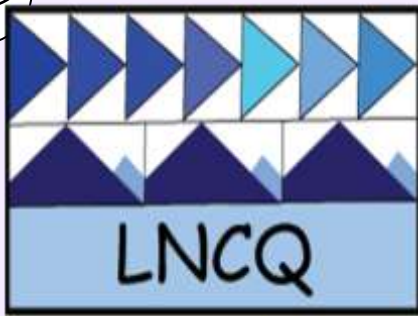


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LEAGUE OF NORTHERN COLORADO QUILTERS NEWSLETTER



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"Sort Through Your Stash to Make Traditionally Modern Quilts"

Sandra Clemons, published author and designer, will be speaking to LNCQ on Monday, February 6, 2017, 9:30 AM at the Poudre Valley REA Building located at 7649 REA Parkway, Fort Collins.

*Sandra began quilting in 2004, but making and sewing has been **part of her entire life. She comes from an American Midwest family of DIY'ers, a family who knows how to make or fix a little bit of everything.** Sandra desired a creative outlet, but a safe job as an auditor in public accounting was her first step out of college. She pursued audit for the next 15 years, until she became a mom. Priorities shifted and suddenly she could mix her skills and talents from corporate with her passions of design and handmade. Make It Blossom was born and is the label for her individual quilting and sewing patterns.*

*She is a fabric designer for Michael Miller Fabrics and authored the book *Scrap Patchwork, Traditionally Modern Quilts*. Her quilts have been featured in over 25 quilting and sewing magazines. She blogs and shares free tutorials at www.sandraclemons.blogspot.com. She resides in Colorado with her daughter and husband.*

Her lecture covers Sandra's background, quilting style, and how to make traditionally modern quilts while showing her quilts from Scrap Patchwork.

The League of Northern Colorado Quilters

presents

ANN LOVELESS

Landscape art quilts

March 6, 2017

9:30 program / 12:30 workshop

Workshop fee for members is \$35.00 plus supplies

Workshop fee for guests is \$50.00 plus supplies

Poudre Valley REA Building

Visit www.LNCQ.org for more info

Send a check made out to LNCQ to Euncie Michalka, 6219 Eagle Ridge Ct., Ft. Collins, CO 80525



Ann Loveless is a native of Frankfort, Michigan which is located on the shore of Lake Michigan. Ann attended Michigan State University and received her degree in Clothing and Textile Design. In 2004 Ann fell in love with the art of Landscape Quilting. Ann's inspiration and designs come from nature and the beautiful lakes and woods of Northwest and Upper Peninsula of Michigan. Ann works from photographs and has developed three distinctive quilting techniques



Ann is the 2013 1st place winner of Artprize in Grand Rapids Michigan. Ann displays and sells her work online and at State of the Art Framing and Gallery in Beulah. www.quiltsbyann.com

Landscape Art Quilts by Ann Loveless

www.quiltsbyann.com

Ann is a Northern Michigan quilt artist that captures the beauty of Northern Michigan in her art quilts. Ann has a clothing and textile degree with an emphasis in art from Michigan State University. She has had a love of sewing and fabric all her life and since 2005 has found her calling in art quilts which utilizes her sewing and art talent.

The subject matter in her quilts includes birch trees, flowers, ferns, sunsets, sparkling water, and snow and many other favorite nature scenes. Her good use of color gives her designs a punch along with using batik fabrics, yarns, tulle, angelina fiber and thread for texture and depth. Ann's work has a common theme of nature but she has developed different techniques that keep her work fresh and exciting. Her techniques include **Fabric Mosaic** (fusible applique), **"impressionistic"** (layered fabrics under black tulle) and **Collage** (fusible web appliqué with free-motion machine stitching)

Two of Ann's quilts were accepted in the American Quilters Society, Paducah, KY; 2007 "Ski Village" and in 2009, "Trillium". "Birches" quilt was shown at the Albuquerque Fiber Festival in New Mexico, won a 3rd place award at the Art Works Alliance juried show in Traverse City and it also was accepted into the 2008 Michigan Governor's Artist Residency Program and hung in Jennifer Granholm home in East Lansing. Ann has also had 5 commission pieces that are hanging at Munson Hospital in Traverse City and 1 commission piece for Crystal Mountain's spa building in Thompsonville, MI. Ann also has several commission pieces at Paul Oliver Hospital Acute Care Facility in Frankfort, Michigan. Ann displayed at the Gerald Ford Presidential Museum in Grand Rapids for ArtPrize competition in 2011 with "Trillium" and 2012 with "Seasons" with a top 25 award. Ann was the featured artist at the Leland Fiber Festival in 2011. In 2012 Ann won "Peoples Choice" award for her quilt "Autumn" in Fiber 577 exhibit in Perrysburg, OH. Ann also won "People's Choice" award at the ArtRapids art fair in Elk Rapids, MI. Ann exhibited her "Poppies" quilt at the AQS Grand Rapids Quilt Show in August 2013 in Grand Rapids, MI. Ann won first place in the ArtPrize 2013 competition with her four paneled quilt "Sleeping Bear Dune Lakeshore". In 2015 Ann's book was published titled "Landscape Art Quilts". Ann and husband Steve won 2015 Artprize people choice award with "Northwood Awakening". Ann won honorable mention award at AQS Grand Rapids with "Sunset".

Community Service Sew Day



Monday, April 3, 2017

Quilter's Dream, 517 Denver Ave., Loveland, CO

10 am until 3 pm

Come for the day or an hour or 2

We will be using donated fabric to make baby, child or lap size quilt tops.

Bring your cutting and sewing supplies. We do ask that you take the top home and return it completely finished.

These sewing days are a lot of fun. So please consider joining us.

Bring your own food and drinks.

LNCO sincerely appreciates and thanks Jackie at Quilter's Dream for allowing us to use their space.

2017 LNCQ SPRING RETREAT

“NUT’N BUT QUILT’N II”

Friday April 21, 2017 through Sunday April 23, 2017 (3pm)

Early Arrival on Thursday (Noon) April 20 is Available

Little America Hotel & Resort Cheyenne, Wyoming

Registration opens Monday, February 6, 2017.

Your retreat registration fee includes: 2 Breakfast buffets (Saturday & Sunday morning), a Dinner buffet Saturday evening in our own private dining room, the room of your choice (Preferred King or Preferred Two Queen Room) during your stay, the Cheyenne Ballroom set up as our retreat sewing center and an ice cream social. The room rate is the same for either a Preferred King or a Preferred Two Queen room!!!



Cost per person

Number of Persons to a Room	Friday - Sunday (3 Days - 2 Nights)	Thursday - Sunday (4 Days - 3 Nights)
Double Occupancy	\$245	\$310
Single Occupancy	\$355	\$475

Preferred King (one bed) Room

Preferred Two Queen (two beds) Room



Instructions for Registration:

1. You must be a 2017 LNCQ member by Wednesday February 1, 2017.
2. Use a separate form for each participant (forms can be found at <http://www.lncq.org/retreat.html>).
3. Roommate registration forms and checks must be in same envelope.
4. Registration forms must be postmarked **NO EARLIER THAN** February, 6, 2017.
5. Total registration fee must accompany your registration. Make checks payable to 'LNCQ.'
6. Openings are limited (only 40), register early! Registration closes by February 28, 2017.
7. Confirmation of your inclusion in the 2017 retreat will be sent no later than March 6, 2017.

Send completed registration form to: Eunice Michalka 6219 Eagle Ridge Court Fort Collins, CO 80525

REGISTRATION FORM

Name _____ Email _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ (Please Circle Choices) Need 1st Floor Room? Yes or No

Amount Enclosed \$ _____ Type of Room: Preferred King or Preferred Queen

Roommate _____

For more information contact Eunice Michalka (970-226-3470) euincemichalka@msn.com
or Kim Darrow 970-215-7936 kimjdarrow@gmail.com

Introducing Your 2017 Board Members

Co -Presidents: *Eunice Michalka and Sissy Young*

1st Vice President: *Sharon Wakefield*

2nd Vice President: *Julie Chantry*

Secretary: *Barbara Moir*

Treasurer: *Kim Darrow*

Community Service: *Heather West*

Hospitality: *Linda Heier*

Library: *Nancy Parker*

Membership: *Robbie Carpenter*

Newsletter: *Lori Willey*

Show and Tell: *Kristine Smith*

Small Groups: *Ann Eatman*

Special Projects: *Eilene Maelzer*

Website: *Becky Williamson*

Way & Means: *the entire board*

We ALL owe every one of these ladies a huge amount of gratitude. Their willingness to serve will insure that LNCQ remains a vibrant, productive and fun organization for another year!!!

LNCQ Cancellation Policy

Reminder

We would like to remind all of our members what the policy is for cancellations of pre-paid retreats and events.

There will be *NO* refund given if:

* You have to cancel for any reason after the given cancellation date unless your spot is taken and paid for by someone else.

*You have to leave the retreat or event for any reason.

*You are a no show

We understand that there are always going to be times when the above happens. We would love to be able to give refunds. Unfortunately, the vendors hold LNCQ responsible for the entire cost and the League cannot afford to cover your fee. We need all of our members to fully understand and accept these terms when paying in advance. It is the only way that we can offer retreats and paid for events. We thank you for your continued support and participation in LNCQ events and activities.



Hello Everyone! It's a new year, a new LNCQ and a new opportunity to join for 2017. We have 67 members signed up for 2017 so far. We can't say it enough IF YOU ARE PLANNING ON ATTENDING THE RETREAT IN APRIL I MUST HAVE YOUR MEMBERSHIP IN MY HAND BY FEBRUARY 1ST!!! Your board has lots of new activities and exciting programs for 2017 already lined up. If you haven't already, PLEASE sign up and be a member for 2017. We need ALL of you to make LNCQ a

CHARITY REPORT

Hello Ladies,

My name is Heather West I am fairly new to LNCQ. I am the new service chair. I'm pleased to announce that we were able to donate several quilts in January to: Golden Peaks Nursing Home, Spring Creek Nursing Home, and Realities for Children.

This year's charity focus will be: Inspired Quilts. These quilts can be inspired by family member, friend, service person, or anything else that inspires you. Have fun with it. At the August meeting you will be able to share your charity quilts and the inspiration behind them.

Presidents' Corner: Winter 2017

Happy New Year to Us All !

When we started our LNCQ journey one year ago; we were like 'Deer in the Headlights!' The year has had its' ups and downs and with the encouragement of you all, we were able to smooth out the bumps in the road. Then on to the 'fun and new opportunities' for us all.

The new road trip, Fall retreat and Christmas luncheon were on the top of our list! Please join us as we continue into this wonderful new year adventure; as we have lined up inspirational speakers, quilting days and of course: more retreats! We would like to thank all of you for being a part of LNCQ.

The ladies who have stepped forward to be a strong voice & support on the board are such an encouragement **to Sissy and I. Each bring a special insight and personality! We are also happy to have 'New to Colorado' ladies joining right in and getting involved. You are awesome! Thanks.....**

Enjoy keeping warm this winter; snuggling close to your fabric and machine! We look forward to seeing you on February 6th!!

Eunice and Sissy



Hello, I'm Kim Darrow and am the new LNCQ Treasurer. I joined the group just last year and am really enjoying it. I have been sewing since I was a teenager and started quilting in the **early 80's when I was single and need a hobby since there were some (many) unfilled evenings!** I recall shopping at a fabric/ quilt store in Loveland that was next to the Black Steer restaurant. **The mats, rulers and rotary cutters caught my attention...I** had never seen such things before! I found a pattern and decided to give it a go. The pattern I picked was filled with flying geese..yikes! **I didn't realize that would be harder. But I finished it, hand quilted it and that small table topper (hot mess!) is very dear to me, the numerous chopped off points and all. Maybe at a meeting sometime we can do a "show and tell" of our first quilt!** In addition to LNCQ I am part of an Instagram quilting community that is so encouraging and inspirational. I like to participate in block swaps with like-minded quilters...so much fun! If you are on IG I am kimd1207.

Treasurer's Report

Checking Account Balance 1/10/17 \$12,314.08

Includes \$1675 2017 dues for 67 members



This beautiful quilt top was donated to LNCQ. The board agreed that we could offer our membership chances to win the completed quilt without doing a full on raffle (our treasury would benefit). So, plan to bring \$5 each meeting. If you love leaves, you would love this one. You will see it at all LNCQ activities and at the December meeting someone will take custody of this volunteer-made quilt. Again, support your local guild! Eileen Maelzer, 663-1418 if you have questions.



League of Northern Colorado Fund Raising Event

Mini Quilt Retreat

June 5 and 6, 2017

Poudre Valley REA Bldg., 7649 REA Parkway, Fort Collins
8 AM until 10 PM on the 5th and 8 AM until 6 PM on the 6th.
members \$20.00 / guests \$35.00 (if space available, filled after members deadline)

There is room for 32 quilters. The earliest you may mail in your form and payment is *Monday, May 22nd*.

This is first come first served determined by the post mark on the envelope. (Just like Spring Retreat.)

Refunds will be given only if your spot is filled by someone on the wait list.

Lots of sewing, chewing the fat (literally and figuratively), and all around good time will be had by all.

Space will be reserved for Monday night dinner (Dutch treat) at the Pueblo Viejo. If you would like to join us please mark it on the form. Feel free to bring your lunch on both days or go out for something. There is a refrigerator and microwave available. You may bring snacks and drinks.

We will be working on our individual projects. The only interruptions will be to laugh and cheer someone on.

Everyone attending will be expected to help with the set-up, take down and cleaning.

LNCQ Mini Retreat Registration

Name: _____

Check number: _____

Dinner on Monday evening? _____

Mail to: Sissy Young

244 Camino Del Mundo,



2017 PROGRAMS AND EVENTS

- February 6, 2017.....Sandra Clemons program and workshop
Program at 9:30: no charge workshop immediately following
Workshop fee of \$35.00 for members and guest fee for workshop is \$50.00 registration required no refund unless cancelled by LNCO
Poudre Valley REA Bldg., 7649 REA Parkway (off of Fairgrounds Ave.), Fort Collins
- March 6, 2017.....Ann Loveless "landscape quilt artist" program and workshop
9:30 AM program with workshop immediately following
Workshop fee of \$35.00 for members and guest fee of \$50.00: registration and pre-payment required no refund unless cancelled by LNCO
Poudre Valley REA Bldg., 7649 REA Parkway, Fort Collins
- April 3, 2017.....Community Service Sew Day
Quilter's Dream, 517 Denver Ave., Loveland, CO
10 AM until 3 PM
- April 20-23, 2017.....Spring Retreat at Little America in Cheyenne, WY
- May 1, 2017....."A Special Event"
Yellow Creek Designs, home of the "Kindred Spirits Club"
Quilter's Dream, 517 Denver Ave., Loveland, CO 970-461-3452
Program at 9:30 immediately followed by the workshop
\$10.00 for program only (pay at the door) / \$35.00 for program and workshop
Registration and pre-payment through Quilter's Dream is required for the workshop
- June 5 and 6, 2017.....Mini quilt retreat
Poudre Valley REA Bldg., 7649 REA Parkway, Fort Collins
8:00 AM until 10 PM on the 5th and 8:00 AM until 6 PM on the 6th.
members \$20.00 guests \$45.00 (if space available after members deadline)
Registration and prepayment is required.
- July 10, 2017.....We are working on a chartered bus road trip
- August 7, 2017.....Quilting historian Lisa Erlandson program
1:30 PM
Poudre Valley REA Bldg. 7649 REA Parkway, Fort Collins
- September 11, 2017.....Quilt Studio Tour
- October 2-5, 2017.....Fall Quilt Camp at Highlands Presbyterian Camp and Retreat Center, Allenspark, CO
- November 6, 2017.....Community Service Sew Day
- December 4, 2017.....Christmas party

2016 Quilt Challenge results:

All the quilts turned in were displayed in the December meeting and by popular vote, the winners are: 1st, Barb Monroe, 2nd Cheryl Route, 3rd Pat Arcila and Curator's Choice, Jayne Cooley. Those who competed in addition were, Von Zdenek, Kristine Smith, Mary Anne Florence, Donna Winn, Ann Eaman, Karen Mosher, Eileen Maelzer and Eunice Michalka. This special event rewarded the winners with cash awards of \$25, \$15, \$10 and matching ribbons to go with their winning quilts. The event prizes were LNCQ funded, and your participation is one more way to make our guild strong and fun. Each entry was unique and beautiful. An entry fee of \$3 forfeited by the challenge participants who didn't finish, also contributed to the budget for special projects like this one. Thank you for your enthusiastic response. Be watching for the next fun guild "challenge". It will be different than last year's. Eileen Maelzer



This is AJ Erwin holding Barb Monroe's 1st place challenge quilt



This is Cheryl Route with her 2nd place quilt



This is Jayne Cooley with her Curator's Choice Quilt

This is Pat Arcila with her 3rd place quilt



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Yellow Creek Designs

home of the

"Kindred Spirits Club"

May 1, 2017

Quilter's Dream, 517 Denver Ave., Loveland, CO

970-461-3452

Program at 9:30 immediately followed by the workshop

\$10.00 for program only (pay at the door, cash or check)

\$35.00 for program and workshop (includes lunch)

Registration and pre-payment through Quilter's Dream

is required for the workshop

THEIR STORY

Jill & her sister Vicki grew up in the great little town of Pearl City. For many years they traveled to the post office to pick up the mail in the building that was once the bank. Who knew this building would house the greatest quilt/gift shop in North Western Illinois owned by the sisters! Opening in 1992 under the name Sew many Antiques they carried a nice supply of quality quilting fabrics, patterns, books and antiques of all kinds. Soon they outgrew the space and added to this historic building. The name was changed to Yellow Creek Quilt Designs in 2010. Although quilting supplies continued with great enthusiasm, the antiques faded away to make room for many wonderful gifts and a great selection of wool & Valdani threads. Yellow Creek Quilt Designs was a featured shop in Better Homes & Gardens Quilt Sampler magazine in 2011. Jill's patterns have been featured in several Primitive Quilts & Projects magazines. Their first book was published by Kansas City Star and is called Kindred Spirits. Jill's first fabric line Kindred Spirits for Windham Fabrics shipped Aug. 2015. Her third line, Kindred Spirits--Sisters will ship Aug. 2017. Jill & Vicki offer a club called Kindred Spirits featuring their exclusive pattern designs. Jill is now the shop owner and gets a great deal of help from Vicki and others. www.yellowcreekquilt designs.com

(Last year Jackie at Quilter's Dream in Loveland reached out to LNCQ to co-sponsor this event with them. We are pleased to be working with them for the enhancement of LNCQ. We thank Quilter's Dream for giving us this opportunity. Your LNCQ executive board.)

LEAGUE OF NORTHERN COLORADO QUILTERS

2017 Annual Dues \$25.00

Optional mailed newsletter \$12.00

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION: New Member _____ Renewing Member _____

Make your check or money order payable to League of Northern Colorado Quilters (LNCQ) and mail with this form to LNCQ, Attn: Membership, P.O. Box 272593, Fort Collins, CO 80527

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY, signature is required

Name _____ Month/day of birth _____

Address _____

City _____ State ____ Zip _____ Phone _____

Email _____

Are you interested in finding out about a small group? Yes _____ No _____

MEMBER INFORMATION

For this organization to thrive, the interest and support of all members is *essential*. All members are expected to help in at least one activity. How would you like to be involved? Please check at least one category that you would like to be of service.

<input type="checkbox"/> Community Service	<input type="checkbox"/> Library	<input type="checkbox"/> Nominating
<input type="checkbox"/> Retreats	<input type="checkbox"/> Ways & Means	<input type="checkbox"/> Membership
<input type="checkbox"/> Program	<input type="checkbox"/> Show & Tell	<input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter
<input type="checkbox"/> Publicity	<input type="checkbox"/> Small Groups	<input type="checkbox"/> Website
<input type="checkbox"/> Hospitality		

Comments _____

Membership in League of Northern Colorado Quilters (LNCQ) runs from January 1 to December 31 of each calendar year. As a member you will not sell or give away the membership roster for personal gain. Membership in this League is NOT transferable or assignable.

Each member agrees as a condition of membership, to release and waive any claim he or she has or may have against the League, its officers, employees, committee members or agents arising out of or related to the members participation in activities of the League or arising out of any action taken for the League or its Board to discipline or expel any member or officer.

Signature _____ Date _____

LNCQ SHOW & TELL

Your Name: _____ (please print clearly)

Quilt Name: _____

Construction Information: (hand vs. machine quilting, applique method, etc.)

Details about the quilt: _____

Would you like the Show & Tell photograph emailed to you? _____ YES _____ NO

