

Southport Sampler

Back on Zoom for February, 2022

February 2022

Greetings Southport Quilters Guild member-

By the time you read this, it will be another new month. Somehow, we are muddling through unprecedented times over and over again. That said, we hope you will agree with us that being makers and spending time in the company of those who work with their hands gives us solace and hope. Some guilds we know are still on pause and others folded. Coping with the hybrid challenges—and there are many—we are still here. We are solvent and actively planning the 2022 Quilt Show and membership meetings. Some of us have been doing a lot of heavy lifting. If you are inclined to join us, there are still plenty of options to volunteer for positions and even though some may stay on, some have shifted roles. None of these roles are as scary as they may sound, and there are always friendly faces to help and guide. We ask that you think about it, you never know what you can achieve until you try!!



Southport Quilters
Guild
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Therefore, we remind you, that Jane and Lori will end our four year residency as Co-Presidents. Also - possibly leaving in May are, Kim Voss, Anne Sipsma, Deanise Kersting, Sherilyn Klamm, Peg Malmborg and Sally Sorenson. However, you can't get rid of Jane and Lori that easily, we will be on your board as Past Presidents for the next two years.

The nominating committee, (Kim Voss and Lori Brown), is looking for members to fill open positions. Being on the board has been WONDERFUL! The Presidents have an actual book that helps you navigate your way around the guild. And yes, we used this book a ton. Having the safety net of the previous Presidents, was a God send. Other available positions will also come with past notes, which make a good reference tool, however, the position is your own, it's what you make of it.

We do believe that our Guild has and is weathering this new way of life, called a Pandemic, as well as we can. And with 'The Covid' dictating how we can meet, and do, come change- and I don't know about you, some of us have a hard time dealing with change. Our membership, as of last meeting, January 10th, 2022, was at 72 paid, and 30 unpaid members. Good news, this number is up from 2020-2021 which was only at 32 members; we had a drop in membership of 2019-2020—105 total members.

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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:

February 7 , St. Peter's Church, 2224 30th Ave

Or Zoom email invitations, and website links

Board Meetings 5:30 p.m.— Welcome 6:30 Meeting 7:00
Guests always welcome/\$5

Your Board has made contact, or has left messages for those unpaid members. We have decided to no longer send the monthly newsletter to those that have not replied, or have indicated they no longer want to be a member at this time. Several of those unpaid members are long time elderly members, and have health issues- And our Guild has several Fairy God Mothers among us that have paid the fees to have those member's newsletters continue. The top reasons for not wanting to be a member are: declining health and will not /cannot do zoom Our guild has to make some hard decisions, and in the very near future.

The Board would like to ease the burden on our Chairwomen. We feel, that working as a committee is the way to go. We were not able to get replacements for Christy and Kim in Hospitality, so those that sign up to be hostesses for that meeting, will work together to make it happen. We think it is working out pretty well, so far, so good.

And with the passing of guild member Alberta Helmke's, who chaired the Quilts of Valor, we're curious if anyone in the Guild would like to continue with Quilts of Valor. And yes, Quilts of Valor does have guidelines to follow. Please contact Lori or Jane if you would like to volunteer to chair this committee.

It is our understanding, that we should give Kit Moore a break on chairing the Comfort Quilts- another great way for a committee to handle this endeavor. On the other hand, do we give it a break for a while?

Please contact Lori or Jane if you would are interested in volunteering on this committee.

We do have several people that are willing to work on Craft Fairs- easing Kitty Plovovich a much need rest and room in her home for her husband Mike! Again, this committee can always use more help - "many hands make light work", contact Lori or Jane if you can.

Remember, when you completed the membership application, way back when, you checked off the committees that you would like to serve on. NOW IS THE TIME to act on those decisions. Please contact a board member and say YES, I want to be on this committee.

Hope to see you all at the next zoom meeting, the 7th. In addition, do not forget the budget meeting, February 21st, that we hope will be in person, with plenty of space between each member, and masks. Happy St. Valentine's Day (early)!

Namaste,

Jane and Lori

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.**

2021—2022 Officers & Directors

President	Lori Brown & Jane Kluchka 2022
First VP/Programs	Kim Voss 2022
Second VP/Membership	Anne Sipsma 2023
Secretary	Deanise Kersting 2022
Treasurer	Heide Peterson 2023
Director	Peg Malmberg 2022
Director	Sherilyn Klamm 2022
Director	Donna Makouske 2023 /Webmaster
Director	Kitty Plovanich 2023
Director	Althea Mieske 2023
Director Show	Sally Sorenson 2022 / Museum
Director	Renee Riedel 20223 / News letter
Past President	Gayle Collins 2020

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

Bed Turning Quilt Show

Southport Quilters members have been invited to participate in a Bed Turning Quilt show by the Wisconsin Association for Home and Community Education. We have the opportunity to show off the skills of our many talented members, and their quilts in Bristol, WI, on

Saturday, April 2nd. A 'Bed Turning' Quilt show is a way of displaying many quilts, stacked on top of a bed, each one shown with a story

Three members have volunteered to show any quilts that members would offer, with great care, taken to share our passion with others.

Please contact Renee Riedel (rriedel2003@yahoo.com), Kitty Plovanich (caplovanich@gmail.com) or Sherilyn Klamm (scottishlass@prodigy.net) for more details.

February Presentation:

**"How I Became So Judge
Mental!"
Patty Sawyer**

It's not as easy as Judge Judy makes it seem! This popular presentation will inform quilters about the common standards and practices of the quilt judging process. Included are some common myths and fears related to having your quilts judged.

We will giggle at some of the comical tales between quilt judges, the quilt police and the pitfalls of quilt teachers as judges. Why are well-trained and experienced quilt judges needed? Find out why positive critiques and confidential results are important to winning confidence. We will discuss what makes a winning quilt at great length and what I believe is the true job of a quilt judge.

Presentation portion is approx. 45 minutes. Additional time will lend itself to "You Be the Judge," an actual mock judging with real quilt samples. Audience involvement with passionate questions enhance this presentation.

2021-2022 Committee Chairs

Block of the Month	Susan Hanson
Challenge Quilts	Liz Spannraft
Comfort Quilts	Kit Moore
Craft Fair Chair	?
Habitat for Humanity	Ellen Albrecht
Holiday Potluck 2021	Lori Brown & Jane Kluchka
Hospitality	(monthly)
Kenosha County Fair	Kathy Elfers
Membership	Anne Sipsma
Mentor Program	Helen Vigansky
Monthly Door Prizes	Mary Gustafson
Museum Quilt Show	Chris Deering, Sally Sorenson
Newsletter	Renee Riedel
Nomination Committee, 2022	Kim Voss
Picnic 2022	?
Programs	Kim Voss
Public Relations	Renee Riedel
Quilts of Valor	?
Raffle Tickets, Prints, Distib.	Donna Makouske
Raffle Quilt—2022	?
Shalom Center	Kitty Plovovich
Spring Banquet—2022	
Sunshine Committee	Jodi Hanson
Webmaster, Etsy, Facebook	Donna Makouske

COMFORT QUILTS

Although there are no meetings scheduled, kits are available and members can call ahead. Please drop off or pickup at the door. We have lots of pieced tops for the next scheduled meeting. ~Kit Moore~ contact me at: lunaria75@sbcglobal.net or 262-697-0651

HOSTING DUTIES

**Coordinator for 2022 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.

A hardy thank you to all who provide this pleasant time of sharing food and chatting.

February Dinner

Due to COVID, February dinner will be self serve:

The current health conditions are still requiring caution and we will be 'hosting' via Zoom in February (again). Please start saving up your best snack recipes for the time when we can again share food, news and good times.

Don't think that March hostesses are off the hook, though. I would love to see their favorite recipes being collected and sent along for the March gathering.

March 4 meeting:

Susan Binzel

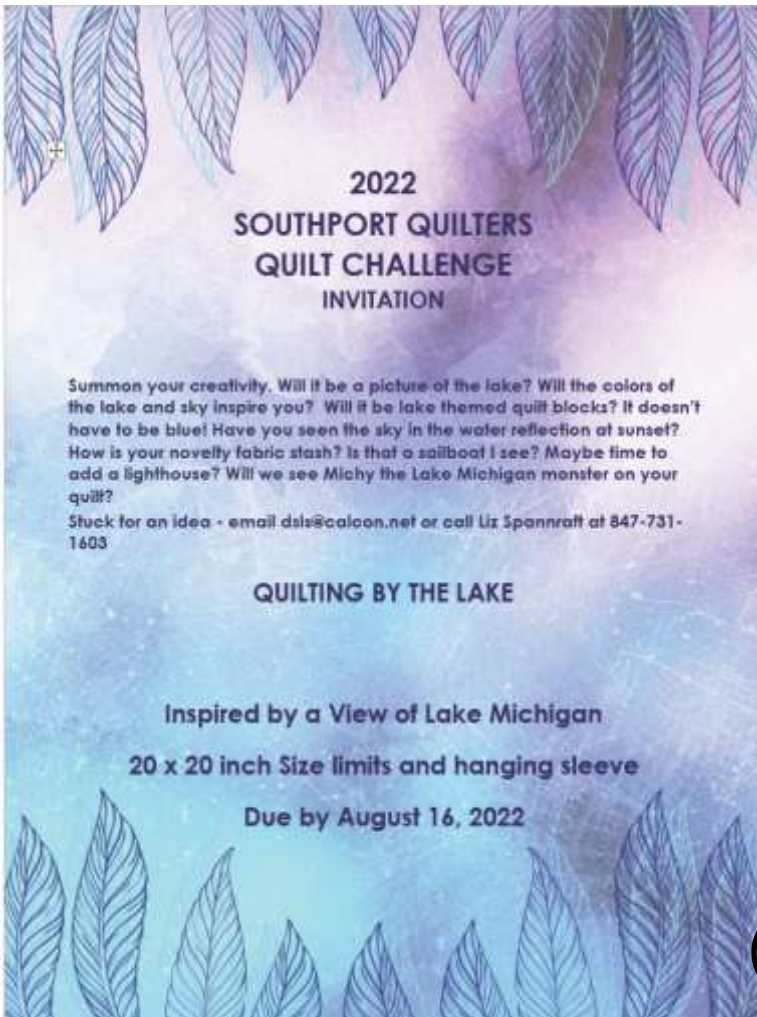
Chris Deering

Peggy Eis

Nancy Schueller

Diane Vigansky





**Sunshine
Committee**

If you know anyone in the Guild who has been ill or had a family death or tragedy, please contact Jodi Hanson at

262-909-4056 or
Jodi@eciofwi.com

DATES TO REMEMBER:

Program Schedule:

If you have any questions regarding workshops, Please contact Kim Voss: englishtwotutor@yahoo.com

December 2021 through May, 2022:

Meeting in person if possible at St. Peter's Catholic Church, 2224 30th Ave, BACK entry

2022

Challenge quilt due: August 16, see Liz Spannraft

Guild quilt show to be at Anderson Arts Center, Kemper Center from Sept 11, 2022 to October 16, 2022

February

7th—Zoom meeting, Patty Sawyer "How I became so Judge Mental!"

April

2nd—Quilt show, Bed Turning, Community Educators, hosting in Bristol, WI

Local Quilt Shows

Winter Quilt Show

Saturday February 12, 2022, 9am -4pm.

Location: The Show is located at the Washington County Fair Park & Conference Center 3000 Hwy PV. West Bend, WI 53095 Tickets are \$8 and *must be purchased in advance - online* by Feb 4th so they can be mailed out.

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

Quilting Stars - presented by West Suburban Quilters' Guild

Dates: March 11-12, 2022

Time: Friday 10am-6pm; Saturday 10am-4pm

Location: Waukesha County Expo Center Arena 1000 Northview Rd, Waukesha WI 53188

Admission: \$5 per person

Event Description: Features 300 spectacular quilts;

Raffle quilt and machine; seminars;

quilt appraiser; boutique and vendors.

If you've never gone to a show of this kind – you will be surprised at the new innovative modern artwork styled quilts as well as the detailed handwork on colorful more familiar and traditional styles. Scissors Sharpener on site – just walk in!

Concessions Available - Free Parking

<https://wsqg.net/quilt-show/>

Mukwonago Crazy Quilters – 33rd Annual Show

March 26 & 27, 2022 Sat. 9am - 5pm and Sun 10am - 4pm

Location: Park View Middle School 930 N. Rochester St.

(corner of Hwy. 83 and Hwy. NN) Mukwonago, WI 53149

Quilt Entry is open to first 250 entrants

<https://www.mukwonagocrazyquilters.com/annual-show/>

Northern Illinois Longarm Guild

Don't miss out on this opportunity to hear Northern Illinois Longarm Guilds exciting 2022 award-winning speakers and attend their online workshops! We will be hosting Bethanne Nemesh in April and Sue Heinz in June. These classes will definitely up your quilting skills, regardless of the type of machine you quilt on -- and all from the comfort of your quilting studio! See all of the details on our newly revamped website, nilag.org.



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), such as a year of holiday ornaments -> -> -> ->



Covid-19

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 | THUR | FRI 10-6 WED 10-8 SAT 10-4 SUN 12-4
Closed Tuesdays

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And please congratulate Kim Voss for having her fantastic quilt, "Let There Be Light" accepted in the American Quilter's Society's Daytona Show!

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

Comfort 4 a Cause is meeting from 10-5 at Serenity Quilt Shop 1st Fridays, 2nd Saturdays, 3rd Wednesdays of the month. Knitting kits are available for pick up and drop off at Serenity or the Kenosha Senior Center. Remember the **one** requirement to participate is that it **must spark Joy**

Buttons and Bolts Fabric & Quilting Supply

Sunday 12:00pm - 4:00pm;
Monday - Closed
Tuesday, Thursday - 9:00am to
8:00pm;
Wednesday - 10:00am to 5:00pm;
Friday, Saturday - 9:00am to 6:00pm

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

Shop on line, or stop by. Please feel free to order online for curbside pick up or mail if you are uncomfortable with a mask.

Highway 50 is under construction. What does that mean for our customers? Plan to use your turn signal WAY before our driveway. If you are coming from the west, the U-Turn lane will be open, but entering the single traffic lane might be difficult. If it helps, go past us to Rt. 83 and make a U-Turn at the stop light.

Classes are back! Quilting Basics, Beginning Machine quilting, Klub Kimberbell, Friday Sit 'n Sew, and more



Sew 'n Save
of Racine

ALL CLASSES & EVENTS Are available in limited numbers.

We will still be offering shopping via website and phone, as well as FREE curb-side pick up. We will do our best to be creative in getting those needs met!

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!

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

