

Southport Sampler

May 2021 Newsletter Blurb from the
Co-Presidents

May 2021



What a beautiful day it is today! Weren't there snow flurries in the air last week? Sitting in the sun on the deck, listening to the birds chirping, admiring the daffodils, seeing the leaves budding out on the trees and thinking that our quilting friends are doing much of the same. At least we hope so! May is here and opportunities abound both within our guild and in our quilting.

Our virtual quilt show preparations are underway. Please enter your quilts, it can be a new one, one you've entered before, one you have gifted or will gift, small or large, bed quilt, wall hanging, table runner, baby quilt or just one you especially love.

If your initial reaction to entering a quilt is "Ack! My quilts aren't good enough to be in a show!"

Please- there are a whole lot of reasons to having your quilt(s) in the show:

1. This virtual show is not going to be judged.
2. It motivates you to complete projects.
3. All quilts are beautiful and it feels good to share the beauty with others. It's a chance to unfold them and let their light shine.
4. People get to know you as a quilter. They may know you as a teacher, mom, neighbor, accountant, or by whatever is your profession, but when they see your quilts they know you as a creator.
5. You get to see your work from a different perspective. Seeing your quilt in a show is like seeing it for the first time.
6. Sharing your own self-expressions can encourage and inspire creativity in others. The creativity you inspire in others may, in turn, inspire you. The biggest benefit of entering a quilt show is to "give back".
7. You'll have a picture of your quilt for documentation.
8. Entering a quilt show is an accomplishment, and everyone who does should pat themselves on the back and take a bow!
9. This is a celebration of quilting. Revel with others who enjoy quilting.
10. Being a virtual quilt show- you can share our show with so many-friends and family all across the world!
11. No matter how challenging 2020 has been, it taught us resilience, patience and the ability to find the silver linings- this virtual quilt show will help educate, inspire, entertain, connect and grow our quilting community.

The guild is anticipating meeting in person in the fall, if the State of WI gets up to 65-75% vaccinated. We're hoping that everyone has or will have gotten their vaccinations.

The two-week window to vote for SQG's 2021-2022 proposed budget has concluded. The online voting closed and the non-internet members have sent in their votes- the votes were tallied and the majority voted in favor for the proposed budget.

To all our members- we send hope and our friendship to all that are celebrating joys in their lives, and those that are experiencing sorrow.

Spring is in the air, may you have dirty nails verses fingers with pin pricks!

Don't forget to enter your quilt for the virtual show!

Lori & Jane

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Happy Spring everyone!

I am ending my fourth year as Craft Fair Chair and second year as Parkside Chair. I am willing to work right along with whoever takes over, so the transition can be a smooth one. Please feel free to email me to find out more at caplovanich@gmail.com or call or text me at 262.237.4191.

Kitty Plovanich



Membership Dues for next year:

We are planning for meetings in person soon, and in anticipation of snacks, talks and get-togethers, please send in your membership dues for the 2021-2022 fiscal year.

Here are a few important facts about our group:

Membership is open to anyone, at least 16 years of age, who is interested in the art of quilting.

The Guild's year runs from May 1 through April 30.

Annual dues are \$20. Renewal dues are payable at the beginning of the fiscal year.

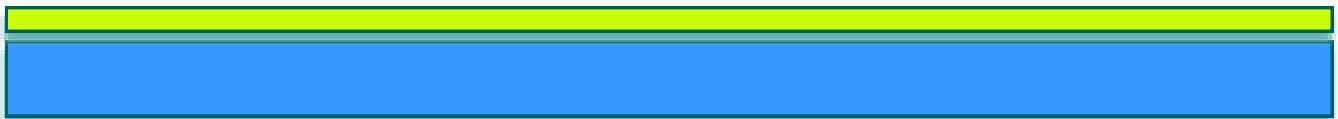
New members may join at any time. For those joining the Guild after the month of December, dues will be reduced to half of the current membership fee.

Each guild member is asked to contribute a handmade quilted item or an item made of fabric that can be sold at the Guild's primary fundraiser at the UW-Parkside Holiday Craft Fair. Members unable to contribute an item to sell are asked to make a \$25 contribution to the Guild.

Guild members are encouraged to participate in the Hospitality Committee once each year.

To help us get to know one another, new members are issued name tags. Members are asked to wear their name tags to the meetings or pay a 25¢ fine.

The application is available on line, at SouthportQuilters.net and mail to PO Box 1523, Kenosha



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.

2020—2021 Officers & Directors

President	Lori Brown & Jane Kluchka 2022
First VP/Programs	Kim Voss 2022
Second VP/Membership	Anne Sipsma 2021
Secretary	Deanise Kersting 2022
Treasurer	Heidi Petersen 2021 / Challenge Quilts
Director	Judy Blum 2022 /
Director	Julie Ioro 2021 / Shalom Center
Director	Sherilyn Klamm 2022 /
Director	Donna Makouske 2021 /Webmaster
Director	Kitty Plovovich 2021 / Craft Fairs
Director	Cathy Schuldt 2021 /
Director	Sally Sorenson 2022 /
Past President	Gayle Collins 2020

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



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



Challenge Quilts are now on display at the Northside Library. Voting is being handled by the staff so vote at the library desk.

Pick up for challenge quilts is Tuesday, **MAY 4th 3pm-6pm** at my home 8391 65th Ave Pleasant Prairie WI. If you can not pick up your quilt please have someone pick it up for you!

I also still have some challenge quilts from last year that need to be picked up please do so then or email me and we can work out a time before then.

Thank you, Sharon Heeres

2020-2021 Committee Chairs

Banquet—2020	
Block of the Month	Susan Hanson
Challenge Quilts	Sharon Heers, Heide Petersen
Comfort Quilts	Kit Moore
Craft Fair Chair	Kitty Plovovich
Habitat for Humanity	Ellen Albrecht
Holiday Potluck 20??	
Hospitality	
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, 2020	Kimberly M. Voss
Picnic 2021	
Programs	Kim Voss
Public Relations	
Quilts of Valor	Alberta Helmke
Raffle Tickets, Prints, Distib.	Donna Makouske
Raffle Quilt—2022	
Shalom Center	Julie Iorio
Sunshine Committee	Jodi Hanson
Webmaster, Etsy, Facebook	Donna Makouske

Quilt Show Update

WE NEED MORE QUILTS!!!

With input from members, your Board has decided against having an in-person, live Quilt Show this year. But we WILL have a virtual show! Please register your quilts on the webpage under "Programs". All quilts will be professionally photographed and put into a web-based virtual show. Please include information and a "story" about your quilt to enhance the viewers' enjoyment. We hope to have a way for viewers to vote for their favorite. There will not be an actual quilt judge this year.

Latest news:

The theme is "A Sew-cially Distant Quilt Show".

Deadline to enter is **May 1** - sign up on line, or using the paper copy (if appropriate). The photography day at the Museum on Saturday, May 8th from 10 to 4. Quilters are required to stay at the museum while their quilts are being photographed.

All quilts larger than 30 inches need a hanging sleeve (smaller quilts can be pinned to a padded board). A quilt entered in the virtual show can still be entered in the 2022 show. Maybe you have an oldie but goody quilt from the past that would love to be shown off again

Please let us know if you would like to be included in the picture of your quilt - be proud!

Thanks, Chris



COMFORT QUILTS

I do have kits available and members can call ahead and I can have them ready for pickup. I accept any finished tops and/or quilts at the door

~Kit Moore~ contact me at: lunaria75@sbcglobal.net or 262-697-0651

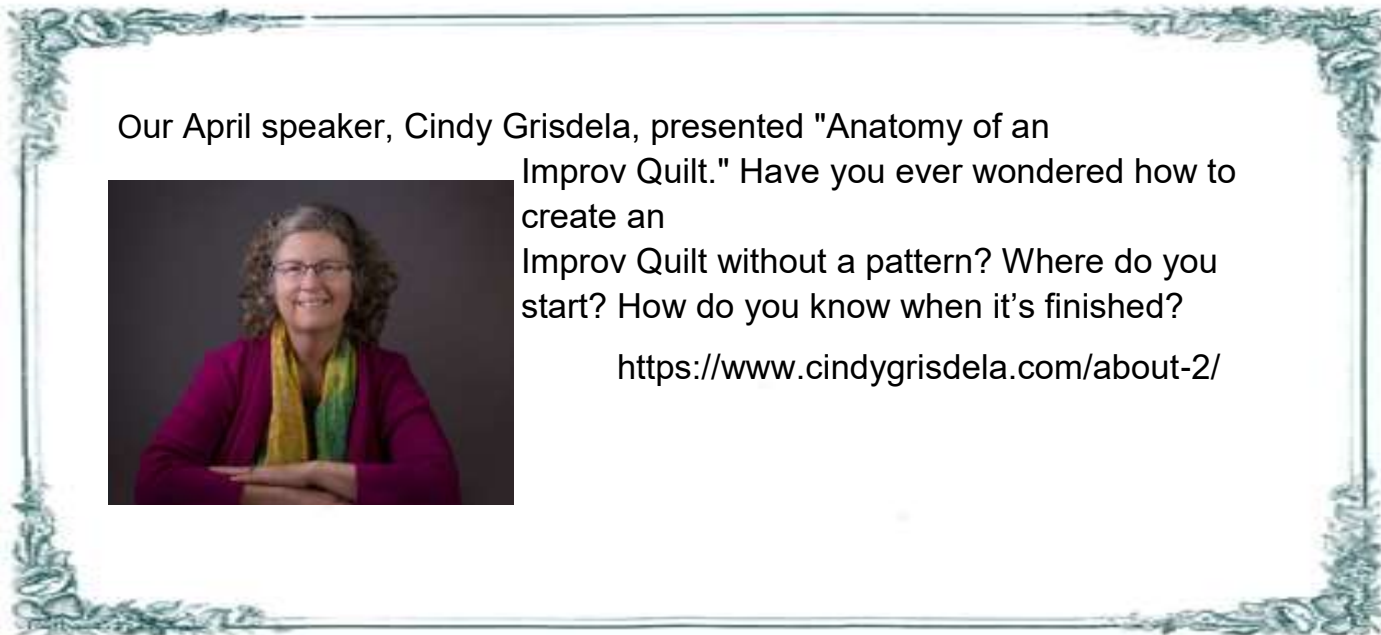


Make a Table Runner



There is a new video on the Southport Quilters Guild website. It can be found under Member Tutorials. I was asked to develop a project for our October meeting, it is a quilt as you go project. I was fortunate to have Jen Clope, Susan Hanson's daughter, video tape me with a tutorial on making the table runner. Also under Member Tutorials, there is a supply list page and a page with step by step instructions on putting the table runner together. This is a fun and quick project that I hope you will enjoy making. If you have any questions, please let me know.

Helen Vigansky



Our April speaker, Cindy Grisdela, presented "Anatomy of an Improv Quilt." Have you ever wondered how to create an Improv Quilt without a pattern? Where do you start? How do you know when it's finished?



<https://www.cindygrisdela.com/about-2/>



Serenity Quilt Shop is your #1 destination for quilting and sewing in the Kenosha, Wisconsin area! We have more new items are posted on the website as soon as we enter them into the computer. We are monitoring the online orders and will offer local delivery for Kenosha residents.

Covid-19 Tips

- Don't shop if your feeling sick
- Use sanitizers & disinfectant (we will have some for you!)
- Keep the 6 ft distance
- Wear a mask (State Order)

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.

Current hours: MON | THUR | FRI 10-6 WED 10-8 SAT 10-4 SUN 12-4
Closed Tuesdays

Serenity Quilt Shop, LLC. 4003 80th Street, Suite 102 Kenosha, WI 53142
P: [262.577.5886](tel:262.577.5886) Email: Info@serenityquiltshop.com

ALL CLASSES & EVENTS

Are available in limited numbers.

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



Sew 'n Save
of Racine

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

Did you know that Sew 'n Save has a YouTube 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



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, for items to be delivered, or stop by. Due to the new state mandate, all customers and staff are required to wear masks while in the store. Please feel free to order online for curbside pick up or mail if you are uncomfortable with a mask.

Classes are back! Wool Workout, Beginning Machine quilting, Stripology, string quilts and more

Comfort For 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 will resume our meetings as soon as the safer at home order is lifted. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of our supporters and volunteers at this time and our deepest wish is that all stay safe and healthy until we can meet again.

Remember the **one** requirement to participate is that it **must spark Joy.** ..

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 St. Paul's Lutheran Church

8760 – 37th Avenue, Kenosha, WI

Or Zoom email invitations, and website links

Board Meetings 5:30 p.m.— Welcome 6:30 Meeting 7:00

Guests always welcome/\$5



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