Loose Threads News

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1st Wednesday Agenda

9:30 Doors open – refreshments & socializing
Kitchen will be closed

10:00 Business Meeting
Show &Tell

3rd Wednesday Agenda

9:30 Doors open - refreshments & socializing

10:00 Program TBA

President's Message

It's not easy being green! (Sorry, Kermit). But it's a darn sight easier than being yellow or red (phase, that is). Now that most of the state is in the green phase, we can once again have our Guild meetings. We still have to practice social distancing and it is recommended that we continue to wear our masks in public. We won't have the kitchen open and that means you'll need to bring your own drinks and snacks. Meetings will be a little different for the time being but we can do it.

The chance to see everybody, to catch up, to take care of business, to revamp the calendar, will be the best part of our upcoming meeting. I am looking forward to it, I hope all of you are. Please remember that if you feel that your health would be compromised by attending, stay away but we'll still miss you.

Betty Ann

Nominations for Guild Officers

President: Betty Ann Dawson
Vice-President: Marylou Boryta
Secretary: Silvia Homa
Treasurer: Diane Hess will return for her second year as treasurer.

JINNY BEYER STUDIO

In this time of change for all of us, I would like you to know that I have decided to close my "brick and mortar" retail shop. Only our physical store in Great Falls, VA will close. **Our internet business will continue.** You will still be able to order my fabrics, products, kits and patterns online. Our weekly website specials and monthly newsletter will continue.

I want to emphasize that **I am not retiring** but just easing up a bit by eliminating the demands on me that the retail shop requires. I plan to continue designing fabric, growing the internet business, creating a succession of online YouTube video lessons such as we have been doing this year and, when the virus circumstances permit, I will also continue the Craftours trips that I had scheduled and may schedule in the future.

Jenny Beyer

Virtual Workshop

Mainline Quilters is hosting a virtual Thread Painting workshop given by Joyce Hughes on July 24. We have not filled all of the available spots so we are contacting neighboring guilds to see if their members would be interested. Let Marie Politowsk know if you would like to attend at mpolitowsk@aol.com You must be signed up and paid by JULY 1 to confirm your spot so Joyce can mail the panels/kits out to you. Registration closed on July 5.

This workshop is from a pre-printed panel that Joyce will prepare for you. Joyce will demonstrate and guide us through the art of thread painting. The cost of the workshop is $30. Cost of the prepared panel is $15 for a total of $45. If you would like to purchase a Complete Kit of prepared panel and threads it is $55 plus $30 for the workshop fee (total of $85). Whichever package you choose, you will be challenged, stunned how creative you are, and delighted with the results.

This is the supply list for your reference. **Joyce Hughes –Supply List Thread Painting/ Blue Hummingbird w/Pink Flowers** - Free motion foot/ Darning foot (Machine and foot must be able to do zig-zag). - Open Toe Foot- for doing decorative stitches Supplies: Extra EMPTY bobbins, minimal 3; Scissors to cut threads; Practice quilt sandwich, approx., 12 x 12”, Needles- Topstitch #90

Threads -Mettler- Metrosene- # 9161-1360- Dk. Gray -Mettler- Silk Finish Cotton 50 Multi - #9075-9817- Mixed Lime Greens Mettler-Poly Sheen Multi- #4820-9923- Mixed Pinks #4820-9978- Mixed Blue and Tans #4820-9980- Mixed Grays Mettler-PolySheen- #3406-4101 Blue - Mettler –Silk Cottons 50-Solids- #9105-0067- Lt. Pink #9105-1423- Med. Pink #9105-1417- Dk. Pink #9105-0281- Tan #9105-3612- Ivory #9105-0823- Navy Blue #9105-0757 Dk. Green #9105-1099- Med. Green #9105-0173- Brown Mettler Metallic- #7633-5833- Green

Gathering at Betty Ann's

Betty Ann, Dona and Nancy

Diane

Lenore and Bonnie

Lil, Pat and Kiti

It was so nice to be able to gather with some of our Loose Threads buddies at Betty Ann's. The weather was lovely, Betty Ann's yard is beautiful and there were many shows and many tells. Lenore's TP game was a fun format for everyone to tell the 'new' things they've done and experienced during the quarrantine.

Josie

Rosemary dug into her scraps and made a beautiful quilt using last year's Tea Block.

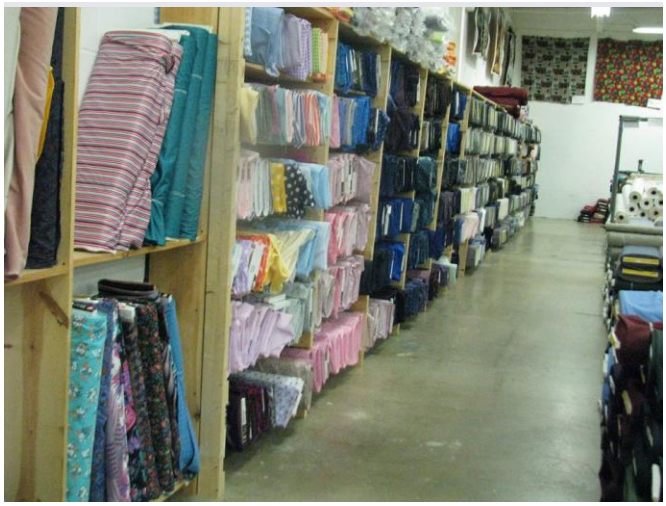
Quilt Shop Review

Zinck's Fabric Outlet - Goodville
1564 Main Street
STE 500
East Earl, PA
(717) 445-6123
https://www.zincksfabric.com/

This fabric store is tucked in so you have to look for it. The selection and prices make it worth your while however. Lil Evans, Bonnie Strickland and I had a great time gathering fabrics for Lil's baby quilt. I will certainly revisit this shop.

Linda Glass

Lil, Bonnie and Linda



JULY BIRTHDAYS

20 Linda Glass
21 Judy Snook
31 Winnie McCarraher

Geometric Fabric Exchange

July's color is **Yellow.**

AQS Virtual exhibit

https://www.quiltweek.com/a-retrospective-exhibit-quilts-by-judy-niemeyer-and-quiltworx/

A Retrospective Exhibit:

Quilts by Judy Niemeyer and Quiltworx

Judy Niemeyer's traditionally-curved piecing techniques have become an industry standard, and clever design strategies such as intentionally-offset seam lines, floating points, smart corners, transition and registration point (TRP) lines, template layout sheets for cutting, foundation strip piecing, and curved paper piecing have made patterns from Quiltworx.com the go-to resource for quilters of all skillsets. The quilts selected for this special AQS exhibit show some of Judy's best work and favorite designs throughout all her years of quilting, most having been made within the last 15 years. The quilts chosen for this show were pieced wholly or in part by Judy and under her guidance at the Quiltworx Sewing Studio in Montana.

Our Busy Members' Show and Tell

Marylou Bortya - Feathered Christmas Tree from fall Day camp with Debby O'Keefe.

Judy Snook - My *Spring Bouquet* table topper was made similar to the Twister pattern.

Marylou Bortya - Flower Basket Door Hanger

Marylou Bortya - *Beyond the Birdhouse,* a Karen Kay Buckley class from Hershey 2019

Josie Sharp - Some of the 900+ masks that I made.

Judy Snook - A finished UFO that's either very early or very late.

Josie Sharp - Crazy birds for my grandkids

Josie Sharp - A gift for a teacher.

Jean Sullivan - The table runner is from last year's Lap quilting leftovers

Rosemary Geisler - Valley Forge Potholder of the Month series

Josie Sharp - A little Mother's Day gift.

Judy Snook - A 'to be named' quilt that was fun to make.

Linda Hamel – This fun lap quilt was made by modifying the *Mod Dog* pillow pattern and using up the rest of my polka dot exchange fabrics. I call it *I love Spot.*

Jean Sullivan

Josie Sharp - A little gift for a few special people

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Loose Threads Quilt Guild

Meets at 9:30 AM on the
1st & 3rd Wednesday of each month,
with a special basting meeting on the 5th Wednesday at:
First United Church of Christ
145 Chestnut St
Spring City, PA 19475
610 948-4516

Annual dues are $20 per year and guests are always welcome

Loose Threads News is a monthly newsletter for the members of Loose Threads Quilt Guild
and is available on our website
www.theloosethreadsquilters.org

Tip from the Quilting Hub

Let's be honest, who among us has not cut more binding than we need for our quilt? Sometimes the leftovers are small, only a few inches, but sometimes we get a bit over zealous and make too much.

For shorter pieces of leftover binding, you can use them to keep project fabrics together with the pattern to use for your next project so your fabrics will not be used in error for a different project. Simply stack your chosen fabrics together with the pattern on top and wrap the binding around and tie. The added plus, is that you may re-use the bindings over and over again.

https://www.quiltinghub.com/