



# AS THE NEEDLE TURNS

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## CCQG BOUTIQUE

It's time to start creating treasures for the Boutique at the show! The boutique is quite the money maker for the Guild and is a lot of fun for shoppers and crafters alike.

Between now and the September meeting, consider making items such as holiday ornaments, baby quilts, table toppers, pillows...whatever your creativity tells you. *Items do need to be handmade.*

Starting soon, Bev Wilkinson will have patterns, kits and ideas for members. For now, visit the Vice President's table for an info sheet.

Contact Bev at [wilkinson7614@netzero.net](mailto:wilkinson7614@netzero.net) or 517-712-5521.

Membership dues for 4/23-4/24 were due on April 30th. If you haven't already done so, please remit your dues as soon as possible. See Membership Chair Chelane Priller or mail payment to her at 108 W. Columbia St., Mason, MI 48854.



### MYSTERY QUILT 2022

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Memorial Day has just slipped past...so welcome to summer! My primary sewing area at home is downstairs and I love the cooler temperature down there. You all have probably seen me at Guild meetings trying to keep cooled down. It's challenging! I like to say that 'my thermostat is broken'.

Mainly I need to dive back into a couple of projects that are really pretty close to finished. A border here, couple more blocks there. Oh yeah, there ARE a couple of bindings in various stages, for example

Stage 1: color chosen

and Stage 1-A: fabric chosen & sufficient quantity verified

Stage 2: binding strips cut

Stage 3: you get the idea.

There might be more than a couple of bindings. And possibly a sleeve.

But my brain is bursting with all the spring colors, and there's the boutique items I have plans and materials for, and my 2023 Challenge Quilt project. I am pretty stoked about my plan for the challenge. So far it has included some terrific fabric shopping in Phoenix in March, and some more on the "Shipshie" bus trip. It is time to pick up my scissors and....get a move on. I promise not to run.

Have you taken a look at the APQS class offerings for this year? Quite a few classes related to several species of handwork, which I love. A lot of machine quilting sessions, both long-arm and domestic. I decided to take a class about making different sorts of miters with Pam Damour on Wednesday afternoon. That way I can go do the show in the morning, at a reasonable morning hour. Having future quilty plans is important for my mental health. What plans have you got going this summer?

Let's be creative!

Lisé Dibert

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# QUILT SHOW 2023

## Going to Pieces 2023 (aka GTP23)

Capitol City Quilt Guild is having a quilt show October 13 and 14, 2023, at the Mason Fairgrounds and we need your help! First of all, we need quilts. You can enter any quilt that you have made or that you own (and hasn't been in a past quilt show). The theme of the quilt can be anything. We do have some special categories: Bonnie Hunter Quilts, Friday the 13th (Halloween Quilts), Animal Quilts, and Antique Quilts, but your quilts don't have to be in one of these categories. We will also have a special display for challenge quilts and small group quilts. John Putnam is preparing the registration form and will provide us with more details soon.

Next, we need items for our Silent Auction, Boutique and Basket Raffle. Start thinking about what you could donate to each of these areas. Small quilts, gifts for Christmas, and baskets with a theme are a few ideas for each area. The last show we had was in 2017 and we made over \$6,000 with these three areas! What do you think? Can we do it again or even surpass what we did?

Also, we need help with the Halloween display. If you love Halloween and dressing up, consider dressing up as a Halloween character when you are volunteering as a quilt angel (person who roams the show making sure everything is going well, helping visitors, etc.).

Lastly, we still have a few chair positions to fill: Publicity, Sewing Machine Give Away and Themed Awards from Quilt Stores. If you are interested, please see Cathy Skelton (Coreen Strzalka is on leave right now, please don't contact her until further notice). At each guild meeting, we will be available for questions. Thank you in advance for all your help! We have a printable flyer available now on the guild website. You can download and print off copies to display in your community. You will find a green 'flyer' button on the home page, just below the quilt show logo and information. Click on that and it will take you to the flyer. You can print off as many as you wish to post in your community.

We also need YOU. We will need volunteers to help with set up and take down of the show, as well as volunteers to man the various tables (entrance table, Silent Auction, Boutique, raffle quilts and baskets) as well as the quilt angels. So mark your calendars for October 12 (set up), 13 & 14 (show days)!

## Ideas for Gift Baskets CCQG Quilt Show—October 2023



If you are thinking of donating a completed gift basket, here are a few ideas:

**Sewing:** Felting supplies, Pink Ribbon, Embroidery, Dots and Stripes, Reproduction Fabrics, Hand Dyed Fabrics, Pattern Books, Batiks, Kit up a Pattern, or donate a kit. (Please note: if donating a kit make sure it is a complete kit.)

**Gift Type:** Spa, Gourmet Breakfast, Snow Day, Movie Night, Get Well, Teacher Gift, Baking, Sports, Handyman, Coffee, Teddy Bear, Martini, Wine Summer Fun, Disney, Baby, Chocolate, BBQ, Gourmet Food, Downton Abbey, Bread making, Cat, Dog.

If none of these ideas appeal to you go to Pinterest or Etsy and type in “Gift Baskets.” You will get many ideas. Your container doesn’t have to be a basket. For instance, a Handyman Basket could be in a tool box.

Here is a list of baskets we have *started*. If you can donate an item to help fill these baskets, that would be great: Christmas, Minnie Mouse, Kids’ Trains, Unicorn, Halloween, Tea, Christmas, Stamping Supplies, Sewing Supplies, Fabric Collections, Breast Cancer Survival Kit, Holidays, Gardening.

I also need the following items to help put together donated items into a basket: Rolls of cellophane, colored tissue paper, curly ribbon, empty baskets, tape.

If you would like to donate for this project, please get a form at the meeting and get it back to me. Please have all supplies turned in by our September meeting.

Thanks, Kathy Smith

## Do You Know Your Quilt Acronyms? 😄

<b>BOM</b> <i>Block of the Month</i>	<b>DSM</b> <i>Domestic Sewing Machine</i>
<b>FART</b> <i>Fabric Acquisition Road Trip</i>	<b>FOB</b> <i>Fear of Binding</i>
<b>FQ</b> <i>Fat Quarter</i>	<b>HST</b> <i>Half-square Triangle</i>
<b>LAQ</b> <i>Longarm Quilter</i>	<b>HRT</b> <i>Half-rectangle Triangle</i>
<b>LQS</b> <i>Local Quilt Shop</i>	<b>MAQ</b> <i>Midarm Quilter</i>
<b>OBW</b> <i>One Block Wonder</i>	<b>PHD</b> <i>Projects Half Done</i>
<b>PIGS</b> <i>Projects in Grocery Sacks</i>	<b>PP</b> <i>Paper Piecing</i>
<b>QUAG</b> <i>Quilt as You Go</i>	<b>RR</b> <i>Round Robin</i>
<b>SABLE</b> <i>Stash Accumulated Beyond Life Expectancy</i>	<b>SEX</b> <i>Stash-enhancing Experience</i>
<b>SID</b> <i>Stitch in the Ditch</i>	<b>SNW</b> <i>Stack and Whack</i>
<b>SQUISHY</b> <i>Envelopes filled with swap fabric or gifts sent through the mail</i>	<b>STASH</b> <i>Special Treasures all Secretly Hidden</i>
<b>TGIF</b> <i>Thank God It’s Finished</i>	<b>TOT</b> <i>Tone on Tone</i>
<b>UFO</b> <i>Unfinished Object</i>	<b>VIP</b> <i>Very Important Project</i>
<b>WHIMM</b> <i>Works Hidden in my Mind</i>	<b>WIP</b> <i>Work in Progress</i>
<b>WISP</b> <i>Work in Slow Progress</i>	<b>WWIT</b> <i>What Was I Thinking</i>
<b>WOF</b> <i>Width of Fabric</i>	<b>WOMBAT</b> <i>Waste of \$, Batting &amp; Time</i>

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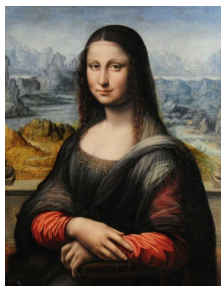


**JULY**

- Largo, Peg 7/6
- Rasmussen, Carole 7/7
- Couthan, Lillian 7/10
- Patterson, Mary 7/13
- Hausauer, Mary 7/14
- Cory, Pepper 7/15
- Feldpausch, Deb 7/15
- Doyle, Julie 7/19
- Skelton, Cathy 7/22
- Scherer, Adrienne 7/26

**AUGUST**

- Mogyoros, Linda Raye 8/3
- Carlson, Jean 8/4
- Davis, Carole 8/5
- Clark, Alice 8/6
- Edgar, Kate 8/7
- Fuller, Jordan 8/9
- Rhodes, Wilma 8/9
- Elkins, Peggy 8/13
- Whitnight-Edwards, Brenda 8/25
- Couretas, Martha 8/27
- Owens, Toya 8/28



**Rules:**

- Must use a classic work of art as your inspiration, the interpretation is up to you!
- Use any type of fabric you want to create your “art”
- Dimensions must be 36”x 42” (wall hanging size)
- Must have a brown border 2” wide to frame it
- Provide an image of the inspiring art to display next to your quilt. Contact Adrienne Scherer or Peg Stiffler if you want us to print the image for you.
- Must be completed (quilted and bound) for the **September 21<sup>st</sup> Guild meeting** for judging 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> places – (we want to display these at the Quilt show in October!). Have FUN!!

**FAT CHANCES**

The Fat Chance drawing is an opportunity to win fat quarters of fabric for your stash. Check the theme of the month, bring one fat quarter (18” x 22”) to that meeting, and enter your name in the drawing. Good luck!

JUNE - Celestial/Moon/Stars

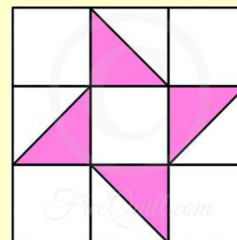
JULY - Plaids

AUGUST - Stripes

By the way, you don’t have to buy fat quarters to play. You can cut 18x22” FQs from your stash.

**PRESIDENT’S BLOCKS**

Instructions are available on the Guild website under Activities. Printed instructions are available at meetings on the Vice-President’s table. This is Lise’s choice.



**2023 Quilt Challenge**

Theme: Reinterpret a Classic Painting

### UPCOMING PROGRAMS

**JUNE** *Quilt Show Boutique Whistlestop: seeking volunteers to demonstrate small items we can make for the show.*

*Show & Tell Theme: Appliqued/Embroidered/Embellished Quilts—bring any you have.*

**JULY** *Show & Tell Theme: Christmas in July/Your favorite tools. Members Garage Sale.*

**AUGUST** *Whistlestop Demonstrations: seeking 3-4 participants to share a technique or tool.*

*Orphan Block Activity*

*Show & Tell Theme: Stars*

### NAMETAGS ENCOURAGED

We no longer need to use masks, but nametags are still a good idea at meetings. Now that we can see our faces again, we can put names to those faces! Stick-on tags are available at the sign-in desk.



Due to everything that goes into putting on the show this year, the public garage sale will be held next year.



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