

# Bits and Pieces Newsletter

Quilters Guild of Indianapolis

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June 2023

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Thank you to our wonderful local quilt shops and businesses advertising with QGI. Each of these owners/ managers are current members of QGI. When you want to have some shopping fun, consider supporting one or more of these businesses who are also QGI supporters!

#### Marie Harnish Creations (ad on page 4 of the newsletter)

Marie Harnish creates unique, custom quilts for graduations, weddings, special memories, and one of a kind gifts. Marie often shares these quilts at our meetings during show and tell. Marie will also take on repairs of vintage quilts with careful attention to detail. If you are not in the mood or you have a non-quilting friend who is looking to have a t-shirt quilt made or a quilt for a special occasion, contact Marie Harnish.

#### Quilts Plus (ad on page 5 of the newsletter)

Connie Lancaster is the owner of Quilts Plus in Lebanon and a very active member and volunteer of QGI! It is always fun to see the fabrics, kits, and cool quilt samples on display at Quilts Plus for great ideas and projects. Connie offers custom quilting and classes to learn new and improve skills and is always willing to help with calculations and to make special orders. Exciting news: Quilts Plus is knocking out a wall to grow bigger! Make a trip to Quilts Plus for a new project.

#### Quilt Quarters (ad on page 4 of the newsletter)

Tiffany Powell is the store manager at Quilt Quarters which has a huge selection of wonderful quilting fabrics and a variety of sewing, quilting, and embroidery machines (including Bernina, Brother, Janome) for sale. Quilt Quarters offers classes, sewing studio for help on a project, and block of the month clubs. Stop by Quilt Quarters to test drive a new sewing machine and/or add to your stash!

#### University of Sewing (ad on page 4 of the newsletter)

Margaret Fette is the owner of University of Sewing in Bloomington. University of Sewing sells Bernina sewing machines/accessories as well as a great selection of fabric/supplies for both quilting and garment making. University of Sewing offers many classes (including private lessons) and fun events. Margaret has done some great programs for QGI and has brought along her well stocked Fabric Bus, which is fun! Take a trip to University of Sewing for a class and/or new endeavor!

Betsy LaBell 2023 QGI President



#### **Quilt Guild of Indianapolis**

#### Thursday May 11, 2023

Betsy LaBell welcomed everyone to the May QGI meeting in the Lounge of Orchard Park Presbyterian Church. She wished everyone a Happy Mother's Day. Two members had May birthdays and were invited to choose a small birthday gift.

Libby Gilbert introduced Amy Friend who presented her program, "An Introduction to the Modern Quilting Aesthetic". Amy was an art history major in college and began her career as a museum curator. Later after she was married and had three children, she created a blog called "During Quiet Time". Amy specializes in foundation paper piecing. She teaches classes, has sew-alongs, block of the month series and swaps. Amy presented an updated definition of Modern Quilting which may include modern traditionalism, asymmetry, making negative space an integral part of a design, bold colors and patterns, minimalism and maximalism. The presentation was not recorded and saved on the website per Amy's request.

#### Announcements:

- On May 25, QGIS will have a Trunk Show presented by Claudia Lash. She will have patterns that she designed for sale. The meeting will begin at 10:30 a.m. at Friedens United Church of Christ. It will be presented live and by Zoom.
- Libby Gilbert reported that the next QGI meetings will be held at Orchard Park Presbyterian Church at 7 p.m. in the Lounge. The meetings will be live and available by Zoom.
  - June 8th, Lorrie Cranor, "Computers, Quilts and Privacy"
  - July 13th, Katie Fowler, "Navigating the Creative Wonderland"
  - August 10th, Kevin Womack, "Trunk Show"
- Mary Strinka reported that she has a variety of projects that members may take home to complete for charity.
- Pam Durant announced that QGIN will be meeting at The Barrington, 1335 South Guilford Road, Carmel, IN, for the rest of the year.
  - Lynn Thomas will present the program at the June 2<sup>nd</sup> QGIN meeting, "Electric Quilt 8 Design Software".
  - On June 3<sup>rd</sup>, Mary Strinka will present a "Stack N Whack Workshop". The cost is \$40 at the Zionsville Town Hall from 9-5.
- Lynn Thomas is looking for volunteers to join the tech team.
- The Quilters Hall of Fame is currently displaying the "1876 Quilt Project: Celebrating the Centennial". This exhibit will be available until July 29, 2023. (Details are available later in this newsletter.)
- Barb Triscari has taken charge of the "Sacred Thread Quilt Show". The next show will be in Indianapolis in 2025. Barb is looking for volunteers to help with this project.
- The video of the Brandy Maslowski program presented at the Spring Retreat is available on the website. (Members>Forum>Meeting Recordings)
- Jacquie Griswold is taking reservations for the Kevin Womack Zoom workshop, Simply Stunning Stars, on August 12th.
- The October meeting of QGI will be a fundraiser "Large Auction of Small Quilts". The Zionsville Town Hall has been reserved for this meeting and will include live in person and silent auctions of items made and donated by members of the guild. The meeting will begin at 6:30 p.m. as we must be out of the building

by 9 p.m. Items are being collected for the auction at this time. You may give your donated items to Betsy LaBell, Maureen Weflen, Joyce Blakely or Connie Lancaster. Volunteers are needed. Guests are encouraged to attend! Bring your friends!

- Maureen Weflen shared several more options for "Temperature Quilts" and encouraged members to participate in this fun project. If you have misplaced your instructions, they are included later in this newsletter.
- Terri Berlier, Mary White and Margie Lindeman were thanked for a great 2023 Spring Retreat. The 2024 Spring Retreat will be held in Shipshewana on April 5-7. Margie Lindeman has volunteered to lead the 2024 retreat.
- The 2024 Quilt Show Committee, led by Marilyn Ringer and Katrina Jewula, will be meeting May 15<sup>th</sup> by Zoom.
- Several items were shared during "Show and Tell" and several quilts that will be sold at the October Auction were on display.

#### Attendance:

• 28 members and 1 new member attended in person and 35 by Zoom.

Door prizes were awarded to those present and online.



### QGI SHOW AND TELL



Maureen thanked the many guild members who made her a plus block for her President's Quilt and Leigh Layton who give her the beautiful quilt of a photo she took in the Cotswold area of England.



Mary Strinka finished her sea glass quilt as well as another fun scrappy quilt.





Shari Harrison shared a quilt she finished that includes her family members and events in their lives.





I think Joyce Blakely looks surprised that she finally finished this appliqué quilt! (Just kidding Joyce, it's beautiful!)

# MARIE HARNISH CREATIONS

Unique, colorful quilts and one of a kind t-shirt quilts for graduations, weddings, memories, and gifts!

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# QUILT QUARTERS

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#### **QGI EVENING MEETING - JUNE 8, 7-9PM**

#### **ORCHARD PARK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, 1605 E. 106TH ST., INDIANAPOLIS**

#### LOUNGE ROOM

#### SPEAKER: Lorrie Cranor - "Computers, Quiilts and Privacy"

Our June speaker, Lorrie Cranor, will give a program on "Computers, Quilts and Privacy" at the June 8th meeting. Lorrie is a professor in Computer Science and Engineering at Carnegie Mellon University by day. In addition she's an amateur quilter, sewist, photographer, soccer player, and bass flutist on nights and weekends. As with many of us her love of fabric and appetite for buying it greatly exceeds her time to sew.

When she's not working or quilting, Lorrie enjoys yoga, walking and spending time with her family. <u>https://lorrie.cranor.org/</u>







included.

Kevin Womack will be presenting a workshop via Zoom on Saturday, August 12 from 9-3 called "Simply Stunning Stars." You can sign up by going to <u>https://www.quiltguildindy.net/</u>. On the website go to Workshops>Simply Stunning Stars. The cost of the workshop is \$50 for members or \$60 for non-members, or \$52/\$62 if paying online. It will be a fun workshop where you will have an opportunity to put together some of the large prints you may have been collecting. The quilt pattern is



#### QGI CALENDAR OF EVENTS

| Month                | Date           | Speaker                                 | Торіс  | Website                         |
|----------------------|----------------|---|--|---------------------------------|
|                      |                |   |  |                                 |
| June                 | June 8         | Lorrie Cranor                           | Computers, Quilts and Privacy  | http://lorrie.cranor.org        |
| July                 | July 13        | Katie Fowler                            | Navigating Creative Wonderland   | https://www.katiefowler.net/    |
| August               | Aug 10         | Kevin Womack                            | Trunk Show   | https://www.kevinwomackart.com/ |
| August               | Aug 12         | Kevin Womack                            | (Workshop) Simply Stunning Stars   | https://www.kevinwomackart.com/ |
| September            | Sept 14        | Annie Unrein                            | Weekend Projects and Quick Gifts   | https://www.byannie.com/        |
| October              | Oct 12         | Small Quilt Auction                     | (in person only)   |                                 |
| November<br>December | Nov 9<br>Dec 1 | Jennifer Houlden<br>Guild Holiday Party | Creating Contrast in Your Quilts,<br>Adding the WOW Factor<br>(in person only) | <u>https://quiltsbyjen.ca/</u>  |
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#### BRANDY MASLOWSKI INSPIRES QGIN BY PAM DURANT

An unusual meeting of QGIN happened in Shipshewana on May 6, 2023, at 10am, but was joined by Zoom by speaker Brandy Maslowski from Canada and QGI members on zoom from Indianapolis. For those of you who were not able to attend the live event, Brandy allowed Leigh Layton to tape the event. View it by signing in to our website, then go to Members>Forum> Meeting Recordings.

Four of our QGI members (Maggie Carr, Shari Harrison, Mary Ellen Straughn, and Maureen Weflen) went on a textile tour, led by Brandy, in England and Wales last August. The trip included visiting the Birmingham International Quilt Show. If you want to hear and see more about the trip, come to QGIN in July when Maggie and Maureen will share this adventure with the guild. One of the bright points of the UK trip was Brandy, and they recommended her as a guild speaker. On May 6<sup>th</sup>, the rest of us came to understand better that Brandy and her story was something that could inspire us all.

Brandy got her start hand sewing clothes for her Cabbage Patch doll. Luckily she learned much more about sewing techniques from a lady sewing at the flea market Brandy regularly attended. She turned her energy to crafts, and became a master with a glue gun. Brandy made her first quilt as a gift for her great grandmother—before she fully understood the concept of consistent seam allowances.

For most of the lecture Brandy explained her Five Life Lessons while giving examples from her own life, which certainly has had a number of ups and downs.

- 1. Surround yourself with people who lift you up, it is important to surround yourself with mentors
- 2. Quilt to de-stress. It can get you through tough times.
- 3. Gratitude, Affirmation and Routine. Brandy highly recommends sewing for charity.

- 4. Do the work before you think you're ready.
- 5. Self-Care is vital.

The May/June 2023 Issue of Quiltmaker magazine with the theme London Calling, features Brandy right there on the cover. The magazine features an article on her UK tour and her interviews with Kaffe Fasset and Brandon Mably for her podcasts. If you want to learn more from and about Brandy go to <a href="https://quilteronfire.com/">https://quilteronfire.com/</a> and hear her podcasts.

# **IMPORTANT NOTE!**

# BEGINNING WITH THE JUNE 2 QGIN MEETING, ALL QGIN MEETINGS WILL BE HELD AT:

# THE BARRINGTON, 1335 S. GUILFORD RD., CARMEL, IN

# WINDSOR HALL

# QGIN has Great Plans for the Rest of 2023 by Pam Durant

The May Meeting with Brandy Maslowski was amazing, if you couldn't watch live, it was recorded and is available on our website (Members>Forum>Meeting Recordings). You should watch it. As noted above, starting in June, the home for QGIN will be The Barrington in Carmel. They have offered a wonderful meeting room for us to use on the first Friday of the month for the rest of the year. If you have any questions about the venue, feel free to contact me.

In June the fantastic Lynn Thomas will give us an introduction to Electric Quilt 8 (EQ8), a computer software program for creating quilt blocks and quilts. Even if you have tried one of the earlier versions of this computer program, it is a good idea to learn more about EQ8. The program has become more versatile and user friendly. Might be time to check it out. Thanks Lynn.

The next day, June 3, is the Mary Strinka Stack N Whack workshop. You will be kicking yourself if you don't take advantage of this opportunity to learn an incredibly versatile technique from a Master. Zionsville won't seem far away if you carpool with a friend. A more complete write up of this workshop appeared in the April 2023 issue of Bits and Pieces. Mary is willing to offer fabric consultations to anyone who has questions about the fabric they are considering using. It is not too late. Contact Pam Durant for more information and supply lists, etc.

Look ahead to the end of the year, specifically check your quilts and ask your friends and family for any quilts that were inspired by the *Indianapolis Star*. The speakers in September have asked that QGI members bring any quilts that used patterns, or were entered in contests sponsored by the *Indianapolis Star*.

| QGIN 2023 Events Schedule |                                   |  |       |  |  |  |
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|                           | L = Live, in pe                   | rson Z = Zoom                                    |       |  |  |  |
| Date                      | Speaker                           | Торіс  | Туре  |  |  |  |
| June 2, 2023              | Lynn Thomas                       | Overview of EQ 8                                 | L & Z |  |  |  |
| June 3, 2023              | Mary Strinka                      | Workshop - Stack N Whack                         | Live  |  |  |  |
| July 7, 2023              | Maureen Weflen<br>and Maggie Carr | Our trip to the UK and the Birmingham Quilt Show | L & Z |  |  |  |
| August 4, 2023            | Pam Durant                        | Fabric Maps                                      | L & Z |  |  |  |

Note: Because of a conflict, the Alice Ridge Sashiko Hand Worship has been moved to November 4, 2023.

| Sept 1, 2023 | Xenia Cord and<br>Mary Jane Teeters-<br>Eichacker | Influence and Inspiration: The Indianapolis Star Quilt Contests |       |
|--------------|---|---|-------|
| Oct 6, 2023  | Sacha Brady                                       | Dying fabric with natural materials                             | L & Z |
| Oct 7, 2023  | Pam Durant  | Workshop - Fabric Maps  | Live  |
| Nov 3, 2023  | Mini-Workshops                                    | Taught by QGI members, who will be recruited or drafted         | L & Z |
| Nov 4, 2023  | Alice Ridge                                       | Sashiko Workshop  | Live  |
| Dec 1, 2023  | Holiday Party                                     | Party for all QGI Members                                       | Live  |

#### **CHARITY NEWS**

The third Thursday charity work group will meet on their regular day, Thursday June 15, at North United Methodist Church, from 9:30 a.m. till 3:00 p.m. We'd love to see you there, with a sewing machine, or just a smiling face willing to help with tasks like tying, trimming and turning stitched quilts, ironing, etc.

We'll be taking off the month of July, and meeting again on August 17, but we've got lots of work that you can accomplish at home in the meantime.

Here's some photos of the batch of small quilts that went to Trinity Free Clinic in May.

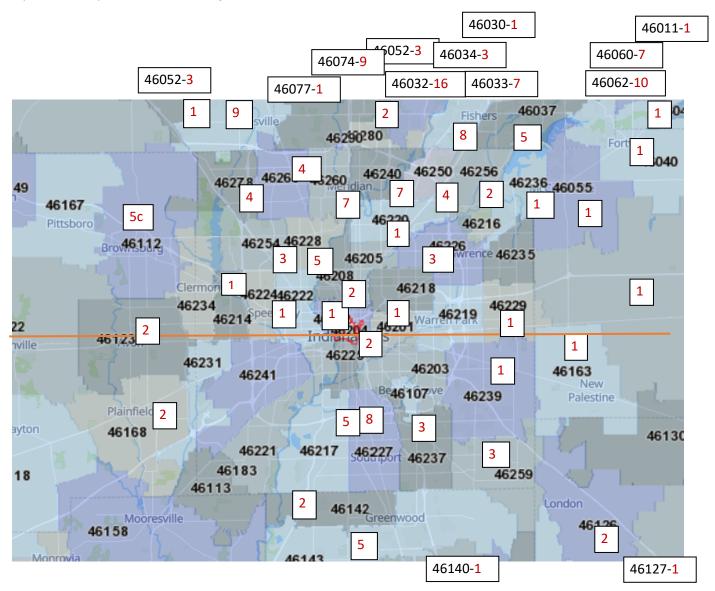








Where Do QGI Members Live? Some live out of state, or outside Central Indiana. Sometimes it might be nice to share a ride to a workshop, or a meeting, you might be glad to know that others live near you. It was hard to find a printable map to fit us all in, so I got as close as I could.



# PLEASE JOIN THE TECH TEAM!!

Are you comfortable with computers? Enjoy working with technology? Like Zoom?

Or are you willing to learn something new?

We will be forming a 'tech team' to rotate responsibilities for handling the technology of running a hybrid meeting. You will need to be onsite, not remote to do this. I'm hoping to have a team of 4-6 people so you will only run a meeting every other month or so. We will be doing all three meetings as hybrid this year, so we need folks on the north and south side to rotate responsibilities for handling zoom in the room.

If you are interested or have questions, please call, email or text Lynn at <u>lynnsthomas@att.net</u>, 317-979-7430.

#### QGI South Meeting -May 25, 2023

#### **Friedens United Church of Christ**

#### 8300 S. Meridian, Indianapolis 10:30 - Noon

Leanne Anderson opened what was another successful Z00m Meeting. Leanne informed us of the programs for the next three meetings:

**Selena Krajewski will be our program speaker for June**. She is a relatively new designer. She made the University Quilts that she had on display in her booth at the quilt show.

Margaret Toll does longarm quilting. She taught at JoAnns. She will be speaking about landscape quilts in July. Start saving your scraps that could be used in a landscape quilt. We are having a mini class in landscape quilts.

#### Our August program will be the University of Sewing shop from Bloomington.

We recognized the May birthdays with a hearty rendition of Happy Birthday for those present in person and on Zoom.

Claudia Lash was our speaker. Claudia is a guild member and has a quilt design business. Claudia had a wonderful trunk show for us as well as a selection of her patterns available for purchase.

#### Announcements:

Christine Hurley of Quilts of Valor encouraged members to make blocks for QOV. When you do, put your name on a back inside seam before turning them in and your name will be entered into a drawing for a great prize at the end of the year.

Margie Lindeman had a new BOM to share with us. Anyone who is participating in the BOM this year who finishes their quilt and brings it to the January 2024 meeting will be eligible for a gift certificate from Back Door Quilt Shop.

Margie said hand quilters are needed every Monday at Holy Spirit Church. If hand quilting is something you enjoy, please contact Margie for details.

Diane Billiard one again made a pitch for making Charity Quilts. All are welcome at either of the churches: North United Methodist Church, 3808 N. Meridian (38<sup>th</sup> and Meridian) on the third Thursday of the month at 10 am, or at Irvington United Methodist Church, 30 N. Audubon Rd every Tuesday from 9-12. Bring a sack lunch to the third Thursday group.

Six members had Show and Tell. Nine door prizes were awarded to those present. Claudia Lash very generously donated 4 of those door prizes.

#### Our next meeting for QGIS will be June 22. The program will be Selina Krajewski.

#### FUN AT THE 2023 SPRING RETREAT!!!

The 2023 Spring Retreat in Shipshewana was a great success. We had 36 quilters and it seems all had a good time. Besides receiving gift bags at check-in, all names were eventually drawn to select a gift from the gift table. There were also drawings for gift baskets and gift cards to some Indy quit shops. We collected 73 quilt blocks for QOV. Since our retreat coincided with the Coronation of King Charles, Maureen Weflen brought scones, tea, and even a few fascinator hats were worn. The Farmstead Inn provided us a great space for some productive quilting and fun socializing. And, of course, Shipshewana always delivers wonderful shopping. Saturday afternoon we did a combined show and tell with Always in Stitches, our neighbors in the conference room next door.

Thank you to Past Time Quilts in Greenfield for contributing a \$100 gift basket and to Jean Manna for making all of the name tags. We reserved the same space at The Farmstead Inn for the 2024 Spring Retreat for April 5 - 7. Hope to see you there. It's a great time.

# Editor's Note: Retreaters! Don't forget to use your quilt shop discount coupons. Quiits Plus coupon expires June 15.

One of the more and delicious treats shared at the retreat was **Snickerdoodle Blondie Bars**. At the request of several retreaters, here is the original recipe from <u>Baked by Rachel</u>.

- Ingredients: 1 Cup unsalted butter softened 1 Cup granulated sugar 1 Cup light brown sugar 2 large eggs 1 1/2 tsp. vanilla extract 1/2 tsp. salt 1 tsp. baking powder 1 1/2 tsp. cinnamon 2 1/2 Cups all purpose flour
- Topping:1/4 Cup granulated sugar1/2 tsp,. cinnamon
- Instructions: Preheat oven to 350 degrees F Line a 9x13" baking pan with parchment paper. Lightly grease exposed pan and parchment paper.

In a large bowl or stand mixer, cream together butter and sugars. Mix in eggs and vanilla, followed by the dry ingredients. Mix until smooth and no streaks remain. Lightly grease hands, press mixture into an even layer in the prepared baking pan. Sprinkle with cinnamon-sugar topping mixture.

Bake for 25-30 minutes.

Allow blondies to cool before slicing. Store in airtight container for up to several days. Recipe serves 12 to16

Grab a cookie bar and a cup of tea/coffee/water/soda/whatever and enjoy some photos of the retreat on the next few pages.























































## SEW DAY FOR QUILTS OF VALOR JUNE 24, 2023 FROM 10AM TO 4PM NOBLESVILLE VFW, 654 S. 9TH STREET NOBLESVILLE, IN

Greetings Quilters!

I have scheduled a Sew Day for June 24, 2023 at the Noblesville VFW from 10 am until 4 pm at 654 S 9th Street, Noblesville, Indiana.

As always all you need to bring is your machine, thread and whatever notions you prefer. Of course you are welcome to bring a friend. As usual it will be a potluck so please bring a dish to share - there's always good food to try and enjoy! I "think" I'll make a large chicken pasta salad and lemonade Drinks are available at the Canteen

Our Awards Coordinator Nancy Fletcher is working on getting Award Nominations to join us for an Awards Ceremony as well. It's always a very special event to witness so please do come to support our nominated veterans as they receive quilts that many of you have been making!

I'm hoping you all can join us for another fun Sew Day!

Libby Haynes 317-501-3617



# QUILTERS HALL OF FAME SCHEDULE OF EVENTS 925 S. Washington St., Marion, Indiana

#### May 9 – July 29: 1876 Centennial Quilt Project

After discovering an extraordinary quilt from Connecticut in an online quilt history forum and securing permission from its owner, a quilt group from Northwest Washington began the journey of patterning The 1876 Centennial Quilt. Set in a unique Medallion-style arrangement, this quilt contains over 70 individual block patterns. Each quiltmaker skillfully and beautifully interpreted the original quilt and the quilts represent a wide variety of styles. The exhibit is a mix of quilts from the original project begun in 2015, and, as the reach of the 1876 Centennial Quilt Project has grown, more recent additions. As the quiltmakers honed their skills, they learned much about themselves and forged lasting friendships.

They invite you to enjoy the quilts, read the stories and begin your own journey with the 1876 Centennial Quilt. Curated by: Anne Dawson.

#### June 10: Open House- Free Admission into the Museum

#### July 20 – 22: Celebration 2023 featuring the induction of Elly Sienkiewicz

**August 1 – September 30**: Elly Sienkiewicz, TQHF 2023 Honoree We are pleased to share Baltimore Album quilts made by 2023 honoree Elly Sienkiewicz. A quiltmaker, researcher, writer, designer, author, teacher, and lecturer, Elly's name is synonymous with Baltimore Album Quilts. Her devotion as a teacher, her concern for her students and her love for quiltmaking have made her a cherished mentor to many. Come to TQHF to see her quilts and get better acquainted with Elly and her artistry.

#### August 26: Open House- Free Admission into the Museum

#### October 3 – December 9: Let's Face It

The Quilters Hall of Fame is excited to present the work of members of INfiber, a group of Indiana artists seeking to interact together to produce works of individuality and aesthetic cohesiveness in fibers. This exhibit features the study of faces, whether human or animal. We are honored to feature this work from Indiana artists!

#### November 18: Holiday Craft Boutique

The talented ladies of the Marie Webster Quilt Guild will have their handcrafted treasures for sale at The Quilters Hall of Fame, 926 South Washington Street, Marion, IN. Free admission.

#### November 18: Open House- Free Admission into the Museum

#### A BARGAIN FOR YOU!

Our guild was recently gifted with a **Viking Husqvarna Sewing Machine Model 500** by Melinda Vernon. it belonged to her grandmother.

#### It has the following features:

9 memories (4 stitches and 5 utility slots)
120 Stitches
3 Fonts
25 needle positions
(B) Snap on utility presser foot (open toe)
Open Toe foot (J)
Plastic bobbins
Electric cord and pedal
1994 Instructional Handbook

Parts are available online from Amazon.com and Singeronline.com. It was manufactured in the late 1990's and sold then for \$1500 to \$1700. Recently on Ebay the asking price for this machine was \$200 to \$350



If you are interested in trying it out for a possible donation to the guild, contact Maureen Weflen at **maureenweflen@att.net** or 317-270-7414. The machine is very clean and no defects are noted.

# IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO MAKE A TEMPERATURE QUILT!

If you have lost the instructions, need the chart to keep track of temperatures, or just need a gentle reminder, here you go.

## Basic Instructions for making a Temperature Quilt

Print a Moda Temperature Planning Chart - enter high and low temperatures each day.
 Contact Maureen Weflen, maureenweflen@att.net, if you need a printed or pdf copy of this chart.



If you don't want to make 365 daily blocks, pick a day of the week and keep track of temperatures on that day for 52 weekly blocks. You can even make 12 bigger blocks to show temperatures once a month (maybe for a wall hanging?).

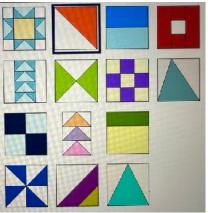
Other ideas: Daily temperatures for where you lived and places you traveled to last year, or in 2023.

Daily temperatures on important events in your family's life - births, marriages, deaths, graduations, location of first job, etc.

## Make it your own!

2. Use your smartphone to find temperatures daily.

Or log into **wunderground.com** to find temperatures in the past by location and date. It shows that day's high and low temperatures and whether there was any precipitation. (Some foreign countries won't show historical information—Africa is one) 3. Pick a **simple block pattern** to represent each day/week/month's temperatures such as: half square triangles, flying geese, cross, hexagon, two pieces of fabric sewn together and cut to size, circle put on a square, even just sewing two scraps of any shape together and then cutting into a square for a improvisational look. Use your imagination!



You might also like to change the block pattern each month—just a thought to keep you from the boredom of piecing lots of the same block.

- 4. Decide **how many degrees** (every 10 degrees, every 5 degrees?) will be represented by each color of fabric.
- 5. **Pick your fabrics**. Solids, or fabrics that read like a solid will work well. Fabrics with small patterns should work too. Pick fabrics that make you happy! The important point is that you should be able to clearly see the color changes/gradients. (See photo in #1) Glue/pin each fabric to the Planning Chart for your reference. The amount of fabric to set aside will depend on how big you want your quilt/wall hanging to be.

If you want to show **rain or snow** in your blocks you may want to set aside some gray (rain) and white (snow) fabrics. Precipitation can just be shown as a stitch-and-flip corner on your block. Or cut a slice across your block and insert a 1" strip to represent precipitation. Or just include a gray/white square the size of your block. One clever quilter added black and white HSTs to indicate a demarcation between each month.

We will work on these quilts with the goal of revealing them all at the February 2024 QGI evening meeting—a celebration of our guild's birthday! We also plan to hang them as a special exhibit at the 2024 Quilt Show.

If you have questions, or need additional information, feel free to contact me at: maureenweflen@att.net.

# From Fiber...

The Springfield Art Association (SAA) seeks contemporary art works that utilize and showcase fibers. Appl. Deadline: July 10, 2023. Submissions delivered by Aug 26th.

Submissions should reflect a wide range of works related to the fiber medium, from raw fibers to high fashion and everything in-between. The goal of the exhibition is to showcase innovative work that explores both traditional materials and processes as well as those that expand the use of fiber with other media, processes, and disciplines. The show will run in Springfield, III from Fri. Sept.1 through Sat. Sept. 30, 2023

More info

http://www.springfieldart.org

# untitled 2.0 [a juried exhibition]

# Entry Deadline August 06, 2023

**Eligibility:** This exhibition is open to all artists, 18 years of age and over. All works must be original and completed in the last three years and not previously exhibited at Athens Arts Gallery in Crawfordsville, IN. Awards: \$1000 Best of Show plus other awards

Types of art accepted: 2D & 3D.

 sculpture, photography, painting, printmaking, computer (digital) generated art, fiber, mixed MORE INFO media drawings, pottery, etc.

# An Exhibition of Contemporary Quilting

Today's guilts, guilted clothing and objects have evolved to include a wide range of functional, decorative and artistic styles. Today's quilts are not the ones we remember from childhood. This show will celebrate contemporary guilting in all its forms today.

Artists are invited to submit original artwork for the **Not Your Mother's Quilt** exhibit at the Kavanagh Gallery of Fine Line Creative Arts Center, St. Charles, Illinois. The show will run from October 12 - November 15, 2023.

This show is open to artists 18 years and older residing in one of the following states: Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, South Dakota, and Wisconsin.

Deadline for Entry: August 8, 2023

More Info

The Woven Tale Press More Info

**Deadline:** Jan 01, 2025

# **OTHER QUILTY HAPPENINGS**

**June 8-10, 2023: Elkhart County Quilt and Fiber Expo**, Event Center at RV/MH Hall of Fame, Elkhart, IN. Workshops, demos, juried quilts and fiber show, textile and fiber vendor mall. Admission: \$10.00. www.elkhartcountyquiltfiberexpo.com

**June 16-17, 2023: Fort Wayne Quilt Fest** presented by the Appleseed Quilters Guild. Location: The Grand Wayne Convention Center, 120 W. Jefferson Blvd., Fort Wayne, IN. Show hours: Friday 9am-5pm; Saturday 9am-4pm. General Admission \$10 (1 day pass) or \$15 for a 2-day pass. For more information on the show: <u>www.FWQuiltFest.com</u>

July 21-22, 2023: One Stop Quilt Shop Hop at the Honeywell Center, Wabash, IN. More details at: nancyjsfabrics.com

August 4-26, 2023, "Antarctica-Anticipating the Adventure." Opening Reception Friday, August 4 from 6pm-8pm. Wells Community Culture Center, 638 6th St., Lafayette, IN. Exhibit by Leanne McGiveron featuring quilting by Dinah Babel, Marion McClure and Heather Vanderkleed. #QuiltYourAdventure #QuiltYourTravels

**September 7-9, 2023: Great Wisconsin Quilt Show,** Exhibition Hall at the Allianz Energy Center, 1919 Allianz Energy Center Way, Madison, Wisconsin. www.quiltshow.com

**September 15-16, 2023: Harvest of Quilts XIV Quilt and Craft Show by Raintree Quilters Guild.** Old National Events Plaza Exhibit Hall B, 715 Locust St., Evansville, IN. Admission \$10.00. 200+quilts on display, Birthstone and Birth Flower Challenge, Chickens Having Fun Challenge, Raffle Quilt, Silent Auction, vendors, mystery gift card drawing, 20 raffle baskets, quilt appraisals, food and beverages available.

September 21-23, 2023: Quilts and Needle Arts Festival by The Black Swamp Quilters Guild. Wood County Fairgrounds, The Pratt Pavilion, 13800 W. Poe Rd., Bowling Green, OH 43402. guiltsandneedlearts@gmail.com

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| Fall Retreat        | OPEN                             |  |  |  |
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| Logo/Pins           | OPEN                             |  |  |  |
| Block of the Month  | Maureen Weflen                   |  |  |  |

# 2023 QGI Meetings

in person, with Zoom options

Masks optional

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The QGI General Meeting Second\* Thursday evening Jan-Nov at 7pm.

Orchard Park Presbyterian Church, Lounge 1605 E 106th Street, Indianapolis, IN 46280

> QGI North Daytime Meeting First\* Friday each month 1:00 PM NEW LOCATION: The Barrington, Windsor Hall 1553 Guildford Rd, Carmel, IN \*\*\*

QGI South Daytime Meeting Fourth\* Thursday each month 10:30 AM Jan - Oct Friedens United Church of Christ 8300 S. Meridian Street Indianapolis, IN

Zoom meeting links are on the Member, Forum page at <u>quiltguildindy.net</u>

\*Dates/locations are subject to change

# 2023 QGI Board Meeting

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Board meetings will be every other month at 6:30pm via Zoom on the Monday before the QGI monthly Evening Meeting.

> 2023 Meeting dates are: January 9, March 6, May 8, July 10, Sept. 11 and November 6.

All paid members are welcome to link into the meetings. Please contact Betsy LaBell for the