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Lincoln Quilters Guild

May 2023

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### From the President

The spring bulbs are bringing color to the outside world while inside our sewing studios we are busy working on 50th anniversary challenge quilts and other colorful projects. Be sure to join us Monday, May 8 for Month 3 of our 50th anniversary year!

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### May Speaker and Workshop - Mike Ellingsen

Mike Ellingsen is an award-winning quilter who is also active in music and drama in his church and community. He is in demand as both a vocal and piano soloist, and he was active in community theater in Blue Earth, Minnesota, for 43 years, so we know he will put on a good show when he visits our guild on Monday, May 8! After 45 years of living in Blue Earth, Mike and his wife, Sue, moved to Decorah, Iowa, in recent years. Mike has his own series of published patterns, which are available in his [Etsy shop](#). He was selected as Minnesota Quilter of the Year—the first male to hold that distinction—for both 2020 and 2021, and he was finally able to show his quilts live and in person in June 2022. We look forward to welcoming him and seeing his work on Monday evening.



On Tuesday, May 9, Mike will teach a half-day workshop called Full Moon Rising. The registration fee is just \$35, and you will learn to work with sewn-in circles. Check out the [supply list](#) and the [registration form](#).

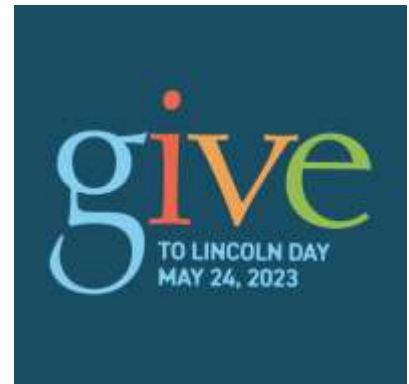


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## Give to Lincoln Day

We have some exciting news to share: For the first time, the Lincoln Quilters Guild is participating in Give to Lincoln Day!

Give to Lincoln Day is a giving day event that encourages you to contribute to Lincoln and Lancaster County nonprofit organizations between May 1 and May 24. Give to Lincoln Day is coordinated by Lincoln Community Foundation, in partnership with local nonprofit organizations.



**Every donation makes a bigger impact on Give to Lincoln Day because nonprofits also get a proportional share of a \$500,000 match fund made possible by LCF and generous sponsors.**

The purpose of Give to Lincoln Day is to promote philanthropy in Lincoln and Lancaster County. There are three primary goals:

1. Introduce new donors to local nonprofit organizations.
2. Help Lincoln nonprofit organizations tell their stories and educate Lincoln about the positive impact they have on our lives.
3. Shine a community spotlight on this day of charitable giving to raise a substantial amount of new money to assist the local nonprofit network.

Because Give to Lincoln Day is intended to be a **bonus fundraising opportunity** for local nonprofits in our community, our 50th anniversary year is the perfect time to participate. We will have more information on Monday night. Please check out our page and consider [donating](#) between now and May 24.

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## 50th Anniversary Roundup

### Challenge Quilts

Remember to bring your 50th anniversary challenge quilts on Monday night. Quilts will be displayed, voting will take place, and prizes will be awarded at our 50th anniversary celebration June 12 at the International Quilt Museum. If you need a few extra days to finish your quilt, you can turn it in Friday morning, June 2, during the Cuddle Quilt meeting at the College View Seventh Day Adventist Church. Contact Vicky Skuodas for more information.

### Nifty Fifty Raffle

Tickets for the Nifty Fifty Fat Quarter Raffle (NFFQR) will once again be on sale Monday night. Buy your tickets (\$4 each or 3 for \$10) and put them in the box you want to win. Winners will be drawn at the September guild meeting (need not be present to win).

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### **Stellar and Gold**

Of course, we also will have tickets available for our beautiful 50th anniversary raffle quilt, Stellar and Gold. Tickets are \$2 each. Buy a booklet of 10 tickets and get a free handmade star! The winner will be drawn at the November guild meeting (need not be present to win).



### **LQG Polo Shirts**

Show everybody you meet that you are a member of the coolest quilt guild in Nebraska by wearing your LQG polo shirt! Pick up your shirt for \$27 at the 50th anniversary table.

### **Special Surprise**

When you stop at the 50th anniversary table on Monday night to buy your raffle tickets and your polo shirt and drop off your challenge quilt, you will receive a small memento in honor of this special year.

### **State Guild Recognizes LQG**

The April issue of the Nebraska State Quilt Guild Newsletter features an article about our 50th anniversary. Thanks to Lisa Burham and everyone on the 50th anniversary committee for all of their hard work to bring recognition to this special year!

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### **Isles Sale Wrap Up**

Thanks again to everyone who contributed fabric, time, money, or all of the above to the guild's booth at the Isles sale. The net profit from the sale (after expenses and sales tax) was \$1,175.63!

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**President Nancy Anderson called the meeting to order** and welcomed members and guests to the meeting. Nancy thanked those present for stopping by the sales table and purchasing fabric and decommissioned library books remaining from the Isles sale. This meeting is the debut of the Nifty-Fifty Fat Quart Raffle.

- 122 Members attended the meeting.
- 2 New members joined: Sue Saathoff and Cora Wheland.
- 2 Guests were in attendance.

#### **Old Business**

1. **Minutes of the March 2023 meeting** were included in the Plain Print. There was no change, the minutes were approved as sent.
2. **The Treasurer's report for the of February 2023** was included in Plain Print. There were no corrections. The report will be filed by the president for audit.

#### **New Business - Nancy Anderson**

##### **The Isles Sale**

- Nancy thanked members for their contribution to the Isles sale by donating fabric, working at the sale, and attending.
- The sale brought in more than \$1,100.

##### **Treasurer Elect**

- Sue DeWitt has agreed to have her name placed in nomination as Treasurer Elect.
- Sue has indicated an interest in this role. Sue has a career in accounting and finance and is currently the Director of Finance at Celerion.
- Sue has been working with the Guild's Treasurer, Kathy Junker, to learn her duties.
- Sue was approved by Guild membership as Treasurer Elect.
- A big thanks to Janice Goin for her help in finding a Treasurer Elect.

## **President-Elect Announcements - Tammy Hensley**

### **LQG Library**

- The library committee has recently decommissioned a number of books that were published prior to 2000 and had not been checked out for some time.
- Thanks to Kathy Spitsen, Joni Sauter and Joyce Nass the updated list of 527 library books that are currently in the LQG collection are now on the LQG website.
- The library committee brings a selection of books to each meeting.
- Members may look at the list of current holdings and contact Kathy or Joni if they want a book pulled and brought to a Guild meeting.
- The list of current holdings can be found under "Membership" on the Guild website.

### **Scholarship**

- The deadline to apply for the Lincoln Quilters Guild scholarship was April 1.
- There were no applications this year.

### **Information Table**

- Offer of a donation of new white sheets that could be used for quilt backs.
- Request from someone who would like to have a t-shirt quilt made.
- Notice of a fabric sale on April 28 and 29 at SouthPointe Christian Church.

## **Announcement by Committee Chairs**

### **50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee: Lisa Burham**

- Happy Anniversary!
- On the information table, there is a list of the events scheduled for our yearlong celebration. Put it on your refrigerator so you don't miss any of the fun.
- The submission date has been changed for the Challenge Quilts. Bring your quilts to the May meeting. Be sure your name is on the back. If you need to extend that deadline, you can bring them to the church during the Cuddle Quilt Meeting on Friday June 3 from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm. You can still get the fabric at the Anniversary table.
- Shirts with the Guild name are on sale at the Anniversary table for \$27.
- Please enter the Nifty-Fifty Fat Quarter Raffle. The drawing for these boxes of 30 fat quarters each will happen on September 11 at our meeting. Tickets are \$4 each or 3 for \$10.
- Pieces from our Past: Did you know that years ago every Guild meeting included refreshments? There was a refreshment committee that supplied goodies for the members.

- Door Prizes – Vicky Skuodas (Drawing)
  - Jane Grabenstein-Chandler
  - Carol Curtis
  - Monica Reid
  - Cindy Milligan
  - Judy Jecha
  - Patrice Steiner

**Bernina Give Away – Kathy Schmitter (Drawing)**

Winner of \$25 Gift Certificate from the Bernina Sewing Center of Lincoln: Rosalind Carr.

**National Quilting Day- Sheila Green**

- A huge thanks to all LQG members who volunteered this year.
- We welcomed 670 guests including a number of first time IQM visitors.
- We celebrated LQG's 50 years with a special quilt display of LQG quilts both from IQM permanent collection as well as those lent by LQG founding Mothers and Life Members.
- Lincoln Quilters Guild's Discover Nebraska was the featured outreach project.
- The lectures, make and take projects and handwork demos were popular.
- The learn to quilt activity was enjoyed by many first-time quilters.
- It takes many volunteers to offer so many unique opportunities for our guests.
- If you have comments about this event, please stop by the Discover Nebraska table or email Shelia.

**IQM Liaison Report to LQG – Connie Soucie**

- Highlights of upcoming exhibits – Placemaking and Miniature Costumes and Quilts were provided by Connie Soucie
- Art Market is planned for November 18 / 19 at the museum. More information will be forthcoming about the opportunity for donations and volunteering at the event.

**Mini Quilt Raffle- Natalie Cummings**

Income from the Raffle: \$69

<b><u>Item</u></b>	<b><u>Donated By</u></b>	<b><u>Winner</u></b>
Cathedral Window Purse	Lynn DeShon	Lois Wilson
Small Quilt Ruler	Vicki Skuodas Rosalind Carr	Donna Jensen
Quilt Book Fabric Yardage	Bev Vogel	Kathy Phillip
Framed Block Thread	Anonymous	Sara Yardley

### **Programs-Elect – Rebecca Brooks and Jacque Riese**

- Surveys were distributed and collected to determine Guild members' interest in programs for next year.
- There will be a block of the month group established that will meet at the church monthly.
- The block of the month will be a mystery quilt designed by Sherri McConnell of A Quilting Life. Those interested in participating in the block of the month are encouraged to let Rebecca or Jacque know.

### **Program- Sandra Wade and Maggie Copple**

- Please sign up for the various workshops that are offered by the Guild.
- The Guild has some thread which had recently been donated that could be useful in the class offered tomorrow.
- Samples were shown of the class that will be offered in May.
- Mike Ellingsen will present May's program and workshop. The program will be Quilts from the Driftless. The workshop will be a half day workshop called Full Moon Rising.
- July's program will be a trunk show by Jenifer Dick from Kansas City. Jenifer's workshop will be all day and feature an applique called Jacks the Jackrabbit.
- Nancy Prince was introduced as the evening's speaker. Nancy has many years of experience as a thread painter. She has won many awards for her thread painting. Sandra took a class from Nancy several years ago and was very impressed with Nancy and the techniques she used.
- This was Nancy's last presentation outside Florida, so we were lucky to get her to Lincoln.

### **Adjourned—Nancy Anderson**

- Nancy Anderson thanked Nancy Prince for her informative program.
- The Guild made \$128.50 this evening on the fabric and book sale.
- Nancy adjourned the meeting at 8:35 p.m. for Show and Tell.

Respectfully submitted: Deb Peck

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## Treasurer's Report March

Plain Print Summaries for March 2023

	Beginning Cash Balance 3/01/2023	54,819.11
RECEIPTS		
	Membership	515.00
	Programs & Workshops	310.00
	Visitor fees	0.00
	Mini Raffle	0.00
	Interest	42.02
	Donation	439.00
	50th Anniversary	324.00
	2023 Raffle Quilt	1,271.73
	Isles Sales	1,214.25
	New Member Group	26.00
TOTAL RECEIPTS		<u>4,142.00</u>
DISBURSEMENTS		
	Programs & Workshops	874.98
	Meeting room rent	460.00
	Resource room rent	50.00
	Insurance & Bonding	34.58
	Administration	93.97
	Nebraska Quilt Guild Dues	25.00
	Cuddle Quilts	300.84
	Quilts of Valor	161.90
	New Member Services	26.27
	Miscellaneous	0.00
	Isles & Garage Sale Expense	59.00
	NE Sales Tax	0.00
	State NonProfit Biennial Fee	28.00
	50th Celebration	352.00
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS		<u>2,466.54</u>
	NET CASH	<u>1,675.46</u>
	Ending Cash Balance 3/31/2023	<u>56,494.57</u>
	Current Checking Balance	26,090.36
	Current Money Market Balance	<u>30,404.21</u>
	Total Cash 3/31/2023	<u>56,494.57</u>

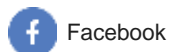


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## Treasurer's Report April

Plain Print Summaries for April 2023

	Beginning Cash Balance 4/01/2023	56,494.57
RECEIPTS		
	2023 raffle Quilt	170.00
	50th Anniversary Celebration	277.00
	Interest Income	42.86
	Isles & Garage sales	153.50
	Membership	210.00
	Mini Raffle Quilts	69.00
	Programs and Workshops Income	265.00
TOTAL RECEIPTS		<u>1,187.36</u>
DISBURSEMENTS		
	Programs & Workshops	1,528.95
	Insurance & Bonding	34.58
	Administration	43.00
	National Quilting Day	236.34
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS		<u>1,844.13</u>
	NET CASH	<u>(656.77)</u>
	Ending Cash Balance 4/30/2023	<u>55,837.80</u>
	Current Checking Balance	25,402.60
	Current Money Market Balance	<u>30,435.20</u>
	Total Cash 4/30/2023	<u>55,837.80</u>





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