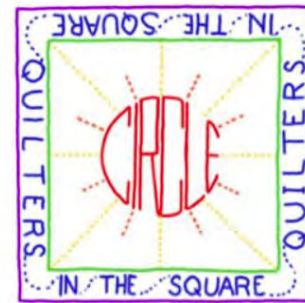


Circle in the Square Quilters

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Note from the editor: I apologize in advance - this newsletter runs a little long. On the plus side, it's almost all pictures of quilts that CSQ members have been working on! We are a creative bunch, and the breadth of work is just so much fun to look at. -Laura



CSQ Zoom Guild Meeting - Tuesday, September 15 - 7:00 p.m.

Our guild meetings are looking a little like the picture above, but at least we're still in touch with each other via Zoom! Our traditional September Potluck will be the very definition of BYO, as we'll be meeting virtually. We'll start off at 7:00 with the traditional Native American prayer that CSQ has said before potlucks for decades, and then we'll follow up with another potluck tradition - a question for each of us to answer. Gwen will send out a Zoom link and the question next week, so keep your eyes on your inbox.

Upcoming Program Meetings for 2020

October 20th: Guild Quilt Challenge - We will show our finished quilts during a Zoom meeting, then vote online after the meeting. If you can't attend the Zoom meeting, just email a photo to Gwen ahead of time at gclipton@hotmail.com. First, second, and third place winners will be announced the next day via email.

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. If you have questions, please contact Kim Donermeyer at kdonermeyer@hotmail.com or 314-445-9482

Message from the President

One of my new mantras is that challenges can be good things. When I take on a project that is new to me, I am often initially overwhelmed, but as I work through it, I become intrigued, energized and diverted from other concerns.

We have two wonderful challenge opportunities to offer to each of our members. One is our traditional CSQ Challenge Quilt. Although we will not be able to get together to view, exclaim and vote for our favorites among each other's work, we are still hoping that everyone who wants to participate will try to do so, using the fabric that you picked up at our January meeting. If you did not pick up a piece of fabric but want to participate, you should contact Kim Donermeyer about getting one very soon! We will share our quilts during our October Zoom meeting, and if you can't make the meeting, please send a photo to Gwen no later than a couple of days prior. We plan to vote online after the meeting.

We are also hoping that most of you will choose to be challenged by the opportunity to help make blocks for the CSQ 2021 fund raising quilt, using packets created by our own Joyce Johnson. We will be making a "Dear Jane" quilt in bright colors, with an emphasis on batik fabrics. Each block will be different so you can choose one or more that interest you. Instructions and background fabric will be in each packet and you can either add fabric from your stash or ask for additional fabrics from the guild. We will have more details on where blocks can be picked up. Please do think about doing as much as you can to contribute. We want to have the blocks returned in March 2021.

Carol Peck

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Quilt Challenge

Laura Falk, Newsletter

CSQ Council Meeting – July 2020 – Minutes Attendance: Carol, Joyce, Gwen, Kim, Laura, Betsy, Peggy

Discussion about whether to cancel the July 21 CSQ Guild meeting. Forecast indicates that the weather will be hot. In view of the escalating number of Covid-19 cases, it might be wise to cancel an in-person meeting at this time. Instead, let's do a Zoom meeting for the July guild meeting, the September meeting, which was scheduled to be our annual potluck supper.

Discussion about the fundraising quilt for the 2021 CSQ quilt show. Joyce suggested doing a Dear Jane quilt. There are 13 rows of 13 blocks each plus a wide border. Members could each make 4 or 5 blocks. Joyce could

cut the fabric and give people a choice whether they wish to do applique or piecing for the block. Alternatively, members could use their own fabric. We need to set up a color scheme.

Betsy reported that our guild has made 40 baby quilts.

Circle in the Square Quilt Guild

2021 Raffle Quilt

The Jane Stickle “Dear Jane” quilt has been selected as our 2021 raffle quilt. The original quilt was completed in 1863 by Jane A. Stickle, and is housed at the Bennington Museum in Vermont. Brenda Papadakis drafted a pattern of the quilt and sold it in a 1996 book entitled “Dear Jane.”

There are 225 total “blocks” in this quilt. There are 169 blocks with sashing in the center of the quilt, 52 border triangles, and 4 corner blocks. Thus, there are 225 packets available for adoption. Each packet has general instructions, two websites that provide further instructions for each block, a piece of the backing fabric, and sashing strips for the center blocks.

The goal is for each member to complete 6-8 of the blocks prior to March 2021.

Most of the blocks are pieced (either traditionally or paper pieced), but there are a good number that are appliqued. There are some blocks that will require both applique and piecing, or can be either depending on the interest of the quilter. Some of the blocks are simpler than others. Very few will take more than an hour to complete.



Our quilt will feature scrappy batik fabrics. Members are encouraged to use brightly colored batik fabrics from your stash. Solid colors and batik-like fabrics may also be used. Please avoid using any reproduction-type fabrics, earth-toned, or black/charcoal fabrics. A selection of batik fabrics will be available to members who do not have any in their stashes.

The packets are ready for distribution at our September meeting, or whenever we next meet.

Any questions can be sent to Joyce Johnson at joyce.starr.johnson@gmail.com.

Piecing Group Pictures - July 2020



Halloween Quilt by Ruth Hanson



Oven mitts by Ruth Hanson



Quilted bag by Ruth Hanson



Quilt by Ruth Hanson



Pineapple quilt by Carol Peck



Quilt by Carol Peck



Quilt by Carol Peck



Quilt by Carol Peck



Quilt by Carol Peck



Quilt by Mary Carr



Blocks from a red and white quilt Robin Osborne is working on



Operation Shower baby quilt by Laura Falk

CSQ Show and Tell

Our members continue to be busy through the pandemic. Here are a few of the quilts that folks have been working on.



Pat Owoc finished this top from blocks that Darlene Schoon had started.



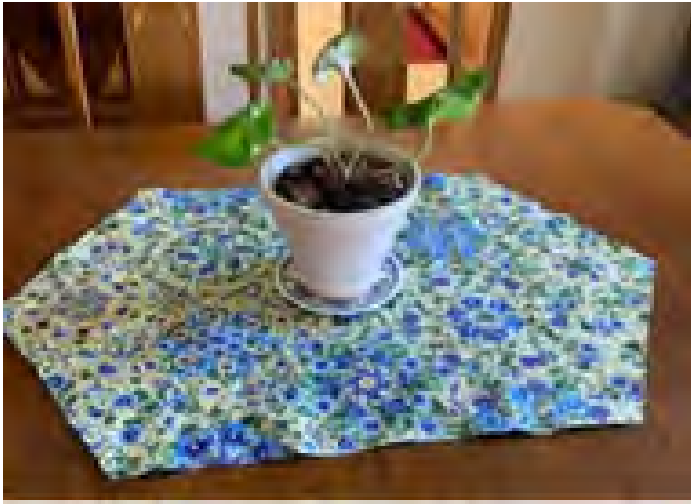
Two baby quilts Kim Donermeyer made for Operation Shower



Two quilts Nancy Kollmar made for graduating grandsons -
(L) "High Road to UGA" (R) "Circle Rainbow Above the Clouds"



Two more quilts by Nancy Kollmar - (L) "Happy Memories" & (R) "15 Cents Circles"



Tabletopper made by Carol Peck for her sister. quilting.



Quilt top by Betsy Sweeney being marked for



Mary Kaufman is working on this quilt, restricting it to fabrics she owned before the pandemic hit.



Quilt by Carolyn Stoll



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Suzanne Marshall's quilt "The Soul of Medieval Italy" burned recently in her daughter's house fire. She said she had no idea that was going to happen when she started re-creating the quilt with these two blocks.



Baby Quilt given to neighbor by Suzanne Marshall



Baby Quilt given to friend expecting a grandson by Suzanne Marshall



Front & back of bird quilt by Suzanne Marshall.



Four baby quilts made by Suzanne Marshall with “on-hand” fabrics.



Darlene Sforza quilted and bound this antique quilt top given to her by a friend.



Nancy Kollmar made these two "I Spy" baby quilts for Operation Shower.



Operation Shower baby quilt pieced by Laura Falk & quilted by Gwen Clopton