



Dakota County Star Quilters (DCSQ)

Bits and Pieces

March 2022

March DCSQ Meeting

Tuesday, 3-8-22
7:00 p.m. Central Time

IN PERSON & ZOOM EAGAN COMMUNITY CENTER

South Oaks Room
Directions to the Eagan Community Center: The community center is off of Pilot Knob Road between Lone Oak Road and Yankee Doodle Road in Eagan. From Pilot Knob turn onto Central Parkway. Follow Central Parkway to the sign for the Eagan Community Center and turn right. Parking is available on the lower level on the north side of the building.

Please know, your safety is very important to us. Our in person meetings have been following current CDC guidelines and we are also working with the Eagan Community Center on cleaning and safety protocols. There is a link on our website, dakotacountystarquilters.org to see the current CDC guidelines.

Message from our chairperson – Trisha Millonig

Hi All,

I am very excited for our March meeting. Our guest speaker is Lucy Schroeffer. She is a member of our guild, Minnesota Quilters and the Minneapolis Modern Quilt Guild. Lucy is a local quilt artist residing in St. Paul. She is completely self-taught and relies on her own inspiration and experimentation rather than on patterns. She has been sewing and quilting for more than 20 years. She sticks to a schedule of sewing at least one hour every day, concentrating on bold patchwork color combinations that can become the front of a greeting card, or hung on a wall. Her art is available through shops and festivals, and her website LuceQuilts.com. She will discuss the various techniques she uses to create her visual art – specifically to create the textural aspect of her landscapes. She will focus on threads, special stitches and free-motion quilting – including straight stitch and zigzag options. There will be a Power Point with pictures and videos to further illustrate her methods.

We will also have a live demonstration of hand applique techniques by Denise Vokoun. She is one of our very talented members who recently had one of her quilts, “The Power in Me” published in the book, “Quarantine Quilts, Creativity in the Midst of Chaos.”

I hope you will join us for this fun evening.

The meeting will be streamed via Zoom as well and the link is below.

NOTE: I have the ZOOM start time set up at 6:30 pm so I can get the camera set-up but our meeting will not actually start until 7:00 pm.

Topic: DCSQ Meeting

Time: Mar 8, 2022 06:30 PM Central Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4790097389?pwd=NnlFc3NkU1JKckZRU2FtL3hKbDkzdz09>

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Find your local number: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/kopQO6J1h>

Treasurer – Marsha Millonig

From the Treasury: the books remain strong and we are in an excellent cash position. Our room at the Community Center is paid through year-end. Please let me know if you have DCSQ receipts that need to be reimbursed.

Website Information - dcsq.org – Sue Tobias

NO MORE PASSWORD! Many of you were struggling with accessing our member's only page so I removed the password. I also removed our membership list to maintain privacy. As always, I encourage you to check the website! It is a great place to see the most up to date information on upcoming meetings and activity. Our members only page has past newsletters, board notes, and programs.

Quilt Retreat – Pat Basch

Annual Quilt Retreat at Camp Wapo

Our retreat will be November 9-13, 2022. Registration forms are available on our webpage under the retreat page. www.dcsq.org

If you have any questions, please contact Pat Basch at tpbasch@hotmail.com

Education/Activities – Elizabeth Kobliska

Piecing with Templates: I'm a month late writing the handout for piecing with templates, but it's finally finished, and attached to the newsletter this month.

Freezer Paper Applique: In March we're going to tackle freezer paper applique, with a demonstration by Denise Vokoun. It's the technique Denise used for her "Queen of People's Heart" quilt, which is touring with the 2020-2021 Cherrywood Princess Diana Challenge and is now on tour. Freezer paper applique takes advantage of the polymer coating of freezer paper that temporarily adheres to fabric when ironed, but can be removed without leaving any residue. The shiny coating isn't a glue or wax, but when heated with an iron, it softens a bit to stick to fabrics. We can take advantage of this to turn under seam allowance on applique

shapes. I think it's far easier, faster and more accurate than needle turned applique. Freezer paper applique is usually hand sewn to background fabric with a blind slip stitch.

In April we'll have a demonstration of foundation paper piecing. As always, if you make one or more of the blocks each month, you'll have enough for a sampler at the end of the series. I plan to continue this series through July with different layouts for our sampler quilts, and some tips to design your own layout. That will complete a year of skill builders. I hope that even if you're not following along with me month by month, that you save each month's handout for future reference, or maybe share them with family member or friend who is interested in getting started quilting.

Any questions or corrections, or suggestions for techniques, you're always welcome to contact me.

Beth Kobliska
651-340-0024

Membership-Trisha Millonig

Thank you to all members who have already renewed for 2022.

If you still need to renew, mail a check made out to **DCSQ in the amount of \$30.00** to:

Trisha Millonig,
2041 Jade Lane
Eagan, MN 55122.

Please note that due to password issues, the membership list will no longer be on the website.

An updated membership list will be sent out with the newsletter whenever there are changes.

Community Service-Trisha Millonig

We will continue to work on the Pie Crust Pile Up pattern. I have finished piecing the first top and Beth Kobliska has quilted it. I will bring it to the meeting for show and tell. It will be donated to Quilts of Valor.

I have enough red and blue blocks to piece a second quilt as well.

For our next project, I would like to do this same pattern in bright, scrappy colors for children. We will make it in two sizes, lap and twin. I also found some donated flannel tops that we are working on getting those quilted as well.

2022 Burnhaven Library Wall Quilt Exhibit

Our exhibit was taken down on Friday, March 4th. Thanks to everyone who helped with registration, set-up and take down and to all those who contributed quilts for this show. We had 20 participants and a total of 43 quilts. I was very happy that all of the "Bag of Stuff" challenge quilts were on display. The library said there was a lot of positive feedback from the exhibit. Any quilts that were not picked up on Friday were brought to my house. Let me know if you want me to bring your quilt to the March meeting for pick up. Otherwise, you can make arrangements to pick them up at my home. We look forward to having our annual show back at the DCHS in 2023.

Trisha Millonig, trisha2041@yahoo.com, 612-240-3010

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

April 12, 2022, 7:00 pm, ECC, South Oaks Room

Lecture and Trunk Show By Mike Ellingsen, Minnesota Quilters "Quilter of the Year" in 2020

May 10, 2022, 7:00 pm, ECC, South Oaks Room-

Topic to be determined, and Paper-piecing demonstration

National Quilt Museum Digital Membership-Trisha Millonig

The guild has purchased a one-year digital membership to the National Quilt Museum in Paducah Kentucky. This gives members unlimited access to over 40 videos per year, 10-12 exhibit videos, over 100 past videos. It gives exclusive access to museum exhibits, artist interviews, museum collection discussions and behind-the-scenes videos. To access the site log on to:

www.QuiltMuseumDigital.com. Click on "subscribe today" and in the upper right-hand corner "login".

The user name is: dakotacountystarquilters@gmail.com and the password is **DCSQ2015**.

For those of you who have not been able to visit the museum in person, we hope you enjoy this chance to see some of the wonderful exhibits there.

Upcoming Quilt Shows

New Ulm, MN Quilt Show

April 8 (9am to 6pm) & April 9 (9am to 4pm), 2022
New Ulm Event Center: 301 20th St South, New Ulm, MN

Prairie Piece Makers Guild members will present 400 + quilts created with various techniques and styles. Plus door prizes, demonstrations, raffle quilt, vendors, cafe serving beverages, lunch and treats

Doug Leko is our speaker and will present his trunk show on Friday, April 8 at 2 pm and Saturday, April 9 at 11 am.
more info: newulmquiltshow.com

New Ulm has three quilt shops:

- Sewing Seeds Quilt Co: 1417 S State, 507-354-8801
- The Thimble Box: 2 S Minnesota St, 507-354 6721
- Spinning Spools: 106 S Minnesota St, 507-359-2896

Minnesota Quilters Show & Conference: June 16th-18th, 2022 in Saint Cloud, MN

Go to the website: www.mnquilt.org for more information.

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DCSQ Facebook: www.facebook.com/groups/DakotaCountyStarQuilters/

The purpose of Dakota County Star Quilters is to offer an interesting and informative forum to share our common interest in the art of quilting. The group has 9 regular monthly meetings and 3 special meetings each year. The regular meetings are held at 7:00 p.m. on the second Tuesday of the month at the Eagan Community Center, 1501 Central Parkway, one block north of the intersection of Yankee Doodle Road and Pilot Knob Road. Parking is available on the lower level on the north side of the building.