

# Threadlines

Newletter of the Uncommon Threads Quilt Guild

ucquilts.com

April 23<sup>rd</sup>  
T-Shirt Quilts

## PRESIDENT:



STACYE R

From the President

April is here and for Quilter's around the world, it is synonymous with AQS Quilt Week. Quilt Week provides many opportunities for quilters in

all stages of their quilting journey but the part for me, is just walking around and amazing creativity in the

'Quilters'. I have taken lots of pictures over the years but they

never as good as gazing at the exhibits in person. The welcome we receive from the City of Paducah is

part of the thrill of the trip. The city is decked out with flowers and dogwoods and quilts on display everywhere you go.

If you haven't visited before, please go and take advantage of this special event that happens just a few miles up the road.



best looking at the community we call



Signs of are everywhere

Spring around the are so

city. We blessed with the beauty that surrounds us in Memphis and surrounding areas this time of year. The floral flamboyance at both the Dixon and Gardens are stunning recent opening of



Memphis Botanic in the Spring. The Wicked at the of lights on the have been last few months. city and as always, next piece of fiber

Orpheum prompted a special display Memphis Arkansas Bridge. New babies welcomed at the Memphis Zoo in the There is lots happening in our beautiful anything can be inspiration for your art. Happy Spring and Happy Quilting



### April 2024

#### WHAT'S HAPPENING?

The April General Meeting is Tuesday, APR 23rd, plus the retreat planning mtg just before the business meeting at 6:15 pm 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 4<sup>th</sup> 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:

Deirdre B



Membership news: If any member needs to order a Name Tag, please let us know when you sign in. Also, as a guild, we are going to make a concerted effort from now on to get to know new members to help them feel welcome and included.

We had 34 members attending in person, and 6 via Zoom for the March meeting. There were 3 guests - Candice B. and Brittany W. from the Germantown Magazine, and Christine G. - a prospective new member. Tanja K. won the door prize.

## Show & Tell: Jody T



Do you feel like you are drowning? Washing away in the rain? Give me nice sunny days anytime but our flowers are appreciating it and May flowers should be fabulous! If your flowers are growing on a quilt, we want to see them. If your projects include something other than flowers, we want to see those too. Bring them to the April meeting to share. If you have already given your project as a gift, share by sending a picture of it to the guild email, [UTquiltguild@gmail.com](mailto:UTquiltguild@gmail.com) by Sunday Apr 21<sup>st</sup>. Be sure to put Show and Tell in the subject line and include anything you want us to know about your project (who it was for, what occasion, what pattern you used, etc.). We can't wait to see what you have made!

Jody T

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.

Thank you so much for those of you who participated in tying quilts at our last meeting. We had several people take them home to finish ! We took in 6 quilts to the hospice center in Collierville and gave 5 to the Baptist Hospital in Germantown. Please think about taking a kit or working on hospice quilts so we can keep the locations supplied with our quilts. They truly appreciate them.

This month we will be bringing in 1/2 yard cuts of fabric for sale on a separate table. We are asking \$3 per cut and we need correct change or a check made out to the guild. This money is going to supply our guild with batting for the hospice quilts and for teachers we hope to bring in.

Thank you all for your continued support.

Community Quilts Committee  
Sandy, Kay, Pat & Emily



## RETREAT News: November 8<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024

Hey, quilters!! Come join us as a volunteer on the Retreat Committee. We will meet at 6:15 before our general meeting for a quick discussion.



Ann Wilson is our guest teacher. She's scheduled for 2 classes and a lecture. As a certified by Laura Heine instructor, Ann will be teaching the Featherweight Collage class in addition to a Basic Wool Applique Class. Her lecture will be "A Few of my favorite things".

Mark your calendar for NOV 8<sup>TH</sup> – 10<sup>TH</sup>. Sign up begins in August.

Iris T.

## PROGRAMS:

Hello my quilting friends!



Thank you, Community Service members for setting up hospice quilts for tying. What a great program for our community service project and for fellowship. Also, thank you Kay S for getting Candace Baxter and her photographer to feature our guild in the *Germantown Magazine*. This is a blessing for our guild.

**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. Please make plans to attend this exciting program!



## HOSPITALITY TABLE

Sallye L., Sue F., Deloris R.

Our table is Potluck. The selection has been fabulous! Bring your favorite dish or snack.

Bring your own beverage.

Water is provided.

Thank you.

Hospitality Team.



Deirdre	B	04/08
Agnes	L	04/20
Patricia	P	04/21
Sharon	G	04/23
Karen	L	04/29
Miriam	O	05/04
Arlene	A	05/14
Sallye	L	05/19
Tanja	K	05/22

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

**June:** Sharon G will be teaching a hands-on project: how to make a pretty box using your saved Christmas cards (or other greeting card). Any regular size greeting card will work.

Dawn C will demonstrate how to make a sewing caddie.

**July:** to be announced.

**August: Flora and Fauna Along the Tennessee Music Highway quilt challenge (cotton museum)** Today is a good day to start planning. **Requirements:** The quilt must be 24" square and follow the theme. Your quilt must have a label attached to the back of your quilt. No exceptions.

**UPCOMING QUILT CLASSES:** I am working with our board members to book Susan Cleveland (March) and Jenny Lyon (August) for classes for 2025. We are planning on a two day event for each teacher, which will include a 3 hour hands on or demo class and a trunk show on Friday and a 6 hour hands on class on Saturday for each teacher. These plans may be subject to change. Please find time to look at the classes that these national teachers have available: Susan Cleveland [piecesbewithyou.com](http://piecesbewithyou.com) and Jenny Lyon [quiltskipper.com](http://quiltskipper.com).

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 is a group that meets Thursday afternoons from 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.

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

Sally N, Communications Chair



CORRESPONDING SECRETARY

Deloris R.

No Cards Sent.  
Regards, Deloris



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 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.

## Traveling Quilter: Sandy C

Over the weekend of the Solar Eclipse I traveled by invitation to visit some friends in Indianapolis, you would think that a metropolis as big as Indianapolis would have a good supply of quilt shops. Checking the App on my cell phone called Needle Travel (which prides itself into being “the most complete listing of fiber and fabric shops in the US”. My initial search turned up 71 shops! Wow, I thought I’d hit the jackpot of quilt

shops. As it turns out, there are only 9 shops in the Indianapolis area and really only 1 within the distance I was willing to travel to with the eclipse traffic to deal with.

**Quilt Quarters** is located nearby Carmel, IN where I was staying with some friends. The shop is of moderate size and split about half and half between machines and fabric. On the machine side I noticed Brother, Juki, and Bernina brand sewing machines as well as several sergers and a long arm (Bernina). On the fabric side they had a good assortment of name brand fabric – Riley Blake, Kona Cotton, Minki, Batiks, Moda and others. Their assortment of backing fabric was limited but given the size of the shop I

was happy to see that they were able to provide any backings for their customers. I was approached soon after entering the shop to see if I required any assistance but when I explained that I was just wandering (aka looking) I was left alone to explore. There is a good size classroom in the back and I really liked some of the classes they were offering. I also was able to appreciate the patterns they had for sale as well as a

good assortment of rulers for cutting fabric, also a good assortment of other tools of the trade. The shop has been in business for more than 20 years, but only 2 years at this location (lucky me). Their address is 9504 Haver Way, Indianapolis, IN 46240 Phone: 317-757-8340. Tiffany Powell is the store manager. The Store Email:

[quiltquartersinfo@gmail.com](mailto:quiltquartersinfo@gmail.com) and their Website: [www.quiltquarters.com](http://www.quiltquarters.com).

I enjoyed my visit there and resisted purchasing any fabric, but I did purchase a quilt pattern I had not seen before. I’ll try to remember to bring it to the next guild meeting to show. Here are a few snapshots of the shop (obtained with the manager’s permission). If you’re in the Indianapolis/Carmel vicinity and need a quilt or fabric fix please check them out.

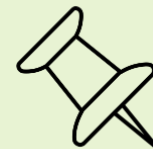


Did ewe know we have our own Sewing Room? As guild members, you have access to the ZOOM sewing room anytime there is not a guild planned meeting. Often you will see announcements of members Zoom sewing or create your own announcement. A full calendar can be found on the last page.



### Next Meetings:

Retreat Meeting	23 APR	IP
Guild Meeting	23 APR	H
Board Meeting	13 MAY	V
Guild Meeting	28 MAY	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.*

The Zoom link will be emailed to all members on the morning of each meeting as well as available to Guild members at [ucquilts.com](http://ucquilts.com) under the Members Only Tab. Contact Sally N. with any questions.

### **Guild Meetings**

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

May 28, 2024  
June 25, 2024  
July 23, 2024  
August 27, 2024  
September 24, 2024  
October 22, 2024  
November 19, 2024  
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 8 – 10, 2024

Pre and Post Retreat  
November 7 & 11

### **Board Meetings**

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May 13, 2024  
June 10, 2024  
July 8, 2024  
August 12, 2024  
September 9, 2024  
October 7, 2024  
November 11, 2024  
December 2024 - TBA  
January 13, 2025  
February 10, 2025  
March 10, 2025  
April 7, 2025  
May 12, 2025

### **Zoom Sewing Room**

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. We encourage all members to join the Zoom Sewing Room anytime there is not a scheduled Guild meeting.

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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**

### **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](http://ucquilts.com)



### **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 May newsletter is Wednesday, 15 MAY.

Karen P.

