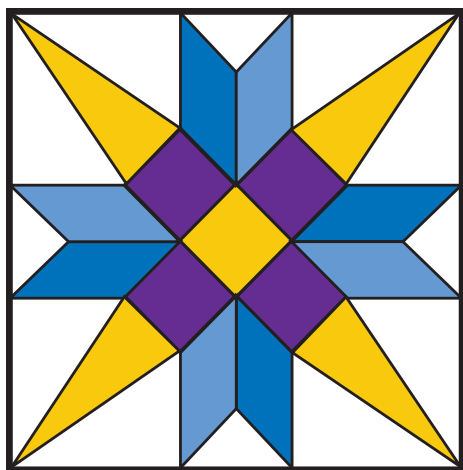




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THE DOG DAYS OF SUMMER

The hot days of summer are almost over. All the kids are off to school soon. Meaning more learning in the days ahead. Some days I miss the shopping for school supplies for my three kids. I always said the day school starts every other activity moves in. My kids were swimmers and were always ready for summer to end, but by late August they were ready to jump into winter swim.

It makes me think of us quilters. When one project is completed, another is ready to start. Also a time to think about brushing upon some skills and learning a few new ones. Think of retreat as the start of the school year, anxious to go and come home full of new ideas and new projects you undertake. Increase your skills and support the guild workshops and retreats, make that your

back to school year. Best part is you can start it more than once a year.

Hope everyone is getting ready for our Quilt Show in October. Be sure to volunteer at the show. Many hands make light work and we sure need all the hands we can get. There will be many opportunities for different jobs before, during and after the show. Pick what works for you. You may like it so much you will want to sign up as a Quilt Show committee member for the 2028 show.

Looking forward to seeing you at the August meetings.
Barb—Evening VP



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Upcoming Guild Meetings:

Mon 8/24/26, 2025 at 7 pm
Tues 8/25/26 at 9:30 am

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, September 3, 2026.
Send info to Diane Collins at
diane6304@me.com.

THE 2026 PSQG QUILT SHOW IS COMING!

Thank you to everyone who entered quilts. It's going to be another beautiful show. Quilt Preparation & Drop off Information is on the website [HERE](#). Information regarding quilt drop off for display & judged quilts including specifics regarding your the hostess house locations, quilt numbers, etc. will be distributed at the September Guild meetings.

Both Challenge quilts and Youth Blocks/Quilts will be collected separately from show quilts at the August & September 2026 Guild Meetings.

Thanks so much for participating in the Portrait Challenge. Its an exciting part of our quilt show.

Please bring your Challenge quilt to the August evening or daytime meeting. I will give you a receipt to keep for pickup at the end of the show or following guild meeting. If you will not be at the August meeting, please email or text Carolyn Mack to arrange a drop off time. Quiltquick38@gmail.com or 630-400-9113.

I will be out of the country in September starting the 9th so contacting me before that is greatly appreciated.

Make sure you have Quilt Week Events on your calendar

Sunday, October 11th—Hostess House Drop off

Monday, October 12th—Judging Day

Tuesday, October 13th—What did we forget?

Wednesday, October 14th—Pipe & Drape install & Supply drop off at the Fairground

Thursday, October 15th—Set up

Friday, October 16th—Show Open 9am–5pm

Saturday, October 17th—Show Open 9am–4pm

Take down & Clean up! Quilt pick up 5:30–6pm

Quilty Things!

Sewing & Quilting Items Such As:

Rulers, Thread, Embroidery Floss, Hoops, Needles, Pins, Buttons, Scissors, Rotary Cutters, Quilt Racks, Cutting Mats, Zippers, Trims, Lace, Ric-Rac Gadgets, Themed Gift Items, Organizers, Machines, Quilting Frames, Accuquilt Dies, Sewing Baskets

Not limited to just these items!

Any Questions? Ask Barb Tuman or Heidi Clayton

Books, Patterns & Magazines

Quilt Books: Publication date should be 2000 or later.

All Quilt related novels are welcomed.

Magazines: Quiltfolk & Foreign publications only

Patterns: Quilting related only but no clothing patterns except for Quilt Jackets.

Any Questions? Contact Liz Fitzgerald

Fabric Resale Collection

We are asking members to organize your donations but if you need help, just ask!

[Click here to see the full details.](#)

Any Questions? Contact Peggy Benzin

Boutique

Think of things you would make for another crafter!

We'd like a nicely balanced selection of unique items.

Some suggestions: Hand Bags, Tote Bags, Small Zippered Bags (Cosmetic or Pencil sized), Sewing case, table toppers, Table Runner, Placemats, Fabric Baskets.

If you do machine embroider would you be willing to add a little extra on basic items? If so, let us know!

Any Questions? Ask Deede Krage

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

All programs subject to change. Additional details and registrations are on the [website](#).

September: Eileen Daniels

January: Virtual Lorelei Kuecker and Julia McLeod

February: Virtual Kelly Ashton

March: Sarah Nishiura

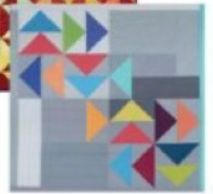


AUGUST 24: 7 PM

Swaps, Bees & Raffles:
The Joy of Group Quilts



2021 Ninigret Quilters Ruby Jubilee Raffle Quilt



Tina Craig

AUGUST 25: 9:30 AM

EPP vs. FPP:
The Showdown!



EPP



FPP

Tina Craig

UPCOMING WORKSHOPS

This workshop is sold out!



For illustrative purposes only

Gina Craig Workshop

EPP Design Party

Monday, August 24

10am–4pm

University Of Illinois Extension Kane County

535 S Randall Rd, St. Charles, IL 60174

\$54

Email programs@psqg.org to be put on the waitlist.



Eileen Daniels Workshop

Here is My Vintage Linen–How Do I Start?

Monday, September 28

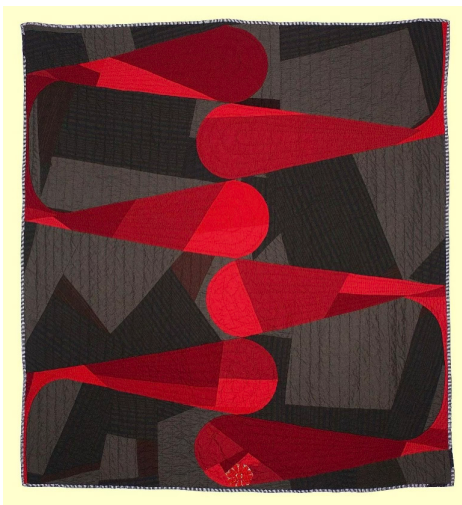
1pm–4pm

Congregational United Church of Christ

40W451 Fox Mill Blvd, St. Charles, IL 60175

\$25

Register [here](#)



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Sarah Nishiura Workshop

Consider Curves

March 23

1pm–4pm

University Of Illinois Extension Kane County

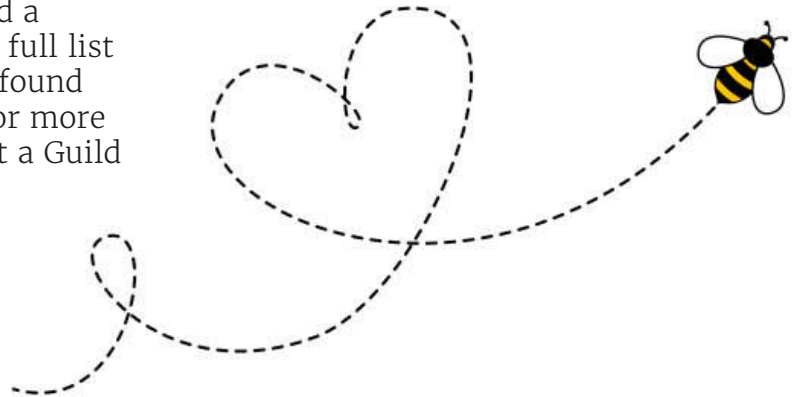
535 S Randall Rd, St. Charles, IL 60174

\$37

Register [here](#)

WHAT'S ALL THE BUZZ ABOUT BEES?

Would you like to make a few more quilty friends? Joining a bee can help with that! At members' requests, I'm working to form a hand quilting bee, a bag making bee and a general interest bee in the Elgin area. A full list of bees (several with openings!) can be found on the Members page of our website. For more information, visit the Beekeeper table at a Guild meeting or email [Kathy Secor](#).





PRAIRIE STAR QUILT GUILD

JOIN OUR LEADERSHIP TEAM!

WE NEED A CONTRACTS CHAIR

- Manage and Negotiate Contracts for Speakers & Teachers
- Ensure Clear Terms for Workshops & Lectures
- Maintain Organized Records
- Collaborate with Programs & Treasurer
- Keep our Guild Events Running Smoothly!
- Ideal for detail-oriented members!

WE NEED A PROGRAMS VP

- Brainstorm Exciting New Programs & Speakers
- Plan a Calendar of Inspiring Activities
- Coordinate with Contracts Chair
- Introduce Special Events to Members
- Help Shape the Creative Future of our Guild!
- Ideal for organized and imaginative members!

SIGN UP!
VOLUNTEER!
JOIN US!

READY TO STEP UP?
CONTACT BOARD MEMBERS FOR DETAILS.



Prairie Star Quilt Guild 2026 Quilt Show

Friday, October 16th, 2026 9am – 5pm

Saturday, October 17th, 2026 9am – 4pm



DuPage Event Center & Fairgrounds 2015 Manchester Road Wheaton, IL 60187

Admissions \$10 Details at PSQG.ORG

200+ Quilts on Display, Vendors, Raffle Baskets, Quilter's Boutique,
Challenge Quilts, Quilty Resale, Quilter's Cafe & More!



Hampton Inn & Suites North Aurora

Thursday, August 20th 9am
to
Sunday, August 23rd 5pm

Come & Go or Stay overnight!

HERITAGE QUILTERS GUILD

PRESENTS

SALUTE TO AMERICA 250

QUILT SHOW



2026 Opportunity Quilt designed by Deb Heatherly

SATURDAY,
SEPTEMBER 19, 2026
10:00am—5:00pm &

SUNDAY,
SEPTEMBER 20, 2026
10:00am—4:00pm

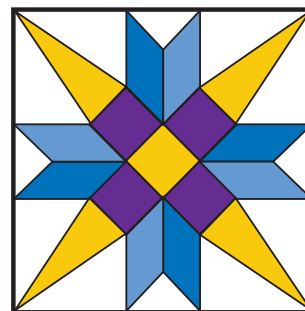
LIBERTY JR. HIGH
SCHOOL
151 LENOX STREET
NEW, LENOX, IL

ADMISSION: \$8

Bed Turning
Demonstrations
Raffle Baskets
Orphan Blocks

Member Boutique
Merchant Mall
Silent Auction
Scissors Sharpening

For more information, contact us at hqg.lockport@gmail.com



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Community Projects:
Stefanie Combs

Nominations:
Melissa O'Brien

Contracts: Barb Gillespie

Activities: Miranda Garcia

2026 Quilt Show:
Sue Ann Reiner

Travel Sewing Repair

"We come to you!"

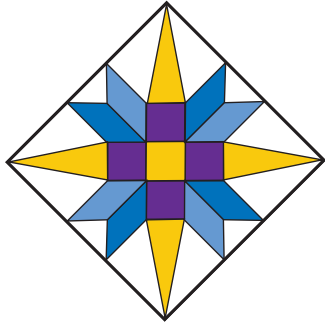


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