



# The News-Patch

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## Our Mission Statement:

**To promote  
the fellowship  
and art of quilting**

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## FROM THE PRESIDENT

Happy June!

Hope everyone enjoyed the May salad supper. So much good food and it is so nice to have a gathering that solely involves fellowship, dining, and quilts. Once again, the special event team did a fantastic job organizing the event and had beautiful decorations – many of which were given away.

I am always so inspired by our members. The weekend after our meeting, I hunted down a copy of a pattern Rob used for one of the quilts he showed. I also went out and bought a dish draining mat to make a little basket like Dorothy and Gail. Gail also inspired me to make a drink cozy for McDonald’s drinks. (But currently, my iced coffee is sweating all over)

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<https://www.allpeoplequilt.com/quilt-patterns/wall-quilts/fireworks>

I announced during the salad supper about Stitching on State being up for sale and that they started having some sales. Well, the sales are getting bigger and if you have a gift card from them you need to use it up by 6/30! While I love a sale, it makes me so sad to see quilt shops leaving the area. Let's do what we can to support the crew up at Stitching On State. They are located at 290 S State St in Hampshire. Now is the time to get backing and any other large purchases.

I look forward to spending time with some of you on Sewing Saturday, 6/13 or at the retreat at the end of the month. Hopefully, by the July meeting my iced coffee will be sweat free!

Kyra

**Snack Schedule** - Based on our numbers please try to volunteer at least once per calendar year (a few people will have to volunteer twice) to have full coverage. We need volunteers for August – October. Please look for the sign-up sheet when you check-in.

**JUNE Treats** will be provided by:

Dorothy Franke  
Josie Speed  
Rosalie Williams  
Sheryl Keiler  
Linda Parker

Bringing snacks in **JULY**:

Nellie Speed  
MaryBeth Vanous  
Laura Wall  
Ann Finseth  
Moria Titus

**A friendly reminder...**

**Baby quilts made for the Rockford NICU Center should be 47" x 54"**

# Harvest of Quilts Show 2026

## From Kyra Rider -

The next Quilt Show PLANNING MEETING will be held on Tuesday, July 14 at 6pm at Annie Berg's house: 519 Knolls St. West, DeKalb

We have had a nice size group at each meeting and lots of people are getting stuff done and decisions made (and sometimes changed - lol). But don't worry, there are plenty of opportunities for you to help in the quilt show preparations and help the event run smoothly. First thing I want everyone to do *is mark the dates* of the show in your calendar. Set-up will be our regular meeting night, Thursday October 22. The show is on Friday and Saturday, 10/23 and 10/24. I do NOT expect you to spend every minute of the show at the show. But we will need a decent sized crew Thursday for set-up and Saturday for take down. There will be plenty of volunteer opportunities for all physical abilities.

On the agenda for the July 14 meeting is looking at categories for awarding quilts ribbons and the process for determining winners. We can start by talking about the use of our space and needs for special displays.

We have an appraiser lined up to be on-site at least one day. More information will be out soon so we can start scheduling appraisals. They will be \$45 and you do not need to enter the quilt in the show to have it appraised.

There will be a lot more information regarding the show in these next few months. We are doing a lot of the same (it has worked well for us) but we are also trying some new things to keep it fun. Hope you can join us at one of the planning meetings.

Kyra



<https://www.allpeoplequilt.com/quilt-patterns/wall-quilts/friendship-star-log-cabins>

## Boutique



<https://www.apqshop.com/Positively-Patriotic-quilt-p/qgr-00356.htm>

**From Annie Berg** - The boutique will have fabric, notions, quilt kits and more for sale. In addition, as a guild member, you may also add your own handmade sewing related items for sale. This could include table toppers, pin cushions, scrap bags, holiday items, quilt racks or ladders, bowl cozies, purses, pillowcases etc.

These must be tagged by you with two-piece tags that the guild will provide. Please have items completely tagged before bringing them as the set up gets quite busy. I will have tags available at the meetings. The guild will keep 20% of the sale of your items. Please be sure to pick up any unsold items at the end of the show. I'm sure there will be more questions that can be answered at future meetings or by phone. Thanks, and let's have a great show!

Annie Berg

## Volunteers

**From Jennifer Olbrich** - I will have a sign-up sheet at the June meeting to start getting volunteers organized for our October show. There are many areas that need assistance, so we'll be able to find the perfect spot for everyone. The show is extremely important to the success of our guild; therefore, I know you all will be happy to help out 😊

Volunteer Opportunities:

- Admissions table
- White Glove
- Boutique
- Raffle Quilt
- Tickets Sales
- Raffle Baskets
- Tickets Sales
- Quilt Check-in
- Quilt Check-out
- Floaters to help out wherever needed



If you have any questions in the meantime, feel free to send me a note or give me a call.  
Thank you, Jennifer

<https://www.apqshop.com/Storm-at-Sea-p/qgr-00001.htm>

# Raffle Baskets

## From Cheryl Lorden - RAFFLE BASKETS FOR QUILT SHOW

If you have items you wish to donate for raffle baskets, or if you plan to donate a complete basket for the raffle, could you please let Cheryl Lorden know your plans. Thank you! Taking donations now...



<https://www.allpeoplequilt.com/fly-the-flag-repurposed-shirt-quilt-11934632>

## PROGRAMS

### From Cheryl Lorden and Bonnie Webb –

**June 25<sup>th</sup> – Bonnie Webb** - Demonstration 7+ ways to complete your quilts (but have more)

- |                              |                                     |                                     |
|------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 1. Single binding            | 4. Self-binding                     | 7. Facing                           |
| 2. Double binding            | 5. Pillowcase binding               | 8. Knife Edge or Welch quilt edging |
| 3. Flange/piping hot binding | 6. Prairie point (2 ways) or ruffle | 9. Raw edge binding                 |

**July 23<sup>rd</sup> - Janette Dwyer** - Bargain Quilts and the Quilt Buy of the Century

Janette is our scheduled Professional Quilt Appraiser for the Harvest of Quilts show in October. Please contact Moria if you would like to schedule a time for a quilt appraisal.

**August 27<sup>th</sup> - Ann Finseth** - T-shirt quilts

# MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL



<https://www.allpeoplequilt.com/quilt-patterns/bed-quilts/supernova>

**From Kim Colness - Hello Lovely People!**

June 1<sup>st</sup> began our new fiscal year. We will continue taking membership dues at our next guild meeting. If you did not receive your forms in May, I will have registration forms printed out for you to grab, review, correct (if needed), then sign and return to me with your \$30 membership for the 2026-2027 membership year.

# RETREATS

**From Kim Colness -** We have confirmed retreat dates for some summer fun! Sign-up sheets will be available for you at the June and July meetings.

Dates are (Thursday through Sunday) -

June 25-28 / July 16-19 / August 6-9

I have information sheet at the membership table if you have any questions about the retreats and what they are all about. For those of you who are new, the basics are we go to a remote location with no tv, no washer/dryer, no family members (besides your guild family) so no distractions of home. We do, however, take a turn providing one meal for all attendees over the weekend which allows ample time to work on our sewing projects. It is a lovely time!

Sew Blessed! Kim Colness -



# WAYS & MEANS

**From Moria Titus** – We have A LOT of fans of the 2026 Raffle Quilt. Please grab some tickets and share with your friends and family. And then, please, return the funds as soon as possible.

I have a personal goal of 1000 tickets sold at the other guilds in our area. Thank you to Kathi Davis for continuing to work with me toward this goal. Would you like to join Kathi or I at one of these meetings? We would love to have more people join us. Checkout the Out & About section for information on the programs that night.

Scheduled so far:

- Thurs, Jun 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm, Pride of the Prairie, Naperville
- Tues, Jul 20<sup>th</sup> at 7pm, Country Crossroads QG, Forresteron
- Thurs, Jul 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7pm, Faithful Circle Quilters, Downers Grove
- Sun, Aug 9<sup>th</sup> at noon, Crystal Lake Midwest QG, Crystal Lake
- Wed, Aug 12<sup>th</sup> at 6pm, Common Threads QG, Sugar Grove (rescheduled from Jun due to weather)
- Thurs, Aug 13<sup>th</sup> at 7pm, Kankakee QG, Kankakee
- Mon, Aug 17<sup>th</sup> at 6pm, Joliet QG, Joliet
- Thurs, Sept 10<sup>th</sup> at 7pm, Salt Creek QG, Hinsdale
- Thurs, Sept 17<sup>th</sup> at 7pm, Northwest Suburban QG, Rolling Meadows



Moria Titus

# GENEROSITY

**From Linda Parker –Have you filled your clam shells with scraps for the quilt show?** I shared clear containers at the Salad Supper – they are for your leftover scraps! We want to ‘harvest’ the strips & scraps from your stashes. These will be used to make QAYG (Quilt as you go) reversible placemats for Meals on Wheels. 150 is our target for our annual delivery before the holiday season. We will deliver them to the Meals on Wheels team on Monday, October 26<sup>th</sup>, after the show.

Recommended for you from YouTube –  
*How to Make June Taylor's Quilt As You Go Casablanca Placemats | a Shabby Fabrics Tutorial- [Casablanca Placemats](#) .*  
This is a lengthy video and is full of methods, hacks, gadgets, and inspiration. It was worth the time spent during my coffee break. (Better than a video game!) I really liked her method of matching STRIPED BINDING!



<https://www.allpeoplequilt.com/quilt-patterns/quilt-throws/skinny-strips-quilt>

## Donation Tallies for 2026 -

	Year to Date	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May
Kishwaukee NICU	6	0	0	0	6	0
Rockford NICU	20	0	0	11	0	9
Wheelchair quilts	8	3	0	5	0	0
Walker Caddy	10	4	0	6	0	0
Meals on Wheels Placemats	5	0	0	0	0	5

Here is the link to our guidelines and some helpful hints on creating your quick projects:  
[DCQG Generosity Projects](#).

Always in Stitches! Linda

Linda Parker

# OUT & ABOUT

Mark your calendar for these fun activities near us –

**From Rob Stoll** – Hi, I wanted to let folks know I am speaking at the Harvard guild on Wednesday, June 17, 2026 meeting of the Village Quilters. They meet at 1 p.m. in the Harvard Public Library ([900 E McKinley St, Harvard, IL](https://www.harvard.edu/locations/public-library)). I am doing a trunk show and something on HSTs from the Skill builder.

**June 18<sup>th</sup> – Maday Delgado** - *Trash Talk: Sustainability in Focus* - <https://www.sustainabletextiledesign.com/>

\*\*\*DCQG Raffle quilt showing

**Pride of the Prairie Quilters**, Zion Lutheran Church  
11007 Book Road, Naperville, IL 60564  
<https://prideofprairie.org/>  
3rd Thursday at 7pm



**June 24<sup>th</sup> – Millie Kehrli** – True Crime Obsessions: Clues in the Piecework [Millie Kehrli you tube channel](#) / [IOWA Quilt Museum Post](#)

**Faithful Circle Quilters**, Faith Methodist Church  
432 59th Street , Downers Grove, IL 60516  
<https://www.fcquilters.com/meeting-programs>  
4th Wednesday at 7pm

**July 20<sup>th</sup>** - \*\*\*DCQG Raffle quilt showing

**Country Crossroads Quilt Guild**, Forreston Grove Church  
7246 N Fremont Rd, Forreston, IL 61030  
<https://countrycrossroadsquiltguild.com/>  
3rd Monday at 7p  
No upcoming events

# GUILD INFO

Mailing Address: DCQG  
P.O. Box 385  
Sycamore IL 60178

Email Address: [info@dcqg.org](mailto:info@dcqg.org)

Meeting Location: Federated Church  
612 W. State St.  
Sycamore IL 60178

Meeting Info:

- Meetings are held on the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the month, January through October, with an annual Christmas Party in December.

Doors open at 6:00pm for gathering to meet and greet, with the meeting beginning at 6:45pm with show and tell.

Calendar reminders:

- Watch The Website calendar, Facebook group and the newsletter for other opportunities to fellowship and volunteer together.
- Sewing Saturday events are held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the month from 10am-4pm
  - Bring a project and \$5 to help pay for the room rental
  - Held at Federated Church, 612 W State St., Sycamore
- 2026 Summer Retreats –
  - June 25-29<sup>th</sup>, July 16–19<sup>th</sup>, August 6-8<sup>th</sup>
  - See Kim Colness for additional information

