



THIMBLE AND THREAD QUILT GUILD OF GREATER ST. LOUIS
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HAPPY NEW YEAR

2021 GOALS

Break a bad habit,
Learn a new skill,
Visit a new place,
Face a fear,
Take a risk,
Try something new

Thimble and Thread Quilt Guild meetings will continue to be on hiatus until we can all meet in person, following the guidelines of Webster Groves Presbyterian Church, right now they will only allow 20 people to meet at one time in the room we use for meetings.

Last month, we have a December “Zoom” meeting on our regular meeting night organized by Adele Niblack, 18 paid members were in attendance and it was nice to see faces and hear voices of those that joined in. Adele had requested members to forward pictures of recent projects and she put together a powerpoint presentation of those works and members in attendance gave an explanation of their creations.

ZOOM VOLUNTEER NEEDED

The first Zoom meeting for Thimble and Thread met in December and there seemed to be interest in continuing the idea until we meet again in person.

Before we can commit to that idea and pay the Zoom fee, we need to have a volunteer who will take on the responsibility at this time to organize the meetings, get the notices in the newsletter and plan the content, which might include setting up pictures in advance.

If we have a Zoom account, our time will not be limited to 40 minutes. A year contract is \$150, but you can pay \$15 per month and cancel when we start meeting again in person. The total cost for 12 months is higher by month, but we would not be committed to the one year fee.

If anyone is willing to take on this responsibility, please contact me at 314-973-5740 or pa.niblack@att.net.

Thank you,
Adele Niblack, Treasurer

RETREAT 2021

For those members who did go to the 2020 Retreat, and plan ahead, the dates are set for 2021. It will be the first weekend in October of 2021, the 1st - 3rd. Mark you calendars, Susan is working on contract and does not know the cost yet. She is working on how to have even more people attend - 27 would probably be the maximum as Pallotine only has 27-8 foot tables.

Susan Sanders
Retreat Coordinator

AWARD WINNER

One of those participating in the Zoom meeting was Suzanne Galli Koenen, she shared with us some exciting news. Suzanne had submitted a piece of work to an “all media juried exhibition that focuses on fundamental geometric shapes” at Framation Art Gallery in St. Charles.

“SUNSET”

Acrylic

12x12



SECOND PLACE

Suzanne Galli Koenen
Apple Grove Gallery

“CONGRATULATIONS SUZANNE”

The exhibit is on display thru January 14, 2021, anytime Tues-Sat 10-6 at Framations, 218 North Main Street, St. Charles, MO. 63301

Again, my husband David found this article in the New York Times to share with us quilters,

From The New York Times:

“Gone but Never Forgotten in a Quilt”

Members of the national Women of Color Quilters Network draw on personal experiences of injustice, turning their needlework into symbols of liberation, resistance and empowerment.

<https://www.nytimes.com/2020/12/16/arts/design/quilt-art-women-injustice.html?smid=em-share>

CHARITY QUILTS

Members of the guild are making baby quilts for Sweet Babies, an organization provides parents who need help with the essentials, a basket of baby items when they leave the hospital. We deliver quilts to be included in the baskets.

Sally and Jessie Koczan are co-chairs for OUTREACH Committee, please contact them if you need a kit to make a quilt or drop off one of your own.

Sally Koczan - 314-249-8049 ecosally2@gmail.com

Jessie Koczan - 314-363-3089 koczanje@gmail.com

FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

Please send articles or updates for the newsletter to Denise Poepsel (dapoep@gmail.com) by January 22, 2021 to be included for February newsletter.

MEMBERSHIP

Anyone sending in membership after January, the cost is \$15 and covers your membership through June 30, 2021.

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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 _____

It was determined, by officers that we needed to cancel the National Speaker, Paul Leger, that we had originally scheduled for April of 2020 and when Covid shut down traveling we moved the visit to April of 2021.

Paul had forwarded the class materials to me in January 2020, which included two acrylic diamond templates and the pattern for the "PATCHWORK ILLUSIONS".



If anyone is interested in the two templates and pattern for \$15.00, contact Denise Poepsel, dapoep@gmail.com or 314-353-1207. It will help reduce the cost of sending the materials back to Paul, since shipping to Canada has to go thru customs.

If you are interested or know of anyone else that might be interested I will be sending the materials back in February, trying to avoid Christmas returns at Post Office.



I wish everyone a great start to 2021 and hope that everyone who gets a chance to receive the Covid vaccine will get it and move us closer to having our meetings together again. Hope that everyone stays safe and healthy and in touch with loved ones.

Submitted by
Denise Poepfel
Newsletter Editor