

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 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

Hi everyone,

What a year! Despite the challenges of the pandemic, SCQG moved forward and experienced a wonderful year. This began last

Summer when we began having our monthly gatherings and trunk shows. Also, last summer, followed by another in the Fall, we held two garage sales netting near \$1500. In November, the drive by drop off brought in close to 50 quilts and 37 pillowcases for donations. Several of these went to The Ronald McDonald House, Constance Morris House, LaGrange Community Nurses and De Paul University. During those events we enjoyed seeing each other at a safe distance and behind our masks.

In December, the Gnomes brought out the creativity that we love to express at our Holiday Party. In January, we gathered and made some small projects while learning about Wonderfill Thread at our retreat. During the winter we did some serious housecleaning which generated over 2000 yards of fabric. See the pictures inside showing the major sorting that we did the last Saturday in April. We plan to repeat our successful Fabric Sales this summer and once again in the Fall.

The Programs that were developed by Lois Flood and Anne Michalik were outstanding. They chose to feature our gifted local talent. You appreciated that concept and demonstrated your support by attending classes and meetings during this guild year. Attendance at the Guild meetings and classes met or exceeded previous years. Several quilt bees were launched this year and seem to have found their niche by making new friends and tapping into shared creativity. Of course, Salt Creek's talent featured in the Carole King video, through the diligence of Linda Kennedy and the quilters, is a highlight to be enjoyed for years.

There are too many people to mention that made all of the above happen. Working those people to

make those activities occur, has been the joy for me this year. But the sparklers on the cake are you, the members of SCQG. You went with the changes despite the unfamiliar territory. You embraced every opportunity that we offered and rolled with it. Because of that attitude and spirit, we had fun. With this type of energy, I am confident that we will meet whatever challenges we are to face in a successful manner ...and continue to have fun.

Thank you.

— Marilyn Montgomery

Guild Calendar

Summary calendar with information received as of April 29, 2021. Expect updates via email blasts and through Marilyn's bulletins.

May

- 1 – Replay: Joan Chao show – 10am
- 6 – Deadline for show & tell pictures
- 7 – Zoom gathering – 10am
 - Becky Preston presentation
- 13 – Thursday guild meeting – 6:30pm
 - Lynn Vock trunk show
- 15 – Knotty Baskets workshop

This summer

- Fabric sale #1 in June, date TBD
- Gatherings at 10am on the first Friday of each month

September

- 9 - 40th anniversary celebration

Membership

The SCQG Membership Application is going online! You will receive an email (separate from the Patch Dispatch) which will direct you to the Google Form. Members who receive the Patch Dispatch by USPS will receive a paper application in the mail.

If you are able, we are requesting that you submit your membership dues through PayPal. You do not need a PayPal account in order to complete the payment on PayPal. Checks that are sent need to go through several steps and mailings before finally

being deposited in the guild account. By using PayPal, your membership dues are sent directly to the guild account and doesn't require any action by a member. Thank you for your cooperation. We understand that some of you are not able to pay via PayPal, and we will happily receive your check!

Our directory is in the process of being completely revamped, so it will be a while before we send you the updated version. Those of you who sent new pictures will see them in the revised directory. In the meantime, here are 2 directory updates:

Lois Dick - new email loisdick250@gmail.com

Barbara Kellert - new phone # (708) 807-1608

Betsy Maloney – new email
elizabethwmaloney@gmail.com

Thank you from the membership team!

— Kathy Elwood kathyelwood@sbcglobal.net

— Fran Colby fcoby615@sbcglobal.net

Membership Chairs

Member Feedback

Zoom Comments at the April meeting.

During the breakout session at the beginning of the April meeting, you were asked what you thought about using Zoom this past year. The room leaders forwarded the comments which overlapped quite a bit. The following statements represent the majority of what people expressed:

Positive aspects of ZOOM:

- Able to sit at home and attend the meeting
- Drink wine during the meeting
- Ability to have open sew time and retreats from home
- Classes can happen and you don't have to tote all your stuff
- Most said they would like to see more opportunities like that where they can work in their homes and still visit with members.
- Great especially in winter and everyone can come even with mobility issues

Negative aspects of ZOOM:

- Don't get to see people
- Show & tell is less effective
- Lack of interaction with other people
- The only mini-complaint (mine) was missing the pre-meeting snacks and coffee!!

Thoughts for next year:

- Keep ZOOM open sew time
- In-person meetings are preferred
- Members suggested that we continue to use Zoom in some fashion so that members who may be homebound or can't drive at night, etc. can still be connected if they choose.

Programs/Workshops

May

Programs finishes out the Guild year in May with SCQG member, Lynn Vock.

Lynn has been a member of SCQG since 2011 and has taught at various local quilt shops. Lynn has been quilting since 2000 but sewing since 1968. She started sewing by making flower girl dresses, then bridesmaids' dresses. She started quilting after going with friends on a quilt shop hop and discovered that there were quilts of many different colors other than corn blue and yellow. Many of her quilts started out going to family members. She most recently was commissioned to remake a quilt that was a wedding present and couldn't be repaired. A few years ago, she started teaching at local quilt shops. Her classes currently range from table runners to quilts and embroidery in the hoop. Lynn will present a trunk show of her work at the May Guild meeting.



On Saturday, May 15, Lynn will teach the workshop, "Knotty Baskets", using the pattern by Auntie Two.



Start with 2 1/2 inch strips filled with batting and Craft-tex and weave them to create big, beautiful baskets. Add a row of knots for a unique and

unusual embellishment. The supply list is on the programs page.

Lois and I would like to thank all the Guild members for supporting Programs this year. It's been a crazy year, changing over to all online classes and working with and finding new speakers comfortable with the online platform. A big thanks to all the SCQG teachers who stepped out of their comfort zone to teach online and to Marilyn for the time and effort to assist all with our online platform.

—Lois Flood and Anne Michalik, Programs

Next year

Here's a short preview of next year's programs, organized by Linda Johnson and Janet Egan. See the SCQG website for details and updates:

- September 2021
 - 40th anniversary celebration
 - Cheryl Lynch mini-mosaics workshop
- October 2021
 - Lecture by Meg Cox: "Behind the Scenes at the Greatest Quilt Museum in the World"
 - Beth Helfter workshop "Intro to Accordion Half-Square Triangles"
- November 2021
 - Cindy Grisdela lecture and workshop
- December 2021 – holiday party
- January 2022 – to be determined
- February 2022
 - Chris Kirsch lecture and workshop
- March & April 2022 – to be determined
- May 2022
 - Greg Barner lecture and workshops

Change of Location to hold Programs.

After many years of hosting SCQG Programs at Grace Lutheran Church, we will need to find a new location. Many thanks are extended to Lois Flood who made this happen for us. She made sure that the workroom was always ready, clean, and she opened and closed the facility. Please begin thinking of possibilities for us to hold our workshops. We will formulate a list of criteria and forward it to you.

Library

I bought the patterns for the April and March classes if anyone wants to borrow them. The March pattern includes the plastic templates.

—Ann Olson, *Library*

Salt Creek Quilters Guild 40th Anniversary Celebration

Several of you have mentioned to us that you've been working on your Red and White Quilts for our September Guild meeting/Reunion celebration. We can't wait to collect them in August... our Red and White Quilt display honoring our 40th Anniversary at the September 9th meeting is sure to be awesome!!!

Let us take you back to the year 1981 when our Guild was formed....

- In Rome – Pope John Paul II was shot in Vatican Square
- Chicago – The Cubs are sold by William Wrigley to the Tribune Co for \$20.5 million
- Steven Spielberg and George Lucas premiere their new movie "Raiders of the Lost Ark" starring Harrison Ford
- Bobby Unser raced to victory in the Indy 500 at an average of 139mph
- Luke and Laura "tie the knot" on General Hospital
- Advertisements we are becoming very familiar with..."Betcha can't eat just one!" – Lays potato chips and "Be all that you can be" – United States Army
- Minimum wage is \$3.35 per hour

—Linda Kennedy and Leslie Prast, *Anniversary Chairs*

Here's a link to an article with 25 red and white quilt patterns if you need ideas for your 40th anniversary quilt. Article submitted by Ann Olson.

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Bee Report #2

Charity Bee

The Charity Bee began meeting last November with the intent of making larger quilts to be donated. Our members are Linda Wolf, Jeanne Federico, Lolly Gajda, Joan Chao, Marilyn Montgomery and Becky Huebler.

This quilt is finished and designated to the new DePaul students in the Fall.



The process that we are currently using includes a group decision about the type of blocks to make followed by one volunteer to assemble the blocks, another person to quilt it and finally another person to bind and put on a label. Presently someone is assembling a quilt using Tula Pink patterns. For this quilt, each of us received a piece of a border print fabric and added our own yellow, blue and green fabrics. We decided to make more masculine log cabin blocks for the next quilt.

None of us have been in the same quilt bee together prior to this experience. It has been fun to see the quilt take shape from our individual blocks. If you would like to join us, please contact Linda Wolf for information.

Postcard Bee

For anyone who didn't see Penny Nichols' post in the SCQG Facebook group, she said:

I'm assembling quite a nice collection of fabric postcards from the Postcard Bee members.....Sandy Byrnes, Carolyn Dunn, Susan Elster-Jones and Claudia Moffat. I think we are having lots of fun with this! I've also attached ones that I sent out to folks.

See the Facebook group to see other postcards members posted.



Community Service

Dog and Cat beds -- I have made 4- 5 each month since I started making them and will take 4 or so to W Suburban Humane Society at the end of April - FYI -I bought some pillowcases, napkins, table runners at Goodwill and sewed together. I also found some fleece (cut up in smaller amounts) in the sale bin at Jo Ann fabric. Thanks to everyone who donated fabric and fabric scraps.

—Ann Olson

Free 18 Watt Ott Lite Bulb

Joan Chao: I have an 18 watt spiral bulb for a Lexington Ott Lite floor lamp (older model). My lamp no longer works so my spare bulb is available to anyone who can use it. Note that the bulb is specific to your lamp model type. Some use a 20 w or 25 w bulb. Contact Joan Chao if interested.

Minutes of February meeting

Salt Creek Quilt Guild Meeting of April 8, 2021

Members could enter Zoom Salt Creek Quilt Guild meeting of April 8, 2021 at 6:30pm to visit. At 7:00pm the meeting began with president Marilyn Montgomery hosting and recording. Martha Barry made a motion to accept the minutes of the March meeting as posted in the Patch Dispatch. The motion was seconded by Ann Zick.

Ann Michalik introduced our speaker, member Ann Zick. Ann has been a member since 1993 and her lecture was on Lucy Boston. We know Lucy Boston mainly for her Patchwork of the Crosses which consists of honeycomb and square English Paper Piecing. We learned that Lucy Boston was also an author of 19 children's books and an accomplished hand quilter. She also loved music and hosted gramophone socials in her home, The Manor House at Hemingford Grey in England.

At 8:10pm Ann's lecture ended and she answered questions for 10 minutes.

Door Prize #1 was won by Phyllis Muhl.

Marilyn started our business meeting by screen sharing the Carole King YouTube video that spotlighted our challenge quilts. Our Fabric donations came to 680 pounds which is 2200 yards. Members have begun the organization of the fabric to sell in June or July. A second sale will probably take place in the fall.

There will be a Strategic Planning Meeting this Summer to plan next years meetings and Quilt Show.

Marilyn shared Barbara's power point that shows our pertinent Bylaws and what we are changing. We need to have all bylaw changes posted this month in order to vote on changes next month. The change will need to be approved with a 2/3rds vote of members present at meeting. That way, if adopted, we will be able to vote in the Vice President in the fall.

Members taking Ann Zick's class on Saturday will have the Zoom link sent to them April 9th. Programs closes out in May with member Lynn Vock. On May 15th she will lead a Knotted Basket workshop. Question was asked if class was virtual; answer was yes.

Membership. Kathy Elwood said the updated directory will be out soon. There will be a Google form for membership renewal. Membership is asking that we use PayPal for payment. The upside of using PayPal is that the money goes straight into our account verses having to go through numerous people before hitting the bank account.

Treasurer. Janet Woratschek stated we have \$24,003.94 in bank account. The only expense last month for workshop. Our storage fee has increased by \$3.

Motion made by Kathy Elwood to accept the treasurers report; seconded by Claudia Moffat.

September Reunion. Linda Kennedy is hoping that we can meet in September. If we cannot meet in person, we will have our reunion via Zoom. Linda has sent out Save the Dates. We are encouraged to invite former members; it will truly be like a class reunion. Linda also encouraged us to work on our red and white quilts since they are due in August.

Programs 2021-2022. Linda Johnson said that in September Cheryl Lynch will do a workshop only, due to the reunion. They are guessing that October, November and December meetings will be virtual. In October there will be a lecture by Meg Cox on the International Quilt Museum. November will be Cindy Grisdela. December is the Holiday Party. Chris Kirsch is slated for February. April is Alice Ridge and May is Greg Barner.

Business meeting ended at 8:50pm. Door Prize #2 was won by Lynn Vock.

Kennette Bledsoe presented our April Showers Show and Tell. Joan Chao showed us her challenge quilt that we can vote on, a link will be sent out to us.

At 9:00pm Sandy Taylor won Door Prize #3. Alberta Eller made a motion to close the meeting, which was seconded by Linda Kennedy.

— submitted by Mary Querforth, secretary

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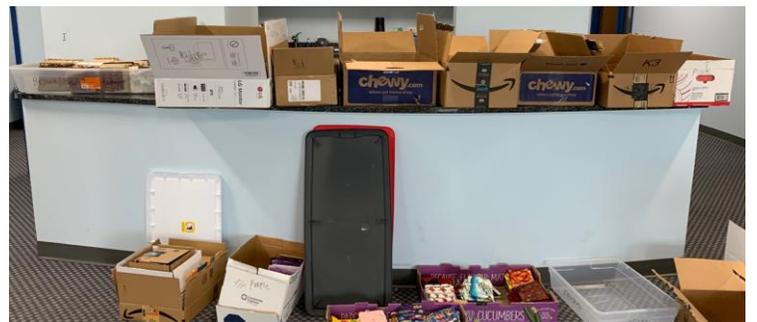
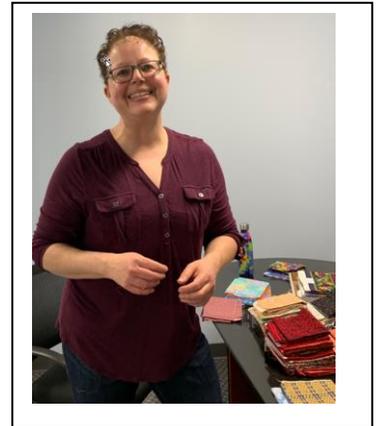
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Fabric Sale Update

All systems go! We had a productive, fun day sorting and organizing over 2000 yards of fabric for the Fabric Sale this summer. The date of the sale will be determined shortly. Those who were fully vaccinated were able to be mask free.

There are not enough thanks to be given to Jeanne and Rick Federico for allowing us to use their office facility to accomplish this huge task. Thanks also to the following people who hunkered down and made it happen. They are: Barb O'Brien, Linda Marcangelo, Kathy Tracey, Dawn Thanos, Ann Olson, Laurel Karlo, Theresa Rogers, Linda Kennedy, Martha Barry, Nancy Rainieri, Arlene Forst, Janet Woratschek, Jeanne Federico and Marilyn Montgomery.



The sorted fabric was organized into boxes by color and type, all ready for the boxes to be opened at the sale this summer.