

Threadlines

Newletter of the Uncommon Threads Quilt Guild

PRESIDENT

MARCH 28TH
Sashiko



Dawn C.

Dear Quilting Friends,

I hope that all of you are adjusting to what I hope is our last experience with Daylight Savings Time. I certainly needed that hour that I lost this past weekend! Daylight Savings Time always seems to fall on the quilt retreat weekend for my Jackson, TN guild! Who doesn't need that lost hour of quilting (or sleep)!

Spring is slowly approaching, and we see signs of spring with the blooming flowers and trees, as well as with the warmer temperatures. Unfortunately, these warmer temperatures are still just teasing us, as winter is not quite over! I was reminded of that this morning as I opened my garage door to a cold draft, and I had to return back inside for a coat which I have not worn for several days.

As we begin to transition to spring, the quilt projects that are now appealing to me are bright and whimsical patterns. I found Christine's program on "temperature quilts" quite interesting. Even though I have never made a "temperature quilt", my quilts are often reflective of seasons.

Seasons are marked by changes. Ecclesiastes 3:1-8 states that "for everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven", including "a time to sew"! Doesn't this sound inviting? It certainly makes me feel good about taking time for myself and for sewing!

This past weekend, I was also reminded to share my talents, as each of us as quilters are at different stages and levels. As I sewed with a newer quilting friend, she mentioned wanting to learn how to quilt and not just piece quilt tops. I took the time to show her how to quilt using a walking foot, as well as free motion quilting. Remember that God has blessed each one of us with talents, and He wants us to share those talents with others. Continue to keep the creativity going and sew-on, my dear friends!

Blessings, Dawn



2023

WHAT'S HAPPENING?

The General Meeting is Tuesday, March 28th, 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 4th Tuesday

The Zoom link will be emailed to all members on the morning of each meeting as well as available to Guild members on TEAM APP under the event tab.



Donna N	2-Mar
Carolyn B	22-Mar
Nancy J	31-Mar
Deirdre B	8-Apr
Patricia S	21-Apr
Sharon G	23-Apr
Karen L	29-Apr

MEMBERSHIP:

Carol B. & Emily S.

HELLO STITCHIN' SISTERS!!
Woo Hoo!! three of our
visitors last night, joined!!
Bringing us up to 72
members!!



Our visitors were:

Carol H., Christine's mom, Judy B., Serena M. (shared her exploding heart quilt!), Megan S. plus our new members, Brooke M., Pam B., & Pat P.

Door prize winners: Wendy J. and Rhonda M.

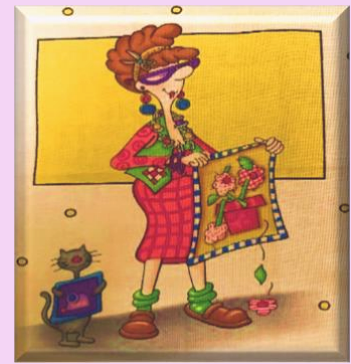
39 members present, 35 in person 4 via zoom, 7 visitors (3 who joined!!)
Emily and Carol

COMMUNITY SERVICE

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

Community service took a short break in February but came roaring back in March. We delivered 17 quilts to the hospice center. In progress are 12 that Donna N. is generously quilting and several tops that are waiting to be assigned backs and batting. Dawn C., Dottie J., Janet C. and Nancy M. are graciously sewing on bindings. Nine of the quilts that were delivered were made, quilted and bound by Arlene A. Thank you so much Arlene. We are always blown away by the generosity of the members of Uncommon Threads to make tops, quilt and bind these donated quilts. Thank you so much.

Sandy L.
Community service



Show & Tell

Deirdre B.

Show and Tell pictures will be uploaded to the Guild's FB album after each meeting. Feel free to comment or include additional information about your projects.

And, if you cannot attend in person, please submit your photos through JotForm by Sunday 3/26 Thanks, Deirdre
<https://form.jotform.com/201323526308042>

HOSPITALITY

Snack Table is Back!

Sue F.

Hey quilters our snack table is back. Bring a snack to share and your own drink if you don't want water. We will have plates, napkins, cups and plasticware. Can't wait to see everyone!

BOM/CHALLENGE:



Lynn M.

Block of the Month – March

As you have heard we are working on a block that has both a Card Trick pattern and a 4 Patch. The main focus is on how to twirl your seams and decrease the bulk in your seams. Test your skills and see just how easy it is to make those seams lay flat. Check out the video at my YouTube Channel.

<https://www.youtube.com/@lynnmartin1507/videos>

Get ready for next month's Saturday Tips and Trick, we will have a guest teacher, Carmen W. She is hoping that we can use up as many scraps as possible by teaching us a little about Improvisation. She is a master at this block form. So join us on Zoom Saturday April 1st at 10:00am.

Challenge

We are 3 months away from the end of our Challenge in May. Even though each month is a new block feel free to make any of the past blocks to enter into this year's challenge. Please take a look around and see if there are any kits that might need to be finished as well.

Here is the link to the Challenge form.

<https://forms.gle/dsegXPtFNnGRLYMe9>

Keep on Sewing!

Lynn M

RETREAT NEWS

Deidre B

Some of the retreat committee met March 14th on Zoom for a brief discussion. Thank you to new members Sharon G. and Kimberly M., who have said they would also like to help the committee.

We hope to hear from Diane Harris soon and discuss options for her class. Check out her website - stashbandit.net,

We also plan to contact St. Columba and explore options regarding the menu.

Don't forget - mark your calendars for November 10-12 with a big X - Guild Retreat.

More to come.

Deirdre



Ways & Means:

Margaret S.

Guild Pins are available for \$3

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We welcome 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.



From the editor. All submissions are best made using my email, with Newsletter in the Subject. The deadline for the April newsletter is Wednesday 4/12. Karen P.

PROGRAMS:



Wendy J.

Hello my quilting friends!

Thank you, Christine HB for presenting on temperature quilts. You are very talented, and your quilts are amazing. I feel like we will see other temperature quilts in our guild in the future.

During our March program (3/28), Sally N will present a program on Sashiko, a traditional Japanese handwork using Indigo fabric and geometric designs. There will be history, demos and a hands-on component!

April: Margaret S will present a program on using crayons on fabric. Margaret is planning a hands-on program.

May: Janice C will present a program called "Christmas in May: Make a Wool Ornament". Again, this program is going to be hands on.

June: We will tie quilts for hospice. This is a great opportunity for us to spend time getting to know each other better.

July: Dawn C will present a program on pictorial quilts. "Pictorial Quilts: Creating Memory Quilts, Pillows, Wall Hangings, and More!" Dawn will be showing how she prints photos or graphics directly from her computer onto a fabric sheet using her color printer.

If anyone has experience with printing photos and/or graphics on quilts, and you are willing to share during this program, please let me know.

August: We will have a quilt challenge this month. Everyone is challenged to make a quilt depicting Memphis, Tennessee history. The only rule is the size, which must be 24"x 24". We will have a special showing of our finished quilts during our August meeting. There will be a viewer's choice vote for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place. Ribbons will be the prize.

September: Wendy J, plans on presenting a program on using interesting borders on quilts. If anyone has created interesting borders on quilts and would like to join my presentation, please let me know.

Lastly, I am still working on other programs and classes, including the separate quilted jacket class that Jody T will teach.

Thanks. I'll see you soon!

God bless, Wendy J

Spring

Did you know we have a monthly Sew Together on the third Saturday? We will have had the current month's Sew Together by the time you get this Newsletter. As with all our Bees, BOM Sew Day, & Board Meeting, you will need to keep up with the dates in your newsletter to stay in the groove.

Next Meetings:

Guild	28-MAR	H
BOM	2-APR	V
EQ Bee	13-APR	V
Board	10-APR	V
Appliqué Bee	11-APR	IP
Sew Together	22-APR	V
Guild	25-APR	H
Register for Quilting Memphis History by	14-JUN	Email
Retreat	10-12 NOV	IP

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

P.S. Programs

So that everyone can participate in the March program, I have mailed Sashiko kits to the following people who usually (or sometimes) attend meetings on Zoom: Rhonda M, Mary L, Karen P, Marge H, Carol R, Miriam O, Wendy J, Glenda C, Debbie S, and Christine HB. Please let me know if I missed someone, otherwise I will see you all at the meeting, and hope you will enjoy the program. - Sally N

Board Meetings

(2 weeks and 1 day before the Monthly Meeting)

All Board Meeting are on Zoom and begin at 6:30 pm. Please see the email sent the day of the meeting or Team App Events for the Zoom Link

April 10 May 8

Guild Meetings

(4th Tuesday unless otherwise stated)

The meetings are hybrid: In Person at Germantown United Methodist Church, 2331 S. Germantown Rd. – Parking and Entrance are at the rear on West St.

The Zoom link will be emailed to all members on the morning of the meeting and can be found under the Events Tab on Team App.

The set up and social time will begin at 6:00 pm and the meeting will start at 6:30 pm.

March 28 April 25 May 23

Bees

The Applique Bee meets the 2nd Tuesday of every month at 7:00 pm in person. Please contact Nancy M. for the location.

The Electric Quilt (EQ) Bee meets the 2nd Thursday of every month at 6:30 pm on Zoom.

The members of this Bee have varying levels of skill in the use of EQ and own different versions of the software. The purpose of the Bee is to provide support and share ideas and designs.

April 13 May 11

Virtual Sew Together

The 3rd Saturday of each month except Nov. and Dec.

The Zoom link will be emailed to all members on the morning of the meeting and can be found under the Events Tab on Team App.

April 15 May 20

Block of the Month/Challenge Sew Days

The 1st Saturday of every month at 10:00 am.

Join Lynn each month as she guides us with tips and tricks to put together beautiful blocks!

The Zoom link will be emailed to all members on the morning of the meeting and can be found under the Events Tab on Team App.

April 1 May 5



FIND THE LINKS YOU NEED IN ONE CONVENIENT PLACE.

UNCOMMON THREADS QUILT GUILD NOW HAS A LINK TREE!

USE YOUR SMART PHONE TO SCAN OUR QR CODE.



An Impromptu Zoom Link

is also available for members to Sew Together Virtually. Please check this calendar and the newsletter for meeting dates before using the Impromptu Link. Updates can also be found under Events on Team App.

Guild Challenge & Inspiration

QUILTING MEMPHIS HISTORY

Hello all!

It's Karen Lightman here. I have been a member of a few quilt/sewing guilds so some of you know me. Those of you who have not met me I hope to make some new friends! I'd like to reach out to you all to see if anyone is interested again this year in participating in a project I am organizing with the Cotton Museum of Memphis called **Quilting Memphis History**. Last year was a great success and I am hoping for lots more participation this year! This is going to be a fun theme to work with as Memphis has a rich and diverse history. Some of our city's history is dark, some is spooky, and some is wonderful, we will accept any of these moments one wishes to bring to the show. Expressing Memphis history in an artistic fashion is what this exhibit is all about!

What I am asking for is a 24" x 24" piece that will reflect a moment in Memphis history that speaks to you. There are no rules regarding color choice, fabric choice, or subject matter within reason. Also, you can add any embellishments or color enhancements (paint/dye) as you would like with one exception.... **PLEASE DO NOT USE GLITTER**. Glitter paint or glitter fabric is acceptable. This exhibit will be viewed by children so the museum will reserve the right to exclude a quilt with adult content (full nudity, sexual violence/imaging, or adult language). Otherwise, be as creative as your imagination allows. **THE DEADLINE TO REGISTER TO PARTICIPATE IS JUNE 14, 2023**. There is no fee to participate, just fill out the registration form for each quilt and email it to karenlightman@gmail.com. **THE DEADLINE TO TURN IN A COMPLETED PROJECT IS SEPTEMBER 22, 2023**. The details of how your works of art will be displayed will be disclosed to those who commit to this project. If you have any questions about this show, please email me at the above-mentioned email address. I look forward to hearing from you!

Thank you!

Karen Lightman