



Happy Independence Day Month!

# Southport Sampler

## July 2023



Southport Quilters  
Guild  
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Do you have a red, white, and blue quilt? I started one a while ago with these colors in a pinwheel pattern. Somehow, I had accumulated many red, white, and blue scraps over the years. (Okay, decades.) So, I thought why not make a patriotic quilt? I remember my very first purchase at Serenity Quilt Shop were red, white, and blue fabrics that I added to my growing collection of fabrics for this quilt.

Another spark of inspiration came from Karen Nyberg, a NASA astronaut. She pieced a patriotic-themed quilt block on the International Space Station! Here's a short video of her explaining her process:  
<https://youtu.be/N0c1CijmH7o> This was over to ten years ago!  
And my quilt is still unfinished.

Well, as you can imagine, this quilt is now one of several UFOs that have accumulated over the years. I dig it out occasionally when I want to do some mindless sewing. And I usually get it out in the month of July because I'm inspired by the holiday, but this quilt just isn't a priority. I did manage to make a rectangular pillow in a modified Log Cabin pattern in some of my older red, white, and blue fabrics and I realized that working smaller is better for me. I can get projects finished if they're smaller, yet I still seem to want to sew big quilts!

But what I've also realized is that I like having UFOs just hanging around my sewing space. I'm a sewer who likes to sew, no matter what it is, and am inspired to sew based on how I feel. If I tire of the color palette I'm working on, I can always rummage around and find something else to work on. Christmas fabrics in July? Absolutely! And patriotic colors in January? You bet!

Here's hoping you are enjoying your quilting, no matter the color scheme and time of year!

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.

2023—2024 Officers & Directors

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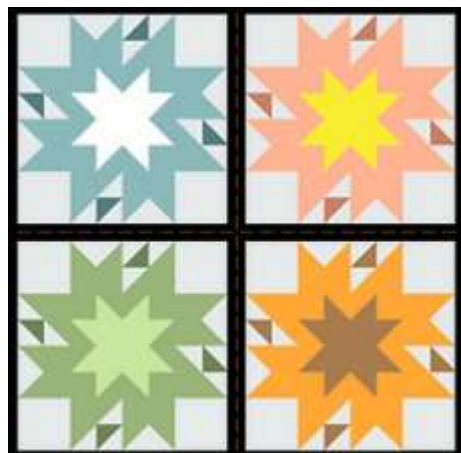
*Two Year terms are served through April of year indicated after each officer's name.*



**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



**2023 QUILT SHOW IMPORTANT DATES SEPT 10—OCT 15**

Drop Off Day	Tues, Aug 22	10:00– 4:00
Judging Day	Wed, Aug 23	9:00-2:00
Reception	Sun, Sept 10	1:00—4:00
Show Closes	Sun, Oct 15	1:00—4:00
Quilt Pickup	Tues, Oct 17	2:00—3:00

**Anderson Arts Center, 6603 3rd Ave, Kenosha**

**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:

June 5th, 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

### 2023-2024 Committee Chairs

Anderson Quilt Show	Lori Brown
Block of the Month	Needed
Challenge Quilts	Liz Spannraft
Comfort 4 a Cause Quilts	Peg Malmberg, liaison
Craft Fair Chair	Carol Rannow & Kristine Pegues
Holiday Potluck 2023	TBD
Hospitality	Altea Mieske
Kenosha County Fair	Sherilynn Klamm
Mentor Program	TBD
Monthly Door Prizes	Mary Gustafson
Nomination Committee, 2024	TBD
Picnic 2023	Kim Voss
Raffle Quilt—2025	Kitty Plovanich & Heidie Peterson
Raffle Quilt Promo, 2024	Needed
Raffle Tickets, 2024/25	TBD
Shalom Center	Kitty Plovanich
Spring Banquet—2024	TBD
Sunshine Committee	Liz Spannraft



**Last Reminder: If you do not receive a news letter, then get your applications in:**

Now is the time to renew your membership using the application available on the website.

The Guild membership year runs from May 2023 to April 2024.

Judy Carney will gladly accept your completed forms at our meetings, or you may send it, and your check to either to the address listed on the form or to her directly

Her address is 9000 226th Court Unit 6A, Salem WI 53168

## Shopping for Quilt supplies

What is your favorite sewing aid that does not come from a craft, fabric, or quilt store? I find useful items at hardware stores, grocery stores and office supply stores. Here are some of the items I use from hardware stores. They are less expensive, leaving more cash for fabric!



*Insulation foam sheet* (comes in 8ft x 4ft): for a design wall, very light and portable. It works great covered in muslin or large gingham for a natural 1 inch grid.

*T Square or corner square*: for checking corners and making sure seams are straight over distances of 4 feet or more

*Painters tape* (everyone's favorite): to mark straight line quilting. It also makes a great de-linter rolled sticky side out around your hand.

*Cheap brushes*: to clean out my sewing machine, brush off threads from the quilt top and to pick up lint.

*Rubber Gardening gloves*: for moving quilts under the presser foot.

*Chalk line, chalk*: temporarily marking quilt lines and checking alignment

*Plastic sheets*: both hard and soft for pattern making

*Paper rolls* used as drop cloths for pattern making

*Large washers*: for holding down pattern pieces or cutting corners or round applique pieces.



## July Hosting

**July salads will be provided for the day of sewing, by those attending the sew-a-thon as a pot-luck. Come for the sewing early with Studio 180 and help create a quilt for Sleep in Heavenly Peace. and stay for the meeting**

### The Challenge — 2023

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 Spannraft.





**NEEDED**

Volunteers to talk about quilts and quilting at the Anderson during the quilt show. The Anderson is open from Tuesday to Sunday, 1pm to 4pm. We would like 4 helpers, 2 upstairs 2 down. You may bring sewing to demo. Sign up at the meeting, or contact Lori Brown

Southport Quilters has their own account on Pinterest. Find it by searching for "Southport Quilters of Kenosha". 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, Find ideas and patterns for craft fair items, table runners, technique tutorials and other goodies. Check it out!



[https://www.pinterest.com/southportquilters/\\_saved/](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**

**July 10**

**Sew-a-long beginning 9:30 in the morning, and meeting@ 7:00 pm**

**July 28**

**Kenosha Fair Quilt entry due**

**August 5, Saturday**

**Picnic at Kim Voss's House, 12:00 to 3:00**

**August 16—20**

**Kenosha Co Fair**

**August 22, drop off items for Anderson Art Fair**

**September 11**

**Meeting, St Paul's, @6:00**

**September 10**

**Anderson Art Fair begins**

**Craft Fairs, 2023—Save the Date!**

**October 7 Tremper HS, Kenosha**

**November 4 JI Case, Racine**

**December 9 Gateway Tech, Kenosha**

## Local Craft Fairs, Shows

**July 27, 2023 EAA Quilt Show** from 8:00 am – 4:00 pm

For more info visit [OshkoshQuilters.org](https://www.oshkoshquilters.org)

**June 18, July 16, Aug 20, Sept 17, Oct 15 - Kenosha Art Market**

<https://www.kenoshaartmarket.org/>

**July 26—30, Racine County Fair**

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

**August 3 to August 13—Wisconsin State Fair**

<https://wistatefair.com/fair/general-information/>

**August 16—20, Kenosha County Fair**

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

**September 7—9, Great Wisconsin Quilt Show**

<https://quiltshow.com/>

**Saturday, October 7, 9am - 3pm—Tremper High School Craft Fair-  
Kenosha**

**Saturday, November 4, 9am - 3pm—JI Case High School Craft Fair -  
Racine**

**Saturday, December 9, 2023 Gateway Technical Art Fair**

[https://www.gtc.edu/business-community/additional-information/  
community-events/holiday-gifting-art-fair](https://www.gtc.edu/business-community/additional-information/community-events/holiday-gifting-art-fair)

### July All Day Sew

Our first July meeting will be on the 10th, 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/P6ID\\_4zuLDI](https://youtu.be/P6ID_4zuLDI) "Deb and the Disappearing Nine Patch."



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](mailto:Info@serenityquiltshop.com)

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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



**Sew 'n Save**  
of Racine

**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!



Patchwork Party Live! - Join us live on Facebook!  
6:00P The second Monday of every month!

# 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, Women of the Kenosha Moose Lodge, Southport Quilters Guild and Pleasant Prairie Woman's Club.

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



Comfort 4 A Cause will meet twice a month at the Lord of Life Church, 5601 Washington Rd – Kenosha from 9:30-2:30 on the first Thursday and the last Thursday of the month. Join us for the day or as much time as you can.

***The only requirement is that it must spark Joy***