



Thimble & Thread Quilt Guild of Greater St. Louis

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Future Programming

UFO Challenge Party: Due to the cancellation of the January meeting, participants in the UFO challenge should bring their finished quilts or quilt tops to the February meeting. Please sign in with Debby Logan for each of your quilts or quilt tops before the meeting starts so your name will be in the prize drawing.

February 10, 2017: Casey York will be joining us. She will present a trunk show and her new program, "Modern Applique", which follows her new book "The Appliqué Book, Traditional Techniques, Modern Style".

Saturday, February 11th, Casey will hold a workshop on the Broderie Perse Appliqué, one of the techniques in her book. Broderie Perse uses appliqués cut from print fabric motifs, such as flowers, birds, or other objects. I have taken the class and know that you will enjoy learning about these techniques.

March 10, 2017: Jan Ochterbeck will be presenting her lecture on Cut and Shuffle Quilts. Jan has had a career in apparel, textile and accessory product development. She has made the transition to quilts and pattern designs, which appeal to both modern and traditional quilters. You can find her online at <http://thecolorfulfabriholic.blogspot.com/>.

April 7, 2017: Program to be announced.

Thanks!!
Debby Logan

Important Notices

Please note that the February and March meetings will begin at 7:00 pm instead of the customary time of 7:30 pm. We are trying this out for a couple of months to see how it works.

Please carefully read completely thru this newsletter as there are very important messages about the upcoming Quilt Show.

Welcome to Thimble & Thread Quilt Guild

One of St. Louis' largest quilting clubs. We hope you will join us at one of our monthly meetings, a workshop, a retreat or even a quilt show. Explore our web site <http://www.thimbleandthreadstl.org> to see some of the quilt-related things going on in St. Louis, our Guild and elsewhere.

We meet at Concordia Lutheran Church, 505 South Kirkwood Road at **7:00** pm on the second Friday of each month, unless changes are announced in the newsletter or on the website.

Doors open at 6:30 pm. Guild meetings are open to non-members, free for the first visit (unless the program involves a national speaker), and \$3 per visit thereafter. A \$5 fee is charged whenever a national speaker gives the program. Membership dues are \$30 per year.

A pre-meeting dinner is held at O'Charley's restaurant, 1242 South Kirkwood Road, starting between 5:00 and 5:15 pm. If you decide to join us, please let the staff at O'Charley's know you are with "the quilters".

From the Prez

Winter Thaw

As I write this it is 75 degrees in the third week of January! I always look forward to January and February because the holiday hoopla is behind me for another year and because this is usually a quiet time when I can get a lot done in my sewing room. Today I spent a couple of hours at Jackman's selling tickets for our wonderful 2017 raffle quilt. Sales were good; even brisk at times. Everyone remarked on how beautiful the quilt is. We are justifiably proud of it and I want to personally thank each and every one of you who contributed to its completion under the guidance of the designer, Marylyn Simpson.

We have a wonderful workshop coming up in February given by Casey York who is also our speaker for the February meeting. Most of you have met Casey previously when she presented at our guild. She will be giving a workshop in broderie perse, which is an old technique updated for the 21st century. She has made the method very "today" with machine technique, current fabrics, and new settings. You won't want to miss it.

We are in a time of new beginnings this month. We have started a new year and I, for one, have been cleaning out and organizing my sewing room. I want to replace the carpeting with more care-free flooring that has less affinity for holding threads and hiding pins. So I am motivated, but it is a big task. As is my wont, I have also started new projects while vowing to finish the old. Those two tasks are somewhat at odds. It's harder to organize and clean when you are pulling things together for new projects. On the other hand, the cleaning has led to several discoveries of long forgotten projects that still have potential. The yin and yang of life, I suppose.

Wishing you all a productive late winter and hoping to see you all in February!

Piece out,

Mary Ellen

“The Power of Quilts” – Quilt Show 2017

At the time this is being written, the quilt show is less than 7 weeks away. Some of you may know that the guild came very close to cancelling this year’s quilt show. We did not have nearly enough quilts to fill the vast space of Queeny Park. The Quilt Show committee appreciates those of you who completed and submitted your registration forms. Many of you have stepped up and found more quilts to display in order that we could have a show. Thank you.

Putting on a quilt show requires many people doing many different jobs. It is now your turn to step up so that the show may go on. **Volunteers are needed!** There are jobs where some physical labor is involved, other jobs where you can sit, still others where you can walk around and chat with our guests. We have hired labor to assemble the PVC pipe on Friday but the drapes still need to get on the PVC pipe, and the quilts need to be hung on Friday. If you don’t want to get on a ladder to hang quilts, you can sit and put drapes on pipe or thread the pipe through the sleeves on the quilts. If you can’t help on Friday, there are many jobs on Saturday and Sunday. Of course the show is not over on Sunday, until all the quilts are down, the drapes folded, and the pipe is back in the trucks.

For those of you who have never been an integral part of a quilt show committee, you may not realize the amount of work and detail that is necessary for such an endeavor. We want this to be a success, so it is time for you to step up to the plate. Volunteers may register at the membership table at the next guild meeting. Kathy Sherrick (our sign-up genius guru) has set up a way to sign up online. Check an email that arrived in your mailbox Jan 28th.

In this newsletter, there is a summary of show jobs with available time slots. If you don’t sign up online, please come prepared to sign up at the February meeting.

Pat Ferrell, Jeanette Oesterly, Chris Willbanks

Show Announcements

Touch of Spring Challenge – Cindy Clifton has asked that you please bring your Touch of Spring challenges to the February meeting. If you won a prize, please put a note on your quilt. All quilts must have a label on them so (1) you get proper recognition and (2) so that it comes back to you.

Quilt Raffle – please bring in sold tickets and monies for the raffle quilt and give to Cindy Clifton. We, the Guild, need to determine the status of sales and how much money we have actually collected.

Books and Patterns – this is your final call to go thru your books and gently used patterns (please no markings on them) that you bought and have gleaned all that you can from them or wonder “why did I buy this?”. Please turn in to Susan Sanders at the February meeting.

Four Seasons Challenge – your challenge piece is due at the February meeting; please turn in to Dolores Keaton. A quick reminder about the rules: the finished size is 6” by 36” long using any technique(s). Edges are to be finished either with a binding or pillowcase technique. It must be quilted. Make sure your name is on the back. One specific color is to be included for each season along with any additional colors you choose to include: Spring – Lime Green, Summer – Yellow, Autumn – Orange, and Winter – Teal Green.

Hot Hexie Challenge – Due no later than the March Meeting (3/10/17). Guidelines are on the website under Downloads – Quilt Show Challenge. Basic guidelines are: (1) only hexagons may be used in the quilt (although pieced hexies will work), (2) size of hexagon is your choice, (3) color scheme is your choice, (4) quilt parameters – no larger than 25” by 25”, and (5) quilt must be labeled on back and include name of quilt, quilt maker, quilter, and contact information of owner.

Volunteers – below are the lists for volunteers for Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. You may sign up either at the February meeting or on line as an interactive site has been set up. Note that many of the openings on Saturday and Sunday are “sit-down” jobs; no walking required.

Pre Show Set up Friday

1. Cindy Clifton
2. Tom Clifton
3. John Rutkowski
4. Nancy Rutkowski
5. Lynda Hendren
6. Peggy Renard
7. Dave Renard
8. Susan Sanders
9. Debby Logan
10. Linda Polcyn
11. Joan Barker
12. Russ Horne
13. Kate Lottes
14. Jeannette Larson
15. DeWayne Carron
16. Adele Niblack
17. Bill Williamson
18. Carol Williamson
19. Jerri Stroud
20. Patty Thompson
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Quilt Hanging – noon to 4 pm

1. John Rutkowski
2. Nancy Rutkowski
3. Susan Sanders
4. Katie Frazier
5. Jerri Stroud
6. Debby Logan
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SATURDAY – Admissions

SATURDAY – White Glove

10 am to noon
 Cindy Clifton
 Dora Friedewald
 Carolyn Erickson
 Terri Weiersmueller
 Cindi Templin
 Peggy Renard

10 am to noon
 Nancy Hamilton

12 pm to 2:30 pm
 Louise Morris
 Adele Niblack
 Jeanette Oesterly

12 pm to 2:30 pm
 Russ Horne
 Jerri Stroud

2:30 pm to 5 pm
 Robin O’Sullivan
 Deborah Carnes

2:30 pm to 5 pm

SUNDAY – Admissions

SUNDAY – White Glove

11 am to 1:30
 Jeanette Oesterly
 Kathy Gaynor
 Betty Deans
 Pat Luttrell

11 am to 1:00
 Janey Syers
 Marianne Whaley

1:30 pm to 4 pm
 Russ Horne

1 pm to 2:30 pm
 Katie Fraizer

2:30 pm to 4 pm
 Chris Hawthorne
 Josephine Niemann
 Regina K.
 Katie Fraizer

SATURDAY – Gifts of Love

10 am to noon Lynda Hendren

SUNDAY – Gifts of Love

11 am to 1:00 _____

12 pm to 2 pm _____

1 pm to 2:30 pm Carol O'Shea
Karen Lavelle

2 pm to 4 pm _____

2:30 pm to 4 pm Lynda Hendren

4 pm to 5 pm Louise Morris
Linda Schwartz

SATURDAY - Sewing Machine Raffle

Door Prizes

Membership

Book/Pattern Sales

10 am to noon _____

Debby Logan

12 pm to 2:30 _____

2:30 pm to 5 _____

Sunday

11 am to 1 pm _____

1 pm to 2:30 _____

2:30 to 4:00 pm _____

SUNDAY – Quilt Take Down (4 pm to 5 pm)

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| 1. Anne Henning | 13. Debby Logan |
| 2. John Rutkowski | 14. |
| 3. Nancy Rutkowski | 15. |
| 4. Chris Hawthorne | 16. |
| 5. Susan Sanders | 17. |
| 6. Josephine Niemann | 18. |
| 7. Katie Fraizer | 19. |
| 8. Jeannette Larson | 20. |
| 9. Carol O’Shea | 21. |
| 10. Karen Lavelle | 22. |
| 11. Bill Williamson | 23. |
| 12. Carol Williamson | 24. |

2017 “The Power of Quilts” Members Consignment Booth

I welcome all members that would like to participate and place items in the Consignment Booth to contact me, Denise Poepsel, if you would like to join in this area of the Quilt Show. If you are creative and would like to have your items for sale at the show you can place them in the booth. Members receive 85% of the sale price and the quilt guild receives 15% of the sale. Fabric and quilt related items are most welcome. I have packet of complete instructions and paperwork that needs to be completed when items are turned in. If you cannot be at a meeting to obtain a packet please call or email and I can get one to you. You would need to work in the booth during the show as volunteer staffing doesn’t cover our booth needs. Come join in the fun of the 2017 Quilt Show with your imagination. Denise Poepsel, 314-353-1207, dapoep@gmail.com.

And now back to our regular programming.....

Minutes – due to the January meeting being cancelled because of weather there are no minutes.

Optional Block

Due to the weather, our January 2017 meeting was cancelled, therefore, we had no winner of the “*Snowman*” Optional Blocks. **BUT WAIT.....** there will be the Optional Block for February “*My Heart Belongs to...*” **AND** the Optional Block for March “*Tulips*” for purchase at the February 2017 meeting.

Mike and Joan Tebeau

Membership Report

January 2017

Because of the ice storm our January meeting was cancelled. No members in attendance. See you next month!

Remember, this is the time of year where dues are pro-rated, if you have friends who haven't joined, their dues would be \$15.00 for memberships expiring June 30, 2017.

Thank you!

Chris Willbanks & Jeanette Oesterly

Membership Committee

Treasurer's Report

PROFIT & LOSS STATEMENT			BALANCE SHEET	
JANUARY 2017	Jan. 2017	Dec. 2016	JANUARY 2017	Jan 31, 2017
Income			ASSETS	
Membership Dues			Current Assets	
Guest Pass			Checking/Savings	
Retreat Income			Arsenal CU Checking #2090	6,188.92
Workshop Income		40.00	Arsenal CU Money Market #2060	9,893.47
QS Booth Income	760.00		Arsenal CU Savings	31.47
Raffle Quilt income		696.00	Quilt Show Petty Cash	101.00
Fabric Raffle			Total Checking/Savings	16,214.86
Newsletter Raffle		50.00	Accounts Receivable	
Optional Block Income		55.00	11000 - Accounts Receivable	-15.00
Total Income	760.00	841.00	Total Current Assets	16,199.86
Expense			Other Assets	
Charity Quilts	75.94		Arsenal CU CD - 1 year	6,093.57
Storage Rental	600.00		Arsenal CU CD - 6 month	6,048.52
Refreshments		203.45	Total Other Assets	12,142.09
Room Rental		225.00	TOTAL ASSETS	28,341.95
Workshop Space		120.00	Equity	
QS Publicity	126.00		30000 - Opening Balance Equity	20,866.03
QS Raffle Quilt	128.00		32000 - Retained Earnings	3,488.36
			Net Income	3,987.56
Total Expense	929.94	548.45	Total Equity	28,341.95
			TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	28,341.95
Other Income-Interest		7.79		
Net Income	-169.94	300.34		

Comfort Quilt Projects for 2016-2017

At December's guild meeting, I received an additional 11 baby quilts for Nurses for Newborns. Along with the 137 already delivered, that brings the total to 148 donated baby quilts. So, we still have a little way to go to meet our guild president's goal of 200.

Susan Sanders plans to display some of our charity quilts during our Quilt Expo 2017. Since these quilts will not be returned to you, there is no need to fill out an entry form. However, these twin size quilts for display will require a quilt sleeve. The smaller charity quilts will be pinned and, therefore, will not require a sleeve. Also, these quilts for display will need to be delivered to me no later than our February 2017 guild meeting.

Let us not forget our veterans! So far, I've received just one donated Quilt of Valor (QOV). These quilts are a very manageable size, equivalent to just two baby quilts.

Please contact me by phone or email, if you need fabric or batting to make a quilt for any of the three charities our guild is currently supporting.

REMINDER: Our comfort quilt projects for 2016-2017 include quilts for the following groups:

<u>Group</u>	<u>Size</u>	<u>Pillowcase</u>	<u>Fabric type/theme</u>	<u>Quantity needed</u>
Veterans	36" x 48"	optional	Patriotic	Unlimited
Magdalene St. Louis	twin (approx. 63" x 90")	yes	Adult women	12 +
Nurses for Newborns	24" x 36"	no	Infant	Unlimited, but 52 more to reach goal

I will continue to bring a few quilt kits and labels to each guild meeting for those of you who may still want them. Also, I'll continue to accept your charity quilt donations until our **June 2017** guild meeting.

FAQs:

- All charity quilts should be quilted, labeled and washed (*particularly, if exposed to cigarette smoke or pets*) before they are turned delivered to me. **Unfortunately, tied quilts or too large baby quilts cannot be accepted.**
- Please bring in your donated quilts as soon as they are completed, because they will be delivered in batches periodically **before the due date.**
- Tax receipts cannot be provided for the donated quilts. We are individually responsible for any recordkeeping related to our own charity quilt donations (e.g., materials receipts, quilt photos, appraisals, etc.).

For each charity quilt you turn in, you will get a chance to win a prize in a drawing to be held at our July 2017 meeting.

Thanks so much,
Nancy Hamilton

Free Stuff

This is for those of you who love a mystery BOM. Pat Sloan's 2017 Mystery BOM theme is "**The Children's Library**" and the 12" finished blocks will be based on some of her favorite children's picture books. The fabric requirements and the January block were already available as of January 5th. Detailed information can be found here → <http://blog.patsloan.com/2016/12/my-2017-free-mystery-bom-the-childrens-library-supply-list.html> OR <http://www.freequiltpatterns.info/pat-sloan-mystery-bom-2017-supply-list--the-childrens-library.htm>

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I'm so excited to announce that Esther Aliu recently released her 2017 BOM, "**Diamond Hill**", a gorgeous 72" square quilt that balances both piecing and appliqué. For those of you wondering who Esther is, she's an Australian artist and textile designer. She's known mainly for her beautiful appliqué quilt, "Love Entwined: 1790 Marriage Coverlet", which is being made by thousands of her blog and Facebook followers around the world. Every year, Esther generously makes her current monthly BOM patterns free *for a limited time* to those who join her Facebook group--> <https://www.facebook.com/groups/EsthersQuiltBlogBOMGroup/> OR follow her blog--> <http://estheraliu.blogspot.com> If you, like me, are unable to start a new project now, why not go ahead and download the PDFs now, while they are available for free?

The "Diamond Hill" quilt-along BOM patterns will be released on the 15th of the month from January through July 2017. The January release can be found here--> <http://estheraliu.blogspot.com/2017/01/diamond-hill-is-launched.html> *Hurry before it's gone!* Whether or not you like appliqué, or are intimidated by it, please take a look. This quilt design could be easily altered to a "pieced only" quilt. However, you'd get the support of Esther and her followers to step out of your comfort zone by trying the appliqué.

If you are planning to participate in a BOM quilt-along, consider encouraging a few of your guild friends to join you. Wouldn't it be very exciting to see all of your quilts displayed together in our 2019 Quilt Expo? One of my most fun and memorable times as a Thimble and Thread guild member was while Mary Ellen Adams, Jeannette Larson and I, together, participated in the 2009 TQS BOM.

Remember, if you have an idea or want me to find something specific for a future "FREE STUFF" article, please call or email your suggestion to me—I'm listed in the guild's directory.

Nancy

## Kansas City Regional Quilt Festival

The Kansas City Regional Quilt Festival will be held Thursday, June 15, through Saturday, June 17, 2017, at the Overland Park Convention Center in Overland Park, Kansas. One-day tickets can be purchased online for \$15 or \$17 at the door. Class registrations began January 18. Their website indicates how many openings are still available. Their first show in 2015 was sponsored by 15 regional quilt guilds. They had 100 vendors and 700 quilts.

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### THE QUILTED FOX

#### **Paducah Bus Trips**

**April 26, 27, 28, or 29, 2017**

American Quilter's Society Annual Quilt Show & Contest.

The bus goes down in the morning and returns that evening. There will be a bus each day of the show. Sign up now to hold your seat! You'll stop for breakfast on the way down and dinner on the way back (meals not included in cost of bus). You'll be able to rest on the trip home and let us do the driving!  
And only \$55 per person!

#### **Super Bowl Sunday Sale!**

Sale!!

February 5

11:00 am-5:00 pm

100's of Fabrics

Books and Patterns

And more!

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**Don't forget—we're open every Sunday from 12 – 4 pm**

Visit us at: 10403 Clayton Road in La Chateau Village or call us at (314) 993-1181

Monday & Wednesday 10-5; Tuesday & Thursday 10-6:30;

Friday & Saturday 10-4:30; Sunday 12-4:00

Find our newsletter on our web page: [www.quiltedfox.com](http://www.quiltedfox.com)

## Quilt Show Contacts

### Main contacts for the 2017 Quilt Show are:

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|-------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|
| Chairman – Pat Ferrell                    | Quilt Registration – Susan Sanders          |
| Volunteers – Debby Logan & Betsey Gardner | Demos – Mike & Joan Tebeau                  |
| Consignment – Denise Poepsel              | Gifts of Love – Diane Corley                |
| Operations – Mary Ellen Adams             | Publicity – Kathy Sherrick & Patty Thompson |
| Quilt Show Program – Cindy Neville        | Quilt Show Raffle – Cindy Clifton           |

## Officers & Committee Chairs

### Officers

|                 |                  |
|-----------------|------------------|
| President       | Mary Ellen Adams |
| Vice President  | Debby Logan      |
| Secretary       | Diane Corley     |
| Treasurer       | Patty Thompson   |
| Parliamentarian | Art Kruse        |

### Standing Committee Chairs

|              |                   |
|--------------|-------------------|
| Membership   | Chris Willbanks   |
| Newsletter   | Susan Sanders     |
| Outreach     | (Open)            |
| Ways & Means | Jeanette Oesterly |
| Quilt Show   | Pat Ferrell       |
| Workshop     | Lynda Hendren     |
| Historian    | Karen Terry       |

(The above group represents your Board of Directors)

### Sub-committee Coordinators

|                       |                                     |
|-----------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Fabric Raffle         | Terri Weiersmueller & Annie Ruffino |
| Newsletter Raffle     | Marty Walsh & Marianne Whaley       |
| Optional Blocks       | Joan & Mike Tebeau                  |
| Quilt Retreat         | Lynda Hendren & Terri Weiersmueller |
| Comfort Quilts        | Nancy Hamilton                      |
| Baker’s Dozen         | Judy Lorino                         |
| Website Administrator | Mary Ellen Adams                    |