

Guild Meeting OCTOBER 24, 2017

The 2017 Guild Challenge Get Your Mojo - Show Our Logo

This year's guild challenge is to represent our beautiful logo in an creative quilt.

All challenge quilts will be displayed for the members to vote for their favorite. There will be a First, Second, and Third place prize and all winners will be announced that night.

Please join us for a night of "Logo Masterpieces".

All these creative entries will also be displayed at the 2018 Fanfare of Quilts



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The guild will have an election in November for the following positions: Vice President and Secretary. And we will need three volunteers to form a nominating committee to make calls to the membership to find possible candidates.

Please phone or email me if you are interested in volunteering on this committee: (314) 278-6929 or pjanderson56@charter.net.

We also have several openings for committee chairs: Membership and Cover Our Kids. Please consider volunteering for one of these positions. Each of these positions is a wonderful way to become better acquainted with other members. Remember that each chair person is able to put his or her own spin on things.

Today, I'm thinking about all the wonderful and unique people who make up our guild. I'm so proud of each and every one of you. I've seen you grow in skill and confidence.

The support you give to each other is outstanding! It is such a pleasure and an honor to be part of such a caring and giving group.

Don't forget...the Challenge Reveal is October 24. Mine is ready!

Best regards,
Peggy Anderson, President

MEETING MINUTES

September 26, 2017

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

A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of August 22, 2017. The motion passed unanimously.

President Anderson announced that the newsletter deadline is September 29, 2017 at 5pm. She also asked for volunteers to staff the nominating committee to fill the positions for Vice-President and Secretary for the coming year.

Vice President Chris Williams showed the membership the new quilt hanger purchased by the guild.

Chris Williams introduced the evening speaker Shelly Pagliai of Prairie Moon Quilts who presented the evening's program "The Life of Hazel Ilene".

Challenge Quilt chair, Cindy Holten announced that quilts for the "Get Your Mojo, Show our Logo" challenge are due next month. The quilts will be revealed at the October 24, 2017 meeting. Bring the challenge quilts to the church no later than 5:00pm so there is ample time to hang and organize the quilts.

Quilt Show chair Joyce Zepp asked members to complete one registration per quilt. Registrations will be collected starting next month.

Holiday Block chair Mona Howard thanked the membership for all the cards and letters. Over thirty blocks have been turned in and more fabric is available. The blocks turned in at tonight's meeting will have two chances to win blocks in December.

After a fifteen minute break, Sue Meyer showed the logo bags available for purchase. She announced that the game Quilto will be played at the December Holiday Party. Members will need to bring buttons, pennies or something else to use as markers. She also asked members to bring snacks such as cookies, cookie bars, fruit or dip. Members are asked to bring food for the church food bank and diapers and wipes for an additional donation.

She asked that members dress in festive clothing. Volunteers are needed for set up.

Cover Our Kids chair Louise Morris announced that 230 quilts are on the books. She has tops that need to be quilted. She thanked everyone that attended the sew day and asked for volunteers to staff this committee next year as she is stepping down. She estimates that at least three people are needed. She still has about 150 quilts that need to be distributed.

Chris Williams announced that the next Fun Sew Day is scheduled October 6, 2017 at the West County Fire Department on Henry Road. A sign-up sheet is being distributed at tonight's meeting.

Phyllis Bednarek announced that approximately forty raffle quilt envelopes have not been picked up. 2300 tickets have been sold. Dorothy White was drawn as the quarterly prize winner. Next drawing will be at the December meeting.

Candy Grisham, Membership chair, announced 110 people in attendance, three new members and five guests. Three attendance prizes were awarded. She asked for volunteers to chair the committee in the coming year.

There will be no Charity Sharity in November or December.

Carol Spindler was the winner of the Block of the Month drawing. Participants showed their completed quilts.

Many members participated in Show and Tell.

Meeting adjourned at 9:20pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Nancy Hopkins, Secretary

COMMITTEE REPORTS

COK and More: Louise Morris

- Last night I mentioned that Cover our Kids is seeking a new chair person or persons to take over this important service project in January of 2018.
- COK is an integral part of who we are as members of the Bits n Pieces quilt guild, and has been for many years!
- Salem Methodist Church of Ballwin has provided a place to hold our meetings and our sew days, and a storage facility for our fabric free of charge, because of our involvement in the community. This service to the community has drawn new members to the guild, gained for us a lot of respect within the community and by other quilt guilds, as well.
- Once home, it occurred to me that the way we organized this committee in the past, which has worked for years, is no longer feasible because of the number of new members, the increased number of quilts received, the many donations of fabric and the number of recipient organizations on our books. In order to streamline and simplify this committee, I offer some recommendations to ease the transition in 2018:
 - Accept only quilts that are completed, labeled, and, if applicable, washed (infant quilts).
 - Quilt tops could be relegated to a sew day where they would be put into quilt kits.
 - Size quilts by category, not measurement, i.e. infant, juvenile, and teen.
 - Encourage members to show their donated quilts at show-and tell and to take their own photos if desired, as COK will no longer photograph the quilts.
 - Have one person log in all completed and donated quilts as they come in.
 - Have representatives in the different zip codes, who are willing to deliver to nearby organizations take quilts home that evening and distribute them when able.
 - Decide as a committee what organizations will receive quilts and limit the number.
 - Set stricter requirements for fabric and quilt top donations.
- These are only recommendations, as the new committee would be in charge of organizing things as they see fit. So many in the guild contribute! Please let me know how you would like to be involved, from delivering quilts, to organizing sew days to chairing this com-

mittee. Questions? email or text me: lcmor-ris22@aol.com or 314-791-1208 Thank you!!

- Parting words "Chairpersons are always right! We are volunteers!"

Holiday Block Exchange: Mona Howard

- Interest in both choices of fabric has been great. We sold out of the winter red and White last month, but there was more at our table tonight!
- So far we've already had over 30 blocks turned in. And it is especially good to see the many new members that are joining in our holiday tradition.
- The blocks turned in in September and October will earn two chances each for the drawing at the December Holiday Party.
- Remember, the final due date of all holiday blocks is at our November meeting.

Guild Challenge: Cindy Holten

- **CHALLENGE QUILT REVEAL and DEADLINE IS OCTOBER 24:** All Challenge quilts must be completed, have a label, a hanging sleeve, and be in a pillowcase with your name on the front of the pillowcase.
- Also please be sure to accurately measure your Challenge Quilt, making sure it is no larger than 40" square. Then on a piece of masking or painter's tape, write the measurements down, e.g. 24" x 36", and tape that to the label on the back of your quilt over your name.
- **All Challenge quilts must be dropped off by 5:00 pm on October 24.**
- If you have any questions, please contact me at cmholten@sbcglobal.net.

Library: Kay Merz

- Hopefully you were able to attend our September guild meeting and enjoy all the wonderful and creative quilts from the guild block of the month. Isn't it ever so interesting how our fabric choices make such a difference in the finished product and make each quilt personal and unique? We are looking forward to seeing these finished creations in our upcoming quilt show.
- If you are looking for more information on adding creativity to your quilting or learning a new technique, your guild library has purchased a new DVD from Craftsy that may be of interest. This DVD contains the same material found in the actual classes offered by Craftsy and is on "Creative Quilting With Your Walking Foot" by

COMMITTEE REPORTS—cont'd

Jacquie Gering. This DVD is not just about stitching in the ditch and crosshatching but includes quilt lines that radiate and overlap to produce numerous shapes and infinite interest. Accentuate your piecing with gorgeous gentle curves, flower-like continuous curves and more. Frame a focal point with spirals, create a ripple effect with concentric circles and play off your pieced or appliquéd shapes by “echoing in”. Plus, learn to quilt eye-catching text and discover tips for quilting larger projects on a smaller machine. Jacquie will show you how to quilt your projects with fresh walking foot designs for a finish you'll admire and be proud of. Be the first to check out this new dvd.

- 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 be cherished when received.

Membership: Bernadette Delannay/Candy Grisham/ Judy Humphrey

- There were 110 people at the September meeting including 3 new members and 5 guests.
- **IF YOU WANT TO WIN A MEMBERSHIP ATTENDANCE PRIZE YOU MUST WEAR YOUR NAME-TAG.**
- **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!

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

- **Oct 6:** Fun Sew Day
- **Oct 24:** Guild Challenge Quilt Reveal - Cindy Holten
- **Nov 28:** Cover our Kids - Louise Morris
- **Dec 12:** Holiday Party - Sue Meyer, Coordinator.
- Thanks to you all for the warm reception you gave to our September speaker, Shelly Pagliai. Her story of the Life of Hazel Ilene warmed all our hearts, and her beautiful quilts warmed a quilter's soul.
- Shelly was graciously hosted by Candy Grisham during her visit. Our thanks to Candy for taking such good care of her.
- Our October meeting will be the reveal of the Challenge Quilts-***Get Your Mojo-Show Our Logo***. Cindy Holten has been busy preparing for a fun and lively meeting. Come see the beautiful creations our guild members have made.
- November will be the Cover Our Kids wrap up. You don't want to miss hearing the amazing results of Louise Morris and the COK volunteers. Our guild has been prolific this year and you are all to be commended for your generosity of materials, time and talents.
- On a final note, I will be ending my term as Vice President – Programming, and a new Vice President is needed. I will be coordinating the program for January 2018 so the person taking over does not need to rush into finding a speaker/program immediately.
- The VP job is a fun and important one. You get to decide what programs are best suited to our Guild and the speakers are easier to find than one might expect. Resources are the internet, other guilds, quilt shows, blogs, and member referrals. It doesn't take a lot of time. Most of the time is setting up the day of the meeting and there are always helpful volunteers.
- I will be passing around a “wish list” for program ideas at the October meeting and will pass those along to the new VP. It is helpful to know what speakers/programs the members want to hear.
- Looking forward to seeing you all in October!

COMMITTEE REPORTS—cont'd

Quilt Show 2018

QS18 Updates: Joyce Zepp, Coordinator

- The Quilt Show Committee met on September 23, and the following people were present: Chris Williams, Raffle Quilt; Mary Miller, In Memorium; Dot Branson, Publicity; Judy Vogt, Vendors; Nancy Peters, Past Chair; Celeste Clark, Bed Turning; and Joyce Zepp, Chair.
- Reports from committee members not present were as follows:
 - Susan Calzone, Sewing Machine Raffle, had not yet heard from Jackman's regarding a donation.
 - Cindy Holten, Program, Bookmark & Flyers, emailed Sarah Stevens a draft of the bookmark and flyer, and requested information on Suzanne Marshall and possible additional special exhibits.
 - Linda Schwartz, Demos, had nothing new to report.
 - Mary Lou Melkowski, Award Ribbons, had nothing new to report.
 - Candy Grisham, Judges, had nothing new to report.
- Changes that need to be to the flyer were discussed, and are as follows:
 - The date needs to be moved to the top section, in a large font so that people can spot it right away.
 - Take Door Prizes off, as we will not be having any.
 - Move the Charity Raffle to the Special Exhibits area, and include that the proceeds will go to the Missouri Veterans Endeavor.
 - Add Karen Tye's grief display to the Special Exhibits area. Dot will contact her to get the title and any additional information that needs to be included.
 - In summary, the Special Exhibits area should include Suzanne Marshall, the Mojo Challenge, the Charity Raffle, and Karen Tye's grief quilts.
- Celeste Clark will man a table at the September meeting to answer questions regarding the quilt show.
- Joyce Zepp will hand out the show rules, the registration form and release at the meeting.
- Nancy Peters will work on the floor plan.
- Judy Vogt reported that 20 vendor spaces have been sold. She will re-contact people in October if they have not responded.

- Mary Miller indicated that the only memorials we have at this time are Wilma Sestric and Linda Wolfinger.
- Chris Williams had nothing new to report.
- Future meetings of the Quilt Committee are as follows:
 - **NOTE THE CHANGE:** The November meeting will be held at 9:30, November 11th at Joyce Zepp's house, 1621 Centenary Court, Valley Park, phone 314-593-6283.
 - The December meeting will be on the 12th at the church at 5:30 pm.
 - There will be two meetings in January, the 13th at the firehouse, and the 23rd at the church.
 - There will be two meetings in February, the 10th and the 24th, both at the firehouse.

QS18 Charity Raffle: Penny Edinger

- If you have questions or would like to volunteer to help with the raffle, please contact Penny at 636 778-0536, cell 702 595-6241 or email: jandpedinger@charter.net.

QS18 Raffle Quilt: Chris Williams

- Our thanks to those who worked the Heritage Festival at Faust Park on September 16 and 17. The following members sold almost \$300 in raffle tickets during the weekend: DJ White, Rita Nyhoff, Edie Cornell-Smith, Mary Ann Anderson, Nancy Sinise, Kathy Chitwood, Nancy Stratte, Penny Edinger, Karen Moran, Phyllis Bednarek, Linda Biederman and Cheryl Chapman.
- Special thanks to Kathy Chitwood and Nancy Stratte for taking care of setup/takedown.
- At the September meeting we also had the drawing for the first quarterly prize, an extra large quilt tote bag made by Sue Meyer: . . . AND THE WINNER IS: D J WHITE!
- Congratulations to DJ. Keep selling those tickets. More prizes are coming. If you have not yet picked up your tickets, please be sure to stop by the table at the meeting. We have an envelope with your name on it – or we can give you more tickets to sell if you need them. SELL!!!! SELL!!!! SELL!!!

Retreats

- **Retreats at Toddhall Retreat and Conference Center, Columbia Illinois**
 - Susan Calzone, Coordinator - January and June retreats - sesnowzone@charter.net
 - Laurie Schrader, Coordinator – Weekend retreat - laurieaschrader@gmail.com
 - Our guild offers several retreats at Toddhall in nearby Columbia, IL. for our members. Attendees work at their own pace on projects of their choice, easy to difficult. It's a great time to ask for advice on a project, help others, and see various techniques and tools in use first hand. We share and learn from one another and have lots of laughs and snacks along the way. Try one of our retreats and see what you think of the experience.
 - **CURRENT 2018 RETREAT RESERVATIONS THE 4-DAY PLUS RETREAT**
 - **January 17-20 2018, add-on day January 16. FULL, sign-ups closed, wait-list started.**
 - *In the event of a cancellation wait-listed members will be offered a place in order of sign-up.*
 - **June 13-16 2018, add-on day June 12**
 - The estimated price for the 4-Day Plus retreats range from \$150 to \$370 depending on attendance and retreat options.
 - **THE WEEKEND RETREAT, or We-Treat, as it's been called**
 - **TBD** - When reservations are secured the dates will be posted in the newsletter, on the website, and announced at our guild meeting and sign-ups can begin.
 - This retreat is ideal for those members who are looking for a smaller commitment of time and /or money, or are only available on weekends. A 'first rights of refusal' policy applies so members who have attended both the January and June retreat desiring to participate will be put on a wait list so others have a chance to attend. At a reasonable cut-off date 'waiting' members can be signed up if there is space available.
 - The estimated price for the We-Treat ranges from \$135 to \$200 depending on attendance and retreat options.
 - For any of the retreats, 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 *Guild Activities, Retreats* where you will find two informational documents.

Sunshine & Shadow: Linda Waugh

- **Jeri Wagner**, a long time member of our Guild lost her Father-in-Law, Kenneth W Wagner, Sr. at the end of August. He was 88 years of age. He was buried with Military Honors at Jefferson Barracks. Please shower Jeri with your supportive cards and emails.

Jeri Wagner
 4 Springlake Ct.
 Ballwin, MO 63011
jdRatherBeinColorado@yahoo.com
- **Bonnie Brown**, our guild member who has been picking up and delivering our donations for Charity Sharity these many years, is receiving chemotherapy for cancer. This is a long process of chemo treatments and as we all know there are repercussions in our body from the chemo, so please send Bonnie words of support and prayer. She has a long road ahead of her and needs us.

Bonnie Brown
 622 Old State Place Drive
 Wildwood, MO 63038
Bnnleebrown@gmail.com
- **Judy Hoffman** had surgery in September on her jawbone due to cancer. She will undergo many weeks of physical therapy and will have a significant amount of pain. Judy is a trooper and she needs our support and prayer.

Judy Hoffman
 590 McBride Pointe Drive
 Wildwood, MO 63011
Judyhof@aol.com
- **Sherry Bumann** had shoulder surgery Last Thursday, September 21st. She is home and doing very well. Please make her day and send her a card or email of support and get well wishes.

Sherry Bumann
 PO Box 593

COMMITTEE REPORTS—cont'd

Hillsboro, MO 63050

Slbumann@yahoo.com

- I am sure many of you do not know these members personally, but we are one Guild and touch each other's lives in ways we will never know. Please take the time to send an email or card of support to each of these members. We will all be there for "you" someday, when you need us.
- Please contact me with any information for Sunshine and Shadow: Linda Waugh at lkampwaugh@charter.net or 314-909-8559.

Treasurer's Report: Cindy Pfotenhauer

- September's Expenses/Income Report:

September 2017	Expenses	Income
Programs (Vice President)	\$ 471.99	
Membership	\$ 32.60	
Quilt Show 2017		\$ 709.00
Raffle Quilt 2018		\$ 724.00
Rent/Donation	\$ 100.00	
	\$ 604.59	\$ 1,433.00

- Should you have any questions about reimbursement/ income forms and/or procedures, please contact Cindy Pfotenhauer at cindypfot@gmail.com, or my cell 949-413-6473.

CHARITY SHARITY

Carol Spindler will be picking up for Charity Sharity at the September, October, and November Bits meetings since Bonnie Brown is having health problems.



IT 'S HOLIDAY PARTY TIME . . . ALMOST

Come join the fun, food, and festivities at our annual holiday party on December 12 at 7:00 p.m.

WHAT TO BRING

Yummies To Share

Cookies, cookie bars, fruit, veggies, cheese or whatever you want as long as it can be served with toothpicks, forks or spoons

Game Markers

Buttons, pennies, etc. for rousing Games of Quilto

Donations

- Non-perishable items for the church food bank
- Diapers and baby wipes for the diaper bank to help low income families www.stldiaperbank.org

What To Wear

- Festive holiday clothing
- Your name tag

Fun Events and Prizes

- Christmas Blocks will be awarded.
- Table displays will be given away.
- Quilto prizes will be won.

So mark your calendar for Dec. 12.
This is one Holiday Party you don't want to miss.

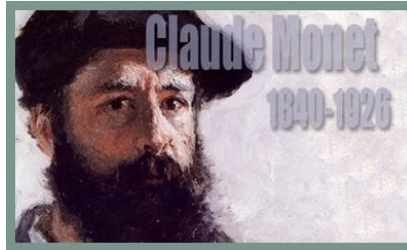
Sue Meyer, Coordinator - 636-517-1280

HO HO HO!

THE QUILTED FOX

The Fox Meets Monet!

We are now taking registrations for the 2017/2018 Block-Of-the-Month. Sign up for either the 1st Saturday or 3rd Saturday. Call for details at 314-993-1181.



Clear the Small Bolt Sale!!!

October 20, 21, 22 & 23, 2017

Friday and Saturday 10:00—4:30

Sunday: 12:00—4:00

Monday: 10:00—5:00

The shelves are crowded with new fabric and more is coming in every day! We need to make room on the shelves! We're having a sale! Any bolt with 3.5 yards or less on it is 20% off, if you empty the bolt!!

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

QUILT EVENTS

On **Thursday, October 19**, a Bits mini group, The Company, plans to go to the Quilt National exhibit at the Foundry Arts Centre in St. Charles. For more details on the exhibit, check out this link <http://www.foundryartcentre.org/2017-quilt-national/>. You do NOT have to be a member of this mini group to participate.

We will meet at Dillards lower parking lot at Chesterfield Mall, at 9:30 a.m., carpool to St. Charles, tour the exhibit, and then have lunch and peruse the St. Charles Main Street shops (a great time for some gift shopping?). I will be making lunch reservations at a restaurant on Main Street so I will need to know how many are coming.

If you're interested or have questions, please contact me. I will get more details out to those who respond.

Please respond to: Chris Williams, Email: cwwill@earthlink.net, Cell: 314-452-5912