



Dakota County Star Quilters (DCSQ)

Bits and Pieces

April 2021

DCSQ Meeting
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Virtual Zoom Meeting
Tuesday April 13, 2021
7:00 p.m. Central Time

Topic: April 2021
General Meeting
Time: April 13, 2021
07:00 PM Central Time (US
and Canada)

**ZOOM LINK TO BE
DISTRIBUTED** by separate
link via email
communication from the
speaker.

A Note from DCSQ Chair – Nicole Anderson Davis

With the quilt show at a close, thank you again to our Quilt Show Chairs, Beth Kobliska and Karen Asmundson for coordinating a great show. Thank you to everyone who submitted quilts – Viewer's Choice winners will be announced at the meeting!

I don't know about you, but my sewing space needs a little TLC after the winter months. With spring and the warmer weather, it's the perfect timing for our April speaker. This month we will be hosting Lilo Bowman, with a lecture entitled, "Love Your Creative Space: It's Not a One Size Fits All Solution."

Lilo Bowman is editor-in-chief of TheQuiltShow.com. Her work has been varied, often challenging, but always creative. Since early childhood, she has been instilled with the desire for and love of doing something with your hands, learned by observing the varied and beautiful items crafted by both of her grandmothers.

Elections for the upcoming term will be held next month and thank you to those who have indicated interest in running for a term on the Board. Positions open: Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary, a co-chair for Education, Quilt Show Chair (or co-chairs), and Sunshine. If you are interested in volunteering for a position please let me know by May 1.

We have a survey with a few questions to gauge preference on format for meetings for the rest of the year, including meeting in person for the July picnic. Please respond by April 25th, so the Board can plan accordingly. <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/PLFGKQV>

Next Board meeting: May 4th 7pm via Zoom. We will be continuing the conversation and reviewing DCSQ By-Laws and Policies and Procedures. Board meetings are open to general membership, if you are interested in attending, I can send over the Zoom information.

"See" you all on Tuesday!
Nicole

Treasurer – Marsha Millonig..

Website Information - dcsq.org – Sue Tobias

Website Information - dcsq.org – The group's website is a great place to see the most up to date information on upcoming meetings and activity. Our members only page has board notes, past newsletters and programs.

We have a new password to access the member's only page – I love quilts and as always, remember to include the spaces.

Sue

Quilt Retreat – Pat Basch

Annual Quilt Retreat at Camp Wapo

Our retreat will be November 10-14, 2021. Registration forms are available on our webpage under the retreat page. www.dcsq.org If you have any questions, please contact Pat Basch.

Pat Basch

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Education/Activities – Elizabeth Kobliska

Making some blocks for a sampler has reminded me how much I love accurate piecing. A smile comes to my face when my intersections match, and my points are pointy. I've found that when piecing blocks, for accuracy I need to make units a bit oversize, then carefully trim down. It really helps having a variety of rulers to do this. For most cutting I use Creative Grids rulers, because they don't budge, don't slip because they have little grippy areas on the back. I've pretty much replaced most of my Omnigrid rulers with these. I've also come to really like Bloc Loc rulers for trimming. They that have cut-outs on the underside that butt up against seam allowances to keep them perfectly positioned so they don't budge when trimming. If you have a favorite tool or technique, please let me know so we can share it with all our members.

I really miss our monthly in-person meetings, and am looking forward to seeing everyone as we all get vaccinated. When we can meet again, I'm planning to revive Bag of Stuff Challenge, and group sewing sessions, revisit of our Women of the Bible / Scottie Dog sew-along (really want to get back to this sampler), and maybe a shop hop. If you have any other ideas for fun activities, please let me know. Also, I would love to have a co-chair for Education/Activities. If you're interested or have questions about what that would involve, please contact me or Nicole Anderson Davis.

Beth Kobliska

Membership-Community Service-Small Quilt Auction From Trisha Millonig.

MEMBERSHIP:

Welcome new member Lucy Schroepfer, her email is quiltlucy@gmail.com
An updated membership list will be posted on the members only section of the website.

COMMUNITY SERVICE:

Jen Schorr who is our room coordinator at the Eagan Community Center had a baby last summer. The board decided to make her a baby quilt.
Board members made floating sawtooth star blocks which Trisha assembled. Beth Kobliska did the long arm machine quilting. I will show a photo during show and tell.
We will be starting a new pattern to make quilts for local veterans. It is "Pie Crust Pile Up" by Terry Atkinson. I will show photos at our meeting and there will be an attachment in the newsletter with directions.

SMALL QUILT AUCTION:

Thank you to the following members who donated items for the small quilt auction: Nicole Anderson Davis, Kaye Goers, Dalores Hansen, Beth Kobliska, Sandi Irish, Trisha Millonig, Kathy Oren, Susie Smidt, Kris Stranik, and Sue Tobias. We had a total of 12 items, 5 had no bids, 7 items sold and if all are picked up, we will have raised \$407.00.
The MMQG had 5 members donate a total of 10 items, 3 had no bids, 7 items sold and they raised a total of \$237.00.

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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.