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NEXT MEETING:
Dec 5 (Holiday Pot Luck)
Lutheran Church of the
Ascension
460 Sunset Ridge Road
Northfield, IL
Doors open at 6:00
Dinner begins at 6:30

NEXT WORKSHOPS
Jan 9
(Schoolhouse)
Lutheran Church of the
Ascension
460 Sunset Ridge Road
Northfield, IL

NEXT BOARD MEETING:
Nov 18
Levy Center
300 Dodge Ave. (at Mulford)
Evanston, IL

President's Letter

Greetings!

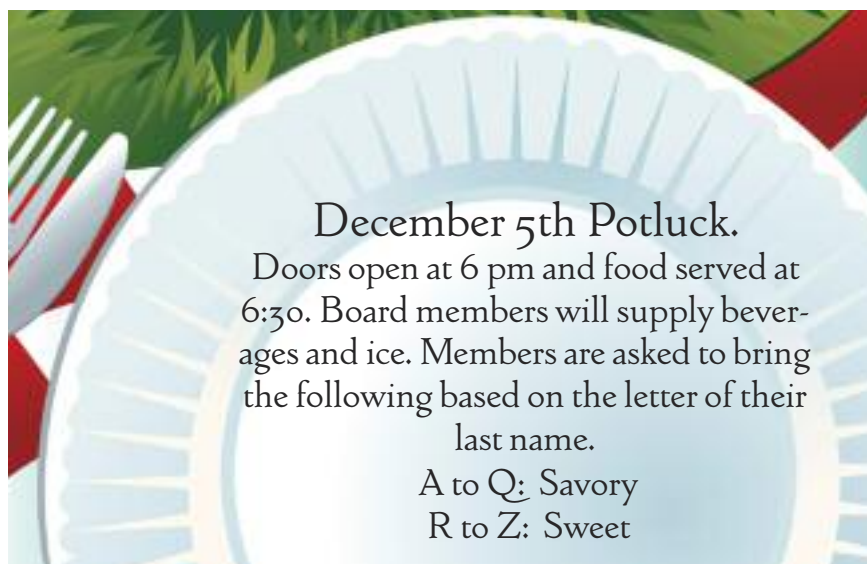
Next up for us is the FINE ART OF FIBER, November 7-10, at the Chicago Botanic Gardens. Get your pieces finished, follow new instructions for hanging (no velcro this year) and get rod pockets on. Due to the show, we have no classes or speakers this month, and December is our Holiday Potluck. Consult this newsletter for food "assignments."

BEFORE our show is the NSQG show at the Holiday Inn, 1000 Busse Road, Elk Grove Village, held on Nov 2nd and 3rd. Admission is \$8. They are raffling both a quilt and an American Girl Doll, complete with massive clothes.

But back to OUR show...

If you still have raffle tickets laying around, please consider writing a check yourself and putting your favorite person on the stubs. What if they won? Wouldn't you feel great?? Remember, any monies turned in pre-show (like, when you bring your quilt in) go fully to the guild instead of being split with the Garden. ALSO, LET'S GET THOSE LAST UFOs out of our houses and into the silent auction. We need everyone's help to help fund our speakers and workshops!

--Melanie Anderson



IQI 2019-20 LECTURES & WORKSHOPS

Lectures are held at Lutheran Church of the Ascension, Northfield, IL and workshops at Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, Northbrook, IL. Workshop Fees: \$50 Members, \$60 Non-members unless otherwise noted. All Workshop Kit Fees are paid to the Instructor day of class. Workshops are open to non-members 2 months prior to workshop date.

Also note: some kit fees can only be paid with cash or check, no credit or debit cards. See workshop info.

JAN 9 (2020) “School House-Hand Stitching”

See samples at the Workshop Registration table and sign up for one option of Applique, Beading, Boro, Embroidery, English Paper Piecing or Wool Applique. Small kits will be provided. Bring scissors, neutral thread and an 8” embroidery hoop for the Embroidery option. We will sit in small groups with some of our talented members teaching. Learn the basics to get you started on portable hand techniques.

FEB 6 MaryJo Busch “Color College”

MaryJo will teach students to use the Artist Color Wheel, beginning with a power point presentation in which she explains various aspects of the color wheel in detail, using photos and charts to help students understand how to use the wheel for designing quilts. The lecture includes a trunk show of many colorful quilts, each one representing different color wheel combinations.

FEB 8 MaryJo Busch “Color College”

This workshop is based on the Artist Color Wheel discussed in the lecture. Students will cut and plan 9 quilt block kits, each representing different color combinations in the color wheel. The first block will be sewn in class and the rest taken home for completion. All participants receive a small color wheel and pattern.

FEB 29 - LEAP YEAR EVENT at Lutheran Church of the Ascension. Let’s spend this extra day “Quilting” at a mini retreat! Take a morning or afternoon class, finish a UFO or sew with IQI’s Charity Committee. **TEACHERS NEEDED.** Can be a small project or a technique. See Sue DiVarco for more information.

MAR 5 Valli Schiller – Lecture: “Gizmos & Gadgets for Adventurous Quilters”

Can you find quilting gear at the grocery store? The hardware store? Valli finds some of her favorite tools and supplies in unexpected places. This lecture is packed with tips, tricks and step-by-step techniques for making great quilts faster.

MAR 6 “Finishing School” This is a 2 part full day class. In the morning, “Fearless Free Motion Quilting” Tired of stitching in the ditch? Think you can’t free motion quilt? Yes, you can! In this hands-on technique class, participants will learn fast and fun ways to turn their tops into quilts using a home sewing machine. This playful approach features simple free motion quilted grids with lots of creative variations and no marking. No machine quilting experience necessary, but you must be familiar with the operation of your sewing machine. (Requires darning or free motion foot.)

In the afternoon, Mighty Nice Binding – By Machine! Learn two different ways to bind quilts entirely by machine, as well as Valli’s fast, foolproof, no measure method for joining binding ends. You will bind your sample from the morning with crisp corners and smooth joins. Confident Beginner.



MAR 7 “Ruler Quilting Fundamentals” Add a versatile new technique to your free motion quilting repertoire! Ruler guided quilting enables you to stitch precise straight lines and curves with minimal marking. And since your feed dogs are dropped, you can stitch in any direction to create complex designs without turning your quilt. In this hands-on class, you’ll transform ½ yard of solid colored fabric into a 20 x 20 whole cloth quilt (pattern provided) with an elegant, modern vibe. Intermediate-Some prior experience with free motion quilting helpful. Must have a ruler foot and a bed extension table for their sewing machine. Valli will have her own line of rulers available for sale during class.



APR 2 Cheryl Schenck “From First Stitch to Last Staple” Cheryl’s Lecture is everything you always wanted to know about Tuffets. She loves to teach quilting, sewing and painting. She’s a certified Tuffet Source affiliate and McTavishing quilting instructor. Cheryl also makes custom skating costumes.



APR 3 & 4 (2 Day Workshop) “Tuffets” Friday-Part 1-Sewing the Cover Saturday-Part 2 – Assembly & Stapling. Kit Fee: \$128.00 + tax. Includes Tuffet Source pattern and all the inside supplies to make your Tuffet, including a wood base with pre-drilled holes, tee nuts, furniture-grade upholstery foam, upholstery batting, a button form, cording, and 4 wooden feet. 2 Day Workshop Fee: \$95

MAY 7 Suzi Parron “Following the Barn Quilt Trail” Suzi’s interest in quilting history led her to fascination with barn quilts, which she discovered on a cross-country camping trip in 2008. A high school English teacher, Suzi spent 2 years documenting the barn quilt movement, traveling to twenty-nine states, gathering stories of painted quilt patterns and their ties to family and tradition.



MAY 9 “Painted Barn Quilts” Join the Barn Quilt movement by creating your own painted quilt block. You will begin with a pre-primed, 2’ x 2’ board and go through each step---drafting, taping and painting, with careful attention to details. The workshop lasts 4 to 6 hours. Leave with a finished quilt block, ready to hang! Kit Fee: \$45 paid to instructor

4 Myths of H2o and Irons — Sue’s Tips and Tricks

Myth #1 “Tap water is fine in your iron.”

False. Not if you live in the mid-west, where levels of limescale and sediment are high in our water.

Myth #2 “Distilled H2o is best for your iron.”

False... and true. Distilled water has no solid minerals in it. It’s been super-heated, turned into steam and collected (like a dehumidifier in your house) Distilled water is mildly acidic making the water prone to corroding metals. The true part is for some irons made with anti-corrosive materials inside.

Myth #3 “De-ionized H2o is best for your iron.”

False. De-ionized water is starved for positively-charged ions so using it in anything electronic is a bad idea. You’ve got alternating current flowing through your iron and a bunch of working metal parts, so adding de-ionized water to that and you’ll have a temperamental iron in no time.

Myth #4 “Spring Water is best for your iron.”

False. Spring waters are full of minerals, good for your health, but not for your iron, it will gunk up your steam vents and reservoir.

So what kind of water should you use?

Easy. Use filtered tap water. Water that’s been filtered through something like a Brita pitcher has most of the solid particles filtered out of it. A refrigerator with an icemaker/water dispenser is even better, as refrigerator filters will filter out sodium from water softeners. Final word... don’t use vinegar in your iron. It can react with rubber and plastics, gaskets and the reservoir itself, wreaking havoc on your iron’s insides. Empty your iron of water when you’re finished. Empty the reservoir while iron is still hot and leave the lid open. *Research conducted by Emily Jansson, a Nancy’s Notions Blog team member. 2015*

SERVICE

Below are service quilts finished at Oct's service day. Get in the holiday spirit by joining us on Sat., November 16, from 9-4 pm at Gloria Dei. No meeting in December.



FAOF tidbits

Just a reminder that the Fine Art of Fiber runs from Thursday evening Nov 7 through Sunday Nov 10 at the Chicago Botanic Garden. I will be sending reminder emails to those who signed up for exhibit volunteer slots about a week before the show. Let me know immediately if your plans have changed (ncflores52@gmail.com). Instructions for volunteers are posted on the FAOF website under Forms. Please refer to these if you have questions or are new to the show. Those working set-up or takedown should check out the new procedures in use for Command strips.

Questions regarding the Boutique should be directed to Roberta Levin; questions regarding the IQI education table should be directed to Georgia Cibul.

Thank you everyone! Looking forward to another great show.

Nona Flores

Quilt-In 2020

We hope your calendar is marked for the next Quilt-In weekend: Friday, Jan. 31 through Sunday, Feb. 2, 2020 at Techny Towers Conference Center. Registration forms, information about the workshops and project samples will be at the October and December guild meetings. The application form and photos of project samples are available on the website.

There are some triples and a few singles for those who need them. Include a \$150 deposit (or payment in full). Final payment is due Jan. 15th.

New participants are always welcome! The relaxed camaraderie and mutual admiration of works-in-progress are free! Workshops taught by guild members are also free. Spend the time as you like -- in workshops, following clues to create a 'mystery quilt' or focused on UFOs.

Contact any of us with questions.

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My name is Aliza Basa and I'm working on a project with vintage feedsacks. Please let me know if you have any floral feedsacks that are truly authentic vintage from the 1930s-50s. Quarters, halves, full, and scrap floral feedsacks are all OK with me.

If you do, please email me: alizajade1220@gmail.com. Thank you kindly.

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Raffle Quilt Update

With Liberty and Dots For All, brought in a whopping \$116 at Faithful Circle Quilters in Downers Grove.

I'd like to recognize members who submitted raffle money during October.

**Mario Alonso
Melanie Anderson
Patti Carrington
Jennifer Gordon
Edrene Heiss
Myra Janus
Diane Keenan
Kathy Klawans
Janice Lamb
Christine Larsen
Roleeta Nandan
Pat Niffenegger
Rita O'Connor
Ellen Pomes
Jackie Raucci
Anita Ruesch
Vickie Scescke
Sarah Schneider
Andrea Siegel
Jan Skilbeck
Sue Sweeney**
A BIG "THANK YOU" TO YOU ALL!

Suzanne Davis Killen
Raffle Quilt Travel Committee





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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION 2019-2020

Membership Directory Deadline: September 5, 2019

-- Directory listing is essential for Fine Art of Fiber participation --

Please PRINT clearly.

Today's date _____

Name (as you want it on name badge & in directory) _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Preferred phone: (_____) _____ secondary phone: (_____) _____

E-mail address _____

The Oak Leaf and IQI information are sent via email.____ Check here if you do not want your email address listed in the directory.

**NOTE: for Oak Leaf via regular mail add \$10.00 below.*

Please indicate whether you are: NEW to IQI ____ renewing ____ returning after absence ____

** How did you learn of IQI (friend, online search, etc.)? _____

Our annual raffle quilt and the Fine Art of Fiber Show provide essential income to IQI. In addition to membership fees, each member of IQI is expected to buy or sell \$25 worth of raffle tickets each year.

FEES: _____ \$60.00 (from 7/1/19) or \$55 (through 6/30/19)

_____ \$10.00 if Oak Leaf should be printed & mailed

_____ (add'l donation) Library Fund

_____ (add'l donation) Guild Community Service supplies

_____ add'l \$25 if you would like to pay now for a pack of Raffle Quilt tickets

Total \$ _____ paid by cash _____ / or check # _____

IQI is a volunteer organization and operates effectively only with everyone's help. Four hours of service per year is a suggested share. Please choose activity area/s where you might like to help:

_____ board (I would be willing to serve)

_____ potluck help, Dec. &/or June mtg.

_____ Fine Art of Fiber show/boutique

_____ challenge project for members

_____ help at library table at meetings

_____ quilt-in (members' weekend retreat)

_____ help at membership table at meetings

_____ raffle quilt (help make)

_____ host at a workshop

_____ raffle quilt (help show at other guilds)

_____ nominating committee for next board

_____ service projects - in a group or at home

_____ webpage design and maintenance team

Demonstrations / Miniworkshops

From time to time we have a program sharing the skills and wisdom of our members. If you would like to be an instructor at such a meeting, please describe what you would like to share:

Business Owners

As a member of IQI, if you have a business that sells quilts or quilting related products you may be listed under Area Shops in the guild membership directory. Please provide this information:

business name _____ hours _____

address _____ city _____ state _____ ZIP _____

telephone (____) _____ URL or email _____

text for directory (about goods & services offered)

Professional Quilting Services and Related Activities

As a member, you may list your quilt-related services in the Professional Services section* in the guild membership directory. Please provide your text and check your specialties below. Submit with this completed form a copy of credentials or documentation that support any claims, such as certification.

Service/s _____

____ appliqué

____ craft shows

____ quilting by machine

____ appraisals

____ demonstrations

____ quilt photography

____ baby quilts

____ lectures

____ quilt repair

____ color consulting

____ piecing

____ workshops

____ commissions

____ quilting by hand

____ other: _____

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