NORTHERN LAKE COUNTY QUILTERS' GUILD

THREADLINES

AUGUST 2024



President's Message

Thanks to everyone who made bingo boards for our July meeting and be sure to be on the lookout for some very colorful 'kits' coming from our charity chairs very soon! Since this event was so much fun, the board has decided to make bingo an annual event in conjunction with our ice cream social. All the bingo prizes given out were donations, so if you find any new items in your sewing room that you don't think you'll use, think of donating them for 2025!

I can't thank all of you enough for helping with our search for the next guild president. There is news! (see below)

While our meeting locations are still floating around, our guild is firmly grounded with many wonderful activities. I'm really looking forward to Nancy's presentation next week and I hope to see you all on the 7th!

Karen

September Elections

The Board position of President will be on the ballot for elections to be held during the September meeting. Here is a preview of The ballot for next month:

President - Carol Cord

Details about our elections are available in the Guild Documents / By-Laws section of the website.

Guild at a Glance

Aug 7	Guild Meeting 6:30 – 8:30		
	Lake Villa Library		
Aug 10	Feed My Starving Children		
	11:30 – 1:15		
Aug 15	Board Meeting – Zoom 7:00		
Aug 17	Jelly Roll Shuffle Skill Builder		
	10:00 - 12:00		
	Charity Sew 1:00-3:30		
	Lake Villa Library		
Aug 31	UFO - 9:00 - 5:00		
	Grant Township Center		
Sept 4	Guild Meeting 6:30 – 8:30		
-	Elections!		
	Charity Quilt Challenge		
Sept 12	Board Meeting – Zoom 7:00		
Sept 14	School House Demo Skill Builders		
-	10:00 - 12:00		
	Project Linus Charity Sew 1:00-4:00		
	Lake Villa Library		
Sept 27-29	UFO - 9:00 – 5:00		
-	Sleep In Your Own Bed Retreat		
	Grant Township Center		
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Show and Tell

Bring what you have been working on and we will end each meeting by showing and telling!

Membership & Directory

Current membership is at 81. Any changes, contact <u>membership@nlcqg.org</u>.

Upcoming Meeting Information

August 7 – Nancy Brieschke - Every quilt has a story! – Lake Villa Library

We make quilts for a variety of reasons. Is it for a new baby, a graduation, a wedding or just because? Even if it is "just because" it does tell a story. Think about the process - where is the fabric from? How did you choose the colors? Why did you pick that design? The list goes on. Nancy's presentation will tell you the stories of her quilt making. From the early years to the present, they are all very different.

Nancy Brieschke, an accomplished quilter, has been quilting for over 50 years. Starting out as a traditional quilter she has now included modern and art quilts in her collection.

Many of Nancy's quilts have won various awards from quilt guilds and a local fair. Best of Show, Best of Show Original Designs, Best of Show Machine quilting, Viewer's Choice Award, First Place Advanced Category, Original Work Honorable Mention (National Quilting Association Juried Wall hangings), and a juried wall quilt that traveled for a year with the International Quilting Festival Celebrate Spring. Nancy has a quilt pattern registered with the Library of Congress.

September 4 – Elections!

It's time to vote!

At our September meeting we will be casting our ballots for our next guild President, as well as voting for our favorite challenge quilts!

You still have plenty of time to finish your charity challenge. Remember to bring it to our September meeting for voting.

Ornament of the Month

We will have examples and supplies at the August meeting to decorate our second tree. Questions? Contact Gail or Dung at <u>ornaments@nlcqg.org</u>.

October 2 - Natalie Doan



Natalie is the remarkable host of The Final Stitch and the Quilting 101 series. You will also see her showcase her teaching skills in Triple Play tutorials alongside her mother

Jenny Doan and Sister-in-Law Misty Doan. She was taught how to sew by her mom at a young age. Along with sewing and being a full-time mother, she also loves painting and working with stained glass. Natalie also loves the outdoors and has taken up running and hiking in her spare time. Join us Oct. 2, 2024 for her amazing Triple Play Trunk Show.

October 3 - Carpenters Square Quilt Workshop

Brake out those crumb/scrap bins folks! We are pleased to announce Natalie Doan's Carpenter's Square class! Join us October 3rd 2024 from 10am-2pm at the Lake Villa District Library, 140 N. Munn Rd, Lindenhurst, IL. 60046. We have 50 seats available



for this class. Sign-ups will begin at our August 7th meeting. We are offering sign up to guild members first then we will open this class up to non-members. Once you sign up you will receive an email with your class requirements. The class cost is \$45 to members and \$55 to non-members. Please contact Michael if you would like to sign up. He will be accepting cash, check, or you can Zelle using email treasurer@nlcqg.org.

If you would like to watch the tutorial ahead of time please click the link below:

https://youtu.be/h5jtSXfb7xU?si=k6rGZJeEwqUR nLCB

Photo Album of July Meeting

Link to the album is here

UFO Meetings

Saturday August 31, 9:00 - 5:00

Join us to work on your unfinished objects at the Grant township Center, 26725 W Molidor Rd. Ingleside, IL.

Due to limited space, for now, this event is for members only. **Sign-up starting August 17**th via email at <u>ufo@nlcqg.org</u>.

Three-day UFO sleep in your own bed retreat! September 27, 28, 29. Sign up starting September 14th.

Mark your Calendars for Future UFO dates: October 12 - November 23 - January 3, 4, 5

If you sign up and find you are not able to attend, please let us know as soon as possible so we are able to accommodate those on the waiting list. Bring your lunch or there is all the fast food you want in Volo, at Woodman's corner.

Link for a suggested supply packing list here.

UFO is a no cost event, but we are asking attendees to support the Grant Township Food Pantry by bringing donations. All items should be in their original, unopened packaging, in good condition & not past its "best by" date. ** Please no glass items**

Requested Items:

Canned Fruits Canned Manwich Box or Bag Pasta Canned Soups Canned Meat Instant Potatoes Mac & Cheese Peanut Butter Cereal Pancake Mix Jello & Pudding Canned Frosting Toilet Paper Canned Vegetables Canned Beef Stew Spaghetti Sauce Canned Chili Canned Tuna Hamburger Helper Rice & Rice Mixes Oatmeal Cream of Wheat Syrup & Jelly Muffin & Cake Mix Canned Juice

*** Cash donations to restock the pantry are also greatly appreciated ***

Feed my Starving Children

If you are not familiar with Feed My Starving Children you can find them at <u>FMSC.org</u>. The basic concept is you volunteer for a 1.5-hour time slot. There are sitting jobs where you put labels on the bags. The standing jobs involve adding dry ingredients to a plastic bag which is weighed and sealed.

We have 1 date left and have reserved 15 time slots. We can add or decrease this number as needed. These volunteer events will occur as long as I have at least one other volunteer. Feel free to invite friends, family/spouse, children over 6.

This event has a JOIN CODE that you can add or remove your name/others who will attend with you. There will be a signup sheet at the August meeting. We can meet for lunch before or after if anyone is interested.

Address: 742 East Park Ave, Libertyville. Saturday, August 10 from 11:30 to 1:15 Join Code NKV5BV

Email Ruby Hall at <u>roadtrip@nlcqg.org</u> with any questions.

Round Robin Quilt

Remember Your Round Robin!

For those signed up, bring the bag you received in July to our August meeting and pass it on to the next person on the tag.



If you are unable to attend, contact your recipient or Cathy at <u>cathyb1810@gmail.com</u> to coordinate the hand off.

Wool Applique Group

Wool Applique meetings will resume on Aug 15 at the Antioch Library (located at 757 Main Street, Antioch) in meeting room 1 from 10 to 1. Future meetings are Sept 19 and Oct 17. Contact Carolyn at <u>woolgroup@nlcqg.org</u> or 847.373.3307 (leave a msg if no answer) with any questions.

Skill Builders & Charity Sews

Skill Builders and Charity Sews are now offered together on their own day! Mark your calendars for:

Date: August 17th

Skill Builder: Jelly Roll Tips & Tricks / 10:00–12:00 Teacher: Michael Nardi Location: Lake Villa Library Cost: \$10



Have you ever wanted to learn how to take a Jelly roll and make it come to life without cutting it up into a million pieces? This skill builder will teach you the proper way to

work with a jelly roll while learning a new technique that takes your jelly roll to a next level! Advance sign up required.

Email skillbuilders@nlcqg.org with any questions and to sign up.

Supply List: Sewing Machine, Rotary Cutter and Mat, Quilt Pins, 1 Jelly Roll (Print), 1 Jelly Roll (Background) or 3 yards of fabric. You will be provided a pattern the day of the skill builder BUT please note that the pattern is subjective, you will be able to make it look however you want!

Date: August 17th Charity Sew: Flower Power / 1:00 – 3:30

Choose fabrics, pick a pattern, make and take kits and start sewing! Our garden variety quilts can be fun for all ages.

Note: We will have the room from 9:30 – 3:30 and you are welcome to come sew the whole day, attend either event, or both! If room permits you can even just come and work on your own projects! Since this is our first time, please let us know you're attending by emailing:

<u>skillbuilders@nlcqg.org</u> so we know how many to expect.

Contact us with any questions and we hope to see you there!

Date: September 14th

Schoolhouse Demos/ 10:00–12:00 Location: Lake Villa Library Cost: None

Join us for a morning of learning new skills! Your fellow guild members will present four different quilting techniques to add to your skill sets.

Neckties are colorful and plentiful—and they are a great source of fabric for quilt makers! Nann will show you how to prepare ties for sewing and show examples of necktie projects. Demonstrator: Nann Hilyard

Itajime shibori is a Japanese dyeing technique where fabric is folded, clamped between wooden shapes, and then dyed. It produces unique geometric repeating patterns in the cloth. Al has developed a fast version using fabric paints instead of dye.

Demonstrator: Al Krueger

There are many ways to **present your smaller wall quilts**. In this demo you will learn how to wrap a small quilt around a gallery wrapped canvas for an elegant finish. Demonstrator: Karen Grage

Learn to be comfortable with the **AccQuilt Go**. See how easy it is to cut binding in minutes, cut all of your block pieces in one smooth move and even applique for blocks and other projects. Demonstrator: Cathy Warchal

Date: September 14th Charity Sew: Project Linus / 1:00 – 4:00

Use precut I-Spy squares along with some of our AccQuilt Go fabric cut in the morning's demo to make adorable quilts for Project Linus

Note: These events are open to all and we will have the room from 9:30 – 4:15. While reservations are not required, if you know you are attending, please let us know by emailing: <u>skillbuilders@nlcqg.org</u> so we know about how many to expect.

Charity Corner

We will never tire of thanking you for your generosity. Together, we comfort all ages, from baby blankets to walker bags, we've got them covered! At our last meeting alone, we collected 13 items for distribution.

Our **Farmers Market Boutique** is also building inventory thanks to everyone's help. 30 bowl cozies, 10 cold cup cozies and 20 hot cup cozies are ready for sale. At our last meeting, kits for burp cloths and pot holders were available. We are looking forward to adding them to our inventory.

How are your **Charity Challenge Quilts** coming along? Remember to choose your favorite (if you made more than one) to enter for voting. Quilts will be displayed at our September meeting. If you need more fabric from our stash, let me know in time to bring it to our August meeting.

Hangers needed - We will be having many of



those afore mentioned challenge quilts to display in September. Please check your closet for swivel hook hangers with clips that you can donate to guild.

Charity Sewing are now combined with Skill Builder days. On the afternoon of Saturday, August 17, join us at the Lake Villa Library. I will arrive shortly after noon with bins of fabric for us to explore our **Flower Power!** Choose fabrics, pick a pattern, make and take kits and start sewing! Our garden variety quilts can be fun for all ages.

Email <u>Charity@nlcqg.org</u> if you have any questions or comments about our on-going needs.

Thanks Again, Roberta & Dawn

Sunshine Notes



We hope everyone is well. If you

hear of anyone experiencing a difficult time or who needs special cheering up, please contact Nancy Taylor, our Sunshine Coordinator. <u>sunshine@nlcqg.org</u>

What to do with your leftover half square triangles?

If you are making the challenge charity quilt, there will be many leftover half square triangles. Here is a suggestion for their use. Take four of the squares and sew them together in a pattern that appeals to you. This will produce a 9 inch block you can use to make a potholder. The charity committee is making items to sell next year at a boutique.



Take the 9 inch block, another 9 inch block or 9 inch square of coordinating fabric, and place them right sides together. Add a 9 inch square of batting and a 9 inch square of Insulbrite interfacing (which stops heat from

transferring) to the two pieces of fabric and sew around the outside, leaving an 3-4 inch opening for turning. Turn the fabric to the right side, close the opening and stitch a ¼ inch top stitch around the perimeter. Stitch in the ditch within the potholder to provide stabilizing quilting to the potholder.

There will be 9 inch squares of the Insulbrite interfacing available for your use in the charity potholders at the next guild meeting on July 10th. Questions about Charity? Email

charity@nlcqg.org.

Upcoming County & State Fairs

The season of county fairs is upon us. The last of the local deadlines for registering a quilt for exhibition is Walworth County on August 8, 2024.

Attached is a link regarding quilt entries and contests at the State and County fairs. List of fairs and general information is <u>here</u>.

Block of the Month 2024 – August

Hello my quilt Family!!! I really hope you enjoyed this 2024 BOTM journey with me! It has been wonderous, fun, happy, challenging, and all of the above! Thank you so much for taking the time to following along this journey! It was an amazing experience to be a part of and I loved being a part of your 2024 quilting world! If you have any questions, please just contact me at bom@nlcqg.org! Quilts will be displayed at our November meeting.

Block of the Month 2025

Quilt Maker's Sampler

The 12-month sampler blocks are suitable for beginners as well as experienced quilters. There will be a variety of designs incorporating piecing, paper piecing and some applique. Several blocks may be familiar, and a few may not be. It is a journey we will be taking together.

Two color choices – Scrappy whatever you pick OR Scrapy Christmas. Please do not mix Christmas with Scrappy whatever. Use the same background fabric throughout the blocks.

The blocks will be 8" finished. With a border of 4", the finished size could be: Vertical – 35" x 44.5" or Horizontal – 44.5" x 35".

Instructions in September will be included to make the blocks smaller or larger. You may certainly change the size of the border and sashing sizes if you wish. Sashing is also included within the quilt which is 1.5" wide included in the sizes listed.

SIGN UP BEGAN AT THE JULY 10TH meeting and the cost is \$10 for the year. The first 2 blocks will go out September 1st and one the first of every month after. The month of September you will receive 2 easy block patterns. Then in September 2025 you will have completed all 12 for your quilt.

Each month, you will receive the block and a printout of the pattern. Your finished block will be brought to the following meeting for show and tell!

I hope you enjoy our journey making a different traditional sampler quilt.

Nancy Brieschke - bom@nlcqg.org

Mystery Quilt

Many thanks to everyone who participated in the 2024 mystery quilt fundraiser. Here is the link to the photo album so everyone can see all of the 2024 mystery quilts:



https://photos.app.goo.gl/8BNDvV954mYk24gJ7

Let Nature Inspire Your Next Quilt!

Four guild members (one husband and a dog) enjoyed a sunny and warm walk around Pine Dunes Forest Preserve in July! The 2.2 mile walk flew by as we chatted and enjoyed the



scenery. Here's hoping more of you can join us in October!

Any questions, contact president@nlcqg.org.

Swapping the Advent Box

This Christmas we are swapping out the Advent box for a Santa Swap. Swappers will fill a shirt sized gift box with a main swap item, then fill therest of the box with handmade and other Christmas goodies.

This year the main swap item will be a Holiday/ Winter table runner. Table runners should be at least 12 inches by 36 inches and be winter or holiday themed. (We request no 10-minute runners.) Fill the rest of the box with goodies to a \$20.00 minimum. Examples of swap box stuffers could include: fat quarters, fancy pins, thimbles, rug mugs, thread, zipper pulls, zipper pouches, holiday candy, and hot cocoa. Boxes will be exchanged at the Guild Christmas Party.

Now is the time to start planning for the Christmas Swap. We will have a sign up starting in September. If you have a question, please contact Cathy Warchal @ <u>Library@nlcqg.org</u>

Carpool Coordination

Looking for a ride to guild events? Willing to give rides to other guild members? Contact Vickie at <u>carpools@nlcqg.org</u>.

Pledge To Complete Those UFOs!

Join our 2024 UFO (Unfinished Objects) Challenge by pledging to finish some of these up!

For this challenge, you complete one UFO every other month (or monthly for those



who are truly motivated). Upon sign up, you will receive a form to list the UFOs you plan to finish in 2024. Fill out your form and present your progress during Show & Tell. Results will be announced at the November meeting.

If interested, contact Joanne at:

<u>UFOchallenge@NLCQG.org</u>. You will receive the UFO form with complete instructions. A \$5 participation fee is being asked to fund prizes.

Book Review by Nann Hilyard

Dress Codes:

How the Laws of Fashion Made History by Richard Thompson Ford

Ford presents an engagingly-written history of how fashion and style in Western European culture have evolved over the centuries. What we think of as hard-and-fast rules are not immutable. Everyone wore loose-fitting robes in medieval times. Men wore lace and high heels. The Great Masculine Renunciation changed everything in the late 18th century--ever since "the norm" has been the jacket-and-trousers suit while women's clothing has become more decorative.

Those norms have been challenged in the 20th and 21st century with 'ethnic' clothing (and hair) and religious statements (e.g. the hijab and 'modest' attire).

"All clothing is artifice, contrived to convey meaning and produce an effect....Our deepest, most authentic selves are not born; they are fashioned." (p. 354)

"The way we cover, embellish, and present our bodies influences how we come to understand our place in the world." (p. 358)

NLCQG Library

Rulers, MSQC Block magazine and more! Check out the ruler list. We have 77 rulers from the large 20" Dresdens to tiny templates for tiny quilts. We have several Flying geese rulers in different sizes. Need to cut scallops? There is a ruler for that. Take a peek at the Updated Missouri Star Block books and grab a new ruler to make something beautiful.

Need help cutting binding? We have Accquilt dies to cut 1.5, 2.5 and 3.5 dies to cut accurate strips. Doing a rag quilt? There is a die for that. Cut up to (6) 8.5" squares at a time, rag cuts included. Don't have a cutter? We do have 1 hand die cutter to lend out.

Ruler, Block magazine, and Accuquilt lists can be found on the NLCQG site. To borrow contact: library@nlcgg.org

Books

Books owned by the guild:

goodreads.com/review/list/96787411

Block Magazine

nlcqg.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/01/MSQC-Block-Magazine.pdf

Rulers

Rulers (or ruler sets) owned by guild:

nlcqg.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/03/Rulers-3-24.pdf

Patterns For Templates

nlcqg.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/01/Patternswith-Templates.pdf

Accuquilt Dies

Dies owned by the guild:

nlcqg.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/03/Accquilt-3-24.pdf

Have something to sell?

Our guild is now offering free newsletter space for members to sell quilt related items. If you are interested, please your send name, a picture of your item(s), a description and what is included (if applicable), price, and your contact information (phone and/or email) to <u>newsletter@nlcqg.org.</u>

Upcoming Quilt Events

Muskegon Museum of Art Quilts: The Artistry of Home

June 6 through September

Quilts: The Artistry of Home showcases a selection of quilts from the Michigan State University Collection that were made during the early 20th century, with a focus on the era of the Great Depression.

https://muskegonartmuseum.org/exhibitions/



Lutherdale Fest Quilt Auction Over 250 Quilts To Bid On! August 10, 9:00 – 3:00

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https://www.lutherdale.org/quilt-auction





Dear Jane

Interested in completing a Dear Jane quilt? This group meets monthly to look at everyone's progress, discuss options on how to sew the blocks, and to give encouragement. Free to join a



encouragement. Free to join at any time. Questions? <u>dearjane@nlcqg.org</u>.

Interesting Quilting Links



Check out Sarah Ruiz's Free Downloads! Including one for a quilted fabric Postcard Tutorial.

https://shop.sarahruiz.com/products/freequilted-fabric-postcard-tutorial

Accurate piecing even when the seams won't nest.



youtube.com/watch?v=sI2egF9LMKE&t=9s

.. do you have a link you'd like to share with the guild? Send it to <u>newsletter@nlcqg.org</u>

Board Meetings

Would you like to be more involved? Have a greater input on what is happening in the guild? Come to our board meeting! All members are invited and you don't even need to leave your easy chair. Board meetings are held each month on the Thursday of the week following the guild meeting via zoom. Zoom links are emailed to all members.

* The August Board Meeting will be August 15.

August Birthdays

Join us in wishing the following guild members a Happy Birthday this month!

Alicia Alexander Carol Cord Jeanne Gundrum Barb Witt Tami Bradford Pat Frieman Ruby Hall



All of our birthday quilters get to choose a fabric yard from our fabric basket!

NLCQG Meeting 7/10/2024

Meeting Started at 6:32 P.M.

- Karen thanked the library staff for arranging the room
- Nann volunteered to take photos at this meeting
- The minutes were approved by Joanne Mittelmeyer and Michael Nardi
- Treasurers reported that the guild balance as of June 30th 2024 was \$9,925.63
- Membership reported that we have 81 members with one new member this evening
- Karen reminded members to sign up for the next Feed my starving children session
 - She also encouraged members to attend the Pine Dunes walk, July 21st
- Meeting Location up-date
 - We meet at Lake Villa Library in August
 - UFO meets at the Grant Township building
 - Limited tables please sign up
 - Please bring items for the food pantry
 - There will not be a skill builder at this event
 - Please see the website and newsletter for location information
- There will be a School House skill builder in September with 4 demos and Charity sew
- Karen went over the duties of president and encouraged members to consider taking the post
- The Round Robin swap was completed
- Programs is looking for suggestions for the January and February Zoom meetings
- There will be a 3-day retreat in September 27-29
- The quilt donated to the Antioch Chamber of Commerce will be auctioned during the Kringle Market event
 - We will have a second tree this year

- Ornaments will be displayed at the next meeting
- The Boutique for 2026
 - Kits and patterns were available
 - New patterns and Ideas were encouraged
 - See the website for more information
- Charity report
 - Thank You to members for all the donation to charity projects
 - The Challenge quilt
 - Only one quilt submitted can be in the running for a prize
 - Kits for charity projects are available
- Library reported that there are new paper piecing books available to be checked out
- Santa box exchange
 - The box must contain a table runner
 - And other goodies that a quilter would enjoy
 - See the website and newsletter for more information
- Dear Jane, keep sewing
- Block of the month participants displayed their blocks and gifts were distributed
 - For information for 2025 Block of the month blocks see the newsletter and website
- Birthday fat quarter were passed out
- Mystery Quilts were displayed and members explained their experience
- Ice cream
- Bingo
- Show and tell

Meeting ended at 8:15 P.M.

Board Members – 2023-24 NLCQG

President	Karen Grage
Vice President	Pat Giovacchini
Treasurer	Dung Le
Secretary	Nancy O'Connor
Membership	Jeanne Wetherbee
Programs	Michael Nardi & Cathy Brusky
Newsletter	Gail Johnson & Heidi Johnson

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Ornament	Dung Le & Gail Johnson	ornaments@nlcqg.org	
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Dear Jane Quilt	Donna Lechowicz & Kathy Gorski	dearjane@nlcqg.org	



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