



Sinnissippi Quilters meet on the first Thursday of each month by Zoom and in the church basement.

Afternoon Meeting: 1:00

Evening Meeting: 6:30

Most meetings have a scheduled program followed by a business session. We invite quilters of all skill levels and their guests to attend. The guest fee is \$10.00. In person meetings, when held, are at:

Bethesda Covenant Church
2010 E. State St.
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INFORMATION

Upcoming Meetings at church and Zoom:

Thursday Feb 3rd @ 1pm & 6:30pm
Thursday, March 4th @ 1pm & 6:30pm

Zoom invitations will come by email a couple days before. Please notify Sylvia Vaughn if you do not receive it.

Don't forget to bring the following, even to the zoom meeting:

- *Show & Tell items
- *Your Nametag
- *Special Projects items to show

Newsletter Articles for the April/May newsletter are due by April 20th 2022 for Please email Michelle Watson

Sinnissippi Quilters Inc

Volume 41 No. 3 www.sinnissippiquilters.org

February- March

Presidents Message

How exciting!! We finally got to benefit from all your hard work over the last 2 years! January brought us typical Midwest weather, but that did not stop many of you from attending via zoom. In the afternoon we had 24 in person and 18 zoom members along with 2 guests. In the evening we had we had 13 in person and 16 via zoom.

Thank you to the hardy members for gathering at the church. It was 3 degrees when I left at 8:30 PM! Also thank you to the members who watched the program from home. Krista Mosher was delightful.

The excitement continues as we plow into this New Year. Knowing we are ready for the next challenge.

Sylvia Vaughn, President

Quick Calendar

Feb 3- Program- MJ Kinman; Diamonds Divas & Drama Queens: Colored Gemstones as Design Inspiration www.mjkinman.com

March 3- Neonatal Sew In- more details to come

April 7- One Quilting Circle - Ten Quilters you should know and why . <https://www.onequiltingcircle.com>

2021/2122 Sinnissippi Quilters Executive Board

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Membership Evening II	Norma Copes
Special Projects I	Linda Egeland
Special Projects II	Sherry DeBuhr, Pam Surmo
Quilt Show Co-Chair I	Barb Clucas, Deanne Spataro
Quilt Show Co-Chair II	Bonnie Hodina
A/V Zoom meeting	Bonnie Hodina
Morning Workshop	Barb Lange



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Comfort Quilts	Vicki Talacksen
Historian	Donna Langford
Afternoon Hospitality	open
Evening Hospitality	open
Facebook	Lynn Brown
Morning Workshop	open
Publicity	open
Retreats	Marie Tovo
	Deanne Spataro
Afternoon Show & Tell	Denise Ethun
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Spam	Barb Lange
A/V for ZOOM	(A) Bonnie Hodina
	(A) Marie Tovo
	(E) Mary Leach
	(E) open
RAAC liaison	Donna Langford
Quilt Show Raffle Quilt 2024	Silvia Vaughn and
	Sandy Pyper
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THANK YOU NOTES

Sinnissippi Quilters
Merry Christmas!

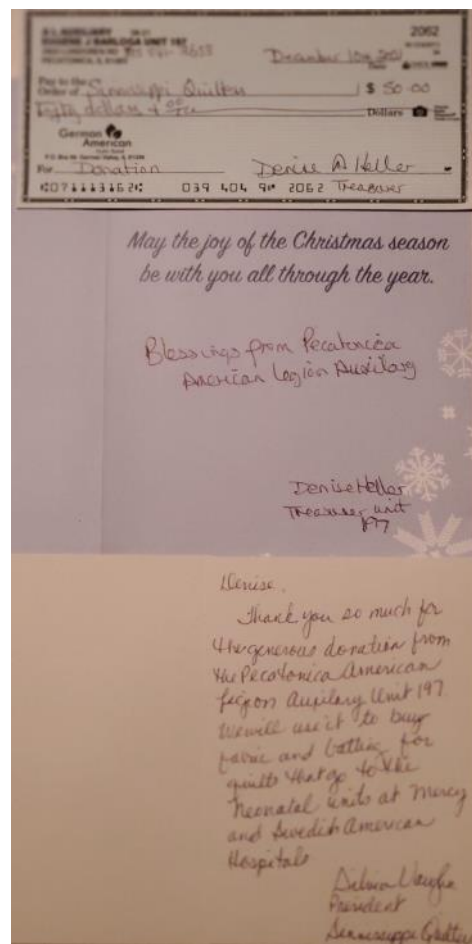
On behalf of Swedish American NICU + Pediatric Units I would like to say thank you for all of the amazing quilts you provide for our patients!

They are beautiful and provide so much comfort and meaning for our

At the heart of your holiday season, may there be peace, hope, and happiness.

patients and families!

Sincerely,
Stacy
child life



Mission Statement: The purpose of Sinnissippi Quilters, Inc. shall be to educate the community and ourselves on all aspects of quilting, to preserve and appreciate our quilting heritage and traditions, and to use our sewing gifts to benefit other community organizations.



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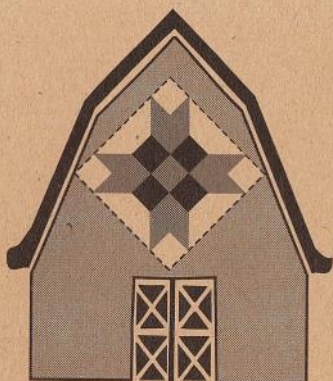
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2021-2022 Programs

All programs are via Zoom unless otherwise noted.

Feb 3	Mj Kinman – Gemstone quilter
March	Neonatal Event
April 7	Linda Pearl – Ten Quilters you should know Part 1 for afternoon and Ten Quilters you should know Part 2 for evening.
May 5	Lois Mease – Color Confidence for Quilters
June 2	Lilo Bowman- Adapting for Change (afternoon) and Love where you create



Join Barb Lange's Morning Mini Group
On February 3rd
9:30 – 12:30
Register with Barb @ 815-332-2127

Barb will demonstrate how to make a 7 1/2" x 6 3/4" bag.

Materials needed for workshop:

Two fat quarters and several 3 to 4" squares for triangle tab
3/4 width metal carpenter tape
One half yard fusible lightweight batting
1/4 yard lightweight interfacing
Masking tape or duct tape

Kits are available from Barb (for \$5) consisting of
lightweight batting, lightweight fusible interfacing, pre-cut
carpenter measuring tape.

Fabric, trims and swivel snap are not included in kit. Kits
must be requested by Jan. 24th.

If possible cut fabric before class:

Lining fabric – 8 x 16 1/2"

Outer fabric – 8 x 13"

Lightweight batting - 8 x 13"

Fusible lightweight interfacing – 8 x 3 (2)

SINNISSIPPI QUILT GUILD SMALL GROUP DIRECTORY

SOUTHERN QUILTERS

We had a great meeting on Jan 17th. We finished up 27 canvas backpacks for Foster kids. They will be brought to the February guild meeting.

Our December meeting was a fun time too. We all learned to make rope coasters, a great quick project for gifts.

Our next meeting will tentatively be the first Monday, February 7th at 9:30am at Byron Library, 2nd floor.

All are welcome. Call Bonnie Hodina for questions.



Christian Comfort Quilters

We meet the 2nd Saturday from 9-2 at City First Church. We make small quilts (40x48) that a physician takes on her medical trips to Guatemala, South Africa etc. Everything is provided even sewing machines. If you don't want to bring yours. We teach beginners and welcome experienced quilters to share their tips. Contact Sandy Pyper or Silvia Vaughn.

NORTH STAR mini group

Meets the 3rd Friday of the month at Sunshine Quilts in Belvidere. They are currently helping to supply our neo-natal program. In the past they have made quilts for Rock House kids and Lutheran Social Services. They also enjoy learning different quilting techniques.

I invite other groups to send info to Michelle Watson

twswew@gmail.com. This will be a permanent part of the newsletter.

COMFORT QUILTS

The purpose of a comfort quilt is to show the care and concern of our fellow quilting sisters going through a traumatic time in their life. The guidelines to receive a comfort quilt is as follows: personal health issues (cancer, transplant, major surgery), death of immediate family (parent, spouse, child) and life threatening situations (accident with injuries). A member may receive only one comfort quilt from the guild, even if they have different issues as stated above.

Please contact Vicki Tallacksen
If someone needs a comfort quilt.

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The designated "Sunshine" person in the guild is responsible for spreading sunshine and encouragement to those in the guild who need it. She will send get well, sympathy or other appropriate cards when notified. To be notified, someone in the guild calls/texts her with information about a person in need. This could be someone who has had surgery, or a hospital stay or a serious illness. She then sends her an appropriate card for the situation from the guild. There is a book she can log in the information to keep track of cards sent. She is responsible for purchasing cards/stamps and turning in her expenses as needed. The "Sunshine" person for this year is Jane Erickson. Her phone and email can be found in the directory.



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December 2, 2021 Meeting Minutes 3:00 and 6:30

Program: Christmas Potluck (A) 1-2:15 (E) 6:30-7:15

Call meeting to order: (A) **Silvia Vaughn** Remotely at 2:23 P.M./ (E) **Coleen O’Kane** at 7:35 P.M.

Treasurer: **Deanne Spataro/Amy Ottens**

Checking account balance:

Money Market account balance:

Publications: **Michelle Watson:**

Thanks to everyone who contributed their stories. Please send more to twswew@gmail.com Tell us what your mini-group is doing.

Due date for next newsletter is January 20.

Membership: **Becky Harvey/Margaret de Leon(A) / Linda Lewandowski/Norma Copes (E)** Membership total to date: 112

Attendance: Afternoon In Person 35 Zoom 9 Guests 1

Evening: In Person 17 Zoom 1 Guests 1

Membership books have been picked up or mailed.

Bring a Visitor by giving them a card. They will also be available at Sunshine Stitches, Quilter’s Haven and Quilter’s General Store

No name tags: (A) \$3.00 / (E) \$.50

Attendance drawing: (A) Janis Albeck / (E) Luanne Hanna

Birthday drawing: (A) Margaret de Leon/ (E) Lynne Brown

Programs: **Roberta Suess/Robin Gausebeck**

UFO – next number is 2 due in February; no UFO due in January

December Program - Christmas Party.

January – Krista Mosher – design concept and color theory

February – MJ Kinman

Special Projects: Linda Egeland/Sherry DeBuhr/Pam Surmo

Check the table for kits.

Neonatal: **Linda Egeland**

75 pillowcases were given to Swedes. Today received 0 pillowcases, 10 quilts

We had 39 quilts on hand, 14 went to Mercy and 12 went to Swedes

Byron Craft Fair - Bonnie Hodina & Amy Ottens brought in \$405. Thanks to all who participated! **SPAM & Mini Morning Workshops:** Pam Surmo/ Barb Lange

December None

January Morning Workshop - “Flock of Divas” information can be found in the Dec-Jan newsletter

February – Snap Purses Barb Lange

Comfort Quilts: **Vicki Tallacksen**

Continue making 12.5” squares.

Quilt School: **Amy Ottens** On hold



Quilt Show: Barb Clucas/Deanne Spataro/Bonnie Hodina Will meet again on January 10, 2022 *The Traveling Exhibit it will be Princess Diana. Deanne Spataro is sending RAAC an application

for a grant to fund this.:

*Bonnie Hodina will prepare the booklet

*Be sure to turn in the show medallions to Becky and work on your flower banners.

*We are looking for volunteers and suggestions for Publicity.

*Bookmarks are completed. The entry fee has been raised to \$8. Planning a Make & Take May Basket for kids.

*Bed Turning – **Norma Copes** is looking for specific types of quilts. Call her to see what she still needs.

*Two judges have been contracted for the show.

*For more info check out the website.

***Boutique – Georgi Homuth will accept donations in January.**

Audio/Visual Committee (A): **Bonnie Hodina/Marie Tovo** / (E) **Bonnie Hodina/Mary Leach**

Bonnie will begin training the Ladies soon.

Historian & RAAC: Donna Langford

November Quilt Show Beloit Historical Society Thank you to all who displayed quilts and attended.

Retreats: Marie Tovo/Deanne Spataro/Judy Mullen/Julie Cuccinelli

Fun as always! Photos posted to Facebook

Facebook: Lynne Brown - Text photos anytime!

Other Committee Reports:

Quilt Show Raffle Quilt 2024 Committee: Silvia Vaughn will chair this event and Sandy Pyper has also volunteered. All ideas are welcome!

Old Business: Silvia Vaughn/Coleen O’Kane

Remember to save your Hobbs UPC labels and give them to the treasurer.

New Business: Silvia Vaughn/Coleen O’Kane

Email Blasts – We are now emailing from sqi2101@gmail.com.

Show and Tell: (A) Lori Dickman (E) 9 Ladies

Motion to Adjourn: (A) Linda Egeland 2nd Amy Salamone Time: 2:49 P.M.

(E) Mary Leach 2nd Julie Cuccinelli Time: 7:52 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by: Marie Stenger

MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES FOR JANUARY 6, 2022 FOR THE 3 AND 6:30 MEETINGS

Program: Krista Moser – Design concept and color theory. She is a dynamic speaker. She is dyslexic which contributes to her looking at patterns differently. She uses triangle and diamond shapes but does not use Y-seams.

Call meeting to order: (A) Silvia Vaughn Time: 2:12 pm
(E) Silvia Vaughn Time: 7:12 pm

Treasurer: Deanne Spataro/Amy Ottens
Checking account balance: \$8,438.51
Money Market account balance: \$20,178.40

Publications: Michelle Watson
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No Name Tags: (A) \$1.25 (E) \$.50

Attendance drawing: (A) Cindy Sjostrom (E) Marie Stenger

Birthday Drawing: (A) Marie Tovo (E) None

Bring a Visitor by giving them a card. They will also be available at Sunshine Stitches, Quilter's Haven & Quilter's General. Cards are available at the Membership table, grab one or two when you sign-in.

Programs: Roberta Suess/Robin Gausebeck
UFO – next number is 2 which is due in February!
February – MJ Kinman Trunk show
March – Neo Natal Sew-In

Special Projects: Linda Egeland/Sherry DeBuhr/Pam Surmo
Check the table for kits.

Neonatal: Linda Egeland:

16 quilts on hand Today received 9 Given to Swedes/
Mercy 10 each

23 pillowcases on hand Today received 4 Given to Mercy
12



Check the table for kits.

Neonatal: Linda Egeland:

16 quilts on hand Today received _9_ Given to Swedes/Mercy _10_ each _
23 pillowcases on hand Today received _4_ Given to _Mercy 12
3 knitted baby hats to Mercy

SPAM & Mini Morning Workshops: Pam Surmo /Barb Lange

January Morning Workshop - "Flock of Divas" – Postponed due to the weather

February – Snap Purses

Comfort Quilts: Vicki Tallacksen

Continue making 12.5" squares.

Lutheran Social Services: Carol Swenson

500 stockings were left from our Stockings for Soldiers project and were donated to the Lutheran Social Services foster children's program. 125 stockings were filled and distributed.

Quilt School: Amy Ottens Currently on hold because of Covid.

Quilt Show: Barb Clucas/Deanne Spataro/Bonnie Hodina Will meet again on January 10, 2022

*The Traveling Exhibit will be Princess Diana. Deanne Spataro is sending RAAC an application for a grant to fund this.

*Bonnie Hodina and Michelle Watson will prepare the booklet

*Be sure to turn in medallions to Becky and work on your flower banners.

*We are looking for volunteers and suggestions for Publicity.

*Bookmarks are completed. Fee raised to \$8. Planning a Make & Take May Basket for kids.

***Bed Turning – Norma Copes is looking for specific types of quilts: 1930's fabrics and traditional quilts.**

*Two judges have been contracted for the show.

*For more info check out the website.

***Boutique – Georgi Homuth will accept donations in January:** books, patterns, kits, fat-quarters, tools, notions, fabrics

***Judging:** If you are interested in helping out on Thursday with the intake of quilts and helping the judges, call Colleen Magee for more information.

Audio/Visual Committee: Afternoon: Bonnie Hodina/Marie Tovo

Evening Bonnie Hodina/Mary Leach

Facebook: Lynne Brown - Text photos anytime!

Other Committee Reports:

Quilt Show Raffle Quilt 2024 Committee: Silvia Vaughn and Sandy Pyper.
All ideas are welcome!

Mini Groups: Southern Quilters will meet on January 17th not the 10th. They still have room for more participants.

Old Business: Silvia Vaughn/Coleen O'Kane

Remember to save your Hobbs UPC labels and give them to the treasurer or Silvia.

Email Blasts – Go out on Fridays from sqi2101@gmail.com when there is new information.

New Business: Silvia Vaughn/Coleen O'Kane

A suggestion for Programs is to see if we can arrange a Zoom workshop which we could participate in from home. This would help reduce contact because of Covid.

Show and Tell (A) Starr Pittaway

(E) Roberta Suess

Motion to adjourn: (A) Starr Pittaway
(E) Luanne Hanna

2nd Amy Ottens
2nd Deanne Spataro

Time: 3:02 pm
Time: 7:40 pm

Respectfully submitted by:

Marie Stenger

Stocking News

Just a brief note about the use of our supply of Christmas stockings. As you can see below, 102 stockings were filled by a church group and delivered to Lutheran Social Services' foster care program. Our guild truly does service throughout out the region.

Thanks to Anne for suggesting that I let you know of this.

Happy holidays,
Carol Swenson

WANTED QUILTERS IN BELEVIDERE AREA!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Looking for Quilters interested in joining a small quilting group in Belvidere and surrounding areas.

2nd and 4th Wednesday evenings, approx. 7:00-10:00pm

All skill levels welcome.

Please contact Rhonda Settle -

ATTENTION MEMBERS!!!!

All members are asked to sell at least \$20.00 worth of tickets. If you do not sell your allotted number of tickets a \$20.00 donation would be appreciated. Thanks again to all members who contributed blocks and many thanks in advance for selling tickets! To benefit our clubs programs!!





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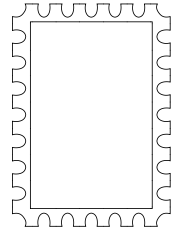
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