



# Bits & Pieces

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## President's Message

# Happy New Year!

Happy New Year, Everyone! **2020, WOW!** I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday season with time to quilt as much as you wanted.

I was thinking about the fact that we're welcoming in 2020 and reflecting on where we were just 20 years ago. Do you remember the big excitement over Y2K? Everyone thought the computers around the world were going to crash because we were going into the year 2000. How funny when I think back to that time.

I also thought about how much I've grown as a quilter in that time; taking risks to try patterns that intimidated me for years, working with colors outside of my comfort zone only to be surprised at how much I ended up liking them. I still have a few designs I want to try that intimidate me (Mariners Compass), but I'm determined to make one this year.

This new year's resolution was recently on Facebook and think it's worth sharing:

**SMILE A LITTLE BIGGER \* LAUGH A LITTLE LOUDER \* GIVE A LITTLE MORE  
FORGIVE A LITTLE QUICKER \* LOVE A LITTLE DEEPER \* RIDE THROUGH LIFE A LITTLE SLOWER**

All of these seem achievable and can only add Goodness to life.

At our meeting in December, the board approved some changes that we believe will benefit the guild in the coming year and beyond. We discussed and approved the changing of the Sunshine Committee name to Charity Committee. It is our hope that it will allow us to break it down into multiple segments that will operate individually under the main committee of charity. Breaking it into segments will allow different donations to be headed up by different guild members.

If you're passionate about Project Linus quilts, you can lead that project for the guild. You can gather the pertinent information for size, how many and any deadline for when you would like to make the donation in the name of the guild. If you want to head a committee for lap quilts for wheel bound vets at Kings home, you can again give the details and head up that project. This allows any member of the guild to lead a charity project they are passionate about.

We still need a lead of our overall Charity Committee who will attend the board meetings, update the board on any upcoming charity needs and vote as needed. Please consider volunteering for this important position. We've been asking for someone to take over this committee for some time now; hopefully these changes will encourage someone to give it a try.

The board also approved our website being completely revised. Our old host decided to retire with not a lot of warning which made us move very quickly on this. Our website needed to be updated and become more user friendly. We're very excited with what our site is going to look like going forward and what it will offer our members as well as anyone who might look up our guild when they are visiting our area. At the moment it is under construction, so don't be alarmed if you go out to our website and see anything weird. It will be back up and running very soon. I hope to roll it out at our January meeting.

Our show is this year and sounds very exciting as June has us off to a great start. If you're going to have one of our amazing long arm quilters quilt your show quilt, I would recommend contacting them to get on their schedule. We all know how quickly their schedules fill up.

See you at our meeting on January 9<sup>th</sup>.

*Debra*

### Quilt Guild Meeting Notes

Meetings are held at 7:00 PM on the 2nd Thurs. of each month, except Dec., at First United Methodist Church, corner of Drew and Franklin in Appleton. If after school activities for Appleton schools are cancelled, our guild meeting is also cancelled.

All doors will lock at 7:30 PM. If you'll be late, have a friend watch for your arrival to let you in.

### D.N.Q.G. Show: THE JOY OF QUILTING

The dates of our next quilt show are set for August 8 and 9, 2020. Quilt drop-off and show set-up will begin on Thursday, August 6, times TBD.

Chairs are still needed for the following committees: White Glove; Registration; Judging; Admissions; Publicity/Yard Signs. Contact June Vandenberg.

## **Membership News – DeDe Benson & Marcy Ziepke**

Marcy Ziepke and De De Benson will be at the membership desk for the January meeting. Please be patient as we have a lot of paperwork to cover this first month! We can't wait to meet you all.

January Birthdays: **Ann Forseth; Peggy Hawley; Jan Murray; Carol Rank; Wendy Shreve; Marcia Wyman, and Maria Clough.**

Get Well cards were sent to Margie Young who had knee surgery and to Beth Petrie who had foot surgery.

## **Welcome Committee – Ann Forseth & Margie Young**

Margie Young and Ann Forseth are heading up the new **Welcome Committee** and are looking for people to help. Contact either Margie or Ann for more information.

### **Open Sewing**

Beginning in February there will be Open Sewing in the same room as our guild meetings - on the same day as our guild meetings – beginning at 9:00 AM. There's no fee, just bring whatever you wish to work on; lunch is on your own.

Sign up sheets will be at the membership table at the January meeting.

## **Birthday Club**



To join the Birthday Club, fill out the slip included in this newsletter or a slip at the membership table at the January meeting. At the end of the meeting, pick another slip. Make that person a square for her birthday and mail it to her.

If you pick a person with a January birthday, you'll have until Feb. 1 (three weeks) to get it to her.

If you're unable to attend the January meeting but would like to join the Birthday Club, let Sherry Fox know and she'll enter your name and another quilter's name will be chosen for you at random.

## **Mystery Quilt Challenge**

Don't forget that we'll be voting on the entries in our *Mystery Quilt Challenge* at the January meeting. If you've entered the contest, be sure to bring your entry to the meeting!

## **Library News – Linda Beiter, Pat Jawort, Patt Kox, Debra McDowall and Barb Bassing**

The library committee is working to finish the 2020 Book Inventory, so please return your books at the January meeting.

People with overdue books: **Pat Knox** (1 book); **Terry Reimer** (DVD); **Sue Swanson** (1 book); **Barb Teerlinck** (2 books).  
Others with books checked out at the October meeting: **Clare Bryan, Terry Butz, Jane Heenan, Toni Reh, Kris Van Eyck, Linda Webster.**

## **Quilt Show Info – Items for the Boutique & Silent Auction**

We're ready to take any items you have to donate to the DNQG's August quilt show! Please give items to Tina Kahler, Theresa Kettner or Carrie Cook . . . we'll make a short announcement.

If you don't have anything now, that's fine because we will continue collecting items for the Boutique and Silent Auction during each monthly meeting until July. Thanks for your support!

## **Veterans Quilts - Kris Van Eyck and Linda Pujo**

We had a very full schedule for awarding quilts in November and December. A total of 21 quilts were given to veterans during 2019, four completed quilts remain in inventory, and five quilts are currently works in process.

We're considering offering a beginner's quilt class at the Kimberly library. Please contact Kris if you are interested in helping.

If you have remaining mystery blocks from Linda Webster's project, please bring or send them to the January meeting. This project concluded last October and we count on every block being returned.

We welcome everyone to join in making log cabin blocks using Debra McDowall's instructions. If we have a sufficient number, we'll start to assemble the blocks at a work day in February. To request a Quilt of Valor for someone, contact Kris or Linda.

## QoV Quilt – Debra McDowell

This project is Log Cabin blocks. The Nov. blocks are red strips and white/off-white strips with red going from lightest in the center to darkest on the outside of the block. The center block is 2"X2"; all strips should be cut to 2". The finished block should be 11". We're looking for blue and white blocks in January and will use the completed blocks on our next work day to make a quilt or quilts. Bring the completed blocks to the January meeting.

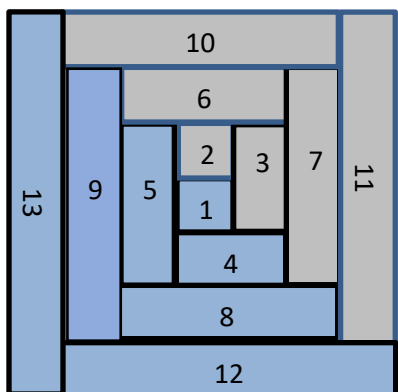
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NtFK9xVgRJA> is a link to a YouTube video that details how to make the block. Note that in this video the length of the strips is 1/2" larger and get trimmed down. Instructions below DO NOT cut the strips larger.

Cut from the red/blue fabric (lightest should be the shortest):

- 2" X 2" (#1)
- 2" X 3.5" (#4)
- 2" X 5" (#5)
- 2" X 6.5" (#8)
- 2" X 8" (#9)
- 2" X 9.5" (#12)
- 2" X 11" (#13)

Cut from white or off white (can be different fabrics)

- 2" X 2" (#2)
- 2" X 3.5" (#3)
- 2" X 5" (#6)
- 2" X 6.5" (#7)
- 2" X 8" (#10)
- 2" X 9.5" (#11)



Sew fabric blocks together beginning with strips 1 to 2, press; then add strip 3. Continue in this manner until you have completed the block.

## Upcoming DNQG Programs – Peggy Hawley & Nancy Salzwedel

Class fee for DNQG members is \$30 and \$40 for non-members. Contact Peggy to register.

**Thurs., Jan. 9:** Allison Rainboth, certified quilt judge, Judging Quilts

**Thurs., Feb. 13:** Quilt Show Roundtable

**Thurs., March 12:** Judy Gauthier of Bungalow Quilting & Yarn, One Block Wonder

**Thurs., April 9:** Pat Bishop of Women Who Run With Scissors, SAQA (Studio Arts Quilt Associates) Trunk Show

**Thurs., May 14:** Charlotte Angotti, What's In Your Closet?

**Fri., May 15:** Workshop with Charlotte Angotti, "Let Me Surprise You!" <http://www.quiltmakersstudio.com/pages/workshops-lectures.html>

**Thurs., June 11:** Bonnie Welsh of Sew 'n' Sew, Flower Pounding Interactive Workshop

**Thurs., July 9:** Christopher Weinhold, Trunk Show

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**Sat. & Sun., Aug. 8 & 9:** DNQG's "JOY OF QUILTING" Quilt Show at Fox Valley Lutheran

**Thurs., Aug. 13:** Round Robin Demonstration. Let Peg or Nancy know what you would like to see or demonstrate a technique.

**Thurs., Sept. 10:** Barb Eikmeier, It's All in the Sashing

**Fri., Sept. 11:** Barb Eikmeier class, It's All in the Sashing. <https://www.barbsfavorites.com/classes.htm>

**Thurs., Oct. 8:** Sue Kiesau, Daring Needles Charter Member, will share her experience as a costumer for theater productions in the Fox Valley area.

**Sat., Oct. 10:** Bus Trip

**Thurs., Nov. 12:** Open

**Thurs., Dec. \_\_** Christmas Party

*Be sure to check out Darting Needles Quilt Guild of the Fox Cities on Facebook!*

### **Other Quilt-Related Events**

On-Going: Open sewing and quilting at The Thompson Center on Lourdes each Friday at 9:00 AM. The cost is \$2; bring your own sewing machine and projects. More info at [jcraanen@saint-bernadatte.org](mailto:jcraanen@saint-bernadatte.org) or at (920) 939-3088.

Jan. 10: **Rob Appell Trunk Show**, Racine Civic Centre, 5 Fifth St., Racine, WI. \$25 admission; 11:30 AM Pop-Up Shop opens; 1:00 PM main event. VIP Meet & Greet Wine & Cheese Party from 6 – 9 PM at Sew 'n Save of Racine, 3701 Durand Ave., Racine, \$30.

Mar. 21-22: 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Medford Area Quilt Show sponsored by the Twisted Threads Quilt Group. Displays, vendors, raffle, silent auction, lunch, classes, Twisted Threads challenge display. No charge to enter quilts or admission fee, free parking. For more info visit <https://www.facebook.com/TwistedThreadsQuiltGroup>.

### **DNQG Long Arm Quilters**

Wendy Fuller  
(920) 217-7047

Jennifer George  
(920) 636-0981

Pat Hammeke  
(920) 735-0552

Sue Huettl  
(920) 419-0950

Tina Kahler  
(920) 716-1646

Mary Volkman  
(920) 851-6550

### **DNQG Board Meeting 12/5/2019**

PRESENT: P. Hawley, D. McIntire, S. Fox, L. Beiter, K. Casey, T. Reh, B. Harkens, D. Luebke, J. Vandenberg, C. Wenzel.

LIBRARY Inventory will be completed next month.

PROGRAM Planned bus trip changed to Saturday, October 10, 2020.

BUDGET Reviewed and discussed. Changes will be made and ready for approval at January meeting. Suggestion made that items that are self-supported be listed in budget and designated as self supporting.

SUNSHINE Total donations for 2019: 52 quilts, 5 QofV, 121 cases, and 16 pillows.

SUNSHINE This committee will be revised to "CHARITY QUILTS" which will involve quilts and donations. Board voted approval.

In reviewing the bylaws, Debra found that the guild is to meet monthly. Going forward in the new year the Guild will meet monthly. The holiday dinner will be in December. Board voted approval.

QUILT SHOW. June shared the quilt pattern. Fabric has been purchased from Going to Pieces with a 20% discount. Cost \$181.81. She plans to organize a sewing day in January.

Admission to show set at \$6.00.

Boutique and silent auction will be combined.

Meeting adjourned. **HAPPY NEW YEAR!**

### **2020 Darting Needles Quilt Guild Board Members & Chairpersons**

President:	Debra McIntire
Vice President:	Toni Reh
Secretary:	Karen Casey
Treasurer:	Barb Harkins
2019 Programs:	Joanne Nemetz
2020 Programs:	Peggy Hawley Nancy Salzwedel
Historian/Corres. Sect'y.	Toni Reh
Sunshine Quilts:	Pat Kailhofer
Library:	Barb Bassing Debra McDowall Linda Beiter Pat Jawort Patt Kox
Membership:	DeDe Benson Marcie Ziepke
Welcome Committee:	Ann Forseth Margie Young
Newsletter:	Sherry Fox

**Darting Needles 2019 Members**

Carol Alberts	Sandy Coonen	Susan Imbs	JoAnn Nemitz	Sue Swanson
Pat Arnold	Janet Daelke	Mary Jadin	Annie Neville	Barb Teerlinck
Nancy Lee Arts	Ginger Dean	Pat Jawort	Katie Noack	Kim Teigen
Dee Bartolazzi	Lynn Debenack	Joyce Kabat	Bonnie O'Connell	Norma Van Elzen
Barb Bassing	Debbie Ebben	Tina Kahler	Nancy Ottman	Kris Van Eyck
Kathy Beck	Jan Ebben	Pat Kailhofer	Lynn Owen	Cordi Van Linn
Linda Beiler	Alice Erdman	Marci Karner	Barb Peichl	Faith Van Toll
Kay Bellile	Valarie Falnes	Lynn Keller	Beth Petrie	Shirley Vance
DeDe Benson	Ann Forseth	Theresa Kettner	Lynne Pettit	June Vandenberg
Barb Bermel	Sherry Fox	Sue Kiesau	Pat Pollock	Janette Vanevenhoven
Kathy eyer	Wendy Fuller	Melissa Kincannon	Sharon Prael	Linda Verboomen
Rose Biese	Jennifer George	Barb Knapp	Linda Priebe	Mary Volkman
Jane Binder	Shirley Grade	Patt Kox	Linda Pujo	Pat VonHaden
Toni Binzak	Pat Hammeke	Betty Lockhart	Yvonne Puntillo	Jeanne Wadley
Judy Bizeau	Barb Harkins	Diane Lowery	Carol Rank	Pam Warner
Kathy Bold	Jill Harman	Deb Luebke	Toni Reh	Linda Webster
Amy Boyd	Laura Harvey	Debra McDowall	Terry Reimers	Linda Wenzel
Clare Bryan	Peggy Hawley	Debra McIntire	Linda Rhode	Karen Wisniewski
Sarah Bryner	Doreen Hedtke	Miriam Meier	Rose Roberts	Marie Wockenfus
Peggy Buffington	Jane Heenan	Dianne Meyer	Kay Rorabeck	Marcia Wyman
Terry Butz	Loretta Heller	Kathy Meyer	Joanne Rowicki	Margie Young
Karen Casey	Rose Hesser	Pat Mignon	Nancy Salzwedel	Diane Zickert
Jennifer Cass	Kathy Hornby	Kathy Moe	Betty Schaefer	Marcy Ziepke
Maria Clough	Barb Hubley	Jan Murray	Kathy Schmit	
Carrie Cook	Sandy Huelsbeck	Linda Murray	Wendy Shreve	
Dianne Coonen	Sue Huettl	Tuulikki Murremaki	Pat Streim	

# BIRTHDAY CLUB!



Birthd<sup>ay</sup> \_\_\_\_\_

Name & Address

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Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ By the birthday of the person you chose, make her a block and send it to her.

Please use good quality materials and take into consideration the size and color preferences.

You'll get a block on your birthday!

Size of block preferred: \_\_\_\_\_ Color preferences:

How the club works: Fill out this form and drop it into the designated container. Choose another form at random.