

Guild Meeting April 25, 2017

Art Historical Inspiration for Quilters



Casy Gardonio-Foat York Photo by Ann Hubbard, 2016)



asey Gardonio-Foat York has sewn for most of her life and has been making quilts for a decade. Initially inspired by the graphic possibilities of appliqué, she has worked in the quilting industry to push the boundaries of this tradition with her graphic, contemporary designs and patterns.

A self-taught designer, Casey received her Ph.D. in art history in 2012 from NYU's Institute of Fine Arts. She is well-known in the quilting industry for her two books, Modern Appliqué Illusions (2014) and The Appliqué Book (2016), and her DIY appliqué patterns, which are available as stand-alone products and in leading quilting and sewing magazines. Based in St. Louis, she lectures and teaches quilting workshops nationally.

At this April's meeting, Casey will discuss how she turns to the history of art almost daily as a source of inspiration. From multi-cultural motifs for piecing and appliqué to innovative quilting patterns, this field is a treasure trove of ideas for quilters in all styles. In her lecture, Casey covers some of the art works and movements that have inspired her own quilts as well as provides references to artists, styles, and books that audience members may find useful for their own quilting endeavors.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I was fortunate enough to be able to attend Toby Lischko's "The Parfait" workshop and it was a lovely time! Because of what I'd learned from Toby and from the camaraderie of the group, I already am half finished with my wall hanging, so I highly recommend taking a workshop or joining a small group to get to know other guild members better. My thanks to Chris Williams for doing a great job of organizing this event.

You all have an opportunity to help make the upcoming 2018 Fanfare of Quilts quilt show another success by volunteering your time and by signing up for one of the following jobs: **bed turning, door prizes, public library cases, sewing machine raffle, special exhibits, and volunteers**. If you have any questions about any of these jobs, please contact Joyce Zepp, the Quilt Show Chair. And remember, you will get plenty of help from other guild members who not only have done these jobs before but have participated in one of THE best quilt shows around. And an added bonus is that you also will meet more guild members as well.

Best regards, Peggy Anderson, President

MEETING MINUTES

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS

March 28, 2017

President Peggy Anderson called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of February 28, 2017. The motion passed unanimously.

President Anderson announced the newsletter deadline of March 31, 2017 at 5 pm.

National Speakers chair, Wendy Richards, announced there is still space in the Becky Goldsmith workshops.

Chris Williams and Phyllis Bednarek unveiled the 2018 Raffle Quilt named "Parasol Parfait". Members of the committee were recognized for all their hard work. Tickets are available for sale by all members. There will be prizes awarded for selling tickets. No checks will be accepted for tickets. There will be cash prizes for the top two sellers and the person who sells the winning ticket.

Vice President Chris Williams introduced the evening speaker, Toby Lischko. Toby presented a wonderful trunk show.

After the program, Cover Our Kids chair, Louise Morris, discussed parameters for donating quilts. Only organizations will be eligible to receive quilts. Quilts will not be donated for raffles. COK had added three organizations this year. COK cannot take on anymore organizations this year and still be fair to current donees. Louise asked for baggie block coordinators. A sew day will be scheduled for late April or early May.

After a ten minute break Susan Calzone, retreats chair, announced a weekend retreat in August. Laurie Schrader will help with the retreat. Members can email Laurie with registration requests.

Membership chair, Judy Humphrey, announced 108 members and 6 visitors were in attendance. Two attendance prizes were awarded. Judy reminded the membership to pick up membership cards next month.

President Anderson announced that several chairpersons are still needed for the 2018 Quilt Show.

Many members participated in show and tell.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15pm.

Respectfully submitted, Nancy Hopkins, Secretary



Alice Treece Darlene Sforza Doris Benz Judie Benedum Laurie Schrader Linda Schultheis Mary Sigel MaryLou Bowler Pat Casev Roberta Dav Sherry Mueller Shirlev Witcher

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Block of the Month: Mary Lou Melkowski

• No updates at this time.

COK and More: Louise Morris

- Cover Our Kids has had another wonderful month of quilt donations, adding 38 quilts received in March, to our 2017 log of 75 quilts, totaling 113 quilts year to date! Once a cottage industry my storage facility is looking more like a warehouse. They are coming in faster than I can process them, due in part to the numbers but also due to the fact that half of the quilts received do not have labels on them. I am getting pretty bogged down with them and need to ask you to not bring me any quilts that are not labeled or laundered. I appreciate your cooperation with this. I will bring thread and needles and scissors to the meetings so that you can sew them on during the meeting, if needed.
- I am taken with the numbers of people that have offered to make deliveries for me. I asked for someone to deliver to St. Charles, for example, and I got 5 responses. Thanks to Mike and Debbie Briscoe for delivering to two organizations this month. We have made two runs to most of our organizations so far and for that reason I have decided to add Circle of Concern to our donor list. This is a local organization that you may know from their food pantry, but, like most, their community needs go beyond hunger. I am now closing off adding any more to our list as I want to able to keep those we have with a good supply of quilts.
 - THANK YOU: I want to send a big thank you to Louise Morris and the Cover Our Kids quilters. I was able to take over 20 quilts to the Perryville tornado victims. My husband is from there and all of our family is safe. There were young families with kids affected by this storm. Thanks to lots of volunteers the rebuilding has begun.
 — Sue Meyer.
- For the record, Cover Our Kids does not make quilts for raffles or auctions or to individuals. That being said, the small groups may decide to offer this service to various organizations if they choose. This is mainly due to time constraints, copyright laws and particularly, setting a precedent.
- I decided to be the year's first Baggie Block chair and distributed 23 little dresses to be blanket stitched and accessorized. I can't wait to see what comes back. See you in April.

Guild Challenge: Cindy Holten

- This is your "cheat sheet" to the question: What is the title of this year's guild challenge: Answer: GET YOUR MOJO—SHOW OUR LOGO (remember this for the April meeting).
- At the March meeting 5 talented members signed up to show off their creavitity and their pride in our

guild's logo. So hopefully, more of you talented and proud members will follow suit and fill the Guild Challenge section of the 2018 quilt show to overflowing!

- You can find the Challenge Rules, Color Chart, and 2018 Registration Forms on our website and at the Guild Challenge Table each meeting.
- So get your Mojo on, let your creativity flow, and show off our great guild's logo. Plan to have YOUR challenge quilt in the 2018 Fanfare of Quilts Show!

Library: Kay Merz

- Hopefully you were at the March Guild meeting and saw Toby Lishko's wonderful trunk show of fantastic quilts. Perhaps you purchased a pattern or some of her luscious fabric to begin a new project. Now you may be looking for additional patterns to use her techniques with mirrors and fusing cutting to create a quilt for our upcoming quilt show and that special quilt for yourself or someone special.
- We are in luck! Two books have been graciously donated to our library. "Easy & Elegant Lone Star Quilts All the Wow without the Work" by Shirley Stutz and "S is for Scraps" by Gayle Bong. Both of these books contain stunning patterns, perfect for Toby's fussy cutting or mirror techniques. Shirley Stutz' book also includes instructions for the addition of broderie perse appliqué and reverse appliqué, along with ideas for borders and trapunto. Gayle Bong's book has great patterns for using up scraps, including LeMoyne Star, Maggie's Star and a lot more. I look forward to seeing some wonderful quilts that could materialize from these two books. Both of these books will be available at the library table at the April guild meeting.
- Your Guild Library is a wonderful resource of books as well as DVDs, and fictional quilt related novels. Whatever your quilting interest, you are encouraged to check out this wonderful resource. Your Guild Library is located at the back of the meeting room in a cabinet in the side classroom. Stop by the table just outside this room to check out or return library items or if you need assistance in locating an item.
- Happy Quilting! May your quilting projects tell the story, express the joy, be made with love, and cherished when received.

<u>Membership: Bernadette Delannay/Candy Grisham/</u> Judy Humphrey

- At the March meeting there were 108 attendees, 6 visitors and 2 new members.
- IF YOU WANT TO WIN A MEMBERSHIP ATTENDANCE PRIZE YOU MUST WEAR YOUR NAMETAG.
- <u>Remember to wear your badge</u>. We have stick-on name tags at the membership table or you can order the engraved badges. These are \$10 and can be ordered in magnetic or pin backed styles. Remember the magnetic badges should not be worn with a pacemaker!

• The annual fee this year is \$25. Guests are always welcome at the meeting for \$2.00 (\$5.00 when there is a national speaker). Encourage your friends to join us!

Media Resources

If you have any questions, comments, or suggestions regarding any of the listed media resources below, please contact the respective individual for assistance.

- Cindy Holten—Newsletter
- Darla Gibson—Facebook and Yahoo Group
- Marsha Bray—Website

Programs for 2017 Guild Meetings: Chris Williams

- <u>Apr 25</u>: Casey York "Art Historical Inspiration For Quilters", and author of, "The Applique Book".
- <u>May 23</u>: Becky Goldsmith (National speaker), "A Practical Approach to Color".
 - Workshops now open to non-guild members.
 - Hexie Garden Wool Applique Wed May 24 9-4 \$51.00/\$56.00 non-members.
 - 6 spots left grab a friend and sign up!
 - Kit available/must be pre-ordered: \$9.50 [Contains these supplies: Vinyl, laminate, ultra sharpie, soft fuse, glue stick.]
 - Tile Tango Thu May 25, 9-2 Full (wait list)
 - Kit available/must be pre-ordered: \$3.50 (Contains these supplies: Vinyl, laminate, ultra sharpie.)
 - **Practical Color for Quilters** Thu May 25, 1-4pm \$27.00/\$32.00 non-members.
 - 4 spots left grab a friend and sign up!
- NOTE: All workshops at St. Timothy's Episcopal Church, 808 N Mason Rd, Creve Coeur, MO 63141
- Contact: Wendy Richards <u>whoob@aol.com</u> for additional information or to register.
 - June 27: Cindy Neville "Tips On Entering a Prize-winning Quilt In A Show."
 - <u>July 25</u>: Salad Supper. (Note: meeting date may change to <u>July 18</u> due to Church activities).
 - <u>Aug 22</u>: Susan Brubaker Knapp (National Speaker).
 - <u>Sep 26</u>: Shelly Pagliai of Prairie Moon Quilts -"The Life of Hazel Ilene".
 - <u>Oct 24</u>: Cindy Holten/Carol Lovelace Guild Challenge Quilt Reveal.
 - Nov 28: Louise Morris Cover our Kids
 - Dec 12: Holiday Party Sue Meyer, Coordinator.

Quilt Show 2018

QS18 dates: Joyce Zepp, Coordinator

- The committees still in need of a chairperson are as follows:
 - Bed Turning
 - Door Prizes
 - Public Library Display Cases
 - Sewing Machine Raffle
 - Special Exhibits
 - Volunteers
- If you would like more information about any of these jobs, please contact me.
- We decided to hold future meetings in odd months until September, and monthly after Sept. Meetings will be held at the fire department on Henry Road, and Chris Williams will arrange for the meeting room. We decided on a 9:30 meeting on the Saturday preceding the regular guild meeting. (I realized I have a conflict for the March meeting, so that date will be changed to April 1.) The schedule of meetings will be as follows:
 - May 20, July 22, Sept. 23, Oct. 21, Nov. 18, No Dec. meeting; Jan.13, 2018, and Feb. 10, and Feb. 24.
- If anyone has questions, please feel free to call me at 314-593-6283, or email me at, joycezepp83@gmail.com and I will do my best to find answers. Thanks to all, Joyce.

QS18 Charity Raffle: Jan Oehrle

No updates at this time

And now for the great reveal of our gorgeous raffle quilt . . .

QS18 Raffle Quilt: Chris Williams

We are very proud to present the Raffle Quilt, "Parasol Parfait" for the 2018 Bits n' Pieces Fanfare of Quilts Show.



The members of this committee, aka Dresden Divas, are: Phyllis Bednarek, Linda Biederman, Cheryl Chapman, Kathy Chitwood, Candy Grisham, Judy Hoffman, Sue Meyer, LaDonna Patterson, Cindy Pfotenhauer, Gay Stewart, Nancy Stratte, Chris Williams, Merrily Woodford.

In addition, we had appliqué assistance from Linda Waugh and Mary Ann Anderson.

The Pattern

The design is based on the pattern designed by Candy Grisham, "Friends in the Garden at Midnight" and was used with her permission. This beautiful quilt is showered with 44 parasol plates.

The Size and Fabric

The quilt measures 90" x 99", made of cotton fabrics and has wool batting. With the exception of the background, there are104 different batiks with only 18 duplicates in this quilt. The fabrics were from both some personal collections and as well as from various quilt shops. The Dresden Divas were assigned 3 different colors of no more than 1/2 yard of fabric of each color...and out they scoured the local quilt shops for those fabrics. The background for the plates is a lavender grunge and both background and backing fabrics were purchased at The Quilted Fox.

The Quilter

The quilt was beautifully and skillfully quilted by Candy Grisham. She used 26 different threads in the quilt.

The Process

As you can imagine, this quilt was a process. We had our first planning meeting in early June of 2016, an instructional day in Late June, chose the background fabric in July and did the final design and placement of plates in late July as well. All the plates were hand appliquéd by members and friends from October 2016 through January, 2017. As you can see, many hands made beautiful work.

The Label Maker

The label was made by Shirley Handling.

The Quilt Appraisal

This quilt has been appraised at \$12,500.00.

The Tickets and You

We are most proud of the raffle quilt and we hope you are too and will SELL, SELL, SELL.

There are tickets for each member available at the guild meeting. An envelope has your name on it and we ask that you initial receipt of the packet. If you wish additional tickets, be sure to ask – we have plenty.

We are having great prizes for selling raffle tickets and there will be opportunities to sell at various display venues and events from now until next year – a great way to earn entries for the wonderful prizes we'll be awarding.

Kathy Chitwood and Nancy Stratte will be organizing the different venues for displaying "Parasol Parfait" and selling raffle tickets. We will be using Signup Genius to sign up for working those venues. Kathy and Nancy have a list from previous years of stores/venues to visit, but if you have someplace that you think would be great to show off our quilt, be sure to let them know.

The Prizes

Phyllis Bednarek says, "It's that time of year again...time to sell Raffle Quilt tickets!" We have a beautiful quilt for next year's show and we are counting on you to sell to friends & family and hopefully to their friends and family!! We have some lovely prizes we hope will give you an incentive to sell as many tickets as you can.

Here are the prize guidelines:

- 1. Quarterly Prizes for drawings in September, December and March. You will get one ticket for a chance to win in each drawing with every 24 tickets you sell. (Prizes may be bags, table runners, etc.)
- Win "City Umbrellas" Wall Hanging (Made and quilted by Candy Grisham) 41 x 46. Appraised at \$1,600! Get one ticket for a chance to win after selling 36 tickets and a chance with each additional 12 tickets sold.



- 3. Cash Prizes for Top Two Sellers!
- 4. Prize to Person who sells Winning Ticket!
- 5. **Volunteer to Work** at a Venue and receive one chance to win a quarterly prize or the wall hanging (your choice) for each session you work.

Now... go out and Sell...Sell...Sell!

<u>Retreats</u>

<u>Todd hall, Columbia, IL: Susan Calzone & Laurie</u> <u>Schrader</u>

- Chair: Susan Calzone, full retreats, January and June <u>sesnowzone@charter.net</u>
- Co-Chair: Laurie Schrader weekend retreat laurieaschrader@gmail.com
- Retreats are GREAT! Everyone who attends seems to enjoy themselves so completely and most become 'repeat retreaters'. Members work at their own pace on projects of their choice in a fun and relaxed atmosphere. Retreaters share tips and tricks, oohs and ahhs, and plenty of snacks, including lots of chocolate.

UPCOMING RETREATS

- June 14-17, add-on day June 13
 - There are still openings for the June retreat. Contact Susan if you have questions or want to attend. Approximate prices are:
 - double occupancy, with Toddhall meals* -\$250
 - single occupancy, with Toddhall meals* -\$300
 - double occupancy, no meals \$150
 - single occupancy , no meals \$200
 - add on day/night, double, no meals + \$50
 - - add on day/night, single, no meals + \$70
 - *meals are only available if there are at least 10 diners.
- August 11-13, Friday to Sunday
- The guild has added a third retreat this year. It is a weekend retreat, Friday through Sunday.
- This retreat is ideal for those members who want to try their first retreat, for those working members, for those who don't want to spend the money or time commitment on the longer retreats. There are plenty of openings. Email Laurie to sign up. Approximate prices are:
 - double occupancy bedroom, sewing room, and meals* - \$160
 - single occupancy bedroom, sewing room, and meals*- \$200
 - *meals are only available if there are at least 10 diners.
 - If you are unsure, or a retreat is full, you can be put you on a wait list and contacted closer to the retreat or in the event of a cancellation.
- For detailed information on the location, bedrooms, sewing area, meals, cancellations, refunds, and packing see our website under <u>Special Events, Retreats</u> where you will find two informational documents.

One-Day Retreat: Darla Gibson

 Thank you all for the interest in the April 8th sew day. Right now, I have 18 signed up and I am calling that full! If you want to be on a waiting list in case someone cannot go – things happen at the last minute – let me know, I'll start a waiting list!

Sunshine & Shadow: Linda Waugh

 Dot Branson's husband, Don, had a heart attack at the end of March. Dot said he is doing fine but will need cardiac rehab. This whole event started when Don called her from their farm in Steelville to say he had chest pains. So he drove to Sullivan's hospital where they did an EKG and said he had a heart attack and took him by ambulance to Missouri Baptist Hospital. He had surgery in which they inserted a stint and his heart muscle was restored without dam-

age. Dot would appreciate thoughts and prayers of thanksgiving.

• I know she will also appreciate cards, emails, phone calls of support. Thanks to all of you for taking the time to do this.

Treasurer's Report: Cindy Pfotenhauer

- Please continue to follow these procedures. For auditing reasons, it is imperative that these procedures are followed when submitting income/expenses:
 - Original receipts must be submitted <u>no photo-</u> <u>copies</u>.
 - Receipts for reimbursement must consist of ONLY items purchased for the guild. Do NOT combine items purchased for personal use with items purchased for guild use.
 - If you are submitting income or requesting reimbursement for more than one committee, submit these on <u>separate</u> forms.
 - 4. Receipts and completed Reimbursement forms can be given to me at guild meetings or mailed to my home.
 - 5. For any reimbursements that need to be mailed, please include the address.
- Reimbursement/Income forms are available on the Bits website and are provided at guild meetings.
- Please contact me with questions at cindypfot@gmail.com, or my cell 949-413-6473.
- Thank you so much for your cooperation. It is greatly appreciated.

UFO: Judy Hoffman

Please bring your FINISHED UFO's for show and tell.

<u>HONOR FLIGHT NEWS</u>



A BIG THANKS to Betty Caswell who so generously donated 22 Honor Flight quilts for the March 4th flight. Each quilt had a panel depicting a field of

service. The veterans were truly surprised by this and very proud of their quilts. - Judy Humphrey

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Charity Sharity Requests

Recently a Bits member contacted me about whether Charity Sharity takes small fabric pieces. For several years we had more than one group that did take small fabric pieces but no longer do. We have tried unsuccessfully for more than a year to find a group or groups to take these. We now request that **donations of quilting fabric be at least a quarter yard or fat quarter in size and that garment fabric be at least a yard.**

Our other request is that, if possible, **donations be in the white, 13 gallon trash bags.** There are two good reasons for this. The first is that all of us who do the sorting can pick up the weight of fabric in bags of that size. The second reason is that we can toss the bags down the stairs to the sorting area, limiting our trips up and down the stairs. We use the same type of bags to fill the requests that come in.

As always, thank you for helping with your donations. This week, the requests for fabric vary from fabric for little girls pillowcase dresses, to knits for diapers, to polar fleece for stuffing and making blankets, to fabric to create costumes for church productions. Thanks to people like you who contribute fabric, sewing notions and machines, the variety of needs Charity Sharity is able to fill is inspiring. So many people helping so many others!

- Bonnie Brown

QUILT EVENTS

Ozark Quilting Trail—The 2017 adventure runs **April 1—July 31**. For details contact: www.ozarkquiltingtrail.com.

Friendship Village's Chesterfield, 15201 Olive Blvd. on Thursday, **May 11 from 2:00 – 4:00 pm** will have a Silent Auction of **Lorrie Oltman's** beautiful and unique fiber art. (Lorrie Oltman was a long time member of Bits 'n' Pieces) HJer artwork is displayed in our Gallery.

The Piecemakers' Quilt Club of St. Clair,

MO, will be offering the Civil War Quilt Program and Workshop by Becky Wright on June 21 and 22. To sign up or receive more information, contact: Pat Ross, 314-607-5578, p84ross@gmail.com

Bits 'n' Pieces Quilt Guild

From Toby Lischko's "Parfait" Workshop come the "Parfait Perfect Piecers"



It was a fun day! The attendees of the Toby Lischko's Workshop, "Parfait", proudly display their gorgeous blocks. The workshop, held on March 29, included using mirrors on symmetrical fabric and techniques for cutting perfect repeats to create exceptional blocks.

Hats off to The Quilted Fox for participating in the Shop Hop, for hosting our raffle quilt ticket sales, and for all the luscious fabric they have available that has been purchased and used in the many beautiful guild and member quilts.

THEQUILTEDFOX

Paducah Bus Trips April 26-29, 2017

American Quilter's Society Annual Quilt Show & Contest. (Some days are already sold out!) The bus goes down in the morning and returns that evening. There will be a bus each day of the show. Sign up now to hold your seat! You'll stop for breakfast on the way down and dinner on the way back (meals not included in cost of bus). You'll be able to rest on the trip home and let us do the driving! And only \$55 per person! Call now to reserve your seat! 314-993-1181

Outlander Fabric now Available

Are you an Outlander fan? If you love the books or the award winning series on STARZ, you need to see the new Andover Fabric collection. It includes two gorgeous panels, a couple of Outlander logo prints and a cozy brushed, plaid tartan. Ask about our great Outlander kit, too!



Don't forget—we're open every Sunday from 12 – 4 pm Visit us at: 10403 Clayton Road in La Chateau Village or call us at (314) 993-1181 Monday & Wednesday 10-5; Tuesday & Thursday 10-6:30; Friday & Saturday 10-4:30; Sunday 12-4:00 Find our newsletter on our web page: www.quiltedfox.com