

 **And sew on...**   
Newsletter of the Springfield Chapter of Quilters Unlimited

## SPRINGFIELD QU DECEMBER 2020 NEWSLETTER



**From the newsletter editor: Please let me apologize for not getting this out before. I had covid during November and didn't get to really "pay attention" to the things I needed. I just returned from Alabama where I was caring for my mother who had covid (she made it, too.) But my 10 day trip turned into a 30 day trip. I'm fine now and raring to go on with life.**

**I have no email information on the following people: Nancy Hall, Sara Hodges, and Sallyann Morrison. If you know these people and they have an email address, would you kindly send it to me at [Arlafp1@gmail.com](mailto:Arlafp1@gmail.com)? Thanks!**

### **President's Block.**

**Hello Springfield quilters!**

**I hope everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving! My house was very quiet since we did not have all the kids/grandkids as we usually do. Our youngest son was able to join us, which was a blessing. I decided to take joy where I could find it and appreciate the quiet and calmness of the day. 😊 I'm sure it**

was like this for most of you as well and I suspect the rest of the holidays will be similar. Maybe this is the year to dive into one of the many mystery quilts and sew alongs (SAL) that are out there. The QU Mystery Quilt is in full swing and it's never too late to join in the fun. Bonnie Hunter just started her annual Mystery Quilt..... <https://quiltville.blogspot.com/p/grassy-creek-mystery.html> If you want something of a modern twist Carolyn Friedlander is doing a sew along and the pattern looks very doable and would be a great one for those of you who've never done something like that before.... <https://carolynfriedlander.com/ray-quilt-along-announcement-and-schedule/>

The holidays can be challenging in the best of times and this year has just thrown all sorts of extra stuff our way! There is great comfort to be found in friendship and sharing creativity with like minded souls, so let's continue to stay connected. You have all been such an inspiration to me in so many ways and I am looking forward to sharing this holiday season with you and welcoming in a new year. I'm feeling thankful and hopeful and I hope you are as well.

Yours Truly,  
Michelle

Minutes from November meeting. [click here](#)

**SPRINGFIELD QU – 2019-2020 Calendar of Events**  
**SQU PROGRAM INFORMATION FOR DECEMBER**

***Sue Pelland "No Waste Drunkard's Path" Workshop***

**Date: December 8**

**Time: 10:00 am - 2:30 pm**

**Location: Virtual via ZOOM**

**Cost: \$30 DUE BY DECEMBER 1st!!**

**Please join us for a fabulous workshop showing you a great way to make drunkard's path blocks with no waste! Information on what's required for the class is attached. Please note the due date....we have to have our final headcount to Sue Pelland by DECEMBER 1st! We need at least 10 participants to hold the workshop, so please sign up early!**

***PLEASE NOTE: You will have to send Linda Heller your email address and payment in order to attend the workshop. This workshop will be hosted by Sue Pelland. Only members who have signed up and paid in advance will be able to attend.***

**Have you renewed your membership? Please do so**

**ASAP. For the membership form, click here -----> [FORM](#)**

**TIP OF THE MONTH.....**

**Have an "old", small ceramic plate? Glue magnets to the bottom to make your own pin holder so the pins don't go everywhere when you are finished with them.**

**The Fall Retreat 2020** has turned into Fall Retreat 2021. The

**Claggett Center has closed the facility through this summer and since we**

are a high risk group and since we already had a reservation for 2021, the decision was made after input from some of the current fall retreaters that it would be wise to cancel the 2020 dates. Because of the virus situation the Center has agreed to switching our deposit

To the 2021 dates. Most of the current members who signed up for 2020 have signed up for 2021 but there are several openings available if you know what you will be doing on October 12th - 17th, 2021. Let me know if you are interested.

Joan MCGowan

**ENDANGERED SPECIES EXHIBIT AT THE NATIONAL QUILT MUSEUM – Donna DeSoto (F) announces; “Congratulations to the QU members whose quilts are included in the Inspired by Endangered Species project! Despite many changes and cancellations due to Covid, the collection of 182 quilts will next be featured at the prestigious National Quilt Museum in Paducah, KY from Oct. 9, 2020 through Jan. 12, 2021! Current museum hours are 10 AM - 5 PM CST Monday through Saturday and Sunday 1-5 PM (closed Sundays beginning in December). Also closed on holidays. Admission is \$12. For more info check [quiltmuseum.org/visit](http://quiltmuseum.org/visit)**

Unable to make it to Paducah? Enjoy looking at the quilts at your leisure and learn all about endangered species by getting the book from your local quilt shop or order it from Amazon: [https://www.amazon.com/Inspired-Endangered-Species-Animals-](https://www.amazon.com/Inspired-Endangered-Species-Animals-Perspectives/dp/0764357891/ref=sr_1_fkmrnull_1?keywords=donna+desoto&qid=1550689330&s=gateway&sr=8-1-fkmrnull)

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***This month's birthdays  
and Special Events***

***12/05 Ann Stevens***

***12/07 Elizabeth***

***Saunders Morris***

***12/10 Beverly Pontius***

***12/11 Bonnie Campbell-  
Kuhn and Cynthia***

***Johnson-Dailey***

***12/15 Bonnie Ruetenik***

***12/19 Anne Argentieri***

***12/21 Penny Boyanton***

***12/24 Carole Bloomquist***

***12/25 Marcia Chmiel***

***12/29 Nancy Karpowicz***

***12/31 Deborah Ng***



## Sunshine Corner

Let's bring some cheer to our members! If you know of any SQU members in need of a Get Well or Sympathy card, please let Ann Littleton know at [ann.littleton@DSALLC.net](mailto:ann.littleton@DSALLC.net) or by phone 703-627-6077. "We don't have to light up the whole world, just our little part of the world."(Unknown)

### Programs 2020-2021 from Linda Heller

Before the plague hit, I actually had most of next year's programs planned. I even had contracts (some of them done before Big QU changed the contract to reflect the plague). I have no idea if we will be having programs (or when or where), but for your wistful daydreams of days past, here is the tentative schedule of programs for the 2020-2021 sewing season. Please be aware any and all of this can change without notice.

December – December 8 is a half day drunkard's path online tutorial.

Hopefully the Holiday luncheon.

January 19, 2021 Will be a presentation and a workshop by Penny Domikis of Cabin in the Woods Quilters. Her presentation is All Scrapped Out (hey, Amy got you organized so this should be easy. Easy-ish?) Her class is a half day workshop called Nested Petals. The pattern will be included in the class fee.

February 16-18 – PLEASE LET THERE BE QUILT CAMP!!!!

March 16 – Noted fabric artist Kevin Womack will speak about Color Theory. Why does periwinkle and peach work sometimes and not others (or is it just me who can envision periwinkle and peach? Yeah, I need this class) Kevin

will be giving tips, clues and guidance in your color choices. March 17 (we hope!) he is teaching an all day class called "Floral Tapestry." There is a fair amount of preparation involved (but maybe we can work on that during quilt camp? See prayer above)

April 2021 – QU Auction (I hope)

May 18 – Debbie Kalenty will be giving a lecture/trunk show. She will also be teaching an afternoon class on Deb Tucker's tool fundamentals. Debbie is a certified Studio 180 instructor and the afternoon session will involve instruction in the use of a specific tool. She describes herself as a realist, not an idealist. I would still bring my seam ripper just in case, but it sounds like fun.

AND looking FAR off into the future (no signed contract, but she sounds interested)

September 20, 2021 – Laurie Russman – Technology in Pet Portraiture will be the lecture and then in the afternoon there will be a three hour pet portraiture workshop. Undoubtedly this will involve a good blown up copy of your beast, so there is apt to preliminary work involved.

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- Auction – Nancy Karpowicz, Nancy Moore & Judy Bell
- Sunshine-Ann Littleton
- Door prizes - Loretta Haglund

**FROM THE NEWSLETTER EDITOR:**

If you have suggestions for the newsletter, either format, content or otherwise, please let me know. [Arlafp1@gmail.com](mailto:Arlafp1@gmail.com) .

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