

MAY MEETING

Tuesday – May 3, 2016

Messiah Lutheran Church

Kingston Pike at Golfclub Rd. - Knoxville TN

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

NEWS FROM THE PRESIDENT

Many of the SMQ members have told me how hard it is to drive at night. We really can't change the time of our meetings as so many SMQ members have daytime jobs. But we can carpool with other members. If you are interested in finding other people in your area, we'll have some membership lists at the meeting to see who might live near you.

We are rapidly nearing the deadline for entering quilts into the show. We have advertised 200 quilts, so please let's meet that goal!

Our preparations for the quilt show are moving right along. We have gotten more sponsors for the ribbons in the last month. All the special ribbons have now been sponsored: Cindy Stuart has sponsored the Best Surface Embellishment, Cyndi Hermann, the Excellence in Machine Work, and Chris Calhoun the Best Scrap Quilt. We also have other sponsors, including Kinney Sharpening as a major sponsor (so bring scissors and other tools to the show!!!) All of our first place ribbons have now been sponsored by the following: Gina's Bernina Sewing Center, and the Knoxville Modern Quilt Guild. Village Quilters Guild has sponsored a second place ribbon, and Barbara Langborgh and Old South Fabrics

have sponsored third place ribbons. We still have 3 more second place ribbons and 4 more third place ribbons to go, so hopefully we will be able to announce more sponsorships in the next newsletter.

The other chairmen of the quilt show will be looking for guild members to sign up to help set up and run the show. We need helpers to take in the quilts and get them organized on Monday June 13th, folks to help at the judging Tuesday and Wednesday June 14th and 15th, and people to help hang the quilts on Thursday the 16th. Once the show has opened, we need people at admission, to hostess, to run the small quilt sale and the opportunity basket and finally to take down the quilts and give them back. We will have lists with dates and times at the next two guild meetings so you can sign up. Remember if you help with the show, you can get in the show free.

Looking forward to the next guild meeting; see you there!

Leslie Hinson
President

MAY PROGRAM

At the May meeting there will be a special presentation by award-winning quilter, Loretta Painter. Loretta is best known for her unique original designs and her innovative fabric choices. She will also share some of her techniques she has used over the years.

In 1990 Loretta moved to Paducah and miraculously fell into quilting. Never one to follow all the rules, she soon learned to

create her own patterns and piecing techniques. She is particularly fond of using stripes and fussy cut fabric. Loretta quickly found that using partial seams and seams that are partially pieced and partially appliquéd helped to protect the integrity of the striped fabric design. Most of her quilts are quilted by herself by moving the quilt and using a hoop and a domestic sewing machine. She is a past president of Smoky Mountain Quilters and has held many other positions in the guild over the years as well as currently serving her second term as a Norris City Council representative.

Monica Schmidt
Programs Chair

FAT QUARTER DRAWING

The Fat Quarter Drawing for the May Meeting will be Floral Prints in spring colors.

WORKSHOPS

Pat Anderson from Ritzy Thimble in Oak Ridge was at the April guild meeting to provide some workshop information. They will be sponsoring a Pat Speth workshop – Nickel Quilts (5” squares); Friday July 15 at 6 PM, lecture on Fabulous Nickel Borders with 5” squares; \$15; Oak Ridge Civic Center on the Turnpike in the AB Social Room; payment at time of registration; Sunday class on Flying Geese, Sunday July 17, 2-5 PM, Unitarian Universalist Church on Oak Ridge Turnpike, \$40. You can contact Ritzy Thimble through their Facebook page or at their blog at <http://ritzythimble.blogspot.com/>

The Modern Quilt Guild of Knoxville is having a Shannon Brinkley Scrappy Applique workshop, making outlines with fabrics, skylines, maps; \$85 non-members, \$8 for pattern download; at the Presbyterian Church at 6500 Northshore Drive; July 16,

Saturday, 11-6 (1’ lunch break). For more information and registration please contact the Modern Quilt Guild of Knoxville through their blog at <http://knoxvillemqg.blogspot.com/>

Pat Pagni
Workshop Chair

RONALD McDONALD HOUSE

Guild members meet the last Sunday of each month from 1-4 PM at Joanns, 154 N. Peters Rd., Knoxville, for a Sit and Sew for Ronald McDonald House quilts. The next meeting is Sunday, April 24. Please bring basic sewing supplies and a machine if you wish to sew. We have cutting and pressing tools available.

NORTH KNOXVILLE QUILTS OF VALOR

Membership pins and registration cards are in for the first group that registered. See Doyleen Taylor to see if your pin is in. Also if you still want to join it is available any time for just \$5.00. Remember this is not the guild registration. We still meet every Wednesday from 10 am to 4 pm. The men's group meets the first and third Wednesday at 6:30 pm. Our address is 6516 Greenwood Rd. Knoxville, 37918.

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

2016 QUILT SHOW

There are just under two months until the quilt show. In the meantime, please get your quilts ready for the show. We will have room to display approximately 200 quilts this year. Submission forms are now available on the website. Pat Davis will be inviting all of us to donate small quilts and small boutique items for the Small Quilt Sale and Janet Wambach would like donations of new or "like new" items for the Opportunity Baskets. Please bring these items to our Guild Meetings.

The next Quilt Show Committee Meeting is Tuesday, May 3 at 5:30 PM.

Dennis and Doyleen Taylor
SMQ 2016 Quilt Show Co-chairpersons

SMQ MEMBERSHIP FOR 2016

The 2016 membership file will be emailed to all current members. If you don't receive it, please contact membership chair, Phyllis Dermer. She will have a few extra copies at the next guild meeting for those who do not have email.

Phyllis Dermer
Membership Chair

2017 QUILT CHALLENGE

Marian and Lynn Sykes have agreed to co-chair the Smoky Mountain Quilters Challenge for 2017.

The 2017 SMQ Challenge is Fun with Flags. Each member is allowed to adopt a flag from any nation as their inspiration for fabric and design. Please contact Lynn

Sykes (lsykes@utk.edu) with your flag choice.

You have your flag; you are ready to create. The fabrics you use must match the colors of your flag. You may decide to utilize other colors, but 80% of your top must match your flag. You must include a design element that personifies your flag's country.

Your finished quilt must contain three layers, measure 30" – 60" (width and length). It can be completed by hand, machine or a combination of the two. It can be traditional or an art piece. If your design is not original, please bring written permission from the source when you turn in your finished quilt at the February 2017 meeting.

We hope everyone decides to join us as we explore "Fun With Flags".

WEBSITE UPDATED

Miriam Land has updated the website and posted some photos. There is a page for the quilting bees that has contact information, times, and rules (<http://smokymtnquilters.com/guild-happenings/quilting-bees/>). If you have more information to add, please contact Miriam. Also Miriam is putting together a page on the website of local stores and services (<http://smokymtnquilters.com/local-stores-and-services/>). It will need a lot of input from members, and like the newsletter it will have minimal information about what is available. Please contact Miriam if you have any information for the website for her.

OPPORTUNITY BASKET

Janet Wambach is in charge of the Opportunity Basket for the 2016 Quilt Show. She will be accepting donations at guild meetings. Please bring new items for the Basket.

SMALL QUILT SALE

The collection of small quilts for our Small Quilt Sale booth is now in progress. Please keep this in mind when you are looking for something to do. It doesn't take very much time to whip out a small project. Perhaps you have some old quilt squares that need to be rejuvenated into something pretty and useful, which can be admired or loved by someone else. We all have them. I will have a sign-up sheet at the May meeting for anyone who would like to help us at the sale table during our show. Thanks.

*Pat Davis/Agnes Lawrence (co-chairs)
Quilt Show - Small Quilt Sale Committee*

LIBRARY NEWS

Over 500 quilt books, older copies of Quilters Newsletter & Miniature Quilts magazines, AQSG Uncoverings research publications, AQS show videos and a few other instructional CD's/tapes
Librarian: [Jane Dunham](mailto:jcdunham@comcast.net)/865-410-5580/jcdunham@comcast.net

Selections from the Guild Library are available for checkout during social time (6:30 to 7:00) before the monthly Guild meeting. Books can be returned at the library table during this time.

With the closing of Mammaw's shop, the library has been moved back to our temperature controlled storage unit, which is where it was stored before Mammaw's offered us free space at her shop. [The library inventory is posted on the SMQ website](#) and is updated periodically. A list is also available during social time before the monthly meetings. If you are interested in a specific book from this list, please contact Jane Dunham (jcdunham@comcast.net or 865-410-5580) and she'll be glad to bring it to the meeting for you to checkout. Members are encouraged to recommend [additions to](#) be purchased for [the library](#).

Reminder: Books are to be checked out for a period of 30 days. Please return books in a timely manner.

QUILT REPAIR WORKSHOP

Class and Workshop on Repairing Cotton Quilts - Saturday, May 7 from 10 am - 1pm. Taught by Cindy Stuart. \$50 - Register at Pappy's Quilting Place, Maryville 980-0950. A full description of the class is available at TNQuiltDoctor.com.

MORGAN COUNTY QUILT SHOW

The Tennessee Mountain Laurel Festival Quilt Show will take place May 21, 2016. A flyer with more information is attached with this newsletter.

2016 NC QUILT SYMPOSIUM

The 2016 North Carolina Quilt Symposium will be held June 2-5, 2016, at William Peace University, Raleigh, NC. The retreat is sponsored by the Capital Quilters. Several SMQ members have been in the past and recommend the retreat. Sign-ups begin in January. You can check out the great list of teachers and workshops at <http://capitalquilters.org/symposium2016/teachersqorkshops/>