

Needle Notes

July 2025

July 10 Program

Jackie Youngblood, 1st VP

Quilt Math by Kevin Holland

Do you hate quilt math? Join us for this month's Guild program where you'll unlock the secrets to resizing and enlarging your favorite quilt blocks with confidence and creativity!

Whether you're dreaming of a stunning wall hanging or a cozy bed quilt, Kevin will guide you through simple techniques to scale your beloved designs without losing their charm or detail. Resizing a quilt block is a great way to make your quilt patterns more versatile so you can use them in creative ways.

Bring a friend and come join us at our July Guild meeting. Your next big project awaits!

July 24 Workshop

Sherry Kruschke, 2nd VP

Dresden Plate By: Anne Johnson

Bring your creativity in color, fabric, and Dresden shape, and design your own stylized Dresden plates to create a wall hanging, table runner, table topper or pillow. We will take the old-fashioned Dresden Plate and kick it up a notch.

You will learn how to make double-pointed Dresden wedges and pieced wedges and appliqué them to a background. Double-pointed wedges do not require that little circle applique button in the middle of the plate to hide the raw edges.





July Calendar

- July 3: Board meeting
- July 3: Sit 'n' sew
- July 10: General Meeting
- July 12: QOV presentation at Eglin
- July 17: Community Service Workshop
- July 24: Penny Wallet Workshop
- July 25: Newsletter content due ****NEW SCHEDULE****

July Reminders

- Door Prizes: tbd
- Hostesses: tbd
- Strip color: polka dots in any color
- Bring your "Glory in Scraps" blocks for the BOM drawing
- Bring your Row by Row
- Items for the Food Pantry are appreciated
- Items for free table—make sure you take home or dispose of your unclaimed items

President's Points: Lisa Lydston, President

Happy July 4th! Despite whatever political climate we are in, the USA is still a wonderful country. Many thanks to our veterans in our Guild who have served to ensure our freedom and our Constitutional Republic.  

On to Guild business....

Needs!!!!

We need a Nominating Committee Chairperson. Please get with me if you are willing to serve in this very time limited position. Elections are just around the corner!

It's almost time for our financial review in August and we need a Financial Review Committee. Again, this is a committee that is short lived so please get with me if you would like to serve.

July Events - all of our events start at 9:00

- ❑ **July 3:** Sit and Sew, please bring your lunch. Would love to see as many of our new members to get to know you and to answer any questions you might have. You can come and just visit or bring a project you are working on, whatever suits you!
- ❑ **July 3:** Board meeting
- ❑ **July 10:** General Meeting - please bring a dish to pass, drawing prizes, items for the free table, your items you want to Show and Tell, as well as any other things you are participating in.

- ❑ **July 12:** QOV presentation at the Armament Museum
- ❑ **July 17:** Community Services - we have sandwiched quilts needing your quilting skills and walker bags are needed too. The bags are really easy to make and great stash busters.
- ❑ **July 24:** Workshop: Anne Johnson will be teaching us more Dresden plate creativity
- ❑ **July 31:** Workshop TBA with lunch provided by the Guild

Quilting Trivia

1. The thimble is thought to have originated in what European country? Holland, Spain, France, or Ireland?
2. Does bobbin tension vary with the type of thread used?
3. "Gunboat quilts" refer to what?
 - a. Old time gangster themed quilts
 - b. Quilts made under a week
 - c. Quilts made by southern women during the Civil War to raise money for gunboats.
 - d. A style of quilt made exclusively by men in WWII.

See y'all soon! Love ya too!

Lisa Lydston

2026 Retreat: Deborah Moen & Debi Roederer

Retreat Dates and Location:

Thursday, February 26 through Sunday, March 1

Home2 Suites, Fort Walton Beach

Below are links for making your early hotel reservations.

[Flying Needles Quilt Guild Home2 Suites](#)

[Flying Needles Quilt Guild Holiday Inn Express](#)

Retreat News:

Hello!! It seems summer weather is here. It's time for family gatherings at the beach, family weddings, Independence Day Celebrations -- and if you're like us, time to enjoy that air conditioned sewing room, lol!

Retreat Theme:

We are tickled to announce the retreat theme; "Shaping Friendships!" We drew our inspiration from our feature teacher's class title "Playing with Shapes." For those of you who want to browse some of her credentials and enjoy her work, her website is: <https://www.brigitgail.com/about>

The retreat committee has been hard at work finalizing teacher, reception, and budget details with the goal of having registration for Guild members available in early September; be on the lookout. In the meantime, feel be sure to get your room reservations made if you want to stay with us at either Home2 Suites or the neighboring Holiday Inn Express.

Retreat Bags:

Each retreat attendee will receive a project bag. If you are interested in helping make these bags, or can donate fabric (four coordinating fat quarters or three fat quarters plus 1/4 yard makes one bag), please contact Peggy Murrell.

The next committee meeting will be on July 15 at 9:00am via Zoom.

Thank you,

Debi & Deborah

2025 Workshops: Sherry Kruschke, 2nd VP

Workshops are held on the fourth Thursday of each month except November and December. We meet from 9am to 2pm. Bring your lunch and drinks. The workshop fee is \$5.00 paid at registration. Some months have a kit fee, which is also paid at registration. Sign-up sheets and supply lists can be found at the General meetings, and supply lists are also on the website. Join me this year for some great fun and learning.

August 28, 2025

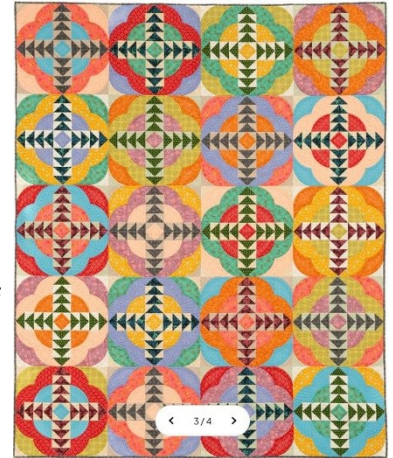
Crisscross Applesauce

By: Michelle Stewart

Learn a simple way to sew curves to make this great block.

This pattern is a great stash-busting opportunity; be sure to raid your stash and cut for just one block for class purposes. This is also the perfect opportunity to try a color combo you've never tried without investing a ton of money in fabric.

This quilt uses 18"x18" (unfinished) blocks. The block is large enough to make into a pillow when completed. The goal is to have every student complete at least one block in class.



September 25 & 26

Mystery Trip

Details coming soon.

October 23, 2025

Inktense

By: Kaye Joachim

Details coming soon, but be sure to check out the class sample at the workshop table.



2025 Block of the Month: Konnie Glaze

The BOM program will be handled paperless, and patterns will be emailed to participants. Contact Konnie Glaze at any time to join in the fun.

For the month of **July**, we are each making two of the **Glory in Scraps** blocks. Bring your blocks to the July meeting and you will be entered in the drawing to win the blocks; one entry for each block you turn in. We will award the blocks in as many sets of 20 as possible, and split up the remaining blocks between the winners.



The **August** block will be announced at the meeting on July 10th. You will need three fabrics: a gold, a black and white print that reads black, and a white and black print that reads white. This is a 16" block and will be awarded in sets of 9 blocks. You may make two blocks. Fat quarters will work just fine.

Fabric examples:



Quilt Trivia

3. Gunboat quilts were made by Southern women during the Civil War to raise funds to buy gunboats.

2025 Row by Row:

Kaye Joachim



The row you have from the June General meeting is due at the July General meeting. Give it to Kaye Joachim. She will give you your next project box to complete.

FWB Library:

Diane Roberson

Our **June** display at the Fort Walton Beach Library featured a beautiful summer themed quilt made by Linda Weiss, "Summer Vacation." It depicts many fun summer activities in vibrant colors.

In **July**, we will display a Quilt of Valor Barbi Ouellette has contributed.

If you have a quilt you would like to display, please contact Diane Roberson.



Opportunity Quilt:

Diane Roberson

Boho Heart, our 2025 Opportunity Quilt, was displayed twice in June at the Jay Odom Group Field near the Fort Walton Beach Fairgrounds. Tickets are still available. Our quilt was appraised at \$1,375 and we have almost reached that amount in contributions. Remember, the date for drawing the winner is December 11th at the General Meeting. If you are holding tickets, please turn them in to Diane Roberson any Thursday.



Community Service:

Diane Roberson

Thank you everyone for giving generously of your time and talent making Christmas stockings, quilts, pillowcases, and walker bags!

We have a large number of quilt tops that need to be quilted and bound and we need more walker bags, stockings, and pillowcases. We also have kits of 3-yard quilt fabrics and patterns ready to be signed out and stocking/bags/pillowcase kits available. If you'd like to put together a strip quilt top, we have blocks available. Please only use 100% cotton and turn in beautiful, finished items any Thursday.

Boutique Bites:

Carol Stearns

I was pleasantly surprised at the Guild meeting when I went into the closet and found quilts and other boutique items had been brought in! Thank you to those individuals contributing to the stash.

I'm asking members to continue to sew items for boutique. Potholders, zippered small bags, luggage tags, pincushions shaped like owls, turtles or chickens are appreciated. And much more. Use your creative minds to sew something for boutique.

We appreciate it!

Quilts for Veterans: Barbi Ouellette

Well ladies, May has come and gone. Our May OfV workshop was a huge success even with the rain and the lack of AC. I brought fabrics and panels, 2 boxes of scraps for our scrappy quilters, and 11 UFOs that I have received from all over, including blocks from the previous retreat and quilt show. Seventeen quilters came and were very busy little bees.

The pics show just a few of the blocks that were UFOs. I cannot thank you all enough for picking up and steaming on.

Just a few highlights:

- ❑ There was a 9 patch bundle that is being turned into a disappearing 9 patch by Tracy. She also took enough fabric and panels along with scraps to conjure up a few precut kits at home.
- ❑ A kit was turned in by Anne Smith and it was taken by Debi Roederer.
- ❑ Linda Weiss was working on one of her UFOs as a panel quilt and took 3 or 4 more panels along with corresponding fabric to create.
- ❑ Carol Stearns utilized fabric to make rail fence kits.
- ❑ Jeannie Krzan applied bindings to four quilted quilts.
- ❑ Polly, Neva, Pam, Donna, Bunny, and Donna all had projects that they found to work on.
- ❑ Lisa did a stunning job setting up lunch from Panera Bread, plus we had yummy treats brought by a few special members.
- ❑ I was told that the door prizes were awesome.

I hope I didn't forget anybody.

The sewing machine raffle was drawn and the winner was Maureen Farabaugh, a new member of the Guild. We earned almost \$800 to help with the Quilts for Veterans cause.

At the June QoV presentation we honored five veterans.

We will have a booth at the Grand Opening of Zattitudes on June 29 and possibly a presentation there on the 4 July. If you haven't been to a presentation, please come and be a participant or a watcher.

I know I sound like a broken record, I am so thankful for each and every one of you who helps me in this program. THANK YOU.



Membership:

Anne Johnson

June Meeting:

We had 55 members and 2 guests attend the June meeting. It was great to see everyone, and especially those people who have not been with us lately.

New Members

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FNQG Website:

Kaye Joachim

www.FlyingNeedlesQuiltGuild.org

If you cannot get into the members only page, please contact Kaye Joachim 713-382-0452. She will need your email address to give to GoDaddy. They will send you an invitation from Flying Needles Quilt Guild with instructions on how to access our members only page.

The members only page has the newsletter, SOPPs and By-Laws, and money forms for deposits and reimbursements.

Please visit the website, newsletter, and Facebook for all the current information regarding our guild and upcoming events.

As a reminder, if sending pictures to add to website, please make sure they are .jpeg format. If sending text, please send it in .pdf format. I can not open any other files but .jpeg and .pdf.

Thank you.

July Birthdays

Happy Birthday to these members celebrating in July!

Sandra Congleton

Deborah Conway

Kelly Cyr

Betty Davis

Donna Gross

Sherry Kruschke

Doris Olig

Angel Schauer

Newsletter:

Peggy Murrell

Starting with the August edition, Needle Notes will be published the first of each month.

Articles/submissions are due to me by the 25th of each month.

Treasurer's Report : Donna Gross, Treasurer

This report is calculated monthly, so figures may not marry up to what was published previously. I've had inquiries as to how some of the income/expenses were generated. I made a legend so you can look at the color cell and follow to the bottom to see what it may be. I hope this will get us on track for reporting the financials to everyone, without any glitches. Donna

Checkbook Balance as of May 31, 2025: \$46,799.57		not the bank								
2025 PROGRAMS, SERVICES, GENERAL	2025 PROPOSED INCOME BUDGET	JAN INCOME as of 1/31	FEB INCOME as of 2/28	MARCH INCOME as of 3/30	APRIL INCOME as of 4/30	MAY INCOME as of 5/31	TOTAL INCOME YTD	AVAILABLE	% of Budget Spent	
In-Kind and Grants	\$2,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0%	
Monthly Raffle	\$1,200.00	\$35.00	\$135.00	\$155.00	\$60.00	\$130.00	\$515.00	\$685.00	43%	
General Donations	\$0.00	\$100.06	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$500.00	\$600.06	\$0.00		
Community Service	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		
Door Prizes	\$1,200.00	\$66.00	\$96.00	\$108.00	\$96.00	\$57.00	\$423.00	\$777.00	35%	
Fundraising/Boutique	\$1,215.00	\$0.00	\$65.00	\$0.00	\$45.00	\$0.00	\$110.00	\$1,105.00	9%	
Membership (100 Members)	\$3,500.00	\$68.68	\$70.00	\$138.68	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$277.36	\$3,222.64	8%	
Guild Opportunity Quilt (2025)	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$973.00	\$120.00	\$0.00	\$1,093.00	-\$93.00	109%	
Quilts for Veterans	\$2,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,069.0	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,069.0	\$931.00	53%	
2025 QFV Opportunity Quilt (Ticket Sales)	\$600.00	\$277.00	\$158.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$435.00	\$165.00	73%	
Workshop	\$350.00	\$0.00	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$50.00	\$300.00	14%	
2025 Quilt Show	\$0.00	\$2,046.6	\$600.00	\$13,256.	\$0.00	\$250.00	\$16,153.60	\$0.00		
2024 Quilt Retreat	\$16,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$16,000.00	0%	
TOTAL INCOME	\$29,065.00	\$2,593.38	\$1,149.00	\$15,725.64	\$321.00	\$937.00	\$20,726.02	\$8,338.98	29%	
						Return from Paducah trip				
						Refund from Venue				

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Quilt Trivia

1. Holland. The Dutch are thought to have invented a bell-shaped thumb shield used by tailors and sailors.

Treasurer's Report : Donna Gross, Treasurer

2025 PROGRAMS, SERVICES, GENERAL	2025 PROPOSED EXPENSE BUDGET	JAN EXPENSES	FEB EXPENSES	MAR EXPENSES	APR EXPENSES	MAY EXPENSES	TOTAL EXPENSES YTD	Avail	% of Budget Spent
ADMIN - Insurance	\$650.00	\$641.94	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$641.94	\$8.06	99%
ADMIN - Rent	\$2,400.00	\$2,400.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,400.00	\$0.00	100%
ADMIN - FI Dept of Revenue	\$200.00	\$70.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$70.00	\$130.00	35%
ADMIN - Operating/Misc	\$175.00	\$1,095.05	\$0.00	\$57.24	\$499.90	\$159.90	\$1,812.09	\$1,637.09	1035%
ADMIN - Technology/Website	\$650.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$275.88	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$275.88	\$374.12	42%
ADMIN - Post Office Box	\$176.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$176.00	0%
TOTAL ADMINISTRATION	\$4,251.00	\$4,206.99	\$0.00	\$333.12	\$499.90	\$159.90	\$5,199.91	-\$948.91	122%
Community Svc (Increased to \$2k Grants)	\$2,000.00	\$539.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$156.00	\$625.68	\$1,320.68	\$679.32	66%
Door Prizes	\$150.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$150.00	0%
Fundraising/Boutique	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$21.38	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$21.38	\$78.62	21%
Historian	\$85.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$124.99	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$124.99	-\$39.99	147%
Hospitality	\$175.00	\$51.31	\$38.27	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$89.58	\$85.42	51%
Membership	\$350.00	\$280.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$280.00	\$70.00	80%
Newsletter	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Guild Opportunity Quilt (2026) Programs	\$500.00	\$144.95	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$144.95	\$355.05	29%
Publicity (General)	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$52.78	\$0.00	\$52.78	\$247.22	18%
Publicity (General)	\$250.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$44.20	\$0.00	\$44.20	\$205.80	18%
Quilts for Veterans (1.5k +1770.67 2024 Rollover)	\$3,270.67	\$146.48	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$501.85	\$1,412.6	\$2,061.0	\$1,209.66	63%
2025 QFV Opp Quilt	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$500.00	0%
Sunshine/Shadows	\$175.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$83.69	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$83.69	\$91.31	48%
Workshops	\$350.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$250.00	29%
2025 Quilt Show	\$8,000.00	\$825.24	\$2,204.50	\$8,098.38	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$11,128.12	-\$3,128.12	139%
2024 Quilt Retreat	\$3,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$522.16	\$0.00	\$522.16	\$2,477.84	17%
	\$23,456.67	\$6,193.97	\$2,264.15	\$8,640.18	\$1,776.89	\$2,298.26	\$21,173.45	\$2,283.22	90%
		5th Friday Lunch - 542 and shelving - 554.31		Flowers for Linda in appreciation	Chamber of Commerce renewal - 375, repair 2 machines	5th Friday lunch - 527.15			
		Directory		Go Daddy	Donated proceeds to New Hope Hotel deposit	ZOOM			

Board Meeting Minutes: Robin Easter-Neubauer, Secretary

June 5, 2025

- I. The meeting was called to order at 9:04.
 - A. Quorum: YES
 - B. Present: Lisa Lydston, President; Jackie Youngblood, (absent) 1st VP/Cheri Perry, Sherry Kruschke, 2nd VP; Robin Easter-Neubauer, Secretary; Donna Gross, Treasurer
 - C. Others/Committee Chairs Present
 1. Community Services - Diane Roberson
 2. Facilities - Deborah Moen
 3. Facebook - Konnie Glaze
 4. Membership - Anne Johnson
 5. Publicity - Donna Gross
 6. Quilts for Veterans - Barbi Ouellette
 7. Webmaster - Kaye Joachim
 8. Retreat - Deborah Moen and Debi Roederer
 9. Linda Weiss
 10. Kerry Kastl
 11. Pam Giblin
- II. Approve Last Board minutes: The 2026 year in sec III C and sec VIII needs to be amended to 2027. Lisa Lydston made a motion to make the change and Donna Gross seconded. The board approved the minutes as amended.
- III. Committee Review:
 - A. Community Services: Diane Roberson reported 700 stockings complete with an additional 500 kits. She also has pillowcase kits ready to be handed out at the next general meeting by Polly. 20 quilts ready to be quilted and another 20 tops ready to be sandwiched. She has zero string bags or walker bags with a goal of 30.

There is an invitation to the Freedom Tech Center's Patriot Celebration on June 28th 4:00 to 7:30pm. Set up would be at 3:30.
 - B. Facilities: Lisa Lydston has received notice from Bunny that the church will be having a group of students June 12th, July 10th and 17th. They know to use the back door and restrooms and to stay out of the meeting hall and kitchen.
 - C. Facebook: Konnie Glaze reports that there have been a high number of trolls trying to join the group.
 - D. Membership: Anne Johnson reports we currently have 106 members.
 - E. Quilts for Veterans: Barbi Ouellette had a great turnout at the workshop. 22 signed up and 17 attended. She has 8 quilts out to be quilted. 30 waiting to be quilted. 22 veterans on the list and 25 quilts ready to present. June 14th is the next presentation. Barbi networked at the Joyful Place meeting at Trinity Church where there were 30 attendees. The next networking opportunity is at Bob Hope Village June 16th.

- F. 2026 Retreat: Debi Roederer reports that there are 13 rooms booked at H2S and they are prepared to hold more. If we can get 25 rooms booked, they will comp one room that we can use for the featured instructor.

In the next couple of committee meetings, they will be discussing the catering menu.

Diane Roberson has Brigit Gail Dermott scheduled as the featured instructor. The workshop will be "Playing with Shapes". She also has the following classes slated:

Linda Weiss: Woolies

Anne Johnson: Binding

Kaye Joachim: New York Beauty

Deb Chilcote: Disappearing L Block

Due to the class size needed for Brigit, they are discussing limiting the size of Sit & Sew for Friday. The class hours for each day would most likely be 9-12 and 1-4.

IV. Treasurer Report/Review Committee Budgets: Donna Gross reports a balance of \$46,324.28.

The treasurer's report that was published in the newsletter appears to have had some glitches when sent from one system to the other. Sherry asked to have some clarification on the income.

Lisa believes that anytime we have money exchanges that there needs to be a spread sheet to keep track. Barbi states that she has a form that she uses. Lisa asks Donna to make a standard form for each committee chair to track money coming in and going out like a check register. With this duplication, this may help with any errors.

Anne Johnson has offered to help with the treasurer's spreadsheet if she will upload it to the Drive and she will look at it, or if she has trouble uploading, to email it to her and she will upload the report to the Drive.

Donna has been asked to revise the report by Sunday and email it to Lisa so that she can email it out to all the members on Monday to review before the General Meeting.

Going forward the board needs to approve the treasurer's report before going to the members.

V. Action Items:

- A. Nomination Committee needed: Diane Roberson has a full plate at this time and did not have any ideas on who to have head the committee.

VI. Programs: Cheri Perry

- A. Continue with drawings at the General Meeting?

Door prizes: Cheri noted that Jackie wishes them to continue. There was discussion with all attendees noting members unhappy when bags were held back, but some want a few held back, it appears to be either feast or famine, 50/50 one month and gift bags the next, taking 50% of the money taken in to go towards door prizes, some may not even know about the sign-up sheet, might take sign-up sheet to each table, items being recycled from month to month.

Lisa has asked Robin Easter-Neubauer to put together a survey and send it to her so that she can send it out to the members.

Next week's program will be with Jackie on how to best photograph your completed quilts. July is Quilt Math with Kevin Holland and he has asked for input on the subject. Some of the ideas given were, changing quilt block sizes, how much fabric is required for a quilt, etc. August Diane Roberson is discussing modern quilts.

VII. Workshops: Sherry Kruschke

June: Lucky Penny with Tammy Kennedy

July: Dresden Basics with Anne Johnson

August: Crisscross Applesauce with Michelle Stewart

Sherry is currently working with Michelle on the cost of the workshop. \$30.00 for the class, \$12.00 for the pattern and \$19.00 for the ruler for a total of \$62.00. Some may already have the ruler. There was discussion regarding Sherry using her budget to put \$15.00 towards each attendee's cost. If there would be a discount if there was a certain number of attendees, taking the money out of the general fund. The board may look at increasing the budget for workshops next year.

October: Inktense with Kaye Joachim

VIII. Open Forum for Non-Board Members:

Debi Roederer presented to the board an incident that happened at the Armament Museum over Memorial Day weekend where 101 flags worth \$2,000 were removed. It is believed that there was confusion after the sign for the small flags saying "take one" was not taken down after all those flags ran out. Debi is asking the guild to donate since the museum works with us on our monthly QOV presentations. Lisa opposes the donation, stating that it was an honest mistake. Donna would rather see that money go to the food bank. The board did not approve a donation.

IX. Further Action Needed/Tabled Items

- A. Printer purchase: Lisa brings up the idea of a printer. It would be about \$180.00 and would have to be Bluetooth. Deborah Moen is not sure if the Wi-Fi reaches the storage room. Anne Johnson brings up that the cost is not just the printer but the ink and the paper. There is an account at PaK Mail the guild could use for printing. It was tabled at this time.
- B. Guild T-shirts: Lisa has had this item tabled for some time. She would like to see shirts like the ones from the Paducah trip.
- C. Grant applications: Donna is working on grant applications for Chelco and LiveOak. Lisa asks to be notified if anyone hears of any other grants.

X. Donna made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Sherry seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 10:21.

General Meeting Minutes: Robin Easter-Neubauer, Secretary

June 12, 2025

- I. Meeting was called to order at 10:00am. Linda Weiss led the members in a prayer and the pledge.
- II. The last meeting minutes were approved as written after no changes were noted by the attendees.
- III. **Treasurer's Report:** Donna Gross addressed the revised/corrected report sent to the members via email June 9, 2025. There was a glitch with the report sent for the newsletter. The two systems were not communicating well together. She will work on this not happening again. Quick books show a balance of \$46,324.28.

Konnie Glaze questioned that April income did not show any income from the monthly raffle. January door prizes did not either. She also asked about the negative balance for the month of January under operating/misc expenses. Donna did not have an answer. Konnie also inquired about the \$25.00 income listed for workshops in February and March and workshop expenses of \$452.00 in February and \$100.00 for May.

Anne Johnson asked about the \$645.00 expense under operating/misc and that the line items need to be broken out. Donna is currently working on a more detailed report.

Lisa Lydston states that this has been an ongoing conversation that in September to have another line item to address the extras such as workshop lunch catering. The board has asked Donna to create a worksheet for each committee chairperson taking in and giving out money like a check register to show the balance each month, what was taken in and what went out for what.

Linda Hudson questioned being given what the Quick Book balance is but does this match what the bank is showing. Donna explained that the bank balance is always in flux.

Debi Roederer's experience was to have a designated date of the month for the balancing to capture the entire month. Donna indicated that the report to the members would then be one month behind since she routinely balances the account on the 30th.

Peggy Murrell stated she was more concerned about the money spent that was not approved in last September's budget approval. Lisa Lydston was only aware of a \$500.00 donation limit before the board had to approve and did not find anything regarding the spending. Anne Johnson stated that anything over \$500.00 must be approved by the members. Lisa requested that she show her this and Anne said she would.

Donna apologized for the confusion and is trying to get a better snapshot of where we are spending.

Lisa indicated that there is a need for volunteers to work on the Nominating Committee. Anyone interested please contact Lisa.

- IV. For the program this month was on how to photograph our quilts with Jackie Youngblood.

V. Show and Tell

VI. Door prizes: Lisa thanked all those that turned in their survey regarding door prizes.

VII. Back to Business

- **Block of the Month:** Konnie Glaze had 24 “Sunflower Power” blocks turned in. Pat Ferrell was the lucky winner. Konnie gave out patriotic navy fabric pieces that would be enough to make two blocks for next month’s “Glory in Scraps”.
- **Community Services:** Diane Roberson was absent but had reported to Lisa the following.
 - A. An abundant supply of quilts ready for quilting, pillowcases and stocking kits are available.
 - B. She would like to get 6 two-person teams to make 5 walker bags by each team. That is 30 bags. The finished bags are due in September. Make them sassy and bold with lots of creativity. The pattern is on our website. Can be for male or female.
 - C. July Community Service Day will be a picnic lunch (July 17). There should be a sign up for that.
 - D. Thank you to Konnie Glaze for making well over 1000 Christmas stocking tabs. Thank you to everyone who turned in quilts, pillowcases, and stockings this month.
 - E. We are midway through production and are on target for making significant contributions to the charities we support.
 - F. Deborah Moen wanted to note that the lost bag of stocking tabs was found this morning.
- **December Block:** Deb Chilcote said that blocks are still being turned in. The sign-up sheet is at the workshop table.
- **Facilities:** Deborah Moen had nothing new to report.
- **Strip Club:** Grace Grimsley handled the drawing for the 2 ½” strips which Valerie Holmes won. Next month’s choice is polka dots in any color.
- **Facebook:** Konnie Glaze had nothing new to report.
- **Food Pantry:** Cheri Perry had not received a list from Bunny, but anything would be good.
- **Boutique:** Carol Stearns is accepting anything to add to the inventory that was depleted at the quilt show. She does have a Riley Blake 12-month pillow kit if anyone would like to purchase them, get with her.
- **Historian/photography:** Deb Chilcote had nothing new to report.
- **Hospitality:** Barbara Roberts reports that Mary Ann Sharp is in California with her 1st grandchild and thanked all for the good food.
- **Membership:** Anne Johnson reported that we had 55 members in attendance and 2 visitors. Rosanne Williams and Martha Rice. Two new members have joined since last week.
- **Newsletter:** Peggy Murrell indicated that the due date for the newsletter is June 19th.
- **Opportunity Quilt:** Diane Roberson was absent but her report to Lisa indicated that we sold over \$1000.00 of tickets. It was appraised at \$1350 so more sales would be appreciated. We will be at the Freedom Tech Center’s Patriot Celebration on 6/28 on Lewis Turner. Set up will be at 3:30 and go until 7:00. If you are interested in helping, let Diane know.
- **Publicity:** Donna Gross had nothing new for publicity.
- **Row By Row:** Kaye Joachim is hoping that more will participate next year.
- **2026 Retreat:** Debi Roederer reported that 13 rooms have been reserved already. Brigit Gail Dermott is the featured instructor. Her workshop will be Playing with Shapes.

In August Deborah Moen will bring in half a dozen themed baskets to make for Quilter’s Walk or get a few members together to make one up.

- **Quilts for Veterans:** Barbi Ouellette reported that our member Maureen Farabaugh won the raffle for the Husqvarna sewing machine.
The next QOV presentation will be on Saturday June 14th at 1pm. There are 5 veterans to be draped.

For networking: she was at Joyful Place last week. June 16th she will be at Bob Hope Village where there are 30 lady vets. June 28th she will be at Freedom Tech Center's Patriot Celebration.

She currently has 2 quilts at Stitcher's Quest, 2 at the Sewing and Training Center and Coastal Stitches.

The Quilted Twins are having a QOV Summer challenge. They have kits available for \$52.00 which will include a panel in varying sizes and 6 full yards of fabric. The quilts turned in will go to the State QOV Distributor to go to our local veterans.

Doris Olig turned in 8 more quilts bringing her total to 128.

Ginger Maddox presented the "Operation Paperback" to the members which is a data base of those military members that want books to read and those that have books to give. Any size welcome, hardback books can only be sent in the U.S. Restrictions are no romance or religious. Ginger will be matched with one in need and would cover the postage. If you have books lying around, bring them to the next general meeting.

- **Sunshine and Shadows:** There were many members in need of our thoughts this last month.
- **UFO:** Robin Easter-Neubauer put out a survey for the UFO program to hear feedback from the members on what they would like to see in the next year.
- **Website:** Kaye Joachim had nothing new to report.
- **Workshops:** Sherry Kruschke has the Lucky Penny wallet workshop scheduled for the 26th of this month with Tammy Kennedy who has had an accident, but Robin Easter-Neubauer and Linda Hudson are willing to help where needed. July is Dresden Basics with Anne Johnson. Kaye Joachim will have an Inkense workshop in October and the Mystery Trip is in September. August Michelle Stewart who is a certified instructor for Oh Sew Kind of Wonderful. She will have a mini trunk show of Sew Kind of Wonderful quilts and a Crisscross Applesauce workshop.

Sherry has used her workshop budget to help with the cost of the August workshop and is asking members to donate items for prizes on the Mystery Trip.

VIII. Birthdays

IX. Drawings: Polly Shields reports having received \$112.00 for door prizes and \$170.00 for the in-house raffle for a total of \$282.00. It was later noted that the in-house raffle brought in \$150.00 due to a check being counted twice. So, the total is \$262.00

X. Meeting adjourned at 12:00pm

June Pictures



1st Vice Pres. **Jackie Youngblood** presented a program with tips and tricks for taking successful photos of your quilts.



Carol Stearns showed three quilts. The one above was made from fabric from the Free Table, the "Fireworks" Quilt of Valor top on the far left, and another quilt that was made from her stash of pinks and yellows.



Donna Gross showed her quilt that she practiced making on her new sewing machine.



Konnie Glaze made this baby quilt for a friend who was having their first grandbaby.

Anne Johnson made another wallhanging with the Mobius Radial pattern.



Gail Menard made this quilt called "Full Bloom", a Jacqueline de Jonge design.





Terry Kelly found this turtle fabric on the Free Table, and a friend made her a duffel bag from it!



Donna Williams made a baby quilt for a special baby who had successful corrective surgery in the womb, three project bags (front & back) from a workshop led by **Robin Easter-Neubauer**, and a tote bag.



Sue Basch showed the family picture quilt that her friend **Kathy Everett** made; it was presented to Sue as a surprise for her 80th birthday.



Sonya Hart showed this Kimberbell embroidery quilt which was a BOM from The Sewing & Training Center, called "Hello, Sunshine".

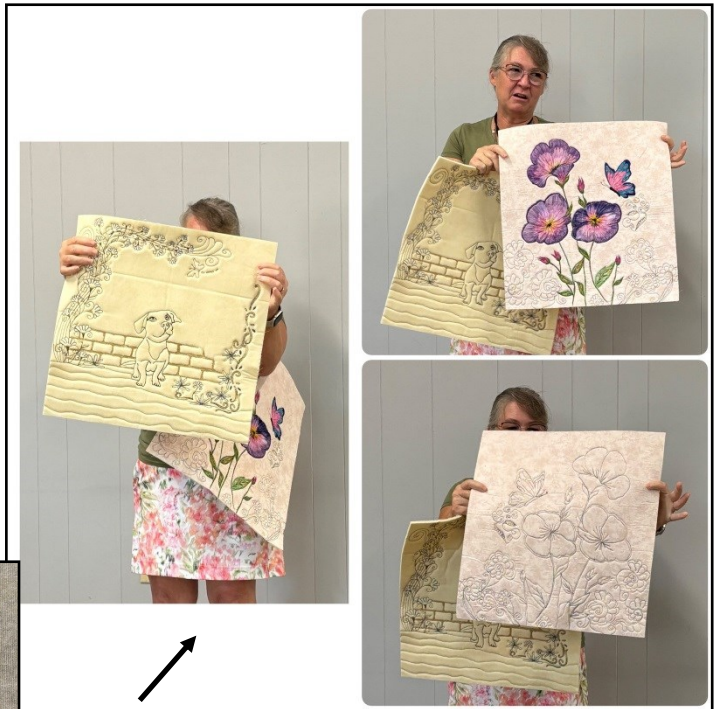


The quilt on the left was started by Sonya's mom **Myrna Langston**, who was a member of Flying Needles, and finished by Sonya. It's called Christmas Ribbons and was December block in 2012, headed by **Jean Lewis**.

Peggy Murrell finished her UFO, a BQ2 pattern with Kaffe Fassett fabrics.

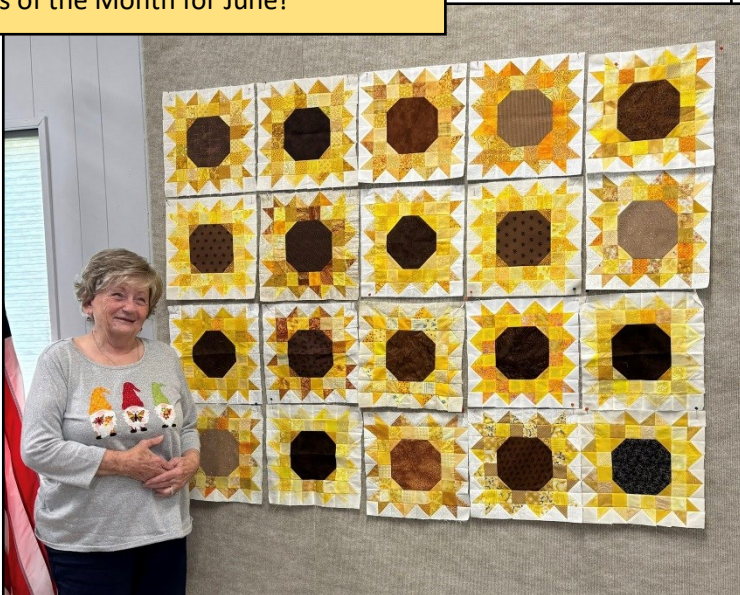


Linda Hudson made this Civil War quilt. She was hiding behind it, as usual, but we coaxed her out, for a picture!



Sherry Kruschke showed two Graffiti projects made in the Free Motion Quilting workshop led by **Lisa Lydston** this month. (The pictures on the right are the front & back of one).

Pat Ferrell was very happy to win all 24 Blocks of the Month for June!



Sherry also won the In House Opportunity from a very talented donor!



From the Kitchen of...

Jeannie Krzan

Overnight Blueberry French Toast

12 slices day old bread (I use Artesano bread)
2 8-oz packages cream cheese
1 cup fresh blueberries
12 large eggs
2 cups milk
1 tsp vanilla
1/3 cup maple syrup

Sauce:

1 cup sugar
2 Tbsp corn starch
1 cup water
1 cup fresh blueberries
1 Tbsp butter

Spray 9x13 pan. Cut bread into 1" pieces and put 1/2 in the pan. Use small cookie scoop to put cream cheese over bread. Top with blueberries and then rest of the bread. Whisk eggs, milk, syrup and vanilla and pour over bread. Cover with plastic wrap, pushing it down to make sure all bread is soaking in egg mixture, and place in refrigerator overnight.

Preheat oven to 350 and bake for one hour.
Prepare sauce while baking.

In medium saucepan whisk sugar and corn starch. Add water and bring to a boil over med heat. Stir constantly and boil about three minutes. Stir in blueberries and reduce heat to low. Simmer 10 minutes. Add butter until it melts then pour over French toast (or serve on the side). Bob Appétit!

Operation Paperback:

Ginger Maddox

Operation Paperback is a national, non-profit organization, whose volunteers collect gently-used books and send them to American troops overseas, as well as veterans and military families here at home.

Ginger Maddox is a volunteer shipper and will collect and ship books using the addresses provided by Operation Paperback. Please consider giving your gently used hard cover and paperback books to Ginger for this project.

Overseas addresses receive paperbacks only. Domestic addresses can receive both hardcovers and paperbacks.

The following genres are most frequently requested: action, bestsellers, biographies and memoirs, fantasy, history, horror, mysteries, science-fiction, true crime. Do NOT send romance novels.

We cannot send books that are old, musty, yellowed with bent spines or ripped covers, or with covers removed. We also cannot send religious material (pamphlets and bookmarks included).

Please bring your books to the July Guild meeting or contact Ginger at mc2098610@yahoo.com.

Quilt Trivia

2. Absolutely! Each time you use a different type of thread, check the tension and keep a record of it for the future.