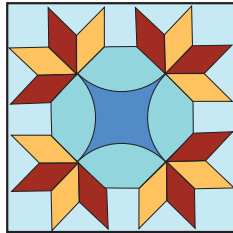


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WILTWYCK QUILTERS' GUILD



NEWSLETTER

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I am happy to report that our December meeting, while virtual, was funny, interesting and a good time was had by all. This month 44 members tuned in to the meeting and many enjoyed the opportunity to chat before the meeting. As we close out the year I am grateful for how far we have come in a few short months. Members seem to be more comfortable with Zoom and are happy to have the opportunity to share their works of art with all. There is also an increasing number of beautiful offerings on our Facebook page and members are able to get the feedback and appreciation of the wonderful work they have done. We are all hungry to see each other's accomplishments, so I hope you will post soon. Jenny has said that she will post your pictures. You just have to send them to her. In the new year my hope is that we continue to reach out to those who may not yet be attending and welcome them back.

I would like to encourage each of you to contribute to the newsletter in some way. You don't have to be a writer, just a few sentences on something you have read or done or maybe something about a class that you took that turned out even better than you hoped and, as a result, encouraged you to try a new skill. Words are the way we connect with each other. If you prefer your contribution can be included without your name.

If you haven't checked out Emily Taylor of Collage quilting her you tube videos are worth a look. Her technique is using fused fabric bits to make either birds, vegetables or lots of other things. You really don't need a lot of sewing expertise but it is a good lesson on value and design. Her recent "Cardinal" class sold out on line but is still available on you tube. I have seen many of the results of that class and no two are remotely alike. There were literally hundreds on line. Makes me think other quilters are hungry for diversion as well. Just a suggestion to use another part of your brain and to branch out a little. The class is free but you do have to purchase the pattern for the bird.

My book selections for this month include Another Country by Mary Pipher. It is nonfiction addressing aging in an intergenerational world. For fiction I chose to share "Prospect Street" by Emilie Richards with lots of family twists and turns. By the way Emilie has an older series of novels featuring different quilt patterns. I read them a long time ago but they are library standbys and good for filling up winter afternoons.

Wishing each of you a safe and happy holiday and a new start for all of us in 2021.

Mary

PROGRAM NEWS 2021

SAT DEC 12 - Fun meeting, lots of ornaments to share, lots of show and tell items. Many drawstring bags for the MoonCatcher Project have been completed and returned. We'd like to get them to Ellie in January. Make them part of your post holiday sewing!

SAT JAN 16 - Twin Quilt Project tie-in or quilting. We have many, many tops to be finished! Pick up a top, back, and batting from Linda to quilt or tie on your own or with friends. Bind them yourself, or return to be bound by someone else. Check out the member list on our website that is organized by address. It's in the Members Only section that's password protected. Find members near you with whom you can carpool to pick up/drop off quilts.

Drop off your drawstring bags for the MoonCatcher Project at Linda's house.

SAT FEB 20 - Suzi Parron will offer a repeat barn quilt block workshop after our regular zoom meeting. Sign up by January 16! See details on our website under Guild Calendar. Suzi's website: <http://www.barnquiltinfo.com>

SAT MAR 20 - Sharon Waddell presentation and trunk show on 19th century applique patterns unique to New York State, how they were developed and shared. No workshop. For more info on Sharon: <https://www.linkedin.com/in/sharon-waddell-b806b512>

SAT APR 17 - Karen Miller of Redbird Quilt Co will offer an Aurifilosophy lecture and trunk show followed by a half day free motion quilting "A Quilter's Doodles" workshop. Rescheduled from spring 2020. \$20 guild workshop fee. Contact Linda Armour to reserve your space. More info on our website and at: <https://redbirdquiltco.com>

SAT MAY 15 - Sheri Ciffaldi-Morrill from Wholecircle Studio will offer a Content, Concept, and Quilts, presentation and trunk show.

SUN MAY 16 - Hawaiian Inspired Applique workshop with Sheri. Full day. More details later in the spring. Visit her website: <https://www.wholecirclestudio.com>

SAT JUNE 19 - End of year meeting.
Linda Armour

MEMBERSHIP

Another 40-Year Service Award Presented

Denise Giardullo should have been awarded a 40-year service award pin in 2018-2019. Please join us in congratulating her on this significant milestone. Thanks, Denise, for 40 years of service to the Wiltwyck Quilters Guild!

Shirley

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NEW MEMBER

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ODDS AND ENDS

If you are interested in a little diversion on a snowy afternoon, view the New England Quilt Museum Virtual Tour led by Pamela Weeks. This is a half hour presentation highlighting 100 years of women's suffrage with a full description of beautiful quilts and information on the techniques used. It is on the New England Quilt Museum website.

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"Everyone should be taught to sew not merely for the sake of making something as an accomplishment which may prove a stabilizer in times of perplexity or distress. Many a time when I need to hold myself firmly I have taken up a needle, a sewing needle, some knitting needles or a crochet hook. Whatever its form or purpose it often proved to be as the needle of a compass keeping me to the course." (Grace Coolidge, First Lady of the United States.)

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Fun fact –If you get into trouble and need help chances are that your rescuer may be far away. You may be unsure of exactly where you are. Well, there is an app called what3words.com. that you can download to your phone complete with satellite images of where you are. It assigns a unique trio of words to your exact location anywhere on the planet. Giving these three words to your rescuer by phone immediately pinpoints your location and makes it possible for help to assist you promptly.

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My name is Laurie Shahinian ,I'm a new member of only about a year. My sister Sharyn Serrano is also a member. After speaking with her about this we thought it would be a good idea to let you know. I received an email from someone saying they were also a member. They asked me to purchase gift cards for the Firemans home. The total needed was \$1000.00!! If I could lay it out and the guild would send me a check as soon as she received the gift cards. She wrote "I was her last hope". I responded that I was not able to lay out that amount at this time. I never heard from her again. Unfortunately I deleted the email. I wasn't sure if this was a scam and wanted to bring it to your attention. Please let me know what you find out. Thank you

CHRISTMAS ORNAMENTS

Attention all guild members! Since we did not have a chance to donate our Christmas ornaments that we made for the December meeting anywhere yet, we thought it would be a lovely idea to save them and donate them to Grace Church to say "thank you" for allowing us to use your facility. The idea is we can ask them to set up a tree that we will fill with ornaments for the children's program. Each child will be able to choose an ornament from the tree to take home. So as the snow gently falls this winter, and you are humming I'm Dreaming of a White Christmas, get working on those ornaments, so we will have a generous number to fill the tree next December. All ornaments will be collect the next time we can meet safely(???) whenever that might be.



THE BEST OF WILTWYCK: An Idea

Was there a particular guild meeting or teacher that stands out in your memory as being particularly exciting and wonderful to you? Was there a guild party or brunch or picnic that was memorable? Or perhaps it was the quilting bees we used to have years ago? Please share a guild experience that you found memorable. Not only will it bring back fond memories but it will also give future program chairs an idea of what the members particularly liked and enjoyed and would like to see more of.

Just one paragraph (or more if you wish) sent in to Jacqueline Ferrara to reminisce , tell what you like best about the guild or express what was the best program Wiltwyck offered to spark your creativity.

Looking forward to reading, "The Best of Wiltwyck."

MYSTERY QUILT

Updates:

The third Friday (night) of January you will be receiving instructions for the last blocks needed to make The Stars and Lasers mystery quilt! Whoo-hoo!

In February, I'll show you how to put all the pieces together in order to finish your quilt tops. Also, keep a close eye on your email for ways you can piece leftover fabrics for mystery quilt backings, bindings, and other miscellaneous items.

Then in June, we'll show off our beautifully finished quilts and reveal the mystery to each other as well as the rest of the guild at Show and Tell.

Happy quilting and Happy New Year!!!

GIVEAWAY

We finally were able to liberate the large quilting frame from the storage area. As I mentioned the last time we were together, this belonged to a friend's mom who is now in assisted living. His dad built this frame from solid oak about 30 years ago. It's about 36" wide x 96" long. It breaks down into the three rods and two end supports for storage.

Please contact your quilting friends and let me know if anyone can use this. We are not looking for any money for the frame – just looking for a good home where it can be used.

Let me know if anyone is interested. Thanks

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NEWSLETTER ARTICLES

Please send all articles to be placed in the newsletter within one week following the meeting. This will give me time to get the newsletter done before the deadline. Either send your article via email to jf.wiltwyckguildnewsletter@gmail.com or snailmail it to me at

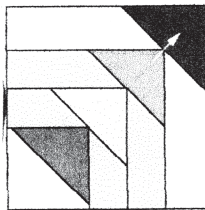
J. Ferrara, 165 Lily Lake Road, Highland, NY 12528.

The Wiltwyck Quilters' Guild is a non-profit organization. The purpose of this organization shall be to preserve the tradition and the history of quilt making, as well as to foster awareness and receptivity to create innovation in the art, to promote and sponsor interest and appreciation in all areas of quilt making among our members and the general public, and to promulgate friendship and the exchange of ideas.

BLOCK OF THE MONTH

JANUARY 2021

QUARTER SQUARE LOG CABIN



We will make a 10 1/2" pieced unfinished block taken from Quilts & more, Spring, 2019 on pp. 36-41. It was designed by Sharon Holland.

READ ALL DIRECTIONS BEFORE BEGINNING. MAKE A PRACTICE BLOCK FIRST.

All seams are 1/4"

FABRICS: 1) Creamy muslin, one rectangle 2 1/2" x 8 1/2" and a second 2 1/2" x 10 1/2"

2) One red print, 5" square

3) Pick A color family: either GREEN or BLUE; all scraps will be of one color:

Either print, floral, stripe or tone-on-tone: three 4 1/2" squares (at least one dark),

and one 5" square; two rectangles from the same fabric (tone-on-tone) 2 1/2" x 4 1/2" and

2 1/2" x 6 1/2"; a second pair of rectangles from a different scrap: 2 1/2" x 6 1/2" and 2 1/2" x 8 1/2"

Preparation:

Draw a diagonal line on the wrong side of each: the 5" scrap square and the three 4 1/2" scrap squares.

Sewing: 1) Layer the two 5" squares, wrong sides together, with the scrap on top. Red on the bottom.

Sew on either side of the drawn line with 1/4" seam. Cut apart on the drawn line and press open to get two triangle squares. Square up to 4 1/2". (You'll only need one for the block)

2) Sew a 2 1/2" x 4 1/2" scrap to the red side of the unit above as shown. Then sew on the 2 1/2" x 6 1/2" of the same fabric to the top edge. Square up to 6 1/2".

Align a 4 1/2" square on the top right corner of the above unit as shown (right sides together) Sew on the drawn line making sure to go through the corner of the unit below. Trim excess fabric leaving a 1/4" seam. Press seam open. Square to 6 1/2"

3) Repeat Step 2 using scraps 2 1/2" x 6 1/2" and 2 1/2" x 8 1/2" rectangles of the same fabric.

Sew another 4 1/2" scrap to the right hand corner as before and square up to 8 1/2"

4) Repeat Step 2 using scraps 2 1/2" x 8 1/2" and 2 1/2" x 10 1/2" rectangles of the same fabric.

Sew the last 4 1/2" square (this should be a DARK) to the top right corner and square up to 10 1/2"

Sign your name in the seam allowance and mail to:

Mary McLaughlin

212 Dogwood Lane

Kingston, NY 12401 by January 16

