



North Shore Quilters Guild

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Love and Comfort Sewing Day at NSQG May 20th, 2026 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

WHAT: A hands-on day for all of us to gather together to make quilts for those in need (our charity quilt projects)

WHEN: From 9-3 on May 20. Come the whole time if you are able, or come when you can (if you are only available to come for part of the day that is fine too).

WHERE: *Our usual meeting location (basement of Northshore Congregational Church on Santa Monica).* Large tables for sewing will be set up in the middle for sandwiching quilts and on the sides of the room for those who are quilting, the stage will be the location for ironing.

WHAT TO BRING: Bring your partially completed love and comfort quilts to finish, or just bring yourself! Bring your lunch to enjoy at our noontime break where we can visit. And if you want to quilt or bind the quilts, bring your sewing machine, notions, pins, rotary cutters, scissors, rulers. If you want to make a quilt from scratch, we will have kits you can work on, or you can work on your own. We have batting and backing fabric, or provide your own. It's up to you how you contribute. We will have an assembly line to divide the tasks!

WHY: For fun! To make a positive difference to those in need in our community!

WHAT ARE WE MAKING: Two types of Love and Comfort quilts: 36" X 36" children's for the NICU (only cotton and kids prints), and adult (larger, any size, fabrics)

Thank you for making the Love and Comfort quilts. They make a positive difference to the sick and needy in our community. We distribute them all over town, depending upon the needs at the various locations where we donate (e.g., St. Ben's, The Guest House, Sojourners, All Peoples Church-which serves the Harambee neighborhood, Columbia St Mary's Hospital)

Contact Laurie Jacobs ljacobs9073@gmail.com or Mary Trainor pastormaryt@gmail.com for more information.

May Birthdays

Mary Kay Anderson
Christy Barden
Marlene Deutsch
Barbara Dowling
Faye Junker
Cynthia Mohsenian
Carol Waugh

May Bakers L&C

Evelyn Burdick
Margreda Kukla
Laurie Jacobs

June Bakers

Marlene Deutsch
Kris Devitt
Mary Belvoir

Pill Bottle Delivery

Marlene Deutsch

Do you know someone who needs some

sunshine? Please contact:

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Meetings held at: The North Shore Congregational Church
7330 N. Santa Monica Blvd
Fox Point, WI 53217

Upcoming Guild Workshops

There are two workshop opportunities for July and August. Check your calendar as the Sign up begins at the May workday. See website for all the details.

Our New Volunteer Opportunity!

For more information or if you have questions, please contact Kayleigh Crosby crosbyk053@gmail.com Or Grace Moone gmoone@gmail.com



About HAWS

The Humane Animal Welfare Society (HAWS) is an open-admission, no-kill shelter dedicated to strengthening the relationship between animals and humans through adoptions and education – making a more compassionate community possible.

Open Admission & No-Kill Mission

Through our diverse programs, HAWS is committed to remaining an open admission shelter while also maintaining no-kill status. To that end, HAWS has created programs to both care for animals in need and to craft a long-lasting solution supporting pets and their people in our community.

Cat Room

Cat Mats

Finish Size: 12in x 15 in
Note: Scraps larger than 3 inches
Quantity: No limit



Cat Kennel Covers

Finished Size: 33.5in x 22.5 in
Note: need 7 ties for corners and center
Quantity: 4 - 5 total

Stuffed Cat Beds

Size: 12in x 15in
Stuffing: batting & fabric scraps larger than 3 inches
Quantity: 5 at a time (low priority)



Dog Room

Small Kennel Covers

Size: 23.5 in x 26.5 in
Quantity: 6 sets (one for wall and door each)



Large Kennel Covers

Size: 35in x 38 in
Quantity: 4 sets (one for each side)
Note: Ties need to be longer to reach bars



Patchwork People: Threads of Our Guild

Spotlight on Two of Our Guild Members



Cynthia Mohsenian

Cynthia Mohsenian has been a member of the guild for 11 years. During that time, she's served in several leadership roles, including guild president, co-chair of the Challenge Quilt Committee for 3 shows, and co-chair of the 2023 Quilt Show.

Cynthia's quilting style leans modern rather than traditional, and she's especially inspired by art quilts. She admits she can't resist modifying every pattern she tries, something that makes her projects take a little longer but also keeps them uniquely her own.

Her love of sewing runs in the family. Her grandmother sewed clothes, and her mother taught her to sew as well. A quilting friend in Minnesota encouraged her to make her first quilt at a retreat but with five children at home, that first quilt took over 20 years to finish!

Cynthia's goal is always to keep learning. She often sews with fellow guild member, Marlene, and enjoys the creativity and camaraderie that come with it. Outside of quilting, her family keeps her busy. She and her husband have five children and six grandchildren, the newest addition living in North Carolina. Her husband once coached soccer, and all of their kids (and now grandkids) are active in sports, including soccer and hockey.

Cynthia earned her bachelor's degree in medical technology, a career she paused after the birth of her third child. When it comes to quilting, she believes two of the most important skills are pressing fabric carefully and cutting threads neatly—small steps that make a big difference in the finished work.



Kathy Foster

Kathy Foster has been a steady presence in the guild for 18 years, taking on the role of membership coordinator shortly after attending her very first meeting. Guided by her friend Doreen, she made her first quilt for a grandchild using nothing more than scissors though she has since upgraded to the essential ruler, rotary cutter, and mat. Over the years, Kathy has sewn a wide variety of quilts, from paper-pieced and traditional bed quilts to her current love of applique, always enjoying the creative challenge each project brings.

Outside the sewing room, Kathy stays active playing tennis twice a week and enjoying bridge with friends. She is a proud mother of two and grandmother of four, all of whom have several themed quilts from Kathy, including dinosaur designs and Packers patterns. Even her son received a Minnesota Vikings quilt despite her avid Packers fandom! Kathy spent 26 years with the Mequon Police Dispatch, back in the era before 911 when the workplace was almost entirely men, which makes her appreciate the camaraderie of the guild's women all the more. Her quilting tip is simple yet wise: Find the correct pattern.



Raffle quilt for the 2027 NSQG Quilt Show

I know we just finished our 2025 quilt show, but my brain is already working on ideas for the 2027 raffle quilt. My hope is for it to be finished by the Feb 2027 Winter quilt show and to start selling raffle tickets early.

What I need from everyone now is to donate 2 and 2 ½ inch fabric scraps. I will assemble them into kits for making blocks with the instructions.

Each block needs 16- 2inch squares of a colored fabric, 12- 2inch squares of a white or off-white fabric, 4 each of 2 ½ inch squares of colors and whites.

Donate what you have for squares- I will sort them into coordinated sets for each block.

Hopefully I can start handing out kits in a few months once I get all your donations.

Thanks, Evelyn

North Shore Quilt Guild Programs

April 2026 - March 2027

<p>May 20, 2026 Workday from 9-3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Love N Comfort Workday <p>Join members in creating charity quilts</p> <p>June 17, 2026: Phyllis Fay Morning Lecture</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Motivate Me to Use my Stash <p>July 15, 2026: Judy Zoelzer Levine Morning Lecture</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sewing Room Solutions <p>Afternoon Workshop</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Silks, Satins, and Other Fun Stuff <p>August 19, 2026: Mary Reilly Kliss Morning Lecture</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Botanical Dying <p>Afternoon Workshop</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Foliage and Flowers on Fabric <p>September 16, 2026: Members Demonstrate Skills Morning Presentations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Member Round Robin 	<p>October 21, 2026 Linda Harpin Morning Lecture/ Trunk Show</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 50 years of Quilting <p>Afternoon Workshop</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pinwheel Victoriana <p>November 18, 2026: Vicki Spiering Morning Lecture/ Trunk Show</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Award Winning Quilts & Conversation <p>December 9, 2026</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Holiday Party 10 am <p>January 20, 2027: Kristen Weiss Morning Lecture</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wool Appliqué with embroidery <p>Afternoon Workshop</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Embroidery with Wool Applique <p>February 17, 2027: Cynthia McChesney Morning Lecture (Zoom)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Panel Palooza <p>March 17, 2027: Angelica Sanchez Mora Morning Lecture</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cultural Cloth
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Thank You/Links and Photos from April:

SCHMETZ: What Needle Should I Use? -Rhonda Pierce

Rhonda Pierce sent us a thank you note for inviting her to our April meeting! She sent along many links for more information and resources!

Thanks for inviting me to give today's SCHMETZ lecture. Your members asked terrific questions, so I know they were paying attention. If you are sending out a follow up email below are a few helpful links:

Website: www.SCHMETZneedles.com

The SCHMETZ bundles I talked about: <https://schmetzneedles.com/bundles>

Free SCHMETZ App, Web-Based Resource: <https://www.schmetzneedles.com/pages/schmetz-sewing-resources> (Click Here for simple & free download)

The ever-popular SCHMETZ ABC Pocket Guide is available mostly free at sewing machine dealers and shops that sell SCHMETZ. It is printable too: SCHMETZ-2024-ABC-Pocket-Guide.pdf (shopify.com)

SCHMETZ Color Chart: <https://schmetzneedles.com/sewing-machine-needle-color-code-chart>

The Grabbit MyPad is a great way to organize slightly used needles: <https://schmetzneedles.com/mypad/mypad-mp-group>

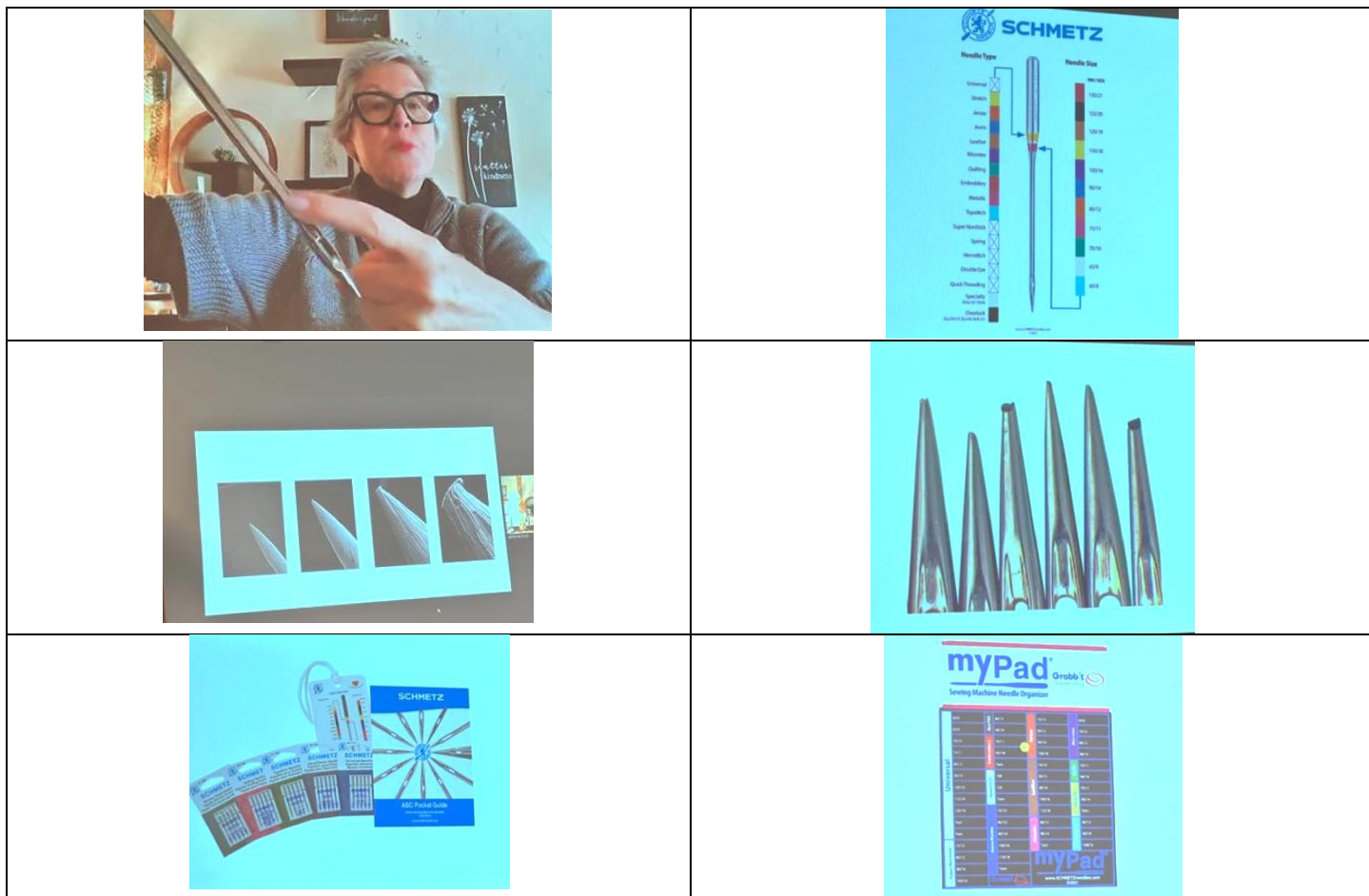
Sign up for the monthly SCHMETZ newsletter: <https://schmetzneedles.com/newsletter-signup-1>

Join me for a SCHMETZ Snippet Live the first Wednesday of each month at noon Central Time. Watch on FB, YT and our website at Videos SCHMETZneedles

My personal blog: www.SewMoreStitches.com

My SCHMETZ Inspired to SEW profile: ITS86-FEB21.pdf (shopify.com)

Hope our paths cross at the upcoming Fiber+Fabric Craft Festival or another quilt or sewing show. Thanks for being a SCHMETZ fan! 😊



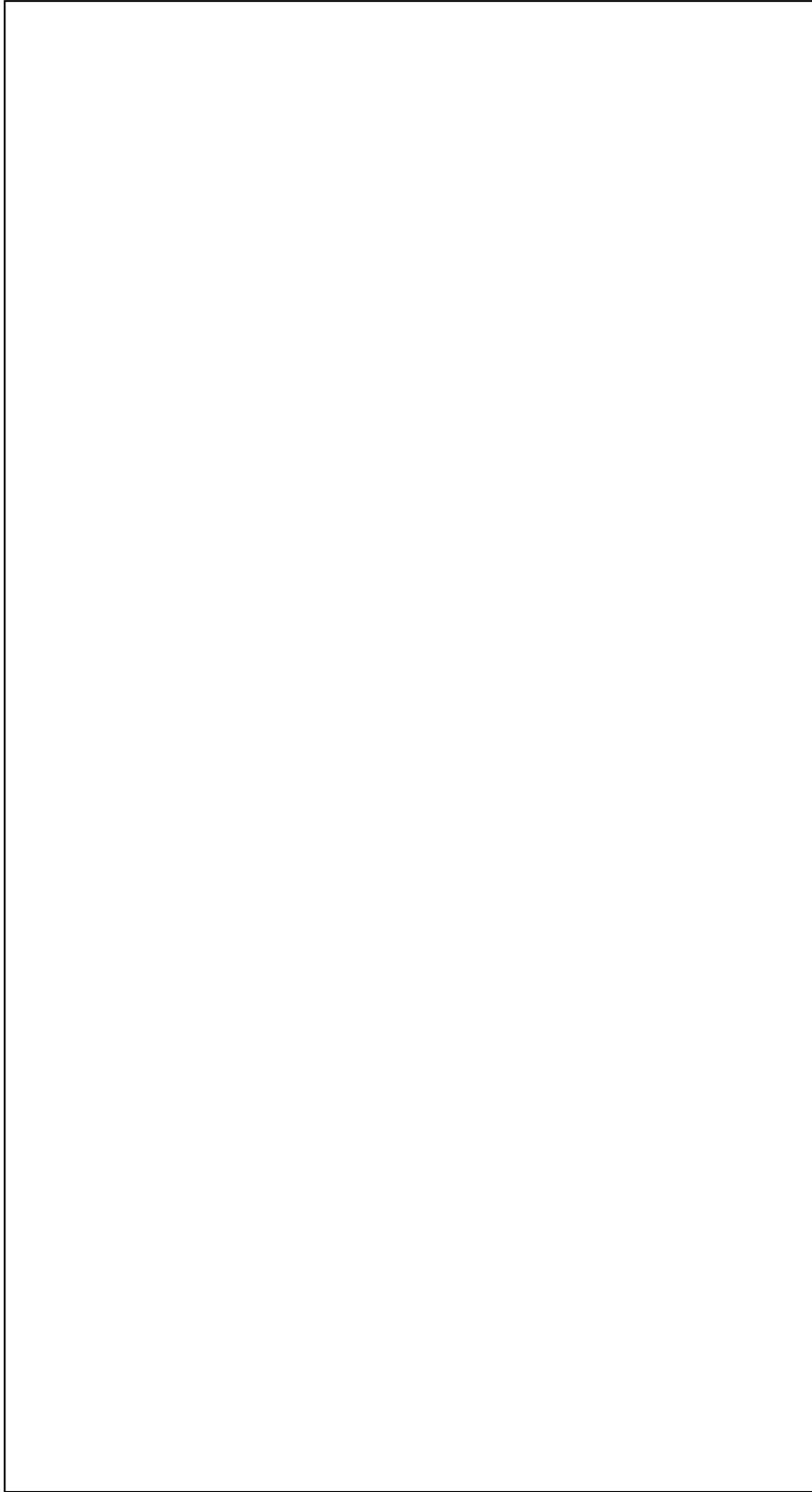
Photos from the NSQG Bus Trip on May 2nd to Rockford, Illinois for the **Parade of Quilts** Quilt Show. Our NSQG members enjoyed beautiful quilts, demonstrations, shopping, eating, and good times with friends!

Thanks to Mary Beth Szymborski for the photos



Best of Show





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