

Threadlines

Newletter of the Uncommon Threads Quilt Guild

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PRESIDENT:



SHARON G.

Well, retreat was a resounding success, a huge thanks to Iris for your organizing skills, and thanks to each committee chair for your part in making it wonderful. The classes were fun, Ann Wilson endeared herself to us and gave good

instructions for each session. Some even had a finished project! We loved our guest campers from Florida and Illinois, come back again. The food was good, the rooms were fine; I could go on and on. I loved it, it was just my second retreat.

It was a great thanksgiving for us. For the first time in two years Dee had his daughters, spouses and all of his grandchildren together for a few days. We enjoyed playing Chicken Foot, very loose rules, with double fifteen dominoes, late night runs for ice cream at Sonic and plenty of football, basketball and hockey.

It's that time of the year again, the Christmas season, and all of its' hustle and bustle. Take a deep breath, relax, remember the reason for the season and try to enjoy it all. If you are traveling, I wish you safety on your journey. Dee and I will be in Houston celebrating with my daughter and granddaughter. Hold your families dear and pray for peace in this country. If you have a few minutes to sew, our hospice centers are short of quilts. This time of year is also a time of sorrow for those who lose their loved ones.

I am grateful for you, my sweet quilt friends.
Merry Christmas and Happy Hanukkah,
Sharon

December 17TH CHRISTMAS PARTY!



DECEMBER 2024

WHAT'S HAPPENING?

The December General Meeting is Tuesday, DEC 17th, 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

Tell me it isn't December already! This year is passing too fast! It does not help that there are only 4 weeks between Thanksgiving and Christmas this year. That means that our meeting is earlier than usual too on Tuesday December 17. Remember to take pictures of your gifts so you can share your creations with us. If you don't want them to appear on our Facebook page, just say so as part of your description. You can always save your pictures to submit in January too. For including in this month's Show and Tell email pictures and whatever you want to share

to utquilts@gmail.com by Sunday Dec. 15 and put Show and Tell in the subject line. We can't wait to see what you have made!

Jody T



MEMBERSHIP:

Deirdre B

We are currently at 80 members - thanks to three new members who joined in November - Jean P., Pam K., and Tina W.

In November, we had 10 members attending via Zoom, and 32 members in person, for a total of 42. Sally N. won the Door Prize, and Deirdre B. won the Name Tag drawing.

Members, don't forget to wear your name tag at each meeting for a chance to win the monthly drawing. I have some name tags which have not yet been picked up. Please check at the Membership desk next time you attend a meeting. We will get new tags printed in the next month or two..

Remember to invite friends or acquaintances to visit and find out more about our Guild.

Deirdre



Community Service

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

Hope all of you had a wonderful Thanksgiving. Once again we would like to thank all of you for participating in making quilts. We are thankful for all you do. Some of you make the quilt tops, some do the quilting, some bind the quilts and some put on labels. Isn't it great that we each participate in making these quilts and helping the hospice guests feel a little part of home and bring back memories of their childhood. Anyway, we turned in 16 quilt tops as of today. Thank you for the ladies who helped tie that big purple quilt top. And several of you put on labels and put together strips for the One Mile Race quilt tops. That was a big job. We work together so well.

I will bring a few kits to the meeting this month in case you are interested in making tops. Remember if you have any quilts to bring them back. If you took a Christmas Kit it isn't too late to turn them in either.

That's it for now.
Thank you all from the Charity
Quilts Committee
Submitted by Pat D Chairman



RETREAT

Our annual retreat this year was a great success, thanks to the committee's help & the fantastic teacher, Ann Wilson. From the surveys that were received, 99.9% gave EXCELLENT marks on all areas. The meals were great this year, also. The only issue I had was the hard butter that you couldn't

spread!!

I'm still searching for a guest teacher next year. Or maybe have a retreat with teachers from our membership. One idea is to have a Christmas retreat!! Melissa Dollar will take over retreat for 2025. Please consider helping her by serving as co-chair so you can lead the retreat in 2026!!

Thanks again,
Iris T



CHALLENGE is Back!

Wendy J

Hello quilting friends!

Thank you members who brought blocks to our guild meeting last month. Some of you were able to use your blocks to make table runners. Well done everyone!

If you didn't make blocks, there is still time to share

next month.

Remember, no blocks are due this month!

February blocks will be shared at our meeting in January. Those who got mixed up on when to turn in January blocks may share them in January to receive your points. We will be back on due dates in February.

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 1block
2. Members do not have to take part each month.

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

Although we have a monthly suggestion on blocks, members can choose alternative blocks suitable for the month.

Have a wonderful Christmas! I hope to see everyone at our fun Christmas party meeting.

☺☺☺☺ Happy quilting and God bless,
Wendy J and Christine G



CHRISTMAS PARTY

HOSPITALITY TABLE

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

BRING PARTY FOOD

Thanks for the goodies last month!

Bring your own beverage.

Water is provided

We will probably need plates and cups for the December meeting.

Thank you.

Hospitality Team.



AND NEXT

Marjorie L	12/2
Valerie M	12/3
Debra W	12/3
Mary L	12/13
Nancy M	12/14
Elizabeth J	12/15
Rachel T	12/21
Marion D	12/23
Christine H	12/24
Ann D	12/25
Jody T	12/27
Rhonda M	12/28
Angela B	12/29
Iris T	1/2
Carol B	1/3

Traveling Quilter:

Sandy C. will be on the road again 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!

Through the upcoming holiday season, please check both the website and newsletter for dates of meetings. Meetings will be different dates than usual to avoid conflicts with the holidays.

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

Details on Guild Meetings and how to participate are at:

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

Respectfully, Sally N., Communications

PROGRAMS:

Melissa D

Our Annual Christmas Party!

Including Games, a Gift Exchange, and a Potluck!

Please plan to bring:

*10 - 2 1/2" strips - each rolled with a rubber band - to play Left-Right-Center. This will be a play-off with the winner at each table playing to take it all.

*A potluck dish to share. Sally thinks it should be all desserts but there are those that encourage some to bring a main dish or veggie to share. It's up to you! Be sure to bring your own beverage, there will be ice water provided.

*Dawn C. will lead a Dirty Santa Gift Exchange. Please bring a wrapped quilting related gift worth \$10-15 if you wish to participate



CORRESPONDING SECRETARY

Deloris R

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.

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

A hands-on workbook for
mastering fabric selection.

Each month we will explore the
section listed and share ways we
might try the experiments in that
section. We will share blocks that
we make from the experiments in
the previous month.

Here are the dates the Color
Theory Group will meet by Zoom.
Each meeting will start at 10:00 am Central Time

January 11 - Introduction, Overview, Patchwork Block

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

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

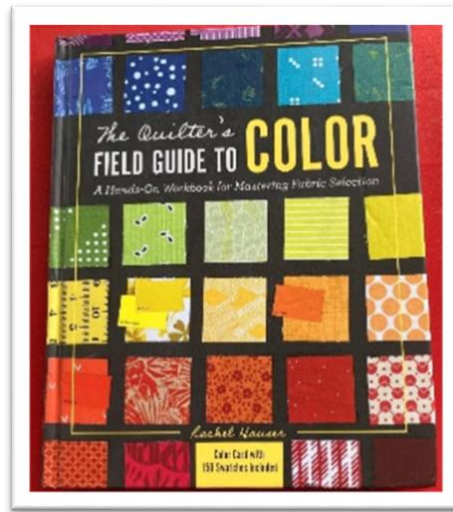
April 5 - Exploring Neutrals Experiments 9-10 + Sew and Tell

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

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

Hope you have purchased your book. There is still time to get one from your
favorite online bookstore.

Happy Sewing! Janice C



Next Meetings:

Guild Meeting	17 DEC	H
Board Meeting	13 JAN	V
Guild Meeting	28 JAN	H

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



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, with Newsletter in the
Subject. The deadline for the JAN
newsletter is Wednesday, 15 JAN.

Karen P

Uncommon Threads Quilt Guild 2024 – 2025 Calendar

See the Guild Newsletter and/or Website for details on time and locations.
<https://www.ucquilts.com/>

Guild Meetings

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

December 17, 2024
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



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

Quilting is always more fun with friends!

Board Meetings

January 13, 2025
February 10, 2025
March 10, 2025
April 7, 2025
May 12, 2025

Zoom Sewing Room

**Monthly Color Theory
Saturday Zoom
10 a.m.**

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



Remember:

- Name Tag
- Christmas Dish
- 10 (2.5" strips) individually rolled with a rubberband
- Quilt Related Gift, Wrapped (\$10-\$15 value)
- Show and Tell
- Community Quilts
- Sign your CQ Kit out &/or In
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