

2015 DISCUSSION GROUPS

Each guest will be registered for only 1 discussion group, chosen from the following list of seven topics. Please indicate, on the registration form, your top 2 choices. And remember to make a note of your choices!

Chevron Patterns - Chevron patterns are everywhere in home decor and quilting. Join this group to learn some easy ways to make chevron patterns, one which doesn't even involve cutting triangles. Bring any samples you might have to share as well.

Internet Quilt Block Swapping - Have you ever shared in the fun of an Internet Block Swap? Are you interested but don't know how to get started? Come and find out how much fun it is to quilt across the miles with all those friends who live further away than your Guild meeting!

Crazy Quilts – Not just your great-grandmother's handwork! We will show you old traditional crazy patch, different ways to use small scraps OR one big piece of gorgeous fabric with the machine stitches you have never used. There will be hand-out of embroidery stitches (and a demo) if you want to make a little beautiful treasure.

Missouri Star Quilt Company – Have you used any of the patterns, tutorials or suggestions from either the magazine or website of this company? We have been inspired by both! We would like to invite you to bring any comments, blocks, quilts, (or one in process) to share with the group how Missouri Star has inspired you.

Working with a panel or large print fabric – Have you bought large scale prints or panels, only to get them home and not know what to do with them? Well, come and join us to share ideas. We will have samples, but please share with us what you have made.

Memory Quilts – We are going to share our experiences making memory quilts. Do you have clothes from someone that you would like to include in a quilt? Perhaps there are photos that could be transferred onto fabric to remember a person, an event, or a location...there might be embellishments that could add charm to a quilt. Please bring any quilts that you would like to share.

What is a Modern Quilt? – Modern Quilts have a different approach than the traditional quilts and often reflect the quilter's personality. They are functional quilts with simplicity, strong design concepts and can be inspired by art, architecture, emotion. Bold colors and simple lines are some of the hallmarks of a modern quilt, but certainly each quilt can encompass so much more because they are as diverse as the people who make them. Bring your modern quilt or pattern to share with the group.

Guest Speaker - Sue Reno will be our guest speaker in the main dining room this year. Sue is an award winning fiber artist who lives and works in Lancaster County, PA. Her rich and intricate art quilts reflect her local environment and incorporate imagery drawn from her studies of botany, wildlife, historic architecture, and the Susquehanna River. <http://www.suereno.com/>