

Threadlines

Newletter of the Uncommon Threads Quilt Guild

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PRESIDENT:



SHARON G.

Hello quilters,
We have survived the holidays and are plowing into January quite literally with lots of snow, we measured eight inches at our house. It has been beautiful but too cold and now I am ready for it to go away. I'm a Texan and cold weather is

not my style, just give me some warm weather and sunshine. Oh well, enough of my complaining.

We will start the year off with our monthly challenge blocks hosted by Wendy and Christine. I'll be finishing up my February blocks and planning for March. I hope you are all joining me.

Also, I still encourage you to keep up with sewing hospice quilts. Whatever you do to help, it is appreciated. All sewers are needed for piecing tops, doing the quilting (battings and backing are provided by the guild) and also to put on the finishing touch by attaching the binding. Work by many gets tremendous results, we've all been busy during the holidays, now let's get cranked up sewing for hospice. It's also appropriate to make a seasonal quilt, for Valentine, Easter, fall or Christmas patients during those seasons

Now might be a good time to look through your sewing room and clean out unwanted or unused stuff for Stash for Cash. Proceeds are used to pay visiting instructors and workshops.

I look forward to seeing you at our regular meeting on January 28th. Invite a friend to visit and maybe join us. We are a great group! Stay well and let's make it a great year for Uncommon Threads.

Happy sewing,
Sharon G

January 28th
BINDING TECHNIQUES



JANUARY 2025

WHAT'S HAPPENING?

The December General Meeting is Tuesday, JAN 28th, at 6:30pm with the social beginning at 6pm at Germantown UMC, 2331 S. Germantown Rd. Parking and Entrance are at the rear on West St.

A complete list of events is on the last page.

In-Person Guild Meetings are the 4th Tuesday at Germantown UMC.

INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY
The UTQG will follow the guidelines for Shelby County Schools in the event of inclement weather including TORNADO WARNING but applicable for any weather event which impacts safe travel to and from the general meeting. If the schools are closed, the UTQG General meeting will be cancelled.

Show & Tell: Jody T

Whew! We survived the holidays! If yours were as crazy as mine, maybe we should change the spelling to 'holidayze'. Hopefully things are back to normal for you and you will have some finished projects to show off at the guild meeting January 28. If you cannot be with us in person, please share pictures and any info you want us to know about your project by Sunday, January 26. Remember to include any gift pictures you took too. Send them to the guild email UTQuilts@gmail.com. Put Show and Tell in the subject line. Besides the yummy food, Show

and Tell is the best part of our meetings! See you there!
Jody T

MEMBERSHIP:

Deirdre B

There were 30 members in person at the December meeting, 6 on Zoom, and 1 visitor - Pam M.

Deloris won the Door prize, and Patti won the Name Tag drawing. We had a very brief business meeting and then got on to the important thing - the games and party.

Jane had an online game for everyone to play which was fun for all. We played RLC (Right, left, center) with fabric strips, made some cute Christmas themed pens, and then went on to play Dirty Santa. 26 members participated in the gift exchange and the variety of gifts was great.

Deirdre



Sandy L. Pat D., Dotty J., Emily S., and Kay S.

Hello again ladies. We Hope you had a lovely holiday season with family and friends. We want to thank you all once again for all you do to make the quilts for Community Quilts. Each of you, no matter what you contribute, are amazing. We are blessed to have such caring individuals in our guild. We dropped off 14 quilts during the month of December. I went in last week and they had 4 Christmas quilts and 1 regular quilt to give to the patients. I said I would store the 4 Christmas quilts for next year.

January we are starting a contest that will last through the May meeting. We decided to give one point for each thing you do to complete a quilt. So one point to make the top, one point to quilt it, one point to bind it and put the label on. Whoever has the most points in May gets First Prize. We will also have a 2nd and 3rd prize. So if you picked up a kit or finished a quilt and bring it to our January meeting we will start counting your points. I'll bring 10 kits to the meeting but if you need more; just call and someone on the committee will meet you somewhere. If you are new to the guild or have never helped with community quilts; it is a great and well appreciated endeavor. We contribute to the Hospice unit in Collierville Baptist and at Baptist East.

Again, we thank you for all you do.
Pat D. Community Quilts
Chairperson



Retreat: Our annual retreat is held at the St. Columba Retreat Center in November right around Veteran's Day.



CHALLENGE is Back!
Wendy J & Christine G

Happy New Year quilting friends!

February blocks are due

during our January guild meeting.

If you didn't make January blocks, present them during this meeting, and you will receive a "ticket" for each block (two max). This is the only time to receive tickets for past blocks. All other blocks must be turned in on time.

Block suggestions are a heart and the Ohio Star blocks. As always, you may choose your own blocks.

Guidelines for our guild challenge:

1. Each month two different blocks are to be completed/any size.
2 blocks completed=2 tickets/1 ticket for 1 block
2. Members do not have to take part each month.
3. Blocks must be turned in during the month specified.

Ideas for the blocks:

- *perpetual calendar as per Christine's examples
- *wall hanging for family member on his/her birthday month
- *make blocks and have a sampler quilt
- *make table toppers/runners

Drawings for ribbons will be done at the end of the challenge. No popularity or skills are required. Just relax and have fun.

Christine and I hope to see many blocks this month!

☺☺☺ Happy quilting and God bless,

Wendy J and Christine G



HOSPITALITY
Sallye L., Sue F., Deloris R.
Our table is Potluck.

BRING FOOD

We would like to thank everyone for all of the goodies for Christmas potluck. And please bring a snack to share this month too..

Thank you.
Hospitality Team.



AND NEXT

Iris T	1/2
Carol B	1/3
Sally N	2/9
Barbara R	2/13
Kay S	2/23



CORRESPONDING SECRETARY

Deloris R

A Get Well card has been sent to Sallye L.

Traveling Quilter:

Sandy C. will be on the road again soon and reporting back her experiences at quilt shops near & far.



The Communications Team

Be sure you are checking out the Uncommon Threads website!

<https://www.ucquilts.com/>

Our goal is to provide the most current information about Guild

activities in a format that is easy to use!

Details on Guild Meetings and how to participate are at:

<https://www.ucquilts.com/projects-6>

Respectfully, Sally N., Communications

PROGRAMS:



Melissa D.

Lynn M and Sally N will share their thoughts on the importance of planning for your binding while designing and piecing your quilt.

They will demonstrate:

- * Deciding on the style of binding or facing
- * Trimming and squaring the quilted quilt
- * Attaching the binding or facing with mitered corners
- * And last, but not least the age-old question do you sew it down by machine or by hand?

Ways & Means:



Margaret S.

Guild Pins are available for \$3.

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We welcome the treasures that you bring. These are items that need a new home and can go to a new home the night of our meeting. Pay what you feel is appropriate but if the items that you bring don't find a new home that night, please take them back with you. Due to our limited space, we cannot store anything. So, items that don't sell will be discarded that night.

Thanks.

Margaret S. Ways and Means.

Next Meetings:

Guild Meeting	28 JAN	H
Board Meeting	10 FEB	V
Guild Meeting	25 FEB	H

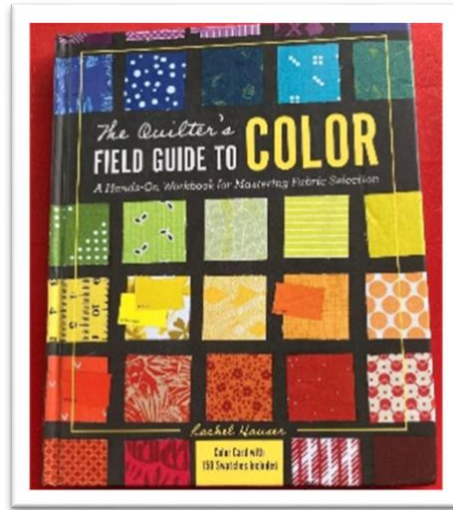
Legend: H = Hybrid, V = Virtual, IP = In Person

Zoom Series: Janice C The Quilter's Field Guide to Color

A hands-on workbook for
mastering fabric selection.

We will meet at 10 a.m. on
February 1st on Zoom to share
experiments 1-3 and preview the
next step.

Happy Sewing! Janice C



DO YOU EQ?

Free EQ Lessons will be resuming in February. Since there are small groups of quilters that use EQ, this group will be open to anyone who would like to learn EQ. Lynn M will be using EQ8 in her instruction.

A separate Zoom will be used so that non-members of Uncommon Threads can join in on these lessons. If you wish to participate, please send an email to Lynn M at materialholic@gmail.com. You will be sent an invite to join this group on Zoom, the week of the meeting, with a link included. Come and see what EQ can do for you, especially if you are considering EQ for your future. Right now we will meet at 4:00 on the days below via Zoom.

Thank you,
Lynn

February 15 – Intro, Where Things Are

March 22 – Simple Block Designs

April 19 – Simple Quilt Designs

May 17 – Borders

June 21 – Basic Applique

July 19 – Pieced and Applique Blocks

August 16 – Importing Pictures

September 20 – Open Lessons



Attention members! You have access to the ZOOM sewing room anytime there is not a guild planned meeting. Early Bird, Night Owl, East Coast, or West, another Country and Continent it doesn't matter. As a member you may connect with other members in our ZOOM Room. The room is open anytime there isn't a meeting planned. A full calendar can be found on the last page.



From the Editor.

All submissions are best made using my email, thequiltedpage@aol.com with Newsletter in the Subject. The deadline for the JAN newsletter is
Wednesday, 12 FEB.

Karen P

Guild Meetings

Guild meetings are the 4th Tuesday unless otherwise stated and are both in person and on Zoom (hybrid)

January 28, 2025
February 25, 2025
March 25, 2025
April 22, 2025
May 27, 2025

Retreats and Special Events

Refer to Guild Communications for details.

Member Retreat
November, 2025

FREE! Virtual EQ Lessons

Contact Lynn M. to enroll at
materialholic@gmail.com
Lesson begins at 4p.m. on these
dates.

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Board Meetings

February 10, 2025
March 10, 2025
April 7, 2025
May 12, 2025

Zoom Sewing Room **Monthly Color Theory** **Saturday Zoom** **10 A.M.**

February 1 - Understanding Color Experiments 1-3 + Sew and Tell

March 1 - Color Theory Experiments 4-8 + Sew and Tell

April 5 - Exploring Neutrals Experiments 9-10 + Sew and Tell

May 3 - Finding Your Way Experiments 11-12 + Sew and Tell

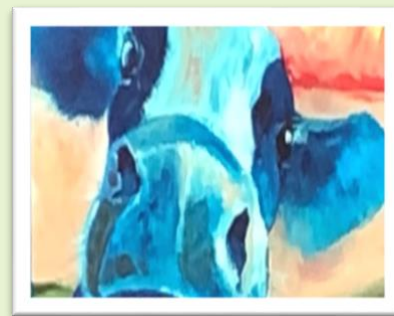
June 7 - Working in Cloth Experiments 13-14 + Sew and Tell

The link can be found on the Members only page of the Website: <https://www.ucquilts.com/members-only>

An Impromptu Zoom link is also available for members to Sew Together Virtually



Quilting is always more fun with friends!



Remember:

- Name Tag
- Potluck Dish
- Challenge Blocks
- Show and Tell
- Community Quilts
- Sign your CQ Kit out &/or In
- Ca\$h for \$tash