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### ***President's Corner***

#### Autumn in the Ozarks

The consensus was very positive, and we put on a truly impressive Quilt Show. Personally, I believe it was FABULOUS! One of life's common elements is the presence of problems. And we had some....but they were handled and handled well. I want to congratulate our fearless leader, Quilt Show Chair, Jonna Butler, and her team: Co-Chair Carolyn Bisbee, Mentor Vicki Kauth, all sub-committee Chairs, and their volunteers. This would not have been a successful Quilt Show without your dedicated time, effort, and hard work. Outstanding job....well done!!



No one likes problems, but it's how we deal with them that matters. "Manure happens!" It can either become fertilizer for growth or linger and create an unpleasant smell. One choice promotes growth, while the other attracts only flies. We have a choice: we can either complain about problems, which often lead to quarrels, or we can immediately ask ourselves, "How can we resolve this to foster new growth?" May wisdom and courage help us solve problems so that growth can continue, and relationships can be strengthened; that problems are never the "end" unless we choose for them to be. Instead, let them be the beginning of something even greater than we've ever had! But it takes humility and a willingness to change. Problems are not failures; they are a part of our humanity, giving us a choice to grow or groan. (Wayne Cordeiro)

Rosita Forster

## ***Communications***

Giant thanks to all who helped get the word out for the shows and display at the library. I heard many glowing comments from visitors, and I think we should all be very proud of the caliber of this show, especially after 4 years off from planning. Our final 40th Anniversary celebration will focus on our presidents. Carol Lewis is organizing that program for December. We are fortunate to have many presidents still active as members. As well, we are blessed to have so many newer members to enrich our creativity. Many new members were active on the Quilt Show Committee. Seasoned and new, we have an inspired membership.

Peggy Moody, Chair Communications

## ***2023 Quilt Show***

Our **Autumn in the Ozarks Quilt Show** was a huge success and is now put to bed until Oct 2025. The Show Committee is still processing attendance and organizing photographs of the stunning quilts.

Carolyn Bisbee won TWO First Place Ribbons for this stunning quilt. She won Viewers' and Members' Choice.



Peggy Moody won Second Place for Members' Choice.



Jodi McCray won BOTH Third Place Ribbons for Members' and Viewers' Choice.



Cindy Albright won 2<sup>nd</sup> place Viewers' Choice.



Janice Duffy tied for 3<sup>rd</sup> place Viewers' Choice.



Annie Wagar tied for 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Members' Choice



## ***Quilt Show Chair Report***

The Quilt Show was a huge success.

When the guild voted to have the show and a two day no judging, I was a bit worried. but I think it was the best choice you as a guild could have made. I heard so many positive comments and that made me smile. Some negative comments thrown in there but not many.

Now moving forward will be easier. I hope!!

I am looking forward to 2025 bigger and better show, Maybe? or a smaller show whatever it ends up to be I know that Carolyn Bisbee will do a spectacular job, and I know you all will support her as you did me. For that I thank you.

The quilt show team did an amazing job bringing it all together. We all learned from this and a bit challenging at times but we DID IT!!!! Ten months ago, at our first committee meeting I was so sure we could pull it off, but it took a village and everybody I'm so very proud to be a part of a wonderful group of people.

Thanks for all your love and support,  
Jonna

## ***Thank you!!!***

I want to say a special thanks to all the husbands that helped with the show. We couldn't have had this show without you. All your love and understanding, support and kindness you showed was a true outpouring of unconditional love for not only your wives but their craft. Some of you came to take down to help without your wives, that really shows true love, in my book.

For that I want to say Thank you from the bottom of my heart.  
Jonna

## ***Thank You, Thank You!***

A huge thank you to everyone who helped make the quilt show a success, especially the quilt hangers and "un-hangers." Yes, the show was scaled back this year, but it was stunning as always and all of our visitors (except a few bored husbands) seemed to enjoy it. I received a lot of compliments during my time as a floor walker. I think we have the best show in northern Arkansas and southern Missouri, but I know I am biased.

I'd like to extend a special thank you to everyone who helped hang and take down the quilts. Ya'll are rock star volunteers and did a most amazing job despite less-than-effective training, changed minds and mistakes made by your fearless leader (that would be me). I am embarrassed to say I did an abysmal job of keeping track of who worked each day, so that's why you are getting this impersonal thank you. But I have no words to express how much I appreciate your hard work.

Special thanks to Steve Landrum, who came up with a way to hang the quilts without ladders; Terry Butler, who added a slick modification; Jodi McCray and Mary Jo Smith, who sorted the quilts by their hanging location and made the hanging process go quickly; and Frieda Mauthe and Peggy Moody, who were there each day and took over when I had to keep an appointment.

Let's do it again in two years!

Vicki Kauth

### ***Quilt Show Hospitality Report***

I want to thank everyone who volunteered and helped with the Front Desk Admissions Table, the Ballots, Surveys and White Glove Floor Walkers! Without your time, smiles and warm welcomes to our visitors, the show would not have received all the great compliments on the surveys and spoken to me and other guild members.

Dividing the money received through Admissions, by \$7, our estimated paying visitors was 569. Total tickets (this includes the tickets for volunteers and guest visitors) was 665.

I was amazed at the number of men who came and several of them made wonderful compliments.

I will say that not everyone who visited voted, much to my dismay. I asked everyone, as they were walking out the door, if they had voted and MANY replied, "No, there were so many awesome quilts, we couldn't decide!"

From the surveys completed, more than half rated the show as a 5 (top number), there were none below 4. Most were NC Arkansas people, with a handful of SW Arkansas people. We had 4 from Mississippi, 1 from Texas, 1 from Iowa. There was only 1 negative comment, so I'm saying – IT WAS A GREAT SHOW!!!!

Diane Siddons

Jonna Butler has been a member for the past 2 years. She generously jumped in to Chair our 2023 Quilt Show. Jonna is more than able as a leader with her smile and ever-present willingness to do whatever it takes to accomplish goals. At the October Board meeting at the Farmers and Merchants' Bank, there was a power outage. At the end of our meeting, we found out the elevator was out of order. To get Jonna safely down from the third floor in her wheelchair, we called the local fire department who sent over delightful paramedics to transport her to the ground floor. With several bank employees, apologetic about not having an emergency contingency for handicap access and exit, Jonna maintained her grace and humor and told us this wasn't the first time she met access challenges. We are so lucky to have a member who can make us aware of what we take for granted--our ability to move through challenges like no elevator without needing to call in strapping firemen. Thanks for role modeling your spirit of grace.



Submitted by Peggy Moody

Photo--Jonna handing Jodi her Third Place Ribbon with Angie Lindberg.

## ***Appraisals***

Thank you to all that signed up for either an Appraisal or a Consultation regarding your special quilts. Certainly, sorry that Alice McElwain had to cancel for the 2 days because life with loved ones is more important. Alice will come in the Spring, when the weather is safe to travel and spend a day, maybe 2 with us. Something to look forward too. I have kept the list of people that signed up and when the time comes, you may be getting a call from me to see if you are still interested in an Appraisal for your special treasure or a Consultation. In the meantime, have a great holiday season and see you all at our next meeting in November.

Elaine Byng

## ***August Guild Meeting Minutes***

Please find the August 2023 Guild Meeting Minutes for your review with approval at the November 10th Guild Meeting. As stated by President-Elect Angie Lindberg at the September Guild Meeting, these were not published due to staffing shortages. Thank you all for your patience and kindness. Rosita Forster

August 11, 2023I. CALL TO ORDER – 9:38 AM

II. IN

ATTENDANCE: 63 guild members; 3 guestsIII.

WELCOME: A) President Rosita Forster

welcomed guild members to the meeting. She recognized three visitors that were in attendance. Birthdays and anniversaries were acknowledged. There were 4 birthdays and 3 anniversaries recognized during the month of August. Fabric birthday cupcakes were handed out to August birthday members. IV. BUSINESS REPORTS: APPROVAL- July 2023 Hill N Hollow Minutes Diane Siddons moved to approve minutes. Mike Breton 2nd the motion. There being no discussion, approval was so ordered without objections. Treasurer's Reports President Forster indicated that there will not be a Treasurer's Report for the months of July. July and August reports will be submitted in September 2023. 2024 Slate of Proposed Officers Jodi McCray went over the titles of President, President Elect, Secretary, etc. Jodi McCray asked guild members to consider giving their time and talents to the guild by taking on various positions for 2024, specifically, the President Elect position. Harriet Suggestion Box Ideas A. President Elect Angie Lindberg brought forth some ideas such as: 1) If you don't wear your Hill N Hollow name tag to the monthly meetings donating a small amount of money to the guild to encourage members to wear their name badges. 2) Not being able to participate in the door prizes if you don't wear your name badge during the guild meeting. 3) A suggestion of when members speak during the meeting to either go up front to a microphone or have a microphone person to go to the individual speaking so that everyone can hear the individual speaking. Having the speaker repeat questions before answering. B. President Elect Angie Lindberg reiterated that at this point these are all SUGGESTIONS to encourage members to be a more cohesive guild. She also stated that the pattern for the name badge is on the Hill N Hollow website. V. WHAT'S WHAT: A) "New in the Box" Hand Quilting Frame by The Grace Company: President Forster stated that a hand quilting frame has been offered to the guild. If any members are interested in this quilting frame, please see Carol Lewis for more information. B) Guild Volunteer Time Record Documents: President Forster stated that these hours need to be turned in today, August 11, 2023 so that the Mountain Home City Clerk can record these hours. C) Challenge Bags for Into the Light Organization: President Forster announced that the Challenge Bags are due in September. These bags will be displayed at the quilt show in October. Gift cards for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd places will be awarded. Discussion was then held about the labels that need to be placed on these bags to recognize that they had been made by Hill N Hollow Quilt Guild members. This discussion centered around what type of label, etc. Using the Community Quilt labels was decided and can be obtained from Sandy Beasley. D) Help Desk, Guild Survey, Members Teaching Members Classes: President Forster reminded everyone that Vicki Kauth is sitting at the back table to answer any questions that members may have. President Forster stated that the completed Guild Survey is available to anyone if they want to review it. The next Members Teaching Members Class will be held after the September guild meeting. This class will be Christmas Tree Napkins. E) Sit N Sew: President Forster stated that the next Sit N Sew will be held on August 15th from 9:30 AM – 1:30 PM. The Make and Take Project will be Cutie Pie Pouches. The Quilt Show Ribbon Making Session will be held. There are some final preparations that need to be made before all ribbons are completed. President Forster also discussed the Quilt Pinning Session. President Forster reminded guild

members that the Sit N Sews are on a 3 month trial basis to see if there is enough group participation. If members prefer, they can bring their own sewing projects instead. F) Raffle Quilt Tickets: Sales to date are \$1,604.00. The goal is \$5,000.00. The winner of the most tickets sold in the month of July is Connie Martin. President Forster stated that our sales are down. Events to sell the raffle tickets are through December 8th. She stated that the guild still needs members to volunteer to man the booth to sell at local community events. The next upcoming event is the Baxter County Fair from Wednesday August 23, 2023 through Saturday August 26, 2023. The booth is located in the commercial building with air-conditioning! Volunteers also get free fair passes. Volunteers are needed to sell raffle tickets for the September 1st and 2nd Art Expo Vintage Home Market in Gassville as well. G) Quilt Show Announcements-Donna Perrin: Jonna announced that new member Carolyn Bisbee, has been named Quilt Show co-chair for this year's quilt show and will work beside her to "learn the ropes." If the guild board approves it, she will be the 2025 show chair. As a reminder — Quilts displayed in the 2023 show may also be entered in the 2025 show if their owners want them to be judged (and we have a judged show in 2025). Vicki and Peggy are working on submitting a short article to the Baxter Bulletin "Community Briefs" column soliciting entries from quilters who are not guild members. We only have ONE appraisal at this time. We need a full schedule for Alice to come. Please get your forms and money in! See Elaine Byng ASAP. Forms are at the table. If you are working on something that you hope to finish, go ahead and register it for our planning committee's sake! If you can't finish your project before the show, you can pull the registration (hopefully with two weeks' notice before the show.) If you are working on a bag for Into the Light — the 2023 HNH Challenge — World in a Bag, and don't have it finished, you may take a picture of the pattern and attach that pic to your registration form. Remember these bags must be finished and submitted by September 8. They will be collected and displayed in the Quilt Show before making their way to their new owners. Every quilt in the show requires a hanging sleeve. The only exceptions are 3D objects, Accessories/Wearable Art and Home Decor. If you need instruction for adding a hanging sleeve, you may pick up instructions from Jonna or me (and there are many good demos online). We also must have a label attached to every item. The label may be permanent or temporary. These requirements are in the "Registration Information, Definition, and Rules" document (paper form or on the HNH website). There is going to be a NEW and fun display at the Quilt Show. It will include projects from Members-Teaching-Members, Workshop Projects and Community Quilts! These items will not count toward your 15-quilt entry limit and may be more than four years old. (Sandy is holding a few of the community quilts for this display.) ( No category — Just put a description on the form where it says "please hang this quilt with the following group...") The project age for this display is an exception to the age of the other projects in the show. Those must have been made between the close of the 2019 Quilt Show and the present show. Darlene is scheduling guild members and vendors for demonstrations throughout the Quilt Show. She is planning one demo per hour. If you have a skill to share through demonstration, contact Darlene. For Quilt Show Work Detail, there are sign-up sheets available at today's guild meeting. All sign-up sheets have time slots. (If you haven't already signed up or need assistance, see Carolyn Bisbee at the break.) We are all reminded of the importance of honoring our time slot commitments. And remember, to receive free admission to the HNH Quilt show, we must contribute a minimum of



four hours toward the show. Another way to meet those minimum four hours is Ribbon Making detail! We'll be gathering to make show ribbons at the church on August 15 (next Tuesday) same time as "sit n sew". If more time is needed, we'll meet again to finish the project on September 28th at 9:30 at the Baxter County Library. All of this info will be reiterated in your HNH minutes. BE SURE to keep up with guild emails that come through for important updates! We're all looking forward to a great show!H) Quilt Show Magnets-Peggy Moody: Peggy Moody announced that she has new dates for the large car magnets to put on your automobile to advertise the upcoming quilt show in October if anyone is interested. THE DEATH OF SUNBONNET SUE-IT COULDN'T HAPPEN TO A NICER GIRL: Vicki Kauth gave a wonderful and hilarious PowerPoint Presentation on The Death of Sunbonnet Sue by irreverent quilters. PROGRAM MODERN TRADITIONALISM: Darlene Landrum along with the Mod Squad showed modern quilts to provide a visual example to the guild members of discussing what makes a quilt modern. Each guild member was given a sheet of paper with the "Characteristics of Modern Quilts" and a group discussion was held to point out these characteristics on the quilts shown. TWO MINI "EVERY QUILT HAS A STORY" PRESENTATION: Jodi McCray spoke of her excitement and love of quilting began with the Star Quilt pattern out of a newspaper in Kansas City. She stated that she would talk to anyone and everyone about quilting because she was so excited to share her new passion with others. Brenda Gipson stated that the quilt she presented came out of a fishing trip expedition with her husband where she did a 25 quilt shop hop in Minnesota. Both were beautiful quilts that these ladies are proud of and should be! BREAK: 11:01 AM-11:20 AM Show and Tell: There were 9 members that shared their quilts during Show and Tell. Community Quilt Parade: 8 quilts were presented to give to our local community for those in need. Door Prizes & 50/50 Drawing: Door prizes were won by Diane Siddons and Dianne Petty. The 50/50 prize in the amount of \$21.00 was won by Steve Landrum. Reminder: President Forster reminded everyone that the MTM class is today from 1 PM-4 PM taught by Vicki Kauth and the upcoming Baxter County Fair for individuals interested in volunteering to sell quilt raffle tickets. President Rosita Forster also asked that the volunteers for hand-quilting demonstration for the 150th Baxter County Celebration in Cooper Park on September 9 please meet with The Historical Society representative in the church office immediately after the meeting adjourns for approximately 10 minutes. ADJOURN: Elaine Byng made a motion to adjourn. Barg Jeager 2nd, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 11:40 am. Minutes taken by Kim Wallace, temporary Secretary.

### ***Important November Guild Meeting Notifications:***

We will be having our Annual Members' Garage Sale. Tables will be available along the back wall of the main meeting room.

There will be a 40th Anniversary Pin table hosted by the Membership Committee for those wanting to order a pin. Payment Required at Time of Order.

There will be an RSVP Sign Up Table for December Guild Meeting Holiday Lunch. RSVP Deadline November 17<sup>th</sup> - Contact Carol Lewis

Retreat 2024 Registration Table (deposit is required at time of registration so bring your checkbook or cash)

Raffle Quilt Volunteer Sign-Up Table for Holiday Gifts at Stone Creek November 17 & 18. Please sign up to help sell tickets at what is our last event before the winning ticket drawing at our Guild Meeting December 8th!

Thanks and see you soon!  
Rosita Forster

### ***Take and Sew***

#### **Christmas Lollipop Ornaments**

It was decided, at the last minute, during the September meeting that I would demo how to make the Christmas Lollipop Ornaments after the November quilt meeting. I was not prepared at that time, so I'm sending out this notice to those who want to take part in the demo.

If you want to attend email me so I will have enough supplies: [smcrozier42@gmail.com](mailto:smcrozier42@gmail.com)

Supplies you will need to bring.

1. A fat quarter or a least a 10" square of (red or green stripe fabric)
2. Two ½" or 5/8" buttons (red or green)
3. 8" piece of 3/8" wide ribbon to match the color of your fabric
4. Hand sewing needle and white thread, and an old-fashioned needle threader or a small crochet hook.
5. Scissors, rotary cutter & 6 x 12 ruler
6. Aleen's Tacky Glue (I will save some if you don't have this)

I will supply the cardboard & Popsicle sticks. I will also have extra glue & needle threaders. Sharon Crozier



### ***October 2023 Newsletter Member Bio***

Carolyn Bisbee moved to Lakeview, AR from Houston 2 years ago to be near her and husband's 90-year-old parents who live in eastern and western Arkansas. Carolyn's 2 sons and 7 grandchildren remain in Texas. Her goal was to downsize their lives and live where seasons change in the Ozarks.

Carolyn has been sewing clothing since she was a girl. She was drawn to quilting 15 years ago by a Judy Niemeyer pattern. "The Desert Sky" was her first quilt (!) and was accepted to be in a Judy Niemeyer exhibit in Galveston, Texas. Her second quilt was another Niemeyer "Prairie Star." A friend talked her into joining her guild and entering both of these quilts. She won Second Place ribbons on both and needless to say was hooked!

Paper piecing learned; she took a class from Kim Diehl in 2016. Not feeling confident in her hand applique', she prefers machine appliqué. During Covid, a friend challenged her to get out of her comfort zone and learn bead-embellished wool



appliqué. Together they created “Two Friends Symphony” which hung in the 2023 Autumn in the Ozark show.

Carolyn joined Hill 'N Hollow guild in 2022. Barb Magnuson took Carolyn under her wing. She volunteered her time and quilts with the Sheid Exhibit as well as helped design the Library Display case for our 40th Anniversary. She is open to lending her past guild experiences (Chair, Co-Chair, Treasurer and Opportunity Quilt Chair) to make our guild more vibrant. This year, Carolyn helped co-chair our quilt show. Mentoring Show Chair Jonna Butler, Carolyn's experience will lend itself to the next show.

Carolyn's passion for quilting led her to offer long-arm quilting for a local Texas quilt shop. She turned this into a small business doing pantograph quilting. She plans to start her business again here. She has donated her time to Busy Bees doing community quilting. Her goal is to take on a couple of quilts per week. Her Lakeview business “Quilts by the Lake” offers quilting, batting, and thread.

Our 2025 show should outperform even this year's successful show. We are lucky to have a generous inspiring new member. Her experience inspires me, and I am grateful to have her as my website helper!

Submitted by Peggy Moody

### **2024 Quilt Challenge**

Friendly Reminder – We need to pick our challenge for next year, but I need to get some suggestions for us to vote on. Please send your ideas to me, Diane Siddons, at [famtracer@yahoo.com](mailto:famtracer@yahoo.com) ASAP. I'll announce the ideas at the December meeting, we'll vote at the January meeting and then it's get on your mark, get set, go!!!!



### **Articles for Sale**

FOR SALE: Bee Line Townsend fabric cutting package in darn near perfect condition. It belonged to my mother. Includes the carrying case, styrofoam insert, cutter body, 3 cassettes (#s 4, 6, and 8), cleaning tool, and adjustment wrench. She paid over \$1,000 for this set. ASKING \$750.

I also have a handwork frame in excellent condition, ASKING \$75.



I ALSO have an entire bolt of beautiful wool, WOF is close to 60". ASKING \$20/yd and willing to cut whatever size you need. I would be happy to bring any of these items to the next guild meeting if anyone has any interest. Please contact me at [scrapyardquilts47@yahoo.com](mailto:scrapyardquilts47@yahoo.com) with any questions.