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President's Message

Thimble and Thread Quilt Guild welcomed Jeff Wunrow, speaker for our March 10th meeting. Jeff brought many items he has created for his business of Contemporary Pastor Stoles and Banners. We may not have thought being a quilt guild that his work would be of interest to us, but seeing stoles and banners up close, his creativity in designing and sewing his patterns were beautiful and interesting. He uses a lot of silk materials and some cotton, and we saw a lot of piecing and appliqué work throughout all of the samples that he shared with us. He has a staff of 5 that do the sewing, but he stated that he never asks any one of them to sew something that he hasn't made himself. If you would like more information about Jeff's business he has a website: www.jeffwunrow.com. Thank you to the members that came forward and walked the stoles through the aisles so we could get a closer look as he was explaining the designs and how he created them.

Our next meeting is on Friday April 14 and we will welcome Lynn Isenberg to give demonstrations of working with silk in her quilts.

It has been a long time since any mention of the purpose or mission statement of the

guild is, maybe a small mention to new members and all may be a reminder:

- To preserve the heritage of quilting;
- To provide educational opportunities;
- To advance public recognition of quilting as an art form;
- To encourage high standards of quilt making;
- To be a source of information, inspiration and support; and
- To provide charitable services and/or materials related to quilts and/or quilt making

Our major business in April will be to approve the new slate of officers for the July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024 business year. I had posted a slate of officers from my attempt to fill all the vacancies that were open in the March newsletter, and we still had openings. At the March meeting, after some discussion that the guild cannot operate if we did not have these offices filled, we had members come forth, so following is the slate of officers:

President	Mary Ellen Adams
Co-Vice Presidents	Anne Hennig and Kate Sander
Treasurer	Kathy Sherrick
Co-Secretaries	Julie Eggemeyer and Lori Niedliewski

Thank you to new and existing members that came forward to fill the slate.

I think it would be a good idea for the current officers and committee members to look thru our Policies and Procedures and By-Laws for their positions and make sure that you are following those guidelines so during the transition to the new officers we can give them the proper information and materials of their office to proceed.

The Guild is having an Auction in September, which will be a fundraiser for the guild and we need items to be auctioned. We have received about 20 items so far, our last auction we had 75, so look for those UFO's or bag of fabric that you just couldn't pass up and never used, we can find someone new that will bid on it. Thanks.

I'm writing this on St. Patrick's Day, first day of spring next Monday and we will have celebrated Easter before our next meeting on April 14.

Respectfully submitted,
Denise Poepsel, President

Thimble and Thread Quilt Guild meets on the second Friday of each month. Doors open at 6:30pm, meeting starts at 7:00pm at Shrewsbury City Center, 5200 Shrewsbury, Shrewsbury, MO. 63119.

Guild meetings are open to non-members free for first visit and \$3.00 per visit thereafter, unless programs given by National Speaker, then \$5.00 fee is charged. Membership dues are \$30.00 a year, beginning in July and \$15 for a half year beginning in January.

ITEMS TO BRING TO MEETING

- Masks are optional
- Name tag - make personal handmade tag for yourself
- \$\$ for Fabric Raffle
- Show and Tell items
- Only water bottles with screw caps are allowed



A close-up of one of Lynn Isenberg's newest quilts. It features silk tie fabric.

APRIL PROGRAM - Lynn Isenberg, Speaker

The speaker for the April 14 program will be Lynn Isenberg, a nationally recognized quilter and well known to many Thimble & Thread members. For the April program, Lynn will demonstrate her method of working with silk in her quilts without using an interfacing or stabilizer. She will also give some tips on thread painting and quilting on her domestic sewing machine and will bring a number of quilts for a mini trunk show.

Lynn was the Featured Quilter at the 2017 Thimble and Thread Quilt Show at Queeny Park. Her 30+ years of quilting have earned her many First and Second Place ribbons in national shows.

A turning point in her quilting journey started years ago when Thimble and Thread Quilt Guild brought in Harriet Hargrave, a nationally recognized quilter in the 1970s and 80s as a speaker.

She realized her quilting was worthy of display, so she started entering national shows and one year at Paducah won first and second place in her categories. Making and sending quilts around the country was stressful, she commented. After many years of entering shows, she now quilts for fun. She is currently making a picture quilt for every member of her family and especially enjoys working with the silk from men's silk ties.

Locally, Lynn has taught many classes at Quilt 'n Stitch and The Quilted Fox.

May 11 Meeting and May 13 Workshop

Suzanne Marshall is our Speaker and Workshop Leader. She is an internationally recognized expert in applique and hand quilting, She will also lead an applique workshop on Saturday, May 13 from 10-1 at the Shrewsbury City Center.

<https://www.suzannequilts.com/>

[Download the flyer below.](#)

“Daffodil” Applique Workshop

With
Suzanne Marshall



Date: Saturday, May 13
Time: 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.
Location: Shrewsbury City Ctr.
 Room 1 on 2nd floor adjacent to elevator
 5200 Shrewsbury Avenue 63119

Fee: \$40.00
 (Includes pattern)
Deadline to register and pay
Is Friday, April 14
Maximum enrollment: 20

“From a 17th century embroidery, this quaint daffodil pattern comes alive and is a cinch to stitch using the "take-away applique" method for pattern placement. ”

“Watch the daffodil pieces come together perfectly without the struggle of markings or transparent overlays. Techniques for inside curves, points, and smooth edges are second nature as needle-turn applique becomes relaxing.” SM
 Finished Size: approximately 11” x 11”

Learn from internationally acclaimed quilting and applique expert Suzanne Marshall <https://www.suzannequilts.com>

 Registration form: Tear on dotted line above and submit with cash or check at a guild meeting or mail a check to the guild treasurer.

Name: _____ Phone # _____

Email: _____ Check # _____ Cash _____

Mail check to T&T Quilt Guild, Attn: Ruth 6213 Mackenzie Valley Court 63123
 Supply list will be emailed to you with payment receipt.

September 8, 2023 Meeting & Auction

Going Twice... Going Once...

SOLD --- to a quilter near you



at the September meeting of T & T Quilt Guild



This is what we will hear Kevin the Quilter say when he leads the Auction at our September 8 meeting. He makes the event entertaining, fun and PROFITABLE.

It's time to get serious about loading up your car with:

- Kits
- Newer notions
- Vintage
- Fabric
- Newer patterns and books
- Finished tops that you know you will never quilt.
- Finished quilts you just don't need or want any more, but something someone else will treasure.
- That stack of fat quarters you loved in a buying frenzy but now, don't know why.
- UFO's that you just don't want to finish.

Remember, this is a fund raiser and we are looking for items in good condition with much life still in them. Bring donations to the monthly meeting and see Denise about placing them in her car.

SAVE THE DATE THIMBLE & THREAD RETREAT 2023

Dates: October 20, 21, and 22, 2023

**Where: Mercy Conference & Retreat Center
2039 North Geyer Road
St. Louis, MO 63131**

Cost: We have the option of single or double rooms.
Single - \$290.00
Double - \$250.00 each

We're only two months in to signing up for Retreat and already have 18 people signed up for the retreat. To those of you who have signed up and have not paid yet, this is a reminder that you need to put down at least 50% of the cost at the April meeting so don't forget to bring your checkbook.

The minimum number of people that Mercy requires for the retreat is 20. We are soooo close. And because some who have signed up will be sharing a room with a family member or friend, we have room for 23 people. But you do need to sign up and make a least a downpayment of 50% quickly so that you will be guaranteed a space.



The retreat starts at 9 am on Friday, October 20th and will end after lunch on Sunday, October 22nd. Lunch and dinner are included on Friday; breakfast, lunch, and dinner on Saturday; and breakfast and lunch on Sunday. We have to be out of the premises mid-afternoon on October 22nd.

Registration will close with the September 8th meeting. After the September meeting, I need to provide the retreat center with a list of attendees and any food allergies they need be aware of. Checks are to be made out to Thimble and Thread Quilt Guild.

In the meantime, keep on quilting!

Susan Sanders, Retreat Coordinator



April 28 - 30, 2023

Fiber Enthusiasts will celebrate all the beautiful fiber arts next Spring at the Second Annual Midwest Fiber Festival.

There will be more classes, demonstrations, and vendors!

VENDOR PREVIEW

April 28 at 5pm - 7pm

(You must be registered for any class to attend this preview.)

FESTIVAL DAYS

April 29: 9am - 5pm

April 30: 11am - 4pm

ADMISSION IS FREE!

CLASSES include Knit, Crochet, Embroidery, Weave, Sew, Basket Weaving and many more!

Bring your current project and hang with other Fiber Friends.

Located at St. Louis Community College Meramec Campus - Student Center

[11333 Big Bend Rd, St. Louis, MO 63122](https://www.midwestfiberfest.com/)

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Minutes of the Thimble and Thread Quilt Guild March 10, 2023

The meeting was opened at 7pm by President Denise Poepsel. Vice-President Anne Hennig introduced this evening's speaker, Jeff Wunrow of Jeff Wunrow Designs. Jeff is the creator of hand crafted contemporary liturgical textiles for churches and clergy across the country and around the world. Jeff explained that he was a self - taught maker of anything and everything with fabric from clothing to slipcovers, going back some 30 years. He began his journey into liturgical design with 5 employees in 2005. His focus is on stoles, though other vestments are made as well. He brought with him to the meeting a large selection of beautiful and creative samples of his work. The stoles, worn around the neck, are narrow and long and are typically made in one of five colors. He prefers asymmetry when designing these stoles and his work is usually done by hand but some use computer-aided design. He uses beautiful silks, from the raw Matka to Organza, Chiffon (used as an overlay) and Dupioni. He found that when adding small pieces of applique to a piece, Ultrasuede worked well. Prices for his stoles are in the \$200 to \$300 range. You can find him at jeffwunroe.com and on Facebook at Jeff Wunrow Designs.

Committee reports:

Membership - LaDonna Patterson reported that there were 37 people in attendance, with one new member, Sara Lappi. Welcome, Sara!

Retreat - Susan Sanders reported that 17 people have already signed up for the retreat, Oct. 20, 21 & 22. held this year at The Mercy Center. She only needs 20 to break even. Costs are \$290 for a single and \$250 for a double. Please get your money in as soon as possible.

Outreach - Leigh Anne Huckaby for Jean Oesterly is collecting quilts for Sweet Babies and Home Sweet Home.

Fabric Raffle - Kate Lottes. Fabric this month was donated by the Quilted Fox and Patty Thompson.

Program - Adele Niblack and Anne Hennig. Adele and Anne have thought that the guild might like having a picnic this summer as something different and have given us three options to choose from and to vote on:

- Option 1: Bring your own food on a scheduled meeting day but for an earlier time, like 6:00. The picnic would take the place of a speaker/program. Show and Tell and Business meeting would be included.
- Option 2: Host the picnic on a totally different day, such as a Saturday afternoon as a separate event. There would also be a second Friday meeting that month.
- Option 3: Have a picnic at a totally different time but in lieu of the monthly meeting. It would include Show and Tell, record attendance and door prizes.

- The votes were strongest for the first option. Cost for the shelter is \$75. Also, scheduled ballgames would need to be taken into account as these could affect parking availability.

Old Business: Denise explained to the guild that three offices remain that need to be filled or the guild will need to disband at the end of June! She is still looking for a new President. Anne Hennig will remain as Co-Vice President and Kate Sander will join her as second Vice President. She also needs a new Secretary and a Treasurer. After much discussion, Mary Ellen Adams offered to step in as President since there will now be two Co-Vice Presidents. Kathy Sherrick said she would be Treasurer if someone would take over the newsletter, and Lori Niedewski and Julie Eggemeyer will fill in the Secretarial slot. Thank you to all those willing to keep our guild going!

New Business: The April meeting will feature Lynn Isenberg presenting a program on working with silk, silk ties and free motion quilting. She will also present a mini trunk show of her work, though she will not be giving a workshop.

Suzanne Marshall will be the guest speaker at the May meeting. She will also be hosting a workshop the next day on her applique technique from 10 am to 1 pm. The cost is \$40. She will take a maximum of 20 attendees and a minimum of 10. Once the workshop is paid for, she will send the participants a list of materials. The deadline for sign up and payment is April 14th. Mark your calendars!

Deadline for the newsletter is Friday, March 17th.

Corrections to the February meeting minutes: Jeff's name is spelled Wunrow, not Monroe. Denise did not give quilts to CSR but referred a woman to the City Sewing Room. Susan approved the minutes and Cindy seconded.

Show and Tell: Carol Harris showed a selection of her lovely wrapped containers. As always, many beautiful quilts were shown, all expertly pieced and quilted, for family, friends and charity. Sara Seagrist reminded us of the upcoming Bits n Pieces Quilt Show at Queeny Park, Saturday, March 18th, 2023 from 10 am to 5 pm and Sunday March 19th from 11 am to 4 pm. Admission is \$8 and is good for both days.

Jean Ameduri told us she likes to use Pellon Featherweight fusible for her T-shirt quilts. Finally, Susan Sanders told us of the upcoming Midwest Fiber Fest, located on the campus of St. Louis Community College at [Meramec, 11333 Big Bend Blvd](#), that runs from Friday,

April 28, from 5 to 7pm for a Vendor Preview, open to anyone that has registered for a class, Saturday, April 29th from 9am to 5 pm, and Sunday, April 29th from 11 am to 4 pm. There is no charge to attend. Check their website for more details about classes and demonstrations.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Louise Morris, Secretary.

Membership Report

We had 37 members present at the March meeting. We welcome Sara Lappi as a new member who joined!

Continued thanks to members who have donated prizes for attendance! They are much appreciated.

We currently have 68 members! Word of mouth is the best way to promote our guild, so please continue to tell friends about us. I'm sure we are all happy to see the guild grow.

Beginning in January dues are now \$15 for the remainder of the year, ending June 30.

LaDonna Patterson

TREASURER'S REPORT— FEBRUARY 2023

By Ruth Grimes, Treasurer

Checking Account	Starting Balance	\$2,738.85	
	Checks	-\$2,306.18	Room Rental, Program, Fabric Raffle, Charity Batting, Retreat Deposit, Website
	Deposits	<u>+\$935.09</u>	Fabric Raffle, Retreat
	Ending Balance	\$1,367.76	
Savings Account	Balance	\$31.47	
Money Market Account	Balance	\$6,334.97	
6 month CD	Balance	\$6,202.26	

1 year CD

Balance

\$6,427.96

DEADLINE FOR THE MAY NEWSLETTER IS FRIDAY, APRIL 21, 2023

Patty Thompson is on the Disabled List temporarily.

Please submit newsletter information to KATHY SHERRICK, kathy.sherrick@gmail.com.

Pease do not use any fancy formatting as all formatting is removed before inserting in the newsletter. We prefer Word OR Plain Text documents and JPG's for graphics.

Here is the link to Show and Tell photos from our March Meeting:

<https://www.facebook.com/ThimbleThreadQuiltExpo/videos/532630005695897>

Download our List of Officers, our Committee Chairs and
Publishing Schedule for the 2022 - 2023 year.

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