

# Fan Mail

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**MAY 2018** 

# Guild Meeting May 22, 2018



## Lisa Grossenheider presents 3D Appliqué and More





Lisa Grossenheider will give a demonstration and lecture on how to create beautiful 3-dimensional appliqué including stems, twisted roses, posies, butterflies, and leaves. These motifs make any project very special.





Lisa has been teaching classes at Jackman's Fabric Store for 25 years and has twice been an instructor for the Missouri State Quilt Guild and a guest instructor for the St. Louis Contemporary Art Museum in 2015.









#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



appy spring! I spent time in my garden this morning and was so pleased to see my irises blooming before they fade away. It's hard to stay inside on such a beautiful day!

If you were unable to attend our meeting, you missed a wonderful showcase of patriotic quilts. Thank you to Judy Humphrey and Darlene Sforza for a great program! Thank you to all the members who contributed quilts to Honor Flight, Quilts of Valor, Cover Our Kids, Camp David, and the Olympians. I'm so proud of our generous members!

Patti Moreland has graciously volunteered to be in charge of our Salad Supper in July. Be sure to sign up to help her with all the preparations. It's going to be a fun evening!

There are several opportunities to join other members in activities this month. Check the newsletter for details.

Best regards,

Peggy Anderson

President

#### MINUTES

#### April 24, 2018

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

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

President Anderson presented Joyce Zepp with a quilt journal and a note of thanks from the guild for chairing the 2018 Quilt Show.

President Anderson announced the newsletter deadline of April 27, 2018.

President Anderson announced that the guild will pay \$100 for an upgrade to Sign-Up Genius.

National Speakers Chair, Candy Grisham, discussed two upcoming workshops by Shelly Pagliai August 4, 2018 and Deborah Boschert October 23 & 24, 2018.

DVD's of the quilt show are available for \$10.00.

Sue Meyer announced that baggie blocks are available in the back of the room and seven project bags with the guild's logo are available for purchase.

Judy Humphrey and Darlene Sforza presented the evening's program "Honor Flight and Quilts of Valor".

After a fifteen minute break, Chris Williams announced that the May 5 Fun Sew Day is full. She is taking registrations for the June 2 Fun Sew Day.

Retreats Chair, Susan Calzone, announced that a few spots are available for the June retreat. Sign-up is available for the August retreat. Information will be available in the newsletter.

Block of the Month Chair, Cindy Pfotenhauer, announced that clue 2 instructions are available on the website.

Pat Fuller asked for quilt donations to Camp David of the Ozarks. The deadline is June 1, 2018. Quilts can be dropped off at Jackman's, Oh Sew Personal or at her house.

Margaret Gaal asked for donations of quilts for gymnasts. Two boxes have been mailed and thank you emails have been received.

Sunshine and Shadow Chair, Linda Waugh, asked the membership to continue sending cards and emails to our fellow members.

Patti Moreland volunteered to chair the Salad Supper.

Membership Chair, Nancy Stratte, announced 102 attendees with four new members and five guests. Two attendance prizes were awarded.

Challenge Quilt Chair, Louise Morris, discussed the challenge "Wanna Get Away". Members have until the September meeting to finish their entries.

Many members participated in show and tell.

Meeting adjourned at 9:09 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Nancy Hopkins

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### BOM: Cindy Pfotenhauer

- Reminder that 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." I will be providing a limited number of printed copies at each meeting. All instructions will be available on the Bits website. Marsha has already placed them on the website 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 and we will all be surprised together as we build our quilts. There will be prize drawings for those who have a completed quilt top at the end.
- I will not be at the May meeting so Clue #3 instructions will only be available on the website. I should be at the June meeting and will provide some printed copies of both Clue #3 and #4.

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

- Our 2018 Guild Challenge, "Want to get away?" is underway and picking up steam. From the show of hands last night it looks like it is going to be a fun adventure in creativity! The only difficulty may be in choosing a favorite place to highlight! I received a lot of feedback at the meeting and one suggestion was to have the members choose the winners like we did for the last challenge, which I am certainly open to. I also got some interesting ideas for places that might be interested in displaying our challenge.
- The rules are simple and few: It can be a city, state, country, region, province or continent of your choice.
   The size is to be 18 x24 and can be oriented vertically or horizontally. It needs to have at least one representative image of your chosen locale and lettering somewhere on the poster designating the site.
- Theme related prizes will be awarded to the top three travel posters and, upon seeing the budget, just got a lot bigger!
- They are due at the September meeting. Bring an hour early, in a pillowcase, please. Questions? Send them to lcmorris22@aol.com.

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

- Thanks to everyone involved with COK. We had another great meeting in April. COK received 18 finished quilts and 3 kits were taken out to be finished. All of these quilts were delivered the next day to The Foster and Adoptive Coalition to be given to children going to their first foster family. The foster coalition was very excited to receive these quilts. Many of these children have only a small bag of personal items to bring with them, so their own quilt can be very comforting
- Just as a reminder and for those who are not aware, COK has fabric, batting and labels for any member making a COK quilt. All that is needed from you is your time and expertise.
- We have scheduled our COK first sew day. It will be <u>Tuesday May 15</u> from 9:30-4:00 at the church. Bring your sewing machine, basic sewing supplies and rulers. Also, bring lunch, snacks and drinks that you will be wanting through the day. You can also go out to pick up lunch. If you want to attend and did not sign up at the April meeting please call Penny Edinger at 636-778-0536 or email <u>jandpedinger@charter.net</u>, or call Mary Ann Barr at 314-607-4735 or email <u>mabarr221@yahoo.com</u>.
- We do have labels and will be making more. Please take only what you need. Also, the batting has arrived. Please contact one of us if you need batting and the size. We will bring it to the next meeting or a sew day. If you need it sooner we will work with you.
- The Baggy Blocks are coming in and going out quickly. Thanks for signing them out and marking off your name when returning the finished block. I can't wait to see the finished quilt.
- Again thank you for all you do. You are COK.

#### Library: Kay Merz

- If you are looking for new techniques or quilting patterns and ideas, your Guild library may just be the place to look. You will find numerous quilting books and CD's. on quilting feathers, appliqué, using your walking foot to quilt, paper piecing, landscape quilting, and unique border designs just to name a few.. Many of these CD's are Craftsy or AQS classes.
- Your library also has quilting novels to enjoy as you bask in the sun or enjoy some relaxation time.
- In addition, your Guild has purchased another class

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CD from Craftsy titled "Quilting Big Projects on a Small Machine by award winning quilter, Ann Petersen. Basic quilters will enjoy Ann's helpful and easy to follow instructions while more advanced quilters will pick up dozens of tips and tricks for whole- quilt finishing, splitting your block or batting, quilting blocks as you go or adding borders to a central medallion. You are encouraged to check out this and other available books and CD's.

- 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.

#### 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

#### Membership: Kathy Chitwood, Nancy Stratte

- There were 102 in attendance at the April meeting. Included in that number were 4 new members and 5 guests.
- There are 196 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.

#### Programs for 2017 Guild Meetings: John Rutkowski

 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 - <u>sesnowzone@charter.net</u>
- Laurie Schrader, Coordinator Weekend retreat laurieaschrader@gmail.com

<u>THE 4-DAY PLUS RETREAT</u> – 4day/3night min. June 13-16 2018, add-on day June 12 – *Sign-ups closed*.

Approximate cost is \$165 to \$380

THE WEEKEND RETREAT – 3day/2nights

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

Spaces available.

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 at their own pace.
- For detailed information see our website under <u>Guild</u>
   <u>Activities, Retreats</u> or contact the appropriate coordinator.

#### Fun Sew Day: Chris Williams

The Fun Sew Days will be held on the following dates: Sat, June 2

Sat, July 7

West County EMS & Fire Administrative Offices 223 Henry Ave., Manchester MO 63011

Time: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

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 wel-

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come 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.

How do you sign up? Contact Chris Williams at 314-452-5912 or Email: cwwill@earthlink.net.

#### Sunshine & Shadow: Linda Waugh.

Please see the membership directory for the mailing addresses and emails for the following guild members:

- Marsha Bray's mother recently had a stroke. Please show your support with your prayers, cards, and emails.
- <u>Judy Hoffman</u> continues to need our prayer and support. Please take the time to send her a supportive greeting though a card or email.
- bound and is using a cane to get around after her broken arm injury. She is going to physical therapy. I talked with Jeanette and she is most grateful for your thoughts and prayers and cards. She would also enjoy a home visit if you are in her Kirkwood neighborhood Let's keep praying for Jeanette and sending her our support

through emails and cards.

- Nancy O'Hara wanted the guild to know that her progress is slow. She is very appreciative for the cards and emails received from our guild members. It's very uplifting for her to hear from all of you. She said that the prayers are working.
- 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 if you hear of any Sunshine and Shadow news at <u>Lkamp-waugh@charter.net</u> or call me at 314-909-8559.

#### Treasurer's Report: Cindy Pfotenhauer

- The April Income/Expense Report is on the Bits Website under the "Members Only" section. All 2018 Quilt Show expenses have not been accounted for. I will have a complete report when everything has been finalized.
- 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**

No updates at this time.



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

### Cardinals Baseball is Back!

Wouldn't your favorite baseball fan love a colorful and fun baseball themed quilt!

## Check out our Fields of Brilliant Diamonds quilt kit!

Twin 70" x 85" The kit contains fabric for blocks, three borders and binding for a great baseball quilt. We've changed the included pattern to show off more baseball fabric. The template tool, Brilliant Bindings, is also included. (Our sample is a small version of the quilt.) All for only \$111.99.

(The sample in the photo is just a part of the twin quilt)



#### 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

