

# Stringtown Quilters

# Needles and Notes

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September 2020

**Meeting: September 17, 7:00 PM**

**Zoom Virtual Meeting: Kris Vierra's Trunk Show**

**Link will be on website in the members only section. [Www.stringtownquilters.com](http://www.stringtownquilters.com)**

**Come join the fun!**

## **From our President...**

Happy Labor Day, Quilting Friends!

Anyone choosing to Labor over their sewing machines this weekend? The fantastic weather brought me and my hand-sewing outside on Saturday! Thank you, Lord, for the extra Vitamin D as we head into the fall.

The presentation of our quilts to the Student Resource Officers in August was wonderful! (What a special opportunity to recognize our local police at such a time as this.) Many of us were able to attend in person and it was so exciting: The room was FULL of quilts draped across chairs and officers standing in a semi-circle around the room to receive them. They had a photographer who was taking wonderful pictures of every quilt and every officer... I hope we have access to them! Thanks to Karen for organizing this idea!!

It is time for our Charity Quilts to be collected! Thanks to Roxanne for providing her law office as our drop-off site. I am praying that all these baby and children's quilts will be a blessing and comfort to those who receive them! And many thanks to the hands that made them!

Did everyone finish their Mystery Quilt? I don't think I would have tried such a complicated design on my own- but presented as a mystery- I loved it! I really enjoyed the dramatic piecing in the last step to see what I had created. Mine is all sandwiched up and ready to quilt... just waiting for a deadline to encourage it's completion. ;)

Since I have discovered how helpful it is to do hand-quilting during math lessons, I must tell you that I am really enjoying 7th-grade math with my daughter this year! The same daughter is also reading Gathering of Days in a few months and I am planning a quilting project to go along with that book.

I look forward to seeing you all at our September meeting! (Remember that we will START the meeting with our guest speaker, and then END with the business meeting and show-n-tell.)

*Ann Lightner, President*

## From our Vice-President...

Hello Quilters:

Our speaker for September, is Kris Vierra and she will be presenting her trunk show at 7:05 pm. Please be prompt to the meeting so we can begin on time. I will open the meeting up at 6:45 pm so we can all be on and ready to listen. For Zoom, it will be good to have your screen set to "Speaker view". If you are unsure of how to do this, please email or call me and we can walk thru the process. If you are unfamiliar with Kris's work, google her name and view her website.

If you have a guild member who has not been on a Zoom meeting, please invite them to attend. If you have a friend that would like to see the presentation, please invite them to attend with you. This presentation will "not" be part of the monthly meeting online. Kris, does not allow for making a video of her presentation so you can only see this LIVE!!

Virtual Sit and Sews will be the following dates:

Thursday, September 10th – 10:00 am until ??

Saturday, September 26th – 10:00 am until ??

Wednesday, October 14th – 10:00 am until ??

I will stay on as long as needed.

Remember, you MUST register for our Zoom meetings, by clicking on the link on our Members only page. You will then receive an email directly to you, with the meeting information. If you do not register, you cannot get the link. Any questions, please send them to me: [cgamble@fuse.net](mailto:cgamble@fuse.net)

See you at the Zoom....meeting, September 17th!!

*Cindy Gamble*, Vice-President

## From our Retreats Chair....

Hello Peeps!

Praying all is going well your way! Miss all of you!

Higher Ground Retreat has been canceled and rescheduled for November 4 -7, 2021.

Millersburg Retreat is April 15 - 18, 2021. Reminding those that have not called Hotel Millersburg to confirm their reservation with a credit card to please do so by October 1, 2020. Hotel Millersburg has a list of those attending. If you do not confirm by October 1, 2020 I will be opening the rooms available to the Guild.

Would love to see all of you at the zoom meeting!

Take care! Keep Quilting.

*Kim Ryles*, Retreats

## Guild Officers 2019 – 2020

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**From our Membership Chair.... DID YOU FORGET SOMETHING?**

Even though we are not meeting in person yet, please renew your membership ASAP. "WHY BOTHER?", you ask...

Well, anyone who signs up before November 1st is guaranteed to receive a special Christmas Gift from the guild!

Plus, the first 50 sign-ups / renewals will be entered to win one of TEN PRIZE Mini-Charms! (That means one in 5 will get a prize!!) The sooner you renew, the earlier you get to pick your mini-charm, so sign-up soon for the best selection!!

Another perk of joining? Members only access to the Stringtown website, so you can view past newsletters and meetings anytime you like!

If you haven't yet participated in a Virtual Sit-&-Sew, try it out!! Since we are online (using ZOOM), my mom (Nancy, a returning member) was able to participate from MONTANA! It was great to see her and to QUILT with her and other guild members!

If you have any questions, please give me a shout, a text, or an e-mail. I know I am looking forward to what the guild has to offer this year. It's only \$25, so please remember to JOIN!

How to Sign up / Renew your membership?

Via our website: <https://www.stringtownquilters.com/shop> to pay by Credit Card (\$25.75 including a small processing fee)

Or mail your \$25 check (made out to "Stringtown Quilters Guild") to our Treasurer:

Cynthia Schmid-Perry  
302 Bartlett Avenue  
Erlanger, KY 41018

Thanks fellow quilters!! Looking forward to Sewing with you in the near future!

*Theresa Muth*, Membership Chair



# CHRISTMAS CHALLENGE BLOCKS

Our Challenge Block contest for 2020:

## Guidelines:

Membership dues have been paid for the 2020/2021 year.

All blocks must be 12.5 inches square

We are encouraging the use of stash material.

Colors required are Red, Green or Christmas prints.

Neutrals colors can be used: White, cream and/or black.

Categories will be pieced, paper pieced and applique, submit your block in the appropriated category.

Number of blocks submitted will determine the number of blocks that winners receive.

Blocks must be postmarked or received by December 1st, 2020.

Blocks can be mailed to Cindy Gamble, 8347 Woodcreek Drive, Florence, Ky. 41042

Blocks can also be dropped off at First Church of Christ at Front Office – only on Monday's! Please have it in an enclosed package for handling. Mark the package for Cindy Gamble.

All blocks will be photographed and will be placed in a Slide Show, by category, for voting purposes.

Slide show will be available to members by December 7<sup>th</sup> and voting will take place at the December 17<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Winners will be announce via our Facebook page and Stringtown Web Site.

Winners will be allowed to pick out blocks (as determined by the number of blocks submitted). More information to come after blocks are submitted.

Any questions, please contact a member of the Stringtown Board.

Below are sample blocks:





## Stringtown Quilters Guild Treasurer's Report

### Report for August 2020, delivered September 2020

**Bank Balance on August 1** \$ 15,233.15

Revenues Collected

Membership dues ( total @ 15)

By mail – checks ( 5 ) \$ 125.00

By website ( 6 ) \$ 148.20

Total Revenues \$ 273.20

Expenses Cleared Bank by August 31

Business Manager User Fee \$ 10.00

Service Charge Prior Period \$ 4.00

Chk # 288 Cindy Gamble- Zoom membership \$ 158.89

Chk# 289 Claire Perry – web editor \$ 231.00

Total Expenses \$ 403.89

**Bank Balance on Sept 1** \$ 15,102.46

**BB&T has merged with SunTrust and is now called Trust.**

Respectfully submitted,

*Cynthia Schmid-Perry*, Guild Treasurer

## 2020 Charity Quilts

In October, we will have a presentation of our charity quilts, at our monthly Zoom meeting, to the following charities selected by our guild in February 2020.

**Down Syndrome Association of Greater Cincinnati (DSAGC)**

**Benchmark Family Services**

In order to make this presentation, we are asking that our members drop off their quilts at the following location:

Law Office of Roxanne Hummel

6900 Houston Road, Suite 9

Florence, Ky. 41042

Between the hours of 9:00 am and 4:30 pm (Monday through Friday)

We would like for all quilts to be dropped off no later than, Tuesday, October 13<sup>th</sup>.

Instructions for the dropping off your quilt(s):

1. Place quilt in a plastic bag.
2. Tape a written paper on the outside
3. Information needed:
  - Your name
  - Charity (if you don't have a preference, put "where needed".)

## Salvation Army Dolls

For many years, the Stringtown Quilt Guild has participated in the dressing of American Girl dolls. Participants receive a free doll to dress and in December the Salvation Army Toy Auxiliary gives qualifying needy children a dressed doll, doll blanket, and extra outfit as a Christmas present. There is usually a competition (now canceled) giving ribbons to outstanding dressers

PAST Competition Winners in our Quilt include Cheryl Cappadona, Linda VanDyke, Pam Steele, Debby Stidham, Kevin Latiolais, Mary Wasilysia, Cathy Schmitz, Ann Hood, Barb Vogelpohl, and Jo Ann Abel. (Apologies to someone not mentioned.)

As well as dolls, the Toy Auxiliary dresses stuffed Bears to give away and outstanding for that is Kitty Nagy, Ann Hood and Nikki Ryder.

In spite of Covid-19, Cathy Schmitz, Cheryl Cappadona, Jo Ann Abel and Nikki Ryder carried on the tradition for 2020.

They dressed 20 dolls, made over 100 doll quilts, dressed 20 bears and made 60 extra outfits.

The lovely November Tea and open house displaying over 700 dressed dolls from the tri-state has been canceled but the DISTRIBUTION of dolls and bears will still be happening.

Thank you to everyone mentioned for participating.

Article by Chairman Jo Ann Abel

Karen Hillier





## Stringtown Quarantine Crafts:

**Jo Ann Abel** - quilted by Judy Stancel



**Elizabeth O'Reagan** - This is my version of The Fairy Tale Quilt by Lucy Carson Kingwell. I added The Three Bears, The Three Billy Goats Gruff, and Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs.

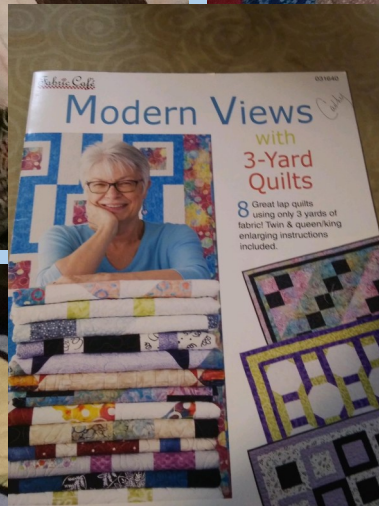


**Cheryl Cappadona** - quilts in the making





Cathy Schmitz - working her way through Modern Views





**Theresa Muth** - quilt top for the  
Down Syndrome Charity



**Myra Arnold**



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