## SALT CREEK QUILTERS GUILD

November 2020

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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 **23<sup>rd</sup> of each month** to



### Letter from the President

Hi everyone,

I hope you are remaining healthy and staying connected though these times. Wasn't Ruth Ann Berry amazing? I am very excited to see what the multi-talented

Bobbi Butler has in store for us. This will be my first mystery class and I have no idea of what to expect.

Despite the quarantine, my life is full of planning and follow up with SCQG members. It has been rewarding to work with many great fellow members for the monthly gatherings, breakout rooms, classes, Community Service, the upcoming holiday party, the winter retreat and more. The second Garage Sale made more money than the first due to the organization of Barb O'Brien and Ann Olson. Many members advertised it among friends and Facebook which bought buyers from outside the guild. The Bees have begun to meet and take shape. Our Facebook Buy and Sell page is available. I know there are more good things to come.

Because our meeting structure is different this year, I did not pursue getting chair people for Hospitality, and Meet and Great. Rather, I compiled the people who volunteered for those committees into an umbrella committee called the Fun Squad. Laurel Karlo reached out to the Fun Squad to help with the Breakout Rooms at the beginning of our guild meetings. The purpose of the Fun Squad is to give periodic small amounts of time to help generate fun for our activities. I will be reaching out to you in the near future to help with our Community service drop off days. It would be great if people could donate some home baked goodies that we could give to people as they drop off their Community Service projects. Of course, all are welcome to be part of the Fun Squad and I am always open to hear your ideas.

Take care.

-- Marilyn Montgomery

## **Guild** Calendar

Summary calendar with information received as of October 28, 2020. Expect updates via email blasts and through Marilyn's weekly bulletins.

#### November

- 5 Show & Tell pictures due
  - 6 Zoom gathering & trunk show 10am
    - Topic: How did I recover from a huge mistake in quilting
       Linda Kennedy trunk show
- 12 Thursday guild meeting 6:30pm
   Roberta Butler lecture 7pm
- 13 Community Service drop off day
- Marilyn Montgomery's house 9-12
- 14 Saturday Mystery Quilt workshop
  20 Community Service drop off day
- 20 Community Service drop off day
   Carol Allegretti's house 9-12
- 21 Community Service drop off day
- Carol Allegretti's house 9-12

#### December

- 4 Zoom gathering & trunk show 10am
   Trunk show Fran Colby
- 10 Thursday guild meeting 6:30pm
   o Holiday party

## Membership

#### Greetings, Members!

By now we hope you have had a chance to review the directory. We have received a few emails with corrections. If you haven't done so, please let us know if there is a correction needed. You may also still add or update your photo. We will be working on the corrected directory soon. Thank you!

--- Fran Colby and Kathy Elwood, Membership

## **Bee Buzz**

Based on your responses, we were able to create the following 5 bees.

A big **Thank You** to Bee Coordinators who are setting up initial Zoom meetings. If I have inadvertently missed you or if you are interested in joining a bee, please contact the appropriate Bee Coordinator.



We're looking for a few more people to have enough to set up a Hand Stitchers Bee. Contact Joan Chao if interested. We also received some suggestions for other bees that we will keep in mind for the future.

#### Bee

Block Un-Exchange Postcard Challenge Un-Round Robin Charity **Bee Coordinator** 

Jana L. McIlroy Penny Nichols Janet Egan Linda E. Johnson Linda W. Wolf

#### **Common Threads, Common Interest Groups**

We recently asked if you wanted to be included in common interest groups. We received a good number of responses indicating that our guild has a wide variety of interests within the quilting realm! We also received a number of other ideas for interest groups. If you would like to add your name to any of these groups, contact Joan Chao.

We're looking for suggestions on how we can leverage these groups in our guild. For example, resources for less-experienced quilters, common interest bees, topics for programs and workshops. ad-hoc discussion forums. Let Marilyn Montgomery know what you'd like to do with these groups.

#### Common Interest Groups

- Long arm quilting
- Applique
- English paper piecing
- Art quilts
- Wool projects
- Embellishments
- Machine Embroidery

#### Proposed Interest Groups

- Quilting on domestic machine with rulers
- Foundation Paper Piecing
- Traditional piecing
- Sampler guilts
- Modern quilts
- Scrap quilts
- Hand work
- Fabric Dyeing

–– Joan Chao, Beekeeper

## Programs/Workshops

Longtime member, Bobbie Butler, is our speaker this month. Bobbie has been sewing since age 8. She won her first sewing contest at age 9 and won



a portable Singer sewing machine at age 10. That machine is now known as a Singer "Feather Weight". When her children were young, she sewed for herself and her children.

After retiring from nursing in 1998, she began to guilt.

Quilting became her lifeline after she lost her husband to cancer in 2001. The American Quilting Society's quilt show in Paducah is an annual trip, taking classes and learning new skills.

One of Bobbie's specialties is fusible applique. She made multiple samples annually for a quilt shop. Bobbie has won Best of Show twice at Salt Creek Quilt Show in 2008 and 2012. She taught quilting classes and hosted /taught mystery classes at a local quilt shop for many years. She is currently not actively teaching due to her marriage in 2019.

Bobbie will present a trunk show of her work at our Thursday evening meeting.

On Saturday, November 14, Bobbie will host a Mystery Quilt class. Fabric requirements have been posted on the SCQG website. As Bobbie mentions in her Bio, she is not actively teaching so don't miss your opportunity to take part in one of Bobbie's mystery!!! Bobbie has some suggested pre-class "homework" so don't delay in signing up.

School days are coming up in February and we ask any member who previously volunteered for School Days to contact Lois Flood by text or email to confirm the topic of your demo. If you have not yet volunteered and would like to demo at School days, please contact Lois or Anne.

--Lois Flood and Anne Michalik, Programs

## **Holiday Party**

Our Holiday Party will be December 10<sup>th</sup>, 2020. Planning is underway and the festivities will begin in a few weeks.



On the drive-by drop-off Community Service days of November 13 at Marilyn Montgomery's house and November 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> at Carol Allegretti's house, a bag will be given to you. This bag holds some goodies that will kick off the party. The fun increases with every person that participates.

On those dates, you may exchange a package of (20) 5" squares for another from a basket.

For the people unable to attend the drive by days, please contact Marilyn or Carol to arrange to get the bag. We also plan to do local drop offs and mail the remaining bags.

––Marilyn Montgomery

## **Community Service**

#### **Community Service Drop Off Days**

Please consider bringing a quilt, quilt top, mission trip item or pillowcase for Community Service from 9-12 on November 13 to Marilyn Montgomery's house. Her address is 305 50th Place, Western Springs.

We will also collect items on November 20 and 21 from 9-12 at Carol Allegretti's house at 39 N Stone, La Grange. Quilt top kits will be available.

There will be some warm cider and a treat. These days also launch our Holiday Party. Call Marilyn or Carol if these dates don't work for you.

Thanks!

–– Marilyn Montgomery

## Challenge

#### Carole King Challenge - 2020

There is good news about the Carole King Challenge!!

There will be a virtual showing of the quilts at our January meeting, just like we do show and tell. The quilts will also be displayed in the January newsletter, allowing all guild members to view and vote on the quilts. Per tradition, the quilts will be identified by number and the maker's name will not be included. Following the voting, the quilts will be displayed on the guild website. We will be contacting each member who entered a Challenge Quilt for the show with further details.

If you entered the 2020 Carole King Challenge you should have received a message in late October from Louise Graff or Linda Kennedy. If you have not heard from either of these ladies, please email Linda at <u>jmk5942@comcast.net</u>.

--- Louise Graff and Linda Kennedy, Challenge Chairs

## **Opportunity Quilt Update**

#### 2020 Quilt Show Opportunity Quilt

Remember those tickets for the Opportunity Quilt? Do you still have those tickets? Perhaps you did you turn in your money and are holding onto your winning ticket, just waiting for the drawing? Well, the time has come. We will be wrapping up the raffle in the very near future. Let's get these tickets in so you can be part of this 'Once in a Lifetime' event. This is truly a unique beautiful quilt that anyone would treasure owning. See the pictures below of the quilt and details.

Please send your ticket stubs and payments by January 2, 2021 to: Arlene Forst 505 69th

Street, Darien, IL 60561.

---Arlene Forst, Opportunity Tickets Chair

#### Center medallion:



#### Center medallion with borders:



#### Full quilt:



## 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Quilts

#### 1981 - It Was A Very Good Year

1981 was the year Salt Creek Quilters Guild was established, so 2021 will be our anniversary year. The 40th Anniversary is called the Ruby Anniversary. It is represented by the gemstone and color of the ruby.

What better way to celebrate than with a display of red and white quilts at our September 2021 guild meeting? The only parameters are that the quilt must be no smaller than 20x20 inches and no larger than 40 x 40 inches. This is not a competition and there will be no voting or prizes. This does not need to be a newly completed quilt, perhaps you already have one that meets the guidelines. There will be more information forthcoming, but we wanted to give you plenty of time to put on your thinking caps and start quilting.

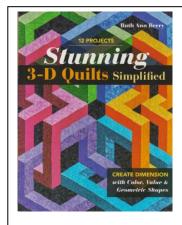
--- Leslie Prast and Linda Kennedy, Anniversary Chairs

## Library

We added two copies of a book from our speaker for October, Ruth Ann Berry. Ruth Ann donated one copy and we purchased the other – "Stunning 3-D Quilts Simplified!"

Please contact me with the title/author of any book you want to borrow from our library and we can arrange a time and day for you to pick up.

Members can access the list of all SCQG books on-line through the guild website. You can look for books by



title, author, subject – or just browse through the list.

--- Ann Olson, Library Chair

## Newsletter

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

The pictures on the next pages are from Ruth Ann Berry's classes. The classes were fun – we learned a lot both days. I hope you'll see more picture from other class participants in Show and Tells over the next few months.

— Barbara O'Brien, editor

## Pictures from Ruth Ann Berry's classes: Bargello





Marilyn Montgomery's work in progress







## Pictures from Ruth Ann Berry's classes: Simplified 3-D



Marilyn Montgomery's completed top



Linda Kennedy's completed top



Barbara O'Brien's work in progress



