

Smoky  
Mountain  
**QUILTERS**  *newsletter*  
P.O. Box 30692 • Knoxville, Tennessee 37930

**AUGUST MEETING**

Tuesday, August 1, 2017  
Messiah Lutheran Church  
Kingston Pike at Golfclub Rd. - Knoxville TN  
Social Time: 6:30 PM / Meeting: 7:00 PM

**NEWS FROM THE PRESIDENT**

I hope everyone is keeping cool in this extremely hot weather!! We had a good attendance at the July Garage Sale & Ice Cream Social. There was a nice variety of things on the sale tables as well as on the dessert tables so everyone had a good time, enjoyed the ice cream and refreshments, and took home some good buys!

Our August 1<sup>st</sup> guild meeting is next week and hopefully, you have made or are finishing up your quilt bingo cards and preparing for the Holiday Row Robin if you plan to participate. This meeting promises to be LOTS of fun so don't miss it!

I want to thank Lynn Sykes for being such a great Programs Director and coming up with such wonderful ideas. I also want to thank Mali Glazer for agreeing to be in charge of the 2018 Quilt Challenge. The theme chosen, The 4 Elements, will allow for a lot of creativity and I encourage you to participate.

There are always opportunities for the guild in our area and here are just a few:

1. Doyleen Taylor will be in charge of the entries for those wanting to participate in the 2018 Guild Challenge for the Piecemakers of Sevier County. She will be asking

for the names of those interested in doing this at the August meeting. The theme is *What Do You See When You Think Of Stars?* and 5 participants are required.

2. Stitches and the Stories: Quilts in the permanent Collection of the East Tennessee Historical Society, in downtown Knoxville is from August 5 thru January 5. The 4 quilts our guild donated funds to help ship there, as well as other Smoky Mountain quilts will be there. Merikay Waldvogel is coordinating our guild's participation. Watch for programming.
3. The Louie Bluie Music & Arts Festival will be on September 30<sup>th</sup> in Caryville, TN, and is asking for fabric art quilt entries. There are several categories listed on their website, and if you are interested check it out at [louiebluie.org](http://louiebluie.org).
4. The Foothills Craft Guild Showcase of Fine Craft Fall Show in Maryville is November 17-19, 2017, and our guild has been invited to have a booth there. This will help our guild in various ways and details will be forthcoming.

I look forward to seeing you at the guild meeting next week.

Thanks!

***Kebra Wolfe***  
***SMQ President***

## UPCOMING PROGRAMS AND EVENTS

You don't want to miss these!

**August** – Bingo, Bingo, Bingo! We will have a fun evening of playing Bingo. Prizes will be won. The instructions for making your bingo card are attached in a separate email, but don't worry if you don't have time to make one; there will be extras available for you to use. Bingo cards will be donated to Ronald McDonald House at the end of the evening. Also bring your Row Robin to this meeting if you want to participate.

**September** – Tonight is going to be an evening of mystery and intrigue. Can you guess who murdered Betty Bitchay? The table who watches carefully, gathers all the clues will win the prize.

**October** – Fiber on a Whim will present their lecture "Harnessing My Creativity". They will also present a workshop Tuesday afternoon.

**November** – 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 of her books will be given so don't forget to sign up when you come into the church.

**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*

## SMQ TREASURER'S REPORT

Please see attachment to this newsletter for the SMQ Financial Report YTD 7/10/2017.

For any questions regarding the report, please contact Jane Dunham, Treasurer - [jcdunham@comcast.net](mailto:jcdunham@comcast.net)

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## AUGUST FAT QUARTER DRAWING

The August Fat Quarter Drawing will be reds and oranges.

*Mary Day*

*Fat Quarter/Block Drawings*

## 2018 GUILD CHALLENGE

The 2018 Challenge theme is **The Four Elements**. The rules are similar to the challenges we have done before. Each entry must have three layers, the minimum side measurement is 30" and the maximum side length must not exceed 60". The quilts can have more than one creator but must be clearly identified as such. All non-original designs must provide written permission from the originator. I hope you have fun with this - we are a very talented group. The design should incorporate all four elements: earth, fire, water and air. This will guarantee we don't end up with all water depictions for example. The internet is full of ideas. Here are just a couple of links for inspiration:

<http://www.ancient-symbols.com/four-elements.html>

<http://www.astrology.com.tr/elements.asphttp://umich.edu/~umfandsf/symbolismproject/symbolism.html/F/fourelem.html>

Some also asked if there would be a common color or fabric - but I think the theme is enough.

I look forward to our unveiling at the February meeting!

*Mali Glazer*

*2018 Challenge Chair*

### **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*

### **UPCOMING WORKSHOPS**

There are two upcoming workshops sponsored by the guild. The first workshop coming up will be on paper/foundation piecing and the second workshop will be on “landscape painting with fabric.” See Pat Pagni at the guild meeting or contact her [patpagn@aol.com](mailto:patpagn@aol.com) if you are interested in either (or better yet both) of these workshops.

The paper piecing workshop will be taught by Patricia Pagni on September 16. She will go over the basics of paper piecing and then offer instruction on a couple of variations. It will be a hands-on workshop and will be limited to 10 students. The workshop project will be a small quilt/wall hanging of a set of three plants in pots. We will get started on the project which will be finished at home later. A sample of the workshop project will be available at the guild meeting. Cost for the three and half hour workshop will be \$20 with a \$2.50 fee for the printing of three copies of the pattern on various foundations.

The guild is also sponsoring a workshop on “Landscape Painting with Fabric”. This workshop will be on October 3 from 2-5 PM

at Messiah Lutheran church. This is a guild meeting day and the Fiber on a Whim instructors will be speaking at the guild meeting in the evening. Workshop members will be working on a small-scale landscape which can be framed or sashed and quilted. Cost will be \$30 for the workshop with a \$15 kit fee. Information on this workshop follows in this newsletter.

### **SMQ WORKSHOP IN OCTOBER**



#### **Landscape Painting With Fabric –**

3 hour class

\$30 class fee + \$15 kit fee

October 3<sup>rd</sup> – 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.

## **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](mailto:macdonald@easttnhistory.org).

## **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. At the July meeting we will be working on making more Bingo card blocks to piece into quilt tops at the Quilters Roadshow in November. 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 book club will be reading “The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society” by Annie Barrows and Mary Ann Shaffer. Here’s the Amazon review:

*“I wonder how the book got to Guernsey? Perhaps there is some sort of secret homing instinct in books that brings them to their perfect readers.” January 1946: London is emerging from the shadow of the Second World War, and writer Juliet Ashton is looking for her next book subject. Who could imagine that she would find it in a letter from a man she’s never met, a native of the island of Guernsey, who has come across her name written inside a book by Charles Lamb....*

*As Juliet and her new correspondent*

*exchange letters, Juliet is drawn into the world of this man and his friends—and what a wonderfully eccentric world it is. The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society—born as a spur-of-the-moment alibi when its members were discovered breaking curfew by the Germans occupying their island—boasts a charming, funny, deeply human cast of characters, from pig farmers to phrenologists, literature lovers all.*

*Juliet begins a remarkable correspondence with the society's members, learning about their island, their taste in books, and the impact the recent German occupation has had on their lives. Captivated by their stories, she sets sail for Guernsey, and what she finds will change her forever.*

*Written with warmth and humor as a series of letters, this novel is a celebration of the written word in all its guises, and of finding connection in the most surprising ways.*

We will meet on Thursday, August 24<sup>th</sup> at around 5:30 at the Panera in Bearden at Mercedes Place (4855 Kingston Pike). You don't have to read the book to come and enjoy the conversation and companionship!

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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