

SALT CREEK QUILTERS GUILD

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The Patch Dispatch



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The Salt Creek Quilters Guild (a non-profit organization) meets the second Thursday of the month, September through May at the Hinsdale Community House, 8th and Madison, Hinsdale, IL. Meetings begin at 7:00 pm, but doors open at 6:30 pm. Guests are always welcome. There is a guest fee of \$10.00 when the meeting features a speaker.

In 2020-21, meetings will take place through Zoom for until we are able to safely return to in-person meetings.

Articles, announcements, or photos for the Patch Dispatch should be submitted by the **23rd of each month** to

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— Barbara O'Brien
Patch Dispatch editor



Letter from the President

We are experiencing a beautiful September that is full of sunshine and warmth. Soon the sweater weather will be here and wrapping ourselves in quilts will feel good.

Thanks to all who attended our first Zoom meeting in September. It went very smoothly, and it was good to see so many faces. In October, we are going to try to a new feature to the meeting. For people arriving between 6:30-6:45, you will start in a smaller gathering called a breakout room with 6-10 people. This will allow us to perhaps meet someone new or get help using Zoom features like chat or fixing your name. At 6:45, the small groups will end and everyone will be in the large group of attendees.

We had a nice turn out for our Community Service Meeting on September 22. Many people who could not attend replied that they are interested. See the Community service article in this newsletter for more details.

The Facebook Page is now private and the Buy and Sell group has been created. We have posted items for an online garage sale and I will be setting up a brief meeting for people who want to sell their items. You will receive emails about joining our Facebook Page and the Buy and Sell Group.

The Sew in and Late Nighter had over 20 people attending each. Games were play, prizes won and much chatter in between, We are beginning a monthly gathering on the first Friday on each month at 10am. Each gathering will have a topic and a trunk show or presentation. Links and information will be provided.

I am looking forward to the stunning classes presented by Ruth Ann Barry in October and I am intrigued by the mystery that Bobbie Butler has in store for us in November! Stay safe, keep in touch, and keep on quilting!

— Marilyn Montgomery

Guild Calendar

Summary calendar with information received as of 9/28/2020. Expect updates via email and through Marilyn's weekly bulletin.

October

- 1 – Show & Tell pictures due
- 2 – First Friday gathering – 10am
- 3 – Garage Sale – 8:30-1
- 8 – Thursday guild meeting – 6:30pm
 - Ruth Ann Berry lecture 7pm
- 9 – Friday Bargello workshop – 9-4

November

- 6 – First Friday gathering – 10am
- 12 – Thursday guild meeting – 6:30pm
 - Roberta Butler lecture 7pm
- 14 – Saturday Mystery Quilt workshop

Membership

Happy fall! What a terrific turnout we had at our September meeting! Our membership now stands at 102.

We are working on putting together our first digital membership directory and hope to be able to distribute it soon. You can still submit an updated picture for the directory. If you haven't sent one yet and would like to, please send your photo to fcoby2014@gmail.com or kathyelwood@gmail.com. It's nice to be able to put a face with a name.

Hope to see you at the meeting!

—Fran Colby and Kathy Elwood, Membership

Bee Buzz

Joining a quilting bee is a great way to meet other guild members in a fun casual environment via Zoom.

Each bee will consist of 5-10 people who will determine what project they will work on and how often they will meet. The participants stay together for the duration of the project selected and then can decide to continue as a bee or disperse.

Based on the participation request forms you submitted in September, we are busy working on the initial bee assignments. Stay tuned!

—Joan Chao, Beekeeper



Programs/Workshops



Our October speaker is Ruth Ann Berry from Quilters Clinic, Fife Lake, Michigan.

Ruth Ann Berry is the author of "Bargello Quilts in Motion", C&T Publishing 2014, "Braided Bargello", C&T Publishing 2017, Simplified 3D Quilts, self-published 2018, Stunning 3D

Quilts Simplified, C&T Publishing 2020 and over 50 quilt patterns available at major distributors. She owns and operates a small-town quilt store and online business, the "Quilter's Clinic" and travels extensively to exhibit and teach at guilds and festivals.

Ruth Ann will give a brief history and explanation of the design process and the construction techniques for four different styles:

Bargello, Simplified 3D, Elevations Painless Paper Piecing, and Stacked Frames



Ruth Ann is teaching two classes. On Friday, she will teach "Bargello" and on Saturday, she will teach "Simplified 3D."

A sampling of the class offerings are shown here. We still have openings in both classes so if you're interested, sign up on saltcreekqq.org and check out Ruth Ann's website, quiltersclinic.com for patterns and/or kits for the classes.



November 2020

Coming in November is SCQG member, Bobbi Butler. In addition to her lecture at the November meeting, Bobbi has designed a mystery quilt for us! The mystery class, (also via ZOOM) will be held on Saturday, November 14. Please go to saltcreekqq.com to sign up. Supply requirements and initial cutting instructions will be available soon.



Many times, I have heard that we have talented members and that we should use these talents when we look for speakers and workshops – but we need more information now regarding your talents! We are planning our April meeting, and I would like to ask for volunteers to do a lecture and workshop and share their talents with SCQG. This could include any and all phases of quilting/sewing. You will be compensated for your efforts.

Also, I would like to ask our school day volunteers to verify that they will still be doing a demonstration for our meeting in February, on Zoom.

Please e-mail Anne and me with your responses at Quilterlois@sbcglobal.net and Angelquilter457@gmail.com. Thank you.

—Lois Flood and Anne Michalik, Programs

Community Service

On September 22, we held a meeting and identified some Community Service opportunities for the year. We hope you can join these groups and help with one or more of these projects!

Look forward to more details about to a Community Service Drop off day in November. Cider and doughnuts will be provided.

Marilyn Montgomery: Got a quilt top that needs a home? Perhaps you have a pattern that you have been wanting to try but did not have a reason for making it. The DAX house at DePaul University houses 17 homeless students that would love a quilt. Quilts should be at least 40"by 60". Maybe your bee or a group of friends could make a top. The guild would provide the batting and may even have backing material. We have some people who are willing to quilt them on their long arm machines, but we can always use more volunteers. Contact Marilyn Montgomery.

Sandy Byrnes will be heading a group who will be making pillowcases to be distributed to the Ronald McDonald House. You can donate fabric from your own stash or request a "kit" from the guild's stash. How-to instructions will be at our website under "Learning". Contact Sandy with questions. She will arrange with you the pickup and drop-off of materials and/or finished pillowcases.

Becky Preston is heading a group to make items for her future mission trips to Chiapas, Mexico with

Medical Ministry International. Items include glass cases, wash cloths, and cloth bags for patients to use for medicines. These are simple and easy things to make and take very little fabric... a good way to reduce your stash.

Instructions for mission items will also be at our website under "Learning" in early October.

Watch for more information:

Becky Huebler is leading projects for other places. More information about her giving opportunities will be coming soon.

We're also looking into delivery options for the hearts for baby and mom bonding. More information will be coming...

There is a bin of sandwiched quilts ready to be quilted and row quilt kits ready to be sewn together. Please contact Marilyn for more details.

The Community Nurse's Association has also been contacted to see what items will help them.

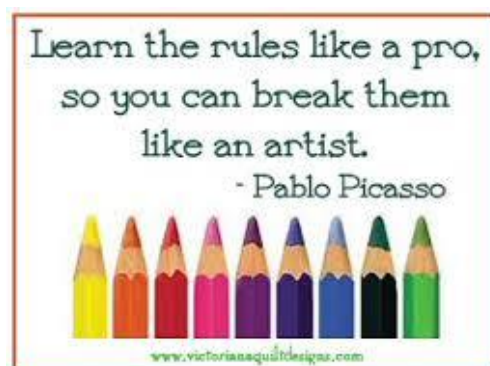
Newsletter

Thank you to everyone who contributed to this issue of the Patch Dispatch!

This month's Connections feature topic is **Inspirations**, and a few members shared good insights and recommendations.

It's more fun to see pictures of members and their quilts, so for November let's be inspired by Colleen's lecture in September. Please share a picture of a quilt you've made that has a story! New quilts, older quilts – **Quilts that tell a Story**.

Looking forward, I'm planning a series featuring our home workshops starting in December.





CONNECTIONS: Inspirations

Thank you for sharing your stories!

Members said they were inspired by:

- Pictures of quilts in magazines, books, Pinterest, social media, online quilt shows and show and tell
- Quilt shops, shopping for fabric, seeing other quilters' quilts
- Watching demonstrations, quilt shows and trunk shows

Marilyn Montgomery: I look for pleasing colors and design. It is a very visual process.

Ann Olson and Lynn Vock and others recommend Gudrun Erla's online programs. Ann also recommended the other sources listed below.



Regular live shows and sew alongs and a Facebook group called Gudrun's Quilt Crew where group members post their interpretations of Gudrun's designs.



Pat Sloan's
Fireside Chat
Monday
Evenings
8:30pm
Eastern!

<https://blog.patsloan.com/> (blog and online group, chats)



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Let's sew!

<https://www.diaryofaquilter.com/> (blog and tutorials)