



Thimble & Thread Quilt Guild of Greater St. Louis  
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From the Editor – My apologies to everyone for the tardiness of this issue of the newsletter. Somehow life just got in the way. Hope everyone had a Wonderful and Safe 4<sup>th</sup> of July.

## **HAPPY 4TH OF JULY**

I regret again to report that the July 10, 2020 meeting of Thimble and Thread Quilt Guild is cancelled. The Webster Groves Presbyterian Church is not opened for services yet.

We are in contact with the Church on a regular basis and as soon as they are comfortable with having people in the building again, they will give us the information for scheduling meetings in the future.

I hope that everyone is staying safe and healthy, and busy with new and old projects.

My husband gets the NY Times on the computer to read and he sent me this article and thought I would pass on to all for some good reading.

From The New York Times:

## The Radical Quilting of Rosie Lee Tompkins

A triumphal retrospective at the Berkeley Art Museum confirms her standing as one of the great American artists — transcending craft, challenging painting and reshaping the canon.

<https://www.nytimes.com/interactive/2020/06/26/arts/design/rosie-lee-tompkins-quilts.html?smid=em-share>

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The membership application is in the newsletter, please complete and forward to Lillian Seese.

2020-2021 committee members should work on a budget for their office and submit to Adele Niblack, 207 Morewood Drive, Manchester, Mo. 63011

Calling a few members again this month, Cindy Bell Neville having hip surgery late July, keep her in your prayers, Katie Frazer, her daughter is doing fine. Jean Ameduri recovering from torn meniscus surgery last week. Mary Jo Wippold had multiple surgeries all before we were in Stay At Home mode in March.

Personally I've only been to the grocery store, haven't journeyed out to a fabric store, have ordered online with a few places, but no matter where they are located they are busy with so many orders I've had to be patient to receive my goodies, and not looking for it but the website I was on I found Multi-colored elastic for masks, or course, wanted all the colors but restrained myself.

Thanks everyone for being patient and keep in touch with family and friends and one day we will have a meeting.

Happy 4th of July to all  
Denise Poepsel

#### **Charity Quilts**

Members of the guild are making baby quilts for Sweet Babies, an organization that provides parents who need help with the essentials, a basket of baby items when they leave the hospital. This includes many diapers, blankets, outfits, books, changing pads, and even a pack-n-play to those who need it. We have been delivering quilts to be included in the baskets. Since January we have delivered at least 120 quilts.

Many people have helped in this endeavor. Sally and Jessie Koczan are making kits complete with fabric and batting. Karen Purcelli and Jeanette Oesterly have been organizing pick up and delivery of the items. Others held cutting parties to create the 5" blocks used to make the tops. There have been many quilters who have donated their time, fabric and skills to this cause, too many to list all of them here. However, Delores Keaton has completed over fifty of these quilts. Kudos to Delores.

If you are interested in helping please let Jeanette Oesterly 314.413.7875 know. She can deliver quilt kits to your front porch or pick up quilts if you live within a reasonable distance from Brentwood. Of course you can design your own quilt!

## **Here is an email from parent who received a quilt. Dare you to read without tearing up!**

Sweet Babies team...

My name is Mandy and recently my husband, Jeremy, and I picked up our baby boy from St. Mary's. Ms. Denise, Nurse Emily and the rest of the staff at St. Mary's took amazing care of our boy and us during our stay. As we were leaving, we were blessed with a large care package from your team.

First, this was a complete surprise and an already emotional Momma just had her cup runneth over! Thank you all from the bottom of our hearts!

Second, opening the gift the items inside were just what we needed...some we knew and others have more value than money can buy. You see, my Grandmother used to make quilts for NICU babies via the Linus group years ago. My grandmother has passed and while my daughters have a quilt she made, my son does not. The quilt in the bag brought back these memories and to know someone cared enough to spend time to make one just warmed my soul. Our little guy is doing well, but I know being wrapped in something made with so much love will only help.

Lastly, my parents were recently moving and found a lot of fabric my grandmother had to make the quilts. We'd like to donate them and can't think of a better way to honor her memory than to allow these pieces of fabric be joined for other babies who need that security. I so hope your team, or a volunteer, could use these. We're happy to deliver or meet for pick up.

Please let us know what works best and share our appreciation with everyone. God bless you all!

A footnote:

The baby is being adopted by this family. They already have an adopted 4 year old from the mother and so this child was a sibling. They did not know until late that baby could be theirs, and so they did not have anything for the baby when they picked him up from the hospital.









Just a few photos from Jeanette regarding the deliveries they have made to Sweet Babies.

Fall Retreat – Pallottine Renewal Center – Sept. 18, 19, 20

So far, the Retreat is still on – Let’s just hope that we don’t have a spike in Coronavirus cases which would have an impact. I know that I’m looking forward to getting away for a few days and sewing with friends and catching up with everyone on their lives over the past few months. We have 19 people signed up.

Susan Sanders – Retreat Coordinator

Update on some of our members: A couple of weeks ago a few of my quilting friends decided it was safe enough to get together for a sew-day and work on baby quilts for Sweet Babies. So, I can report that Mary Ellen Adams, Dolores Keaton, Marylyn Simpson, Karen Puricelli, and myself (Susan Sanders) are well and trying to keep busy with sewing projects (and unfortunately, yard work). Denise reported how many baby blankets Dolores had made – that was only part of it – she also made 150 face masks.

**THIMBLE & 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.

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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 \_\_\_\_\_

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06/19/20  
Cash Basis

**Thimble & Thread Quilt Guild**  
**Profit & Loss**  
June 2020

PROFIT & LOSS				BALANCE SHEET	
	<u>Jun 20</u>	<u>May 20</u>			<u>May 31, 20</u>
Ordinary Income/			ASSETS		
Income			Current Assets		
Membership Dues	150.00	150.00	Arsenal CU Checking #2090	5,528.01	
Program Income			Arsenal CU Money Market #206	9,959.22	
Retreat Income	0.00	535.00	Arsenal CU Savings	31.47	
Total Program Income	0.00	535.00			15,518.70
Total Income	150.00	685.00	Total Current Assets		15,518.70
Gross Profit	150.00	685.00	Other Assets		
Expense				6,287.95	
Program Expenses				6,144.30	
Retreat-Annual	0.00	1,215.00	Total Other Assets		12,432.25
Total Program Expenses	0.00	1,215.00	TOTAL ASSETS		<u>27,950.95</u>
Total Expense	0.00	1,215.00	LIABILITIES & EQUITY		
Net Ordinary Income	150.00	-530.00	Equity		
Other Income/Expense				20,927.53	
Other Income				10,180.97	
Interest Income	0.00	2.38		-3,157.55	
Total Other Income	0.00	2.38	Total Equity		27,950.95
Net Other Income	0.00	2.38	TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY		<u>27,950.95</u>
Net Income	<u>150.00</u>	<u>-527.62</u>			

## **Next Newsletter Deadline:**

Denise Poepsel will be taking over the newsletter effective with the August 2020 issue. Please send all articles for the newsletter to her ([dapoep@gmail.com](mailto:dapoep@gmail.com)). I know we've been a little lax on the deadline with the coronavirus keeping us from meeting, but please try to get articles to her by Monday, July 20<sup>th</sup>. And if you have information on members you've been in contact with, please drop her a line. Right now, that's the only way the whole guild will be kept aware of how are members are doing.

## **Thimble & Thread Board of Directors 2020-2021**

### **Officers**

President	Debby Logan
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### **Sub-committee Coordinators**

Quilt Retreat	Susan Sanders
Website Administrator	Mary Ellen Adams