

JULY MEETING

Monday, July 10, 2017

Messiah Lutheran Church

Kingston Pike at Golfclub Rd. - Knoxville TN

Social Time: 6:30 PM / Meeting: 7:00 PM

NEWS FROM THE PRESIDENT

Our quilt show was wonderful and a great success!! Lots of time and work went into it and I want to thank all those who made it so, and especially Betty. I heard many nice comments from those attending, the vendors and our working guild members as well. By the way, Betty has graciously agreed to be the Quilt Show Chair again next year so we will be in very capable hands. I would appreciate everyone thanking her for being willing to do this.

Our next guild meeting, which will be on Monday, July 10th, due to the July 4th holiday, will be at our usual time. It will be our annual Garage Sale and Ice Cream Social which is always most enjoyable. Be sure and bring a topping to share and if you would like to reserve a sale table please contact me at:
865-680-5679 or kwolfe@knology.net

This will be a nice change after devoting so much time to the quilt show. I look forward to seeing you there. Have a happy 4th of July and remember how fortunate we are to live in a free country.

Thanks!

Kebra Wolfe
SMQ President

MAY PROGRAM AND UPCOMING EVENTS

Your board have planned exciting programs for the rest of 2017:

July – The Garage Sale and Ice Cream Social – If you are interested in having a table at the garage sale, contact Kebra Wolfe. **Bring an ice cream topping to share and enjoy ice cream and shopping.** What is better than that?! Remember, **the date for the July meeting is Monday, July 10.** There will be no Board of Directors meeting in July.

August – Bingo, Bingo, Bingo! We will have a fun evening of playing Bingo. Prizes will be won. The instructions for making your bingo card will be sent under separate email. Bingo cards will be donated to Ronald McDonald House at the end of the evening. There will be a few extra Bingo cards available at the Ronald McDonald House Quilts Table if you forget yours or you didn't have time to make one. Also bring your Row Robin to this meeting if you want to participate.

September – Flora Joy, a quilt artist from upper East Tennessee, will share her quilts and tell us how she makes those wonderful 3-D quilts. Door prizes will be given so you don't want to miss this meeting.

October – Fiber on a Whim will present their lecture "Harnessing My Creativity". We will also have a workshop with them on Tuesday. More information on the workshop is in this newsletter.

November – Murder Mystery evening. That's all I'm going to say on this meeting. You are going to have to attend if you want to know more.

December – Dinner, UFO exchange and elections. If you are interested in running for office next year, please contact Kebra Wolfe. Being a member of the Board is a great way to serve the guild and you make new friends.

Lynn Sykes
Vice President
Programs Chair

AUGUST FAT QUARTER DRAWING

There will be no Fat Quarter/Block Drawing at the July meeting. The August Fat Quarter Drawing will be reds and oranges.

Mary Day
Fat Quarter/Block Drawings

2017 SMQ QUILT SHOW

I would like to thank all the volunteers who helped during the show as well as those who pitched in and helped wherever they were needed. It takes many hands to have a successful show and I appreciate all the help from all of you. I also want to give a "Special Thank You" to all the Committee Chairs who volunteered to head a committee. They are the reason for the show being a success.

Our vendors were happy with the show and I've already heard from several who plan on returning next year and possibly having a larger booth which is great news. Our attendance was down this year primarily due to at least 4 other events going in Knoxville at the same time as our show.

I hope everyone had a chance to see all the beautiful quilts in the show and to enjoy some of the demos by our vendors. I have agreed to chair the show again in 2018. If you are interested in being chair for one of

the many committees, please email me at: sewoholic@gmail.com.

Betty Sparks, 2017 Quilt Show Chairman

2017 "FUN WITH FLAGS" SMQ GUILD CHALLENGE UPDATE

Local Quilter Semifinalist in International Quilt Show:

Paducah, Kentucky, USA – Smoky Mountain Quilters of Tennessee from Knoxville, TN are semifinalists for the 2017 AQS QuiltWeek® – Grand Rapids, Michigan August 16 – 19, 2017, at the DeVos Place Convention Center. The Smoky Mountain Quilters of Tennessee have been chosen to display the challenge, FUN WITH FLAGS, along with 272 others in this AQS contest. First, Second, and Third Place prizes in seven categories will be awarded, along with seven overall awards including Best of Show. Winners will be announced at the show and posted on the AQS website, QuiltWeek.com. More than \$50,000 will be granted, including \$10,000 for the Best of Show and \$3,500 each for Best Wall Quilt, Best Use of Color, Best Original Design, Best Hand, Best Stationary, and Best Movable Workmanship. Regardless of how FUN WITH FLAGS places in the final judging, all semifinalists' quilts will be displayed at the show, which is expected to draw more than 15,000 people. Congratulations!

2017 HOLIDAY ROW ROBIN

Our next "row robin" will begin at the August meeting. To participate you need to bring an 8 ½ inch by 32 ½ inch row to the meeting. The row should reflect a holiday. Bring it in a white pillow case along with any fabric or instructions for the other participants to use when they add a row to your row.

Lynn Sykes
Vice President & Programs Chair

“I SEE STARS” CHALLENGE

The Piecemakers of Sevier County have invited SMQ members to participate in their Guild Challenge 2018. More information and a flyer will be included in a separate email. Please read through the information and consider participating.

SMQ WORKSHOP IN OCTOBER



Landscape Painting With Fabric –

3 hour class

\$30 class fee + \$15 kit fee

October 3rd – Messiah Lutheran Church 2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Step out of your comfort zone in this workshop where you will create a small scale landscape. When working in such a small size it is important to maintain the appropriate scale, as well as using “values” to create a sense of depth visually in the landscape. View your “stash” with new eyes wrong sides of fabric, fussy cutting to create nature’s elements or even using “bitz” of fancies to give shine or shadow. Your finished art can simply be framed like a painted landscape or sashed into a quilt.

This class will be taught by the ladies of Fiber on a Whim who will also be presenting our program at the meeting after class.

WORKSHOP WITH MODERN QUILT GUILD

The Modern Quilt Guild has invited us to attend a 6-hour workshop they are hosting. It is with Sherri Lynn Wood on July 9 from 1 to 7 PM at 6500 Northshore Drive. They have 7 spaces left. Below is a link to the form with all of the information. You can find Sherri Lynn's work here: www.daintytime.net

Get Your Wedge On with Sherri Lynn Wood.

Get your wedge-curve, mod-mood, groove on in this improvisational quilt-making workshop. Participants will commit one step at a time, as they explore advanced approaches to improvised patchwork and composition, develop a personal/intuitive language of color, and learn ruler-free, wedge-curve, piecing techniques. From www.daintytime.net

Use this form to sign up for Sherri Lynn Wood's Workshop with Knoxville MQG on July 9. The class will be from 1-7 PM at 6500 Northshore Dr., Knoxville, TN. We are hoping to have 18 participants. The cost for members is \$90 and the cost for non-members will be \$110. The balance for the workshop is due June 17 at our monthly meeting. We will be allowing all interested parties to sign up starting 5/21/17. Materials list will be sent out soon!

STITCHES AND STORIES QUILT EXHIBIT

A Quilt Exhibit Opens in Downtown Tennessee! “Stitches & Stories: Quilts from the Permanent Collection of the East Tennessee Historical Society” will open in early August and run through early January.

Several well-known quilts will be on display: Bonnie Kate Sevier's White Wholecloth Quilt (1820s); Lillie Harvey's Knoxville Crazy Quilt (1915); and Helen Rose Fleenor's Pictorial Quilt (1986). Our guild recently gave a donation matched by Linda Claussen to ETHS for the purchase of four quilts from the Kitzmiller Family of Washington County. Two will be on display. The Sewing Label quilt made by Bonnie Jones will also make its debut. It was donated by SMQ in honor of Merikay Waldvogel's 2009 induction to the Quilters Hall of Fame. Several other quilts with ties to SMQ will be on display including the Iora Almina Pool Sampler Quilt (1880s), the Tennessee Heritage Sampler (1987) which was inspired by Iora's quilt top, and Yellow Ribbons (1991) by SMQ members. Mark your calendars. Let's celebrate our guild's history and honor our quilting heritage in East Tennessee. The museum staff has already asked for several quilters to volunteer to demonstrate quilting on History Day at the Museum on Saturday, August 19. If you'd like to quilt, please contact Michele MacDonald at ETHS macdonald@easttnhistory.org.

LOOKING FOR WORKSHOP VENUE

The Board is searching for a venue to hold workshops. We need a place that will accommodate 20 sewing machines and at least 2 irons. If you know of a place that we can rent or use for free, please contact Pat Pagni 865-368-8681, Kebra Wolfe 865-860-5679 or Lynn Sykes 865-382-5976. We have some great workshops planned but we need a place to have them. We would greatly appreciate any assistance you can give us with this problem. Thank you.

RONALD McDONALD HOUSE QUILTS SIT & SEW

We now have dates and a location for 2017 Ronald McDonald House Sit & Sew. We will be meeting June through September on the last Sunday of the month from 1-4 PM at the AC Moore store located in The Centre at Deane Hill, 250 Morrell Road, Knoxville, TN 37919. This location is across from the West Town Mall, in the same shopping center as Kohls and Bed Bath & Beyond. You may bring your sewing machine and basic sewing and cutting supplies. An iron and pressing surface will be provided. There is plenty to do, so if you don't want to bring your machine there will still be plenty to keep you busy. The remaining dates for 2017 will be July 30, August 27, and September 24. We hope to see you there.

Bridget Matlock
RMH Chair

SMQ BOOK CLUB

The SMQ Book Club will be meeting Thursday, July 20th at the Panera – Mercedes Place at 4855 Kingston Pike in Bearden at about 5:30. We will be reading "The Forgotten Seamstress" by Liz Trenow. Here is a quick review:

"An intriguing patchwork of past and present, upstairs and downstairs, hope and despair." —Daisy Goodwin, *New York Times* bestselling author of *The American Heiress*

She Kept Her Secret for a Lifetime...

A shy girl with no family, Maria knows she's lucky to have landed in the sewing room of the royal household. Before World War I casts its shadow, she catches the eye of the Prince of Wales, a glamorous and intense gentleman. But her life takes a far darker turn, and soon all she has left is a fantastical story about her time at Buckingham Palace.

Decades later, Caroline Meadows discovers a beautiful quilt in her mother's attic. When she can't figure out the meaning of the message embroidered into its lining, she embarks on a quest to reveal its mystery, a puzzle that only seems to grow more important to her own heart. As Caroline pieces together the secret history of the quilt, she comes closer and closer to the truth about Maria.

Page-turning and heartbreaking, *The Forgotten Seamstress* weaves together past and present in an unforgettable journey. Please feel free to join us on July 20th to eat and discuss lots of fun things!

Thanks,
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SMQ FACEBOOK PAGE

This note is for all the SMQ Facebook friends and "wanna be friends" too. Please remember that SMQ has a Facebook page when posting your quilting news. If you have a quilt-related announcement that you want other members to see, be sure to post it on the SMQ Timeline. If you are on Facebook and are not yet friends with SMQ, send your request so you don't miss out on any of our posts. I am going to try and post SMQ related news as I receive it or photograph it. If you have something you wish to share and don't have your own Facebook account, you may send it to me and I'll put it up for you. If you can write a blurb and attach a photo, you can join the Facebook fun!!

Becky Harriss
Social Media Chair

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