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# Threadlines

Newletter of the Uncommon Threads Quilt Guild

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## PRESIDENT's Message: Kathy C

**OCTOBER 27TH**
**Hand Stitching**

Hey ya'll!



Did you miss our Sew Together on October 3rd? Too bad. Dawn and the Community Service Committee pulled together a fun time! And we got a lot done. I was on task cutting. Dawn gave me my instructions to cut the fabric 18 inches by the width of the fabric. Oh, I was meticulously working like a well-oiled machine. I didn't have but 1 ½ hours to give before I'd have to leave. There was laughter and pleasant conversations all around me, but I was too focused to join in. Even when people tried to engage me directly in conversation, I shut it down. Others were sewing and pressing and enjoying the experience, but I was serious. Earlier, I said we had a fun time, but it wasn't because of me. I was not fun. On my walk home, I thought about how driven I was and tried to figure out why. Although I didn't come up with answer, I resolved to be more fun next time! Because when you think about it, it's just fabric and thread!

Choose Joy!
Kathy



## OCTOBER 2026

WHAT'S HAPPENING?

The OCTOBER General Meeting is OCT 27TH 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.

In-Person Guild Meetings are usually 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.




## Community Service: Dawn H. Chair

**Carol B, Emily S, Jolene K, Kay S, Sally N, Sandy L, and Sharon G**

The Community Service committee appreciates everyone who joined us on October 3 for the sew-together. We made over 40 backpacks to donate to Room in the Inn, tied 5 quilt tops, and even completed some stockings to send to Illinois for Dove (https://www.doveinc.org/). Most importantly we spent a few hours chatting and enjoying our time together!

The day was such a success that another sew-together is being planned for early 2027. More details to follow!

## MEMBERSHIP: Deirdre B



We had 43 in person and 9 online in September for a total of 52.

Current total membership is 81.

I encourage all members to reach out to new members at our meetings and make them feel welcome.
Deirdre




## AQS Creativity Challenge:

**Circles of Yesterday, Stitched for Today**

This wool felt challenge is a lot of fun for those who love wool appliqué or want to learn wool appliqué

The deadline to submit a photo is October 28, 2026.

Janice C

missreading@yahoo.com




## Hospitality OCTOBER

Sallye L., Sue F., Deloris R.

Please bring a favorite fall food to share at our monthly guild meeting. Something homemade or store bought is welcome- think soups, savory snacks, baked treats or seasonal favorites. We look forward to enjoying good food and great company.

Thanks Sallye and Sue



## Show & Tell: Dawn C

This is everyone's favorite part of the meeting. If you cannot attend in person to share your projects, you may submit pictures and info about them to utquiltguild@gmail.com. Put Show & Tell in the subject line and include your name and information about your project. The deadline to submit is Sunday prior to the meeting. Pictures shared online and in person will be uploaded to the Guild's Facebook page after each meeting.




# Retreat: Melissa D.

All the final details are coming together for retreat this year! If you haven't already, be sure to sign up for the Quilting Around the World retreat with Alice ridge at St. Columba from November 13-15. Spots are filling up fast!

Alice Ridge is putting together a supply list for the classes. If you signed up for any of the classes, keep an eye on the UTQG retreat page for updates once we get them.

Our T-shirt order has been submitted. Be sure to pick up your challenge fabric from Deloris if you want to join in the challenge this year! If you have any small goodies or items you'd like to donate for games or door prizes, please let Sharon or Jane know.

We will have the masseuse and the scissor sharpener at retreat this year. The sharpener requires a pre-sign up to bring adequate supplies. A sign-up sheet will be at the sign-in table during our October meeting. Message Melissa if you'd won't make it to the meeting but would like to be on the list.

As the final details come together, the retreat committee will NOT be meeting in person before our October meeting. Thanks everyone for your hard work this year- it will be such a fun retreat!



# PROGRAMS:

**Melissa D.**

Happy Fall, y'all! It's the start of panic season where I have a larger than reasonable list of things to make for holiday gifts. There's something special about putting time and effort into creating something for a loved one. This month for our program, Janice will be focusing our attention on handwork- join us to see some examples of her work and techniques to get inspired for your holiday projects or for our retreat this year where two of the three classes involve hand stitching.






**And Next**

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| Melissa A | 10/6 |
| Melissa D | 10/8 |
| Claire P | 10/8 |
| Diane R | 10/13 |
| Carol R | 10/14 |
| Tina W | 10/16 |
| Emily S | 10/17 |
| Cathy S | 10/27 |
| Karen M | 10/30 |
| Ellen L | 11/5 |
| Erin S | 11/12 |
| Carmen W | 11/12 |
| Pearl S | 11/13 |
| Dawn C | 11/16 |
| Jane J | 11/17 |
| Karen P | 11/24 |
| Yolanda S | 11/24 |
| Ann W | 11/25 |



## CORRESPONDING SECRETARY

Deloris R

Karen P - Get Well card sent for recovery and healing.
Margaret S - Sympathy Card Formal Uncommon Thread member Joyce G's son passed in Boston. She is Margaret's sister.
Regards
Deloris




## The Communications Committee

**Sally N - Chair**

Sally will be on vacation for all of October and unfortunately the website will not be updated during that time. She has updated everything possible on the website in advance, and we apologize for any inconvenience. Thank you to Lynn M. for stepping in to send emails to Guild members and keep the information flowing. Please also continue to add information to our Facebook group and Jane J. will be watching to ensure the information there is current and correct.
We hope you will participate in all the great activities in the month ahead. https://www.ucquilts.com/




Wendy J & Christine G

Happy October quilters!
All of the Sewcialites blocks have been introduced. Again I thank Karen P, Sue F, Janice C, Sally N, Tina W, Sharon G, Sandy L, and Sharon E, who participated in this challenge! If I missed anyone, please let me know.

Some of you have been extra diligent by having your quilt tops started or finished. Congratulations! For those of us who haven't pieced our blocks, we still have time! We will share our finished quilts during our November meeting.




## Ways & Means:

Margaret S.

Guild Pins are available for $3.

## $tash for Ca$h

We welcome the treasures that you bring. These are items that need a new home and can go to a new home on 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.



My sewing machine block depicts my sewing frenzy for the past six weeks. I finished my Delta Threads, Quilting My America quilt, and it is hanging at the Cotton Museum for a month. Then all of the quilts in the show will go to the Davies Manor quilt show. After I finish up a small quilt for the Fayette Cares auction, I will piece my Sewcialites quilt top.

If you enjoy challenges like the Sewcialites blocks, the Moda Blockheads year 7 weekly blocks has begun. I am downloading quilt blocks that I like to save for the new year. You can go to Moda's website and/or go to the Fat Quarter shop for patterns and/or instructions. You can also find demonstrations from the various artists.

*****For easy access to the Moda Blockheads patterns, go to my.modafabrics.com.

God bless and happy quilting!

Wendy J

fatquartershop.com

blog.FatQuarterShop.Com/Sewcialites

YouTube



**Traveling Quilter**: **Look here for Sandy C's next adventure.**




## Next Meetings:

Legend: H = Hybrid, V = Virtual, IP = In Person ***= Date Change**

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| Guild Meeting | **27 OCT** | H |
| *Board Meeting | **2 NOV** | V |
| *Guild Meeting | **17 NOV** | H |



# ZOOM TIME?

## ANYTIME!

**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.

## Guild Meetings

Guild meetings are the 4th Tuesday unless otherwise stated and are both in person and on Zoom (hybrid). See the meeting tab on our website for more details.

September 22, 2026
October 27, 2026
November 17, 2026*
December 15, 2026*
January 26, 2027
February 23, 2027
March 23, 2027
April 27, 2027
May 25, 2027

*Varies from 4th Tuesday schedule

## Retreats and Special Events

Refer to Guild Communications for details.

Member Retreat
November 13 – 15, 2026
Pre and Post Retreat
November 12 & 16

## Classes and Zoom Groups

See the Classes Webpage and/or Newsletters for details

## Board Meetings

For 2026-27 the Executive Board meetings will be the 2nd Monday of each month and are held on Zoom. **Articles for the Newsletter are due on the Wed. following the Board meeting.**

October 12, 2026
November 2, 2026*
December 7, 2026*
January 11, 2027
February 8, 2027
March 8, 2027
April 12, 2027
May 10, 2027

*Varies from 2nd Monday schedule

## Zoom Sewing Room

The link can be found on the Members only page of the Website

An Impromptu Zoom link is also available for members to Sew Together Virtually. We encourage all members to join the Zoom Sewing Room anytime there is not a scheduled Guild meeting.
If you find yourself with a day, morning, afternoon, or evening to sew, let others know and get on the Zoom link. You can shout out to a group of friends via the Facebook group or Messenger or in a group text or email.

**Quilting is always more fun with friends!**



**From the Editor**

All submissions are best made using my email, thequiltedpage@aol.com with Newsletter in the Subject. The deadline for the NOV newsletter is Wednesday, NOV 4th.
Karen P

Remember:

- Name Tag
- Retreat Form and Payment
- Potluck Dish
- Show and Tell
- Community Quilts (CQ)
- Sign your CQ Kit out &/or In
- Ca$h for $tash