



Thimble & Thread Quilt Guild of Greater St. Louis
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I need to put a positive spin for the guild on the fact that we are not meeting in August and that it is to stay safe. The Church cancelled the beginning of services in July because of the increase in virus cases in the county. We know how important it is at this time, after 5 months, that people getting ill from group meetings is happening. Before we can get together as a guild we will have to follow the guidelines of the CDC as well as the ones that the Church has worked up and what we as a guild will have to establish to keep everyone safe. Please keep in touch with family and friends and members.

This newsletter may not get out by Tuesday, August 4, but I hope that everyone that can get out to vote will, and do our best to make any arrangements needed to VOTE in November as well. Also, it has been some time since we completed our Census form on the internet, but if you have been putting it off, try to fill that out as well during our time home.

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.

From Connecting Threads catalog

“When we give someone a quilt, we are giving them a physical object of love”, for QUILTS OF VALOR the flag’s colors are quite symbolic:

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| RED | - Hardiness and Valor |
| WHITE | - Purity and Innocence |
| BLUE | - Vigilance, Perseverance, and Justice |

I have contacted a few members again. Cindy Neville’s surgery went well; she is in recovery and rehab can’t be over soon enough. Caught Gay Stewart on the phone waiting for her carry-out order and she says she is doing well. Like every other traveling business, Gammill Longarm has put all shows on hold until next year so DeWayne Carron is at home all the time with Jan They are open for business waiting for all those quilts we have been making while homebound. They are doing well and if you need to contact them and your roster isn’t available, here is their information:

Cross and Crown Quilting
DeWayne and Jan Carron
397 Oak Lane
Wentzville, MO 63385
M: 314-541-5028

My sister Karen Daum's husband puts in a garden of vegetables every year and as always, everything is ripe at the same time. Last year I started making zucchini bread and it was a big hit. Man, does shredded zucchini go a long way! This year I've expanded and am making brownies as well. When I finish this newsletter, and I made myself do this first, I'll be in the kitchen starting all over again. Luckily I have two ovens; it's like making Christmas cookies all day long. Like cookies I have to freeze extra or give away, otherwise there is too much of a temptation out on the counter.

In connection with our charity quilt program I would like to add, that I had the pleasure of attending the "ZOOM" graduation of the EAST ST. LOUIS COMMUNITY FUND - SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS on Friday, July 31, 2020. Pam Coaxum, Executive Director and Thimble and Thread member and past co-chair of our charity quilt program, introduced the graduating students and at the end of program showed the quilts that the guild members had made for the students and which will be distributed in person on a first come, first served basis on Tuesday, August 4, to the new college bound students. It was a lovely program; like so many other graduations, hopefully it gave the students hope for their future in the speeches that board members and guests were able to give virtually, missing the personal attendance of family and friends for a social ceremony. Thanks, Pam, for your hard work for your students.

Wear your mask, do social distancing, circle of trust and be careful out there until we meet again.

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 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.

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.

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!

Thimble and Thread Retreat – Pallottine Retreat Center – Sept. 18, 19, & 20, 2020

I have been in contact with Pallottine Retreat Center. They are looking forward to our being there in September for our Retreat. If you are still considering attending but have not made up your mind, they have assured me they are taking all precautions to keep everyone safe.

And in no particular order, a few of the things they are doing. We will be the only group there that weekend. All community bathrooms will be closed; attendees will need to use the facilities in their room. All sleeping rooms will be single occupancy. Dining will be cafeteria style in the Gym rather than buffet style in the Dining Room; staff will serve you and condiments will be individual packets. The staff will wear masks at all times and ask that we also wear masks if we cannot safely socially distance. We will have use of all the large rooms on the main floor including the dining room for sewing so we can spread out.

This retreat will be a little different than those in the past due to social distancing. However, I think we can still enjoy being with our quilting friends and visiting with people other than our immediate family. And for basically two-and-a-half days – no cooking – no cleaning – no one asking you to stop whatever you're doing and do something for them. That in itself sounds like bliss.

We still have room. So, if you do want to come and feel that you can safely do so, please let me know. Price is \$245.00; make check out to Thimble & Thread, and send to me.

Susan Sanders
Retreat Coordinator

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.

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 _____

Next Newsletter Deadline: Please send all articles for the September newsletter to Denise Poepel (dapoep@gmail.com) by Monday August 24th and if are doing.

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				Jul 20	Jun 20	ASSETS		Jun 30, 20	
Ordinary Income/Expense							Current Assets		
	Income						Checking/Savings		
	Membership Dues			180.00	330.00		Arsenal CU Checking #2090	5,858.25	
	Program Income						Arsenal CU Money Market #2060	9,961.27	
			Retreat Income	735.00	0.00		Arsenal CU Savings	31.47	
	Total Program Income			735.00	0.00		Total Checking/Savings	15,850.99	
	Total Income			915.00	330.00		Total Current Assets	15,850.99	
							Other Assets		

ct with, please drop her a line.

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