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**NEXT MEETING:**  
Feb 6 (MaryJo Busch)  
Lutheran Church of the  
Ascension  
460 Sunset Ridge Road  
Northfield, IL  
*Doors open at 6:30*  
*Meeting begins at 7:15*

**NEXT WORKSHOPS**  
Feb 8 (MaryJo Busch)  
Lutheran Church of the  
Ascension  
460 Sunset Ridge Road  
Northfield, IL

**NEXT BOARD MEETING:**  
Feb 17  
Levy Center  
300 Dodge Ave. (at Mulford)  
Evanston, IL

## President's Letter

Welcome to the Roaring '20s, ladies and gents! We had a wonderful January meeting, with an amazing Schoolhouse program put together by Sue DiVarco. We got so many positive comments and many asked that we do it annually. Next up is Quilt In, and although our numbers are down, we are going to have a wonderful time. We DO have the big room, so we will all be together for our marathon sewing (eating, drinking, gabbing). Because our numbers are significantly down, we will ask every member to fill out a survey about Quilt In to determine whether, and how, it should continue. Beyond Quilt In, please consider our Leap Year Event (Saturday, February 29) for another day of marathon sewing.

I am introducing a couple of new sections of the OakLeaf this month: **In Memoriam**, and **Quilt Goings On Around Town**. If a member, or family of a member dies, we want to have a formal spot to announce it, per the member's wishes. Please read the In Memoriam box for more information. Goings On Around Town will highlight other guilds' programs and classes when we get notification of them.

Our Raffle Quilt is complete and will be unveiled at the February meeting. It is stunning. Please pick up your raffle tickets packet. Take this column as a GENTLE REMINDER that when we hand you your packet of raffle tickets, we would like you to either purchase them yourself or sell them to your friends – I try to do BOTH. In other words, get the money flowing from them back into the Guild! And you might win a raffle quilt!

Lastly, we'll be looking for NEW BOARD MEMBERS in the next couple of months. Please consider sharing your talents and time on the IQI Board or one of the Committees. Be open to the suggestion, or volunteer yourself! It's a great group.

Quilt On!!

Melanie Anderson

# IQI 2020 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.

## **FEB 6 MaryJo Busch** “On Color”

Whether you struggle with choosing colors for your quilts or you love this aspect of the quilting process, everyone can benefit from MaryJo’s lecture. She will answer all your questions and put you at ease in choosing colors for your projects. Large and small color wheels will be available for purchase after her lecture.

## **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. COST: \$10 + bring a bag lunch! **TEACHERS NEEDED.** Can be a small project or a technique. **Workshop Theme:** Portable Projects for Workshops or Retreats. **Morning or Afternoon Class Options** – Charity Sewing – UFO Sewing. See class samples at the January and February meetings, sign up and get supply lists. Quilt Angel Volunteers are needed to assist with setup, check-in or cleanup. See Sue DiVarco for more information. *See page 3 of this newsletter for more details.*

## **MAR 5 Valli Schiller** – Lecture: “Gizmos & Gadgets for The Adventurous Quilter”

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. Resource list provided.

**MAR 6** “Finishing School” This is a 2 part full day class. In the morning, “Fearless Free Motion Quilting” This workshop is for beginners to experienced free motion quilters. You will mark and stitch quilt sandwiches in the morning and bind one of them in the afternoon. See the website for supply list. 15 Minimum Students, 20 Maximum.

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. This is a more advanced workshop using templates and rulers to fill in your pre-marked solid fabric. Prepare a quilt sandwich to stitch a Whole Cloth Quilt in class. See website for supply list and instructions. 15 Minimum Students, 20 Maximum.



**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



**LEAP Year Quilting Event**

*Let’s Celebrate this Extra Day Quilting!*

**Saturday, February 29th, 2020**

Lutheran Church of the Ascension – 460 Sunset Ridge Rd, Northfield, IL

Time: 9:00 am to 4:00 pm Cost: \$10 (pays for Ascension)

Bring a bag lunch, take a class, sew with service, finish UFO’s or workshop projects!

**Morning Classes**

9:30 am to 12 noon

Iron Cozy Tote

Foot Controller Pad

Zip Pouch

**Afternoon Classes**

1:00 pm to 3:30 pm

Cutting/Ironing Work Station

Scissors Pouch

Project Bag

See samples at February 6th meeting. Register, get supply lists and Volunteer.

**For IQI to continue offering workshops at an affordable price, we also need to fill workshops to stay financially viable.**

**Register at**

**[www.illinoisquilters.com](http://www.illinoisquilters.com)**

**or mail a check to:**

**Cynthia Karabush**

**2 Sheridan Rd. #3E,**

**Highwood, IL 60040**

## Quilt Happenings Around Town

### Shruti Dandekar visits Chicago Modern Quilt Guild

Shruti Dandekar, of India will be teaching her About Face workshop, turning simple photos into spectacular portrait quilts. She'll cover how to edit and prepare a photo, transfer the design to fabric, and use her reverse applique technique to add detail and life to the portrait. The workshop will take place February 15, 2020 at NIU Naperville. Cost: \$75. Materials fee \$25 additional if you choose to use a personalized photo instead of a stock photo (provided). Personal photos must be submitted to Shruti prior to the workshop.

Shruti also presents a lecture and truck show on Sunday, February 16 from 2:00-5:00 at our monthly meeting, Rush Oak Park Hospital, 520 S Maple Ave, Oak Park, IL. \$10.00 guest fee.

### For Sale:

**Bernina 720 Sewing Machine**

**Asking \$3000**

**Contact Judy Maffris**

**847-436-5342 (leave a message)**



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*If you have not received the updated membership directory, please contact Patti Carrington. [patti1129@att.net](mailto:patti1129@att.net)*

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### Food for Thought

We will need to select a new IQI Board soon. If there is an area of IQI which you are interested in pursuing; or if you think of ways to improve IQI, or if you would simply like to participate and work with other members, please submit your name.

Or... if there is a friend you think might be perfect for a slot on the board, and would like to team up with, let's talk.

Contact Elaine Levin.  
[ayakiri@sbcglobal.net](mailto:ayakiri@sbcglobal.net)

## 2020 IQI Workshop and Event Registration Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Other Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address (if non-member): \_\_\_\_\_

Day/Date	Teacher/Event	Member	Non-member
Thursday 1/9/20	Schoolhouse	\$0	\$10
	(Please circle your group choice)		
	Applique – Beading – Boro – Embroidery		
	English Paper Piecing – Wool Applique		
Saturday 2/8/20	Color Collage MaryJo Busch	\$50	\$60
Saturday 2/29/20	LEAP into quilting (all day event)	\$10	\$10
Friday 3/6/20	Free Motion Quilting /Bindings:Valli Schiller	\$50	\$60
Saturday 3/7/20	Ruler Quilting Valli Schiller	\$50	\$60
Friday/Saturday 3/3 and 3/4/20	2-day Tuffet Workshop Cheryl Schenck	\$95	\$105
Saturday 5/9/20	Painted Barn Quilts Suzi Parron	\$50	\$60

Supply lists are available at monthly meetings and at: [illinoisquilters.com/events](http://illinoisquilters.com/events)

Please make checks payable to **Illinois Quilters, Inc.**

Bring this form to an IQI meeting, or mail it with a check to the Workshop Coordinator. Refunds are available up to 30 days in advance, minus a \$5 handling fee. Requests for refunds must be in writing and submitted to the Workshop Coordinator.

2020 Workshop Coordinator: Cynthia Karabush, 632 Sheridan Road #3E,  
Highwood, IL 60040.

## IQI Board Members

<b>President</b>	<b>Melanie Anderson</b> <i>president@illinoisquilters.com</i>
<b>VP Programs</b>	<b>Sue DiVarco</b>
<b>VP Contracts</b>	<b>Nancy Haney</b>
<b>Treasurer</b>	<b>Mario Alonso</b>
<b>Secretary</b>	<b>Jeanne Galatzer-Levy</b>
<b>Membership</b>	<b>Patti Carrington</b> <b>Caiti Wallace</b> <i>membership@illinoisquilters.com</i>
<b>Member at Large</b>	<b>Elaine Levin</b>

## Committee Chairs

<b>Fine Art of Fiber</b>	<b>Edrene Heiss</b> <b>Nona Flores</b> <b>Sue Sweeney</b>
<b>Fine Art of Fiber Boutique</b>	<b>Roberta Levin</b> <b>Anne Goldberg</b>
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<b>2019 Raffle Quilt</b>	<b>Suzanne Davis Killen</b>
<b>Raffle Quilt Tickets/Travels</b>	<b>TBA</b>



**W**e, as a Guild, would like to honor the lives of our members and their loved ones. If a member wishes to let the Guild know of a death in their family, please email the President with details, either for immediate publication, (email blast) or in our In Memoriam column in the Oakleaf, and/or announcement at the next scheduled meeting.

**IN MEMORIAM**  
**Daniel Behnke**  
**beloved husband of**  
**Esther Behnke, Guild member**  
**and former President.**



**Lutheran Church**



**Gloria Dei**