

GUILD EVENTS: NOVEMBER 28, DECEMBER 12, 2023

COLOR CHALLENGE REVEAL

Finished Color Challenge quilts will be displayed at the November meeting.

Please drop your quilts off at the church between 5:00 and 6:30pm for hanging. A sleeve is not required but will help with hanging.

Pin the paper with your quilt block to the front of your quilt along with a post-it note or index card with your color and color theory. Don't put your name on the front.

Your label on the back of the quilt should have: Guild Challenge 2023, Title of piece, your block name, your color, your color theory, your name, finished date and any techniques used.

Voting for **Challenge Viewer's choice** will take place at the meeting with 3 prizes. There will also be **prizes for participating** in the challenge.

If you have a quilt frame to bring, please do. Be sure it is marked with your name.

I'm looking forward to seeing the finished pieces, if you have any questions call me at 314-303-2179.

Thank you, Trish Hill



for Vice President and Secretary

HOLIDAY PARTY December 12, 2023 at 6:00 PM

- ★ If your **FIRST** name begins with **A-M** you will bring an **Appetizer**.
- ★ If your **FIRST** name begins with **N-Z** you will bring a **Dessert**.
Please keep the dishes small due to limited space.
- ★ Our Entertainer will be Debra Sharm, who will be our "singer".
- ★ The FUN EVENT is "Bring a Gift/Take Home a Gift", so be sure to bring your gift and take one home.

Reminder of Things to Bring

- ◇ Your Food to Share: Appetizer or Dessert
- ◇ Canned Goods for the Church
- ◇ Your "Scrap Bag Gift"
- ◇ Your Holiday Spirit

Thank you, Judy Humphrey



The Houston International Quilt Festival ***November 2-5, 2023***

We are so proud of these Members of the Bits 'n' Pieces Guild that have quilts in the Houston International Quilt Festival. Congratulations to all of you!

The next two pages show these awesome three quilts:

ArtBits Group: Created the magnificent “Wonderful Things - 100 Years of Tutankhamun”. At f first glance you see a replication of the tomb of King Tut. But these talented quilters added a bit of mirth into the intricate quilting by adding such things as the McDonald’s Golden Arches, a school bus, and a sewing machine to mention only a few. The names of those that participated in the making of this awesome quilt are: Sally White Pelikan (her idea, she put parts together and did the quilting), Sherry Ann Cor-dover, Patti Moreland, Becca Baumann, Peggy Anderson, Trisha Hill, Jamis Kresyman, Louise Morris, Wendy Richards, Mary Ann Anderson, Mary Mohl, Kate Hall, Melinda Jackson, Jane Unger Baumstark, Gail MacCartney, Linda Reel, Nancy Sinise, Kathleen Strebeck, Candy Grisham , Cindy Bell Neville. This quilt was accepted into the large pictorial category and won Viewers’ Choice at the festival! Nine members of Art Bits who contributed to King Tut were able to trek to Houston and meet up for all sorts of fun. They also were interviewed by Superior Threads. The availability of the interview will be announced at a later date.

Kay Strebeck: Designed the “Llife Cycle of the Monarch Butter-fly”. The quilt was chosen as a Finalist for the Cherrywood Chal-lenge. Kay was selected as one of the finalists and randomly placed in one of three groups to go on tour and later displayed at the Houston Show.

Sandy Sagan: Her unique quilt, “Future” was accepted and now hangs in the Small Pictorial category of the Houston Show.



**“Wonderful Things - 100 Years of Tutankhamun”
Created by the ArtBits Group**



Kathleen Strebeck—"Lifecycle of the Monarch Butterfly"



Sandy Sagan - "Future"

GUILD MEETING MINUTES

October 24, 2023

In the absence of Teresa Basler, Secretary,
Pat Moreland, Vice President, Recorded the Minutes

Motion to approve minutes of September 26, 2023 meeting was approved!

Treasurers report is on the website.

Trish Hill updated us on next month's program, "The Color Challenge", on Tuesday, November 28th. Approximately 25 participants. Trish will be at the church at 5 pm to start collecting and hanging the Challenge quilts. Trish requested that anyone with a quilt frame bring it, clearly labeled with their name on it.

- A sleeve is suggested but not mandatory. (But it will be needed if the quilt is entered into the next quilt show).
- You must have an index card pinned to the front of the quilt with 1) color, 2) color theory and 3) block name on it, but **NO NAME** can be on Index card!

Trish will send out an email prior to next month with details of what should be on the back of quilt and what should be on the index card on the front.

Jean Goldsberry announced the slate of nominees:

VP – Debbie Reynolds

Secretary – Darlene Kopta

Jean asked for additional nominations, but none were given. Official voting will take place at the November meeting.

Darla Gibson gave a plug for Quilt Sleeves and mentioned that the **next quilt show was 508 Days away!**

- If you are on the Quilt Committee, see Darla to pick up your Red Folder.
- The first quilt Committee meeting will be the 1st Tuesday of January, January 2, 2024 at 6:30 pm. All Quilt Committee meetings will be on Zoom.

Darla's parting comment was "Keep Quilting"!

We were reminded that **Linda Waugh is in charge of Sunshine & Shadow** and that she continues to do a great job of finding out what our members want to share about their health and personal situations. Thank you Linda.

Judy Humphrey shared info about the upcoming **Holiday Party** to be held on Tuesday, December 12th at 6pm (no meeting on the 4th Tuesday of the month in December).

- We will be bringing appetizers and desserts. Judy is switching things up and assigning by First Names.
- If your **FIRST** name begins with **A-M** you will bring an **Appetizer**. If your **FIRST** name begins with **N-Z** you will bring a **Dessert**. She asked us to keep the dishes small due to limited space.
- Our Entertainer will be Debra Sharm, who will be our "singer".
- Keep in mind the "Bring a Gift/Take Home a Gift" fun event. So be sure to bring your gift and take one home.
- Four things to **bring** to the Holiday Party:
 1. Your Food to Share: Appetizer or Dessert
 2. Canned Goods for the Church
 3. Your "Scrap Bag Gift"
 4. Your Holiday Spirit

Judy Humphrey talked about Honor Flights. Last Sunday she was able to go to a meet and greet and bring quilts to veterans who were very grateful. Sixty-two Veterans will be on the Nov 4th Honor Flight and all will receive a quilt.

Debbie Reynolds gave away six Raffle gifts.

Membership: Priscilla Kosednar and Jane Dodge, pulled names to give away four gifts and announced that we had 80 people in attendance and 29 additional members online for the speaker. Three people in attendance were guests.

Show and Tell.

Meeting Adjourned.

Respectfully yours,

Pat Moreland,
Vice President

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE
Candy Grisham, President

I am looking forward to fall! Where is it? The holidays will be upon us with family and the frenzy. Remember to take a few minutes for yourself each day and remember those who may be alone.

The Challenge is right around the corner. I can't wait to see our meeting space filled with color.

Remember to do your label, pin on your information about color theory, color and block name. A sleeve is helpful but not required now.

As we transition into 2024 with the guild, we have some great workshops and programs lined up. It is also our 40th anniversary so watch for more about that.

I so appreciate how everyone steps up and fills a role. We are a FANTASTIC group.

Happy Turkey Day

Thanks,

Candy Grisham
President

Honor Flight

Good morning my name is Steven P. Peña Sr. I just wanted to write a quick note to thank you wonderful ladies for the beautiful quilt you gave me as part of my Honor Flight, coming up tomorrow morning. This is such a great honor to be invited for the Honor Flight mission.. you wonderful ladies make it even more special, with the beautiful quilt you have given for a keepsake.

So reminds me of the beautiful quilts my mother used to make when she was still living. I just felt I needed to thank you, and Judy please pass on to all the ladies and people involved to make this day even more special. Love and hugs to you all.

***Your work makes
a difference.***

Judy Humphrey

Members Only Workshops

- March 27, 2024 - Theresa Gallup Kimono Designs Small Purse Workshop
- April 24, 2024 - David Walker Fabricscapes Fabric Landscape Collage Workshop
- July 11, 2024 - MJ Kinman Bite-Size Gems Workshop
- July 12, 2024 - MJ Kinman Dames & Diamonds Workshop

FANFARE OF QUILTS - March 15-16, 2025

QUILT SHOW CHAIR **Darla Gibson**

As of today (11/14/23) we are under the 500 day mark – just at 487 days until Fanfare of Quilts opens! March 15-16, 2025

How exciting is that?!

I want to thank everyone that has volunteered so far and I look forward to our kick off meeting on January 2nd at 6:30 pm.

Something that we will do as a guild is to select a Featured Quilter from our guild. The Featured Quilter is a member of the guild that will be showcased during the quilt show with their own booth. They will show their work in a large booth and be present during the show to talk to our guests about their techniques and their love of quilting. The guild membership will vote to select this person. I'll have more information and exactly how the voting process will work after the New Year. Start thinking about these nominations!

Something that I try to do everyday is think of someone or something I can be grateful for. At this time of the year it is easy as I have a wonderful family, awesome friends and great quilting buddies! Find the grateful in the season! I wish everyone a wonderful Holiday Season!

Thank you, Darla

RAFFLE QUILT TICKETS: **Barbara Nagel 314-724-5838** **& Dianna Kogut 314-413-9389**

Many thanks to the following Bits members who have volunteered to work on the **Quilt Raffle Committee** for the 2025 Bits 'n' Pieces Quilt Show:

Margaret Gaal
Gay Stewart
Emily Wall
Cathy Abrams
Jennifer Pearson
Barbara Alsup
Ann Lashley

We're looking forward to working with you as the show gets closer!

Thank you Barbara Nagel and Dianna Kogut

CHECKLIST FOR THE **2025 QUILT SHOW**

- Gather your Pattern and Fabric.**
- Cut, Sew, Press.**
- Quilt Your Quilt.**
- Fill out the Registration Form.**
- Take a Photo of your quilt.**
- Make a Label and Hanging Sleeve.**
- Prepare a Pillowcase for your quilt.**
- Volunteer at the Show.**
- Have FUN!**

Which ones can you check off?

MEMBERSHIP

Jane Dodge
janestl@gmail.com

Priscilla Kosednar
pkosednar@sbcglobal.net

We want to give a big THANK YOU to our member, Tracy Volansky and her business, allthingsquilty.com. Tracy has donated many jelly rolls and fat quarter bundles for attendance prizes. Please take the time to check out her website.

Please try to carpool for our meetings. You can look at our roster posted under members only on our web page to find your neighbors and friends.

We have 257 members. Over 100 have joined in the past 18 mo. So, wear your name tag at our meetings and take the time to say hello to someone new.

Thank you, Jane and Priscilla

COVER OUR KIDS

Joyce Zepp
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In September and October, COK received 56 quilts. These were delivered to KVC Missouri, formerly known as Great Circle. This organization ministers to foster families, and they also have a school for autistic children. They were excited to receive so many quilts, as they have a "take what you need" fair for their families every fall, and their representative said quilts are always the first item to go. Thank you to all who donated these last two months!

Thanks, Joyce Zepp



Linda Waugh, Coordinator

Lkampwaugh@charter.net

314-941-3195

Kathy Chitwood: "My family and I would like to thank guild members for their cards, emails, kind words, thoughts, gestures, prayers and support at the passing of Terry, my husband, their dad and papa. It had meant so much to us to feel your love."

Elizabeth Stewart wanted me to relay much gratitude to the guild members for their kind messages and cards at the sudden and unexpected death of her son, Samuel A. Stewart. Elizabeth also said she is hoping to return to our guild meetings and it may be for awhile.

Let's keep both Elizabeth and Kathy and their families in our thoughts and prayer especially at this time of the year.

Edie Cornell-Smith: Let's celebrate with Edie as she reaches her joyful 11th anniversary since her pancreatic surgery. We wish her continued health and support her with our thoughts and prayers.

Art Bits Group, Kay Strebeck, Sandy Sagan: Their quilts were accepted the 2023 Houston International Quilt Festival. Please congratulate them for this great achievement. See details on Page 2.

Please send any Sunshine or Shadow requests to me.

Thank you, Linda Waugh



"IN PERSON FUN SEW DAYS CANCELED"

Mary Lou Knox, Coordinator

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636-225-3279 (HOME)

314-223-0375 (TEXT)

At the moment there are no Fun Sew Days scheduled.

Thank you, Mary Lou Knox

"ZOOM FUN SEW DAYS"

Chris Williams

cwill@earthlink.net.

Wednesday Evening Zoom - first and third Wednesday

7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

December 6, 20

January 3, 17

Thursday Afternoon Zoom - every other Thursday afternoon

1- 3 p.m.

November 15, 30

December 14, 28

January 11, 25

Let me know if you have questions. Thanks, Chris

WOOLY WOMEN

Carolyn McIntosh, Coordinator

rmcintosh1800@yahoo.com

Chris Williams is stepping down as coordinator for the Woolly Women. Please welcome Carolyn McIntosh as the new coordinator.

This group is learning about wool applique of all kinds.

We meet on the **first Sunday of each month**

at the

West County EMS & Fire Administrative Offices

223 Henry Ave., Manchester MO 63011

Scheduled dates:

December 3.

Let me know if you have questions. Thanks, Carolyn

Route 66 Project Challenge

This challenge, sponsored by Art Bits, is open to all members of Bits 'n' Pieces, and seeks to celebrate the 2026 Centennial of the Mother Road.

Due date for finished pieces is April 15, 2024. A .pdf File, "Invitation to Participate" (found in our i.o.group)— contains the rules, critical dates, and other important information.

Contact: Wendy Richards whoob@aol.com or 636-399-7695.

BITS LIBRARY

Francine Boillat

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The library has been reorganized and it should be easier to pull books out of the closet shelves and replace if necessary. The latest books in our library are M.J Kinman's Diamond Quilts and Jenny K. Lyon's Free Motion Quilting from Ordinary to Extra ordinary.

A big thank you to our members who have donated some of their own books and CD's. They are greatly appreciated by many.

See you all at the next Guild Meeting.

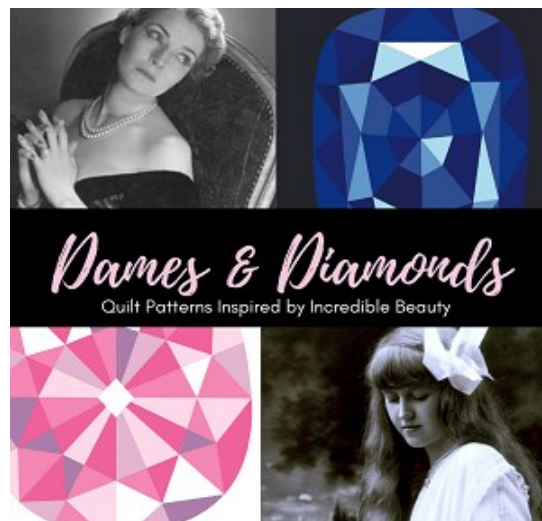
Francine Boillat, Librarian



MJ KINMAN WORKSHOPS RESCHEDULED



“BITE-SIZE GEMS” Workshop
Thursday, July 11, 2024



“DAMES & DIAMONDS” workshop
Friday, July 12, 2024

KIMONO DESIGNS PURSE WORKSHOP

Theresa Gallup – Kimono Designs

“Small Purses with Kimono Fabrics” Workshop

Wednesday, March 27, 2024



Registration Begins at November BNP Meeting

LANDSCAPES FABRIC COLLAGE WORKSHOP

David Walker – Fabricscapes

“Landscape Fabric Collage” Workshop

Wednesday, April 24, 2024



Registration Begins at November BNP Meeting