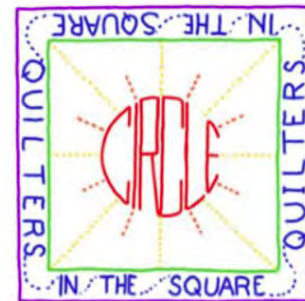


Circle in the Square Quilters

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CSQ Guild Meeting - Tuesday, July 21 - 7:00 p.m.

While we're not quite ready to head back indoors, come out and let's enjoy each other's company in a safe, socially distanced manner in July at Clemens Community Garden. There's plenty of open space for everyone to bring a chair and spread out if this is something you're comfortable doing. If not — no worries— this will just be a casual meeting!

The address of the apartment building next to the garden is **6311 Clemens Avenue, University City, MO**. Directions: From the U. City Library, drive east on Delmar, and then turn left onto Westgate Ave. Drive two blocks and turn right on to Clemens Ave (All Saints Catholic Church is on the corner where you turn). Drive another block and you'll see the garden on the left side of the street.

Please wear a mask. Bug spray is likely an excellent idea! Feel free to bring a cold drink and any show-and-tell — many of us have had projects keeping us busy while we've been at home.

Upcoming Program Meetings for 2020

September 15th: Guild Potluck Dinner

October 20th: Guild Quilt Challenge

Circle in the Square 2020 Challenge Quilt

Create a small wall quilt (any size but no larger than 20" x 20") which represents your happy place. You must incorporate some of the fabric provided by the guild (if you still need some, let Kim Donermeyer know) somewhere in the front of the quilt. The finished quilts will be displayed and voted on during the October guild meeting with prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd. If you have questions, please contact Kim Donermeyer at kdonermeyer@hotmail.com or 314-445-9482.

Membership Renewals are (Past) Due!

Pay up to continue to enjoy membership in the coolest guild around.



Message from the President

As one of our members remarked recently, the days sometimes go by slowly but the weeks go quickly. The months since we've last been together seem to have sped by rapidly, and I really look forward to a time when we can be together again.

The officers have made tentative plans to have our July meeting occur outdoors. If you feel safe in attending, please bring your own chair and beverage. We hope to see lots of Show and Tell, as we imagine many of you have been sewing a lot while safe at home. It will also be a great chance to share tales of your other activities during the last few months.

Despite the breakdown of my only sewing machine, I have been working on finishing quilting projects, some quilted by hand and others with the help of a friend who does long-arm quilting. I now have a loaner machine and am slowly learning to get a consistent quarter inch seam on it so I can start new projects without regretting my workmanship! I have not made any masks but am contributing fabric to a neighbor who does. I have enjoyed having time to work on my vegetable garden and to begin some ornamental gardening projects. Our dogwood, azalea and iris were unusually lovely this year, probably due to all of our rainy days, and new trees planted last fall are thriving. I have also tried a lot of new recipes and become reacquainted with others.

Carol Peck

CSQ Council 2020-2021

Carol Peck, President
Gwen Clopton,
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Betsy Sweeney,
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Joyce Johnson,
Corresponding Secretary
Lou Kaufman,
Membership

Betsy Sweeney, Charity
Quilts
Gwen Clopton, Website
& Quintessential Quilt
Show
Kim Donermeyer, 2020
Quilt Challenge
Laura Falk, Newsletter

We Need a Few Good Folks!

We are **still** looking for several members to coordinate the Fundraising Quilt for QQ2021. This is determining a design, obtaining the fabric (purchase or donation), making kits for blocks, handing out the kits, gathering the finished block, and piecing the blocks for the top. Any costs are reimbursed. If you are interested in volunteering to help with the Fundraising Quilt for QQ2021, contact Gwen. We're also looking for a "Quilt Show Apprentice," someone to basically shadow Gwen and learn all the tips & tricks of the quilt show.

CSQ Council Meeting – May 12, 2020 – Minutes

Gwen Clopton organized a Zoom meeting for the council at 7 pm.

In attendance: Carol Peck, Gwen Clopton, Laura Falk, Peggy Harris, Joyce Johnston, Lou Kaufman, Betsy Sweeney.

Carol Peck started the meeting. Discussion about whether to hold a short, small guild meeting in July. Carol spoke with UUM church and they want us to adhere to CDC guidelines. 10 people maximum. We discussed holding the meeting in a park or even a backyard. Gwen suggested using the community garden, since one doesn't need to make a reservation to use it and it is near our regular meeting location. A short meeting would be preferable due to heat and mosquitos. Members may welcome the opportunity to see friends and do a short show and tell.

Peggy suggested that members do a virtual show and tell of projects that they have worked on during the Stay-at-Home orders. CSQ Members could send an email to Laura with photos and then she will publish in the newsletter.

Lou reported that there are still a number of members whose dues are outstanding. She believed that many people were planning to pay their renewal dues at the March guild meeting which was cancelled. Laura will include the roster in the email to members, stating this is our current list of members who have renewed their dues.

Decision was made to send out the next newsletter in early June. Laura will ask members to send photos of the projects they have been working on during quarantine – deadline to her during first week of June. Also, if members had made masks for family, friends, health care workers, they should include the approximate number of masks made and the states or countries they were sent. This newsletter will become an historical document in the guild's files.

Joyce will notify members via email that the May 19 guild meeting is cancelled and will call the few members who do not have access to email. Laura asked if we had cancelled the speaker for the May meeting. Gwen had sent her an email but received no response. She will follow up as a courtesy reminder to the speaker.

Laura offered to use the zoom account held by the non-profit where she works. Gwen has purchased a zoom account and offered to continue to host guild council meetings.

Meeting adjourned about 7:40 pm.

CSQ Council Meeting – March 10, 2020 – Minutes

Carol Peck held the council meeting at the Breakaway restaurant at 6:30 pm.

In attendance: Carol Beck, Betsy Sweeney, Gwen Clopton, Laura Falk, Joyce Johnston, Peggy Harris

Betsy reported that a representative from Operation Shower will come to the March 17 guild meeting and make a short presentation.

Membership roster usually comes out in April since members are still renewing their memberships this month.

Laura Falk is taking over the newsletter. She plans to send it out during the week before a guild meeting so that it will serve as a reminder of the upcoming meeting.

It is time to start planning for the 2021 Quintessential Quilt Exhibit. New volunteers are needed to move into apprentice roles to learn about what is needed to do to run a successful show.

Treasury balance is \$4,494. We basically broke even with the income for sales of raffle tickets for the fundraising quilt and quilt show expenses.

Maximum size of quilts for the quilt show will remain at 90" x 90". This allows us to display as many of our members' quilts as possible. There simply isn't enough room to hang large quilts.

Meeting adjourned 7:10 pm.

CSQ Show and Tell

Mask Making

CSQ Members have been busy making masks to help combat Covid-19. The group has made close to 1,000 masks (that we know of) that have gone to 22 different states!

Carolyn Birge - 35 (CA, NJ, MI, MO)

Sandra Arango Caro - 35 (MO)

Mary Carr - 15 (CO, IN, MO)

Gwen Clopton - 60 (MO, OH, GA, MS, FL)

Laura Falk - 69 (MO)

Terry Friedman - 22 (WA, VA, MO, AR)

Joyce Johnson - 85 (TX, MI, KY, AL, IL)

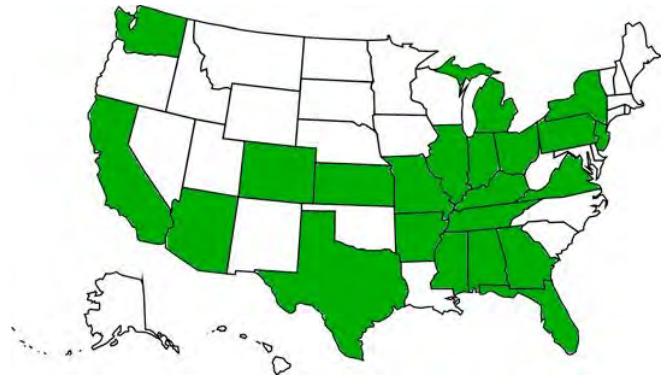
Mary Kaufman - 50 (FL, AZ, KS, NY, IL, MO)

Dolores Keaton - 250

Cherie Moore - 150+

Jan Ochterbeck - 94 (MO)

Carolyn Stoll - ~100 (PA, VA, IL, FL, MO)



(L-R) Jan Ochterbeck's Smiley Face mask, masks by Laura Falk, two pics of masks by Dolores Keaton (Above right) masks by Terry Friedman



Other Work We've Been Doing

Dolores Keaton - 1 Quilt of Valor, 50 small baby quilts for St. Mary's

Cherie Moore - "I've have sewn a log cabin top, quilted a well aged lap quilt and started a brushed flannel quilt while leader/ender-ing on a Bonnie Hunter quilt. All while working from home."



Peggy Harris made this for her first grandchild, born in March. The appliqued fish have pieces of hers and her mother's wedding dresses.



Made by Peggy Harris for a friend's first grandchild with Eric Carle fabrics



Peggy Harris - 1st block for The Quilted Fox's new BOM, "The Fox Goes to the Caribbean"



Mary Kaufman - "Birds and Beez Quilt"



Betsy Sweeney Quarantine Project #1



Betsy Sweeney Quarantine Project #2



Joyce Johnson - "The biggest quilt I have ever made!"



Joyce Johnson - Close up of biggest quilt



Joyce Johnson - Old embroidered table linens from her grandmother that she's been quilting



Dolores Keaton - Quit of Valor



Laura Falk - finally finished piecing this top from a kit called "Moonlight Garden"



Laura Falk - only the Piecing Group knows how many years this top has been in progress!



Laura Falk - baby quilt top for Operation Shower



Laura Falk - quilted tote bag



Quilt by Carolyn Stoll



Quilt by Carolyn Stoll



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"Corona Medallion" by Jan Ochterbeck



"Have Faith" by Jan Ochterbeck

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