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News from Mad City Quilt Guild

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January 2018

## ◆◆ **New meeting location for Mad City Quilt Guild** ◆◆

**Middleton Community Church**

**654 Schewe Road, Middleton (2 mi W of Beltline, off Old Sauk)**

### ***Dee's Dispatch***

**Display** your talents by sharing techniques and tips with the guild, as 4 of our members are doing for our January School House. Although I've often heard about the AccuQuiltGO! Cutter (and other models), I've never seen one in action. Kristin will “pull back the curtain” for us. Helen will show us “Step 1” (and beyond) of creating our own fabric from scraps. You thought you had lots of quilting possibilities from your actual stash; just wait until your scraps open the door to even MORE (“Made”) fabric!

Sometimes you finish your quilt top and realize that the backing required for it might take a full “length” of yardage, just to stretch the back a couple inches beyond the typical width of fabric. Dee will show us her trick to calculate how to make 44” yardage *bigger* by sewing a diagonal seam in the backing.

And finally, learn more of the *details* surrounding Lois Jarvis' thoughts and direction as she created the Ground Zero quilt ([gzquilt.com](http://gzquilt.com)) after the devastating events of 9/11/2001. Tom Jarvis will share Lois' journals, photos, etc. – **and the actual quilt!!!**

*~~ Dee*

### **Upcoming Evening Programs for 2017-2018 – 7 pm**

**Jan 22, 2018 School House** featuring: “Made” Fabric (**Helen Flores**), Cutting with AccuQuilt GO! (**Kristin Gumbinger**), Diagonal-Seamed Back (**Dee Van Driel**), Lois Jarvis' Ground Zero quilt (**Tom Jarvis**). The group will be divided into four smaller segments, which will rotate each 20 minutes through the 4 presenters.

**Feb 26, 2018 Carol Harm** – “**Adaptive Techniques to Avoid Quilting Injuries**”; Carol will discuss basic ergonomics and prevention, including a variety of potential health/functionality issues and what to do if you do have symptoms. Maybe you'll pick up tips to allow you to be an active quilter – longer.

### **Upcoming Afternoon Programs for 2017-2018 – 1 pm**

**Feb 6, 2018 Donna Mather** – “**An Introduction to Judy Niemeyer Quilting**”; Certified Judy Niemeyer instructor, Donna Mather, will present a trunk show of her amazing collection of breathtaking Judy Niemeyer quilts. Donna will include some of the tips and techniques used, in a presentation to inspire quilters from beginners to advanced, to create their own heirloom quilts using the Judy Niemeyer foundation paper piecing method. [donnamatherquilting.com](http://donnamatherquilting.com)

**Mar 6, 2018 Beth Ferrier** – “**Will You Make Me a Quilt?**”; “Quilters are a funny lot, with our own special vocabulary and odd habits when it comes to buying fabric.” Beth's humorous look at what it means to be a quilter will have you in stitches. Includes a trunk show. [Applewoodfarmquilts.com](http://Applewoodfarmquilts.com)

## SHOW AND TELL

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**Joan Matiasek:** for her Christmas w/ kids in NC soon: play mat w/ wooden train for 18m/o; son's family lived in Okinawa for awhile, so Joan made him Memories of Japan from the Colorworks pattern (on front & back) w/ black

**Kathy Strohane:** showed her Perkioman Valley quilt, a distinctive style quilt from her time in Pennsylvania (mentioned by Allison Rainboth in her lecture for MCQG), a traditional arrangement of scrappy split 9-patch; Shoo Fly, a tiny pieced quilt in blues & browns; made 3 navy panels with pre-printed sashiko stitching lines (purchased at Blue Bar) into a tablerunner

**Susan Jackan:** many hospital dolls; Mushrooms in the Moonlight, 30" x 40" art quilt made for the next SAQA contest, From Dusk to Dawn – talked through her creative process

**Suzanne Myers Otto:** recently finished treatment for breast cancer (July-Nov) and is now able to concentrate on other things (had to withdraw her presentation at the 2017 Quilt Expo, received a special note from Nancy Z); showed a tribute piece for Yvonne Porcella, Happy Flowers, 15" x 20" WH, in brights + B&W; also, Fritillary Fantasyland, for Hoffman Challenge tour: tree with butterflies, 20" x 36"

**Julayne Jelle/Community Service:** 7 Linus/baby quilts

**Kristin Gumbinger:** red & blue wonky stars made with others at Lutherdale, combined with 60 more by her, in an improv setting, using Mary Fons' partial-seam construction, for an auction/throw-size quilt; had color runs, so tried Dawn + boiling water, several times, to remove extra red dye; Elephant Parade, grays on cheddar, free quilt-along pattern from [sewfreshquilts.blogspot.com](http://sewfreshquilts.blogspot.com)

**Gini Ewers:** bought a packet of fabrics at a quilt retreat and used it to make a quilt top, plus white, in Colorworks pattern

**Mary Vassalotti:** trying to finish projects: her dtr pieced/she la-quilted a small 30" square; small quilt, started in summer, w/ red minky back, prairie points around, square in a square; tablerunner from extras left over from a nursery rhyme kit

**Shirley Abel:** red and white Burgoyne Surrounded mini-quilt (twelve 3" blocks w/1/4" pieces)

**Sharon Walk:** stack & whack fans, 18 blocks on point, with white, gift for friend of MiL, Sharon quilted it

**Rebecca Schmidt:** from her "to be quilted shelf:" 9 blocks in red, green, white WH; small navy/kiwi/white quilt; she uses her domestic machine

## Check the guild website [madcityquilters.org](http://madcityquilters.org)

### **Mad City Quilt Guild Board 2017- 2018**

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Members are encouraged to inquire about filling several position openings in the guild. Now is a great time to shadow the current office-holder and ask real-time questions.

Volunteers are needed for: **MCQG secretary**, currently held by Diane Fulton; **Quilt Expo** (now: Gretchen Rodefeld & Dorothy Vesperman, w/ shadow: Diane Galarneau, + one); **Programs & Market Day**: contact Derrith Wieman.

## Announcing the 2018 Quilt Expo Mini-Quilt Challenge Theme

Participating in our annual Quilt Expo challenge is a great way for MCQG members to explore creativity, demonstrate skills, or try new techniques! This year's mini-quilt challenge theme is: ***Inspired by Nancy Zieman.***

Challenge details:

- \* Quilts must be 12" x 12" or smaller.
- \* The quilt front must represent the theme: ***Inspired by Nancy Zieman.***
- \* The piece must be quilted (a little or a lot, by hand or machine).
- \* A 3" sleeve must be attached to the quilt back along with a label including your first and last names plus the name of your quilt.
- \* You may make more than one quilt if desired.
- \* Quilts are due on or before the Guild's evening meeting in August (August 27<sup>th</sup>).
- \* Late entries cannot be accepted.

Challenge quilts will be displayed in the Mad City Quilt Guild exhibit booth during the Quilt Expo, September 6-8, 2018. Thanks to Diane Galarneau for this year's theme idea!

Questions? Contact Dorothy Vesperman (608-628-8042 or [2funnedv@gmail.com](mailto:2funnedv@gmail.com))  
or Gretchen Rodefeld (608-221-2501 or [gmrodefeld@me.com](mailto:gmrodefeld@me.com))

## Odds and Ends

**Sun Prairie/Prairie Heritage Quilt Show**, March 11,12,13; St. Albert's Center; entry form and info at: [sunprairiequiltshow.com](http://sunprairiequiltshow.com). Entry deadline: Feb 15

**9<sup>th</sup> Annual Lodi Valley Quilt Academy**, April 21, Lodi HS, 1100 Sauk St, Lodi: [LVQG.org](http://LVQG.org); full day w/ choice of 3 classes (lunch included): \$40; register by Feb 15 (early registration recommended)

**Quilt Expo Quilt Contest** (Wisconsin Public TV), Sept 6-8, 2018; Alliant Energy Center, Madison, WI; \$10,000 in prizes for 10-category juried & judged entries; [quiltexpo.com](http://quiltexpo.com) for entry form, deadline June 30

**BLOTTO Party Hats block #3** presented Jan 22; drawings on Feb 6 and Feb 26. See website.

## Community Projects

A big THANK YOU to everyone who contributes to our Community in need.

We continue to donate quilts to Linus for teens graduating from the Foster Care Program, and welcome quilts of any size to be donated to area hospitals. Kits are available at meetings, and we continue to take donations of fabric, batting or thread. UW hospital doll patterns are available upon request. Any longarmers wanting to quilt a quilt top, please contact me. Batting and backing will be provided along with the quilt top.

Suggested quilt sizes for the Foster Care Program: 63" x 87" to 78" x 87". (These dimensions are on our website.)

*2017-2018 Totals:*

Total contributed for the year	67
Finished quilts given to Linus	41
UW Hospital Dolls	47

For any questions regarding Community Projects, please feel free to contact me.  
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## ***New Location: Middleton Community Church***

**We will open the main double-doors at noon or 6:00 pm (1 hour before the usual meeting start-time) for you to enter.** There is a coat room and restrooms to your right, before proceeding ahead to the sanctuary for the meetings.

### **Upcoming Evening Guild Meetings**

Feb 26, 2018 7 pm

Mar 26, 2018 7 pm

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Feb 6, 2018 1 pm

Mar 6, 2018 1 pm

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## ***Details. . .***

*Next Newsletter Deadline:*

**February 15, 2018**

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