

## Guild Meeting April 24, 2018



### HONOR FLIGHT and QUILTS OF VALOR



Judy Humphrey, coordinator of the Honor Flight quilt program, will detail what the Greater St Louis Honor Flight is all about, how she got involved with them, and show a few quilts that are made for these veterans. Judy once told of the reaction of one of the veterans who was given a quilt, "You made this just for me!" That little statement from a veteran who gave so much makes all the effort of organizing, planning, quilting and early rising to greet the veterans to distribute the quilts all worthwhile.

Darlene Sforza, coordinator of the Quilts of Valor, will be showing some examples of quilts and quilt tops that are donated, will point out the quilt sizes and what is presented to the veterans, as well as announce the upcoming QOV quilting and presentation schedule.

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

**E**very quilt guild succeeds by the efforts of its members. I'm so proud of all of our members who volunteered to make our quilt show such a huge success! I'm amazed by the way everyone steps up and does their share to make it work!

Thank you, Joyce Zepp, for doing such a fantastic job! I'm so glad we were able to recognize all the different members who worked the quilt show at our last meeting. Nancy Peters did a wonderful job recognizing all our shining stars. Thank you!

Occasionally, I find it hard to get motivated to quilt, especially with this dreary weather we have been having. I'm happy to say that that is not the case since Louise Morris announced the new challenge quilt, "Want to get away?" My creative juices are flowing!! Now my problem is deciding on a favorite place to represent in my quilt. Please consider joining in on this challenge. It's going to be so much fun!

If any of you are wishing you had volunteered but didn't, we have some fun and easy opportunities for you! We still need someone to chair our salad supper and our holiday party. Both of these are an opportunity to get better acquainted with other members, too! Please consider volunteering!

Best regards,

Peggy Anderson  
President

## MINUTES

### March 27, 2018

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

A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of February 27, 2018. The motion passed unanimously.

President Anderson announced the newsletter deadline of March 30, 2018.

President Anderson led a discussion regarding an upgrade to Sign-Up Genius at a cost of \$100 per year. Many members had questions and comments. The Board will continue to discuss this issue.

Darla Gibson, Yahoo Group chair, explained Yahoo Group requirements for posting and joining. Any members not receiving group emails are asked to contact Darla. All posts must be approved.

Marsha Bray has DVDs with pictures of all quilts, booths and vendors from the recent quilt show for sale. The cost is \$10, of which \$7 from each sale will be given to the guild.

Treasurer Cindy Photenhauer gave a financial report on the results of the Quilt Show. There were 1532 paid admissions. Expenses are \$8,000 to-date and Income is \$17,600. Pipe and drape expenses of \$5,500 are still outstanding. She expects to have firm numbers within the month.

Quilt Show chair, Joyce Zepp, was unable to attend the night's meeting. Nancy Peters was asked to take her place.

Nancy thanked Joyce for a great job. She also recognized all quilt show chairs and volunteers.

Nancy asked ribbon winners to come to the front of the room to show and talk about their winning quilts.

Raffle quilt chair, Chris Williams, thanked Phyllis Bednarek for her extraordinary help. The quilt generated a profit of \$4,937. The two top sellers were Linda Biederman and Betty Caswell. The winning ticket was sold by Diane Brown.

The March quarterly drawing was won by Rita Niehoff. Candy Grisham's wall hanging was won by Cindy Pfothenhauer.

Sue Meyer assembled ninety baggie blocks available for pickup at the Cover Our Kids table. Bits 'N' Pieces bags are available for sale at \$15.

Cindy Pfothenhauer is chairperson for the Mystery Block of the Month. Patterns will be available on the website.

After a fifteen minute break, Chris Williams announced that the April Fun Sew Day is full. She is taking sign-ups for the May date.

President Anderson announced that June retreat deposits are due to Susan Calzone.

Louis Morris, Challenge Quilt chair, revealed the "Wanna Get Away" quilt challenge. Rules are available online.

Nancy Stratte, membership co-chair, announced that 87 people were in attendance. Two attendance prizes were awarded.

Many members participated in show and tell.

Meeting adjourned at 9:18 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Nancy Hopkins

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

### **BOM: Cindy Pfotenhauer**

- This is a 6 month Mystery Quilt. Ann McNew (Attic Threads and Quilts) has designed a new Mystery Quilt for 2018 titled Diamonds are a Quilter's Best Friend. The finished size will be 60" X 70" without borders. You may use a 10-inch Layer Cake or make a scrappy quilt from your stash. Instructions will be provided each month.
- March instructions were provided at the meeting although your response was so great that I ran out of copies. Marsha has already placed them on the web-site under the Guild Activities tab, Block-of-the-Month.
- Feel free to join in at any time and catch up to the current month. I will be making mine along with all of you (probably 2 versions) and we will all be surprised together as we build our quilts. I am planning to have prize drawings for those who have a completed quilt top at the end.

### **Challenge: Louise Morris, 2018 Challenge Travel Agent**

- The 2018 Challenge, "Want to get away?", will lure you on a "fabric-ulous" trip by creating travel posters of a favorite city, state, region, e.g., Amalfi Coast, New England, or province or country of your choice.
- The rules are very simple:
  - The poster is to measure 18" x 24" and may be oriented horizontally or vertically.
  - It must include the name of the locale prominently, somewhere in the poster. This can be done with fused, raw edge appliqué, or any other method you choose.
  - The poster can feature a single image, recognizable to your chosen locale, or multiple images, think: the famous landmarks of Paris, or it could also feature a city's skyline.
  - It must be an original piece for obvious copyright considerations.
  - It can have a little quilting or a lot and you can use any fabrics or embellishments you like.
  - Show where you've been or where you would love to go! Get creative, stretch your imagination, have fun!
- Of course, as you may have guessed, there will be great travel related prizes awarded to the top three posters, chosen by our panel of impartial judges, however, the aforementioned "great travel related prizes" will not include you needing to pack a suitcase.

- The September Program will be devoted to the display of your works of art. Any questions? Send me an email at [lcmorris22@aol.com](mailto:lcmorris22@aol.com) and I will get back to you.

### **COK and MORE: Penny Edinger, Phyllis Benarek, Mary Ann Barr**

- What a great March meeting. COK received 26 beautiful quilts. Scraps gave us 8 quilts and Carol Spindler and friends contributed 18 quilts. Members also picked up 2 kits to be pieced and 2 kits to be quilted and finished.
- Sue Myer's Baggy Block bags were totally signed out. Great job to Sue and the members.
- We can't make quilts without batting, and our order should be received before this newsletter is published. Yeah!
- We did get some labels. Please ask for them at the meeting or contact Penny if you need one sooner.
- We are working on the schedule for sewing dates, and will have the information out soon.
- Thank you so much to all the people that work so hard to make COK a great project for the community. Without you there is no COK.

### **Library: Kay Merz**

- 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: Kathy Chitwood, Nancy Stratte**

- There were 87 in attendance at the March meeting, including one new member and four guests.
- There are 191 members on the membership roster.
- If you want to win a membership attendance prize at the meeting you must wear your name tag. We have stick-on name tags at the membership table or you can order an engraved badge. Engraved badges are \$10 and can be ordered in magnetic or pin backed styles. An order form is available at the membership table.  
**Remember magnetic badges should not be worn with a pacemaker!**
- Guests are always welcome at the meeting for \$2.00 (\$5.00 when there is a national speaker). Encourage your friends to join us.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS—cont'd

### 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: John Rutkowski

- **APR 24:** Judy Humphrey, Honor Flight; Darlene Sforza, QOV
- **AUG 28:** Program TBD; Shelly Pagliai will have a workshop on Aug 4.
- **OCT 23:** Deborah Boschert's - Stitching, Symbols, Signature Style; Workshops: Oct 23 & 24. (See Website for details on Shelly's and Deborah's workshops. Watch for signups in May).

### RETREATS

#### Retreats at Toddhall, Columbia, IL

- Susan Calzone, Coordinator - January and June retreats - [sesnowzone@charter.net](mailto:sesnowzone@charter.net)
- Laurie Schrader, Coordinator – Weekend retreat - [laurieaschrader@gmail.com](mailto:laurieaschrader@gmail.com)

#### THE 4-DAY PLUS RETREAT – 4day/3night minimum

**June 13-16 2018, add-on day June 12 – Sign-ups are underway.**

Approximate cost is \$165 to \$380

#### THE WEEKEND RETREAT – 3day/2nights

**August 17-19 2018 – Sign-ups are underway.**

Approximate cost is \$140 to \$220

Members only.

If a retreat is full you can be put on a wait list.

- Attendees work on projects of their choice not group projects, workshops, or lectures.
- For detailed information see our website under Guild Activities, Retreats or contact the appropriate coordinator.

#### Fun Sew Day: Chris Williams

**FUN SEW DAY - Saturday MAY 5, 2018**

What is Fun Sew Day? It is a day of sewing among friends.

Bring your own sewing equipment and your own project and sew among friends. We especially welcome new members to this day and “more seasoned” members are welcome as well. It is a great opportunity to meet other Bits n' Pieces members on a small scale, make friends, get ideas and suggestions for solving any quilting/piecing questions you might have. AND IT IS FREE!

This is a no frills day, which means:

Tables at fire department - provided (2 per cafeteria table) You are welcome to bring a small portable table if you wish.  
Chairs at fire department - provided (or you are welcome to bring your own)

Extension cord - bring your own - or if you have a 3-prong multi-outlet cord that you can share - great!

Sewing supplies - bring your own - bring whatever project you want to work on and basic sewing supplies

I will provide a cutting mat. You need to bring your own rotary cutter, scissors and if you need a specific ruler, please bring it.

Ironing board/iron - I will provide a small ironing mat and iron.

If anyone would like to volunteer to bring cutting mat, tools, ironing board, iron to share with the group, please let me know.

Lunch/snacks/drinks - bring your own. NOTE: I will have menus from local cafe's/restaurants available. ALSO NOTE: THERE IS NO REFRIGERATION AT THE FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Also - If you have something for a show & tell, bring it along as well. We love to see what everyone is doing.

Our next Fun Sew Day is scheduled for **Saturday MAY 5, 2018** and there is still room available so sign up! How?

Contact Chris Williams: Phone: 314-452-5912 or

Email: [cwwill@earthlink.net](mailto:cwwill@earthlink.net)

Location: West County EMS & Fire Administrative Offices  
223 Henry Ave.

Manchester MO 63011

Time: 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

June event: Saturday, June 2, 2018; 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

#### Sunshine & Shadow: Linda Waugh.

- During the quilt show set up, **Jeanette Marcus** broke her arm. She will be in a cast for several weeks, but she's mending well and is in good spirits. A vase of fresh spring flowers were delivered to Jeanette Marcus from our Guild.
- **Wendy Richards** had an unpleasant “run in” with a rotary cutter at work. She accidentally cut



the tip of her finger off. Thankfully she's on the mend and doing well.

- **Donna Tharp** had hip replacement surgery. Her surgery went well, and that afternoon, PT got her up and into a chair. She is healing well.
- In memory of **Mona Howard**, a donation was given to the Pancreatic Cancer Support Center from our Bits 'N Pieces Quilt Guild. An acknowledgment card will be sent to Mona's family.
- It means a lot to our members to receive support and consoling words from our Guild members. Please show your support through your prayers, cards, and emails to all of our members in need. Please contact me with any Sunshine and Shadow information. Thank you.

**Treasurer's Report: Cindy Pfotenhauer**

- The March Income/Expense Report is on the Bits Website under the "Members Only" section.
- There will be a more complete accounting of the Quilt Show in a couple of weeks after all expenses have been submitted.
- The website also has the "Income Submittal" and "Check Request" forms. Please use those for all money transactions. Be sure to get the Committee Chairperson's initials approving the budget item
- 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.

**UFO: Judy Hoffman and Francine Boillat**

- Get out those "forever" UFOs and make it a goal to COMPLETE them this year.
- But hurry and complete the 2018 UFO form, which can be found on the website, and turn it in by the April meeting...you just might win a cash prize for FINISHING your UFO's.

**RAFFLE QUILT COMMITTEE:**  
**Chris Williams and Phyllis Bednarek**

At the May 2016 Guild meeting Chris Williams announced the formation of the 2018 Raffle Quilt Committee. The quilt was based on the pattern, "Friends in the Garden at Midnight, Modern Dresden Plate", designed by Candy Grisham. Candy generously agreed to allow her design to be used for our raffle quilt and added her design expertise, instruction and assistance to this project. In addition, Candy expertly quilted our beautiful quilt using over 40 different thread changes to enhance the quilt.

Committee members for the 2018 Raffle Quilt:  
Chris Williams and Phyllis Bednarek, Co-chairs  
Judy Hoffman                      Gay Stewart  
Merrily Woodford                LaDonna Patterson  
Sue Meyer                          Linda Biederman  
Cindy Pfotenhauer                Cheryl Chapman  
Nancy Straate                      Candy Grisham  
Kathy Chitwood

I could not have asked for a better committee. We had such fun learning about each other, sharing ideas, opinions, and talents. They stitched, sewed, appliqued, stapled tickets, sold tickets, arranged ticket sales venues and best of all, Phyllis Bednarek bravely tracked all the ticket sales and expenses.

A big Thank You to all of them and to you guild members for your support, encouragement, and efforts in selling tickets.

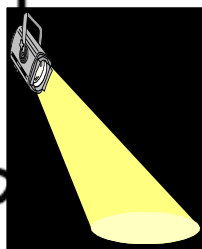
Ticket sales were \$6,364.00 resulting in a net profit of \$4,937.70

Who won the prizes?

The Parasol Parfait quilt was won by Pat Cole!  
The seller of the winning ticket was Diane Brown  
The top selling member is Linda Biederman  
The second top selling member is Betty Caswell  
The 4<sup>th</sup> quarter drawing was a table runner/wall hanging made by our own Gay Stewart and was won by Rita Nyhoff  
And the final prize drawing for Candy Grisham's wall hanging, "City Umbrellas" is Cindy Pfotenhauer!

The support of all members by selling their tickets and donating their time to display the quilt make this quilt raffle a huge success! Thank you to everyone!

# 2018 Fanfare of Quilts Awards



## **VIEWER'S CHOICE**

**First Place:** Proud to be an American by Julie Harris

**Second Place:** Ribbon in Motion by Phyllis Bednarek

**Third Place:** Splash of Color by Judy Vogt

## **BEST OF RIBBON WINNERS**

Appliqué – Machine: Seasonal Splendor by Mary Lou Melkowski

Appliqué Hand: Home by Deborah Ernst

Art: Bonnie by Trish Hill

Block of the Month: Kaffe BOM Sampler by Susan Calzone

Group: A-Team's Rose of Sharon

Juvenile: Polar Babies by Patricia Moreland

Large: Luau by Michele Weiland

Modern: Kandinsky Self Portrait by Rambling River Group

Quilting Domestic: Houses & Trees by Jean Goldsberry

Quilting Hand: Postcards from Home by Sarah Weible

Quilting Long Arm–Hand guided: Letters Home by Zeynep Austill

Quilting Long Arm–Computer guided: Proud to Be an American by Julie Harris

Seasonal: Winter Pines by Patricia Moreland

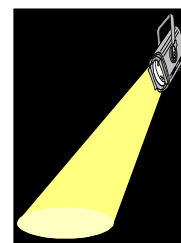
Small: Cat Cottage by Dian Brown

Workshop: Radial Symmetry by Sherry Mueller

## **JUDGES CHOICE WINNERS**

Golden Sunflower by Denise Souris

Octopus by Cindy Bell Nevill



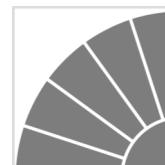
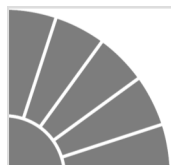
## **JUDGES HONORABLE MENTION**

Birds on a Line by Candy Grisham

Mastering Miniatures by Penny Edinger

Organized Chaos by Louise Morris

Steam Punk by Marsha Bray



## 2018 FANFARE OF QUILTS



Pat Cole is the winner of the beautiful raffle quilt, Parasol Parfait.

thankyou

I want to thank everyone for the generous donations for the charity raffle plus everyone who worked so hard to make the baskets, set up the display and volunteered for the shifts. It was such a great success I want to say "It takes a guild". - Penny Edinger

We should all be very proud of our Fanfare of Quilts 2018 - our 11<sup>th</sup> show - it was a fantastic success!

Kudos to our Chairman, Joyce Zepp, and her fantastic committee!

Thanks also to our set up and take down helpers (and spouses), white glove hostesses and Drop Off volunteers. And, of course, there would not be a show without quilts! Many thanks to our entrants for sharing their quilts.

Congratulations to our Viewer's Choice winners: Julie Harris, Phyllis Bednarek and Judy Vogt and also to those who were awarded judge's ribbons.

A large show such as ours is only possible with the help of all Guild members. So thanks to all for another successful show!

Now that you are inspired, it's time to work on your entries for Fanfare of Quilts 2020!

- Nancy Peters





## Travel with The Quilted Fox to the AQS Quilt Show

### 2018 St. Louis Metro Shop Hop

April 5-8, 2018

This year's theme is 'Summer Fun'! Pick up your passport at The Quilted Fox and visit all 7 participating shops.

You can win prizes that include —

- A Retreat to Todd Hall for you and friends or
- A Singer 221 Featherweight
- Gift Certificates from each shop
- Sample blocks, gift bags, books, patterns, notions, Fabrics and so much more!! There will also be a coupon from each shop on the passport.

### Paducah Bus Trips

April 18, 19, 20, or 21, 2018

American Quilter's Society Annual Quilt Show & Contest.

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! It's only \$56 per person which covers the bus. Meals and show entrance are on your own. Call now to reserve your seat! 314-993-1181

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

## REQUEST FOR QUILTS

Camp David of the Ozarks is a Christian camp for children who have a parent in prison.

Last year a quilter who has a longarm quilting business in Dardenne Prairie organized a group of quilters to make 225 quilts for Camp David of the Ozarks. The goal was to give every camper a quilt to take home. This year 170 quilts are needed and the group is nowhere near that goal.

So, I am asking the members of Bits to help. We need 48" x 72" for children 8-12 years, and 60" x 84" for teens 13-16 years. The deadline is very close, May 17, but anything would help. If you have any questions, please contact me, Pat Fuller at 636-549-3699 or Debbie Zucker at 636 293 4960 or [dkzucker@gmail.com](mailto:dkzucker@gmail.com). Thank you.