President's note -

Hello to all my fellow Quilters,

I am currently in Ohio at a week long family reunion. It's nice and cool here and raining just a bit. I hear you all are having a heat wave. That's a good excuse to stay inside and work on your quilts!

Don't forget that our July program is Christmas in July and we need your help to make the program a success. Please bring Christmas quilts, wall hangings. We'll have a bed turning of Christmas quilts for the program. Once that is over we will have our regular show and tell. Keep working on those UFO's.

Happy quilting and I'll see you Monday, July 3rd.

Kathleen Greer



Minutes of Monthly Meeting

June 5, 2023

The meeting was called to order by our President, Kathleen Greer. There were 29 members in attendance, plus 2 new members—Lori McDade and Lisa Dunn and one visitor—Elizabeth Barnhart

The meeting was started with our program "Quilting Tips & Tricks". Kathleen introduced our presenter Lucy Large.

After the program our business meeting started -

- Minutes were approved as printed in the guild newsletters as follows -
 - March—Motion-Pam Beard; second-Christi Calhoun
 - April—Motion-Cindy Pannier; second-Marcella Cumins
 - May—Motion-Marilyn Rose; second Dianna Carey-Smith
- Treasury Report, Ann Callender, current balance \$3,696.02, after Retreat and UFO funds are set aside. (\$6,478.58 total).

Minutes continued -

- Retreat Report, Debbie Wilson—we have our 15 minimum. Please contact Debbie if you have any questions. Looking forward to a great retreat—September 21st-24th.
- Sunshine report, Pam Beard, three June birthday cards have been mailed out.
- Polly Duggan has 9 community quilts ready to go to the Star Fire Department.
- MQA update—Ann Callendar, everyone had a great time and the facility was great. The Fall Gathering will be October 20 & 21 on the coast in Biloxi.

Announcements -

- * Sit-n-Sew at Wynndale Baptist Church, June 8th. Held in the fellowship hall in the back of the church. Be sure to bring your lunch.
- * Brandon Quilters Sit & Sew, Saturday, June 10th.

The Ruler of the Month was presented by Ellen Meeler, Quilt as You Go Hexagon, a Missouri Star template set.

Sew-n-Tell was shared and our July program announced—Christmas in July. The meeting was then adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Welsch

Secretary/Newsletter Editor



Ruler of the Month—QAYG Hexagon







Ellen Meeler presented the ruler of the month, Missouri Star's Quilt as You Go Hexagon templates. Fabric strips can be used for cutting the hexagons and batting for the hexagon. Sew hexagons via your sewing machine and zigzag the hexagons together to make various quilted projects.

Program - "Quilting Tips & Tricks"



Lucy distributed a Schmetz Needle guide and shared the following information and tips -

- The Universal needle was the original needle that was utilized for sewing, guilting, embroidery, jeans/denim and leather.
- Ballpoint needles—cotton and cotton knits
- Stretch needs for stretchy fabric
- Jean/Denim needles can be used for quilting, goes easily through all the layer of fabric and batting
- Sharps—for tightly woven fabric
- Quilting needles are best for piecing /40 or 50 weight cotton thread recommended
- · Topstitch needles for topstitching
- Needle sizes on package—the larger number is an European number and the smaller number is American. Smaller number needles are for fine/thin fabrics and larger numbers for thicker fabrics.

Tips -

- ⇒ To remember that a machine needle has been used previously, leave thread in the eye of the needle when placing it back in needle case. Needles can be used up to 6 hours before replacing it is required.
- ⇒ A Hump Jumper or Jean-a-jig can be used for sewing over thick seam joints.
- ⇒ Use a Clover Fabric Folding pen; a felt tip pen that is filled with a very unique fabric softener to allow for folding.
- ⇒ The automatic thread cutters on your machine can get dull, replace occasionally
- ⇒ Use a "Tailor's Clapper" for flattening ironed seams (the wood absorbs the heat)

Veteran Quilt Donations





Dianna Carey Smith and Delene Browning

Community Quilts -



Kathleen Greer -Woodland Creatures



Cindy Pannier— Twisted Ribbon



Pam Beard -Lap quilt and Strip quilt



Polly Duggan -Square Dance







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Sew-n-Tell—UFO's



Cindy Barnett -Morning's Glory and Frosty Goes to Town



Kathleen Greer -Halloween quilt



Cindy Pannier -



Ellen Meeler— MSQ Wonky Stars





Sew-n-Tell—UFO's





Debbie Wilson -Woven in Faith Log Cabin Hidden Stars Ribbons quilt

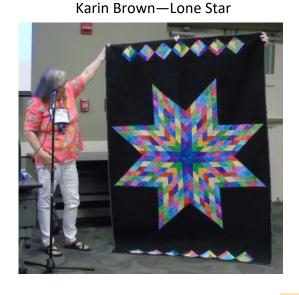


Sew-n-Tell

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Marilyn Rose—Red Bonnie



Sew-n-Tell



Ruby Lowe—Nora's Notebooks



Pam Beard—Embroidered dish towels



Polly Duggan—St. Patrick's Lucky runner



Laura Key -Floral Collage from Paisley fabric MQA Summer 2023 class



Delene Browning -Embroidery blocks (auction purchase) wall hanging



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Dates to Remember

Monday, <u>July 3rd</u>—Guild meeting at Brandon Library; 6:30 pm

Christmas in July

Saturday, July 8th—Sit n' Sew