



# North East Ohio Regional Quilt Council

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## *PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE*

Hello Quilters,

Where has the summer gone? September is just around the corner. The fall season is my favorite time of the year. The crispness of the air, leaves changing, fall colors, football, making Halloween costumes for the grandchildren, and my birthday.

With all the hustle and bustle of the fall, do not forget the General Meeting on October 7<sup>th</sup>. The meeting will include a presentation by Cindy Casciato and Carol Wooten on the history of NEORQC, the annual challenge, and presentations by the grant recipients for this past year. Also remember to bring your show and tell to share with the membership.

I have had the pleasure to review historical newsletters and meeting notes of NEORQC. Did you know NEORQC started with 16 guilds and 3 shops? The first official meeting was held on March 4<sup>th</sup>, 1989. As social organizations have seen membership decrease, this organization has stayed strong. This reflects the strong quilting friends this organization is comprised of. We have grown from 16 guilds with about 600 quilters to 39 guilds with membership of 1,450. And, just a reminder, the Getaway registration opens on September 1<sup>st</sup>. The Getaway information and registration form are available on the website.

Did you know there are 18 Mondays till Christmas? It is never too early to start on those holiday projects.

Happy Quilting,

*Barbara*

Barbara King  
NEORQC President

### **2023-2025 Board**

President—Barbara King  
Vice President—Margaret LaVenja  
Secretary—Catherine Peterson  
Treasurer – Mary Rose Nordquist



## *Saturday, October 7<sup>th</sup> General Meeting*

**Time:** 10:00 a.m.  
**Place:** United Methodist Church of Kent  
1435 E. Main St. – Kent, OH  
**Breakfast:** Continental breakfast  
**Host:** NEORQC Executive Board



**Speakers: Cindy Casciato & Carole Wooten**  
**Founders & Past Presidents**  
**History of NEORQC**

**Grant Recipient Presentations**  
**Challenge Quilt Reveal**  
**Show & Tell**

### *Scavenger Hunt Quilt Challenge Reveal*

How are your Scavenger Hunt Challenge items coming along? Completed and finished Challenge projects are due at the October 7th General Meeting. Please bring them in an unmarked bag to the meeting to be eligible for prizes. We cannot wait to see your projects!

If you have any questions, please contact Janice Brown, NEORQC Fabric Challenge Coordinator, through the link on the Challenge page on [www.neorqconline.org](http://www.neorqconline.org).

### *NEORQC Education Grant - Recipient Presentations*

Come to the October General Meeting to learn how this year's recipients used their grants:

- Girl Scout Council of North East Ohio
- Calico Hearts Quilt Guild/Girl Scout Troop 91510
- Ohio Star Quilt Guild/Kids Quilts
- Sew4Service
- Tuscarawas County 4-H

Applications for 2024 were due Sept. 1<sup>st</sup>. If you have any questions, contact Cathy Parker, Grant Chair. 330-703-8354 or [cathyquilts@gmail.com](mailto:cathyquilts@gmail.com).

## NEORQC Getaway 2024- *Quilters are Timeless*



Mark your calendars: **February 2-3-4, 2024** at the Holiday Inn in Boardman.  
Registration opens September 1, 2023 and closes November 15, 2023.  
Class Descriptions and Registration Forms are on the website and Facebook.

Please note some changes for 2024:

- Check-in for the Getaway classes will be earlier on Friday, Feb. 2nd at 9:00am. Hotel registration will be at the regular time.
- Class on Friday will run from 2:00 – 5:00 pm.
- Please note that lunch on Friday is not included in the price of your registration. You are responsible for that one meal on your own. The hotel has a restaurant and there are many restaurants very near the hotel. You'll also find quilt shops and retail shops in the area.

We hope that you are looking forward to this event and we hope that you will enjoy your time at NEORQC Getaway 2024. If you have any questions, you can contact the new Getaway Chair, Mary Rose Nordquist, or Gloria Peterson, Registrar. Contact emails are on the website.

## *The NEORQC Never Ending Shop Hop*

### **Visit 6 shops, enter to win a gift certificate on October 7th**

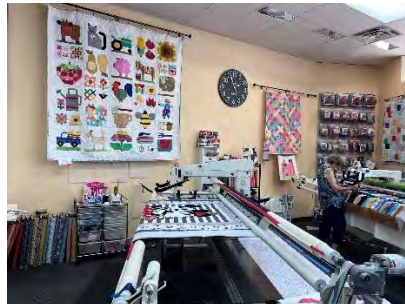
Now is the time to participate in the NEORQC Never Ending Shop Hop! You can download and print the NEORQC shop hop card from [www.neorqc.com](http://www.neorqc.com) under the “**Shop Hop**” tab. Visit six different shops and ask each shop to initial or stamp the back of the card. Bring your card to the General Meeting for a chance to win a gift certificate to one of our member quilt shops.



### *Where can you donate fabric?*

Are you looking for a place to donate fabric? NEORQC President Barbara King came across this article with specific organizations as well as suggestions for seeking out local organizations. The blog is written by Amy Smart of Diary of a Quilter. <https://www.diaryofaquilter.com/places-to-donate-fabric/>

### **Sneak peek at *Imagine That & More***



## Meet NEORQC Member Shop

Imagine That & more



**The shop was born out of COVID. Megan Sorn and her Mother saw that people were fading without the much-needed social interaction.**

The pair has a small quilting studio named Imagine That Designs LLC, in the Westpark, Kamm's Corners neighborhood of Cleveland. It is their happy place. Megan does custom quilting and her Mother creates uniquely pieced quilts. They would have been happy to do that for the rest of their lives but they saw a need for Community after COVID. Sewing had always been an emotionally healing activity so they wanted to share that with the people around them. A church group that met at their studio gave their input, love and support when Megan and her Mother decided to expand into a larger storefront just down the street in September 2021. "Recognizing the good fruit that has come from our endeavors, for us and others, Imagine That & More is our way of re-potting God's blessing, and expanding, so we all have the space and inspiration to grow," said Megan.

First and foremost, *Imagine That & More* is a creative space for the fabric arts. The goal is to build a community that encourages people to grow their creative skills so that they can accomplish their dreams. They believe in buying local, carrying locally-made products and working with other businesses and schools to do charitable community events. These events allow seasoned sewists to share their skills with newbies.

The focus on community, bonding, and learning more than products sets them apart from other shops with:

- Large cutting and pressing stations
- Open studio times every day (free on Fridays)
- Couches for yarn and hand-stitching
- Specialty and project-related lines of fabrics and notions
- Dealers and repair technicians for APQS (American Professional Quilting Systems) long arm machines
- 3 long arm & 1 sit-down long arm machine for rent
- Concierge service to fully load your quilt, wind your bobbins & adjust the tension so customers can come in and quilt right away without any fuss
- Monthly Farm Girl Club, an extensive line of Lori Holt fabrics & projects
- Wool fabrics and kits for applique with Ohio-based Sue Spargo, as one of their major suppliers
- Locally hand-dyed yarns plus knitting & crocheting classes and a bi-weekly Yarn Parties
- For meetings, special events or workshops, inquire for the details. Seating for up to 40 quilters.
- Large variety of Quilters Dream Batting, by the yard and in packages
- Harrisville Potholder Pro® Looms and loopers
- Quilting classes & more: see their website for the complete list and calendar [www.imaginethatandmore.com](http://www.imaginethatandmore.com)



All-Ohio Shop Hop  
participating shop

Visit Megan Sorn and her staff at  
3756 Rocky River Dr., Cleveland, OH 44111  
Phone: (216) 417-1155  
Email: [imaginethatnmore@gmail.com](mailto:imaginethatnmore@gmail.com)  
Website: <https://www.imaginethatnmore.com/>  
<https://www.facebook.com/megansorn.imaginethatnmore>  
<https://www.instagram.com/imaginethatnmore/>  
<https://www.pinterest.com/imaginethatnmore/>  
<https://twitter.com/ImagineThatShop>  
<https://www.tiktok.com/@imaginethatnmore>  
<https://www.youtube.com/@imaginethatmore135/featured>

## Upcoming Quilt Shows & Events in 2023

### Willoughby Hills Quilt Guild Reception

Refreshments, vendor mall, Chinese auction  
Sept. 8, 7pm-9pm  
Willoughby Hills Community Center  
35400 Chardon Rd., Willoughby Hills, OH 44094  
Info: Linda Sacerich, 440-585-0486 or rgang4us@aol.com

### Lorain County Piecemakers 2023 Quilt Show

Quilts, vendors, raffles and more!  
Fri., Sept. 15 10am-5pm  
Sat., Sept. 16 10am-5pm  
Sun., Sept. 17 10am-4pm  
Russia Township Lodge  
46300 Butternut Ridge Rd.  
Oberlin, Ohio 44074  
Free parking! Admission \$5.00  
Contact person/questions: Chris Yoo  
[LorainCountyPiecemakers@gmail.com](mailto:LorainCountyPiecemakers@gmail.com)

### Streetsboro Judged Quilt Show

Vendors' Mall, Country Cupboard,  
& Raffle Quilt  
Fri., Sept 29 10am-6pm  
Sat., Sept 30 10am-4pm  
Faith Baptist Church  
9890 S.R. 43 at Frost Rd.  
Streetsboro, OH 44241  
Admission \$5.00  
Info: [ladyquiltr@aol.com](mailto:ladyquiltr@aol.com)  
[www.streetsboroquiltguild.com](http://www.streetsboroquiltguild.com)  
Facebook: Streetsboro Quilt Guild

### North Coast Needlers

**"Autumn Splendor" Quilt Show**  
Traditional, Contemporary & Art Quilts  
Vendors - Raffle Quilt - Boutique - Challenge Quilts  
Sat., Oct. 21 10am-5pm  
Sun., Oct. 22 11am-4pm  
Location: Don Umerley Civic Center  
21016 Hilliard Blvd., Rocky River, OH 44116  
Free Parking – Handicap Accessible  
Admission: \$5.00  
For more information:  
[www.northcoastneedlers.com](http://www.northcoastneedlers.com)  
[NCNquiltshows@gmail.com](mailto:NCNquiltshows@gmail.com)

### Old Uniontown Quilt Guild 33<sup>rd</sup> Quilt Show

Dates: Oct. 27 & 28 10am-4pm  
Ashland County Fairgrounds  
2042 Claremont Ave.  
Ashland, OH 44805

[www.neorqconline.org](http://www.neorqconline.org)

### All Ohio Shop Hop

Continues through September 30<sup>th</sup>  
<https://allohioshop.com/event/>

### Stan Hywet Stitchery Showcase

October 5 - 8, 2023  
714 N Portage Path, Akron  
<http://stanhywetneedleworkguild.org/showcase.html>

### *The Best of Contemporary Quilts from Quilt National 2023*

– touring  
from the Dairy Barn Arts Center,  
Athens, OH  
November 21, 2023 – March 3, 2024  
Canton Art Museum  
1001 Market Ave. N, Canton, OH



The NEORQC Board is looking for photographs, stories, and the list of past presidents with the dates in office. If you have information or photographs to share for the 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration, please forward to the President at [president@neorqconline.org](mailto:president@neorqconline.org) or Newsletter Editor at [newsletter@neorqconline.org](mailto:newsletter@neorqconline.org)

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