

GUILD EVENTS: JULY 23, 2024

FROM ORPHAN BLOCK TO WORKS OF ART BY HARRIETT ZIPFEL



Our July presentation will be by our own Bits N Pieces member Harriett Zipfel. Harriett will talk about turning orphan quilt blocks and other items into works of art. A trunk show of examples accompanies the presentation.

Harriett has been sewing her own clothing since learning to sew at 9 years old with 4H. She moved on to making quilts in the early 1990's. She has taught classes at Cross Patches, Warm n Cozy, and Jackman's. She participates in gallery exhibits. She also owns Dragonfly Textile Arts, selling items at art and craft fairs and quilt shows.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Candy Grisham, President

Dear Members,

Happy 40th Birthday Bits.

Thank you to Linda Reel and her committee for a great birthday party. I still laugh looking at the pictures. We still know how to have fun, right!

Heading into the dog days of summer I am happy to stay out of the humidity and sew. How about you?

Looking forward to MJ Kinman's workshops that were rescheduled from 2023. These will be the last workshops before the quilt show. Speaking of Quilt Show – are you finishing your quilts? It will be here before you know it!

Debbie has some great programs scheduled for the rest of the year.

Speaking of the rest of the year: we will be asking for a nominating committee for President and Treasurer for the next two-year term. Please let me know if you are interested or willing. We also need a workshop chair.

Thanks all and happy quilting!

Candy Grisham
President

UFOs - (Unfinished Objects)

**Megan Buttery mbuttery8119@sbcglobal.net
Ginny Rainey kengin9259@gmail.com**

For 2024 UFOs, email your list for 2024, fill out a new list from the website or let us know if you want to continue with your old list.

The 'List':

- Includes projects that you started or bought but never finished them. They should be quilting related – placemats, wall hanging, baby quilts, Block of the Months, kits – anything you want to finish in 2024. I normally put all my UFOs on the list because I never know what I will want to work on in 2024. You have until the April meeting to give us your list.

- When you finish any quilt on your list bring it to a meeting. Tell the UFO table you finished it and display it during Show and Tell. (If you cannot come to the meeting then email with a picture.)

- You earn Points for completing each quilt. Points are based on the size of the quilt and the type of quilting. We are going to try something new this year. We can always go back to the old way next year. I will write more on this later.



We will draw monthly participation prizes And there will be several prizes for the most points at the end of the year.

After July's meeting the mid-year UFO winners will be determined so get those quilts finished!

If you have questions please contact Megan or Ginny (see email contact information above).

GUILD MEETING MINUTES
Kathleen Strebeck, Secretary

There was no June meeting because of the Birthday Bash/ Cindy Lauper look-alike guild event.

COVER OUR KIDS and MORE
Diana Priess, Coordinator
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COK SEW DAY—SAVE THE DATE

Date: Monday, October 7th

Theme: “Fall Frolic!”

Time: 9:30 to 2:30

Location: Ballwin Methodist Church

Bring: Sewing Machine, Extension Cord, & Lunch

Guaranteed: Prizes & Fun!!



FOR ALL MAKERS
OF
ROUTE 66 PIECES

Wendy Richards
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We are going to publish an EXHIBIT BOOK, tentatively titled, “Getting Your Kicks on Route 66: Route 66 2026 Centennial Celebration ART Quilt Project”. Our goal is to have it ready by the March 2025 Bits guild show.

Within the next week or so, you will receive a form to fill out. It will ask for much of the same information as on your project submission form, but we want to be sure all info provided is as you would like it to appear in the book. So please complete this new form.

The form will likely come from Harriet Zipfel. Please complete the form and return it to her in a timely fashion. However, if you feel comfortable completing your form now, that’s great. If not, that is okay. We will be able to add yours later.

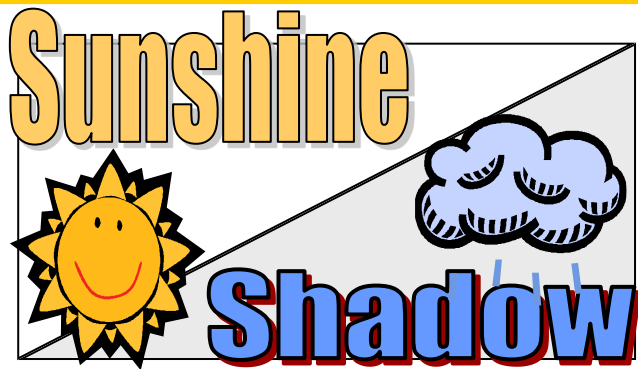
Thank you in advance.

If you have any questions, please contact a book committee member: Candy Grisham, Wendy Richards, Harriet Zipfel, SherryAnn Cordover, Kay Strebeck.

Help us reach 66 or more!

At the Route 66 reveal May 28, several people asked if they could still do a piece for the exhibit.

A .pdf document was provided in the Guild’s i.o. Group messages. Please read the document carefully.



Linda Waugh, Coordinator

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Shirley Donovan recently had a stroke. She is currently in the hospital, and is hoping to be moved to rehab for a couple weeks, though that has not happened yet. Let's storm heaven with prayer for Shirley and send her healing and cheerful cards. She needs our support at this time. Here is her home address information.

Shirley Donovan
421 Piper Court
Troy, MO 63379

Art Bits Group Their Wonderful Things - 100 Years of King Tutankamun has been accepted into the 2024 Mancuso Pacific International Quilt Festival. Congratulations to Art Bits for the wondrous and creative work they did to achieve this festival acceptance. It was a fantastic group effort.

Kathleen Strebeck and Amy Kerkemeyer Their quilts were finalists in the Cherrywood Poppy Challenge 2024 and will be in the Houston International Quilt Market and Festival in November then travel through the US each for a year.

Please contact me with any sunshine and shadow requests or announcements.

Thanks so much to all of you!

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MEMBERSHIP

Karen Grogan, mgrogan11@att.net
Beth Roehm, bethroehm57@gmail.com

At most meetings, we have attendance prizes at the end of the meeting. Please wear your name tag, and pick up a ticket at the membership table when you arrive. Also at the membership table we have membership cards for those that want them.

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

Karen and Beth

THIMBLE AND THREAD'S RETREAT

Susan Sanders, the retreat coordinator with Thimble and Thread Quilt Guild has a few openings in the **August 16, 17 and 18 retreat** at the Mercy Retreat Center, located at 2039 North Geyer Rd. Cost is \$312 for a single and \$272 for a double with hours from 9am on Friday to 2pm on Sunday. Seven meals are included and they are amazing! The grounds are beautiful and the rooms are very well appointed. Contact Susan at bpandq@aol.com or by phone at 314 822 4673 with any questions or to sign up. - Louise Morris

FANFARE OF QUILTS - March 15-16, 2025

QUILT SHOW CHAIR

Darla Gibson

Quilters!

I hope all are well and that you are enjoying your summer! I haven't gotten much quilting done but I have been busy with the Show Committee and getting all the pieces put together.

We are on our way to getting the vendors signed up for the show - to date, I believe we are at 8 vendors! Some of our regulars are not in the count so that is an awesome start!

We have the event space and pipe and drape company ready to go and we are working on the schedule for set up. So many moving parts and so exciting to be heading into Fall with so much done!

We do have a deadline coming up for nominations for Featured Quilter. If you have not had a chance to do so, please think about who you feel would best represent our guild and the art of quilting at our show in March. I will send out the forms in email again. The deadline for the nominations is the July 23rd Meeting. Once I have the nominees, I will put something together to present to the nominees for a vote at an upcoming meeting. If you have questions about this please email me at ddgibby64@yahoo.com.

That's the short update! I'm excited by the progress! Can't wait to see what you are creating to include in the show!

Please do not hesitate to reach out to the Committee or me with questions.

Thanks, Darla Gibson

RAFFLE QUILT TICKETS

**Barbara Nagel 314-724-5838
& Dianna Kogut 314-413-9389**

Tickets sales have been going well but there's still plenty of time to pick up and sell more tickets. Please continue to turn your money in once your tickets have been sold and feel free to pick up more to sell.

Since summer is a busy time for many people, we've taken a little break from selling raffle tickets in local quilt stores. However, we will be scheduling additional events this fall. Signup will be sent using SignupGenius.

There will be drawings for prizes throughout the year for those that sell tickets and those that help with ticket sales events at local quilt shops. The person selling the most tickets will also receive a prize.

Thank you for everyone's support in making this important fundraiser a success.

CHARITY RAFFLE
Joyce Zepp, Coordinator

WE HAVE BASKETS!!!!

Several people, but especially Sally Pelican, have been collecting baskets for the 2025 Charity Raffle that will benefit the St. Louis Crisis Nursery. So now we need to fill them!

The show will be a few weeks before Easter, so think spring rather than Christmas. And we need NEW or LIKE NEW items. Be creative.

I received an adorable apron pattern, so I'm going to make that, plus a pocketed hot pad that I will stuff with cute kitchen items. I have quite a few items that will be hung, so I especially need items to fill the baskets. Let's get creative!

What would you be interested in winning at the show?

If you have questions, email me at joycezepp83@gmail.com.

Thanks, Joyce

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!**

How many can
YOU
check off?