

Circle in the Square Quilters

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July Meeting - Tuesday, July 19 at 6:30 p.m. at Trinity Presbyterian Church

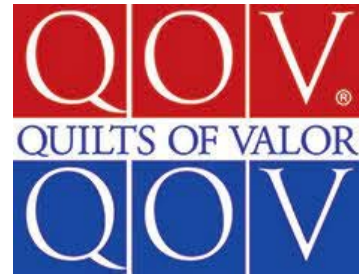
6800 Washington Ave, St. Louis, MO 63130

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Quilters Giving Back: Honoring our Armed Services

In our lives as quilters, we make presents for our friends and family. However, most of us go beyond by making quilts for organizations who find loving homes for these handmade treasures. Our July meeting program has a patriotic theme with two organizations talking about their purpose, history, and impact on the men and women serving our country.

- **Operation Shower** holds baby showers for expectant military personnel and their families. As our guild's charity quilt focus, we have Lindsey Fletcher, product director, joining us to talk about the organization and share stories.
Bring any finished baby quilts you have been saving to give to Betsy to the meeting, so Lindsey can take them with her.
- **Quilts of Valor** awards quilts to current military personnel and veterans. Linda Martien, QoV Missouri state coordinator, will talk about the organization and effect of quilty hugs.



Remember to bring YOUR quilts for Show and Tell!

New Guild Meeting Location!

We're meeting at a new location - **Trinity Presbyterian Church**, 6800 Washington Ave, St. Louis, MO 63130. It's just around the corner from the church we met in for so many years.

We are now in the fellowship hall of the church. Enter at the door on Kingsland Ave – the door between the outside stairs and the bell tower. Inside, there are a few steps to go down into the room, but also a modern elevator if you need it. You can park on the street or in the free COCA parking lot across the street on Washington Ave.

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Upcoming Guild Meeting - Mark your calendars for our next guild in-person meetings.

- **Tuesday, September 20** - We'll be back together again with our traditional guild potluck! Bring that favorite dish or a new one you perfected over the last two years.
- **Tuesday, October 18** - Demo Night! Members of our guild will present rotating demonstrations, showcasing different quilting techniques.

From the Prez

Hello everyone!

Planning ahead, we will need to elect new officers for the 2023-2024 guild years. **All of the current officers are serving a third year and we need new ideas.** Personally, I will need to step back as president because of family responsibilities.

If we do not have volunteers to fill the positions of president, vice president, treasurer, corresponding secretary and recording secretary, we will need to form a nominating committee to solicit nominations. Those who volunteer for the nominating committee would not be candidates to be officers.

This is a great way to get more involved with the guild, and get to know some folks better. None of the positions is difficult, and the group is always supportive. We need your help so that we can continue to have a vibrant guild.

See you at the meeting in July,

Carol

CSQ Council 2020-2022

Carol Peck, President

Gwen Clopton,
Vice-President

Betsy Sweeney, Treasurer
Peggy Harris, Recording
Secretary

Joyce Johnson,
Corresponding Secretary
Lou Kaufman, Membership

Marilyn Raphael, Program
Chair

Betsy Sweeney, Charity
Quilts

Gwen Clopton, Website &
Quintessential Quilt Show

Joyce Johnson, Raffle Quilt
Laura Falk, Newsletter

Council Positions

Here are the available council positions:

- **President:** Organizes and runs general meetings and council meetings
- **Vice-President:** Assumes duties if President is unavailable; responsible for coordinating meeting programs/speakers
- **Treasurer:** Handles the bank account and the checkbook; makes bank deposits and pays bills
- **Recording Secretary:** Keeps minutes from Council and general meetings
- **Corresponding Secretary:** Handles written and email correspondence with membership
- **Membership:** Keeps membership records up to date; at in-person meetings keeps visitor log and sign-in table

Here are the activity positions:

- **Program Chair:** Assists Vice-President with arranging meeting programs/speakers
- **Charity Quilts:** Selects charity and organizes quilt drives for that charity
- **Website:** Keeps website information up-to-date (some tech skill handy!)
- **Quintessential Quilt Show:** Runs all aspects of the biennial show, with help from committee and volunteers
- **Raffle Quilt:** Selects pattern and fabric for biennial raffle quilt; organizes block kits for members to work on; shepherds quilt through to completion
- **Newsletter:** Creates bimonthly (more or less) digital newsletter for membership

Raffle Quilt Update from Joyce Johnson

Our current Dear Jane raffle quilt is being quilted by Sandy Etheridge. Betsy Sweeney will be binding all of those curvy edges, and then we will be ready to photograph it and sell the raffle tickets. Nancy Kollmar has agreed to get the quilt out in the community to help sell some of the tickets. Please be on the lookout for upcoming emails and announcements regarding these activities.

We have begun planning our next raffle quilt. The results of the online voting are in! We will be making Shakespeare in the Park, a combination of snail's trail and star blocks. The executive council discussed the options for fabric choices to differentiate it from past raffle quilts. Our tentative decision is to use the Kaffe Fassett fabric line depending upon availability. Email announcements will be sent in the coming months regarding opportunities to participate in cutting/packaging of the blocks for distribution to guild members.



CSQ Council Meeting Minutes - May 10, 2022

Attended: Carol, Joyce, Gwen, Laura, Nancy, Marilyn, Lou, Betsy, Peggy

Marilyn will become the new Program Chair. She will handle booking speakers for our meetings.

Next guild meeting in May will be at the Richmond Heights Community Center at 6:30 pm. The center has ample parking and it is easy to get in and out of the building. Sharon Wastene will do a trunk show "Inspirations." After the program, she will teach attendees how to make a folded flower.

Nancy suggested that one of the council members should be a backup person in case she (Carol) gets delayed. This falls to the vice-president.

Gwen said that she does not yet have a program for July. Betsy said that Operation Shower is willing to talk at a meeting. Setting this up for July. We will do a potluck in September.

The Richmond Heights Community Center charges extra to cover clean up expenses if we bring in food. Resident's rate to rent room is \$35/hour and we are using a guild member who lives in RH so that we can get the resident rate. We try to keep cost of speakers to under \$300. Some only charged \$200 or \$250.

Possible idea for a speaker – Invite owner of a local quilt shop to speak. How they select fabrics at the market.

Current raffle quilt. The raffle quilt is not ready yet. Gwen will talk with quilter. Our Dear Jane quilt measures 87" x 87" Discussed alternative quilters, just in case. We all agreed that simple quilting is best since the quilt is already very complex.

Next raffle quilt. Joyce will send out pictures for voting.

Carol said that she spoke with several people, and they were not interested in becoming an officer. Some people may be tired of performing the duties that they are currently doing and be willing to do another job. She suggested that we form a nominating committee to draw up a slate of officers to vote on in January. Not too early to start thinking about who to select.

\$4528 in our checking account.

Carol adjourned the meeting around 7:20 pm

CSQ Flashback

Throwback to 1988, one of the CSQ meetings invited Cheryl Breuger of Patches, in St. Charles to present a demonstration of "How to Use the Rotary Cutter". We also had a fun summer meeting held at Carol Hollingsworth's swimming pool. Could this have been the first social meeting? Maybe now we can get back to planning these social meetings, and do we have a volunteer

to host a social meeting in August? That summer, there was also a Mississippi Peace Cruise with 50 women from Russia, where the St. Louis area quilters donated 50 blocks for a welcome banner and then each woman picked a block to take back to the Soviet Union. In reviewing the mostly hand-written binder, my favorite was instead of using "CSQ" all over they drew a tiny circle with a square around it.

--Nancy Kollmar, CSQ Historian

May Guild Meeting Show & Tell Photos



Quilt of Valor



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Vivienne Mazzotta



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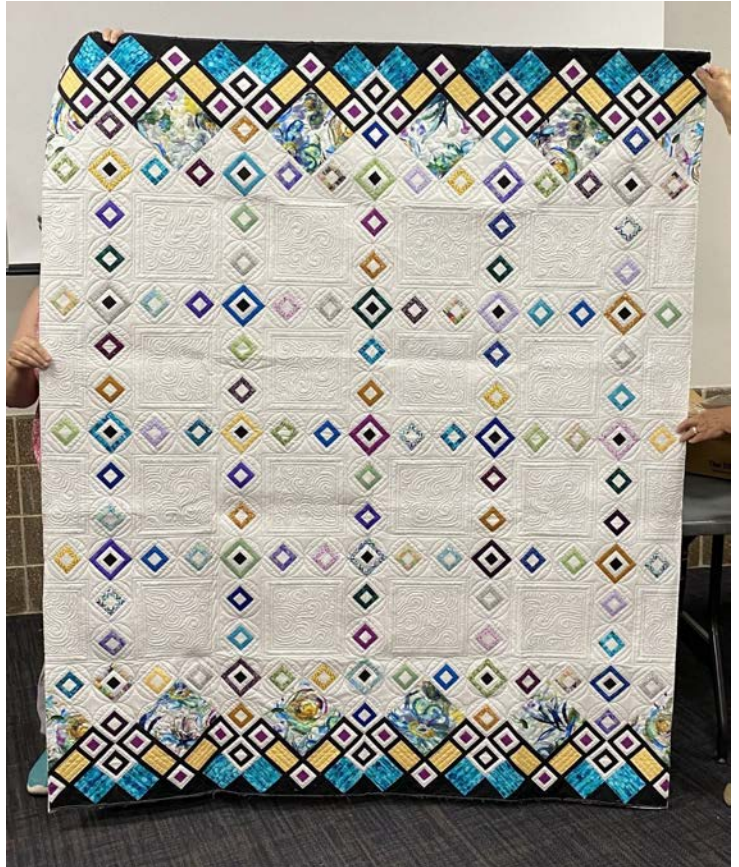
Suzanne Marshall



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Lois Hays



Lois Hays



Norma Silk



Carolyn Birge



Joyce Johnson



Carolyn Stoll

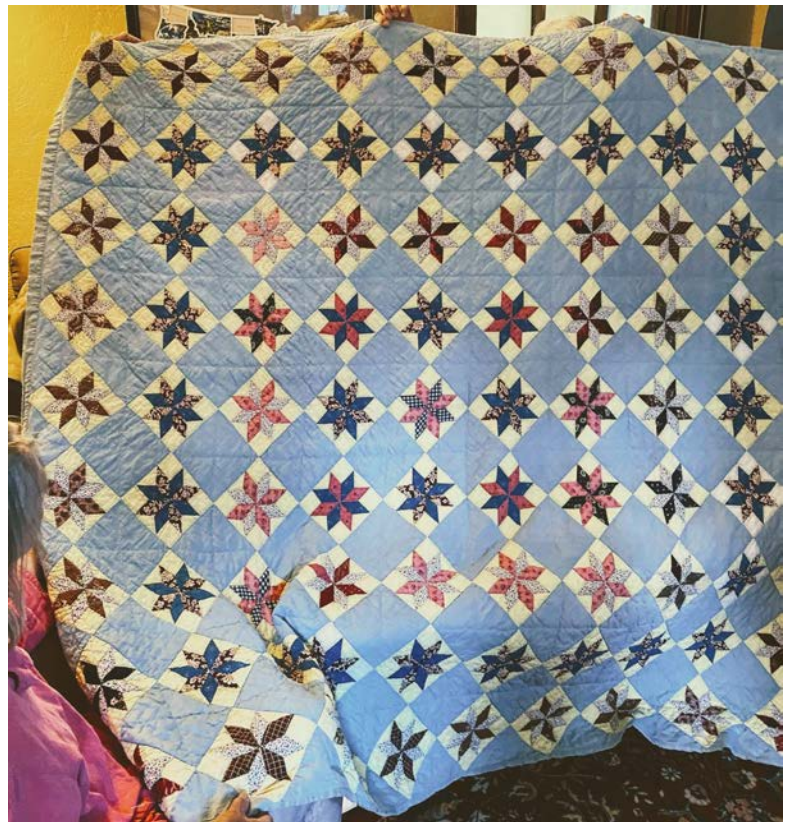


A finished folded flower!

July Piecing Group Show & Tell



Carol Peck



Gift to Terry Friedman

June Piecing Group Show & Tell



Mary Carr (Japanese textile)



Mary Carr (another Double Wedding Ring she's re-working)

SAINT LOUIS
MODERN
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QUILT SHOW

Saturday, July 16, 2022
10 AM-5 PM
Sunday, July 17, 2022
11 AM-4 PM

Suggested donation for admission: \$7
Ages 5 and under are free

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111 S. Geyer Road
Kirkwood, MO 63122

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Current COVID protocols will be updated on our website.