

NORTHERN LAKE COUNTY QUILTERS' GUILD

THREADLINES



MARCH 2025



Hello Fellow Quilters:

I don't know about you but these warmer days are giving me hope that spring is around the corner and believe you me, I can't wait.

With March we will at last be in our permanent home at the new Antioch Township Center. So, if you had forgotten please remember we are meeting at **1275 Main Street, Antioch, IL 60002**. I know the main room is set up for the Senior Center who meets there to play cards on weekdays so we will have to see what we need to do to make it serviceable for our guild meeting. I know having our permanent location again will cause a breath of relieve among us all. Keep in mind we are still looking for someone to sponsor a second UFO for the guild at the Township Center.

Kudos to Gail Johnson, our Newsletter Director, for taking on our outreach program with the 4H group. She is working tirelessly to get ready to teach approximately 10 young people the basics of sewing. Karen Grage, ever the consummate designer, has designed several table runners for the new Sewers to work on and kits are being assembled for the sewers to choose from. Roberta has dipped into her stash of guild fabric to come up with some beautiful choices. We are looking for volunteers to help get these young people off on the right foot. But I will let Gail talk more about that at our meeting on the 5th.

A bit of food for thought for everyone, September is coming! And with September comes our elections. Odd year elections include Vice President, Treasurer, Program Chairperson and Membership Chairperson. Officers are limited to serve two consecutive terms per office. I believe that means there will be no incumbents this year so we will be looking for ladies and gentlemen to fill those 4 positions. We will also need to put together a nominating committee to be announced officially in May, so if you would like to serve on the nominating committee, please let me know.

We have had an offer to teach us Chair Yoga. I know nothing about Yoga but thought this sounded interesting especially after spending a winter sitting and sewing. I will have more information at a later date and will keep you posted. Hopefully many of you will find this as intriguing as I did.

Just a reminder that our next UFO will be Saturday March 8 and it will be at the Lake Villa Library. Please sign up with Debi Dodd as we do have space constrictions.

Michael will be holding a "Service your Sewing Machine" seminar soon. Again, I will keep you posted on the details of when and where.

Let's not forget the return of refreshments. In the past those celebrating their birthday during that month brought refreshments. Of course, anyone who would like to bring something are invited to share also.

I am very excited that things will be getting back to normal. We have had a difficult year, but we have persevered and are ready for normal again. For all the ups and downs and unknowns we have faced this past year we have steadfastly maintained our positive outlook and faith in our guild and each other. For all of you still with us, Thank You and see you on March 5.

Carol

Guild at a Glance

Mar 5	Guild Meeting @ Antioch Twp
Mar 8	UFO @ Lake Villa Library
Mar 12	Wool Applique @ 10:00
Mar 12	Board Meeting @ 7:15 Zoom
Mar 18	4H Program Preparation
Apr 2	Guild Meeting & Rafflemania
Apr 5	Skillbuilder @ Antioch Twp
Apr 9	Wool Applique @ 10:00
Apr 12	UFO @ Grant Township

Antioch Township Building

Attached are pictures of the new Antioch Township Office.

1275 Main Street, (IL83) Antioch

Pictures [here](#).

2025 Mystery Quilt

Our 3rd annual guild mystery quilt has started! Sign ups are on going and previous clues will be sent to everyone who would like to join in. Join your fellow guild members in trying to quilt without pre-knowledge of the pattern! Sign up with, or direct any questions to mystery@nlcgg.org

Quilted Hug Project

Attached is the information about the Quilted Hug Project that was discussed prior to the January Zoom meeting. Thank you, Barb!

This is the link to the Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100064806756343>

This is the link to the pattern (it is best to listen and watch the Utube video first)

https://www.facebook.com/permalink.php?story_fbid=pfbid0AUGkXLc5NfBmDBP2iFZDM7hFWWhU24cq3WkpQP2mEPasqMoDp8gEnMNjbayXK29m1I&id=532216613649251

UFO Meetings

We encourage everyone to bring any UFOs that have been patiently waiting for your attention. Seize this opportunity to make new friends and share your passion with fellow guild members for a delightful day of creativity and camaraderie.

March 8th UFO is at the Lake Villa Library 9:30-4:30

Please note the location and time change.

Sign-up started February 22nd via email ufo@nlcgg.org

This event is currently for guild members due to limited space; however, we will open it up to guest of members on the Wednesday before the event. A reservation is still needed, please email ufo@nlcgg.org to see what is available.

If you are not able to attend, please remember to cancel your reservation via email at ufo@nlcgg.org As soon as possible so we may accommodate members on the wait list.

Link for a suggested supply packing list [here](#).

Future dates

April 12-13 Grant Twp	Sign up 03/29
May 17-18 Grant Twp	Sign up 05/03
June 28 Grant Twp	Sign up 06/14

Show and Tell

Since we are back together, bring your projects for Show & Tell!

Upcoming Meeting Information

March 5 – Deb Strain



Deb Strain

A designer for Moda Fabrics since 1996, Deb feels honored to have watched Moda's growth and success over the years. "Moda's integrity and genuine caring about quilters, the quilting industry and their designers has always been part of why I

love working with this wonderful company. That and the "best in the business" members of the Moda family have made it an incredible journey."

Drawing and painting her fabric designs by hand, Deb has created over one-hundred collections since she began working with Moda. She loves working with different colors and patterns, the more intricate the better!

A life-long passion for art led Deb to teaching art before becoming a designer. Her artwork has been featured on many different products over the years – calendars, greeting cards, garden flags, books, framed prints and more. Recently, she and Scott proudly launched a line of notecards for sewing and quilting enthusiasts titled "Sew Noted".

Please Join us March 5, 2025 for Her program called "Fabric Design: The In's and Outs from creativity to manufacturing". Also bring your wallets because Deb has graciously agreed to set up a Moda Fabrics shop selling all of her goodies!

March 5 The Northwest Suburban Quilters Guild (NSQG) is bringing their stunning Raffle Quilt, "Color-rings," to our March 5th meeting! You'll have a chance to buy raffle tickets—just \$1 each or 6 for \$5.



Plus, get all the details on their upcoming show, "Little Bits on Whimsey," happening May 17-18,

April 2 - Rafflemania

One of the most popular events of the year... Rafflemania! Members donate gently used fiber related items to "raffle" off as a guild fundraiser. This includes items such as quilt books, yarn, crochet and knitting supplies, sewing supplies, sewing patterns, gadgets, rulers, templates, threads, bobbin holders, needles, pins and of course, those fabrics that you once loved and now categorize as hideous. (Only fiber related items and no magazines.) Please bundle items together either in bags or with rubber bands to keep them from intermingling with other stacks.

How this works:

Items are placed on the tables next to paper bags. Members purchase and fill out raffle tickets to try for items they wish to win. (Hint: Return address labels come in handy for this!)

A name is drawn from each bag and the winner gets to take home the goodies!

Raffle tickets are \$1 each, 6 for \$5, 15 for \$10 and 35 for \$20.

If an item did not have any tickets submitted, the contributor is responsible for taking it home.

May 7 – Misty Doan



Misty is the go-to for fabulous home decor projects! She grew up surrounded by sewing and quilting. She loves spending time with her family and with her "quilts" friends each week as she hosts her At Home with Misty tutorials. She is also hosting a new Missouri Star show called Homespun. Catch up with her as she chats with designers, makers, and influencer in the world of fabric and fiber arts.

Please join us for Misty's "At Home Q & A" May 7th 2025. Misty will be teaching a quilting class on May 8th 2025 (class details to follow).

May 8 – Sweet Violet Class with Misty Doan

Is everyone ready for a little spring!? Please join Misty as she shows us how to make her Sweet Violet Quilt! Class will be held on May 8th, 2025 at the Grant Township center and start promptly at 9 AM and ending at 1 PM. Class is \$50 per person, which includes the pattern. One more thing, make sure you bring your pennies with you. Misty is going to have a small shop going during class for some extra goodies! This is going to be so much fun and I'm looking forward to it. Space is limited so it's first come first served. You will be able to pay for the class at our March meeting!

Spark Plugs

The February spark plugs discussion revolved around using EQ to design your quilts when you have a panel. While there was no 'challenge' this month, it was a great zoom discussion!



If you're not signed up, we'd love to have you join us! Even if you don't own EQ, it is fascinating to see what it can do.

If you're interested in being a Spark Plug, send an email to skillbuilders@nlcgg.org

Block of the Month 2024-2025

Looking forward to seeing the blocks from January and February at our March meeting for show and tell. March block will be sent March 6th!

Nancy Brieschke
BOM Chair

Skill Builders

March's skill builder is multifaceted. This month we'll be using our skill builder event to prepare for the guild's upcoming program with 4H. We'll be working on our fabric matching skills, timing our sewing activities, working on kit building and discussing ideas for encouraging young people to take up quilting!

Even if you aren't working directly with the Saturday events, we'd love to have your help creating kits, sewing samples and giving us your input.

Subject: 4H Program Preparation

Date: Tuesday, March 18th

Time: 9:30 – 12:00

Cost: None

Supplies: Sewing machine and general sewing supplies. Fabric will be provided.

Contact skillbuilders@nlcgg.org to sign up.

Upcoming Skill Builder

Mark your calendars for April 5th for our first skill builder event at the new Antioch Township Center! This skill builder will be a class to practice different methods of paper piecing. We'll be creating the same block with two different methods to help you decide which works best for you. Look for additional information coming in our April newsletter.

March Birthdays

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



All of our birthday quilters get to choose a fabric yard from our fabric basket when we come back together in March.

Charity Corner

The fabric has been flying this month! We've been sorting, cutting, folding and kit creating. You will see the results of all this behind the scenes work in the next few months. Attention all you scrappy quilters- watch for great bags of fabric at Rafflemania! Some of our guild members will be assisting with a 4H project, teaching sewing to the next generation. What a great use of our fabric. I think it even reduced our bin count!

When Charity Sewing Days return, we will have a variety of ready to sew kits. Dates to be announced as we are coordinating to run in tandem with other sewing events. We will be creating Quilted Hugs for chemotherapy patients and nursing home residents.

Stay tuned for future details on that project. We sew for a wide variety recipients, kids big and small, seniors in bed, in wheelchairs and playing Bingo. If you need ideas or patterns, check out our website. LINK [HERE](#)

If you have questions or suggestions, send us an email at charity@nlcgg.org

Looking forward to seeing you soon!

Roberta & Dawn

4H Quilting Class

Last year the 4H Program Director contacted our Guild asking if we would consider teaching a quilting class to interested children 10+. Now that the bad weather is almost gone, we are ready to start. We will be teaching 10 kids how to make a table runner in six weeks of one hour classes. This will not only teach them a skill, but earn them a badge and the opportunity to enter their project in the Lake County fair. We will start March 22.

We currently have 4 teachers but would like to have 5 and maybe some floaters. If you are interested in teaching 6 one hour classes or filling in as a floater at the Old Lake County Fairgrounds in Grayslake..

Membership & Directory

Current membership is at 81.

Any changes, contact membership@nlcgg.org

Wool Applique Club

Our organizational meeting at the Antioch Twp Center was wonderful. We will be holding our meetings at the Antioch Twp Center on route 83 (1275 Main Street). Dates scheduled are Mar 12, Apr 9 and May 14. All meetings are on Wednesdays from 10 to 2.

Contact Carolyn at woolclub@nlcgg.org or 847.373.3307

Quilted Postcard Exchange

Postcard people!

The 2025 Postcard Exchange is officially over. So many talented and creative people spread amongst three guilds. What a fantastic job! We were amazed each day as the pictures came in. Secretly, we enjoyed seeing each one of the postcards firsthand.

We had 26 participants and we hope we will have more participants next year. Over the next few weeks we will finalize the pictures and make them available for all to see. From winterscapes to Valentine hearts, to Summer dreams and Spring awakening, and then some in between.

Rose and Robyn

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 at any time. Questions? dearjane@nlcgg.org.



2025 UFO Challenge



This was so much fun, let's do it again! Join our 2025 UFO (Unfinished Objects) Challenge by pledging to finish some of these UFOs from 2024 or older! For this challenge, show your

completed UFOs during Show & Tell at our monthly meetings. Final results will be announced at the December 2025 meeting.

If interested, contact Joanne at:

ufochallenge@nlcgg.org. Click [here](#) for a copy of the UFO tracking form. No participation fee this year.

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. sunshine@nlcgg.org



Have something to sell?

Our guild offers free newsletter space for members to sell quilt related items. If you are interested, please send your 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 newsletter@nlcgg.org.



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 Accuquilt 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](https://www.goodreads.com/review/list/96787411)

Block Magazine

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

Rulers

Rulers (or ruler sets) owned by guild:

<https://www.nlcgg.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/01/Rulers-updated-1.pdf>

Patterns For Templates

<https://www.nlcgg.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/01/Patterns-with-Templates.pdf-01-08-2025.pdf>

Accuquilt Dies

Dies owned by the guild:

<https://www.nlcgg.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/01/Accuquilt-01-14-25.pdf>

Pictures from February Meeting

[Here](#) is a link to the February pictures.

Upcoming Quilt Events

Dunn Museum - Threads of Time: Quilts and Textiles

1899 W Winchester Rd, Libertyville, IL
February 15–May 4, 2025 | Open in-person and virtually

Quilts and textiles from the Dunn Museum's collections provide a colorful glimpse of Lake County's history from the 1830s to the 2000s. Through quilts, clothing and sewing artifacts, this exhibition showcases stories stitched into every piece—from a quilt passed down through four generations to a winter wedding gown worn by a Yugoslavian-American bride. Textiles, whether used for fashion, décor or comfort, reveal the rich and intricate narratives woven into the fabric of our shared past.

<https://www.lcpd.org/museum/exhibitions/>

West Suburban Quilters' Guild

COLOR MY WORLD WITH QUILTS

Friday March 14, 2025 and Saturday March 15, 2025

Waukesha County Fairgrounds-FORUM BUILDING
1000 Northview Road, Waukesha, WI 53188
Over 300 quilted items displayed for viewer's choice ribbons.

Vendor mall with area's finest shops.

DATES

Friday March 14, 2025 10:00 am to 6:00 pm

Saturday March 15, 2025 10:00 am to 4:00 pm

Admission: \$7.00 cash

Pat Bishop – Quilt Like an Artist and. Abstraction Distraction 2.0 With or Without a Pattern

Presented by Village Quilters of Lake Bluff/Lake Forest

March 18-19

We have been invited by the Village Quilters to participate in two programs they have arranged with Pat Bishop. The first is Tuesday, March 18 from 7 to 9 pm. Pat will be giving a talk on **Quilt Like an Artist**. (\$10 for Guests)

The second part of the program is Wednesday, March 19 from 9 am to 3:30 pm. **Abstraction Distraction 2.0 With or Without a Pattern** Workshop fee \$55

Check out the [photos on Pat's website](#): <https://www.patbishop.info/workshops-trunk-shows-and-talks/>

Go to the [Pat Bishop](#)

[Registration page](https://www.villagequilters.org/fees/2025-03-pat-bishop): <https://www.villagequilters.org/fees/2025-03-pat-bishop>



More information [here](#).

Q U I L T
 36th Annual Show
 Presented By:
 The Crazy Quilters Guild, Inc.

Show

March 29 & 30, 2025
 Park View Middle School
 930 N Rochester St / Mukwonago WI

- Show Quilts
- Featuring The Show Theme - "Panel Play" with Fabric Panels
- Raffles
- Boutique
- Bargain Bins
- Vendor Mall
- Bed Turning
- Quilt Appraisals
- Demonstrations
- Lunch Available
- Quilt Documentation Days

Sat 9-4 / Sun 10-3
\$8 one-day
\$10 two-day

Quilt Appraisals by Allison Rainboth
 Appointments Required
 crazyquiltersquiltshow@gmail.com



Printing Provided by Mukwonago's
 Hometown Quilt Shop



Sat: 10:30/ 11:30/ 1:30 Sun: 11:30/ 1:30
 Pre-register with Wisconsin Quilt Museum:
 www.wiquiltmuseum.org

WWW.MUKWONAGOCRAZYQUILTERS.COM

Salt Creek Quilters Guild
 presents

A Kaleidoscope of Quilts

Quilt Show & Auction

2025
 Saturday April 5th 9am-5pm
 Sunday April 6th 10am-4pm
 admission \$7.00

Live Quilt Auction

Sunday April 6th 1pm-3pm

A portion of the auction proceeds will be donated to
Wellness House of Hinsdale



Highlands Middle School
 1850 Plainfield Road, La Grange, IL

Hundreds of quilts, special exhibits, shopping, bake sale, raffle baskets
 www.saltcreekqg.org

Southport Quilters Guild Destash Sale

All members are invited to participate in the Southport Quilters Destash Sale Friday April 4 – Saturday April 5. The sales will be held at The Vault, 625 57th Street, Downtown Kenosha.

If you have fabric to sell, tables are \$25 per 8' table with 2 chairs (10 spots available) If you are interested, contact Tara via text at (262) 620-2790. If you would like to shop, hours are Friday noon to 5, and Saturday 9 to 2.

International Quilt Festival - Houston

Entries for the Festival are now open. This is a judged show this fall, 2025. All finalists and winners will be displayed at the festival in Houston this Oct 9-12. Registration is open now and the deadline to enter is May 15 at 1 pm CDT. Details are on the following [link](#).

A Patch of Lakeshore Quilters presents: Garden Party Quilt Show - Manitowoc, WI

Adults - \$6 Kids 16 & under - Free
 Quilt Show 2025

April 5, 9am-3pm April 6, 9am-3pm

Manitowoc Expo Center - 4921 Expo Drive

A Patch of Lakeshore Quilters is proud to share our talent, hard work and heart with you!

- Enjoy the visual treat of our many quilts; from traditional to modern!
- Shop our vendors, boutique, and raffle baskets.
- Satisfy your hunger with a delicious lunch or dessert.
- Kids are invited to enjoy a hands on creativity area and I-Spy activity.

Raffle Quilt "Garden Party" Quilt

Tickets \$1 each or 6 for \$5 available at quilt show



NLCQG Meeting 2/5/2025

The meeting started at 7:03 P.M.

- Minutes were approved by Jennie Weatherbee and Heidi Johnson
- Membership reported that we have 80 members
- The Treasurer reported that the guild has \$10,630.24 at the end of January
- Programs reported that the meetings are schooled through the end of the year
- Newsletter had no report
- Charity is making up kits, charity sews will be coordinated with Skillbuilder
- Boutique will be farmers markets and Prince of Peace church vender fair this year
- Library reported that the website has been updated
- Block of the month reported that they are at the halfway point
- Skillbuilders and EQ
 - The video EQ went well
 - Skillbuilders are being scheduled
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- Postcard exchange has one more exchange this month
- Dear Jane is being taken over by Dobba Lechowicz
- Opportunity quilt no report

Presenter Beth Helfter

- Birthdays announced
- Show and tell
- Meeting ended at 9:02 P.M.



Board Members – 2024-25 NLCQG

President	Carol Cord	president@nlcgg.org
Vice President	Pat Giovacchini	vicepresident@nlcgg.org
Treasurer	Dung Le	treasurer@nlcgg.org
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Membership	Jeanne Wetherbee	membership@nlcgg.org
Programs	Michael Nardi & Cathy Brusky	programs@nlcgg.org
Newsletter	Gail Johnson	newsletter@nlcgg.org

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Block of the Month	Nancy Brieschke	bom@nlcgg.org
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Dear Jane Quilt	Donna Lechowicz & Kathy Gorski	dearjane@nlcgg.org



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