



Lighthouse Quilters Guild

Sew on and Sew Forth



A Message From Your Board

The board sends wishes of goodwill and concern for each of the members during this difficult time. The future of our meetings for the remaining year are being considered. We will continue to follow the recommendations of the CDC and our government leaders as we plan each month going forward. The largest concern is for the safety of the membership. This too shall pass. If anyone is technically savvy and interested in forming virtual meetings, feel free to contact one of us. In the meantime, stay safe and share show and tell on our Facebook page. The newsletter will still be sent out monthly so feel free to share messages or pictures of how you are spending your time.



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May and June birthdays

Kim Brandes May 4
Sue Scheckel May 6
Donna Wheeler May 7
Dorothy Broihier May 9
JoAnn Haselhuhn May 19
Rachel Riley May 20
Janet Kuhl May 23
Jo Lettsome May 23
Mary Kay Shimkus May 23
Kime Heller-Neal May 23
Julie Larsen May 27
Mary Bielefeldt May 29
Sharon Schaeffer May 29



Cecilia Johnson June 3
Cindy Vermeer June 5
Retta Falaschi June 10
Joyce Springmann June 11
Jackie Mekemson June 12
Shardae Feest June 16
Marie Raymond June 16
Tammey Stray June 18
Sue Pehlivanian June 20
Barbara Vallone June 24

Next Meeting Monday, May 18 May meeting canceled!

Things to Bring:

- Welcoming Smile
- Name tag
- Show and tell

Articles for Newsletter

The deadline for submitting articles is
on or before the 8th of each month.

Submit your articles to:

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Don't forget to share posts on Facebook with your friends.

2020 Programs

May 18

Meeting and workshops are canceled

June 29

Linda Halpin
Workshop: "Homestead Star Quilt"
Lecture: "Borders on Parade"

July 27

Picnic and Rummage Sale

Aug. 31

Schoolhouse Workshops

Sept. 28

Mary Hertel (Marney) "Paper Piecing"

Oct. 26

Donna Mather
Workshop: "Rocky Mountain Bear Claw"
Lecture: "Judy Niemeyer Introduction and Trunk Show"

Nov. 30

Holiday Party

Wisconsin Gov. Tony Evers extended the state's "Safer at Home" order from April 24 to May 26, in an effort to continue fighting the novel coronavirus (COVID-19). Therefore, workshop and meeting for May 18 is canceled.

Pat Henningfeld

**MEETING
CANCELLED**

Check out Facebook!

All of our 2020 speakers and workshops have been added to the events page. Don't forget to **like** our page and **share** it with your friends. Updates to meetings and workshops are also posted



General Membership Survey

57 people responded to the survey, approximately 50% of the membership. Many good ideas were shared although many items had no clear direction as to how to proceed with the format of our activities. There are some very clear themes as well. The vast majority favor having a show and giving the custodians an appreciation gift. Once we are able to meet as a group, we will move forward.

Thanks to Kristen for sending out the survey and to each of you who provided input.



QUILT CAMPS FOR 2020~as of March 28, I am waiting for each camp to let me know if or when they will hold them

Barb Vallone

Update on Donated Quilt Tops

Regina Scott Brooks generously offered to bring the donated quilt tops to a meeting for members to complete in their own time frame. Since the guild has not been able to meet she may still have the quilt tops in her possession. If interested, please contact her and make an arrangement to get one.

Treasurer's Report for January – April

January-April Income was \$3,137.00 from Membership Dues and Name Badges
January-April Expenses were \$3,328.79 incurred for church rental, programs, website and State of Wisconsin LLC filing fee (\$20)
Net loss for this period is \$191.79
Tracy Koenen, Treasurer

LIGHTHOUSE CHARITY QUILT PROJECTS FOR 2020

As of March 28, I have 16 NICU blankets waiting to be delivered to All Saints!! These came from Lighthouse and First Friday Quilters. THANK YOU!!!

When we come back together, we will need quilts for all the places below. Stay well, stay safe, stay quilting!

Four members will distribute quilts this year:

Nancy Larsen for Women's Resource Center

Baby to Lap size--36x36 to 55x70, pieced, cheaters, fleece, crocheted and knitted items.

Regina Scott Brooks for Quilts for VA Home in Union Grove

Twin size or a little larger but not much larger, fabrics can be either for men or women

These are due at our October 26 meeting!

Barbara Vallone for Quilts for the Community which includes:

All Saints NICU, Racine, and Children's Hospital, Milwaukee

Baby to Lap size--36x36 to 55x70

St. Monica's Home plus Habitat for Humanity and other local needs

Small Lap--45x50 to Nap Lap--55x70

Operation Snuggles – quilts for soldiers' children, Camp Serenity, and Wounded Warriors

Baby to twin bed—36x36 to 60x75

TC Wiley for Foster Children's Project

Baby to Large Lap—40x40 to 55x70

At our next meeting, please find our Charity Quilt BLUE WASH BASKETS where there will be:

A slip of **paper** for you to say WHERE your quilt goes and if it's WASHED or not

A **place** to leave your quilt (two wash baskets!) before OR after Show & Tell

Quilt size can range from 36 x36 to 60 x 75—see sizes above. Please keep your biggest quilt to twin bed size.

THANK YOU for making this project a success. *Nancy Larsen, Regina Scott Brooks, Barb Vallone, TC Wiley*

NATIONAL QUILTING DAY IS SATURDAY, JUNE 6!!!

STRIP PIECING AT RESURRECTION!

As of March 28, this one has been moved to June 6! May we be able to meet on this day!

Come at 9 am with your sewing machine, extension cord, pillow to sit on, thread, scissors and whatever you'll need to make our easy-peasy blocks! ALL fabric strips and foundation squares are provided!

Irons and ironing boards are provided, too.

This one is FREE but you do have to bring a finger snack to share and your own lunch.

We Strip until 4 pm and, with YOUR help, we will again make over 300 blocks! Come for a fun day of piecing. If you want to just come and iron, that's fine, too!! We stop with the piecing! Squaring up will be done by the Irish Quilting Elves!! These blocks will be made into lap size sturdy quilts for Camp Serenity and other places that need a warm quilt.

Contact Barbara Vallone, 262-639-8185,

qltingb@gmail.com

QUILT STUDIO TIME IN 2020

DATES:~ August 6, 7, & 8 ~ November 5 & 6

I hope we can meet in August but you will be informed if this changes also.

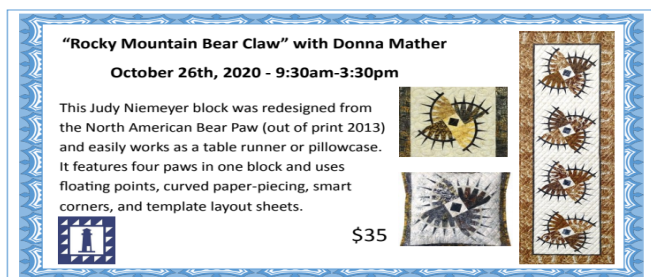
TIME: 9 am to 9 pm each day

COST: \$5 per day ~ \$1 on Friday from 9 to 3 for the First Friday Quilters' meeting and \$5 from 3 to 9 pm

BRING: your quilting supplies including an extension cord, a finger snack to share, and your lunch and supper

PROVIDED: irons and ironing boards, coffee, tea, paper plates, napkins and LOTS OF FUN!

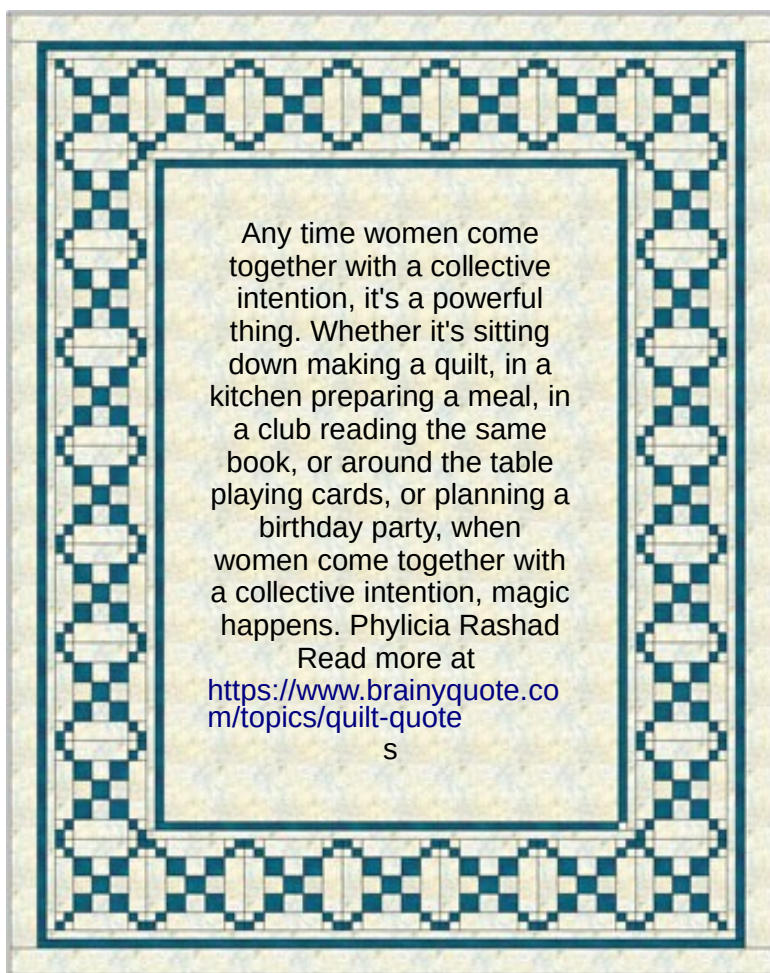
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We have two more potential workshop this year. Hopefully the pandemic will be under control enough to allow us to gather for this workshop and presentation.

Please make sure to check in with us at the guild meeting the month before your workshop so that you can pay for your class and make your official lunch selection. (If you miss the meeting contact Catherine Neal email

lighthousequiltersguild@gmail.com, text, or call 262-497-2883.



Membership

The most current membership list is being sent under a separate document attached to your email. Please feel welcome to submit dues for 2020 if you still have not done so. Meetings and workshops have been compromised by the pandemic but we still have many months to look forward to. Be sure to review your information and contact Pat Brown or the newsletter team if you have a change in contact information.

Wisconsin Museum of Quilts and Fiber are is making a Quarantine Quilt. Blocks will be accepted for one month after quarantine ends. Information can be found at

<https://www.tmj4.com/news/coronavirus/quarantine-quilt-a-community-art-project-through-wisconsin-museum-of-quilts-fiber-arts>

While We Shelter in Place

We may not be able to join in person for meetings but we can join in fellowship. In the day of technology we can interact visually. A few suggestions:

Pick a member to join you for a virtual lunch. Choose a time that will work for both of you and enjoy catching up.

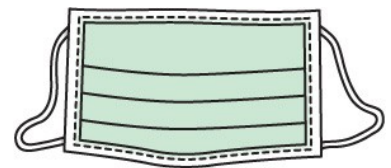
Remember the May Day baskets? Prepare a “quilty” May basket and leave it at a member’s doorstep. Give her a follow up call later.

Make a popcorn gift basket for a member and attach a card saying “just popping in to say hi”. Include a recommendation of a movie that you could watch at the same time. Give her a call afterward for a quick movie review.

Do you belong to a group that regularly meets for quilting sessions? Arrange a virtual session to share your progress on a project.

MASKS STILL NEEDED

Central Racine County Health Department urgently seeks donations of face masks. They will be distributed to clinics, nursing homes, fire departments, hospitals, etc. A simple pattern can be found on Pinterest or other web sites by searching face masks. Ginger Wanserski, 262.939.4808, is coordinating with the health department. If you have any questions, call Ginger.



2020 Quilting Events

All events have been canceled until shelter in place orders have been lifted. Updated information will be posted when available.

Spring cleaning in your sewing room? Think about what you no longer want and donate it to the Lighthouse Quilters Annual July Rummage. It's a great time to make room for new fabric and tools. Take note of what your collection is missing so you can look for it at the rummage sale. Have something extra special that is worth more than the regular tables of \$1, \$3, or \$5? Send us a picture and what you think the bidding price should start at for the Silent Auction (we've already had a donation from Frieda Anderson!): lighthousequiltersguild@gmail.com



Schoolhouse Workshops - August 2020

Do you have an idea for a simple short project? We'd love for you to teach it to the guild this August for our Schoolhouse Workshops. This year, instead of just demonstrations we want real workshops where guild members can get time to work on or complete a project at the guild. We'll have members sign up beforehand so if any small prep-work or supplies are needed they can be started or brought before the August meeting. This could be a great opportunity to make items for the 2021 Lighthouse Legacies Guild Boutique or for members to get a head-start on Christmas projects.

- Judith Strand of Racine passed away on April 17. She had been a member of the guild from 2008 through at least 2012. She also was a member of Rainbow Quilters.



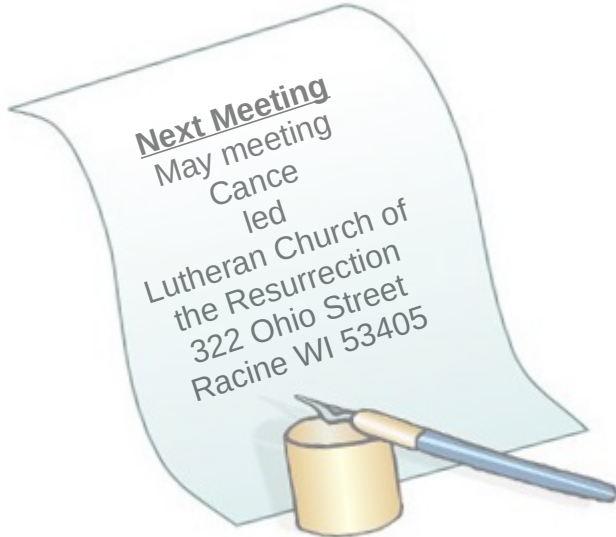
Quilt Block Corner

The Log Cabin block was popular in the late 1800s. It's center square, often red or yellow, represents the hearth or fireplace.



Name pins are available to guild members and may be ordered for \$4.50 (prepaid). For more information or to order, see Pat Henningfeld.

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Hospitality Committee

Hi, I hope all of you are healthy & doing well. I've been busy completing UFOs. I finished 2 quilts & several table runners.

I will be putting out the Hospitality sign up sheets on the Membership Table in June. I ask that those of you that were signed up for March, April & May, please pick another month. Remember that July is the picnic & we'll need many hands to get the food organized & for clean up after.

Kitty has reserved Infusino's again for the Christmas Party. Please remember to let us know any food allergies, especially nuts
Kathy Lijewski

I will not buy any more fabric until I use up the stash I have at home," I said. And then I laughed and laughed