

## Sinnissippi Quilters E-blast November 2023

- **Fabric Sale** -all funds go to our guild:

One of our Charter Members (Judy Peters) is now in assisted living and has donated her entire stash to the Guild. Treat ourselves to some early Christmas Shopping. At the **December 7th** meeting we will have a variety of things for sale: several wonderful UFO's, random blocks & more. So let's treat ourselves and since all the money made will go to guild. Sandy Pyper

- **Programs, UFO Challenge & More:**

**2023-2024 UFO Challenge:** For those who joined this challenge- **project # 3** is due December 4 – email to Lori ant [quiltingwithlori@gmail.com](mailto:quiltingwithlori@gmail.com)

**December 7-** Holiday Party for both meeting times.

*The December Christmas Party Program invitation PDF is attached to this email for members.* Our annual holiday party will be at our new location - Grace United Methodist Church, 3555 McFarland Road, Rockford (just north of Woodman's). We will have a presentation from some of our guild's longarm quilters; this is your time to ask questions and find out more about how you can work effectively with your chosen longarmer.

Please bring a hot or cold dish of your choice (totally up to you - it will all balance out).

There will also be an ornament exchange for those who wish to participate. Bring an ornament (homemade or purchased) and you will be bringing home a new one for your tree.

If you have questions, contact Lori Dickman.

- **Update January 4 Program:**

New January speaker is our own Lori Dickman and does she have some great things for you! Her lecture on January 4 "Scrap Overload" will give us several ways to deal with the scraps that we all accumulate (don't deny it; we ALL save scraps). In conjunction with her lectures, she is offering 2 workshops.

**Thursday January 4** from 9:30 to 12:00 "Scrap it up Party" - bring a tote full of scraps and remnants and she will work with you to get your scraps ready to make terrific quilts. The cost is \$15 and sign-up sheets will be available at the guild meeting.

**Saturday January 6,** Lori will present "Valentine Quilt Workshop". Using 2 different blocks, she will help you create a beautiful wall quilt in time for Valentine's Day. She will

also be teaching 2 applique techniques and include lots of other great tips. The cost is \$35 and sign-up sheets will be available at guild.

- **February 1 Program-**

**Afternoon:** David Own Hastings "Exploring Nature with Paper and Stitch"

**Evening:** David Own Hastings "Quilt Labels to Love"

- **Saturday February 3**, our speaker David Owen Hastings will present a workshop "Mini Mid-Mod Quilts". These are very small quilts that can be combined into a larger quilt or used as mug rugs or small works of art. The cost is \$30 and the workshop will run from 10:00 am -1:00 pm. This looks like it will be loads of fun. Please sign up at the guild meetings or let Robin know if you are interested.

- **2024-Quilt Show** "Seasons" dates: May 3 & 4, 2024 at Sportscore II

Next Quilt Show Meeting **January 23, 2024**

- Please pick up raffle tickets to sell from Silvia Vaughn— each of us has part in the sale of tickets. Tickets will be available again at the Dec 7 meeting.
- *Previous information has been moved to a separate document. Will be updated for next eblast.*

- **Looking to sell your quilts?**

Email from Laura Phillips from Rock Valley Garden Center:

As a representative for Rock Valley Garden Center located on N Bell School Road. We have been reimagining our spaces and now have a lovely area right in the middle of our main building. We thought it would be wonderful to open it up for our quilting community; perhaps to display and sell quilts on consignment, with only a minimal commission to RVG. This is a process and we are looking for interest in the idea. There's a large area for display inside and outside of meeting space.

And it is air conditioned. I will be available for questions or suggestions at the greenhouse, or [rockvalley@comcast.net](mailto:rockvalley@comcast.net) Please let us know if this may appeal to any of your members. Thank you!

- **Small Group Details can be found on our webpage:**

- **<https://sinnissippiquilters.org/members-page/>** . Updates will be posted in future eBlasts.

- **SPAM- (Special Project and More):**

- **Compassion Sewing for Seniors:**

We had a wonderful group of sewists today! At the end of the day, we had 8 new wheel chair blankets and 4 new walker bags. Several gals brought projects home to finish there. Our next day for sewing at Goodwill will be TUESDAY January 16,

2024. Thank you to everyone for the hard work and enjoyable times together in 2023. We look forward to 2024 to continue to bless others with our love of sewing. Jane Erickson

- SPAM – Dec 16- 9:30- at Cherry Valley Library 9:30-4:00 **Project: Do your own thing**

▪ **Requests for help:**

- Serenity House in Oregon IL, is in need of 72"x 96" quilts used at the facility, covering each patient's bed as well as those beds used by family members. If you are interested in donating a quilt for this cause, please contact Polly at Quilters General Store 815-397-5160. **Quilts are sometimes given to families. They are washed often , so the need for quilts will be on going.**
- **Happy Birthday to November members!** See your directory for names and dates.
- *Meeting Minutes are now on the website under Members Page- click **Date** to view.*

*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. Sinnissippi Quilters, Inc. is a 501(c)3 charitable organization.*

*Membership dues are \$40 per year. Non-member speaker fee is \$10.*

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