

GUILD ZOOM MEETING JUNE 28, 2022



The Story of The 2022 Storybook Challenge Presented by Joyce Zepp

Once upon a time an idea for a wondrous challenge came upon Cindy Pfothenhauer. The challenge, she declared, would be a Mini Quilt of Storybook Tale. But, alas, she moved to a land far far away. 'Twas then Joyce Zepp, did embrace the challenge and vowed to see this quest to its fruition.

Alas, tonight with flourish and awe in the Land of Salem will the much anticipated Pageant of Storybook Quilts be presented. Those Artists chosen by the Council of Guild, will be bestowed honors grand for their Wizardry of Needle and Thread.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Phyllis Bednarek, President

Dear Bits n Pieces Friends,

I hope you enjoyed our speaker, Toni Steere, and the beautiful quilts in her trunk show.

This month's meeting will be the "Storybook Challenge" reveal.



Joyce Zepp will be the coordinator. We will all get a chance to vote. For those attending through Zoom, we hope to set up a way for you to vote

confidentially, possibly through "CHAT". Instructions will be given at the beginning of the meeting.

Prizes will be awarded to the winners.

Good Luck to our talented participants!!

Keep Quilting,
Phyllis Bednarek
President

BITS LIBRARY

Francine Boillat
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636-891-5084



The Bits Library is up and running. Please return materials that have been borrowed for several months or even years. The pandemic has prevented many members from returning books, magazines, etc. You can return them during the Guild Meetings or send them with a friend who will be attending in person.

It is so nice to have things getting back to normal. For more information, please contact Francine at 636-891-5084. Thank You.

GUILD ZOOM MEETING MINUTES

MAY 24, 2022

Teresa Basler, Secretary

The meeting opened with greetings from President Phyllis Bednarek.

The guest speaker, Toni Steere explained the process of From Concept to Quilt. Her presentation enhanced our understanding of fabric design, printing and pattern creation. Many members took treasures away from her Trunk Show. Here is the website for Wing and A Prayer Designs. <https://www.wingandaprayerdesign.com>

April's meeting minutes were approved.

The membership roster has been updated and available on our website.

Quilt Raffle – Don't forget to pick up your ticket envelope if you haven't already done so. Each member is asked to sell a minimum of 24 tickets. Let Megan Buttery know about other quilt guilds where raffle tickets can be sold. Watch for information on Signup Genius lists. Sell, Sell, Sell, Sell!

Cover Our Kids – Joyce Zepp thanked members for the many quilts dropped off tonight. Help is needed for binding, quilting and quilt kits are available. Also turn in your Challenge-Storybook Cover of Children Book quilts to Joyce.

Mary Jo Knox thanked those that participated in the Moving Company last month and tonight. Moving Company volunteers set up and breakdown the setting for our guild meetings. She also mentioned that Saturday, June 4th, will be an In-Person sew date at the Firehouse. There's a minimum of 6 people.

UFO deadline is June meeting. There will be prizes in July.

We need a leader/organizer for the July Salad Supper meeting. There are already 2 volunteers. There will be an Honor Flight video. Come, visit, and relax.

Items are needed for the Charity Raffle. Turn those into Darla Gibson. Suggested items are fabric, patterns, notions, and finished projects.

Let Darla Gibson know if any of the guild groups want space at the Quilt Show to display their groups projects. She'll need to know how many projects and size.

Tonight's membership: In-Person attendance is 46 and 33 members were on-line.

Respectfully Submitted,
Teresa Basler, Secretary

FANFARE OF QUILTS 2023 MARCH 18-19

CONSIDER SIGNING UP FOR SHOW SET UP (3/17) and TAKE DOWN (3/19) and OTHER SHOW VOLUNTEERS

QUILT SHOW 2023 UPDATES

Darla Gibson, Quilt Show Chair

ddgiby64@yahoo.com - 636-448-8135.

After almost 5 years – that's right, 5 years! – we will have a show at Queeny Park on March 18-19, 2023.

Please make sure to mark your calendars and to keep Friday, March 17th open to volunteer for set up.

The 2023 Fanfare of Quilts Show Committee is continuing to meet each month to plan the most awesome show ever seen!

A couple of items, please make sure to stop by the Show Table at the next guild meeting to pick up your forms from the 2020 show (the one that didn't happen). June will be the last month that these are available for you to pick up. After that, I will plan to discard them.

Also, if you are part of a group that is expecting to have a group display that contains more than 1 quilt that you would like to have displayed together, please reach out to me, Darla Gibson, at ddgiby64@yahoo.com. I need to know how many quilts and what sizes so that as we lay out the quilt show, we will be able to plan for these displays. Feel free to reach out if you have questions.

We will have more information on turning in your quilt show forms at the August meeting. In the meantime, keep working on your quilts!

Thank you!
Darla Gibson



“Frozen Fountain” by Judy Niemeyer

The quilt was

Pieced by the following members of the Pretty Paper Piecers: Ann Clark, Gail MacCartney, Elizabeth Stewart, Gay Stewart, Denise Souris, Mary Lou Knox, Jane Coons, Judie Benedum, Francine Boillat, Tamra Phelps, Sue Potter and Linda Keeler.

Quilted by our uber talented Jane Coons.

The **Drawing** will be Sunday, March 19, 2023 at the Fanfare of Quilts 2023 Quilt Show at Queeny Park.

SELL! SELL! SELL! Quilt Raffle Tickets Committee SELL! SELL! SELL!



The 2023 Quilt raffle sales have started!

This beautiful quilt (shown above) was pieced by the Bit N Pieces Paper Piecing group and quilted by Jane Coons. It is really a spectacular quilt. The drawing will be at

the March 2023 Quilt show.

Make sure to pick up your raffle ticket envelope at the next meeting you attend. (We haven't forgotten those that are not attending in person. We are still working through those ideas.)

We ask that each guild member help by selling 4 sets of tickets. Each set is 6 tickets. 1 for \$1 or 6 for \$5. There are also additional tickets available if you think you can sell more.

There will be prizes throughout the year for those that sell tickets, those that help with ticket sales at the quilt shops and those with the most tickets sold.

Please look for future emails for volunteers to help with sales at the local quilt shops.

Mary Ann Barr has a small group meeting on Tuesday, 5/3, that she can bring some tickets if she can pick them up from someone. I'm in the Valley Park area.

Thank you from your 2023 quilt raffle committee.

Pat Hall • Ginny Rainey • Barb Nagel •
Luci Sunaga • Gay Stewart • Mary Ann Barr
Megan Buttery



UFO'S

Sarah Weible,
Coordinator
s.weible@gmail.com
314.313.3360

I am still taking UFO forms. My email is s.weible@gmail.com, and my phone is 314.313.3360. Of course you can always turn one in at our Bits meetings.

A form can be found on our webpage OR you can just write out your list on a plain old piece of paper – just turn one in!!! We will have another participation drawing in September.

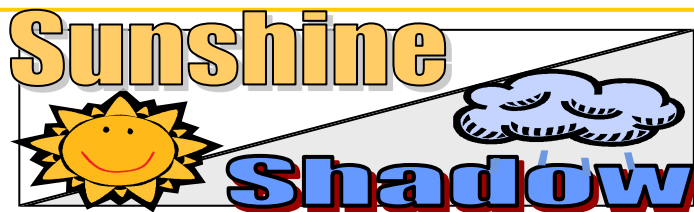
In the meantime – work and either show your finished project at show and tell along with a shout out to me or email me a photo with you and your project. In both cases, I will need dimensions and who/how it was quilted.

Thanks to those who have and are planning on participating for allowing me to have fun handing out prizes. First cash prizes for finished work will be handed out at our July meeting.



Please keep saving all those empty spools for a "Guess the # of Spools" at the Quilt Show. The spools can be dropped off at the meetings.

- Judy Humphrey



Linda Waugh, Coordinator

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314-941-3195

Sandy Sagan is requesting prayer for her husband Bob. Let's continue with prayers of strength and support for him and for Sandy.

Pat Hall's mother passed away in the last few days. Her mom had congestive heart failure and was ill for several months. She was 94 years old.

So many of us have lost our moms and still miss our moms no matter how long they've been gone. Let's support Pat with lots of prayers, emails and cards of sympathy.

Please contact Linda Waugh with any Sunshine or Shadow requests. See above contact information.

Thank you,
Linda Waugh

HONOR FLIGHT

Judy Humphrey, Coordinator

I have kits available and will be at each of the Bits meetings. You can come in early and pick up a kit or drop off a quilt. If that doesn't work for you, call Chris Williams at 314-452-5912 to arrange a meeting time.

MEMBERSHIP
Priscilla Kosednar
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Jane Dodge
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Coordinators

Please renew your membership so you do not miss out on the email updates .

We also can order a Bits name tag for you. Just contact Priscilla Kosednar, pkosednar@sbcglobal.net or Jane Dodge, janestl@gmail.com and we'll order your name tag.

Happy Quilting,
Jane and Priscilla

COVER OUR KIDS

Joyce Zepp
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Laura Khoury
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Coordinators

Last month Cover Our Kids delivered 45 quilts to Children's Hospital. That makes 98 quilts donated so far this year! And I received so many quilts at our May meeting I'm sure we'll have another large donation soon.

Thanks to all who so generously gift their time and talents.

Just a reminder that all quilts turned in need to be washed and labeled with our guild label. If you need labels, give me a call at 314-593-6283 and I will mail some to you.

Thanks to all who have donated so far this year.

- Joyce and Laura



Though there are some questions about whether we will be starting our "Free Table" again. We'll give it a try for our next meeting. We will need to set up a table in a side room or hallway since the tech team needs the kitchen to set up for the Zoom part of our meeting.

For our new members, the **Free Table** is a place to donate our unwanted quilting fabric, books, magazines, rulers, etc. Members attending in person are free to take a treasure or treasures home. I'm sure many of you have cleaned out your sewing rooms during these crazy 2 years. Now you have a place to recycle it! It's fun, it's **Free** and it's a great way to

get rid of those quilting items you no longer want/need and to know that it is being used instead of going into the landfill.

After this meeting, Phyllis Bednarek has offered to take the remaining items that no one has taken and drop them off at the **City Sewing Room**...a great little place you'll want to check out: website: <https://www.citysewingroom.com/>. Or you can also donate to a charity of your choice. Volunteers will be needed to sign up to do this task once a month if we want to continue. There will be a sign-up sheet at our meeting.

Looking forward to seeing more of you at our meeting next week.

If you have questions, please contact Phyllis Bednarek at phyllisb4@gmail.com or 630-319-4292.

ZOOM MINI EVENTS

Chris Williams, Coordinator
cwwill@earthlink.net

Wednesday Evening Zoom: 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Thursday afternoon Zoom: 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Fun Sew Day ZOOM: 9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

ZOOM Fun Sew Days: Currently scheduled for **1st Saturday of odd numbered months.**

Dates changes will be provided.

Reminders will be sent to those who have signed up.

For information contact: Chris Williams:
cwwill@earthlink.net



QUILTERS' CONCERNS

Judy Vogt,
Professional Long Arm Quilter

When giving your quilt top, backing and batting to your quilter, please make sure to have the backing larger by minimum of 3 inches on all sides of your quilt. Your quilter has to pin or baste the backing on a frame. If the backing is not big enough, she either has to not quilt to the outer edges or sew on fabric to your quilt backing in order to make it big enough. This is not your quilters responsibility to do this. The batting should also be bigger than the top by 3 inches all edges. The other reason the backing needs to be bigger is when quilting, if the machine should go off the edge of the quilt and try to come back onto the quilt the quilt could get damaged. These machines don't understand and keep moving, tearing your quilt in the process. So please make sure your backing is larger than the quilt top.

Thank you,
Judy Vogt

IN PERSON FUN SEW DAYS

Mary Lou Knox, Coordinator

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636-225-3279 (HOME)

314-223-0375 (CELL)

In-Person Fun Sew Days are held on
all **even numbered months**

at the

West County EMS and Fire
Administrative Offices at

223 Henry Ave. in
Manchester, MO.

9:30 am - 4:00 pm

The next **IN PERSON** Fun Sew Day is
scheduled for Sat., June 4th and August 6th.

A minimum of 6 people, who are committed to coming, is necessary to proceed with the Sew Day. Otherwise, other arrangements will be made. Please notify Mary Lou Knox no later than Wednesday, June 1st or August 3rd if you plan to attend! All pertinent information, including Zoom numbers, etc., will be sent out on Friday, June 3rd and August 5th.

Hope to see a bunch of fellow quilters then!!!!

Mary Lou Knox



Quilting Services

If you provide long arm quilting or hand quilting services and want to be listed in a directory for our members on the guild website, please email Marsha Bray at marshasbray@gmail.com

Thanks,
Marsha Bray

Workshops by Special Guests

Harriett Zipfel – Local Artist

Rope Bowl Workshop

**Full Day Workshop: Wednesday August 24, 2022
10am-4pm @ Jackmans**



Guild Program: Tuesday August 23, 2022 7pm

Harriett is a local Textile Artist. In her program, **Textile Journey**, she will share her story from her first stitches (dressmaking) to her most recent works of art, her beautiful rope bowls

Harriett's Rope Bowl Workshop is split into two – three-hour sessions to give us time to learn the basics in the morning session and then in the afternoon to explore creative design and finishing techniques while creating our own unique bowl.

Cost for the workshop is: \$49 (\$35 +Plus \$14 for the kit)

Don't Wait! Class size limited!

Deadline for sign-up will be July 26, 2022.

Supply list will be sent prior to class.

Send your check to:

Linda Waugh, 2148 Ballas View Dr., St. Louis, MO 63122

Please make checks out to **Bits n Pieces Quilt Guild**

Any questions? Contact Linda Waugh lkampwaugh@charter.net or
Patti Moreland ps4535@yahoo.com



THE TECH COMMITTEE CORNER

Candy Grisham, Patti Moreland, Darla Gibson, Chris Williams, Megan Buttery

Tech Committee News

We learn something new all the time! As we continue to transition to in-person meetings, we really appreciate your patience and feedback. Sometimes everything works great and sometimes we need tweaks. That being said, please remember to **show respect** for everyone's choices. Watching the presentations from home or being present for the meeting are ways to be involved with OUR quilt guild and are personal choices. There will be future meetings with live show and tell and salad suppers and we will eventually return to a new normal. In the meantime, we will continue to offer ways to attend that work for as many as possible.

Helpful Hints to Zoom By

We have done so well with our online meetings averaging 100 members both times. Some helpful hints from the tech committee to make your viewing experience the best:

- Please **name** yourself and try to get **your video** up so we can see you.
If you do not know how we will help.
- Please make sure your **mute** is on during the programs

NOTE: One very important step is to make sure you are named when you enter. Not "ipad" or your child/grandchild but your name.

We are carefully watching to make sure no one "hacks" into our meetings and it is so very helpful to know who you are.

The **interactive calendar** is on the website. Patti Moreland did a fantastic presentation about using the calendar. The calendar is on the Members only page. It is for all Bits related activities. It is also useful to see if another group is already using the Zoom account.

Bits now has a **Zoom account** for meetings and small groups. If you want to use the Bits Zoom account for a small group activity contact Patti Moreland or Rita Nyhoff to verify the calendar and get passwords. You should get a **zoom invitation** a week before the meeting and the day of the meeting. If you do not contact one of us.

We are doing **show and tell** via Zoom as well. You can send in your high-quality photos of projects you have completed. Watch for a link the week or so before the meeting.

Thank you,
The Tech Team