

### **MARCH MEETING**

Tuesday – April 4, 2017  
Messiah Lutheran Church  
Kingston Pike at Golfclub Rd. - Knoxville TN  
Social Time: 6:30 PM / Meeting: 7:00 PM

### **APRIL PROGRAM**

All the round robins will be shown at our April meeting. If you cannot be at the meeting, call Lynn Sykes at 865-382-5976 and make arrangements to get the one you are working on to her before the April meeting.

Our April program will be Jodi Savage, the owner of the Whistlestop Retreat. Her topic will be “Quilt Retreats Are About More Than Just Sewing”.

*Lynn Sykes*  
*Vice President*  
*Programs Chair*

### **LIBRARY LIQUIDATION SALE AT APRIL MEETING**

Members had the opportunity to bid on the library books at the February and March meetings. The remaining books are being brought to the April meeting and will be available for members to purchase for a one hour period **starting at 6 pm.** Books will be priced at approximately 20% of retail with most books going for \$4 to \$5. There are over **400 books available** for purchase. After this, the next opportunity to purchase the books will be at the June quilt show.

### **APRIL BLOCK DRAWING**

The Block Drawing for the April meeting will be the Wheel of Destiny. Instructions have been distributed previously, but will also be sent under a separate email.

*Mary Day*  
*Fat Quarter/Block Drawings*

### **UPCOMING MEETINGS**

The May program will be a make and take round robin. Several stations will be set up around the room. Everyone will have the opportunity to visit each station and make something to take home.

For June, we will see the small quilts everyone made for the quilt show. This meeting will be a feast for your eyes as all of our talented quilters display their work. If you have any questions about the small quilts, contact Sandy Kambic.

### **TREASURER’S REPORT**

Please see attachment to this newsletter for the Board-approved SMQ Guild budget for 2017 and the actual YTD income and expense through 3/13/2017. For any questions regarding the report, please contact Jane Dunham, Treasurer - [jcdunham@comcast.net](mailto:jcdunham@comcast.net).

THIS IS FOR MEMBERS ONLY.

### **2017 SMQ QUILT SHOW**

Call for volunteers - please volunteer either during the week prior to the show or during the show. Many hands will make light work loads for all. Below is a short description of what is involved for each committee requesting volunteers.

Hanging on Thursday: Help hang rods, lanyards & quilts. We need lots of volunteers for this, husbands welcome also.

Take In - This will include helping log in quilts that have been mailed in on Monday in the AM and the quilts that are brought in on Monday in the PM. These are half day or all day shifts.

Judging - We still need volunteers to handle quilts during judging on Tuesday and Wednesday; holding up quilts for the judge, folding quilts, laying out quilts from categories to be judged.

Hostess - This involves walking up & down the rows of quilts to ensure no one touches the quilts on Friday & Saturday. It is only 1-1/2 hour shifts, so please volunteer.

Admissions - This is working at the entrance taking entrance fees, handing out scavenger hunt information, etc. on Friday & Saturday.

Take down - This involves helping take quilts down and handing them off to the Mail Back & Give Back teams on Saturday right after the show closes.

Mail Back - This involves placing quilts that were mailed in back in the package they were shipped in and preparing for mail back to the entrant on Saturday right after the show closes.

Give Back - You give quilts back to entrants who are picking up their quilts at the end of the show Saturday after the show closes.

Small Quilts - This position will work in the small quilts booth on Friday and Saturday during the show.

We also need items for the Small Quilt booth. Please donate small quilts, gift items,

etc. The proceeds from the sales in this booth go to the guild.

I'm still looking for volunteers to help contact potential sponsors for our ribbons. Please contact me at [sewoholic@gmail.com](mailto:sewoholic@gmail.com) or 317-997-2384 if you are able to help.

We appreciate any amount of time you can spend helping out and hope you will also be entering a quilt in the show.

*Betty Sparks, 2017 Quilt Show Chairman*  
*Judee Shuler, 2017 Quilt Show Co-Chairman*

## **SPRING RETREAT**

Quilt Retreat – May 26-28. There are a few spots left for the quilt retreat. The cost is \$170. Contact Lynn Sykes at 865-382-5976 if you are interested in attending. If you have a friend you would like to come with you, invite them. They do not need to be a member of the guild to attend.

## **2017 HOLIDAY ROW ROBIN**

SMQ's next group activity is going to be a row robin. What is a row robin, you ask? Instead of working in rounds, we will add rows to each quilt top. The owner of the quilt will bring an 8 ½ inch by 32 ½ inch row to the August meeting. Your row should have a holiday theme. You can pick a well known one – Christmas, Halloween, Easter or go for it and pick something unusual – Fall Hat Month, Adopt a Shelter Dog Month, Book Lovers Day or Men Make Dinner Day. Your imagination is your only limit. An 8 ½ inch by 32 ½ inch row will be added by a participant in September, October and November. At our December meeting, we will reveal the quilt tops. If you are interested in joining the fun, bring your row to the August 1<sup>st</sup> meeting. Your row should be in a white pillowcase along with any instructions you have for your

fellow quilters and any fabric you would like them to use.

I know it is hard to make every meeting, but I am happy to meet people away from the meeting so you can participate.

If you have any questions, about our Row Robin, you can contact me at 865-382-5976 or lsykes@utk.edu.

*Lynn Sykes*  
*VP/Programs Chair*

### **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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