

Threadlines

Newletter of the Uncommon Threads Quilt Guild

ucquilts.com

February 25th
Market Overview

PRESIDENT:



SHARON G.

Hello fellow UTQG friends. Can you believe it is mid-February already. The year is galloping by very quickly. I hope you have been able to stay well, there is a lot of sickness in the community. I think it is a flu virus making its' wintry rounds. Stay

hydrated and wash your hands frequently, especially if you've been out and about.

We will welcome Jennifer Reith from The Sewing House at our next meeting. She will speak first, then we will have Show N Tell. After a break we will have the business meeting.

Quilts for hospice are always needed. Try to take a kit from Community Outreach table or make one from your monster stash. I'm working on a red, white and blue for a veteran in hospice. Look up three-yard quilt patterns on the 'net. There are some easy free patterns if you want to reduce your stash.

As always, bring something for snack table, bring something for Cash for a stash, and bring a friend. I'd love to see a roomful. Stay warm and dry, looks like we have more winter coming.

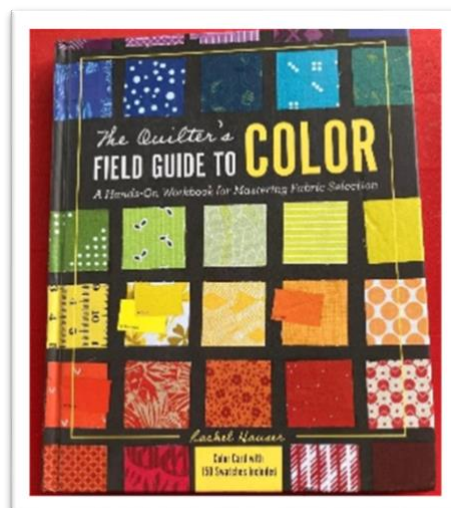
Pieceful stitching,
Sharon G

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 March 1st on Zoom to share experiments 4-6 and preview the next step.

Happy Sewing! Janice C



February 2025

WHAT'S HAPPENING?

The December General Meeting is Tuesday, FEB 25TH, 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

It's February and the month of love! We love seeing your finished projects! Bring your latest works of art to the guild meeting on Feb. 25. If you cannot attend in person, please submit photos and text of whatever you want us to know about your project like the name of the piecing or quilting pattern to the guild email address UTquilts@gmail.com. Send photos by Sunday Feb. 23 and put Show and Tell in the subject line. We can't wait to see what you have accomplished!

Jody T.



MEMBERSHIP:

Deirdre B

We currently have 81 members in the Guild.

There were 44 members at the January meeting - 32 in person and 12 via Zoom.

We also had 4 visitors - Pam McK., Lauren B., Karen F., and Janet M.

I would urge every member who has brought a friend or acquaintance to check back with them - let them know of our upcoming programs and encourage them to visit again and join our Guild.

Deirdre



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



Sandy L, Pat D, Emily S, and Kay S

We hope this finds everyone doing well. Once again you pulled together for the Hospice Center in Collierville. We delivered 9 completed quilts. I heard there are several more coming in this month too. Thank you so much. I won't be attending the February meeting in person. Please give the quilt tops to Sandy Lumsden or Kay Smith. Remember to keep track of what you complete for the contest. Please see last month's newsletter for an explanation on the contest. Donna will bring some more kits.

Some members have been asking how big to make the hospice tops.

For those of you who are so graciously using your own fabrics and orphan blocks, please try to make the tops a minimum of 45x60 and not too much bigger as they are frequently used by individuals in wheel chairs. For those using the kits, it's ok to use your own patterns. We love whatever you choose to make and so the individuals receiving them.

Again, thank you so much for all you do to help make families more comfortable at the hospice centers we support. You are THE BEST!!

Sincerely,
Community Quilts Committee



CHALLENGE is Back!
Wendy J & Christine G
Hello my quilting friends!

Show and Tell time is almost here again! Bring one or two **March** blocks to share,

and make sure that you sign in and add this month's blocks to the list.

Thank you members for sharing your February blocks last month. We now have twelve participants! Remember, you may join the fun at anytime. If you need inspiration for blocks, go to quilterscache.com.

The quilt above is made with Christine's March blocks. Block suggestions are the water wheel, whirlwind, and eight pointed 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=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 their birthday month
- *make blocks and have a sampler quilt
- *make table toppers/runners

Christine and I hope to see many blocks this month!

☺📧 Happy quilting and God bless,

Wendy J and Christine G



The Communications Team

Information about all Uncommon Threads activities can be found on the website in addition to our newsletter, Threadlines, our Facebook page, and in group emails. This month please check out these specific parts of

the website:

- Guild Challenge - <https://www.ucquilts.com/sew-along-block-of-the-month>
- Color Theory Zoom Class, including a recording of last month's class - <https://www.ucquilts.com/activities> (bottom left of the page)
- EQ Lessons - <https://www.ucquilts.com/activities> (bottom left of page)

Sally N, Communications



HOSPITALITY

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

BRING FOOD

Thanks to all for continuing to bring snacks to share. And please bring a snack to share this month too.

Thank you.

Hospitality Team.



AND NEXT

Sally N	2/9
Barbara R	2/13
Kay S	2/23
Donna N	3/2
Mikaela C	3/20



CORRESPONDING SECRETARY

Deloris R
No report.

Traveling Quilter: Sandy C

Traveling Quilter –
Hennessey, Oklahoma

A friend sent me a review of a quilt shop that was touted as the Largest Quilt Shop in Oklahoma, so naturally as I was on my way to Albuquerque with a stopover in Norman Oklahoma to visit with my sister I decided to take a trip to this large shop. Prairie Quilt is located at 101 S Main St., Hennessey, OK 73472 405-853-6801. www.prairiequilt.com is their website. Sample quilts adorn the walls, and a small comfortable seating arrangement is located at the front of the shop for use by husbands or friends who



do not quilt.
The shop is
located an hour
north of OKC

about 35 miles off I-35. I have to admit the shop is in a two story building with hardwood floors but the fabric selection was not as large as anticipated. Fabric included mostly traditional selections. I saw a small shelf of batik fabric and a small offering of Tula Pink. I was told that when the review was written they maintained an inventory of 5000 bolts of fabric, but since the pandemic

they've had to downsize their inventory moving all of the fabric to the first floor. In addition to fabric they sell and service Pfaff, Brother and Handi Quilter machines; some embroidery kits, a nice selection of precuts, a classroom for teaching and various and sundry other quilting supplies. I found the staff very friendly and knowledgeable about their inventory. This is a quilt shop I would not necessarily go out of my way to visit, but if you are in the area of Hennessey, OK and are interested in obtaining traditional fabrics, please stop in and give them your business.



Ways & Means:

Margaret S.

Guild Pins are available for \$3.

Stash 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 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	25 FEB	H
Board Meeting	10 MAR	V
Guild Meeting	25 MAR	H

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

PROGRAMS:

Melissa D.

We will welcome Jennifer Reith from The Sewing House at our next meeting.



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 FEB newsletter is Wednesday, 12 MAR.

Karen P

Guild Meetings

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

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.

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

Board Meetings

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

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

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