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NEXT MEETINGS:

March 3rd via ZOOM 7 p.m.
Jenny Doan

April 7th LIVE 7 p.m.
Lynne Schmitt
"Mixed Medium Textiles"
Lutheran Church of the
Ascension

NEXT WORKSHOPS:

Mar 5th LIVE Schoolhouse
9 a.m.-3 p.m. at Lutheran
Church of the Ascension

April 9th 9 a.m.-3 p.m.
Lynne Schmitt *"LOGistics"*
Lutheran Church of the
Ascension

NEXT BOARD MEETING:

Virtual meeting via ZOOM
Mar. 21st, 7:15 pm

President's Letter

Welcome to March!

We'll feel the wind in our hair and the slush on our boots. We'll start to sense some increased freedom as we begin to gather in small groups, welcoming the community feeling.

Do you feel a new burst of energy each Spring? Some turn to Spring cleaning but many of us embrace those fabrics we love and feel new inspiration for fiber creations. This spring's group projects strengthen the bonds I feel with all other quilters. I'm also invigorated, seeing the quilts of others in shows and online. We find joy in the works of other quilters even when the work is not a style to which we aspire. The creativity of others inspires our own. This spring, enjoy quilts and your quilting friends any way you can!

Our March 3rd program comes to us via Zoom and features **Jenny Doan** of Missouri Star Quilt Co. She will tell us about the birth and development of her family's company and the quilters and designs which have inspired her.

March also begins our gathering as a community of quilters. Saturday, March 5, IQI will offer Schoolhouse mini-workshops and opportunities to sew with friends, working on projects for other charitable organizations. Read about the options in this newsletter and let **Cynthia Karabush** or **Barb Cushing** know which ones you would like to join. For those who choose to work on service projects and not attend a mini-workshop, the registration fee is optional. Bring in your lunch and spend the day (or half-day) with fellow quilters. Our Friendship/Service leaders will be there so you can drop off a quilt, pick up a project or join in some of the sewing there. We have blocks ready to sew together for Lurie Children's Hospital Foundation. Come to help. You'll be glad you did.

Saturday's Schoolhouse is a great time to sign up for our Spring "in-person" workshops. Be sure to read about the options in this newsletter and register to join the fun.

See you soon,

Patti Carrington



Please submit questions for Jenny Doan to Barb Cushing or Patti Carrington using an email or phone number from the Directory which was emailed to you Feb 4. If you did not receive the updated directory, please contact Mary Meyers.

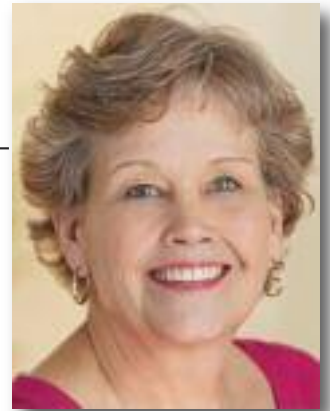
2022 PROGRAM UPDATE

March 3, 2022 ZOOM Meeting 7 pm

Jenny Doan “Q and A Session”

Jenny Doan rose to prominence as the face of Missouri Star Quilt Company, the largest quilting supply vendor in the United States. Jenny will entertain us with fun information about her life and career, then will ask for questions from our members that are gathered ahead of time. What a fun evening this lecture will be!

Learn more about Jenny at: www.missouriquiltco.com



March 5, 2022 9 am-3 pm Lutheran Church of the Ascension

SCHOOLHOUSE will be a full day with 4 classes and service component. So people who do not want to take all 4 classes can offer some time to service.

- **Patti Carrington** teaches “paper piecing”
 - **Susan Divarco** teaches “binding techniques”
 - **Melanie Anderson** teaches “soup bowl cozy”
 - **Barb Cushing** teaches “gadget zipper bags”
- (For the classes above, see page 4 of this Oakleaf for supply list.)

April 7, 2022 7 pm Lutheran Church of the Ascension

Lynn Schmitt: “Mixed Medium Textiles, How to use them, Where to use them and Why.”

Lynn is an author and founder, owner and designer of A Different Box of Crayons quilt shop in Glen Ellyn, IL. She has designed projects for over 13 years while teaching and vending across the US and Europe.

Lynn is a master at mixing multiple textiles in her art. This trunk show is not to be missed.

Learn more about Lynn at: www.adifferentboxofcrayons.com



**April 9, 2022 “LOGistics”. Workshop 9 am-3 pm
Gloria Dei, 133 Pfingsten Rd, Northbrook**

This workshop project can be finished in a day. Students have an opportunity to work with different textiles, wool, silk, multiple genres of cotton and even home dec; how to handle each on a small scale; it's a pillow or a table mat. There is a kit and each colorway is slightly different in terms of materials within it, but silk and wool are constants. There are 6 color options.

The kit costs are \$49.50.



May 5, 2022 Live lecture 7 pm Lutheran Church of the Ascension

Judy Gauthier "Demystifying the color wheel / quick cutting methods for scrap quilts"

Quilter, fabric designer with Andover Fabrics, author of four quilting with scraps books by C&T Publishing and owner of Bungalow Quilting and Yarn, a modern quilt shop, in Ripon, Wisconsin. Judith will show us how to use fabric scraps to create beautiful and surprising pattern designs.

Learn more about Judy at: Bungalow Quilting & Yarn



May 7 Workshop: "Scrap Stratification" 9 am-3 pm Gloria Dei 133 Pfingsten Rd., Northbrook

The stratification lesson uses the color wheel and takes the mystery out of it. I will assign people to bring various colors. Here are the colors to stratify: Red, yellow, green, orange, blue, purple. They should bring in their scraps and fat quarters. It's a really fun exercise.

June 3, 2022 Live Meeting (We hope!): Potluck/Elections 6:30-9:00 pm Lutheran Church of the Ascension

Share what you've been sewing during this past year. Vote for your favorite among the Challenge entries. See the results of the 2022 Round Robins. Vote on the slate of new/returning IQI Board members. Share a favorite entree or dessert if safety protocols allow.

We'll wrap up 2021-2022 together at last!



Our next Raffle Quilt, *New Leaf for Retired Ties* needs a travel agent.

We want to start selling raffle tickets in May so it's time to plan some travel. Other guilds are starting to meet in person. Your favorite fabric store may host our ticket sales in May or June. Can you make some phone calls to set up dates? Others will set up our quilt and sell tickets there. Let Meg or Bev know you will help. Phone them at numbers from the Directory or email to info@illinoisquilters.com

March 5th Schoolhouse Supply List

Paper Piecing Mini-workshop 1 pm-2 pm

We'll learn about using foundations for patchwork. We'll make a few blocks to practice and design a few blocks. Please bring the following supplies to work with. If there are some which you don't have, we can share. Even a sewing machine can be shared.

- Sewing machine in good working order
- Thread
- Small scissors
- Mechanical pencil
- Pins with a tiny head or a flat head
- A small device for finger pressing (roller or stylus) if you have one.
- A variety of fabrics in small pieces: quarters or smaller should be fine as we will just make sample blocks. Select some light, some dark but solids, plaids, small to medium prints work best. Select some greens (think trees and shamrocks), some reds (think a Valentine heart), some the colors of flowers, some blues including sky blue, some light neutrals...
- Small cutting mat and a rotary cutter
- Add-a-quarter ruler or any small acrylic ruler(s) with a line ¼" from the edge. The length could be 6" to 15" or one at each end of that range.

It's a good idea to put your name on your rulers when you'll be working in a group.

Faux Corded Binding Techniques 11 am-12 pm

We'll learn about different binding techniques. You will bind the quilt or quilt sandwich you bring. Please bring the following supplies to work with. If there are some which you don't have, we can share. Even a sewing machine can be shared.

- Small quilt OR a 12 x 12 quilt sandwich stitched ¼" from perimeter.
- 2 HIGH contrast fabrics to coordinate with quilt
- 2 threads to match
- Sewing machine, cords and foot pedal
- Walking foot
- New needle
- Small 1 x 6" ruler or similar
- Favorite marking pen/pencil
- Pins
- Scissors
- Rotary cutter
- Long ruler

Bowl Cozies 10 am-11 am

We'll learn how to make a bowl cozy for use in your microwave. Please bring the following supplies to work with. If there are some which you don't have, we can share. Even a sewing machine can be shared.

Melanie likes to use sample blocks instead of plain fabric, they make more interesting cozies. But as long as you have a couple of matching (size) squares and batts, you're good to go.

- 10 inch squares of fabric (2 per cozy) (or if you want a larger cozy, make it larger)
- 10 inch squares of cotton batting (2 per cozy)
- Ruler
- Rotary cutter
- Pencil

See Through Gadget Zipper Bags 2 pm-3 pm

We'll learn how to make a zipper bag. If you like, you will be able to make all three with the supplies below. Please bring the following supplies to work with. If there are some which you don't have, we can share. Barb will supply the vinyl. Even a sewing machine can be shared.

For all three bags you will need:

- Prints: 2 fat quarters
- Fusible Woven Interfacing: 1 yd
- Fusible Fleece (Pelon 987F) 1 fat eighth (9" x 24")
- 3 - 14" zippers
- zipper foot
- walking foot
- tissue paper
- pins or Clover wonder clips
- rotary cutter
- small cutting board

Schoolhouse checklist

- * Bring to Schoolhouse at Church of the Ascension
- * Your name badge holder
- * Your sewing machine if you can
- * Your kit of sewing tools (scissors, pins, etc.)
- * Service projects you have completed
- * Supplies for any mini-workshop you plan to attend

Don't forget to pack a lunch!

MEMBER PROFILE

Meet Amy Parker!

From the time I was very young, I loved both color and pattern. I was an arts and crafts kid from the get-go, drawing, painting, and embroidering and patching clothes in the hippy 70's. I did pottery and silk-screen. My grandmother taught me how to make curtains, so I could sew a straight line, which is pretty much all I know how to do with a sewing machine!

I created my first quilt based on a Native American blanket design with a central medallion and large zig zags at the ends. In order to make the zig zag element, I literally cut out a 48" zig zag piece of fabric and tried to sew it into an opposite-cut large piece of background fabric. By hand. Things did not go well.

I got smarter and made my next quilt from a magazine pattern. It required hand-appliqueing 100 hearts. If any of it was machine-pieced, it would have been done on my grandmother's ancient Pfaff, built into one of those old flip-top sewing tables. I still have that Pfaff and table, but now it is a plant stand.

Sometime in the 80's, I took a quilting class. Learned hand piecing, cutting cardboard templates with scissors, and hand quilting. To this day, I love handwork. I was largely self-taught after that. I loved Amish quilts. I researched ethnic/regional designs and recreated them for an Amish-based wall hanging. Then I had two kids, and it lived in a closet for five years before I had time to finish it. People would ask how long it took to make something like this and I would laugh out loud.

I bought a modern sewing machine (but never liked it). I always had a project in the works even if it took years to finish. I joined IQI but was too busy working and raising kids to be really involved. The internet taught me how to use a rotary cutter and piece

accurately. I bought a better machine and learned to quilt using a walking foot and then to free motion. I studied every free motion quilter out there. YouTube was my best teacher!

I started going to quilt shows. I was mesmerized watching them quilt out the loveliest patterns with multicolored thread on black fabric. (Those longarm manufacturers knew what they were doing when they demo'd those machines!) In 2015, I'd had it with my job. I wanted a longarm. I did a totally scientific poll of my Facebook friends to see if I should quit the job and start my own longarming business. They said yes, so I did it and Evanston Quilt Company was born in 2016.

Now I make fewer quilts myself but I still get to work with color and pattern. It's a win-win! I never tire of the challenges, I have the nicest clients, and I make time for friends, family and my beloved gardens. In addition to IQI, I also belong to the Chicago Modern Quilt Guild and am a huge fan of the highly graphic modern style of quilt design. I love my quilting communities—so much talent, so much to learn, so much fun!





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**MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION 2021-2022
for the second half of fiscal year 2021-22**

Membership Fees for March through June — only \$30.

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 \$5.00 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: _____ \$30.00 for membership March through June 2022
_____ \$ 5.00 if Oak Leaf should be printed & mailed
_____ (optional donation) Library Fund
_____ (optional donation) Guild Community Service
_____ additional \$25 (advance payment for packet of raffle tickets for *New Leaf for Retired Ties*)
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:

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| _____ 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 | _____ weekend retreat planning |
| _____ help at membership table at meetings | _____ raffle quilt (help design/make for 2022) |
| _____ 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 | _____ |

Future Programs and Workshops

Please offer a few suggestions of speakers or workshops which you would like to enjoy with IQI.

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:

Professional Quilting Services, Related Activities and Business Owners

As a member of IQI, if you have a business that sells quilts or quilt-related products, you may be listed under Area Shops in the guild membership directory. If you provide other quilt-related services, you may be listed in the Professional Services section* of the directory. Please provide your information and descriptive text and check your specialties below.

business name (if not just your name) _____ hours _____

address _____ city _____ state _____ ZIP _____

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____ quilt photography

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____ lectures

____ quilt repair

____ color consulting

____ piecing

____ workshops

____ commissions

____ quilting by hand

____ other: _____

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2022 IQI Workshop and Event Registration Form

Name: _____ Email: _____

Cell phone: _____ Other phone: _____

Non-member address: _____

Date/Place	Teacher/ Event Title	Registration Fees	
		Member	Non-member
Saturday, 9am-1pm 2/5/2022 Via Zoom	Caroline Oneto Playing with Color Value Discussion of color theory and how to create a color palette in 4 easy steps.	\$40	\$40
Saturday, 9am-3pm 3/5/2022 Live at Ascension	Schoolhouse Service component available all day. Select additional classes to attend: Paper Piecing, Binding Techniques, Soup Bowl Cozy, Gadget Zipper Bags	\$15/day	\$15/day
Saturday, 9am-3pm 4/9/2022 Live at Gloria Dei	Lynn Schmitt: LOGistics Work with a variety of materials to create a pillow or a table mat. Kit cost: \$49.50 6 color options	\$50	\$50
Saturday, 9am-3pm 5/7/2022 Live at Gloria Dei	Judy Gauthier: Scrap Stratification Use the color wheel for a fun exercise with shared scraps.	\$50	\$50

Supply lists are available at live monthly meetings and at www.illinoisquilters.com/events/

Please make checks payable to Illinois Quilters Inc.

Bring this form with your payment to an IQI meeting or mail 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 submitted in writing to the workshop coordinator.

2022 Workshop Coordinator: Cynthia Karabush, 2018 W. Greenleaf Ave., #2F, Chicago, IL 60645

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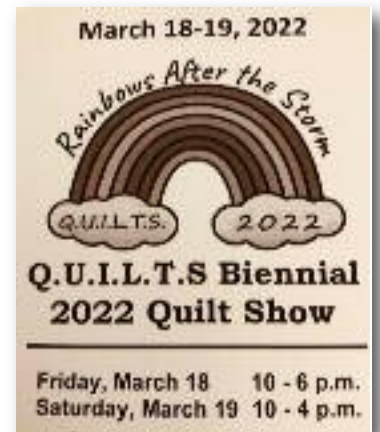
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We, as a Guild, would like to honor the lives of our members and their loved ones. If a member wishes to let the Guild know of a death in their family, please email the President with details.



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