



Long Island Quilters' Society Newsletter January-February 2022



Looking Ahead:

General Membership Meetings:

- *Monday January 10, 7:00 PM ZOOM
- Tuesday February 15, 10:00 AM
- Tuesday March 22, 10:00 AM
- Monday April 11, 6:30 PM
- Monday May 16, 10:00 AM
- Monday June 13, 6:30 PM
- Monday July 18, 6:30 PM

Location:
Freeport Recreation Center
130 East Merrick Road, Freeport

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All scheduled meetings are subject to change day or time.
If indoor meetings are cancelled, they will be replaced with Zoom format, date and time to be announced.
Please watch your email for revisions and updates to our schedules.
Conditions are evolving daily, which impact upon health and safety precautions in public spaces.



A Message from our Co-Presidents

Hi Quilters!

Sew, what's up?
Happy New Year!

The most gratifying resolutions, New Year's or otherwise, are the ones we can express and accomplish with our creative urges... How many fabulous immersive quilting projects are you working on simultaneously? Did you throw them all aside when you found a new exciting pattern to try out with new fabric or conveniently gorgeous collections from your stash? Feel free to share your joy: bring it to Show and Tell, talk about it with fellow quilters, write an anecdote for this publication.

Lately we are receiving assorted inquiries from LIQS.org. Some folks are looking for a place to donate sewing supplies such as fabrics, equipment, notions. Others want to hire a skilled quilter or other fiber artist to repair/restore items, or complete quilts with longarm services. We are an awesomely skilled guild, so we are keeping lists of our members who are available as consultants, to take on these opportunities. If you wish to respond to any of these inquiries, please contact Emily or Mary Ellen (phone or email) with your specific skill area and your consent to give out your contact information to these folks who find us as their needs arise.

Let us hope for brighter days ahead, along with whatever New Year's resolutions we try to achieve. We are monitoring the recommended safety protocols for congregating with groups in public spaces. Yes, we have meeting dates for 2022 at Freeport Recreation Center. Ideas are popping up, as we contemplate charity sewing events, and instructional workshops. Winter weather conditions are not usually a hindrance for Zoom formats, (unless we have power outages), which can accommodate instructors from around the globe.

Watch your email for scheduling changes.

Quilting onward,

Emily and Mary Ellen



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Programs, Events, Plans

Monday, January 10, 7:00 PM ZOOM - stay tuned for Zoom login details
Show and Tell - send your photos to Deb Kircheim
no later than Saturday, January 8. Feel free to "Sit and Sew" and show your
creations virtually during this Zoom meeting.

Tuesday, February 15, 10:00 AM - General Membership Meeting
Freeport Recreation Center

Susan Deshensky, a new LIQS member who is a recognized quilt designer, and Judy Niemeyer certified instructor, will be scheduled at a later time.

Meantime, check out her works here.

<http://www.quiltworx.com/instructors/susan-deshensky/>

<https://www.ladybluequilts.com>

Members' News

Holiday Celebration December 14: Congrats to all those who helped us celebrate the year that we're in! Our Holiday Party was SPECTACULARLY AWESOME: Quilts to die for, candlelit centerpieces, money won, raffle bags in abundance, grab bags to grab, food to snack on, fabrics to take, and a great, great night of catching up with friends! And, now on to 2022!

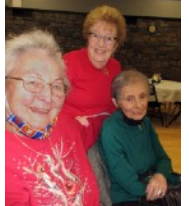
... And a huge thank you from Party Chairperson Betty Ann:

"It was certainly wonderful to gather with our members for the holiday celebration. Thank you for your cooperation in terms of COVID safeguards and protocol. On behalf of LIQS and the holiday celebration committee, I'd like to thank all those who volunteered to help.

In spite of last minute time restrictions, the setup went extremely well. Thank you Shirley Cox, Susan Deshensky, Virginia Dittko, Susan Harlin, Linda Huncharoff, Amy Imken, Lorraine Keller, Carol Ketcham, Nancy LaRocca, Nivia Maldonado, Mush Masters, Jody Ratner, Gail Savold, Kate Shaw, Charlene Stinson and Judy Wollman. In addition, I'd like to thank those of you who made the beautiful raffle baskets: Shirley Cox with Charlene Stinson, Susan Deshensky (3 baskets), Virginia Dittko, Sue Harlin, Melissa Grote, Nancy LaRocca, Emily Mann with Mary Ellen Orchard, Mush Masters (2 mystery boxes), Pat Roaldsen, and Sharon Salkewicz.

You all helped the evening go smoothly, and a good time was had by all.

Every effort was made to recognize each of you. If you were not named, please contact me. Lastly, thank you to those of you who brought non perishables. St. Raymond's Church in East Rockaway thanks us for our generosity. They were delighted to receive the abundant donation for their food pantry."





Freeport Library Exhibit:

Our mini-quilt show at the Freeport Library has drawn a chorus of praise from members, passers-by, library staff and patrons alike. The works of Gloria Bleidner, Ro Brix, Pat Carroll, Maria Gardner, Lorraine Keryk, Barbara Kessler, Nancy LaRocca, Marie Martin, Kate McDermott, Barbara Ringel, Pat Roaldsen, Gail Savold, Sandy Sievers, Laura Smith lined the walls of Freeport Library's display area, supervised by Nancy LaRocca's Quilt Diva.



On the 14th, 15th, and 16th of December, members arrived with machines and projects to spend a few hours in a sit and sew, chatting with interested visitors and enjoying some time together.

We need to extend our thanks to exhibitors, Maria, Nancy, Kate, Sandy, Gloria, and Lorraine, as well as Mush Masters, Linda Huncheroff, Sue Harlin, Mary Ellen Dolan, and Anna Hanrahan who "sat and sewed" with us each day. And thank you to members who stopped by.

The library is happy to welcome us back for another "Mini-Quilt Show" in April. The theme will be "flowers" and we encourage anyone who wishes to exhibit a quilt to contact us: Pat or Marie

We hope to continue the "sit and sew" for a week in April as well!

Welcome New Members!

Stephanie DeMarco, Wendy Farkas, Francine Hazel, Barbara Holz, Arlene Jones, Antoinette W. Winslow

Membership dues are \$40 per year, extending to August 2022. As a member you will avoid the non-member fee for attendance. Dues are an important revenue source for workshops and events, whether they are presented live or virtual. Paid membership assures that we can continue to provide instructional and entertaining events.

Spread the word to quilting and sewing friends! See the membership form on page 9.

Retreat at Sag Harbor

Great reviews from the Sag Harbor retreat November 19-21!

Deb Kirchheim, is a master teacher for The Rapid Fire Hunter's Star workshop, which magically turned out dazzling designs with nearly infinite layout options from one block format. Thank you to Roberta Leonard of "Oh Sew Sally!" for organizing this event, complete with a comfortable workshop venue, snacks and games.

Watch for future workshop offerings from Deb, who is certified with Deb Tucker programs and designs.

After some intricate re-arranging and puzzling, here are photos from Sharon, Mario, and Emily.





Lap Quilt for Wheelchair:

Cut:

- 28 - 5" squares
- 2 - 5 1/2" x 32" For top and bottom
- 3 - 1 1/2" x 32" sashing
- 1 - 8 1/2" x 32" for hand and pocket
- 2- 7" x 18" for hands
- 2 - 4" x 8"

1. Sew the 5" squares together, 7 squares across and 4 rows down.
2. Sew the two 7" x 18" right sides together, leaving an opening to turn inside out. Press.
3. Sew the two 4" x 8" pocket together, in the same way.
4. Sew the pocket onto the 7" x 18" centering, leaving the top open.
5. Sew the hand & pocket piece onto the 8 1/2 x 32" piece, centering it, only sew the top and bottom.
6. Take one piece of 5 1/2 x 32" and sew one piece of sashing to bottom.
7. Then sew the 8 1/2 x 32" piece to the bottom, then sew the last sashing piece.
8. Sew your 5" square piece to the bottom, and then sew the last sashing piece.
9. Sew the last 5 1/2 x 32" on the bottom of that.

The next Charity collection is not yet determined; however, feel free to bust your stash making more items for the future. Pillowcases are quick-to-complete stash busters with those fabrics in need of a project.

Quilt tops in need of finishing: If you are interested in these projects, contact Judy for a pickup appointment

Instructions for Charity projects, for your continued reference:

Pillowcase:

1. Place the fabrics on top of each other matching the fold line. Cut off selvage. Make sure all pieces are the same size. Press the cuff and piping pieces in half, **wrong sides together.**
2. Open up 9" strip.
3. First, place the 9" opened strip, face-up, then place the main fabric face up on top, then place the 2" **folded** strip on top of that. Reach down and roll up, only the main piece of fabric to make a tube.
4. Then bring the 9" cuff piece of fabric **over** the tube, pin across the top making sure all pieces are pinned. Stitch a 1/4 inch seam across the top. **Do not sew the ends closed.**

- Pillowcase:**
- 1. Main fabric 27" x WOF**
- 2. Cuff 9" x WOF**
- 3. Piping 2" x WOF**

5. Reach inside the tube and pull the tube out completely.
6. Fold the pillowcase in half, right sides together. Stitch down the side seam, making sure that the cuff and piping match, then the bottom. You can zig-zag the bottom and the side to prevent unraveling, or finish with crisp French seams.
7. It can be made with or without the piping.

Chemo Seatbelt Port Pillow:

1. Take the Velcro and separate it. Sew it to the right long side on the center edge of one piece of fabric and the other end to the other side of the same fabric. When they're sewn on you can wrap it around the seatbelt.
2. Close the Velcro.
3. Sew the two pieces of fabric, right sides together leaving an opening so you can stuff it.
4. Stuff it.
5. Sew the opening closed.

Chemo Seatbelt Port Pillow:

1. 2 pieces of fabric 7" x 4"
2. 1 piece Velcro 3 1/2 " (sew-on type)
3. Stuffing

Measurements for larger size:

1. 2 pieces of fabric 16 1/2" x 5 1/2"
2. 2 pieces Velcro 4 1/2"

Doll Pattern and Instructions: PDF file sent with a previous newsletter email.

More Stuff to Do

Pillowcase technique for quilts

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bwBv2vjPCHc>

Declutter Challenge 2022

<https://www.justgetitdonequilts.com>

Riley Blake Designs - block challenge to May 17

<https://www.rileyblakedesigns.com/sew-alongs>

Worldwide resources for guilds and instruction

<https://www.globalquiltconnection.com>

Quilted bowl cozy (as seen in centerpieces at Dec. 14 party)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vYOqsRw_lrc

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZrvuvA0Kdgg>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4B7ykUhlI24>

<https://www.allpeoplequilt.com/bags-pillows-gifts/gifts/free-soup-bowl-cozy-pattern>



Media



**Continue to keep all members in the loop!
If you are sending paper copies of newsletters and
emails to non-email members, or calling them about
updates, please inform the Editor by replying to the
sender of this newsletter.**



Newsletter/Emails Emily Mann / Betty Ann Colangelo

If you are not consistently receiving LIQS Newsletter and email blasts to your inbox, please check your spam or junk folder, and add these email address to your safe contacts. Betty Ann is currently collaborating with Emily and will be taking over the Newsletter position.

Facebook Mary Ellen Orchard

Social media communication.

LIQS Website Anna Hanrahan

Photos at LIQS.org are posted in the "Gallery" section.

Evelyn Google is currently collaborating with Anna on management of the website.

Sunshine and Shadows Carol Irwin

- Condolences to Rosemary Brix and her family, on the loss of her brother.
- Congratulations to Nancy LaRocca's daughter, Dr. Judith LaRocca, who is appointed superintendent of Valley Stream 13 schools as of January 25.
- Congratulations to Susan Deshensky, whose designs will appear in: Quiltmaker January-February, McCall's Quilting March-April, Fons & Porter Quick + Easy Quilts June-July

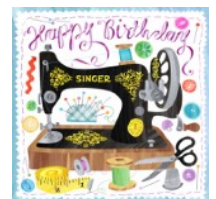
Message from Carol:

Please contact me directly with any news updates, or leave a message.

*Happy Birthday to
January-February Birthday Members!!*

January: Isola Best, Karen Bowen, Mary Ann Crowley, Penny Friedman, Cynthia Gray, Jane Ogilvie, Angela Quartararo, Pat Roaldsen, Mary Schuellein, Sharon Salkewicz, Charlene Stinson, Kathy Wideska,

February: Bonnie Cleary, Betty Ann Colangelo, Liss Geraldi, Nancy Gravina, Francine Hazel, Linda Huncharoff



Thoughts

I'm Die-ing Mary Ellen Orchard

I'm die-ing!

Okay, so I have a "thing" for Accuquilt dies for cutting out fabric shapes... squares, circles, flowers, strips, cars, etc. Well, I saw a flash sale for 70% off for a die with free shipping! I mean, the economist that I am said, "Hey, GO FOR IT!" and I did ... and did....and did... and did.

Okay, not every die was at that price over the next few weeks, but there were awesome sales to say the least! Most were already reduced 25% or so with another 50% off and with free shipping. Who am I not to support our small businesses?!

Then came 12/31, I had to be rushed to City MD: Accuquilt had a "Buy One, Get One" die 99 percent off" end-of-year sale. I mean - 99 percent off!!!! I still sweat when I read that! I was revived by purchasing four dies. It was a close call."

Then it dawned on me: Why all of a sudden are all of these dies and accessories on sale? Lo' and behold, they were bought out by an investment firm who probably did not know what a hungry crowd we are! And, face it, they have to show their investors that they're actively dealing and need those numbers for their last quarter sales.. and look who benefits! ME! And probably others.

Okay, so now the problem comes home... how many times can I say, "Anthony, oh, this? I'm working on a charity project." And then scramble to get almost a daily fill of dies into this house!

Die-ing... it's an art. I'm getting good at it.

But Where? Emily Mann

I know I have it but where? But where? That is the theme of everything sewing quilting, all fiber arts, crafting. There should be a "but where" soundtrack that plays while searching for something that we know we have but cannot find because:

1. We forgot where we put it.
2. It is buried under something because we cast it aside and never decided where to put it.
3. We put it away very safely, so safe that we cannot find it.
4. We thought we still had it but either used it up or gave it away or purged it.
5. Other reasons unknown to us.

Another resolution for 2022: Know **where** everything is. Working on it!

P.S. Decluttering the empty nest! My available floor space will be about 72" x 36". If any quilter colleagues can suggest where to find an appropriate sewing/quilting table, please contact me: Emily

Attention Classified entries:

Ads will appear for one newsletter issue, and subsequently removed.

Any questions? Email the Editor.

Classified

Ads will appear here



**Long Island Quilters' Society, Inc.
Membership Application**

September 1, 2021 - August 31, 2022

**Annual Dues: \$40
(Cash or check payable to LIQS)**

Name: _____

- New Member
- Renewing Member
- Life Member

(Renewing Members: Only fill in if your contact information has changed.)

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: (____) _____ Mobile: (____) _____

Email: _____ I do not have an Email address

Birthday (month only): _____

**Joining a committee is one of the best ways
to become involved in LIQS.**

**All members are required to work a minimum of 2 hours during
the biennial LIQS Quilt Show and sell 2 raffle books for
the Opportunity Quilt in order to support our organization.**

**Please mail your membership application along with
cash or check payable to LIQS to:
Linda Huncharoff
LIQS Membership Co-Chair**

**Membership cards are available for pick up at the sign-in table at all monthly meetings.
If you prefer to have your card mailed to you, please include a stamped, self-addressed
envelope. Please note that membership dues are non-refundable.**

**Questions??: Call the Membership Chairs
Linda Huncharoff or Kathleen Wideska**



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The Long Island Quilters' Society, Inc. is a non-profit organization dedicated to furthering an interest in quilting, encouraging the preservation of our quilt heritage, and offering year-round instructional opportunities for its members. The society provides a meeting where quilters can support each other's growth and development. The membership year is from September 1 through August 31; annual membership fee is \$40. Members receive a bi-monthly newsletter and are eligible to participate in