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Greetings fellow i-sew-lationists

The origins of the phrase “May you live in interesting times” are uncertain but have always been taken as a curse rather than something positive. We certainly are living in interesting times. As everything around the world is changing daily, if not hourly, the board has had to make some hard decisions.

- 1) The Congregational Church where we meet has closed for the time being and its reopening date is undecided. Unfortunately, that meant we needed to cancel our March meeting and workshops. With the stay in place order extended for another 30 days, our April business meeting is also cancelled.
- 2) Chris M. is in charge of getting information out to those of you with computers about voting for the new board members through Survey Monkey. Those without computers will get a ballot to mail in. We will postpone voting on the budget until it can be presented to you at a future meeting.

- 3) With the decreasing chance the stay in shelter order would be over by then, we have cancelled the May banquet, speaker, and workshops. Some have asked Barb G. to destroy their checks and that has been done. Those who gave her cash have the option of getting a refund check or applying the money to their 2020-2021 dues. Those refunds are in process.
- 4) The June meeting has been cancelled. Robin Pickens, who was to be the speaker and workshop leader, will be rescheduled to come in 2021.
- 5) As of right now, the July meeting is still scheduled. Timna Tarr is to be the speaker and workshop leader.
- 6) Many of you have paid for workshops that have now been cancelled. Rather than burden Alyssa with mailing out so many checks, we are asking that you allow us to credit the money toward a future workshop. If you want your money refunded,

- 7) please contact Chris Berry. She will verify the amount and have Alyssa send you a check.
- 7) Thanks to Chris M., your dues for 2020-2021 can now be paid on line. Many of you often paid at the banquet. Please take time to do that now by following this link: psqg.org/membership.
- 8) Please keep in mind that July 31 is the deadline for entering quilts in the show and you must have renewed your membership by then. At this time we are still planning to go ahead with the show as scheduled, so continue to collect items and make beautiful things for the boutique.
- 9) A huge THANK YOU to so many of you who have helped out by sewing face masks and sharing supplies for local communities.

Upcoming Guild Meetings:

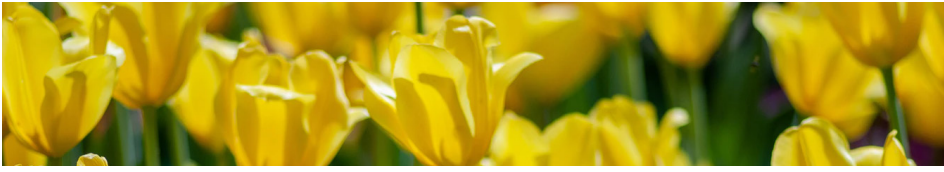
**ALL MEETINGS CANCELLED
UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE**

All meetings at Congregational United Church of Christ unless otherwise noted.

*Congregational United Church of Christ
40W451 Fox Mill Blvd., St. Charles, IL*

Next Newsletter Deadline:

Thursday, May 7, 2020. We will keep you updated!
Send info to Melanie Murphy at mgmwriter@gmail.com.



2020 Quilt Show News

At this time, the show will go on! We will have to make a decision about how the format may change sometime this summer.

I-sew-lation time is a great time to work on your challenge quilts, display quilts and judged quilts. The [entry forms](#) are on the website under the quilt show section.

We are a little afraid that we will be overwhelmed with scraps, books, etc. when the “flood gates” open and we’re able to meet again. Watch for details on the guild Facebook page, the website, and in the newsletter. If restrictions allow, we are thinking about some drop-off times even if we aren’t having meetings. We are trying to balance the flow of items and keeping everyone safe.

Boutique

No Fooling...we are looking forward to seeing your I-Sew-Lation sewing boutique projects. We all are spending a great deal of time sheltering at home, and not just because of the inevitable April showers! Hopefully you are sheltering in your sewing suite or at your dining room table with your favorite sewing machine. We urge you to use some of this special time to make some gorgeous things for the Boutique. Stay creative and pull out and make something with your gorgeous stash so quilt fabric shopping will be even more sweet when we are able to go playing and petting fabric at our favorite stores again. Though we are not meeting in April, we look forward to seeing all your goodies when we can get back together. Keep creative, stay healthy, and have sew much fun!

Challenge Quilts

Continue to work on them. The [rules](#) are available on our website. We will take “official” payment and sign-ups when we meet again.

Door Gifts

We’re all set, thank you!

Opportunity Quilt

We are looking in to a way to sell tickets online. Be on the lookout for more information.

Quilty Resale

With the “Shelter at Home” order in place, this is a good time to go through your bookshelves and patterns to find those that really don’t speak to you any longer. I would like to encourage you to donate your books of any age and any and all patterns for our guild to resell at our quilt show. We do not have enough of either at this point.

I am also interested in collecting the clementine wooden crates for displaying the patterns. Please bring these along with your quilty donations to our next meeting.

Raffle Baskets

We will place a hold on these items for now.

Thank you for all the great contributions! You have all been very generous.

Scraps

We know you’re out there practicing sew-cial isolation and sorting through your fabric stash deciding what to donate to the quilt show. Please hang on to your donations for now. We don’t want to violate the stay at home orders to collect the fabric. Once we’re able to have meetings again, we will take your donations.

The Scrap Committee

Youth Blocks

The [form is available](#) on the website.

If you have questions about the blocks, please contact Barbara Carlson: rncmst6@gmail.com.

May Birthdays

Sharron Evans	5/01
Melinda VanDril-Ber	5/01
Susan Akre	5/02
Rita Gilbert	5/02
Edith Gourd (Trudgeon)	5/03
Vicky E. Moon	5/08
Liz Wilson	5/09
Connie Gaston	5/10
Debbie Long	5/10
Ruth Marsh.....	5/10
Lynn Fick	5/11
Kim Sceggel.....	5/11
Judy Gould	5/11
Loraine Miranda.....	5/11
Cathy Lorenz	5/12
Cynthia Green.....	5/13
Catherine Urnezis	5/13
Sr. Trish Villarreal	5/15
Susie Shaddle	5/16
Barbara Gillespie	5/16
Mary Kline	5/16
Margy Towler	5/17
Chris Dostal.....	5/19
Laura Hays	5/21
Barbara Burdette.....	5/22
Krista Katzen	5/22
Lynn Kuehn.....	5/22
Sharon Smith.....	5/26
Bobbie Corpolongo	5/27
Susan Wing.....	5/27
Dorothy Andrews	5/30





We missed [Anna Maria Horner](#) in March. This is her Wheelhouse Quilt Along, which is going on now.

Membership Renewal Reminders

It is time to renew your membership! For those who are new to the guild, our guild year begins June 1st and ends May 31st. Membership renewal is still \$35.

Please take a moment and [renew your membership online](#), and pay online as well. You can also submit your information online and mail a check.

Because our meetings are cancelled for the near future in order to keep everyone safe, paying your dues online is the best option.



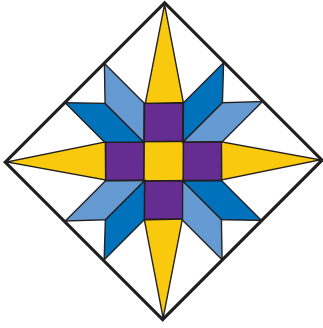
This is a quilt show year. If you would like to display a quilt in the show, your dues must be paid by May 31.

2019-2020 Board Members

President: Yvonne Richter
Evening Vice President: Sandra White
Daytime Vice President: Ann Johnson
Secretary: Susan Strasser
Treasurer: Alyssa Payleitner
Programs Vice President: Teresa Kasch & Chris Berry*
Membership: Lynne Curran
Newsletter: Melanie Murphy
Education: Cindy Krelle & Beth Hoffman*

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Bee Keeper: Beth Reuter
Library: Liz Fitzgerald
Community Projects: Rita Pennington
Contracts 2020- 2021: Janet Francis
Nominations: Chris Schwarz
2020 Quilt Show Co-Chairs: Krista Katzen & Melanie Murphy*
Activities: Barb Gillespie

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Deadline for ads (getting copy or camera-ready artwork to the Editor) is the first of the month in which you wish the ad to appear. Call or email the Editor if you have any questions.

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