

Election of Officers Postponed Until September

Due to COVID restrictions that are preventing our general meetings from taking place, the Executive Committee of the Guild has voted to reschedule officer nominations and elections for 2021.

The Nominating Committee will be formed in June and will begin its work as of July 1 (instead of the usual February 1). The election will be held at the September Guild meeting which is also the month of the Annual Meeting of the Corporation when annual reports are received from Officers and Standing Committees and the budget for the coming year presented.

The Guild by-laws allow for a change in the month for nominations and elections “under extenuating circumstances.” All other election procedures will be according to the by-laws. It is hoped that this additional time will see a return to more “normal” social interaction and the opportunity to meet again in person, even if in a different location than before.

In the meantime, please join the Guild Zoom meetings on the regular 2nd Friday of the month at 7:00 p.m.

Thimble & Thread Retreat 2021

October 1 – October 3, 2021

WOW! Some of you are as ready as I am to go to retreat. The newsletter was barely out and there were four reservations/checks in my mail. Six people have signed up so far.

Dates are October 1st thru 3rd. Check-in time will be 9 am on Friday, October 1st; check-out time will be 2 pm on Sunday, October 3rd.

The price per person did not change – a nice thing in these uncertain times. However, our contract is for a minimum of 25 people instead of 20 as we did last year, so we are committed to pay for that any people even if we don't have 25 people sign up. Price is \$245 per person, single occupancy room.

I will start taking reservations now. Per Guild by-laws, retreats require a 50% down payment at time of registration. Please make your check payable to Thimble and Thread Quilt Guild and send to me (905 N. Woodlawn, Kirkwood, MO 63122). And please be a little patient – once I receive your check, I will sign you up for the retreat and then forward your check to the treasurer to be deposited. But I will probably only forward them once or twice a month depending on how many come in. I will acknowledge receipt of your check/registration by email so you at least know that I received it.

The layout of our work areas will not be known until later this year. A lot will depend on how well we get the Coronavirus under control and how Pallottine decides to handle the layout of their facility.

Susan Sanders
Retreat Coordinator.

Thimble and Thread Quilt Guild
February 12, 2021
ZOOM Meeting Minutes

The February 12, 2021, Thimble and Thread Guild meeting was called to order at 7:04pm by Adele Niblack. Twenty-five members had logged into the Zoom Meeting.

Adele explained that because of Covid restrictions last year we were unable to have Paul Leger from Canada as our National Guest Speaker and Workshop leader for the Karen Combs pattern More Patchwork Illusions, Intriguing Quilt of Illusion Technique! Ruth Grimes, Co-Treasurer of our guild had taken the class over twenty years ago from Karen Combs. She explained the techniques and tricks to make these isometric projections using a 60 degree diamond template for 3-D designs. We learned the importance of graph paper to plan our design; the use of 3 light, medium, and dark colors of fabric that really must play nice with each other; how to use stripes; sewing "Y" seams together and showed the neatest trick - put a 1/4 inch wide piece of tape around the tip (front to back) of your thumb when needing to frequently check quarter inch measurements. She also had several samples on display of finished projects she gleaned from the class, creating some new designs of her own.

Julie Tucker shared on "Chat" room a website to print free graph paper in any size; printfreegraphpaper.com

Show and Tell - Only four members had sent pictures of their creation to Julie Tucker in advance, but several others showed work from their homes.

News and Updates in General

Adele announced an upcoming 2021 Global Quilt Connection on Feb. 22, 24, & 26, a connection to teachers offering live virtual workshops and lectures, and ask members to look into and get some ideas for virtual lectures for the guild.

Adele gave You-Tube site BYANNIE - Wed. at noon, makes bags with zippers, Jackmans carries a lot of her patterns.

Heyde Sewing Co. is moving to House of Denmark building location on Tesson Ferry this summer.

Jean Ameduri noted that National Quilt Teacher, Roberta Horton had passed away on 2-4-2021, she had visited St. Louis and taught a workshop for Thimble and Thread decades ago.

Jean also told us that member, Ricky Tims, is offering his QUILT LUMINARIA virtually this year, rickytims.com on April 9 and 10, 2021. \$219 to see videos for a week, \$249 to see forever.

Question to members?

What/how much do we want to spend for local or national speakers virtually? Most speakers are charging \$100-\$300 as a presentation fee. No cost for plane, fare, hotel, etc.

Thimble and Thread next Zoom meeting will be on Friday, March 12 2021, meeting closed at 8:05 PM, respectfully submitted by Gay Stewart, Secretary

Nancy Hamilton has forwarded this information to the Guild if interested:

Today, an artist friend of mine requested that I share information about the nonpartisan **Violet Protest** art project with my quilter friends. We have missed the Feb. 1 deadline to have submissions included into the exhibit at the Phoenix Art Museum, which is the sponsor of this event, but ultimately all art textile squares/quilt blocks submitted by Aug. 1 will be distributed to members of Congress in support of American core values. The woman who organized this project has a history of large fabric-based projects in Phoenix.

Here's the link to details —> [https://
www.violetprotest.com/](https://www.violetprotest.com/)

Whether or not you choose to participate, I think you'll find it of interest. Nancy Hamilton

My husband as found another quilt related item in the New York Times:
Men's Wear is on a Quilt Trip

From The New York Times: Men's Wear Is on a Quilt Trip With a new take on timeless crafts and an ethos of reduce, reuse and recycle, designers across the spectrum are looking to patch things up. [https://
www.nytimes.com/2021/02/17/style/mens-wear-is-on-a-quilt-trip.html?
smid=em-share](https://www.nytimes.com/2021/02/17/style/mens-wear-is-on-a-quilt-trip.html?smid=em-share)

**“You Can’t Use Up
CREATIVITY
The More You Use,
The More You Have”**

MAYA ANGELOU

Charity Quilting

We are currently donating quilts to two organizations, Sweet Babies and Home Sweet Home. **Sweet Babies** supplies needy parents delivering at St Mary’s hospital with baskets of items that new parents need. Diapers, books, outfits, changing pads, blankets and of course quilts. The usual size is about 40”x 50”, but smaller quilts make awesome care seat/stroller/ tummy time gifts.

Home Sweet Home is an organization that helps homeless families/individuals when they get an apartment. The client ‘shops’ for everything that will make an apartment a home, including furniture, lamps, kitchen utensils, dishes, pillows, pots and pans, and linens. The client shops in the morning and their items are delivered the same afternoon. Home Sweet Home can use lap size non-baby quilts 50”x60” or larger quilts to use on beds. Most of the clients are adults with some children. Home Sweet Home will pick up donations of furniture, call [\(314\) 448-9838](tel:3144489838).

Sally and Jessie Koczan have made numerous kits for baby quilts and Jeanette Oesterly is willing to deliver quilt kits or pick up quilts if a reasonable distance from Brentwood.
oesterly@sbcglobal.net 314-413-7875

“Nurses for Newborns” can always use 24”x36” baby quilts. Their office is located at 3 Sunnen Dr, Maplewood, MO 63143. [\(314\) 544-3433](tel:3145443433)

Adele Niblack forwarded this information for us:

A quilter named Polly Seivert is having an exhibit beginning 2-25-2021 at Longview Farm Gallery on Clayton Road in Town and Country. Her website is Gentle Spirit Studio [Polly Sievert Artist Bio - Gentle Spirit Studio](#) One of her themes is Reuse, Recycle and Repurpose.

Longview link is [Longview Farm House Art Gallery | Town and Country, MO - Official Website](#)

I believe it is free. I thought our Guild members might be interested in seeing the exhibit. Polly is a member of Bits 'n Pieces Guild.

Polly Sievert

Exhibit: February 25 - April 8
Gallery Open 9AM-4PM

APRIL NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

Please send in articles or updates for the next newsletter to Denise Poepel, dapoep@gmail.com by March 22, 2021 to be included in the April Newsletter. As you see several people are contributing, or bring up at the next Zoom meeting.

Art Kruse had shown on Zoom “Show and Tell” beautiful quilts made with blocks from a class taken, 32” to 36” scrap fabric stars, pattern a sworn secret, thanks for sharing. Sally Koczan gave us a view of her puppy on a pile of fabric. Susan Sanders shared during meeting the quilt she made on her bed, and Druscilla Brock gave us a view of the first block she started for a quilt in the future, she started block for “Black History Month” hope to see the quilt top in the future. Lillian Seese had gallbladder surgery that morning and was in on our Zoom meeting, hope feeling better.



Apple Grove Gallery

Suzanne Galli Koenen

Artist

By Appointment Only

314-799-5009

suzanne.galli.koenen@gmail.com

4327 Apple Grove Lane
Saint Louis , MO 63128

Speciality Fine Art
Unique Crafts and Gifts

A selection of over 80 colors of Kona Cotton
Fabrics for Sale

Visit Suzanne's Creative Studio

Social Distancing
Porch and Curbside pick-up

THIMBLE AND THREAD QUILT GUILD
July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2021
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:

Lillian Seese
Membership Committee
1500 Renderer Dr.
St. Louis, MO 63122

NEW MEMBERS: WELCOME TO OUR GUILD!

How did you hear about us?

Quilt Shop _____ Website _____ Word-of-mouth _____ Quilt Show _____

