

Guild Meeting May 28, 2019

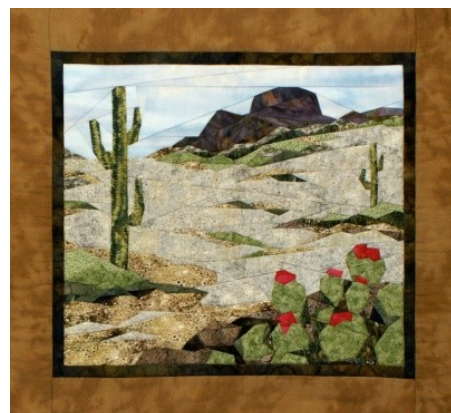


Callie Hargiss has been sewing, piecing, quilting, and crafting much of her life. She has enjoyed teaching others to sew for many years. creates custom quilts for my clients, is a consultant and pattern writer for a textile company, as well as helps her husband with their vintage car restoration business. Through her guild and church she makes quilts for veterans as well as local shelters and donates time and efforts to other charitable organizations.

Tonight she will tell us "Picture Piecing". "Picture Piecing" is a unique technique developed by Cynthia England, an international fiber artist, pattern designer and author, to achieve detailed quilt imagery. This is not paper piecing or foundation piecing in the traditional sense. This technique is much more! While you do use paper and straight seams, Picture Piecing has several differences, allowing quilters to achieve detailed imagery more efficiently, with less frustration and fabric waste. Best of all there is no paper to pick out, no curved or inset seams, patterns are reusable and you can CHEAT!

As a certified teacher for Cynthia England, I can teach you this technique along with tips and tricks I have learned from Cynthia herself. Also we can cover the basics of how you may create your own masterpiece from your favorite Photograph. See more on englanddesign.com

As a member and current President of our local quilt guild, I have learned from some of the best quilters and National teachers. This is where I met Cynthia England. She taught me her "Picture Piecing" technique and asked me to become a teacher for her. I was thrilled to have this opportunity and take pleasure in teaching others this great technique.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Bits N Pieces Membership,

In April I traveled to Boston to compete in the Boston Marathon. The Boston marathon is the Paducah of running. The best runners in the world show up in Boston just like the best quilters in the world show up in Paducah. I am neither the best runner nor best quilter in the world but I enjoy being among the best and learning from them.

Running 26 miles takes a long time and gives me a lot of time to think. Many things go through my mind like: "This is amazing", "My foot hurts", "Why am I doing this", "I've run 10 miles, only 16 to go", "What quilt am I going to make next", "I'm getting tired", "Did I leave the iron on at home", "Wow it's the finish line already". As I toured Boston I was inspired to make a quilt. Quilting is always on my mind.

Putting on a race for 33,000 people takes a lot of preparation. There were 9,700 volunteers and every one of them was cheerful and helpful. Even when it was cold, windy and raining, the volunteers smiled as they handed out cups of water. This reminded me of our guild. I am overwhelmed by cheerful people who have volunteered to help with committees and groups. Every single one of you are an important part of our guild, which makes us the best guild ever.

Each month more people step up to lead a committee. Cindy Pfotenauer and Margaret Gaal will be coordinating the Challenge this year. I am always up for a new challenge and am really excited about this one. Peggy Anderson is going to chair the holiday party. The quilt show committee headed by Darla Gibson is in full swing. I am thankful for all the smiling volunteers.

When committees need volunteers please consider helping - it will make you smile. Sue Meyer has planned the salad supper for July. She needs 4 people to come early that night and help with the party.

Reminder - going forward we are not mailing out newsletters any longer. If you have an e-mail address you will be notified when it is available on our Website. At that point you can view it or download it if you wish.

Jean Goldsberry
President

THE MINUTES

APRIL 23, 2019

1. Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at 7:00PM by President Jean Goldsberry. Minutes were approved by the Guild, as written. Jean started the meeting with a joke.
2. Announcements:
 - a. All information for the Newsletter needs to be submitted to Cindy Holten by Friday, April 26.
 - b. Thanks to those who stepped up to fill roles needed for the Guild. Cindy Pfothenhauer and Margaret Gaal will organize and run the Quilt Challenge for this year. The official kick off will be at the May meeting. Doing this Challenge will be an opportunity to hone your quilting skills.
 - c. A Holiday Party Chair is still needed for the Guild. At the meeting, Peggy Anderson and Mary Lou Knox agreed to take this job.
 - d. The Fun Sew Days for 4 May and 1 June have 2 openings. See Chris Williams tonight or contact her by phone or e-mail if you are interested.
 - e. Next COK Sew Day is 20 May.
 - f. BOM has begun. Tonight you may show Cindy Pfothenhauer your completed blocks for the drawing.
 - g. Be sure to pick up your raffle tickets. We are asking each member to sell 24 tickets.
3. National Workshops: Candy Grisham talked to us about National Workshops. The 29-30 May Workshops are a Piecing Method. There is one slot still available on Thursday, 30 May 2019. The August Workshop is offered 27-28 August and is a woman who will instruct on stitching in text. There are 2 days of workshops and she will present "All About Words" at the Guild Meeting on Tuesday night.
4. Quilt Show: Darla Gibson stated that the first Quilt Show Meeting was held tonight. Save the Date bookmarks are available to pass around to remind folks to put the Quilt Show on their calendars. The Quilt Show will be 21-22 March 2020; Setup is 20 March. It is a great show and an opportunity to educate our community that quilting is still a wonderful hobby and a great art form. Joyce Zepp has agreed to coordinate all the group projects. Any special exhibits that should be hung together need to go through Joyce. Joyce has also set up a featured artist who will have her Judy Neimeyer quilts at the show. What is needed from the Guild is quilts. Each member needs to contribute 1.5 quilts. All levels of quilting are needed. Beginners to Grand Masters are welcome. It is a chance for our community to see what quilts can be done. To get your quilt in a show these steps are to be followed: 1) finish your quilt; 2) put a sleeve on your quilt; 3) fill out the application. Quilts need to be fairly recent; not quilts that were in the last show. Need to take a 4"x6" photograph of your quilt as part of the application process. Your quilt will not be touched while being displayed at the show. There are white gloved people who will assist viewers to see the backs of quilts. The January 2020 Guild Meeting is the last chance to put your application in for the Show.
- Margie Whitehead and Lynn DeWitt are doing the Charity Raffle. The Charity has not been approved by Queeny Park yet, so Charity is not announced. If you have small quilts or fat quarters that you would be willing to buy in a raffle, please donate them each month. Margie, Lynn, and Carol Spindler will pick up your donations each month. Darla talked a little bit about the issues we seem to be having with Google Groups.
5. Raffle Quilt: Pricilla Kosednar discussed Raffle Quilt tickets. The shop hop sold 318 tickets. Unfortunately, 2 other quilts were also being displayed. There are prizes for every 6 tickets that are sold. The next venue for selling is 4-5 July at Jackman's in Creve Coeur. Shifts are 10-4 on 4 July, and 10-4 on 5 July. A 1, 2, or 4-hour shift can be taken. The Sign-up Genius will be live tomorrow for the 4-5 July dates. An email will be sent out to the Guild to ask for sign-ups as a reminder. It was recommended that we also hand out Save the Date flyers/bookmarks for the Quilt Show. The quilt has been reappraised at \$15,500.00. It is in Paducah presently.
6. Cover Our Kids Baggie Blocks and July Salad Supper: Sue Meyer announced a drawing for a jeans bag, and a box of muffin fat quarters for everyone who has sewn baggie blocks for Cover Our Kids. Sue also announced the Summer Garden Party for our July Meeting. She asks that we dress in a flowery motif, wear a hat. We will play "Left, Right, Center", so bring 3 fat quarters in a floral pattern. She showed 2 quilts were made from her baggie blocks as they were completed and submitted to her by the Guild membership.
7. Program: The Program for tonite was a Garage Sale. There were numerous tables of lots of fabric and patterns that our membership was able to buy.
8. Membership: Nancy Stratte and Kathy Chitwood announced that there were 85 members in attendance this evening. There were no guests. Two attendance prizes were drawn.
9. BOM Drawing: Cindy Pfothenhauer performed the drawing for Block of the Month.
10. Other Announcements: Candy Grisham expressed her deepest gratitude for the kind thoughts, cards, prayers and expressions of sympathy at the recent passing of her mother. There were no additional announcements.
11. Show and Tell: There were a few Show and Tell items this evening.

Respectfully submitted,
Kathleen Strebeck
Bits 'N' Pieces Secretary



As Summer flowers bloom in reds, yellow, pinks, and oranges

So blooms

Our Annual Salad Supper

You are cordially invited to a Summer Garden Party

Tuesday, July 23, 2019 at 6:30 p.m.

at the Salem Methodist Church

ATTIRE FOR THE EVENING

Your finest summer apparel.

Flowery dresses, tops, and hats are encouraged.

WHAT TO BRING

A Dish to share

**Appetizers: Meat and cheese trays, Dips with crackers,
or tiny sandwiches**

Salads: Pasta, fruit or vegetable

Desserts: Cake, cookie bars, cookies, or mini muffins

ENTERTAINMENT

Entertainment for the evening will be the game

“Left Right Center”

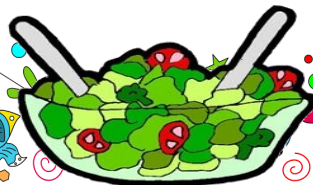
Please bring 3 fat quarters of bright floral fabric

DONATION

The church is always looking for donations for Circle of Concern.

Please donate a non-perishable food item.

For your convenience, the cart will be near the door for drop off.



COMMITTEE REPORTS

BOM: Cindy Pfothenauer

- Block 3 instructions may be found on the Bits website and have been emailed to those who have requested. If you would like to be added to the email list, please let me know. Block 3 may be shown at the May meeting to be eligible for the May drawing.
- It is never too late to join as all instructions are on the website. Please contact me at (cindypfot@gmail.com) with any questions! I'm happy to help.

COK and MORE: Penny Edinger, Phyllis Bednarek, Mary Ann Barr

- What a fun April meeting! With all the shopping going on COK still received 20 finished quilts, 12 finished tops and more kits taken out. Thank you to all the great quilters. It's always so much fun to deliver all these quilts to our organizations. For a reminder and to all the new members, we deliver these quilts to: St. Louis Children's Hospital, Cardinal Glennon Children's Hospital, Epworth Family Services, Foster and Adoptive Care and Circle of Concern. They are always so excited to see us come with our bags of quilts.
- Our next sew date will be **Monday May 20th. From 9:30 until about 3:30.** We meet at the same room that the guild monthly meetings at the church are in. You can come for the full day or give us a couple of hours. If you want to quilt a kit bring your machine and tools, but there are always other jobs to do. We have lots of tops that need batting, or just backing and binding to become a kit for quilting. As most of you know, we have plenty of fabric to use for cutting patterns or backing. Just show up and there is plenty to do. Bring your lunch (there is a refrigerator), or you can go out to get lunch. We always have a fun, busy day. Hope to see you there!
- Again, thank you to everyone that helps COK continue to have these quilts for children. **You are COK!**
- Please contact one of the following if you have questions.
 - Mary Ann Barr - (314) 607-4735
mabarr221@yahoo.com;
 - Phyllis Bednarek - (630) 319-4292
phyllisb4@gmail.com;
 - Penny Edinger - (636) 778-0536
jandpedinger@charter.net

LIBRARY: Kay Merz

- No updates at this time.
- *If you just want to relax and enjoy curling up with a good book, don't forget the many quilt related novels your library provides for your enjoyment. Be sure to take advantage of these great opportunities.*
- *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 86 in attendance at the April meeting. Currently there are 186 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.*

RETREATS

Toddhall in Columbia, IL

- Our guild offers several retreats each year for our members. Attendees work on projects of their choosing. If a retreat is full you can ask to be put on a wait-list.

COMMITTEE REPORTS—cont'd

- For detailed information see our website under [Guild Activities, Retreats](#) or contact a coordinator. Come as a single or join another guild member. Either way you are sure to have fun and become acquainted with other guild members.
- Sign-up with the designated coordinator or visit the RETREAT table at our guild meetings. Costs vary by attendance, bedroom occupancy, and meals, and are calculated separately for each retreat. *These retreats are managed separately. Funds paid for a retreat are not transferrable to a subsequent retreat.*

Susan Calzone, Coordinator - January and June retreats

sesnowzone@charter.net

4 day / 3 night minimum

Approximate cost is \$160 to \$380

- June 12-15, 2019; add-on day June 11.

Contact Susan for availability.

Laurie Schrader, Coordinator – Weekend retreats

laurieaschrader@gmail.com

3 day / 2nights

Approximate cost is \$160 to \$220

- August 2,3,4 2019.

Currently full, taking wait-list sign-ups.

Sue Meyer, Coordinator – Autumn Retreat

suziequilt@hotmail.com

4 day / 3 nights

Approximate cost is \$250 to \$310

- September 30-Oct.3, 2019

A few more openings. Sign-up soon to ensure a place..

Fun Sew Day: Chris Williams

Dates: Sat., June 1; Sat., August 3

- Location: West County EMS & Fire Administrative Offices at 223 Henry Ave., Manchester MO 63011
- Time: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
- Sign up at Bits meetings or contact Chris Williams directly at cwill@earthlink.net.
- For more information about the Fun Sew Days, look on the Bits website under Guild Activities.

SUNSHINE & SHADOW: Linda Waugh.

Please support the following guild members with your prayers and good wishes through greeting cards and emails:

- **Kathy Young** had arthroscopy surgery on her shoulder a few weeks ago. She has asked for prayers, so let's shower her with not only prayer but thoughtful cards and emails.

Let's continue to keep all of our members in our thoughts and prayers.

- *Please contact me if you have any information for Sunshine and Shadow at Lkampwaugh@charter.net or call me at 314-909-8559.*

TREASURER'S REPORT: Sandy Rekowski

- The Treasurer's Report can be found in the Members Only section of the website. Feel free to review and contact me if you have questions. Email: sandyrekowski@yahoo.com.
- Please remember to turn your raffle ticket money and ticket stubs to Cindy Pfotenhauer or someone on the raffle ticket committee. Tickets and cash should not be sent to me.
- Check Request and Reimbursement forms are available on the website. Please submit original receipts for your reimbursements. Get the Committee Chairperson's initials on Check Request forms approving the budget item.

UFO: Francine Boillat

- No updates at this time.
- If you have questions, please see me at the UFO table or send me an email. Hope to hear from lots of members.

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IMPORTANT



**To
Fanfare of Quilts 2020
327 days
As of
(4/29/19 to 3/21/20)**

Have you

- Chosen your quilt pattern?
- Purchased your fabric?
- Checked your stash?
- Started your quilt?
- Thought about a quilt design?
- Made a label for your quilt?
- Sewn a hanging sleeve?
- Finished a quilt for the show?

CAMP DAVID STILL NEEDS QUILTS

The coordinator for Camp David quilts for the St. Louis area, Debbie Zucker, reports that she still needs about 30 quilts. Sizes needed are 48 x 72 and 60 x 84.

Quilts can be for boys, girls or uni-sex. If you can make a finished quilt and bring it to the May meeting, I will be there to pick it up. Finished quilts can also be dropped off at the new location of Oh Sew Personal until **May 30.**

If you can make a top but have no way to quilt it, let me know and I can get it to someone for quilting and binding. We need to receive those unfinished quilts by **May 15**, and if you email or call me I will make arrangements to get it from you.

Thanks so much for all your help with this worthwhile cause.

Pat Fuller, 314-620-5419 or pfpatful@gmail.com

QUILT SHOW CHAIR: Darla Gibson

- I want to thank everyone again for the support I have received in planning the show.
- We had our first planning meeting and I know the Committee is ready for the challenge! We currently have all positions filled and we are moving forward with planning all the ins and outs.
- For all guild members, we need you to be concentrating on ***finishing your quilts for the show!*** Start thinking about what you want to get done and making a plan. We will distribute instructions on how to make sleeves in the next few months so you can make sure the quilts are ready to hang. You will also need to put a label on each quilt with a minimum of the title of the quilt and the quilt maker's name.
- We will have a "brown bag" charity raffle and the Charity Raffle Chairs, Margie White and Lynn DeWitt, are looking for donations for the raffle:
 - Any finished small wall hangings
 - Fat quarters
 - Quilt patterns
 - Quilt tools
 - "Fun Things"
- If you need more ideas for donations or have any questions, please contact Margie and/or Lynn.
- The Committee will take all donations every meeting and arrange them into beautiful baskets.
- We will confirm the charity we will be supporting by next meeting!
- Also, **get your Save the Date flyers out to your friends and family!** We need to make sure people know about the show so talk it up!
- If you have questions or suggestions, don't hesitate to reach out to the Committee or to me directly at ddgibby64@yahoo.com
- More info coming soon!

RAFFLE QUILT: Priscilla Kosednar

- We are off to a great start; close to 1000 tickets have been sold.
- Our next event will be at Jackman's on July 4th and 5th. If you plan to shop at their holiday sale, please consider volunteering to work a shift selling raffle tickets. It is really fun to talk to other quilters about our guild and our beautiful Rose of Sharon raffle quilt, in addition to promoting our 2020 quilt show. Remember you will receive one chance to win the August prize for every shift you work.
- Our first prize drawing will be at the May guild meeting. Sue Meyer has a great denim tote bag and fat-quarter "muffins" for the lucky winner. Remember you receive one entry ticket for every 6 raffle tickets you sell and one for each shift you work at one of the selling events. If you have not picked up your tickets or want more tickets to sell, please get them at our next meeting.
- We have received some very good ideas for future selling venues. We are investigating these, but we can always use more. Please contact any committee member with your suggestions.
- If you need more information about the Rose of Sharon Raffle Quilt please refer to the April newsletter (pages 11 and 12) and the Quilt Show 2020 tab at the top of the home page.