

AUGUST MEETING

Tuesday – August 2, 2016
Messiah Lutheran Church
Kingston Pike at Golfclub Rd. - Knoxville TN
Social Time: 6:30 PM / Meeting: 7:00 PM

<http://doyoueq.com/>

<https://www.pinterest.com/electricquilt/free-eq7-downloads/>

<http://www.quiltviews.com/free-electric-quilt-block-pattern>

<http://ajpadilla.com/eq-corner/free-eq-projects-tutorials>

<http://quiltwithus.connectingthreads.com/page/eq-downloads>

http://www.quiltmaker.com/creative_spark.html

<http://support.electricquilt.com/Downloading-and-Importing-a-Manufacturers-Fabrics-into-EQ7.ashx> (Moda, Northcott, and Andover)

Monica Schmidt
Programs Chair

NEWS FROM THE PRESIDENT

Leslie is on vacation this month, but she'll be back for the August newsletter. In the meantime, enjoy your summer!

Leslie Hinson
President

AUGUST PROGRAM

The Smoky Mountain Quilters Guild will meet on Tuesday, August 2, with social time at 6:30 pm followed by the business meeting and program at 7:00 pm.

Miriam Land will present the program, titled "I EQ, DO YOU?" Here is her description of this program:

The Electric Quilt Company (EQ) is the leading quilt design software company in the world. It accommodates many styles of quilting design and construction. Miriam will share some of her experiences using Electric Quilt (EQ). She will demonstrate how to get started, how the software is organized, and some of the diversity of projects that are possible. She will show how she has used EQ to explore many possible designs before cutting fabric, and will bring examples of finished quilts that started out as EQ designs.

Related web sites with free tutorials, tips and tricks, ideas, patterns, and fabrics:

FAT QUARTER DRAWING

For August, the Fat Quarter Drawing will be bright colors and jewel tones.

WELCOME NEW MEMBER

Let's all welcome June Swaney of Knoxville to the guild as our newest member. June - we're happy you've joined our friendly guild!

Phyllis Dermer
Membership Chair

WALKER SISTERS TOURS

Cades Cove Heritage Tours will be presenting an exclusive "Walker Sisters Quilt Exhibit & Tour". Following is information from Cades Cove Heritage

Tours along with contact information. If you have any questions, please contact Cades Cove Heritage Tours

The Walker Sisters Quilt Exhibit & Tour with Cades Cove Heritage Tours:

9 am Tuesday August 16
9 am Tuesday September 20
9 am Tuesday October 4
9 am Tuesday November 8

Limited Seating Available
\$20.00 per person
Call 865-448-8838 for reservations

If you are interested, you can ask about private Walker Sisters Group Tours on Tuesdays now through November 8.

The Walker Sisters Quilt Exhibit and Tour is an exclusive presentation about The Walker Sisters of Little Greenbrier by Robin Goddard.

The Walker Sisters grew to fame when they steadfastly refused to leave their family's homestead as the Parks Commission was working to purchase land that would later become the great Smoky Mountains national park. The sisters persevered and obtained rights to a lifetime lease of their home-place. The six quilts on display at the Great Smoky Mountains Heritage Center show the resourcefulness of mountain families. Constructed of fabric that was often made by the Walker Sisters themselves, the quilts are made from patterns handed down through the generations. We have shown quilts as our permanent collections, but none as important to the history of the region as those of the Walker Sisters.

Our guests will enjoy a 50-minute presentation by Robin Goddard who had the privilege of spending time with the walker Sisters at their home-place. Robin

will share her extensive knowledge about the Walker Sisters exclusively for our tours.

Robin will be a keynote speaker and workshop presenter ("Happy 100th Birthday, National Parks!") at the Delta Kappa Gamma International Honorary Teacher Society Convention to be held at the Opryland Hotel in Nashville this July.

On odd-numbered years, former State Teachers of the Year from around the country come to Wears Valley Ranch and the Smokies for their biennial service project where, together with Robin Goddard and Dolly Parton, the Imagination Library, and GSMNP, they work with the underprivileged children who live and attend school at the Wears Valley Ranch, which is a not-for-profit, privately funded institution.

Tours depart at 9 AM from the Great Smoky Mountain Heritage Center, Townsend, TN. Cost is \$20.00 per person. The Exhibit and Tour includes: viewing six Walker Sisters quilts never before available for public viewing; an exclusive presentation on the Walker Sisters by Robin Goddard at Little Greenbrier Schoolhouse; and a tour of the Walker Sisters' final resting place at Maddox Cemetery in Wears Valley, TN

Cades Cove Heritage Tours
PO Box 268 123 Cromwell Drive
Townsend, TN 37882

QUILT JUDGING CLASSES

Lorraine Covington will be offering "Introduction to Quilt Judging" classes in Clemmons, NC, several times until the end of the year. The informational flyer will be attached along with this newsletter. Please use the contact information on the flyer. This is not put on by SMQ, so you will need to contact Lorraine directly.

RONALD McDONALD HOUSE CHARITY QUILTS

Guild members meet the last Sunday of each month from 1-4 PM at Joann's, 154 N. Peters Rd., Knoxville, for a Sit & Sew for Ronald McDonald House quilts. Our next meeting will be Sunday, July 31. Please bring basic sewing supplies and a machine if you wish to sew. We have cutting and pressing tools available.

We will have three more dates after July in 2016: August 28, September 25, and October 30.

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

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.

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/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.