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Newletter of the Uncommon Threads Quilt Guild

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FEBRUARY 27th
2 Mini Programs



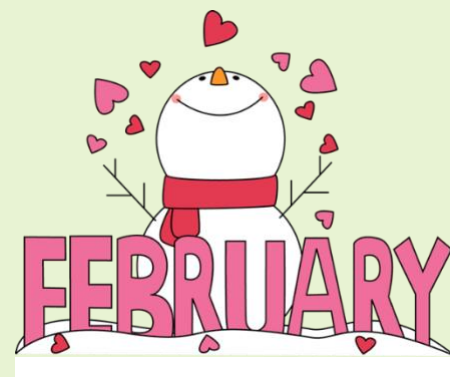
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We had multiple traveling quilters the last few weeks. Road to California is an annual show held at the Ontario

Convention Center which is located just east of Los Angeles. As it turned out, I left Memphis during the snowstorm and enjoyed a few days of lovely 60ish weather. The show has side by side exhibit halls and they place the vendors in one hall and the quilts just across the corridor in the other exhibit hall. The entire 3 days I attended, there was live piano music softly playing in the background. I felt like my quilt was being displayed in some posh art gallery. There was an entire guild that undertook a sew along where they completed a Jennifer Kingwell design as a group. Each quilt was the same pattern but different fabric choices and block placement. It was a lovely exhibit. I posted a few of the quilts on the Guild Facebook page but there were many beauties to enjoy.

Whether your interest turns to making quilts for competition or for challenges, there are many opportunities to share the wonder of quilt making. We have received several notices via email which are listed below providing opportunities to attend lectures, attend classes or enter your quilt in a quilt show. Please take advantage of these opportunities to grow your craft and share the beauty of quilts and quilt making with others. You never know where a piece of your artwork might be shown. Opportunities for Conferences and Classes:

1. SAQA Virtual Conference, April 12-20, 2024 "Plurality & Heritage", showcasing Europe & Middle East. Information can be found via the following link:
<https://email.cloud.secureclick.net/c/9655?id=17087.342.1.2576311e20015515c0756699e51ea6e9>
2. Call for Quilts for the 43rd Annual Smoky Mountain Quilters Show occurring June 21-22 2024 at the Knoxville Expo Center. Deadline to Enter is April 22, 2024. Additional information can be obtained on the web at smokymtnquilters.com or via email at info@smokymtnquilters.com
3. Quilter's Hall of Fame in Marion, Indiana is offering a Hawaiian Applique class Saturday, April 20, 2024 at the Hall of Fame. Class size is limited to 10 and information can be obtained by calling 765-664-9333.



2024

WHAT'S HAPPENING?

The February General Meeting is Tuesday, FEB 27th, 6 pm at Germantown United Methodist Church, 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 particularly ice and snow 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.

MEMBERSHIP:



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Membership news:

We had 32 members in person at the January meeting, and 9 via Zoom. Mary L and Ann D were the door prize winners for January.

We welcomed Makayla C as a new member. Makayla lives in Bartlett, found us online, came to the meeting and joined the Guild. Makayla, we hope you continue to enjoy our guild. Please feel free to email or ask any questions anytime.

Show & Tell: Jody T



Maybe Mother Nature and the groundhog are playing with us this year. It appears that winter temperatures will be back with us for a day or two. It is all a teaser as my daffodils are about to bloom! It is so confusing. Do we stay inside and quilt or begin work in the garden? Maybe we can do both by quilting a flower quilt! Whatever direction your quilting takes you we want to see it. If you cannot bring it in person to share at the February meeting, send pictures and the information you want to share to the guild email address UTquiltguild@gmail.com by Sunday Feb. 25. Remember to put Show and Tell in the subject line.

Happy quilting!

The Sew-Along the patterns, videos, templates, and links for the 2023-24 Sew Along are still available on our website at <https://www.ucquilts.com/sewalong-patterns-video-links> Thank you, Camille, for putting all of this together for the guild!



Community Service

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

Hello everyone. We sure do love all the beautiful hospice quilts you turn in and so do the families and friends who receive them. We know several of you have quilt tops that you are finishing up from our charity quilt kits. If you feel you won't finish them for some time, please just bring them back and we will pass them on. We will be bringing in kits this month with patterns and hope some of you new quilters will join in and make tops. We turned in 2 lovely quilts to hospice this month. We so appreciate all your efforts in this worthwhile endeavor of love.

This month we will be bringing in fat quarters from our generous donor to sell. We are asking \$1 for each fat quarter. Some are in bundles. Please bring cash- Small bills - as we cannot make change. Wait till you see all the lovely fabric. This money goes back to the guild for batting and programs.

Again, from the Community Quilt committee, we thank you.
Sandy, Kay, Pat & Emily



RETREAT 2024: Is in November. Please contact Iris T. with suggestions for a Guest Teacher.

PROGRAMS:



Hello my quilting friends!

Patti Sandage was an awesome presenter! Patti's trunk show of her quilts and her quilt journey was so inspiring. Thank you, Claire and others who took great photos of Patti's quilts and shared them. When we want and need inspiration, we can look at the photos of Patti's quilts.

February: Two twenty-five minute programs.

- First:** Pipe cleaner dolls will be demonstrated by Sandy C and everyone will make a doll and/or complete one or more at home. The dolls will be donated as add-ons to our hospice quilts.
- Second:** I, Wendy J, will demonstrate how I write on my quilts.

March: Another twenty-five-minute program duo.

- Sharon G will be teaching a hands-on project: how to make a pretty box using your saved Christmas cards (or another greeting card). Any regular size greeting card will work.
 - Sharon Fryman, a YMCA representative, will present a short program.
 - Dawn C will not be able to present because she is having foot surgery.
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HOSPITALITY TABLE

Sallye L., Sue F., Deloris R.
 Our table is a Pot-Luck.
 Bring your favorite dish or snack.
 Bring your own beverage.
 Water is provided.
 Thank you.
 Hospitality Team.



Denise C	02/09
Sally N	02/09
Kay S	02/23
Dana D	02/28
Donna N	03/02
Nancy J	03/31



CORRESPONDING SECRETARY

Deloris R.
 Everyone,
 February- a card was sent to
 Sandy L. for surgery.
 Regards, Deloris

April: How to make T-Shirt quilts by Iris Tyler. Iris is a very talented, ribbon-winning quilter, and she has a great deal of experience in designing and making T-shirt quilts.

May: How to design a challenge quilt by a panel of members who have designed quilts for various challenges. More information later.

I would like to have a program on different ways to create quilt labels. Please let me know if you are willing to present a program on this topic. (This program topic could consist of a panel of several members).

June and July: to be announced.

August: Flora and Fauna Along the Tennessee Music Highway quilt challenge (cotton museum) Now is a good time to start planning.

Happy quilting and God bless, Wendy J

From the Communications Team:

Instead of having a monthly time set aside for the Zoom Sewing Room, we have decided to encourage members to enjoy sewing with friends any day, any time.



If you find yourself with a day or a morning or afternoon to sew, let others know and get on the Zoom link found on the Members Only page of the website and have an Impromptu Sew Together.

You can shout out to a group of friends via the Facebook group or Messenger or in a group text or email. Don't think you will like

Zoom Sewing? Try it, you might be surprised!

There are two groups who do this already. One communicates through a Messenger Group that Karen P. set up; ask to join and you'll find out when others are interested in Sewing Together. The other group meets every Thursday at 2:00 until about 5 or 5:30. Just log into Zoom any Thursday at that time and you will find at least two or three UTQG friends talking and sewing.

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Sally N, Communications Chair



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.

Did ewe know we have our own Sewing Room? As guild members, you have access to the



ZOOM sewing room anytime there is not a guild planned meeting. Often you will see announcements of members Zoom sewing or create your own announcement. A full calendar can be found on the last page.

Traveling Quilter: Sandy C

There's been a bit of a shake-up in Albuquerque Quilt shops. Quilts Ole has been bought by The Quilt Works owner and moved to a new location – more on that below; Southwest Decoratives has moved to Bernalillo into a smaller location and their Kokopelli Quilting service is in a separate location; Ann Silva's Sewing Center will be closing soon, but their Bernina repair service will be relocated.



Sew Together Quilt Shop

Now for the good news, there's a new shop in Albuquerque: Sew Together Quilt Shop is located at

9311 Coors Blvd. NW, Suite P9, Albuquerque, NM 87114
Phone: 505-554-1868 and their website is www.sewtogethernm.com. They've been in business almost a year. The shop is rather small, but they have a nice classroom, fabric-wise they have mostly more modern fabrics, lots of bright colors and patterns. Heather, the owner let me know that all the inventory at the shop is also on their website and they will ship orders. Of note, they have some yarn that they are phasing out, so if you're a crocheter or knitter you might get a good deal.



Quilts Ole

As stated above the owner of The Quilt Works has purchased Quilts Ole and the location has moved to a much smaller space: 1111 Alameda Blvd. NW, Albuquerque, NM 87114 Phone 505-890-9416 Website: www.quiltworksabq.com. The inventory is much

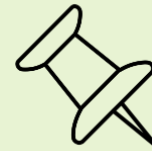
reduced due to the space limitations. The employee at the shop assured me they would maintain their original inventory of bright colored fabric, batiks and southwestern fabrics. However, I did notice a number of fabrics of a more traditional nature that I don't remember seeing prior to the purchase of the shop. (Quilt Works is a much more traditional quilt shop). The employee also mentioned that they were only at this location until the shop in Corales is renovated. I will be happy to monitor the progress on the old shop during my visits to



Albuquerque.

Next Meetings:

Guild Meeting	27 FEB	H
Board Meeting	11 MAR	V
Guild Meeting	26 MAR	H



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



Zoom sewing is a great way to sew with sister guild members without having to pack up your sewing machine and supplies.

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

Please check the calendar and the newsletter for meeting dates before using the Impromptu Link.

Updates can also be found on our calendar at ucquilts.com

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Uncommon Threads Quilt Guild 2023 – 2024 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)

February 27, 2024
March 26, 2024
April 23, 2024
May 28, 2024

Board Meetings

Board meetings are 15 days before the Guild meeting unless otherwise stated and are on Zoom.

March 11, 2024
April 8, 2024
May 13, 2024

Retreats and Special Events

Refer to Guild communications for details.

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CLASSIFIEDS

**Faux Big Board Ironing Board for sale.
Lynn Martin has
2 of these ironing boards ready to go.
\$120.00 each
Text or Call
(901)355-2468**



Remember:

- **Name Tag**
- **Potluck Dish or Snack**
- **Show and Tell**
- **Community Quilts**
- **Ca\$h for \$tash**



From the Editor. All submissions are best made using my email, with Newsletter in the Subject. The deadline for the March newsletter is Wednesday, 13 MAR. Karen P.