

Southport Sampler

Hello May!

May 2023

I took my own advice from last month and have made it through my creative slump! I'm very thankful for this. I shifted my focus and tried something new: hand piecing! Things just fell together for this project: I had two bundles of fabrics in colorways I very rarely use; I had a pattern that was too complex for machine piecing (dreaded Y-seams); and lots of downtime while I helped my mom recover from surgery while I stayed at her home for two weeks. It's been very slow going but somewhat enjoyable at the same time. I hope to have the quilt finished in time for our annual show.



I hope everyone is planning on submitting at least one quilt into our show come August when the quilts need to be turned in. We have very few restrictions for our categories; basically, just the size of the quilt and how it was quilted. There are shows that have restrictions such as when the quilt was made (less than 3 years prior), whether the quilt was hand pieced or machine pieced; hand quilted vs. domestic machine quilted vs.

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Southport Quilters
Guild
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Long-armed and many more. So, if you don't have time or the inclination to make a large quilt, you have the option of making a much smaller one to include in our show. As of May 1, you have 113 days before the drop-off date of August 22. And with Spring and Summer right around the corner and working, gardening, traveling, etc., that doesn't leave a whole lot of days to finish a quilt! 😊



We're also still meeting over the Summer months now as a show of hands indicated that we wanted to meet and stay home during the cold winter months. You'll see more details on this in the newsletter. So while we are busy now that the weather is warming up, don't neglect your quilting!

Happy quilting all!

Kim

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
Treasurer	Althea Mieske 2023
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
dsIs@calcon.net

Meeting Calendar for the year 2023—2024

May 1	June 5	July 10	August 5	Sept 11	Oct 2
Meeting, new directors	Meeting, Chair person update	Meeting, Sew-a-thon for Charity	Picnic , meet Sat.	Meeting, Speaker, Joan Cain	Meeting, Deanna Springer
Nov 6	Dec 4	Jan	Feb	March 4	April 1
Meeting, Mod Quilt Studio	Meeting, TBD	No meet	No meet	Meeting, TBD	Meeting Speaker Beth Heltfer

Southport Quilters Guild

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

May 1, St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 8760 – 37th Ave, Kenosha
 Board Meetings via Zoom or in person, the week 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	Carol Rannow and Kristine Pegues
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	Deanise Kersting, Sherilyn Klamm & Heidi Peterson
Picnic 2023	Kim Voss
Raffle Quilt—2024/2025	Peg Malmberg
Raffle Quilt Promo, 2024/2025	Needed
Raffle Tickets, 2024/2025	Sandy Becker, Tara Zerzanek
Shalom Center	Kitty Plovovich
Spring Banquet—2023	Helen Vigansky



Our first July meeting will be after the holiday week, and will be a full day of sewing, with a meeting at the regular time. Studio 180 of April's Workshop 'Migrating Geese' fame, has partnered with Sleep in Heavenly Peace, and will provide free instructions for a group quilting project. Southport Quilters will have a day of group sewing for each participant to create a block (or more) to be sewn together to create a twin sized quilt. Maybe 2 of them, if we are really ambitious.

The guild will then bind and quilt the resulting masterpiece and present it to Sleep in Heavenly Peace for a young person to have as their very own. The pattern is simple; the result looks complex. See for yourself—https://youtu.be/P6lD_4zuLDI "Deb and the Disappearing Nine Patch."

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*. Pack up the water bottles to store off site. 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.

* Lori Brown, lbrown5718@yahoo.com



May Hosting

The food will be provided by the guild for welcoming the new directors

Reminder for June 5: Please sign up to provide snacks and treats for our first Summer meeting. Contact Lori Brown

Summon your creativity. The 2023 SQG Quilt Challenge begins with a randomly selected seasoning for inspiration. Herbs, spices and seasoning blends are the choices. The name of the seasoning must be in the title of your challenge quilt. The finished quilt is due Aug 22, at the Anderson Art Center.

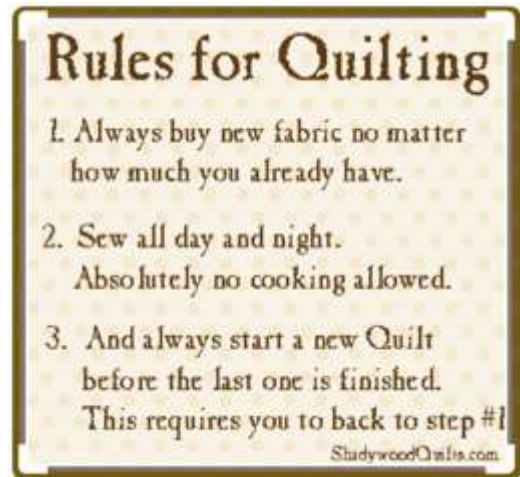
If you have questions, please contact chairperson, Liz Spanraft.



Good news! The Anderson Art Center has sold several of the items that we had in their gift shop. They are looking for some more inventory. I'm asking our members to make something springy or summery to donate to the Anderson. Here's a list of items that they are requesting:

- Potholders · Drawstring jewelry bags
- Table runners · Wall hangings
- Fabric covered notebooks

Thanks, Donna



Southport Quilters has their own account on Pinterest. Search for it by typing in "Southport Quilters of Kenosha" in the search field and then clicking on the "Saved" button. There is also a link for it on our website. Just click on the Pinterest logo on the upper right corner of the home page, and you'll go right to it. You'll find ideas and patterns for craft fair items, table runners, technique tutorials and other goodies. Check it out!

https://www.pinterest.com/southportquilters/_saved/

DATES TO REMEMBER:

Program Schedule:

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

May 1

Southport Quilters Spring Banquet, at St Paul's Lutheran Church. 5:30 doors open, 6:00 catered dinner served (\$20.00 cost)

June 5

First Summer meeting, St Paul's Lutheran Church, doors open at 6:00

July 10

Sew-a-long beginning 9:30 in the

morning, and meeting@ 6:00 pm

August 5, Saturday

Picnic at Kim Voss's House

September 11

Meeting, St Paul's, @6:00

September 12

Anderson Art Fair begins

Tentative Craft Fairs for late 2023

October 7, Tremper HS, Elkhart

November 4, JI Case HS

December, early, Gateway Tech

Local Craft Fairs, Shows

July 27, 8:00 am – 4:00 pm

2023 EAA Quilt Show, For more info visit OshkoshQuilters.org

Links to check out:

Smithsonian National Quilt Collection

<https://www.si.edu/spotlight/national-quilt-collection>

Wisconsin State Fair—Competitions <https://wistatefair.com/competitions/>

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



2023 Quilt Show

September 12 - October 15, 2023

Anderson Art Center

6603 3rd Avenue, Kenosha

Tuesdays thru Sundays 1:00 - 4:00 pm

Free Admission & Parking

Seasons of Stitching
Southport Quilters Guild

Hello all,

I'm putting together a spreadsheet of all supplies/inventory that belongs to Southport Quilters Guild and who is housing it so if anyone needs or is looking for a specific item we know who has it. If you are keeping ANYTHING at all that belongs to the guild, please let me know. Anyone who has binders for the different chair positions I need to know that as well. If you are a former chairperson and still holding on to a box of 'whatever', let me know and we can probably get it out of your sewing room or basement!

Please call/text me @ 262.237.4191 or email me caplovanich@gmail.com



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), We continue 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

Serenity Quilt Shop, LLC. 4003 80th Street, Suite 102
Kenosha, WI 53142

Phone: [262.577.5886](tel:262.577.5886) Email: Info@serenityquiltshop.com

Upcoming classes (see the website for openings):

Foundation Paper piecing: precise sewing using paper to sew exact lines

Binding class Learn how to apply binding to your project. All of the steps are going to be addressed. Yes there will be hand work.

Book Pillow for quick gift (to yourself, as well)

- Shop Online
- What's Hot
- Fabric
- Notions
- Patterns
- Thread
- Kits
- Shop Sample
- Clearance



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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!



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.

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

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 has new hours and locations:

We have meetings the second and third Wednesday of each month at the Kenosha Senior Center from 12:00 to 3:00. These are open crafting meetings as well as providing card making supplies for those that are inpatient and receive our blankets at Christmas. On these days we also do fidget cuff and fidget mat decorating for people in Alzheimer and dementia programs.

Check out our Facebook posts to see what we accomplish.

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