



Thimble & Thread Quilt Guild of Greater St. Louis

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September 2018

September 14 program: Rev. William and Ann Say

Rev. William Say will provide information about the “Once We Were Refugees” project (www.oncewewererefugees.org) and tell us how he and his wife, Ann, got involved in this project. Ann Say will present information about their sewing/quilting project and share stories about the refugee students.

Please note that the Says do not charge quilt guilds for their program. Instead, they accept donations of materials that can be used by their students to make various projects. If possible, guild members are encouraged to bring:

- cotton or cotton blend fabrics in 1 yard or larger pieces
- thread
- natural fiber batting or insulbright type batting)
- small pieces of batting (10 inches square or larger)



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. **(Please see note regarding church parking on page 2).**

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".

Volunteer opportunities

1. **Quilt Wranglers.** During many of our monthly presentations and during every Show & Tell, we need a few volunteers to hold up the quilts and fold them after showing. Contact Denise Poepsel.
2. **Workshop Chairperson:** works directly with the Vice-President to make sure all of our workshops run smoothly and the venue, set-up, transportation, and registration are taken care of. This is a Standing Committee position on the Board of Directors. See the Standing Rules on the guild's website (http://www.thimbleandthreadstl.org/file_download) for details. Contact Cindy Neville.
3. **Ways and Means Chairperson:** oversees our fund-raising activities such as raffles, optional blocks, the quilt show and retreat. This is a Standing Committee position on the Board of Directors. See the Standing Rules on the guild's website (http://www.thimbleandthreadstl.org/file_download) for details. Contact Cindy Neville.
4. **Raffle Quilt:** we need a group of people to handle publicity, arrange photography, venues and dates, provide tickets, collect money and decide on a Draw Date. Contact Cindy Neville.

Guild budget to be voted on in September

Thimble and Thread members will be voting on accepting the 2018-2019 guild budget at the September meeting. Please see the proposed budget for July 2018 through June 2019 at the end of this newsletter for more information.

Parking changes due to church construction

Thimble & Thread received the following notice from Concordia Lutheran Church where we hold our monthly meetings: "Over the next couple weeks we will begin a major construction project at Concordia. Parking will become limited and access to the building will be modified at least through November. The entire project will not be done until June, 2019.

The map...outlines parking that will be available throughout the project. Until November, when a new lot will be developed, most of our parking will be to the west of the green house that sits on our property. You will need to walk up Woodbine past the green house, down the hill and into the handicap entrance to the Lobby. There will be no access through or parking lot or an easy way to drop off people."

Parking colors on map below:

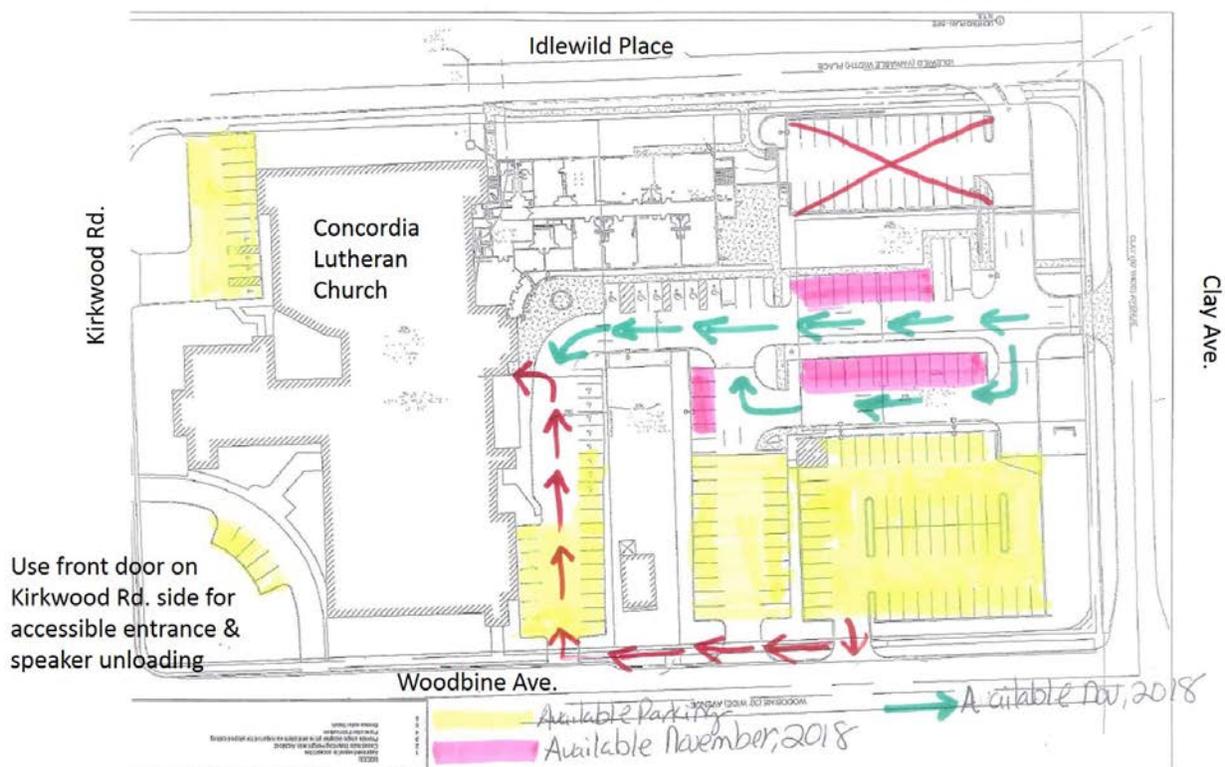
Blue/green arrows: Parking in this area will become available November 2018.

Pink: Parking in this area will become available November 2018.

Yellow: Parking currently available.

Red arrows: Current path to get into the building.

Use the front door on the Kirkwood Road side for accessible access and speaker unloading.



Newsletter deadline

The next deadline for submitting items for the Thimble & Thread newsletter is September 25, 2018. Please send entries to thimbleandthreadnews@yahoo.com.

From the President's corner

The Challenge to Learn and Grow

Greetings fellow quilters!

I have returned from a marvelous trip to Alaska. I took lots of pictures, visited two quilt shops (with required fabric purchases) and was able to spend time with my new grandson, Miles.

Miles is twelve years old and lives over 3000 miles away. With this in mind, my wise daughter-in-law, Susannah, arranged for Miles and me to take a four hour train ride to Seward together while she drove the car down to meet us. Gulp. It has been a long time since I have interacted with a young male person and now I would be “in charge” for four hours alone with him. Yes, this was scary, but I also knew that it was something I needed and wanted to do. Miles is now family and I wanted to be sure he knows that.

It went very well. We had wonderful breakfast burritos (Susannah is a burrito diva) although Miles was less than enthused about the zucchini that snuck in. I learned about Legos and bush pilots. Miles learned a bit about photography and that glacial water is cold (though I expect he already knew that!). We both marveled at swimming salmon and learned to keep heads inside the train when rock walls are passing by. It was fun and rewarding and I am so glad that Susannah trusted me and suggested this. Miles and I are now friends and we have learned about each other.

Yes, this does have a point. Thimble and Thread Quilt Guild has been weathering a storm and with the help of some very dedicated and generous people, we are emerging from the turmoil. I would like to welcome Denise Poepsel as our new Vice-president and Program Chair. Like everyone else on your Board of Directors, Denise has jumped right in and set to work to bring you a year filled with fun and learning. I must also give a shout out to Nancy Hamilton who has graciously worked these past months to help set up what Denise will carry on.

All of your Board members are pushing themselves to learn their jobs and do their best. But two Board positions remain unfilled: Workshop and Ways and Means. Their duties are posted on our website: <http://www.thimbleandthreadstl.org/> in Standing Rules under Downloads. I know this gets old and I sound like a broken record, but these are important positions that make workshops and fundraising activities possible. Can we do without them? Sure, but your Guild will be so much better when the work is shared.

And here is a secret – all of the volunteers for these positions, past and present, will tell you that they learn new skills and make new friends. I have found that a new skill set and those new friends not only enrich my life, but also prove useful in the future. You never know when a skill or that connection will make the difference. They open up opportunities. So instead of dwelling on how much work a position is going to be, maybe think about how this experience can enrich your life and help you grow. Scary? Yes, but you have a whole Guild full of mentors who will walk you through the process step by step. All you have to do is ask. You would not believe how many emails I have sent our parliamentarian Art Kruse all loaded with questions!

Susannah trusted me with the opportunity to become part of her son’s life. This Guild is trusting you to grab the opportunity to learn new skills and make new friends. Who knows where they may lead you!

We also need a group to organize displaying our amazing raffle quilt in the St Louis area. Learn another skill set and, yes, there are Guild members who will be happy to walk you through this also. Just ask. Please contact any Board Member to volunteer.

I am trusting the members of our Guild to step forward and accept this challenge. Learning and friendship – that is what Thimble and Thread Quilt Guild is all about.

Cindy Bell Neville, President

Upcoming programs

Please contact Denise Poepsel if you have any questions about these programs.

October 12, 2018, Hallye Bone, AQS Certified Quilt Appraiser, Restorer, Instructor and Author, will present her program on "Caring for Your Quilts" based on her book of the same title. She will talk about conservation, proper storage, cleaning, repair and the importance of having your quilts appraised for replacement value insurance or for assigning fair market value.

Note that Hallye is available for quilt appraisals during our regularly scheduled guild meetings. She does, however, require an appointment in advance and appraisals are subject to her availability.



November 9, 2018, Auction, with “Kevin the Quilter” as our auctioneer. Bring your bidding cash/checks to get that special antique or vintage quilt related item that you’ve been waiting to buy. You’ll certainly want to get something to turn into an heirloom piece. We have some beautiful vintage quilts/tops/blocks/fabrics/quilt kits and UFOs **Proceeds will be used to defray expenses for bringing in national speakers.**



December 14, 2018, Holiday Party (*TBD*)

January 11, 2019, Charity/Outreach Activity (*TBD*)

February 8, 2019, (*TBD*)

March 8, 2019, Angela Turner, local modern quilter and artist, will present a lecture and trunk show “I Make, Therefore I Am” of her quilts and artwork. <http://angeequilts.blogspot.com/>

April 12, 2019, Anita Grossman Solomon, internationally recognized quilt instructor and author, will present **“Pages from the Make It Simpler Notebook”**, a multimedia presentation that combines a PowerPoint slideshow with a curated quilt trunk show. Anita makes "artful" bed quilts from classic blocks using her signature non-traditional shortcut techniques that make quilt-making faster and easier. She's been a guest on HGTV's "Simply Quilts" and "The Quilt Show", featured in magazine and books including *“Quiltmaker”*, and authored three books for C&T Publishing: *“Make It Simpler Paper Piecing”*, *“Perfect Blocks in Minutes”* and *“Rotary Cutting Revolution”*. <http://makeitsimpler.com/>

May 10, 2019, Suzi Parron, will present her lecture on **“Barn Quilts”**. She is the author of books, *“Barn Quilts and the American Quilt Trail Movement”* and *“Following the Barn Quilt Trail”*.

Workshops

Please contact Denise Poepsel if you are interested in signing up for any of these workshops.

March 2 & 9, 2019, Angela Turner, will present her 2-session **“A New Order”** workshop. In this intensive workshop, with homework between sessions, each attendee will choose a traditional or contemporary quilt block, then create new quilt designs using multiples of their block and rearrange them into different patterns working with 11 types of symmetry. Examples will be provided of the kinds of blocks that will work well and those to avoid for this technique. Participants will be limited to **18**. This workshop will be held at the American Legion Post 156, 314 S. Clay, Kirkwood, MO.

April 13, 2019, Anita Grossman Solomon, will present her unique **“Anita’s Lazy X block”** workshop. Participants will be limited to **22** (*a minimum of 11 will be reserved for Thimble & Thread Guild members*). This workshop is being co-hosted with **Flower Valley Quilt Guild** and will be held at Zion Lutheran Church, 123 Carson Road, Ferguson, MO 63135

May 11, 2019, Suzi Parron, will present her ½ day **“Barn Quilt Painting”** workshop. Participants will be limited to **30**.

Outreach Activities for 2018-2019

This year we have a variety of projects that we hope will appeal to everyone in our guild. Along with “private” sewing, we hope to have a “public” sewing evening where we can all work together this winter. The following is an overview of all the Outreach Projects for this year.

Tummy Time Quilts – Nurses for Newborns

Thimble and Thread Quilt Guild will continue the tummy time quilts for Nurses for Newborns. Karen has a limited number of kits containing backing/batting and a fat quarter that will be available at the September meeting if you would like to have a little jump start! Please make these quilts **24” X 36”**. The shower bags that we have constructed are also welcomed at Nurses for Newborns.

Baby/Juvenile Quilts - Children's Hospital –

Our second focus group is Children's Hospital which is very appreciative of baby/juvenile quilts for their patients. The nurses in the nursery tend to lobby the volunteers for gifting to their "favorite" baby, and all the babies are their favorites! These quilts are requested to be **40" X 50"** give or take. They also have older children that would like to have bigger quilts of **48" X 60"** or so.

College Quilts - Greater East St. Louis Community Fund: United States Court for the Southern District of Illinois will be awarding 40 scholarships to high school graduates that will be attending college in the fall of 2019. Let's get 40 quilts together for these deserving students! The quilt Karen and her daughter designed was based on Quilt Diva Julie's quilt that she displayed at the July meeting. It's a simple coin quilt that used Kaffe Fassett fat quarters along with some grunge Karen had lurking in her stash. The coins were 5" X 5.75" to eliminate any waste from the fat quarters. Karen is also embroidering inspirational words on the solid blocks that are sprinkled in with the Kaffe Fassett fabrics. Eleanor Burns would be proud—this is truly a Quilt-in-a-Day! When choosing a pattern for your quilt, please keep in mind our target audience and how the quilts will be used. The size of the quilt needs to be approximately **54" X 88"** for the extra long twin beds most of the colleges use in their dorm rooms, and these quilts will be used HARD! Keep the project to a feel of the more modern quilting genre, use little white fabric as it will quickly become grey fabric if the college freshman is putting in long hours in the middle of their bed studying, and decide on an inspirational quote or words that you can incorporate into your design. There are five students that are involved in ROTC, so patriotic colors would be wonderful for them. Please contact Karen with your commitment so the Committee can keep track of how this quantity is progressing. Karen's email address is kpuricelli@sctservices.com

Hand Quilt for Concordia Lutheran Church

Our final program will be the construction of a hand print quilt for the church who has been our host for these many years. Pam will be meeting with the church leaders to discuss this and will have more information next month. We are planning for how this may be a sew-in for Guild Members and children of the Church. Details are being finalized. Those interested in helping to coordinate this contact Pamela Coaxum: pcoaxum@att.net or 314.406.6011.

Labels

One final note - Karen will be generating labels with the help of Mary Ellen Adams and the plan is to have them available at the September guild meeting. Pamela also has a few that were given to her at the July Meeting and they will also be available at the September Meeting. These are costly to produce, so please don't take more than you need, but please do place one of these labels on your beautiful projects before we are to gift them.

We hope the diversity of projects will generate the engagement of everyone as we all work together to keep our art flowing in the St. Louis Region.

Quilt on!

The Outreach Committee
Karen Puricelli, Co-Chair
Pamela Coaxum, Co-Chair



Membership

In August we had 55 members attend of which 7 renewed their memberships. We had 3 guests: Karen Lavelle, Carol O Shea and Sara Lappi. (submitted by Cindy Clifton)

Thimble and Thread Quilt Guild Minutes

August 10, 2018

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

Mary Ellen introduced our guest speaker, Jenny Murphy from Perennial. Perennial is a non-profit organization started in 2011 which specializes in upcycling and creative reuse. Perennial offers classes and assistance in the process of transforming discarded items into items of worth. Jenny provided a short presentation about Perennial and then led the group in an upcycling project making wreaths out of rolled up book pages. You can find more information about Perennial on their website: <https://perennialstl.org/>.

Old Business:

No old business was discussed.

New Business:

Election of Vice President for 2018-2019: Susan Sanders made a motion to elect Denise Poepsel as Vice President. The motion was unanimously approved.

Leigh Ann Huckaby, treasurer, announced that she is purchasing Quick Books to aid in her duties. She also announced that Nancy Hamilton, past Vice President, had purchased a projector for the guild to use.

Committees Reporting:

Newsletter - Katie Fraizer announced on behalf of Kathy Gaynor that the deadline for the September newsletter is August 26.

Membership - Cindy Clifton reported that 55 members were present as well as 3 guests. She also announced that 8 people renewed their membership.

Outreach - Jeanette Oesterly was accepting any remaining quilts for Home Sweet Home and Nurses for Newborns. Karen Puricelli brought some samples for our upcoming projects and said dimensions and further details will be published in the newsletter.

Retreat - Diane Corley announced that the retreat in October is full, but there is a waiting list. She was accepting payments.

Break

After break:

Raffles for membership were drawn.

Show and Tell

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Katie Fraizer, Secretary of Thimble and Thread Quilt Guild

Treasury Report

PROFIT & LOSS STATEMENT			BALANCE SHEET	
August	August 2018	July 2018	July	July 30, 2018
Income			Current Assets	
Membership Dues	455.00	930.00	Checking/Savings	
Retreat Income	1,385.00	0.00	Arsenal CU Checking #2090	8,921.92
Workshop Income	0.00	155.00	Arsenal CU Money Market #2060	9,911.53
Guest pass	9.00	8.00	Arsenal CU Savings	31.47
Optional Block	0.00	0.00	Total Checking/Savings	18,864.92
Total Income	1,849.00	1,093.00	Accounts Receivable	
Expense			11000 · Accounts Receivable	221.00
Speaker Fee	200.00	150.00	Total Accounts Receivable	221.00
Meals	0.00	108.00	Other Current	100.00
Travel	0.00	321.55	Total Current Assets	19,185.92
Hotel	0.00	328.72	Other Assets	
Workshop fee	0.00	500.00	Arsenal CU CD - 1 year	6,133.11
Raffle Quilt	0.00	250.00	Arsenal CU CD - 6 month	6,066.24
Retreat refund	149.00	0.00	Total Other Assets	12,199.35
workshop space	300.00			31,385.27
Office Supply- QuickBooks	220.21		Liabilities	
Total Expense	869.21	1,658.27	Current Liabilities	
Other Income-Interest	2.93		Total Liabilities	
Net Income	982.72	-565.27	Equity	
			30000 · Opening Balance Equity	20,866.03
			32000 · Retained Earning	11,083.68
			Net Income	-564.44
			Total Equity	31,385.27
				31,385.27



THE QUILTED FOX

Demo Night — Wednesday, September 26



**Multiple demonstration stations!
Attendance Prizes!
7:00 — 8:30 pm**

Demonstrations will be happening all over the shop! Stop in, register for the door prizes, learn some new tips, tricks and tools to enhance your quilting skills. Meet up with friends and maybe win a prize! It's a fun evening for everyone!

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	Cindy Bell Neville
Vice President	Denise Poepsel
Secretary	Katie Fraizer
Treasurer	Leigh Anne Huckaby
Parliamentarian	Art Kruse

Standing Committee Chairs

Newsletter	Kathy Gaynor
Outreach	Pam Coaxum Karen Puricelli
Ways & Means	
Workshop	
Historian	Karen Terry
Membership	Cindy Clifton Debby Logan

(The above group represents your Board of Directors)

Sub-committee Coordinators

Website Administrator	Mary Ellen Adams
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THIMBLE & THREAD QUILT GUILD

July 1, 2018 – June 30, 2019

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:

Debby Logan
Membership Committee
1163 Pinewood PL Dr
O'Fallon, MO 63366

NEW MEMBERS: WELCOME TO OUR GUILD!

How did you hear about us?

Quilt Shop _____

Website _____

Word-of-mouth _____

Quilt Show _____

Thimble & Thread Quilt Guild
Budget vs. Actual
July 2017-2019

				2017-2018 Actual	2017-2018 Budget	2018-2019 Budget	Notes
Ordinary Income/Expense							
Income							
Donations Received							
Membership Dues							
Mailed Newsletter Income							
Membership Dues - Other				2,350.00	3,900.00	2,400.00	80 members x 30
Total Membership Dues				2,350.00	3,900.00	2,400.00	
Program Income							
Guest Pass				83.00	60.00	60.00	
Retreat Income				5,331.00	4,500.00	5,025.00	
Workshop Income				1,800.00	1,300.00	1,200.00	
Total Program Income				7,214.00	5,860.00	6,285.00	
Quilt Show Income							
Admissions							
Book & Pattern Sales							
Booth Income fees							
Consignment Booth							
Gifts of Love Booth							
Raffle Quilt income						2,000.00	
Raffle Sewing Machine							
Total Quilt Show Income				0.00	0.00	2,000.00	
Sales Income							
Advertising							
Advertising-Newsletter				10.00	0.00	0.00	
Directory Advertising				120.00	120.00	120.00	
Total Advertising				130.00	120.00	120.00	
Total Sales Income				130.00	120.00	120.00	
Ways & Means Income							
Raffles							
Bonus Raffle Income				16.00	35.00		
Fabric Raffle income				643.00	70.00	700.00	
Optional Block Income				47.36		25.00	
Total Raffles				706.36	105.00	725.00	
Stash Buster Sales							
Ways & Means Income - Other				15.00			
Total Ways & Means Income				721.36	105.00	725.00	
49900 - Uncategorized Income				0.00			
Total Income				10,415.36	9,985.00	11,530.00	
Gross Profit				10,415.36	9,985.00	11,530.00	
Expense							
Fixed Expenses							

					Board Meeting expense	45.00	20.00	30.00	
					Business Insurance	501.00	500.00	501.00	
					Post Office Box rental				
					Professional Membership				
					State Registration	15.50	10.00	10.00	
					Storage Rental	600.00	600.00	600.00	
					Website	75.00	140.00	140.00	
					Total Fixed Expenses	1,236.50	1,270.00	1,281.00	
					Membership Expenses	33.54	25.00	25.00	
					Misc. Other Expenses				
					Bank Charges	-18.00			
					Donation given		500.00		
					Office Supplies	33.60	100.00	50.00	
					President's Discretionary		50.00	100.00	
					Printing-Other				
					Cards		25.00	25.00	
					Membership Rosters	227.16	250.00	250.00	
					Printing-Other - Other		25.00	25.00	

				Total Printing-Other	227.16	300.00	300.00	
				Total Misc. Other Expenses	242.76	950.00	450.00	
				Newsletter expense				
				Newsletter Postage				
				Newsletter printing				
				Newsletter expense - Other				
				Total Newsletter expense	0.00	0.00	0.00	
				Program Expenses				
				Charity Quilts		100.00	100.00	
				Hotels	633.42	600.00	880.00	
				Meals	338.86	282.00	510.00	
				Quilt National Charity Quilts				
				Refreshments	309.71	250.00	250.00	
				Retreat-Annual	5,514.00	4,500.00	5,025.00	
				Room Rental	1,305.00	1,000.00	1,260.00	315 x 4qtrs
				Speaker	1,397.94	2,400.00	2,275.00	
				Travel	961.95	1,150.00	1,175.00	
				Lodging			900.00	
				Workshop				
				Workshop Fee	1,290.00	1,300.00	2,100.00	
				Workshop space	581.18	360.00	450.00	
				Workshop - Other				
				Total Workshop	1,871.18	1,660.00	2,550.00	
				Program Expenses - Other	14.05		60.00	
				Total Program Expenses	12,346.11	11,942.00	14,985.00	
				Quilt Show				
				Boutique_Consignment				
				Demos				
				drapes			0.00	
				Facility Usage				
				Gifts of Love				
				Donate proceeds				
				Gifts of Love - Other				
				Total Gifts of Love	0.00	0.00		
				Hospitality				
				Judging				
				Labor				
				Lunches for workers				
				Misc.				
				Operations				
				Postage				
				Printing				
				Prizes				
				Program Booklets				
				Publicity			0.00	
				Quilt Show Insurance				
				Raffle Quilt				
				fabric		100.00		
				Raffle Quilt 2019	441.89		250.00	
				2017 - Quilt				
				Raffle Quilt - Other			384.00	
				Total Raffle Quilt	441.89	100.00	634.00	
				Raffles_other				
				Registrar_Quilt Labels				
				Rental Equipment				
				Repairs				
				Rulers for attendees				
				Sales Taxes	239.28			
				Shipping				
				Signs				
				Special Exhibit Quilts				
				supplies				

