

# Southport Sampler

January 2023

Happy New Year!

We are at the beginning of another year. It's a time to reflect and a time to look forward. It's a time to take stock. This reminded me of something I read that I thought I would share.

I subscribe to Craft Industry Alliance and found the results of their 2022 survey interesting. Over 26,000 people responded to the survey. Here are some of the results: The average quilter is a woman in her 60s who is retired and has a household income of \$65+. Seventeen percent of average quilters have full-time jobs. The average quilter today is comfortable with technology, has been quilting for over 10 years, and starts 10-12 projects each year, mostly lap quilts or queen-sized quilts, in a traditional style. The average quilter spends more than six hours per week working on quilt projects.

“Currently, there are over 85 million “active creatives” in the US and Canada representing more than \$35 billion in sales. The quilting industry is expected to reach \$5 billion in 2026-2027. There are currently an estimated 30 million active sewists which is a slight decrease from 33 million during pandemic years. The quilting industry continues to experience steady annual growth consistent with the growth seen over the last 10 years. There are currently 9-11 million active quilters in the US and Canada. New quilters represent 8-10% of the quilting population and the majority of new quilters begin quilting in their 50s when they have additional time and discretionary spending. In the overall population, the demographic profile of women over age 50 will continue to expand through 2040 which means there will continue to be more potential quilters in the population over time.”

So, where do you fall on the survey? The good news is that more people are expected to becoming quilters in future years! Maybe a few will join us!

To a new year of quilting,

Kim Voss



Southport Quilters  
Guild

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## Our Guild Mission

The objective and purpose of this Guild shall be:

- 1) To recognize, explore and promote, through the organized effort of a non-profit organization, the potential of the quilting medium.
- 2) To establish an educational environment conducive to the development of quilting.
- 3) To interest people of the area in participating and sharing in the development of quilting through a non-profit organization.

2022—2023 Officers & Directors

President	Kim Voss 2024
First VP/Programs	Pat Frieman 2024
Second VP/Membership	Judy Carney 2023
Secretary	Debbie Vite 2024
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Director	Deanise Kersting 2024
Director/Webmaster	Donna Makouske 2023
Director	Heide Peterson 2023
Director	Kitty Plovovich 2023
Director	Peg Malmberg 2024
Director	Sherilyn Klamm 2024
Director/ News letter	Renee Riedel 2023
Past President	Lori Brown & Jane Kluchka 2022

*Two Year terms are served through April of year indicated after each officer's name.*



**Sunshine Committee**

If you know anyone in the Guild who has been ill or had a family tragedy, please contact Liz Spannraft at 847-731-1603

or  
dsls@calcon.net



**Rules for Quilting**

1. Always buy new fabric no matter how much you already have.
2. Sew all day and night. Absolutely no cooking allowed.
3. And always start a new Quilt before the last one is finished. This requires you to back to step #1

ShadywoodQuilts.com

**Craft Fair Donations**

Part of our guild membership responsibilities is to donate an item to the guild that can be sold at craft fairs or at Anderson Art Center.

If you were unable to donate an item this year, you are expected to make a \$25 donation to the guild. Members who had not made their donation by Thanksgiving were sent an email. If you have not made your donation yet, please make out a check to Southport Quilters Guild for \$25 and give it to Donna Makouske at the January meeting.

**Southport Quilters Guild**

We meet on the 1st Monday of each month except for national holidays or pandemics in the months of September through April located at:

January 9, St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 8760 – 37th Ave, Kenosha  
Board Meetings via Zoom, Thurs before the meeting  
Welcome 6:30 Meeting 7:00      Guests always welcome/\$5

### 2022-2023 Committee Chairs

Anderson Quilt Show	Chris Deering, Lori Brown
Block of the Month	Needed
Challenge Quilts	Liz Spannraft
Comfort for a Cause Quilts	Peg Malmberg, liaison
Craft Fair Chair	Organizer needed
Holiday Potluck 2022	Helen Vigansky, Gayle Collins
Hospitality	Lori Brown
Kenosha County Fair	Kathy Elfers
Mentor Program	Helen Vigansky
Monthly Door Prizes	Mary Gustafson
Nomination Committee, 2023	TBD
Picnic 2023	Kim Voss
Raffle Quilt—2022	Peg Malmberg
Raffle Quilt Promotion, 2023	Needed
Raffle Tickets, 2023	Sandy Becker, Tara Zerzanek
Shalom Center	Kitty Plovovich
Spring Banquet—2023	TBD
Sunshine Committee	Liz Spannraft



**HOSTING DUTIES**

**Coordinator for 2023 is  
TBD, each month**

1. Provide a variety of treats by 6:15pm the night of our meetings. Remember to provide a variety (sweets, nuts, fruit, cheeses, vegetables etc.). Some members cannot eat sweets.
2. Set up counter with treats and beverages.
3. Guild will provide coffee, tea bags and hot water for tea. If other beverages are wanted, the hostesses can choose to provide other items: juice, soda, cider, iced tea. A seasonal runner or decoration always adds a little festivity.
4. The coordinator will make sure that enough plates, napkins, plastic ware, and hot/cold cups are available. If the hostesses

want a seasonal theme, please make arrangements among yourselves to furnish the necessary items.

Note: extras cannot be left in the black box.

6. Clean up after the meeting is over:

- ◆ Empty coffee pots, wash out, and put in basket.
- ◆ Put all general materials back in the black box and close it. The black box is stored in the main room east of the piano.
- ◆ List any items needed and give to the coordinator. Make sure no food items are left behind.
- ◆ Carefully wash all counter tops used by the guild and rinse the sinks. We do not want to leave any trace of our being there.



**January Hosting**

*January meeting:*

Rose Ann Ambrowiak	Peggy Cairo	Debby Gillmore
Mary Gustafson	Kit Moore	Carol Rannow
Elizabeth Spanraft		Tara Zerzanek

\* February has only five signed up, please contact a director or sign up at the meeting

**COMFORT QUILTS**

**There are still packages of fabric for members to sew comfort quilts, and we have been spreading the donated fabric to other interested parties. Several Church groups are making quilts and Comfort For a Cause is very busy as well. The fabric is going to multiple good causes.**

## 2022-23 Raffle Quilt

### Dragonflies and Daffodils

63" X 72"

Designed, pieced and hand appliqued  
by Guild Member Peg Malmberg

Quilted by Judy Johnson



Tickets are still available: 6 for \$5 or \$1 each, check with Sandy Becker or Tara Zerzanek. Drawing April 3, 2023

### THE OTHER RAFFLE-MANIA FOR FEBRUARY

Our February meeting entertainment will be Rafflemania. Everyone should go through their stash of anything and bring SEWING RELATED ITEMS to the meeting. – UFO's, kits, books, patterns, notions, rulers, fabric, scraps, findings, frames, threads – the more the merrier.

*"One man's trash is another man's treasure."*

Treasures will be put into piles for the raffle, and you will be able to select the "lot" you wish to win. Members will be given raffle tickets based on their attendance at meetings and participation in fund-raising events. Additional tickets will be available for sale at the meeting.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO BRING ADDRESS LABELS TO PUT ON YOUR TICKETS (unless you enjoy writing your name). Winners will be announced by NAME, not numbers.

### DATES TO REMEMBER:

#### **Program Schedule:**

**If you have any questions regarding workshops, Please contact Pat Frieman: patfrieman@gmail.com**

#### **January 9**

**Meeting, doors open at 6:30 - We will be playing BINGO. Please remember your "card(s)" and markers and any prizes you wish to donate**

#### **February 6**

**Meeting, doors open at 6:30 -**

**Rafflemania game to give and get items using tickets earned by attendance and participation.**

#### **February 11**

**Winter Quilt Show at the Washington County Fair Park & Conference Center in West Bend, WI, to show the Raffle Quilt and sell tickets**

#### **March 6**

**Meeting, doors open at 4:00 pm, with Comfort for a Cause hosted by Kim Hemphill**

## Local Craft Fairs

### Christmas at Kemper

**January 8th -9th , 14th -15th**

Durkee Mansion:

See the historic 1860s Durkee Mansion fully decorated for Christmas. The old and the new are blended into a magical holiday experience by the talented designers of the Durkee Yuletide Volunteers. This year's theme is "Victorian Winter Elegance".

<https://www.kenosha.com/local-events/>

### Wisconsin Museum of Quilts

**Feb 11, 2023**, 9am to 4pm

<https://www.wiquiltmuseum.com/information-winter-quilt-show>

Wisconsin Museum of Quilts and Fiber Arts, Cedarburg, WI is holding a Winter Quilt Show Challenge theme for 2023 is Hearts All Around.

Admission: \$8.00 advance, \$10.00 at door (cash only).

Location: The Show is located at the Washington County Fair Park (Washington County Fair Park & Conference Center 3000 Hwy PV, West Bend, WI 53095). Wheel chair accessible.

### Art in the Park 2023

**Sat, May 27, 2023**, 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM CDT

The Oak Creek-Foundation for Education is proud to host Art in the Park which features artists from across the state of Wisconsin

Location: Henry Miller Park 315 E Groveland Drive Oak Creek, WI 53154

### Community Service Program —Shalom Food Pantry

Thank you for all you do and just "keep quilting"

<http://shalomcenter.org/needs.html>

**Our mission is simple: serve the community through food, shelter and supportive ways. We believe that this mission will help realize a greater vision: self-sufficiency by maximizing the potential of people**





Serenity Quilt Shop is your #1 destination for quilting and sewing in the

Kenosha, Wisconsin area! Check out the new classes (also great gift ideas), All precautions are being taken to stay healthy. We are thankful for each and every one of our customers and wish you all good health. We are monitoring the online orders and will offer local delivery for Kenosha residents.

Current hours:

MON | WED | THUR | FRI 10-5 SAT 10-4 SUN 12-4  
Closed Tuesdays

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## Shop Online

What's Hot

Fabric

Notions

Patterns

Thread

Kits

Shop Sample

Clearance

We offer classes for Beginner and Advanced, monthly meetings to complete wonderful projects. New fabric, new patterns, new notions keep you up to date.

## Comfort 4 A Cause

We are a group of volunteers working together to supply comfort to those in need in our community. Knit, crochet and sewing of all skill levels welcome. Supported by Tabitha's sisters, Serenity quilt shop, Southport Quilters Guild and Pleasant Prairie Woman's Club.

**For more information or questions call Kim Hemphill phone 262- 914 -4543 or email Kim Hemphill at [lillykim@hotmail.com](mailto:lillykim@hotmail.com)**

Comfort 4 a Cause has new hours and locations:

Lord of Life Church (corner Washington & Green Bay) - open sewing Comfort quilt participation, starting in February, will be open first and last Thursdays, 9:30 to 2:30.

These days are 'Full Blanket Production" with sewing machines, ironing stations, cutting areas and trimming and turning as well. Check out our Facebook posts to see what we accomplish.

Knitting kits are available for pick up and drop off at Serenity Quilt or meetings.

Remember the **one** requirement to participate is that

***it must spark Joy***

**During the last year, Comfort 4 a Cause has distributed nearly 600 quilts to organizations such as Union Grove Veterans Home, Hospice Alliance, St Catherine's and Froedert Hospitals. We work with local police and fire departments for those in need.**

# Buttons and Bolts Fabric & Quilting Supply

### New Hours

Sunday 12:00pm - 4:00pm;  
Monday - Closed  
Tuesday—Saturday - 10:00am to  
6:00pm

**27642 75th St, Salem, WI 53168**  
**(262) 586-2522 info@buttons-and-bolts.com**

Shop on line, or stop by. Classes are back! Quilting Basics, Beginning Machine quilting, Klub Kimberbell, Friday Sit 'n Sew, and more. Check out our "Mystery Quilts" with simple instructions, basic color/shades and weekly classes, you can have a quilt done in no time! We also provide longarm service, so stop and see what is new.



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### ALL CLASSES & EVENTS

**Are available in limited numbers.**

See our Facebook Patchwork Party in Sept, Oct

<https://www.sewnsaveofracine.com/>

262-554-8708      262-554-6445 (direct line to the Fabric Gallery)

Monday through Friday: 10:00 am - 5:30 pm      Saturday: 10:00 am - 3:00 pm      Sunday: Closed

### Did you know that Sew 'n Save has a You Tube Channel?

Please check out what we have posted. We are adding new content all the time, so make sure you click the **subscribe** button so you don't miss anything! If you watch any of our videos we would be grateful if you would click that thumbs up and let us know that you are enjoying the content we are creating!



In November, we learned how to make quick gifts and ornaments (which made *my* gift giving easier) Thanks for the 15-minute demos. There were Cathedral window potholders, Prairie Point Star & Folded Fabric Star ornaments

and Cosmetic bags. Instruction sheets are still available. The talented guild members who presented the instructions: Helen Vigansky, Peg Malmberg, Pat Frieman, Lynda Ryan and Kitty Plovanich ~ Thanks for the inspiration~

