



Thimble & Thread Quilt Guild of Greater St. Louis

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Programs

July 14th, 2017, Renee Dillard of Makanda Moon Fiber Arts & Design will be joining us. Renee specializes in original fiber art that builds on surface design across a wide range of conventional and unconventional materials, including quilting, sewing, weaving, basketry and hooked fiber techniques.

She holds a Bachelors Degree in Studio Art from Southern Illinois University, with a primary emphasis in fiber arts. She loves to use heritage techniques to create contemporary art, as well as using contemporary materials to honor traditional imagery. Renee's website is <http://www.makandamoon.com>. Please join us for a fantastic evening!

I have enjoyed my time as vice president of programs. I thank you for all you feedback and support. Please continue to support Nancy Hamilton, as she takes over. Your suggestions and feedback really help make programs that are interesting, informative and fun for everyone in the guild!

Thanks!!
Debby Logan

August 11, 2017, Lola Jenkins—Quilt Artist will present a lecture titled "**Ms. Bubble Buster**". Her lecture/trunk show is a hilarious account of tools and techniques, of the trade, she uses in the most unusual ways. Check out Lola at <http://www.lolasdesignerquilts.net>

Thank you,
Nancy Hamilton

Workshops

August 12, 2017, Lola Jenkins will present the workshop: **Portrait Collage**

Welcome to Thimble & Thread Quilt Guild

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"

TIME FOR A REFRESHER

New year, new members. Time to refresh everyone on the guild's meeting protocol. We use Robert's Rules of Order to keep the meetings on track and on time. Here's how it goes:

- ❖ Meeting called to order and welcome
- ❖ Vice president introduces speaker
- ❖ Speaker's presentation
- ❖ Guild committee announcements
- ❖ BREAK
- ❖ Old business
- ❖ New business
- ❖ Show & Tell

"Business" refers to matters directly related to the guild and its activities. Quilt related matters not directly related to guild business are treated during Show & Tell. Show & Tell is limited to two minutes per member as outlined in Robert's Rules of Order. The president (or vice president in the absence of the president) is in control of the meeting, sets the agenda, and decides what topics are appropriate and at what point in the meeting. Everyone must respect meeting order, which in turn reflects respect of the membership. There is a time schedule that needs to be met as well so that meetings do not become overly long and run past the agreed upon meeting time arranged with the church.

From the Prez

Of Reunions, Kansas City, and Barbecue

I am just back last night from a fabulous week in Hamilton, MO and Kansas City. It was seven days of go, go, go! This was following the weekend previously when my high school class celebrated its 50th reunion. It was a great time although it seemed too short to really catch up with everyone. Not so the week on the road with a high school friend who has taken up quilting in her retirement; she says I am to blame.

First stop was at Missouri Star Quilt Company in Hamilton, MO. It is definitely off the beaten path but worth a visit. Although I had already been to Hamilton last summer for a Featherweight maintenance class, there was no time to explore the many quilting shops. Hamilton rolls up the sidewalks at 5:00 p.m. and if you want a meal after five or overnight lodging, you will have to look elsewhere. We did a fair amount of retail therapy there.

After an overnight stay in nearby Cameron we were off on Tuesday to the Kansas City Regional Quilt Festival. This show is put on by 16 guilds and was held at the Overland Convention Center. Only the second time this festival was held and the organizers have it down cold. I took four workshops and learned something in every one. No need to bring your sewing machine as Janome and Bernina supplied a brand new machine for each participant. This is a really nice feature and cuts down significantly on what you need to bring. Many of the classes had kits purchased from the instructor, which lessened the supplies you had to bring even more. Two of the four classes I took were hand work – twilling and big, easy hand quilting. I now have two more passions to add to the quilty things that I love to do by hand.

Everything was in one building – food, exhibit, classrooms, vendors. I liked it way better than traipsing around Paducah and found the vendors and workshops rivaled the major shows. It is a biennial show with the next one scheduled for 2019. I will definitely be attending. Oh, and the piece de resistance was dinner Saturday evening at Jack Stack Barbecue, which has been rated in various publications as the #1 barbecue restaurant in the country. It did not fail to deliver.

Now to get all my purchases put away and to get down to finishing some of the many projects I have going on. I hope you are finding time to sew this summer, too!

Piece Out,

Mary Ellen

Membership Report May 2017

There were 72 people, including two guests, in attendance at the June meeting.

Current memberships will expire at the end of June. We will collect renewal forms and fees (\$30) at the next meeting, so bring cash or your checkbook with you to the July meeting. The membership form is available on the website: <http://www.thimbleandthreadstl.org/>, in this newsletter on page 13, and at the membership table at the July meeting.

If you wish to have an ad in the directory, we need a camera-ready copy. The price is \$30 for a half page in the directory. Please have the copy and the fee to Jeanette Oesterly by July 31st.

The guild will no longer coordinate the mailing of copies of the newsletters to members who do not have email. If you do not have email access please contact another member directly to have them print you out a newsletter. Don't forget to provide this person with stamps to mail your newsletter.

Thanks to Kathy Sherrick and Jeanette Oesterly for stepping up and taking on the role of membership chairs.

Thank you!
Chris Willbanks & Jeanette Oesterly
Membership Committee 2016-2017

Kathy Sherrick & Jeanette Oesterly
Membership Committee 2017-2018

June 9, 2017 Minutes of Thimble and Thread Quilt Guild

The meeting was called to order by President, Mary Ellen Adams.

Debby Logan introduced our speaker **Jane Coons**. Jane is a local quilter, full time grandma to four, a Statler Sticher CS6 and a Lover of EQ7. Jane began her quilting in the early 1980s with fabric, thread, and scissors and soon learned to use a thimble. Later with the computer resources available to her she saw unlimited possibilities. Jane does not view her quilts as “objects”. She truly has a love relationship with each one. We were entertained by her referring to “letting the quilts out” and also that “these quilts must be happy”. She was a delightful presenter and encouraged us to introduce the love of quilts to the young people in our lives as she has.

There was no old business to discuss.

New Business:

Motion to approve the May minutes was passed and approved.

Mary Ellen announced that **the Board will meet on June 22** to work on the upcoming budget and to also be in compliance with our By Laws. We will be meeting at Webster Library Thursday, June 22 at 7:00pm.

Marty Walsh will continue to participate with **Newsletter Raffle** but members are asked to volunteer during the year to set up and be responsible for sales. A sign up sheet was available in the membership area.

Jean Ameduri announced that the Quilt Luminarium book was available for members to review during break.

Committee Reporting:

Newsletter Deadline: Cindy Neville announced that the June Newsletter deadline is June 19th. Anything received after that date will NOT be in the newsletter.

Charity Quilts – Nancy Hamilton announced the last “sew in” at Janie Lou's will be Thursday, June 22.

Membership – Chris Wilbanks reported 67 members present and 2 visitors. Forty-five members have renewed.

Newsletter Raffle – Marianne Whaley had 10 items for raffle.

Fabric Raffle – Annie Ruffino's pick this month was summer prints from Hobby Lobby.

Optional Blocks – Kathy Gaynor chose “Scrap Quilts” as our theme this year. Her inspiration comes from “Quilt Raising Idea”. Patterns are available for 25 cents. This month we received 8 Frog blocks.

Retreat – Diane Corley reported that only 3 spaces are left for the October Retreat.

Programs – Nancy Hamilton will be our new VP for the coming year. If you have any suggestions for upcoming programs, please contact her. Thank you to Debby Logan for a wonderful job the last two years.

After the break:

Raffles

All Newsletter items were called.

Lynn McGraw won Optional Blocks.

Russ Horne won Fabric Raffle.

Carol Anderson and Gerry Carson won the special “Renew” membership items.

The guild presented **Jerri Stroud** with blocks in our appreciation for all the work she has done for us and wish her a wonderful “new beginning” in quilting in the Pacific Northwest. Remember to stay in touch with Jerri through her email address printed in the directory.

Show and Tell

Adjournment

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Corley

Secretary

Treasurer Report

| PROFIT & LOSS STATEMENT | | |
|-------------------------|-----------------|----------------|
| JUNE 2017 | June 2017 | May 2017 |
| Income | | |
| Membership Dues | 2,070.00 | |
| Guest Passes | | |
| Retreat Income | | 360.00 |
| Workshop Income | | 280.00 |
| Directory Advertising | | |
| Fabric Raffle | 66.00 | 75.00 |
| Newsletter Raffle | 39.00 | 33.00 |
| Optional Block Income | | 41.20 |
| Quilt Show Income | | |
| Total Income | <u>2,175.00</u> | <u>789.20</u> |
| Expense | | |
| Retreat-Annual | 1,125.00 | |
| Speaker Fee | 150.00 | 150.00 |
| Room Rental | 250.00 | 250.00 |
| Workshop Fee | | 420.00 |
| Workshop Space | 120.00 | 120.00 |
| Travel Expense | | |
| Fabric Raffle | 29.60 | 54.37 |
| Quilt Show Expenses | | |
| Total Expense | <u>1,674.60</u> | <u>994.37</u> |
| Other Income-Interest | | 1.93 |
| Net Income | <u>500.40</u> | <u>-203.24</u> |

| BALANCE SHEET | |
|---|------------------|
| JUNE 2017 | June 30, 2017 |
| ASSETS | |
| Current Assets | |
| Checking/Savings | |
| Arsenal CU Checking #2090 | 13,465.62 |
| Arsenal CU Money Market #2060 | 9,897.56 |
| Arsenal CU Savings | 31.47 |
| Total Checking/Savings | <u>23,394.65</u> |
| 11000 · Accounts Receivable | 1,100.00 |
| Other Assets | |
| Arsenal CU CD - 1 year | 6,098.08 |
| Arsenal CU CD - 6 month | 6,051.26 |
| Total Other Assets | <u>12,149.34</u> |
| TOTAL ASSETS | <u>36,643.99</u> |
| LIABILITIES-20000-Accounts Payable | |
| | 106.80 |
| Equity | |
| 30000 · Opening Balance Equity | 20,866.03 |
| 32000 · Retained Earnings | 3,468.36 |
| Net Income | 12,202.80 |
| Total Equity | <u>36,537.19</u> |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY | <u>35,386.66</u> |

Optional Block

July's optional block will feature a traditional pattern and color combination that will have you saying oo-la-la. Patterns are 25 cents and please have exact change if possible.

Many of the patterns for optional blocks call for "half-square triangles" and there are different approaches to creating them. My patterns will include one approach. You can also find tutorials on the Internet, including:

<https://www.thespruce.com/easy-half-square-triangle-units-for-quilts-2821466>

<http://www.diaryofaquilter.com/2014/02/half-square-triangle-short-cuts-and.html>

Kathy Gaynor

Correction to Optional Block (posted on FaceBook by Kathy Sherrick and Patty Thompson).



Ice Cream block (June 2017) – size (raw edge to raw edge) 12.5"

| Quantity | Size | Color |
|----------|-------------|--|
| 4 | 3.5" | Green (think mint, pistachios) |
| 4 | 3.5" | Vanilla (think vanilla ice cream) |
| 3 | 2.5" | Pink (think strawberry ice cream) |
| 2 | 6.5" x 2.5" | Pink |
| 3 | 2.5" | Brown (think milk chocolate ice cream) |
| 2 | 6.5" x 2.5" | Brown |

Construction:

1. Sew 1 green square to 1 vanilla square. Repeat with another green and vanilla

October Guild Retreat

The retreat is October 20 – 22. Semi-private rooms are \$180 and private are \$210. If you haven't attended a guild retreat before, this is your chance to spend 3 days with other quilt-aholics and not have to worry about cooking, cleaning, and the other mundane tasks we do every day. Three days to sew, visit, take a nap, stay up late, and just relax. See Diane Corley for more details.

Sunshine and Shadow

Editor note: This is a new section in the Newsletter for notices about members, published with permission, about life events.

Marjorie Hoeltzel was a lifelong artist who was much admired in the St. Louis area. She was an avid sewer and quilter and her medium of choice was silk neckties. One of her best pieces was featured in a touring Quilt National show. She was also instrumental in the founding of the Craft Alliance. Marjorie was a long-time member of Trinity Episcopal Church in the Central West end, until her death in 2012. Now, the church is paying tribute to her with a retrospective in the Parish Gallery, a new multi-media art space that will host multiple art exhibits each year. The Marjorie Hoeltzel exhibit brings together over 30 works from throughout her long career, including wall-size quilts, smaller art pieces, wearables, and liturgical work. The show is on view now through July, each Sunday from 1 to 5. The Parish Gallery is located at 600 N. Euclid at Washington in the Central West End. For more information, email gallery@trinitycwe.org.

Submitted by Anne Hennig

Upcoming Events

White Squirrel Quilt Show

The Olney Quilt Guild will be holding their 2017 – 5th Biannual October Quilt Celebration at the Church of the Nazarene, 1411 N. Walnut Street, Olney, IL. Admission - \$3.00.

Dates: Friday, October 6 – 10 am to 7 pm
Saturday, October 7, 10 am to 4 pm

Quilt Luminarium in Tulsa

Ricky will be presenting Quilt Luminarium in Tulsa, Oklahoma on Friday, Sept. 15, and Saturday, Sept. 16, 2017, at the Glenpool Convention Center (with an adjoining Holiday Inn Express). It is 400 miles and can be reached by taking Hwy. 44 directly southwest of St. Louis (Thurs., Sept. 14). On Friday the sessions will run from 10:30 a.m.-7 p.m. and on Saturday from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Cost is **\$165** before July 28, then the registration costs \$199

There will be 8 classes: improvisational patchwork ("caveman style" with no templates), precision patchwork, design and composition, rhapsody quilts, convergence quilts, digital photo quilts, amazing applique, color theory, specialty techniques, quilting the quilt, embroidered elegance, and hand dyeing fabric. He will be distributing a thick binder with photos and directions of every topic to make it possible for participants to enjoy the program without having to take notes.

Go to Ricky's website at rickytimes.com, then click on the yellow Quilt Luminarium button for more details. He describes the show as educational, creative, inspirational, educational, and energizing. He has no secrets--he's telling all quilters, from beginners to advanced, how to conquer all of these topics.

International Miniature Quilt Exchange

The International Miniature Quilt Exchange is an opportunity to meet quilters from around the world and have your quilt exhibited in Houston in 2018. The entry deadline is December 2017. For more information visit thequiltshow.com and search on IMQE. The first result will have all of the information. You do not have to be a paying member of thequiltshow.com to enter.

Comfort Quilt Projects for 2016-2017

An additional twenty-four Nurses for Newborns quilts and four Quilts of Valor were turned in at the June 2017 guild meeting, my last meeting for collecting quilts. The current counts are now 119 baby quilts, 8 QOV, and 5 twin quilts for Magdalene St. Louis awaiting delivery. Mary Ellen, and/or Susan Sanders and I plan to personally deliver these quilts to our designated charities sometime before the July 2017 guild meetings.

You have one more opportunity to turn in your charity quilts at our next charity sew-in, scheduled for **June 22** at Janie Lou's Quilt Shop. Feel free to stop by to drop off your quilts there between **10 AM and 2 PM**, and why not make a purchase too while you're there? If you've never participated in a sew-in, it's so much fun and a great way to get to know other guild members. All members are welcome, but due to limited space please RSVP to me if you plan to attend.

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 so far) | twin | yes | Adult women (approx. 63" x 90") | 12 + (18 total received) |
| Nurses for Newborns received so far) | 24" x 36" | no | Infant | Unlimited (255 total) |

Reminder: For each charity quilt you have turned in, you will get a chance to win a "quilty" prize in a drawing to be held at our July 2017 meeting.

Thanks so much,
Nancy Hamilton

Free Stuff

Ricky Tims has created a Block of the Month Club based on his Legacy Quilt pattern. The pattern is free every month and Ricky has created a group to exchange ideas and pictures. Visit rickytims.com, click on Events and Legacy Quilt Club. This is a fun basic traditional quilt and each month Ricky includes an excerpt from one of Laura Ingalls Wilder's books.

Member Requests

WANTED - Altoids Tins

I am in need of Altoids tins (the metal boxes with a hinged lid that mints come in). They usually measure 2.5" x 3.75".

If you have empty tins that you no longer want and are ready to recycle, I can use them for a project. Yes, Etsy sells blank new ones, but since this is a kids project and they will be covered, free is always better.

I will have a box under the free table marked ALTOIDS at upcoming meetings through the fall (at least the October meeting) for you to drop in.

Thank you!

Carol O'Shea

THIMBLE & THREAD QUILT GUILD
July 1, 2017 – June 30, 2018
Membership Form

Membership dues are \$30 per year

PLEASE PRINT!

Date: _____

Renewal: _____

Check #: _____

Cash: _____

New Membership: _____

Amount paid: \$ _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip _____

Phone: (h) _____ (w) _____ (m) _____

Email: _____

If you are related to someone in the Guild, please list member's name and relationship to you.

Make checks payable to **Thimble & Thread Quilt Guild** and mail to:

Kathy Sherrick
Membership Committee
228 W Woodbine Ave
Kirkwood, MO 63122

NEW MEMBERS: WELCOME TO OUR GUILD!

How did you hear about us?

Newsletter Deadline

The Deadline for the August 2017 newsletter is Monday, July 25th. Please send articles by email to me, Cindy Bell Neville: <mailto:tantnewsletterckbn@earthink.net>.

THE QUILTED FOX

The Fox Meets Monet!

We are now taking registrations for the 2017/2018 Block-Of-the Month. Sign up for either the 1st Saturday or 3rd Saturday. Call for details at 314-993-1181.



Kinderhook Retreat July 12-16, 2017

Join The Quilted Fox for a sociable, summer retreat at beautiful Kinderhook.

The 3 night retreat is July 13-16, 2017 for \$385 per person. Arriving 4:00 pm on Thursday/Departing 2:00 pm on Sunday. Meals included. Only a few spaces left!!

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

Officers & Committee Chairs

Officers

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

Standing Committee Chairs

| | |
|--------------|--------------------------------------|
| Newsletter | Cindy Bell Neville |
| Outreach | Susan Sanders |
| Ways & Means | |
| Workshop | Lynda Hendren |
| Historian | Karen Terry |
| Membership | Kathy Sherrick, Jeanette Oesterly |

(The above group represents your Board of Directors)

Sub-committee Coordinators

| | |
|-----------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Fabric Raffle | Terri Weiersmueller & Annie Ruffino |
| Bonus Raffle | Marty Walsh & rotating members |
| Optional Blocks | Kathy Gaynor |
| Quilt Retreat | Diane Corley & Lou Brummet |
| Comfort Quilts | |
| Baker's Dozen | Judy Lorino |
| Website Administrator | Mary Ellen Adams |

We still need a member to step up and fill the Ways and Means Chair. Here are the duties of this position (from the by-laws):

The Ways and Means Committee shall:
Plan and execute all revenue generating activities.
Secure activity coordinators as needed
Prepare budget proposal for Board approval.
Publish appropriate information in Newsletter as required.
Oversee activities including fabric raffle, Newsletter raffle or other activities as may occur at Guild meetings.
For any major fundraising event, compile Final Report, including financial data, and submit to Board within four weeks of completion of event; publish in Newsletter if requested.

