

Vi Knox, President for Guild, welcomed all to the meeting. We acknowledge we are meeting on traditional Blackfoot Treaty 7 Territory and Metis Nation Region 3.

- Welcome to guests and new members:
  - No guest

Reminders:

- Vi reminded the guild that if you brought stuff for the sale table and the free table to pick up any left-over items at the end of the meeting.
- Help yourself to any of the orphan blocks and make something awesome

**Committee Reports:**

**Community Quilt Supply (Lynn Gibson)**

- Our community quilt sew day is Feb 21st between 9am and 4 pm. Please sign up at our table if you expect to attend. We can only accommodate 30 sewers.
- When you bring back a community quilt please remember to sign in that it is returned so the batting and such can be accounted for.

**Community Service (Doreen Little)**

- We asked last month for place mats – we have at least 120. We really want to thank you and now are going to distribute to smaller communities as well, that also do Meals on Wheels.
- We still could use dolly quilts.
- We will be at the Christmas Luncheon if you want to bring those and any more place mats

**Festival of Quilts 2026 (Lynn Gibson)**

- May 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> at the Curling rink on the west side. All the details of the categories and all the information is on the website. We will be starting registration on January 2<sup>nd</sup> and goes to March 31<sup>st</sup>.
- We do have a member of our committee who, because of health reasons, can't continue in their position. We are looking for a volunteer to join our committee to be Lead for the intake and return of the quilts. If someone is willing and able, please let Lynn Gibson know.

**Membership (Kay Henke)**

**Retreats & Workshops (Bonnie Boulton)**

- At the fall retreat that we there was money left over so we bought some gift certificates. Anyone that was here at the retreat please talk to Cherilyn after and she will mark you off the list and give you a gift certificate.
- Sign-ups are available for the Spring Casa Retreat, March 13, 14 & 15, 2026 and Pincher Creek Dragon Heart Retreat June 12, 13 & 14, 2026. Retreat fees will be announced closer to the Retreat dates.

**Special Events (Teresa Petriw)**

- Christmas Lunch is Saturday, December 13<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 – 2:30 at Paradise Canyon. Many have bought your tickets. We have about 73 sold already. If you don't have your ticket and want one you can always email Deb Cartwright.
- Part of the luncheon is we are doing a gift exchange called "From my Sewing Room". Look around your sewing room and make things to give. She showed some examples: Project bags with plastic in front and zipper, rope bowls, patterns unused/slightly used and maybe some left over fabric, finish off a small UFO, a gently used book, a tin with wonder clips and a seam ripper. You can make something or give something that is gently used. Make it fun and interesting.

**Webmaster/Photography (Sue Nagy)**

- Pictures from the Retreat at Paradise Cannon and the retreat at Casa have been posted on Facebook and the Website. If you are opposed to having your picture posted on the Website or Facebook, please let Sue know by sending her a note or email.

**Program (Lia Britton)**

- We are continuing the plan for the rest of the year. Those of you that had signed up stating that they would in interested doing something, we have your name, and we will contact you sometime to ask you to do what you wanted to do or use your suggestions. We have two years so if you haven't been called yet – just wait.
- We are going to do some sewing room tours. We will start in January with our first one. If anybody would like to let us see what your sewing room looks like let us know. When your sewing room is clean, snap a shot then as you go along and clean other areas you can snap a picture and then you will have enough to show. A Creative mess is better than tidy idleness. We aren't

looking for perfections; we just want to snoop in your room. Interested in how you might organize things and how you sew in your place.

- All photos in a .jpg format – sent to Sue Nagy with a description and then we can present. You will need to be present the day we present your photos so you can explain and walk us through your room
- Again – please let us know if you want to share your sewing room with us.

## **ANNOUNCEMENT**

- Wendy Bushell she is the volunteer that works at the Hospital. Great big thank you once again for the stockings. This year we did decide that we would go back to the original format. This was to give a person who is in the hospital over Christmas the Christmas stocking. We have been giving them to the Cancer center the Renal Dialysis unit and day treatment center which is a lot of stockings and a lot of money to fill them. So, this year we have cut back a bit and have plenty and thank everyone from the bottom of her heart
- Vi announced that we are still trying to decide what to do about alternative to cash payments and have tabled that discussion to the next meeting.
- During our events, we have a photographer – Sue Nagy – and she is in charge of taking pictures at our events. If there is anyone that doesn't want their photo published in any of our media things that we do, please notify her so she can comply with your wishes.

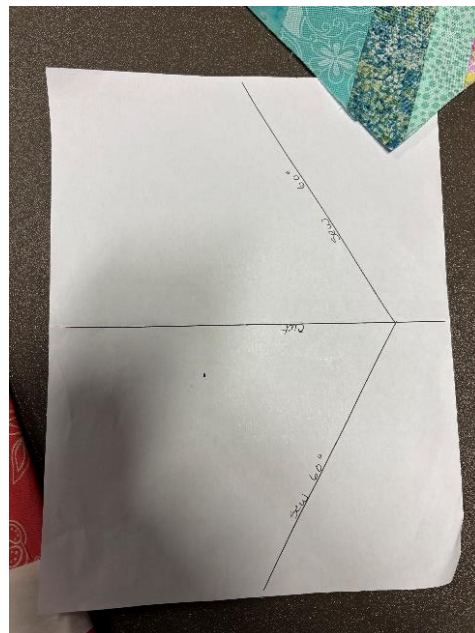
## **PROGRAM (Lia Britton)**

- Lia announced the Turtle mop exchange. It is fabric in a turtle shape. You throw it on the floor in your kitchen and use your foot on the turtle mop and mop up the spill, then kick it to the corner for the next time you need it. There is a poem that goes with it:

Place the Turtle on the kitchen floor  
Please don't kick him out the door  
He is there to help you with the task of mopping up that spill  
So place your foot upon his back  
And push him around and around  
When the spill is there no more just leave him on the ground

- Great for stocking stuffers. You can make them bigger if you want. You can use an old towel for the bottom and scrap cotton for the top. Go to the Dollar store and get some microfiber dish towels, those would be great too. Needs to be absorbent. Buttons are optional and if you have pets you might want to leave the buttons off.
- You could make some and give them to friends for Christmas and even put some on the sale table for the quilt show

- Bags were handed out with the pattern, and the guild members were asked to bring them to the January meeting for an exchange.
  - You can make any animal you want; she showed a puppy and a cat.
  - <https://youtu.be/mXRBbBB8Bhk?si=80Z5Vk5B-37W4rhI>
- Introduced the evening program. There will be four stations, and these will show you some traditional and some other blocks you may have seen before.
- Table 1 – Lia – 5 minute block (Shown below) and a string variation block (Cherilyn taught it at the last retreat).

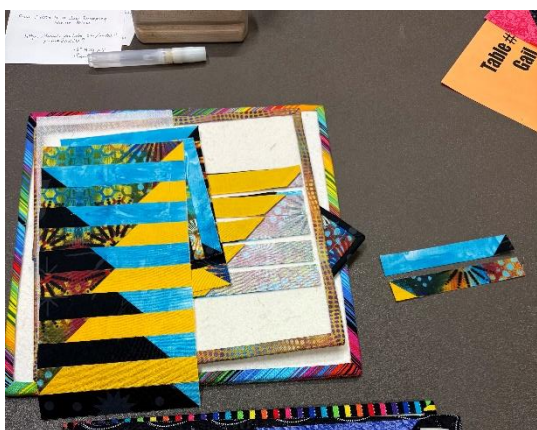


- Table 2 – Wendy – Hidden Wells



<https://youtu.be/rJUBGVXPys?si=bvZnDtwoLyNoIWIW>  
<https://conniekresin.com/hidden-wells-quilt-block-4-strips/>

- Table 3 – Gail – Jaw Breaking Illusion block and Disappearing pinwheel.



Check out Missouri Star for ideas on the Disappearing Pinwheel.

<https://youtu.be/ba4J11ZCgp8?si=vFeGTTMeDVEgChH5> for the video on the Jaw Dropping Illusion Block.



- Table 4 – Audrey – QCR curve block and variations of a snowball block.



<https://youtu.be/OVDN6JFQ2VI?si=iYY-PCDH0mVTpuC2>

**PRIZE DRAWS** – prizes were purchased from Little Red Quilt Shack

Door Prize winners:

- Just One Charm Pack book and Christmas charm pack – Shirley Lee

Loonie Draws:

- Felted wool mat – Pat Panchmatia
- Half Yard Christmas bundle – Bonnie Siem
- Kay Buckley Scissors (orange) – Wendy Barnes

**SHOW AND SHARE:**

We had a wonderful presentation of projects.

- Connie Chaplin shared her Elizabeth Hartman Dinosaur quilt she made for her Grandson.
- Wendy Bushell shared her Solar system quilt that was quilted by Lynn It is going to Ronald McDonald House, and she made a pillowcase out of the scraps.
- Sandy Anvik – shared a wall hanging purple hearts and she thought she would make a quilt with the hearts that was very beautiful made for her son and wife who have been married for about 23 years.
- Sandy Anvik – showed a patchwork quilt made from the scraps of the first quilt.
- Bev MacTavish – showed around 7 community quilts all very beautiful. Most were patchwork in various bright and lovely colors. Also, a beautiful Christmas quilt.
- Barb Thomson – with the loser draw she won a star block and lots of blocks. Her sister works at the hospital and said they needed wheelchair quilts, so she made one. It was very beautiful with a nine patch of stars.
- Dianne George – Showed two quilts that were donated and she quilted them to be used as community quilts.
- Willie Shaupmeyer shared some beautiful quilts that she completed.
- Pat Panchmatia – showed a beautiful blue blocked quilt along with a beautiful brown quilt.

Reminder that there are two vendor tables available for rent at the Christmas lunch if you are interested.

Have a Merry Christmas.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Bonnie Seim, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Linda Killoran and concluded at 8:48 p.m.

No meetings in December – Merry Christmas

Next Executive Committee Meeting: January 14 at 1:30 p.m. at Enmax

**Next Guild Meeting: SATURDAY, January 24, 2025, at 2:00 pm. at CASA**