Saturday September 25 from 8:30 am - 4:00 pm. Feel free to come and go throughout the day.

There is a \$10 registration fee.

Registered participants will receive a goody bag that includes snacks, a door prize, a game, and ingredients for an easy Make-and-Take project.

The Philanthropy team (Terri, Judy and their able assistants) have prepared quilt kits that are all cut, come with a pattern, and are ready to sew.

You may also choose to work on your own philanthropy projects rather than starting a new one.

You may stitch at home alone or gather with a few friends, or with your bee.

There will be specific times throughout the day to join the group via Zoom for activities and show-and-tell.

You can leave Zoom on in the background the rest of the day, and chat as much or as little as you like.

The Zoom link and schedule for the day will be emailed a day or two before the Sew-in.

Registration and Logistics:

Sign up by Friday, September 17 by emailing Carol at <u>carolquilts123@gmail.com</u>. Indicate your preferred pick-up location: North Naperville, South Naperville, East Naperville or Wheaton.

Pay the \$10 registration fee when you pick up your supplies between September 20 and September 24.

You can select one or more philanthropy kits when you get your goody bag.

If you don't want a goody bag, or if you live too far away to pick one up, you are free to join without advance registration or payment of the registration fee.

If you can't join on September 25, feel free to register and pick up your supplies, then use them on another day when you are free to sew.

Addresses for pick-up will be provided in September. Before making a trip, confirm with your pick-up hostess that she will be available when you come.

We look forward to having you participate in Riverwalk's first-ever virtual sew-in. Plan to join us for a day of fun and service!

Newsletter Additions and Member Ads

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.

Guild members may place free ads for personal use only. Please make

sure that the ad is directly related to our shared hobby. If the ad is for a business, please see our business rates. At this time, we cannot use Zelle as a payment method.





spa, massage therapist, airport shuttle provided. One day quilt shops and lunch included. (Sunday evening until Saturday morning)

TucsonQuiltingRetreats.com

call Palma at 360-798-7373

Philanthropy Report

Donating never gets old. We have been very fortunate to be involved with many talented and giving members in and out of our guild. This month we donated 26 quilts, 6 hand warmers, and 6 pillowcases. Our newest organization that received quilts and hand warmers was Monarch Springs memory unit in Naperville. The following organizations received donations of quilts and some organizations received pillowcases too: Dupage Habitat for Humanity in Wheaton, Sharing Connections in Downers Grove, McDonald House in Winfield, and Northwestern Medical Center

in Winfield.

Philanthropy has received from guild and non guild members the following: 2 bound quilts from Donna M., 3 complete quilts from Margaret Z., 1 complete quilt from Judy L., 1 complete quilt from Mary C., 7 quilted tops from Norma B., 1 bound quilt from Terri H. Non guild member donations were 6 complete quilts and material. Thank you Mary C. for delivering and organizing the material.

We have been busy putting together kits for an upcoming sew in. Carol W. will be sharing details of the special event. We currently have 38 kits put together with more to come. Thank you to all of our members that have been helping. It has been fun sorting through fabric and finding patterns to go with the material. This has been a good opportunity to share the inventory with members and be able to continue our giving to our communities. Please set the date and get a kit or two.

We hope we included everyone who donated time and materials. We are also looking into organizations that would be interested in Christmas stockings. It was a huge success last year. We have holiday material that can be used for the stockings. We will update the guild when we have more information. Please let us know if you have an organization that would benefit with our donations.

Sincerely, Terri Hayes and Judy Long Philanthropy Committee

2021-2022 RQG EXECUTIVE & COMMITTEE POSITIONS

POSITION	NAME
President	Loraine Nemo
Vice President	Sandy Bray
Secretary	Heidi Enright
Treasurer	Tracy Husch-Lissak
Contracts/Programs	Joan Der
Contracts	Needed to start NOW to book programs to start July 2022 and to SAVE OUR GUILD!
Facebook & Instagram	Margaret Donahue
Holiday Party	Amy Shutter
Hospitality	Lisa Jump
Library	Linda Kurtz &Lynn Hamilton
Membership	Sue Damitz
Newsletter	Laura Weston
Philanthropy	Terri Hayes & Judy Long
Photo Membership Directory & Rummage Sale	Nancy Sturgeon
Quilt Show	Available - TBD
Small Quilt Auction	Rachelle Sheffer
Special Events	Carol Wilhoit
Website	Rosemary Sanza
Video Communication	Kathy Herbach

CRITICAL NEED for Contract Chair(s)

There remains an urgent need for someone to fill our contracts position. According to our bylaws, if this position is not filled, the guild cannot continue.

The contracts chair would be booking programs for July '22 - June '23. Please keep in mind that this job can be done completely via email from your computer in the comfort of your own home, even in your PJs!

Booking contracts can be done by two people or a team, perhaps your bee! There is great potential for it to be an exciting endeavor! As a group, you would brainstorm speaker possibilities and have a



designated contact person who is in charge of the actual booking.

While our guild meets each of the 12 months, January is our New Year's party, one month is a philanthropy sew-in, and

our small quilt auction is in the fall, so those three months would not require a booking.

Please help keep our guild going and step in to take this position. Your board is working hard to make

this year an excellent one for our members, but planning for the following year is crucial. I look forward to hearing from you!

Loraine and the RQG board