

Raintree Quilters Guild

September 24, 2016

Susan G. Komen Evansville Tri-State Affiliate Designated as Featured Charity

During its early planning for the 2017 Quilt Show, Raintree Quilters Guild approached the Susan G. Komen Evansville Tri-State Affiliate and asked if we could work with them as the Featured Charity for the Show. They quickly agreed, and planning began. Since Raintree's Quilt Show will be held during the days leading up to the 2017 Race for the Cure, it is the perfect time to highlight the good work of the Komen Evansville Tri-State Affiliate, and to support their cause by raising funds that will be used in our local area. The Guild has launched several projects: Here are the projects Raintree will complete:

1. Design and complete a Signature Quilt dedicated to Breast Cancer Survivors. (A signature quilt is created with blocks of fabric designed to be signed with names or messages.) Signature blocks were sold at the August 2016 Survivor's Breakfast and will be available at other venues in 2016 until all the blocks have been sold. The blocks will then be assembled into a quilt by Raintree Guild and completed. The quilt will be raffled at the August 2017 Survivor's Breakfast. Proceeds from signature sales and from the raffle all go to the Komen Evansville Tri-State Affiliate.

2. A Quilt for the Cure Quilt Block Challenge will be conducted by Raintree Quilters Guild. Members of our community and of the Guild will be invited to participate by preparing Challenge Quilt Blocks in pink and white. The blocks will be judged by Viewers attending the October 2016 Raintree Quilters Guild meeting and by the Komen Evansville Tri-State Affiliate Director, Sheila Seibert. Awards will be given out. These blocks will be assembled into another quilt. Raffle Tickets will be sold for this quilt from early 2017 until the drawing, which will be held in September 2017 after the 20th Annual Race for the Cure.

3. Additional quilts will be assembled from extra blocks from the Block Contest and a T-Shirt Quilt from T-shirts from all the years of the Race for the Cure. These will be auctioned at the 2017 Raintree Quilt Show (September 23, 2017) for the benefit of Susan G. Komen Evansville Tri-State Affiliate.

Raintree Quilters Guild has undertaken this effort as a part of our Guild's mission of promoting the art, craft, and legacy of quilting through education, preservation, and philanthropy within the community.