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JUNE 2023

ZOOM GUILD MEETING JUNE 27, 2023

NOTICE : NO PHYSICAL MEETING—ZOOM/VIRTUAL MEETING ONLY

Due to Salem holding a Vacation Bible School at church, our June meeting will be virtual. A zoom link will be sent before the meeting.



Candace Hassen presents "Inspiration" Trunk Show (Virtual)

have been fascinated by yarn and fabric since I was 6 years old. As I was growing up, I tried every kind of needlework I could get my hands on. It was natural that I ended up in the textile department in college. I have a Bachelor's degree in Art.

For decades, I wove room sized rugs for Lyn Sterling Montagne, who made custom rugs for interior designers. During this time I wove scarves, blankets and tableware on my own time. 25 years ago I took up quilting, and immediately fell in love. I have since realized how much being a weaver for decades has had an effect on my quilting. Both weaving and quilting rely on color interplay and repeated geometric design. Color has always been one of my favorite things, and years of hand dying yarn has given me an extensive foundation in working with color.

Currently, I design quilts, and publish patterns from them. I love scrap quilts-the more fabrics and colors-the better. I enjoy working with traditional fabrics and blocks, as well as contemporary fabrics and approaches. I like to explore design ideas from a variety of places such as nature, other textiles, and art forms.

I am very proud to have been named the Quilter Laureate of Porterdale, Georgia, where I currently live. I can't believe I am lucky enough to live in a town that wanted to have a Quilter Laureate, much less to get to BE that Quilter Laureate.

I love to share my designs by presenting guild programs, teaching, and making custom quilts. I love to travel around the country, and meet other quilters, and share my designs and tips with them. You can view my work at:

- quiltdesignsbycandace.com
- quiltdesignsbycandace.blogspot.com
- etsy.com/shop/quiltdesignsbycandac
- Instagram.com/quilts_by_candace

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE Candy Grisham, President

Our speaker, Laura of Slice of Pi quilts, was such an inspiration and full of joy and fun. She was not afraid to try new things and explore. So refreshing!

Our guild is a wonderful place where I hope everyone can find inspiration, connection, and some joy. Everyone stepping in and contributing has made it a strong vibrant guild. Thank you.

As we go forward, we will have some great speakers and workshops, sew days, picnics, and parties. We also have such strong mini groups including the new wool group and beginners' groups. I hope anyone new to the guild can find their way into a smaller group to get to know other quilters on a more personal level. Thank you all for stepping up!

Did you know next year is our 40th anniversary? Wow!

Candy Grisham President

RAFFLE QUILT TICKET COMMITTEE CO-LEADERS VOLUNTEERED

THANK YOU to **Barb Nagel** and **Dianna Kogut** who have volunteered to be co-leaders for the raffle quilt ticket committee!

If you thought about volunteering but didn't want to be a leader you are safe. But **NOW** is the time to step up and add your name to the committee.

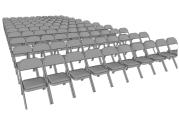
Remember "many hands make quick work".

Thanks all, Candy Grisham

THE COMPANY SET UP/TAKE DOWN MEETING CHAIRS

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Mary Lou Knox Cell: 314-223-0375 - Home: 636-225-3279 Email: <u>mknox911@charter.net</u>



The Company is a group of guild volunteer members who come to each Bits and Pieces monthly meeting to "set up/break down" the chairs and tables for our guild. I usually ask for a minimum of 6 volunteers for each meeting. To volunteer, please email, text, or telephone Mary Lou Knox. I usually send out an email ahead of time looking for volunteers, or you can sign up at any guild meeting. Volunteers must arrive at the church at 6:00pm to help and remain afterwards to reset the room.

If you are interested in volunteering for ANY guild meeting, please contact: Mary Lou Knox. THANK YOU!!!!

BITS 'N' PIECES GUILD MEETING MINUTES MAY 23, 2023 Teresa Basler, Secretary

President, Candy Grisham

- Opened the meeting and welcomed current and new members.
- Patti Moreland introduced our guest presenter Laura Piland – "Try Something New". Laura is a designer of quilt patterns and owner of Slice of Pi. She shared her trunk show of wonderful quilts and explained the various quilt patterns.

<u>Workshops</u>

 Sara Seagrist gave a presentation explaining the two upcoming free-motion quilting Jenny Lyon workshops. The workshops are August 23 & 24, 2023 and are titled Fearless Free Motion – Start with a Square and Blooming Sheers. The workshops will be at Jackman's on Lindbergh from 10:30-5pm. Each workshop is \$60 (\$61.75 if using a credit card). Members can sign up for the workshops starting tonight.

July Salad Supper

 Gay Stewart explained the salad supper for new members and the Sign-Up process. The date is July 25 at 6pm at Salem Methodist-our usual meeting location. No alphabet sign-up process this year to help eliminate so many desserts.

After a short break, our business meeting continued.

- A motion was made to approve the previous month's minutes and seconded.
- A very nice "thank you" letter from Sew Hope was read. It expressed their appreciation from the quilt show donation.

Cover our Kids

- Joyce Zepp announced a COK Sew Day at Jackman's (Lindbergh location) on July 28, 2023 at 10:30am. Bring your machines. The purpose is to turn the 3 yard quilt kits into COK quilts. Watch for Sign-up Genius.
- Joyce made three deliveries of quilts and received a "thank you" note from Ranken Jordan.
- Sue Meyer uses scraps to make blocks for COK. She has plastic bags of starter fabric. Anyone can pick up one or more baggies from Sue tonight to complete a block(s) that will be used for COK. Return completed blocks to Sue.

UFO's

Megan Buttery has agreed to take over the UFO process.

2025 Quilt Raffle

 Candy expressed the need for a raffle ticket lead and then the formation of a committee to sell raffle tickets. If you're interested, contact Candy Grisham.

Mini-Groups

- **WIP** (Work in Progress) group is changing their meeting time to the 3rd Monday of the month from 9am-12 at the Quilted Fox. Call Sharon Donyam (636-488-3436) if you're interested. There's room for a max of 6 people.
- **In-Person Sew Fun Day** Contact Mary Lou Knox if you're planning to attend. There's room for 12-13 people and they need 6 more people to hold the sew day.

GUILD-WIDE EMAILS – REMINDER

 <u>PLEASE DO NOT</u> hit REPLY on the guild-wide emails. Reply specifically to the individual contact person identified within the email.

MOVERS

• With the growing membership, Mary Lou Know needs help setting up seats for each meeting. Please help if you can. Thank you to all those have helped tonight.

Membership:

• There were 114 members present, 4 New Members and 5 guests.

NEW BUSINESS

- <u>Hearts 'n Hands Quilt Show</u> Belleville, IL June 10 (10-5) & 11 (11-4), 2023.
- June 2023 Meeting Candace Hassen "Inspiration" Trunk Show – zoom only.

SHOW & TELL

Meeting was closed

Respectfully, Teresa Basler, Secretary

MEMBERSHIP

Jane Dodge janestl@gmail.com

Priscilla Kosednar pkosednar@sbcglobal.net

If you ordered a name badge this year, we will be bringing these to the salad supper in July. Please contact Jane Dodge if you would like your name tag and you will not be at the salad supper. We can try to make arrangements to get your name badge to you. Jane lives in the Manchester area and Priscilla is in Chesterfield.

Just a reminder, please wear your name badge to our meetings. It is the best way to meet newer members, make new friends and make everyone feel welcome. We usually have attendance prizes at the end of our meetings, but a name badge is required to pick up your prize. So please wear your name tag, and pick up a ticket at the membership table when you arrive

With our membership growing, we could use help at the membership table with our attendance tickets. Please contact Jane or Priscilla if you can help with the June meeting.

Guests are always welcome. We ask for \$2 as a guest fee, except when we have a national speaker, then the fee is \$5.

Jane Dodge and Priscilla Kosednar

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HONOR FLIGHT QUILTS Judy Humphrey

We have completed our goal of 100 lap quilts for the November 2023 flight. What an accomplishment! Now we are already on our way with 33 quilts for the March 2024 flight. The goal again is 100 quilts.

If you are making a lap quilt with your own fabric and pattern, kindly remember 36 X 36 size. To those who have been sewing panels for me, you have certainly freed up time for me. To those who have been quilting the tops, I'm so grateful.

I am so grateful the guild has chosen to support me in this endeavor.

Thanks, Judy

COVER OUR KIDS

Joyce Zepp joycezepp83@gmail.com 314-593-6283

Forty-nine quilts were collected at our May meeting, and they were all delivered to Mercy Children's Hospital. Thanks to all who donated quilts last month. Just a gentle reminder that all quilts need to be laundered and labeled. I bring labels to the meetings, or if you need some mailed to your home, I am happy to do that. My phone number is 314-593-6283.

The sew day scheduled for July 28 at Jackman's will be a fun event of cutting and sewing 3-yard quilts with your fellow guild members. We have 80 3-yard kits ready, and we can use all the help we can get! Bring your sewing machine, or plan to be a cutter/presser. Please sign up with Signup Genius so we know how many people are planning to come.

Last month I sent out the following plea, but I didn't get any responses. Please consider helping this deserving charity: As you will recall, last January we gave A <u>Safe Place/Mary's House of</u> <u>Hope</u> 33 quilts. Many of those were given to clients, but some were used as items for two fundraisers. I received a call from the woman who organizes their fundraisers, wondering if we would be willing to provide two bed-size quilts, one fall-themed and one Christmas-themed for future fundraisers. If it seems like too much for one person, perhaps a small group or several friends might get together to satisfy this worthy request. If interested, let me know.

Thanks, Joyce Zepp



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Salad Supper July 25th at 6 PM

The Salad Supper is here already. We're not doing the alphabet thing this year. You are getting the chance to pick salad or des-



sert. Last month a sign-up sheet was passed around at the meeting. Those in attendance choose salad or dessert. Well, the dessert list filled up right away.

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If you signed up already you

are good to go. If not, you would have had another opportunity to sign-up this month, but no in-person ≁ meeting. This month we are going to ZOOM. I've been ≁ told there is a way you can respond to me during this meeting on the 27th. Hopefully Candy or someone smarter than me will explain how this is done. The committee (LaDonna, Tamra, & Me) need a pretty good count so we know how many to prepare for (setting up the room, plates, etc. And most of all PRIZ-ES).

I know many of you are disappointed that desserts have all been taken, But you now have the opportunity to bring your favorite salad or other nondessert choice to the table.

Sandwiches, vegetables, or fruit are just a few suggestions. Or get creative and think of something else. Please remember to bring serving utensils for your dish too.

Water will be available along with some flavorings. You can bring your favorite beverage from home. Mine is iced tea and I will bring extra (no sugar added though).



We are planning an evening filled with surprises including games, puzzles, and who knows what else because we are still working on that. We haven't forgotten PRIZES either. Bingo is a possibility.

Please respond at the Zoom meeting on the 27th or you can email me at dianestewart14@att.net or better yet, Text me 314-527-9980.

See you on Zoom, Gay Stewart



Linda Waugh, Coordinator Lkampwaugh@charter.net 314-941-3195

Dear Guild members:

Edie Cornell-Smith lost her dear husband, Rob, June 1st. He suffered with Parkinson's the last few years, Recently, they found out he needed heart valve surgery. While the heart valve surgery at Barnes Jewish was deemed successful, there was a complication at the end of the surgery. He passed with Edie by his side. Please flood Edie with your support with cards, emails, and prayers during this very difficult time.

Sandy Rekowski lost her dear husband, Rich, on May 15th. About a year ago he was diagnosed with Glioblastoma, a form of brain cancer. As Sandy said on her FB page, "he fought the good fight." This is a very difficult time for Sandy, so let's shower her with our support. She needs and appreciate cards, emails, and pravers.

Ivy Osborn will be having surgery in June, so let's continue to storm heaven with our prayers for her that she has a successful surgery and recovery. (Please note Ivy recently sent an update about her medical conditions which can be found in the guild's i.o. messages). She said, "Thanks to the many who have sent cards and emails. What would we do without our guilting family. It really means a lot.

Our guild continues to show a compassionate and generous spirit for our current and past members who are in need of our support. Thank you for the sunshine and comfort you send.

Stay healthy and please contact me with any Sunshine and Shadow news.

Linda Waugh



COLOR CHALLENGE 2023 Guild Challenge Trish Hill, Coordinator 314 303 2179

<u>Rules</u>

- Must be 36 by 36 inches, three layers quilted and finished.
- Use one or more of the blocks you pulled, no other blocks can be added
- Make a quilt using the color and the color theory you picked at the meeting.
- You may add one neutral color to the color theory pallet.
- You may use any method or technique and may embellish any way you would like as long as nothing extends past the 36-inch measurement or higher than 1/4 inch.
- Quilts may be quilted any way you want and must be finished with either binding or facing.
- Quilt label should include guild challenge 2023, title of piece, your color, your theory, your name, finished date, any techniques used.
- Completed Color Challenge quilts due at the Oct. meeting.

Color 101 for Clueless Quilters

- There are many tools that you can use but I find a 12 or a 24 segmented color wheel and a 3 in1 color tool by Joan Wolfram to be all you need.
- <u>Color Terms</u>:
 - Primary colors: those colors you can't mix. Red, Yellow, Blue. These are also the colors used to make any other color on the color wheel. Secondary colors; made by mixing 2 primary colors together. Orange, Green and Violet.
 - Tertiary colors: these are made by mixing a primary color with the adjacent secondary color. There are 6 of them, red-violet, blue-violet, bluegreen, yellow-green, yellow-orange, and redorange
 - Warm colors: these colors stand out, they advance, they pull response from you. They have heavy concentrations or red and yellow.

- Cool colors: these colors recede, they blend in, and they are calming. They have heavy concentrations of blue and violet
- Color: described by hue, value and intensity
- Hue: a color or a wavelength
- Value: lightness or darkness of a color
- Intensity: is the purity of the color, which determines the brightness or dullness
- Tint: color plus white
- Tone: color plus gray
- Shade: color plus black
- Neutral color: black, white, beige and gray. However, I think other colors can be neutrals also, but I'm going to say they need to be a cool color

Color Theory

- Color theory is a grouping of colors that are pleasing to the eye.
- Monochromatic: any tint, tone or shade of one color
- Analogous: using 2 to 5 colors that are adjacent (next) to each other on the color wheel.
- Complementary: using any 2 colors opposite each other on the color wheel
- Split Complementary: using any color with the 2 colors on each side of its complement.
- Triad: using any 3 colors equally spaced from each other on the color wheel.
- Tetrad: using a combination of 4 colors on the wheel that are 2 sets of complements.
- Key color: predominant color in your color scheme or palette.
- General guidelines for using color:
 - Keep in mind that theories are guidelines, they are not set in stone. Value makes your quilt sparkle but color gets the credit.
 - Prints add texture
 - Something unexpected adds excitement.
 - Coordinate but don't over match.

If you have any questions call or text Trisha Hill 314-303-2179.

LET'S GET CREATIVE!!!



Jenny Lyon, the Quilt Skipper

Jenny has been joyfully teaching the art of quilting since 2006. Her classes are encouraging, supportive, and light-hearted. She loves seeing her students realize that they CAN quilt their own work on a domestic machine. She teaches at various guilds, shops, and events throughout the country as well as at major international shows.

She uses her domestic sewing machine to create art quilts and wearable art. She loves to watch her machine stitches create line, texture and shadow as they merge on the surface of the fabric. Her work has been juried into a variety of major shows including Houston and Paducah as well art galleries and SAQA exhibits. Some are held by private collectors.

She calls herself the Quilt Skipper because once while quilting her own quilt, she was so delighted by the unexpected beauty of it and what emerged from her needle, that she found herself cheerfully skipping around the house when she took her breaks. It is her joy to create art with free motion quilting.

Jenny lives in Northern California with her husband and an empty nest that leaves more room for books, fabric and notions. Her current work is centered around whole-cloth pieces, with intricate free-hand free-motion quilting. Because there is little or no piecing, the story is told through the line of the thread. She considers this work to be "sculpting" the fabric, since the stitches create line and shadow upon the quilt's surface.

Two Free-Motion Quilting Workshops with Jenny Lyon

Signups for the Jenny Lyon August 23rd and 24th workshops will continue at this month's meeting. Classes are filling fast with workshops limited to 20 students per workshop. Please have your **cash/check (\$60 per workshop)** or **credit card (\$61.75 per workshop**) available at the meeting to secure your workshop reservation. Students will be required to provide their own supplies and lunch for each workshop. Check out Jenny's website (quiltskipper.com) for the supply lists. See below for a brief introduction to Jenny Lyon and workshop descriptions.

Let Jenny inspire your FMQ journey!! Jenny has a unique and exciting approach to free-motion quilting on a domestic machine. She encourages every student to expand their knowledge of FMQ through the color lens of their own creativity. Jenny uses fabric color and print designs to inspire every student to express their own unique style of FMQ. Your FMQ class project won't be like anyone else's because it's your creativity on the fabric canvas.

Each workshop will be a 6-hour in-person workshop with Jenny Lyon, the "Quilt Skipper". The workshops will be August 23rd and 24th at Jackman's St. Louis from 10:30 AM-5:00 PM with a half-hour lunch break.

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Using a scrap of large-scale print fabric as a "starter", students learn how to create a unique free motion quilted **<u>quiltlette</u>**, step-by-step. This workshop is designed for students with some free motion quilting experience. Although it's not a beginner FMQ class, a timid free motion quilter will gain confidence in this class. This is a great class for students with a little free motion quilting experience who want to learn to combine motifs and discover their own personal style. Various motifs and fills will be taught in class.

Jenny will send out a survey one week before with a variety of FMQ fill designs. Students will vote on their top 4 choices so that the class is targeted to their interests.

Supply list - https://quiltskipper.com/wp-content/uploads/2019/01/Supply-List-StartWithASquare.pdf

Free Motion Quilting – Blooming Sheers

Thursday, August 24, 2023 Jackman's Fabrics – 1234 N. Lindbergh Blvd. 63132 10:30 AM – 5:00 PM



This is just pure fun! Let's play with squares of sheer fabric, layering them on a quilted background to create colorful effects. This is color theory without color wheels or rules, just playing with color like a Kindergartner! This is a great class for a timid free motion quilter and more experienced quilters can add quilted plants, insects, animals.... This is a joyful class with a minimal supply list – does it get any better than that?

Supply list - https://quiltskipper.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/02/Blooming-Sheers-supply-list-in-person.pdf

"IN PERSON FUN SEW DAY"

Mary Lou Knox, Coordinator mknox911@charter.net 636-225-3279 (HOME) 314-223-0375 (TEXT)

FUN SEW DAY SCHEDULED for SATURDAY, AUGUST 5TH !!

The next "IN PERSON" FUN SEW DAY for 2023 is scheduled for <u>Saturday, August 5th</u>!

We meet at the West County Fire Headquarters at 223 Henry Road from 9:30 am to 4:00 pm.

I need at least SIX (6) people who are committed to attending in order to host the day. So please contact me at either of the numbers above by <u>Thursday, August 3rd</u> to let me know that you would like to attend. Hope to see you there!!!

If not enough quilters respond, then other arrangements for the day will be made. The final decision about the day will be made on Thursday, <u>August 3rd</u>, and notification by email will be sent out that evening.

WE ALWAYS ENJOY GETTING TOGETHER!!! JUNE WAS LOTS OF FUN!!!!!

UFO'S Sarah Weible, Coordinator <u>s.weible@gmail.com</u> 314.313.3360

he <u>first deadline</u> is fast approaching to show your finished UFOs.

All work shown at a meeting, that is already on your UFO list, by the June 27th meeting will be counted towards our first prize awards of the year. These prizes will be awarded at the July meeting.



Any project shown at the May meeting that is a Holiday Quilt of any kind, will get an extra chance entered for the September drawing.

I recorded so many UFOs last month! Nice work ladies!!

Thanks! Sarah Weible

WOOLY WOMEN Chris Williams, Coordinator

We meet on the first Sunday of each month at the West County EMS & Fire Administrative Offices 223 Henry Ave. Manchester MO 63011

This group is about learning about wool applique – of all kinds.

To learn when the next Wooly Women group is scheduled, please contact Chris Williams – cwwill@earthlink.net.

BITS LIBRARY Francine Boillat Effybee534@aol.com 636-891-5084

Please return all materials, books, magazines, etc., that have been borrowed for several



months or even years to the Bits Library. It is so nice to have things returned so that others can enjoy them.

You can return them during the Guild Meetings or send them with a friend who will be attending in person.

For more information, please contact Francine at 636-891-5084.

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