



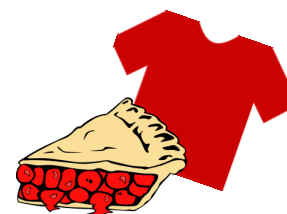
## Guild Program for June 28, 2016

### It's Salad Supper Night! Start time is 6:30 pm



And we're seeing **RED!**

So...to join in on the fun:



- ✓ Wear something RED (red top, red necklace, red shoes)
- ✓ Bring Salad (pasta, veggies, fruit) if your LAST name begins with A-O - or -
- ✓ Bring Dessert (cookies, bars, cake, pie) if your LAST name begins with P-Z
- ✓ Bring one or more 2 1/2" x WOF strips of RED, White, or blue fabric for Honor Flight Quilts
- ✓ An action-packed game of QUILTO is planned so... Bring Buttons, Pennies, etc., to use as Markers on your Quilto cards.



There are LOTS of prizes, fun, and laughs in store for you...so get your RED on and join us!

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

**A**s I write this message, it is Memorial Day weekend, which is the official beginning of summer...all those lazy days with nothing to do but sew. Oh sew not true!! Many of us find that we now have so many other things to do, like taking the kiddos to camps, swimming, or movies, watching endless softball games, barbeques, vacations...so when can a quilter sew? Well, like most quilters I know, I have a "go basket" that contains hand piecing projects. But if you are like me, instead of working on those sewing projects, you wind up chatting with others about the joy and benefits of quilting and the importance of a quilting guild.

That said, I want to take this time to reflect on what our guild means to me. Some of the words that come to mind are friendship, caring, compassion, creativity, commitment, and a willingness to help—okay, that is a phrase, not a word—but I needed a lead in for the next topic!

The May meeting agenda had several future activities that needed chair persons: Raffle Quilt, Guild Challenge, 2018 Quilt Show Chair, and Holiday Party. For those of you at the meeting, you already know Chris Williams and Phyllis Bednarek are co-chairing the Raffle Quilt and their committee will meet June 2. Plus Candy Grisham has offered to conduct a Dresden class for this group to get them started. Thank you Chris, Phyllis, Candy, and the newly formed Raffle Quilt committee!

Cover our Kids continues to serve our community and this month Louise announced that there will be a COK Challenge. Louise got her idea from Cindy Holten. So I, along with several other guild members liked Cindy's idea so much that I suggested it also be the theme of our Guild Challenge. Cindy then volunteered to be the 2017 Guild Challenge coordinator. Thank you Louise and Cindy and all the members who provide their time, talent, and materials to the COK initiative as well as to the many other committees and events we have.

So we now have just two activities that need lead coordinators: the 2018 Quilt Show and the Holiday Supper. Both are wonderful opportunities to give of your time and talent to the guild. Please keep in mind that no matter what project you volunteer for, there will always be members willing to help you along the way. So please consider these positions and contact me with any questions you may have.

June is the month we celebrate Fathers' Day. For those of you who are fathers, may you have a blessed day. For those of you who still have your fathers in your life, enjoy the blessings. And for those of you who have lost your fathers, may you cherish their memory. This is the month to enjoy the blessings of fatherhood and family.

Lastly, our guild celebrates summer with our traditional Salad Supper and Susan Meyer is coordinating this fun activity. Thank you Susan. I hope to see many of you at the supper.

Please have a blessed June with your friends and family.

Best to all,  
Anne Perry, President

## MEETING MINUTES

**24 May 2016**

President Anne Perry called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes. Passed unanimously.

Wendy Richards spoke about the dye workshop in September. We need 16 attendees per class. Sign up tonight or contact Wendy.

The deadline for the newsletter is Friday, May 27, 2016.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the Treasurer's report. Passed unanimously.

Chris Williams introduced Edie McGinnis. She presented a trunk show and lecture based on her new book "Finders Keepers Quilts".

After the break, the meeting resumed.

Cover Our Kids chairperson, Louise Morris reported forty-six quilts were distributed this month. She currently has 140 quilts logged in and received three large donations. There are a lot of tops to quilt and finish at the tables in back of the room. One of the kits has a gift certificate hidden inside. Sue Meyer is this month's baggie block chairperson. We have one extra month to finish the blocks due to the salad supper in June. The next sew day is June 25, 2016. Nineteen people attended the last sew day.

Louis presented the COK challenge. The quilts are due in November and complete rules will be posted in the newsletter.

Sue Meyer, salad supper chairperson, asked everyone to wear something red, bring a 2 ½ inch strip of red, white or blue fabric for honor flight and bring buttons, pennies, etc. to use for the quilt-o game. Mem-

bers with last names beginning with A-O bring a salad and P-Z bring a dessert. Meeting starts at 6:30pm.

A sew day for Honor Flight quilts will be held May 27, 2016 at the Henry Street Fire Station.

Anne Perry asked for volunteers to chair the Challenge 2016 to make quilts to display in our 2018 Quilt Show, a volunteer to chair the 2018 Quilt Show and a volunteer to chair the holiday party.

Raffle Quilt chairperson, Chris Williams, announced that Candy Grisham will teach a Dresden Block class to members of the raffle quilt committee. Chris asked for volunteers to serve on the committee and passed out a sign-up sheet. Quilt needs to be completed by March 2017.

Membership chairperson, Candy Grisham, announced that attendance was 105 with 4 new members and 3 visitors. Four attendance prizes donated by Jackman's were awarded.

Block of the Month chairperson, Roxanne Jasper, asked that anyone with a block to hold it up. There will not be a table next month and two blocks will be passed out in July.

Many members participated in show and tell.

Meeting adjourned at 8:38pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Nancy Hopkins, secretary.

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# June Birthdays

***Bernadette Delannay***

***Fran Collins***

***Ginger Carter***

***Ivy Osborn***

***Jane Falconer***

***Jean Weber***

***Kathy Kuhlenbeck***

***Laura Khoury***

***Mary Lou Melkowski***

***Nancy O'Hara***

***Norma Mohesky***

***Rose Diringer***



## COMMITTEE REPORTS

### **Block of the Month: Mary Lou Melkowski**

- There will be no Block of the Month in June because of Salad Supper. We'll catch up in July. Don't forget to bring in your finished blocks and then pick up two new block patterns.

### **COK and More: Louise Morris**

- Last month, Judy Humphrey, Candy Grisham, Chris Williams, Michelle Wieland, Nancy Sinise, Bonnie Brown and I met at the firehouse for an impromptu sorting of fabric. The fabric was a huge donation by the family of Lorrie Oltman, who was a cherished long time member of our guild. It took a half day at the firehouse and two sew days to sort through all this fabric! Many thanks to all these wonderful volunteers that made an overwhelming task both manageable and fun!
- Chris Williams also came with me to deliver quilts to Cardinal Glennon, Children's, St. Louis Crisis nursery and Epworth. Counting those given to the nursing home in Jefferson County, over 50 quilts have been distributed with 25 or so more for St. Charles County in the next few weeks. Our quilt count, on the books, is at 170, most of them finished but many still in progress.
- Some lucky person found a gift certificate in one of the kits picked up at the last meeting. I would also like to thank Candy Grisham for donating two gift certificates, Sue Meyer for being our baggy block coordinator this month, Terry Jacoby and Linda Schwartz for sitting at the COK table with me, Chris Williams for being my unofficial co-chair and everyone else that takes part in COK activities. A little effort here and there produce big results!
- Our next sew day is Saturday, June 25, and I promise you will get to sew!
- Perhaps the biggest news is the official launch of the 2016 COK Challenge, brought to us by Cindy Holten who got the idea from Jean Goldsberry's inspiring presentation in January. Cindy and I had discussed the rules and name of the challenge prior to my announcement, but after hearing about it, Anne Perry thought it would be a great theme for our Guild Challenge. So after a few changes both names and rules of both challenges will be made available at our July meeting.
- Next month is our Salad Supper so you have an extra month to finish your Baggie blocks and your piecing, quilting, and binding projects. Hope to see you at the Salad Supper in June.

### **Guild Challenge: Cindy Holten/Wendy Richards**

- This is the year of the "FAN" (Dresden Plate)...a representative of our logo. It will be a part of the COK Challenge, the Guild Challenge and the Raffle Quilt!
- Yes, we will have a Guild Challenge again this year! It was generated by the idea given to Louise Morris for her COK Challenge, which apparently appealed to our president for our Guild Challenge as well.
- So even though Louise launched her COK Challenge in May, a few changes will need to be made and details of both of these challenges will be available at our July meeting.

### **Library: Kay Merz**

- Your Guild Library is a wonderful resource of quilting books, DVD's and fictional quilt related novels. There are also a number of DVD's available on free motion quilting. Whatever your quilting interest, learning appliqué techniques, paper piecing, log cabin or just enjoying a good novel, 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.

### **Membership: Bernadette Delannay/Candy Grisham/Judy Humphrey**

- This meeting we welcomed 4 new members.
- We would like to give a HUGE THANK YOU to Jackmans Fabrics for donating 4 wonderful items for our attendance prizes!!!!
- We had 105 people in attendance at the May meeting including 3 guests.
- To date for 2016, 179 people have renewed their membership or became a new member.
- There won't be a Membership table at the June meeting because of the Salad Supper. But should you need to, please contact any of the Membership coordinators.
- **Remember to wear your badge.** 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 pace-maker!
- 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!

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### 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

### Mini Groups

#### • The Company: Phyllis Nelson Coordinator.

- The Company will be going to Hickory Stick Quilt Shop in Hannibal, MO, on Thursday, June 16.
- We will meet at 8:30 am, at the lower level of Chesterfield Mall, just outside Dilliards to carpool.
- All guild members are welcome.
- Please contact me so we know who is planning to join us.

#### • A-Team: Debbie Ernst Coordinator.

- **Coloring Book Quilts Donated** - The A-Team Appliqué Mini-Group has donated their five coloring book quilts to several local charities.



These quilts, displayed at our quilt show in March, have been gratefully accepted by the following groups:

**Angels Arms, Room at the Inn, Nurses for Newborns, Kids in the Middle, Art for Kids with Cancer**

- These organizations will be using the quilts for fundraising or to meet clients' needs. We are making a difference!

### Programs for 2016 Guild Meetings: Chris Williams

- I think we all enjoyed Edie McGinnis presentation on Trunk Show Quilts. What a fun evening! My thanks to Anne Perry and helpers for setting up the meeting room.
- Our year is filling up! The programs for the remainder of 2016 have fallen into place – lots of fun is coming :

#### • JUN 28

Program: Salad Supper—Sue Meyer has a fund evening planned

#### • JUL 26

Quilter's Minute: Rita Nyhoff

Program: Christmas in July – Round Robin of Christmas Gifts to Make

#### • AUG 23

Program: Susan Marth-Trunk Show

#### • SEP 27

Program: Cindy Lohbeck, of Hands On Hand Dyes, will present "Diary of a Dye Hard"  
<http://www.handsonhanddyes.com/>

Workshops: (fees to be determined)

- Sept. 28 AM: Ice/Snow Dye

- Sept. 28 PM: 24 Step Color Mixing
- Sept. 29 AM: "Pole Dancing" Arashi Shibori
- Sept. 29 PM: "Welcome to the Fold" Itagime Shibori

- Registration is open for September 28 & 29 dye workshops. Registration is open for guild members now; if needed, we will open to non-guild members mid-June.
- Checks will be held until we reach the minimum 16 per class, then cashed.
- The class flyer with detailed information is on pg. 8, and is available on the website or contact Wendy Richards at [whoob@aol.com](mailto:whoob@aol.com).

#### • OCT 25

Program: Kevin the Quilter

- Kevin also asked if any members had a family member who is a veteran who would qualify for a Quilt of Valor but has not received a quilt. I made that announcement at the April meeting. The veteran needs to have served overseas during conflict/war. Kevin would like to present a QOV at the meeting so the person would have to attend the October meeting. If you know of a Bits family member veteran who would be eligible and able to attend the October meeting, please let me know.

#### • NOV 25

Program: Cover Our Kids & More Annual Program

#### • DEC -- TBA

Program: Bits Holiday Party

### Retreats

#### • Todd hall, Columbia, IL: Susan Calzone

- Two multi day/night retreats are held annually for our members. One in January and one in June. Members work at their own pace on projects of their choice, easy to difficult, in a fun and relaxed atmosphere. Retreaters share tips and tricks, oohs and aahs, and plenty of snacks, including lots of chocolate. Retreat is a lot of fun and a wonderful experience.
- The attendees pay for the retreat entirely and the number of attendees determines the exact cost to each person, retreat by retreat. The cost includes meals and is approximately \$75/night for a double occupancy bedroom, and \$100/night for a single occupancy.
- A \$75 deposit is due three months in advance of the retreat with final payments due at six weeks prior. All checks are made payable to Bits 'n' Pieces and turned over to the retreat chair who accounts for the payments and then turns them in to our treasurer for processing. Cancellations



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or changes after final payment may incur unrecoverable cost, such as meals and sewing room fees. No refunds later than one month prior to retreat, however in the event of a serious illness or death in the family the cost of your bedroom can sometimes be recovered.

- Space is limited so clear your calendar and sign up early. If you are not sure, or the retreat is already full, I can put you on a wait list and contact you when appropriate for the situation.
- If you have any questions, or are interested in attending, contact me or see me at a guild meeting.
- The next retreat is January 17 – 21, 2017
- Detailed information can be found on our website at [bitsnpiecesguild.com](http://bitsnpiecesguild.com) under the 'Special Events' tab. Please review the Rules and Guidelines document for information about the location, bedrooms, sewing area, sign up policy and refund policy. You will also find a 'Packing Checklist' to assist in getting ready for retreat.

### Sunshine & Shadow: Linda Waugh

- Mary Ann Anderson is recovering from surgery and all findings came out great. She will be recovering for 6-8 weeks or more. I'm sure she would enjoy receiving cards and emails from her quilting community.
- Please contact me with any information for Sunshine and Shadow: Linda Waugh at [lkampwaugh@charter.net](mailto:lkampwaugh@charter.net) or 314-909-8559.

### Treasurer's Report: Jean Weber

- For auditing reasons, it is imperative that these procedures are followed when submitting income/expenses:
  1. Original receipts must be submitted – **no photocopies**.
  2. Receipts for re-imbursement must consist of **ONLY** items purchased for the guild. Do **NOT** combine items purchased for personal use with items purchased for guild use.
  3. If you are submitting income or requesting reimbursement for more than one committee, submit these on **separate** forms.
- Please contact me with questions. Thank you so much for your cooperation. It is greatly appreciated.

### Workshops by National Speakers: Wendy Richards/Candy Grisham

- **SEP 27-29, 2016** Cindy Lohbeck of Hands On Hand Dyes will lecture at our Sept 27 meeting and conduct a 2-day workshop on Sept 28 & 29.
- **MAY 24-25, 2017** Becky Goldsmith will lecture at our May 2016 meeting and conduct a 2-day workshop on May 24 & 25.

### UFOs: Peggy Anderson

- No updates at this time.

## FANFARE OF QUILTS 2018

### Raffle Quilt: Chris Williams/Phyllis Bednarek

- ***The 2018 Raffle Quilt Committee has been formed!***
  - At the May Guild meeting Chris Williams announced the formation of the 2018 Raffle Quilt Committee. The quilt will be based on the Dresden Plate and Candy Grisham has generously agreed to add her design expertise and assistance to this project.
  - We are delighted to have members from the A-Team, Crazy Quilters and The Company on the committee as well as several new Guild members. Members who volunteered are: Judy Hoffman, Merrily Woodford, Sue Meyer, Cindy Pfothenhauer, Nancy Straate, Kathy Chitwood, Gay Stewart, LaDonna Patterson, Linda Biederman, Cheryl Chapman, Anne Perry.
  - The committee meets for the first time at Chris Williams home on June 2<sup>nd</sup>. More news will come as available. This is going to be a fun project!

## HONOR FLIGHT DONATION

On April 26, Judy Humphrey presented a check for \$2,000 to Rolando Lopez, Director of the Greater St. Louis Honor Flight. This is the proceeds from the auction at the quilt show.



# THE QUILTED FOX



## *The Fox Explores The Emerald Isle New Block of the Month starts in August*

This unique Quilted Fox design will include all the colors of Ireland—the green of the fields and the blue of the sea and sky. There will also be some of the gorgeous colors from the heather.

Registration is now open. Call 314-993-1181 for more information and to register.

*Row by Row 2016  
Starts June 21st*



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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](http://www.quiltedfox.com)

**FANFARE OF QUILTS 2016**

**My Quilt Was There!**

**B**ack by popular demand will be the participation labels to sew on the backs of your quilts that were shown at Fanfare of Quilts 2016. However, since some members have no interest in them, I will only be printing the number that is ordered. So if you are interested in labels, you must email me will how many you want.

Thank you, Nancy Peters, [nancykpeters@sbcglobal.net](mailto:nancykpeters@sbcglobal.net)

日本語

**The National Quilt Museum – Paducah, KY – Presents the 12th Quilt Japan Exhibit Through August 9th, 2016.**

The exhibit 12th Quilt Japan features quilts from the Japan Handicraft Instructors' Association (JHIA) contest. The contest takes place every two years and is the largest quilt contest in Japan. Well over 300 people submit artifacts for the contest every year.

The quilts in this exhibit represent the very best of this year's contest entrants. Museum visitors will see 32 quilts made by some of the most talented and respected artists from Japan and the Pacific Rim.





## Workshops for DYEHARDS!

With Cindy Lohbeck and  
*Hands On Hand-Dyes*

Having worked in fabric dyeing for over 30 years, Cindy Lohbeck is a DYE HARD at heart! She started Hands On Hand Dyes in 2007, to share her love of textile arts. Believing in the right tools for the job, her helpful kits are full of tools, tips and tricks, and have helped thousands of quilters share in the empowering experience of fabric dyeing. Humor, productivity and organization are key in her workshops, making them a favorite at quilt shows, fabric shops, retreats and guild events, nationwide.



### Snow & Ice Dyeing



"Snow & Ice Dyes" are all the rage in fiber arts and hand dyed fabric! See the crystallized patterns that emerge when you use snow or ice as a medium to get the dye to the fabric. This method to creates clear, beautiful images using a direct dye application. Random and playful, each fat quarter in your unique collection will delight and inspire.

**Kit includes** - 3 yards high quality "PFD" fabric, dye, measuring cup, funnel and squeeze bottles, gloves and dust mask, textile detergent, and the amazing "Flexi-Net" suspension system.

**Supply List** - Comfortable Art Clothes & Comfortable Shoes, 1 plastic tote bin with lid, apx 23 1/2" x 17" x 6", Craft Scissors and Sharpie Marker, 12 medium to large binder clips, paper towels, 1 large plastic trash bag

Date - Wed., Sept. 28, 2016

Time - 9:30 to 12:00

Class Fee - \$30.00 (ask about discounts for 2 or more workshops)

Materials Fee - \$46.00

### 24 Step Color Gradations



Master the art of mixing a 24-step color gradation out of 3 packets of dye! In this class we will cover the basics of hand dyeing fabric and learn to take the color wheel beyond primary, secondary and tertiary colors. You will dye your own 24 fat quarter (6 yard) collection of high quality hand dyed fabric in just a few hours! Three Color Collections to choose from!

**Kit includes** - 6 yards "pfd" fabric, dye, fixatives, dye tubs, mixing jar, measuring cup and spoon, gloves, dust mask, textile detergent and full instruction sheet.

**Supply List** - Comfortable Art Clothes & Comfortable Shoes, 2 plastic tote bin with lid, apx 23 1/2" x 17" x 6", Craft Scissors and Sharpie Marker  
Paper Towels, Optional

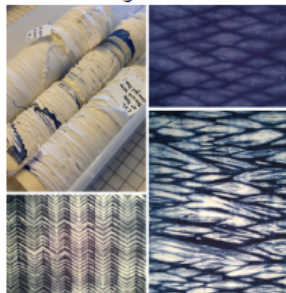
Date - Weds., Sept, 28, 2016

Time - 12:30 to 3:30

Class Fee - \$30.00 (ask about discounts for 2 or more workshops)

Materials Fee - \$69.00

### "Pole Dancing" - Arashi Shibori



With this modern approach to an ancient art, we will twist, wrap and pleat fabric around 3 different sized poles to create a stunning collection of 12 different patterns. We will also explore the concepts of thin and thick fiber reactive dye, and learn to make "dye-paint".

**Kit Contains** - 3 yards high quality "pfd" fabric, 4", 3 1/2" and 3" Lightweight acrylic poles, Squirt bottle and funnel, Fiber Reactive Indigo Dye, All fixatives and detergents, Paint Brush, Twine

**Supply List** - Comfortable Art Clothes & Comfortable Shoes, 1 Bin/tote with lid 23 1/2" x 17" x 6", roll of 1" masking tape, straight pins, safety pins, Craft scissors, Fine tip permanent marker, Water-soluble fabric marker, Paper Towels, Rotary Cutter, Cutting mat, 18" ruler, 1 large plastic trash bag

Date - Thursday, Sept. 29, 2016

Time - 9:00 to 12:00

Class Fee - \$30.00 (ask about discounts for 2 or more workshops)

Materials Fee - \$69.00

### "Welcome to the Fold" - Itajime Shibori



A fresh and modern approach to the ancient art of Itajime Shibori. Learn the basic folds and dye methods to create an infinite number of bold and graphic patterns. Explore the use of acrylic shaped resist templates and the concepts of light and dark fiber reactive dye.

**Kit Includes** - 3 yards of our high quality "pfd" mercerized cotton, Indigo Fiber Reactive Dye, All fixatives and detergents, gloves dust mask. 2 squeeze bottles, 1 funnel, 1 mixing jar, 1 measuring cup, and 12 sets of Acrylic Shaped Resist Templates!

**Supply List** - Comfortable Art Clothes & Comfortable Shoes, 1 Bin/tote with lid 23 1/2" x 17" x 6", Craft Scissors, Sharpie Permanent Marker, Paper Towels (18) 4" spring clamps, (6) 6" spring clamps, (12) medium binder clips, 1 large plastic trash bag

Date - Thursday, Sept. 29, 2016

Time - 12:30 to 3:30

Class Fee - \$30.00 (ask about discounts for 2 or more workshops)

Materials Fee - \$69.00



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Contact: Wendy Richards at [whoob@aol.com](mailto:whoob@aol.com) or register at the May, June, and July guild meetings.

Alternate contact: Candy Grisham at [candyce54@gmail.com](mailto:candyce54@gmail.com)

[www.bitsnpiecesguild.com](http://www.bitsnpiecesguild.com)

Class Location - St. Timothy's Episcopal Church 808 N Mason Rd, 63141

\*\*30 minute lunch breaks between morning and afternoon class. We suggest you pack a lunch!