



Around the Quilt Patch

From the President

Greetings to you all and Happy New Year!



Can you believe that we are almost ¼ of the way into the new millennium? As we say goodbye to 2022, we can't help but remember all of the new friendships we have made and the relationships where we had to say goodbye. This is a new year and we are pressing on towards new goals, new beginnings, and of course new projects. By now you have cleaned up that stash and are looking for just that right piece!

There will be some interesting programs coming up this year and a few changes. Stay tuned to the newsletter and the website for those. Our website has a host of information, please take time to look it over. Our Facebook page has a new administrator, Maureen Peterson. We welcome her as a new member and look forward to her direction on Facebook. Thank you to Rebecca Turner for starting Facebook and keeping us informed during covid shutdown and beyond. We will miss you, Rebecca.

Did you know there are still some openings for retreats? Please contact Cheryl Navarre to sign up. What better way to get a project done without family interruptions and mingle with new people of the same interests. Besides, you can sew until wee hours of the night/morning and there is no judgment.

We have a request of you members. Is there anyone that may have an iPad or some kind of device that we can purchase from you to accommodate credit card purchases. When we sell items for the Guild, quite a few people nowadays only use debit/credit cards. We are trying to bring our sales system up to date. We

would greatly appreciate any help you or someone you know could give us on this.

I truly hope you all are enjoying the Guild meetings and getting the most out of our programs as possible. If you have any ideas that could streamline something or be of interest to our group, please see Dawn Fowler who is the Director at Large. She wants to hear compliments and complaints be it ever so small.

I know I have said this before, but I really enjoy being your President. Nothing gets old when you work with such wonderful, creative people as you all. Please take time for yourself and each other.

Sew on,
Bev Smith
President



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Coming
events

January 30, 2023

Guild Meeting: “Getting Your Pieced Quilt Top Ready for the Longarm”

Workshop: None

February 27, 2023

Guild Meeting: “Bring Your Favorite Quilting/Sewing Notion/Tip/Trick”

Workshop: None

March 27, 2023

Guild Meeting: “Why We Quilt”

Workshop (Tuesday, March 28, 2023):
“Paper Piecing The New York Beauty Block”
Nancy Roelfsema (See Page ___)



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Guild Meetings are normally the last Monday of the month and are held at:

Ella Sharp Museum
3225 Fourth Street, Jackson MI

Demonstrations begin at 6:15 pm
Meetings begin at 7:00 pm

Upcoming Programs and Workshops

I can't believe its 2023 already!! Time sure is flying. We have some exciting programs for you. In January some of our Guild Long Armers will be talking to us about getting your pieced quilt top ready to be quilted by a long arm machine.

In February we would like you to bring your favorite quilting/sewing notion/tip/trick that you can't imagine not having or knowing about. Depending on what it is, show it to us, tell or show us how to use and tell why it's your favorite.

In March Nancy Roelfsema will be doing a trunk show entitled "Why We Quilt." She will also be doing a workshop on paper piecing The New York Beauty block. This is her most popular quilting class –



every student leaves satisfied with their results. You will learn Nancy's unique paper piecing technique to get super sharp points for your block. You will also learn piecing curves to finish the blocks. During the class you should be able to finish 2-4 blocks. Nancy has a YouTube channel, OnPoint-TV and Quilting with Nancy, which has 56,000 subscribers at this time and a lot of great videos and interesting projects. Check it out!

In April we will have our Challenge Reveal. Have you completed your project or are you like me, and haven't started yet?

In May Sue Cortese will be here to talk to us about Quilt Judging. She will talk about show organizing, categories, commenter sheets, the judging process and the qualities of prize-winning quilts. She will also bring along some of her prize-winning quilts.

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Vernita Dailey is an avid quilter, teacher, lecturer and quilt designer in the Lansing area. She will be here in June to talk to us about her love of sewing, specifically the 3 B's - borders, bindings and battings. Vernita will also be holding a workshop on Foundation Paper Piecing Tips and Tricks.



In July our very talented Guild Member Jan Roys will be doing a trunk show entitled "A Walk Through My Quilting Journey".

We will be having a Vintage Machine Show and Tell in August. Bring in your vintage sewing machine to let us look at (and maybe let us play with it) and tell us about it.

Rita Parsons
Vice President



Retreat Information

Shout out for retreat dates for 2023!

We are still enjoying the Artistry on Evans location in Tecumseh!

Friday, Saturday & Sunday. \$180
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February 24, 25, 26: six (6) openings
April 14, 15, 16 : eight (8) openings
August 11, 12, 13: seven(7) openings

Just give me a call at 750-1933 to mark your spot!
Looking forward to having a great time with quilting friends!

Cheryl Navarre ☐

Open Sew Days

We will be having Open Sew Days again this year on a regular basis!! Open Sew Day will be the second Tuesday of every month and will be from 10:00am until 4:00pm. It will be at the Toy House Community Room located in Christoff's Floor Covering, 400 N. Mechanic Street in Jackson. This is a great room for sewing. It has lots of windows with great lighting and an outside entry door with a loading zone for easy unloading and loading.

We will try and have charity projects available to work on or you can bring your own project(s). Please try and join us. You don't have to come for the whole day, drop in for as long as your schedule allows. It really is fun and a great way to get to know your fellow Guild members.

Please make sure you are a member of the Members Only Pieces and Patches Quilt Guild Facebook group and that we have your correct email address. I will be

sending out event invitations via Facebook and reminders via email.

Please contact me with any questions.

Rita Parsons
Vice President ☐

Thank You

I would to thank Celia Moffit, and her daughters Rayette Ruoff, Pamela Reinker and Ellen Walker for tying and adding a note on all of the Fat Quarters that we had for the Fat Quarter Café, during the October Quilt Show! They tied close to 200 Fat Quarters for us! Thank you so much, it was very much appreciated!

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Zoom Open Sew Day

In an effort to provide more small group activities for Guild members we are going to try a few different activities to determine the interest. One activity coming up will be an open sew day via Zoom for those who can't make the in-person, second Tuesday, Open Sew Days at Christoff's.

This first effort at a Zoom Open Sew Day will be on Saturday, February 18, 2023 from 9:00 AM to 12:00 Noon. This will be a chance to visit while we are working on our own projects so we will be moving around, doing an informal show and tell and just enjoying each other's company. We could even sew in our jammies with your favorite cup of coffee!

I will email the Zoom ID and Passcode on Friday, February 17th to all our members. We hope you can join us for this casual get-together to share quilting ideas, provide motivation for finishing all those UFO's and tell us about your latest tips and tricks for completing our projects.

See you on the February 18th on Zoom.

Karen Prater, Communications Director ☐

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Pieces and Patches Challenge

Have you started your Log Cabin Block Quilt Challenge? The reveal will happen at our April Guild meeting. The cost is \$5 with the top 5 receiving a cash award! The top 8 will be submitted to AQS 2024 Quilt Show in Grand Rapids for The Ultimate Guild Challenge.

You may use any variation of the log cabin block, any color, any size log cabin block. The finished quilt must measure 30" x 30". The possibilities are endless! Join in on the fun, and let me know if you have any questions.

Angie Townsend ☐

Nominations For New Board Members

It is that time of year again when we need to start thinking about nominating Guild members to serve on the Executive Board starting September 1, 2023. At this point we know that the following positions are available:

1. President
2. Vice-President/and/or Program Director
3. ~~Program Chairperson~~
4. Communications Director
5. Demonstrations Coordinator
6. Quilt Show Co-Chairperson

As you can see, we have some very important positions to fill. We hope that you and/or your Guild member friends will step up to help keep our Guild running smoothly. Please call one of our Board members if you have questions about the job

responsibilities for these positions and are considering possibly giving back to the Guild by serving on the Board. It is an excellent way to get to know and work together with your fellow Guild members.

Thank you,

Karen Prater
 Communications Director ☐

Program and Workshop Ideas

Is there a program or topic you are interested in learning about? A new (or old) technique you would like to learn? A few Guild members are working with me to develop the programs and workshops for the 2023-24 year and we would love your input. If you have a person or topic that you feel would be of interest for an upcoming program or workshop, please let me know.

Rita Parsons
 Vice President ☐



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New Facebook Administrator

We would like to extend a very warm welcome to our newest Board member, Maureen Peterson. She has agreed to become the new Facebook Administrator for the Guild. We extend our appreciation and thanks to Rebecca Turner for the time and effort she gave to the Guild in her efforts to create the original Guild Facebook page and then to expand to our very popular Members Only Page group. We appreciate her efforts to give us an opportunity to share photos of our projects, ask questions and comment on new techniques within our own Members Only Facebook group.



To help us get to know Maureen, she has provided the following information about herself:

“I began sewing in Home Economics class in high school, 1989ish. I remember helping to fix and finish

all the projects for my friends because I could get my own done so quickly! I’ve continued to learn and evolve my skills over the years which has led me to quilting.”

Maureen indicated her favorite type of quilting is making quilts with modern style quilt patterns. She says, the main type of quilting that I do is t-shirt/memory quilts. I’ve always got one or two in the works and waiting for a list of future projects. I am also known for using Crown Royal bags for projects like hats, pants, and quilts.”

Maureen indicated Her long arm quilter resource was sick as was her husband. Since Maureen did not know any other long armers, she decided it was time to branch out and meet other people in the local quilting community.

Maureen’s favorite thing about our Guild is the “willingness to share among members. Whether it is sharing knowledge or show and tell at the meetings, I love the sharing.”

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Maureen says she is becoming a board member because Rebecca Turner asked if she would be interested in taking over the management of the Facebook page and Members Only Group. “It seemed like a logical transition, so I agreed.” Small detail – she didn’t realize this was an official board position!

To the question – What is your favorite quilting tool, Maureen says, “ I am a sucker for rulers – all shapes and sizes!” And her favorite quilting tip is to trim loose threads as you go.

We are very excited to have Maureen join our Board and to share her knowledge and expertise to help our Guild to keep getting bigger and better. We also want to extend our sincere appreciation to Rebecca for the wonderful job she has done to bring us this far in our tech related Facebook journey. We are also very pleased she will be able to stay on as a valued member of our Guild.

Karen Prater
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Copyright Question for Quilters

Last night at my November guild meeting, after much planning, work, and anticipation, we drew the winner for our annual raffle quilt. The money raised by the raffle is partly donated to the church where we meet and used for guild programs and projects throughout the year. After the winner was drawn, we had a discussion about next year's raffle quilt project. The 2022 raffle quilt organizer explained what she had done and suggested a time frame for next year's project. Others added their thoughts to the discussion, too. When the discussion turned to ideas about selecting a pattern for next year's raffle quilt, I naturally raised my hand and said that when we selected a pattern, we needed to check out the copyright information.

Suddenly I felt like the ugly stepsister or an alien from outer space! My comment was met with a lot of confusion and perhaps even some chagrin. Only a few people nodded in support. I was floored. Copyright is such a hot topic in quilting and has been for years that



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even popular quilt magazines address copyright and quilting from time to time.

I explained that we should contact the designer of the selected pattern to seek permission to use their pattern to make our raffle quilt. Of course, most designers would probably have zero issues with such a request and would gladly provide their permission. Maybe they'd request a photo of the completed raffle quilt, but most designers would just be pleased that we took the time to ask.

As a quilt designer, I would be. If I was asked.

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One of the members indicated the magazine in front of her and suggested using a “free” pattern in a magazine. I said that patterns in magazines aren’t really free because someone *paid* for that magazine. And magazines are protected by copyright laws, too.

I stewed about the discussion all last night after the meeting — even hashing it over with my pals on the way home. When I got home, I talked about it with my family, too.

The subject of copyright and quilting was really weighing on my mind so I decided it was important enough to bring up here on the Villa Rosa blog.

What exactly is copyright?

The Copyright Office of the United States on their website, www.copyright.gov, has a section with frequently asked questions, and defines copyright as follows:

Copyright is a form of protection grounded in the U.S. Constitution and granted by law for original works of authorship fixed in a tangible medium of expression. Copyright covers both published and unpublished works.

So, what exactly is the copyright question?

Actually, it’s a lot more than a single question, it’s a heap of different questions, a lot of conflicting information, and a ton of confusion. But before I get into the topic more deeply, I’d like to tell you about a few of the situations I have personally encountered over the years with copyright issues.

1. One time I was teaching a machine quilting class at one of my local quilt shops. I had designed an original yet simple table runner for the class and provided written instructions to those who registered and paid for the class. As the class was for machine quilting, the students were to make the table runner prior to class so we could work on machine quilting the runner during the class.

While I was teaching, a couple of ladies who I knew from the quilt guild I belonged to at the time (not the one I belong to currently) came into the classroom. One of the women commented on my class sample, which was hung on the wall in the classroom area along with a poster with my class information and dates. I thanked her and said if she was interested, she could sign up for the class and would receive the instructions for my table runner. She literally scoffed at me and said she could just take a photo of it and go home and make it herself. I was shocked — so incredibly shocked I couldn’t even say anything. *What do you think — is this okay?*

2. Last year I found a table runner from one of my Villa Rosa Designs Rose Card patterns for sale on Etsy. The maker/seller took the time to list the name of my pattern and my name as the designer. *I have to assume she purchased the table runner pattern at some point, but is it okay for her to make money using my pattern?*
3. Recently, I read a comment from someone who said they couldn’t find our VRD Rose Cards in their local area and they don’t want to purchase them online so they made their own version of VRD quilts by copying the quilts in pictures on the Internet. *Is this okay?*

Every time a copyright issue pops up, I think of my friend and mentor, Cheryl Weiderspahn. Cheryl is the one who started me on the road as a quilting professional by introducing me to her book editor many many years ago. Without Cheryl’s help and patience, I would never have gotten where I am today.

Before she retired, Cheryl owned a pattern company, and on her website, she had an article about copyright. With her permission, I am sharing her article in its entirety. Please go to <https://villarosaquilts.com/2022/11/17/the-copyright-question-for-quilters> to read the article.

Why does copyright have to be so dang confusing?

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Hmmmm. Maybe there isn't really a single answer or a single way to interpret copyright law at all??? That's an interesting question, isn't it? But I don't have the answer — I am a designer, not a lawyer.

It's funny but while I was writing this post and looking up information, I kept thinking about the Golden Rule. Remember that one from your childhood?

Do unto others as you would have done to you.

Tricia Maloney @VRD

NOTE: Guild meetings at the Ella Sharp Museum will be cancelled on any day the Jackson School District cancels its evening events for that day.



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