

# Southport Sampler

April 2023

Hello April!

Have you ever been in a quilting slump? I've found myself in one lately. I read a lot of quilting magazines, view my favorite quilters on Instagram and YouTube, and I've even been to two large quilt shows recently, but I've yet to quilt very much at all in the last few months. I'm inspired, but find it hard to follow through on actual sewing. It's frustrating!

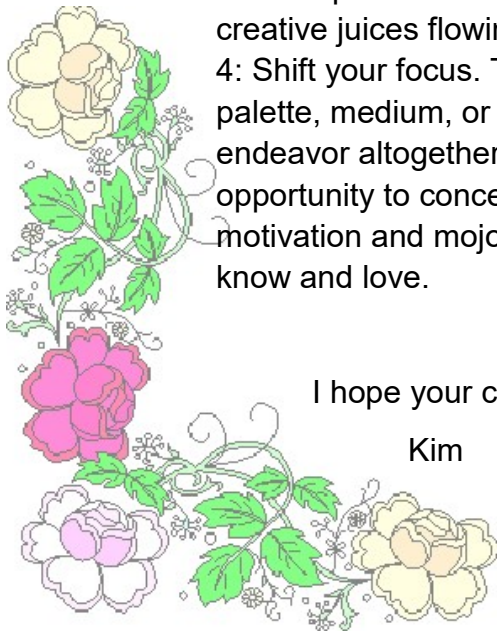
After doing some research, I found some ideas from Court Senior Creative to help get out of a creative slump.

1: Take a break. Creative brains need rest! Set a timeframe to step away from your work and don't feel guilty about it.

2: Assess your state of mind. When it comes to unravelling your creativity, being in the right state of mind is essential. Some of us use creativity as an opportunity to escape negative thoughts while others express their melancholic emotions through art. The key is identifying which state of mind makes you most productive.

3: Seek out inspiration. The artist community is full of inspiration that can help get your creative juices flowing.

4: Shift your focus. Try something else. You could try a completely different color palette, medium, or even subject matter. Or you could take up a new creative endeavor altogether like pottery, photography, woodworking. Giving your brain the opportunity to concentrate on a new task will help stimulate your creative motivation and mojo, while also helping you get back into the flow state, we all know and love.



I hope your creative slumps are short lived! Onward...

Kim



Southport Quilters  
Guild  
P O Box 1523  
Kenosha, WI 53141

## 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



**A big Thank You** to all the Southport Quilters who sewed bags for the recent Cancer de Mama clinic held in LaPenita, Mexico the first weekend of February 2023. The clinic served 460 women who received new breast prothesis, bras, wigs, scarfs, & lymphedema sleeves that were put in the bags you sewed. The women were very grateful for everything they received. The clinic will be held again in 2024 and we will be needing more bags. I will be working in the clinic again next year.



Mucho Gracias, Sandy Riese

**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:

April 3, 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	<b>Organizer needed</b>
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—2022	Peg Malmberg
Raffle Quilt Promotion, 2023	Needed
Raffle Tickets, 2023	Sandy Becker, Tara Zerzanek
Shalom Center	Kitty Plovovich
Spring Banquet—2023	Helen Vigansky

**NEW DIRECTORS, NEW CHAIRPERSONS**

The Nominations committee and I are happy to announce that we have a slate of nominees ready for our April meeting where we will present the ballot and conduct the vote. These are the six positions that are up for renewal and the names of the people:

<b>2nd Vice-President:</b>	Judy Carney	<b>Treasurer:</b>	Carol Rannow
<b>Director/Webmaster:</b>	Donna Makouske	<b>Director/Newsletter:</b>	Renee Riedel
<b>Director:</b>	Judy Blum	<b>Director:</b>	Kristine Pegues

Thanks go to the committee and those willing to serve!  
Kimberly M. Voss

**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.



**April Hosting**

Kathy Basler  
Ann Kay Niesen

Barb Bullock  
Roxie Radmer

Chris Deering  
Linda Werve

Reminder for May 1: Spring Banquet



Our April speaker, Phyllis Fay, is a certified Studio 180 instructor and Tucker University curriculum writer and instructor. She has taught at many quilt shows, including the Great Wisconsin Quilt Show and AQS shows in Dubuque, Grand Rapids, Paducah and Daytona Beach, as well as several local shows. She owns and operates a long arm business, Stitchin' in the Ditch as well as coordinating Saturday Sew and



Quilt Escape events. Phyllis is a retired high school teacher and administrator.

## 2022-23 Raffle Quilt

### Dragonflies and Daffodils

63" X 72"

Designed, pieced and hand appliqued  
by Guild Member Peg Malmberg  
Quilted by Judy Johnson

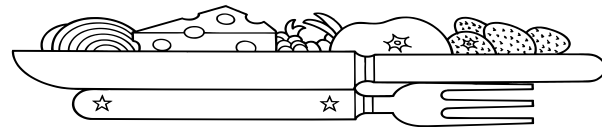


Tickets are still available: 6 for \$5 or \$1 each, pick up yours Donna Makouske. **Drawing April 3, 2023**



### SQG Spring Banquet

Our spring banquet will be held Monday, **May 1**, at St Paul's Lutheran Church. Doors open at 5:30 pm with dinner at 6 pm. The food is being catered by Hometown Meats. The cost per person is \$20. Please see Helen Vigansky at the next meeting for more details.



### DATES TO REMEMBER:

#### **Program Schedule:**

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

#### **April 3**

**Daytime Workshop on Migrating Geese, 1pm to 4pm, \$35 to guild (\$8.25 to presenter at the event)**

**Limit 20, so sign up soon.**

**Speaker: Phyllis Fay on how to use up your stash.**

#### **April 3,**

**Guild meeting on Budget, Voting new**

**directors, awarding raffle quilt; St Paul's Lutheran church. Doors open 5:30, meeting begins 6:00**

#### **May 1**

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

**Tentative Quilt Shows for late 2023**

**October 7, Tremper HS, Elkhart**

**November 4, JI Case HS**

**December, early, Gateway Tech**

## Local Craft Fairs, Shows

### **Terrific Triangles**

**April 1, 2 2023;** Saturday 9-5 Sunday 10-4

Crazy Quilters Guilds 34th Annual Quilt show at Park View Middle School,  
Rochester St, Mukwonago, WI Entry \$7 1 day/ \$10 2 days

**April 6, Antioch, IL:** Workshop "Solids and Prints, Using fabric on your shelves.  
Antioch Township Center, Grass Lake Road, Lake Villa, IL 60046  
Contact Jean Wetherbee [jeanne266@gmail.com](mailto:jeanne266@gmail.com)

### **April 15 & 16, Manitowoc WI Quilt Show**

"Quilts from the Heart: Celebrating 30 Years of Quilting!" Hosted by Manitowoc's  
quilt guild, A Patch of Lakeshore Quilters

**April 29th,** Southport Guild Open Sew at Northside Library, 9:30 – 4

ALL ARE WELCOME! Come and work on your current UFO and socialize with like-  
minded sewists. Maybe even get some help if you're stuck!

**April 29-30** Jeremiah's Crossing, Nekoosa WI - quilt show entry due April 1st  
<https://www.jeremiahs Crossing.org/events-fundraising/the-mane-quilt-show>

**July 27, 8:00 am – 4:00 pm**

**2023 EAA Quilt Show,** For more info visit [OshkoshQuilters.org](http://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/>

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](mailto: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](mailto: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***