



Piece Talk

*Old Tippecanoe Quilt Guild
Lafayette-West Lafayette, Indiana*

April 2022

Morning Meeting to Start Up Again!

If you are interested in taking on a leadership role, please let Andrea Schmidt know. More information in days to come.

SCHEDULE OF GUILD PROGRAMS

May 3 Anatomy of an Improv Quilt with Cindy Grisdela

Have you ever wondered how to create a quilt without a pattern? Where do you start? How do you know when it's finished? Author and award-winning artist Cindy Grisdela will share her tips and tricks in this entertaining lecture about the process for working improvisationally from start to finish. Location: Zoom, 7:00 pm

June 7 Orphan Quilts

Lois Levihn, owner of Born Again Quilts Shop, feels sorry for quilts that are looked upon with disfavor because they are not in perfect condition. She has the patience and talent to take them back to their former glory. Bring any quilt that you would like to restore or repair, and Lois will incorporate your "autopsies" in her program. Location: Fresh Thyme Community Room, 7:00 pm.

June 8 Quilt Restoration Workshop from 9:00 – 12:00 a.m. with Lois Levihn. Charge is \$25.00, and there is a limit of 12 people. Location: The Arts Federation Building.

July 5 Long-arm Quilters' Advice for Machine Quilting

We will have a panel of long-armers to give us a few hints on producing quilt tops by machine. Discussion will be on how to prepare your quilt and problems that may arise. Bring your questions. Location: Fresh Thyme community room, 7:00 pm.

SPECIAL EVENTS

March 5 - June 5, 2022 Visit the Peoria Riverfront Museum to see "Uncovered: Ken Burns Quilt Collection, on loan from Ken Burns, the award-winning documentary filmmaker. The collection showcases 26 quilts from the 1850s to 1940s. Plan your visit at Riverfrontmuseum.org. Peoria Riverfront Museum, 222 SW Washington St, Peoria, IL 61602, Phone: 309.686.7000

Sept. 8-10, 2022 The Great Wisconsin Quilt Show. Exhibition Hall at the Alliant Energy Center, 1919 Alliance Energy Center Way, Madison, Wisconsin. Visit the website at quiltshow.com.



2022 Quilt Challenge



Theme – A Day in the Life of Sunbonnet Sue

Sue and her friends, like Overall Bill, have been known by many names. She, along with her pets and friends, have been depicted working, playing, going to school, vacationing, enjoying the holidays, and sometimes getting into trouble. Let your imagination place Sue and possibly a few friends and/or a pet on a quilt square and stitch them up to display.

Each OTQG Member is eligible to enter one quilt for the challenge. Any technique can be used such as piecework, applique, photo transfer, embroidery, collage, etc. Your imagination is your guide. Quilt must have 3 layers (backing, batting, top) held together with quilting or tying. Quilt should have a finished edge: either a binding or a facing. Quilt should be a maximum size of 24 x 24 inches. Quilts can be smaller but no less than 12 inches square. The quilt needs a sleeve for hanging and a label on the back.

Quilts need to be finished by the day of the quilt show, but the quilter needs to fill out a registration form when it becomes available. This will allow us to plan the display.

Quilt Show Primer

Our next quilt show is coming up **September 17, 2022**, at **Central Presbyterian Church**. Let's review what members can do to help make our show a success.

--**Make quilts!!** No quilts = no show! We hang all members' quilts and like to have something from everyone if possible. All quilts need a sleeve at least 3" wide attached to the back by sewing or pinning. We have less space than in past shows and may not be able to show all the quilts you

want to show. We are working on some other ways to show all these beautiful quilts. If you have done a challenge quilt, a temperature quilt or guild Block of the Month, these will be hung.

--**Sell tickets** to our raffle quilt-this can be a big moneymaker for us, but we need all members to sell! See the quilt at the January meeting! Tickets will be available soon.

--**Work on a committee for the show.** Here is rundown of what you can do. Some jobs are day-of-show jobs, and some last a little longer. ALL members' help is needed for a successful show!

- Plan to help set up the show and take it down-we need lots of help for this!!
- Raffle Quilt-volunteers to sell tickets at the show.
- Publicity- This committee sends notices to nearby guilds, quilt magazines, quilting websites, and quilt shops. They also produce a poster to distribute and anything else they think will promote the show. Contacts with the newspapers and TV and radio stations are desirable as well. **NEED A CHAIRPERSON!**
- Vendor Mall- Needed are people to help at set up and during the show, acting as helpers and hostesses for the vendors.
- Hospitality- Volunteer to be a white glove hostess.
- Quilt Registration- Help register the quilts during set up and return the quilts at takedown.
- Admissions- Volunteer to staff the admission tables the day of the show. **NEED A CHAIRPERSON!**

Trading Post- Donate your extra fabric, patterns, books, sewing related treasures. This is a very successful part of the show. Help set up the Trading Post the night before the show or staff the checkout table during the show. Diane Stott has volunteered to take charge of the Trading Post. Thank you, Diane! She will take donations ahead of time.

Sign-up sheets will be available starting in April. Save the date of September 16-17, 2022 to help make this the best show yet! Contact Andrea Schmidt, 449-4123, with questions or to volunteer.

SERVICE PROJECTS

Quilts for Kids

In 2021, Quilts for Kids delivered 1690 quilts, 748 pillowcases, 110 burp cloths, 93 fleece throws, 12 bibs, and 9 stockings to children in hospitals, child services, disaster situations, and anywhere else children were in need.

What you can do: Quilts can be baby size to twin-size. Pillowcases are also accepted. They prefer that the quilts are finished. Machine quilting and machine binding are required. Contact person: Barbara Tourney, 765-414-1432, Btourney1@gmail.com, www.quiltsforkids.org. Meets second Saturdays at Christ United Methodist Church, 3610 S. 18th Street.

YWCA Domestic Abuse Shelter

We make quilts of varying sizes for the shelter to give to families when they leave.

What you can do: donate tops we can finish, donate finished quilts, donate batting or fabric, or come help on workdays to layer, turn, tie, or machine quilt, bind, and label the quilts. The guild donates batting for these quilts. Size: at least 35x50 inches. Currently not meeting in person, but tops, quilts, and donated supplies can be dropped off to Andrea. We need backings! Contact person: Andrea Schmidt, 765-449-4123.

andrea_schmidt_220@comcast.net.

NICU Quilts

We make 30-36" square quilts for babies in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU) at both area hospitals. These quilts are any pattern and backed with flannel. We also make yarn hats for preemies.

What you can do: donate finished quilts or tops, donate flannel, or come to help make the quilts. The guild donates batting for these quilts.

Size: 30" square to 36" square. Flannel backing. No invisible thread. Binding must be machine stitched down; no handwork.

Workdays: First and third Mondays at Immanuel United Church of Christ, 1526 S. 18th Street, Lafayette, 9:30 am to 2:00 pm. Contact person: Carol Baker, 765-413-8954.

Quilts of Valor (QOV)

This is a national program. Quilters make lap quilts in patriotic colors to be given to military veterans in recognition of their service.

What you can do: Make a quilt using red, white, and blue fabrics in any pattern and style. No florals, please. Preferred size is 60x72", but smaller quilts are considered. Give the quilt to the guild for distribution or donate it yourself to a friend or family member. If you donate it yourself, please let the QOV coordinator know. The guild donates batting for these quilts. Contact person: Vicki Schmidt, 765-491-2150.

vicki.schmidt50@gmail.com.

Cat Bags

We make pillowcase-sized bags to hold scraps of fabric and batting that make cozy beds for cats. We give them to various cat rescue organizations to use in their cat cages. They also give to the beds to the new owners when the cats are adopted.

What you can do: Make a bag out of any non-double-knit fabric, 18-20" wide to 24-28" long. Fill it with scraps until it is about three quarters full, then sew it shut. Bring it to any meeting, and it will be donated, or take it to the shelter or vet's office and report to the guild. Contact person: Andrea Schmidt, 765-449-4123.

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Quilters United

Makes quilts for children in need.

What you can do: Quilts can be baby size to twin-size. Pillowcases are also accepted. They prefer that the quilts are finished. Machine quilting and machine binding are required. Contact person: Cathy Case, 765-337-6454. Meets second Saturdays at Bethany Presbyterian Church.

QUILT GUILD MEMBERS WITH LONG ARM QUILTING BUSINESSES

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BATTING

Did you know that the Guild sells batting? We can order single packages of Quilter's Dream Batting if you would like to purchase some for personal use through the guild. Call Andrea Schmidt at 765-449-4123 or email the guild address (oldtippecanoequiltguild@gmail.com) for purchase! If you are making a quilt for the Women's Shelter, NICU, or Quilts of Valor, Low Loft batting is free

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