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President's Message

Our next meeting is **Friday, May 12, 2023** and we will welcome local and international speaker Suzanne Marshall. Suzanne will also give an appliqué workshop next day, Saturday, May 13, 2023 at the Shrewsbury City Center, \$40 for class. This will be our 2nd workshop this year.

The April 14th meeting welcomed past member, Lynn Isenberg, who shared her expertise in working with silk, she brought several quilt samples of her work to share with us. She gave a small demo to members during the break.

Weather cooperated for Easter and flowers were in bloom, sorry those that have allergies and you were sneezing. I thought spring was here to stay and now there are frost warnings out for Sunday. Hopefully no one was affected by the series of serious storms and tornadoes that came thru St. Louis since our April meeting.

The family of Patty Thompson has chosen the charity for donations in her name:

Circle of Concern

112 St. Louis Ave., Valley Park, Mo 63088

636-861-2623

The slate of new officers posted in the April newsletter were unanimously voted in by the membership at the April meeting and will begin their offices at the July 14 meeting.

The membership committee will be accepting renewal and new membership (\$30 for year July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024).

Anyone know how to enlarge the print of the roster that was sent to members? Contact dapoep@gmail.com.

The Free Tables were full Friday night from the stash of a past member, Doris Benz. Jean Ameduri helped the family by taking car loads of UFO's, etc. It was a frenzy at times seeing everyone going thru and making their choices, that being said:

LOST AND FOUND

A stash of (Christmas and floral fabric) was left on a chair and found, see Adele at the next meeting.

When is it time to give up on your favorite (Pfaff) 20 year sewing machine? It's been repaired twice (different shops) for loosing everything but the straight stitch. Now the light socket is broke (how - no moving parts?) It's a mystery. I've been told to buy an LED light and shine on needle. I did buy my sister's "Brother" lots of stitches, but it's not as heavy a machine, and it's the dickens to replace the needle. I've looked on the internet, there aren't sockets or even the machine out there, plus the repairman says that the machine would have to be reprogramed if socket replaced. Am I just delaying the inevitable by not buying a new machine?

Respectfully submitted,

Denise Poepsel

President, Thimble and Thread Quilt Guild of Greater St. Louis

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

MAY PROGRAM - Suzanne Marshall, Speaker

Thimble and Thread Quilt Guild will welcome internationally honored quilter and applique expert Suzanne Marshall at the Guild's May 12, 2023 meeting. She will also lead a workshop on Saturday, May 13.

It would be difficult to print all the honors, awards and commissions that she has received in this space. Just one of them is the selection of her TOUJOURS NOUVEAU as one of the Twentieth Century's 100 Best American Quilts. You are invited to look at her website for a complete list of awards and history of her quilting. She lives in St. Louis and we are honored to welcome her as our May presenter.



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

Upcoming June 8 Meeting

Thimble and Thread member Giselle Rucker will be our June 2023 speaker with a program all about African Mud Cloth and Bogolan Fabric.

Mud cloth is a traditional Malian fabric that is dyed with fermented mud and plant dyes. With very ornate patterns, this process can take four days to a week to make depending on humidity and rain.

Mud cloth is used today in quilts, garments and home dec designs. Giselle will have many

samples to pass around and a slide show about the process of making mud cloth and how it is used today in a variety of projects.

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.

Below are a few donations so far:



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**

Good news: as of the April meeting, we have 20 people signed up for retreat, the number that we needed to meet our contract obligation with Mercy Conference and Retreat Center. And because some who have signed up will be sharing a room with a family member or friend, we

have room for 24 people.

If you are still thinking about coming to retreat, you do need to sign up and make at least a down payment of 50% quickly so that you will be guaranteed a space. You can either mail a check made out to Thimble and Thread Quilt Guild to me ([905 N. Woodlawn, Kirkwood, MO 63122](#)) or bring it to the May meeting.



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.

At last year's retreat, I asked for suggestions on how we might improve the retreat experience and received some good ideas. If anyone attending has an idea for an activity they would like to do (a game, a sewing project, etc.) please let me know.

In the meantime, keep on quilting!

Susan Sanders, Retreat Coordinator

Minutes of the Thimble and Thread Quilt Guild April 14, 2023

The meeting opened at 7 pm by President Denise Poepsel. Vice-President Adele Niblack introduced this evening's speaker, Lynn Isenberg, a St. Louis award winning quilter, who presented a program on working with silk ties and free motion quilting, along with samples of her work. Lynn began by explaining that she uses paper piecing to make her quilts and drafts her quilt patterns on inexpensive copy paper. She does not use commercial stabilizer as this stiffens the silk and makes the seams bulky, although if needed, she will use the tie's lining. She makes sure that all her bias edges are enclosed in stitches. She uses Superior Sofine thread, a polyester thread that is thinner and stronger and likes a 70 or 80 needle. She also shortens her stitches to help the paper removal easier. Lynn is not afraid to dampen the silks and says you can wash them if placed in a mesh bag. Her paper piecing method allows her to work with tiny pieces, some as small as half an inch. During Show and Tell she gave a brief history on what inspired her quilt designs.

Retreat: Susan Sanders reported that 20 members have already signed up for retreat October 20, 21, and 22 at the Mercy Center and that there is still room for 4 more. Costs are \$290 for a single and \$250 for a double. Please get your money in as soon as possible.

Committee reports:

Membership: La Donna Patterson. Forty members signed into tonight's meeting. La Donna reminded us that the Guild's dues are due by July first.

Outreach: Leigh Anne Huckaby- Leigh Anne asked that all charity quilts be put on the table and stated that Jeanette Oesterly has kits available to take home and put together.

Fabric Raffle: Kate Lottes- Fabric this month is donated by The Quilted Fox.

Workshops: Anne Hennig- Suzanne Marshall will be the guest speaker at the May 12 meeting and will host a workshop the following day, Saturday, May 13. She will be demonstrating her needle turn applique' technique from 10 am to 1 pm in the conference room. She will take a maximum of 20 people and a minimum of 10. Once the workshop is paid, she will send the participants the material list. The deadline for signup and payment is April 14.

Old Business: The 2023 Bits 'n' Pieces was a great show with many beautiful quilts on display , plus great raffles and vendors.

Donations for Patty Thompson can be made to Circle of Concern Food Pantry located at [112 St. Louis Avenue, Valley Park, Missouri 63088](#).

New officers needed for 2024 have gratefully volunteered and are as follows:

Mary Ellen Adams, President

Anne Hennig and Kate Sander, Co-Vice Presidents

Kathy Sherrick, Treasurer

Lori Niediewski and Julie Eggemeyer, Co- Secretaries

New business: Motion to accept March newsletter Kate Lottes accepted and seconded by Leigh Anne Huckaby and Art Kruse.

Gay Stewart has fabric that is from Guatemala and will decide if she will sell it or donate it. The newsletter deadline is next Friday, April 14th. Please send all notices to Kathy Sherrick.

Anne Hennig has suggested doing something for Patty Thompson's husband, Sam, as a thoughtful gesture from the guild. She asked members to bring a quilt block with a note on it and to return them to her by the end of summer before the Auction in September and she will put them together for him.

A reminder was given about the Midwest Fiber Festival on the Campus of St. Louis Community College at Meramec, [11333 Big Bend Rd, Kirkwood, Mo., 63122](#). Classes run Friday, April 28, Saturday and Sunday and Vendors and Demos will be available on Saturday and Sunday.

Show and Tell: Show and tell was presented by members of our guild alongside Lynn Isenberg's trunk show of quilts.

The meeting adjourned at 9 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Louise Morris, Secretary

Highlights From Lynn Isenberg Trunk Show



Tennessee quilt by Lynn Isenberg that won many ribbons at national shows.





Membership Report

We had 40 members at the meeting. No guests signed in.
Membership renewals are due July 1. Dues are \$30.

I will not be at the May meeting, so I ask that you wait to renew your membership until the June or July meeting.

La Donna Patterson

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TREASURER'S REPORT— MARCH 2023

By Ruth Grimes, Treasurer

Checking Account	Starting Balance	\$1,367.76	
	Checks	- \$203.24	Room Rental, Program, Fabric Raffle, Charity Batting, Retreat Deposit, Website
	Deposits	+ <u>\$1,986.11</u>	Fabric Raffle, Retreat, Workshop

	Ending Balance	\$3,150.63
Savings Account	Balance	\$31.47
Money Market Account	Balance	\$6,343.78
6 month CD	Balance	\$6,225.03
1 year CD	Balance	\$6,427.54



T-Shirt Quilt Maker

I have a friend who is interested in having a t shirt quilt made from her daughter's t shirts. If you are interested in talking to her, please contact me. Thank you.

La Donna Patterson

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DEADLINE FOR THE JUNE NEWSLETTER IS FRIDAY, MAY 19, 2023

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

<https://www.facebook.com/ThimbleThreadQuiltExpo/videos/187465820840375>

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