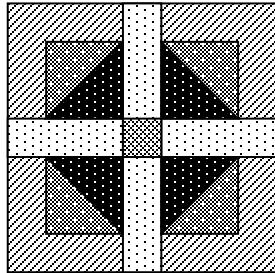

COUNTRY CROSSROADS

QUILT GUILD



FORRESTON, ILLINOIS

<i>President</i>	<i>Shelly Holverson</i>	<i>297-2381</i>
<i>Vice President</i>	<i>Chyree Rohde-Lincoln</i>	<i>275-2759</i>
<i>Secretary</i>	<i>Susan Murges</i>	<i>690-7114</i>
<i>Treasurer</i>	<i>Fran Kaminski</i>	<i>732-6655</i>
<i>Program</i>	<i>Ann Tully</i>	<i>238-2218</i>
<i>Program</i>	<i>Dawn Vehmeier</i>	<i>291-4592</i>
<i>Warm Ups</i>		
<i>Warm Ups</i>		
<i>Publicity</i>	<i>Ruth Whitney</i>	<i>262-0740</i>
<i>Newsletter</i>	<i>Mary Meier</i>	<i>908-0300</i>
<i>Mail to:</i>	<i>nmeier816@yahoo.com</i>	

Our website: countrycrossroadsquiltguild.com

Webmaster: countrycrossroadsquiltguild@gmail.com

MEETING DATE JUNE 19, 2023

Volume 30, No. 6

Jan.-Nov., Third Monday, 7 pm

June 2023

Forreston Grove Church, Freeport Rd., Forreston, IL

THE PRESIDENT'S PIECE

Helloooo quilters! Summer is finally here! And so are the bugs, yuk! Bugs are the main reason I don't "do" outside. I don't plant flowers; I don't have a garden. That's my hubby's passion, and I'm ok with that. My passion is sewing, duh. I'd rather be in my sewing room than any other place! No one steps foot in my sewing room. If they did, they'd be tripping over UFOs and Fabric (fire trap). I always have something in the works. I know where everything is, most of the time. I've completed 3 graduation quilts and a memorial t-shirt blanket. With those off my plate, maybe I'll make my sister a quilt

since she's the only family member I haven't made one for. Sorry sista.

"When life gives you scrap, make a quilt."

Shelly Holverson

COUNTRY CROSSROADS QUILT GUILD

Meeting Minutes

May 15, 2023

Program: To the delight of everyone, "There's a Magic Quilt up in the Sky" was sung by 'Lil Rev during his program in May.

The regular meeting was called to order after refreshments, which were prepared by Rhonda

Streich, Ann Tully, Donna Saxby, and Dawn Vehmeier.

Guests were introduced: Pam Surmo, Linda Egeland, Marilyn Lamoreux, Janie Dollinger, Sue Sturtevant, Alice Brooks, Laura Mahlkuch; Glenn Schneiderman, Lisa Schneiderman, Diana Vering, and Connie Winkquist,

New member, Laura Zimmerman.

Secretary's Report was approved with no corrections. Kathy Clark made the motion to accept the minutes and Shauna Heck seconded it.

Treasurer's Report was approved as presented in the newsletter.

Historian Kathy Clark had no report.

Bee Nina Mueller gave a brief run down on how everyone was doing. All are welcome to join.

Community Project Donna Saxby reported 73 walker bags and quilts had been made and donated by guild members for nursing homes. The large quilts for single size beds will go to Voices.

Programs Dawn Vehmeier gave a brief run down on June's program to be presented by Jill Shaulis. Table runner "Barn Swallows," is a paper piecing adventure!

July's program is "Morningstar Workshop" and a Studio 180 Wedge Star tool and the pattern is required.

August's program brings a delightful project--a painted Garden Post will be taught by Karen Hilliard. Sign up is required so that a post will be available for everyone. The fee of \$38 covers everything, but registration must be made 3-4 weeks ahead of the workshop day, August 21.

Ann Tully's mantra has always been "Quilters are the nicest so we need to gather them." She gave prizes to Carol Bellows, Donna Saxby, and Sue Ramage for their "gathering" of new members.

Shelly read the warm note from Barb Gaertner as she prepares to depart for Texas.

No one has volunteered yet to organize Warm-Ups, but Programs will be run by Shelly Holverson and Karen Bolen.

The motion was made at 9:05 by Beth Kalbfus and seconded by Sandy Sheely to close the business meeting but proceed with Show and Tell.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Murges, Secretary

Welcome New Member:

Laura Zimmerman

JUNE WORKSHOP/PROGRAM

This month, we welcome local fabric and quilt designer Jill Shaulis, from Yellow Creek Quilt Designs in Pearl City. Jill will present "Stephenson County and Beyond!" introducing us to her latest fabric line entitled Stephenson County (by Robert Kaufman – released October 2022). Her trunk show will include new patterns based on Stephenson County landmarks as well as designs from her latest book and other popular "new" things. Jill will be leading an all-day workshop teaching us how to make a paper-pieced Barn Swallow table runner. Cost of the workshop is \$45 payable to the guild. Jill will have the pattern and foundations available for \$10 or if you prefer, she will also have a kit available using her new fabric line (see picture). Kit 1 includes pattern, foundation, and fabric (including binding) for \$41.50 OR Kit 2 includes everything from Kit 1 PLUS backing for \$48.70. If you'd like to participate, please be sure to let Dawn Vehmeier know at 815-291-4592 or sheepish81@gmail.com BEFORE Monday, June 12. If you have already signed up and requested a kit and want to get a head-start on cutting prior to the class, just visit Jill's shop (Th-Sat) and tell her that you are part of our class and she will give you the kit

ahead of time. Cutting instructions are included as a separate attachment to this newsletter.



Based on the positive feedback we received on our lunchtime potluck, we will do it again this month. If your last name begins with A-H please bring a salad, I-P please bring a dessert, and Q-Z bring a main dish. We will plan to go out for supper.

JULY WORKSHOP/PROGRAM

Coming up in July, Phyllis Fay returns for a day focused on using your stash. Her full-day workshop encourages you to dig out your scraps or pull from your stash to create a beautiful scrappy quilt entitled Morning Star. At the same time, you'll learn how to use the Studio 180 Design Wedge Star tool. Phyllis will also share some of her designs using the Wedge Star tool to inspire you to continue to play with the design options. Cost for the workshop is \$30. Bring your Studio 180 Design Wedge Star tool or purchase one from Phyllis (\$45.50). She will also have the Morning Star Pattern available for \$12.40.

Phyllis' evening program will feature a humorous lecture on how she uses her stash. She will make you think twice about what you already have and how you can use it to make several scrap quilts. She will provide a trunk show of just a few dozen of her scrappy quilts along with a few suggestions on how you hold yourself accountable to use your scraps and stash in the future.

And finally, we have already started the sign-up process for our all-day August workshop on Painted Garden Posts. There is significant lead time for our teacher, Karen



Hilliard, to treat and prepare the posts for our painting so please get your name on the list ASAP. She assures me that even those of us without drawing and painting talent can complete a beautiful garden post with the use of stencils. Cost for the class is \$38. Please contact Dawn to sign up for any of the upcoming workshops.



Dawn Vehmeier

Treasurer's Report May 2023

WARM UPS

We are in need of two people (Warm Up Chair) who will arrange to have warm ups for each meeting. These two individuals would then be Program Chairs for our 2024 programs. If you have any questions, please contact any of the officers.

BEE KEEPERS

Come join the hive and bee a sew-bee. We start buzzing at 10 a.m. and buzz till 5 or so. Swarm with us for any or all of the day. Work on your choice.

Kay Walker, Bee Keeper

CHARITY PROJECT

Keep working on the couch/snuggle quilts for both genders. Approximately 48 x 60 or use your judgment. Also needed 12 twin size quilts. Eventually, we'd like 24 total for Voices. They can always use more. We will do our best. Thank you all.

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

Kathy Clark	1
Kathy Aubin	10
Joyce Winnekins	20

JUNE REFRESHMENTS

Kathy Clark
Pat Farraday
Beth Kalbfus
Kathy Pederson

Meeting Reminders:

Please wear name tag
Bring show and tell

General Notes and Reminders

Refreshments: There are two containers in the back room of the church that contain paper supplies for refreshments and other guild items. These supplies have been purchased by the guild and are intended for this use. Please check this container before you purchase any new paper products.

And:

The church has asked that we put away the tables and chairs that we take out of the back room for our meetings. Anyone who could stay a few extra minutes after the meetings to help do this would be greatly appreciated.

Also: We need to keep the kitchen clean, so please clean up after yourself. The refreshment committee is supposed to take the garbage out to the dumpster after the meeting, so please make sure you've tossed your trash before then.

Boutique:

At each meeting, we will set up a table to hold any quilt related boutique items you wish to sell or give away. Have the price clearly marked and put your name on everything so that the buyer can pay you (it sometimes helps to have an envelope with your name on it to put the money in).