



NEWSLETTER

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Wishing you all a wonderful summer and lots of family and friend reconnections. Life is so ironic. It takes sadness to know what happiness is, noise to appreciate silence and absence to value presence. (Science of positivity). There were lots of good ideas at this month's meeting. I encourage each of you to contribute a small block of time to building on new ideas, preserving the past and anticipating the future of our guild. I thank and appreciate each of you.

Till September,
Mary

Summertime fun to consider.....

8/29-9/11 Quilts Japan exhibit at the New England Quilt Museum

Maine Quilts Show, A virtual exhibit from 7/29-7/31

World Quilt Show – Virtual from 8/118/14

Harvest of Quilts Show (live) 9/25=9/26 at Belknap Mill, Laconia New Hampshire.

My fiction choice for this month is "The Woman with the Blue Star" (loosely based on an actual event) by Pam Jenoff. My plan is to leave the World War II books behind and move to a new era soon. Since this is my last book recommendation I reached back thirty years to a book I would re-read today in a heartbeat. It is "Kane and Abel" by Jeffrey Archer. In case you have some time left over this summer the sequel is also good, "The Prodigal Daughter" Wishing you all happy reading whatever your choice. On a lighter note, I can recommended "Note to Self" by Gayle King, a compilation of musings from a variety of famous people. Available for listening at your local library.

There are many "Little Libraries" located in the area. These are small collections of books available to give and take for free. There is one in the Rosendale rec Center (modeled on the actual Rosendale library) and one in Bloomington started by my daughter. Good for people who love to read and may not have transportation. Take one, leave one, keep it going!

There is a new Wool mystery series beginning in June 2021. It is highlighted in the facebook group "Farmhouse Friends" and there are 13 blocks to do. Kits and patterns are available for sale but there is a free new block available for download every Monday starting June 7th at Farmhouse Threads.

SAVE the DATE - Catskill Mountain Quilters Hall of Fame Picnic,

Monday September 13 – 10am

You are invited to be part of what we hope will be a large Wiltwyck contingent adding to the socializing and fun. Why.....

- Our first post-Covid reunion opportunity with fellow Guild members
- Offering of mutual support among Catskill quilting groups
- 22 Ulster County Quilters have been inducted into the Hall of Fame.
- Lovely location – Address: Big Hollow Rd, Maplecrest, NY 12454 – pavilion with bathroom, complete with tables and benches
- Only a one hour up the Thruway to Exit 21 then Route 23
- Check out Patchwork Quilt Shop in Windham on way home.

Bring a lawn chair if you wish. Bring your own food and beverage for lunch
Bring lots of your Covid creations for Show and Tell

RSVP to Hilda Pleva. Hpleva@gmail.com 845-481-5544 or Cell 845-443-0868

It will be very helpful for me to know who is planning to come.

Details from the Hall of Fame Leadership

DATE: September 13, 2021 (Monday) **TIME:** 10:00 AM

LOCATION: CD Lane Park, Maplecrest. It will be 'carry in – carry out' with no trash pickup. Co-hosts are the Cairo Peacemakers and the Wiltwyck Quilters Guild.

There will be: Elections; Traveling Sunbonnet Sue Raffle block; Show and Tell; Raffle prizes provided by the HoF - \$2 admission gets you a ticket; Bring your own food, drink, place setting, paper products plus your own trash bag; A chance to see everyone after a long hiatus.

There will not be: Dues which are waived for the 7/2021 – 6/2022 year; Raffle baskets from the guilds due to lack of meetings; No dish to pass at a community table; No outside speaker – this is a long overdue get together seeing friends we have missed with hopefully plenty of quarantine show and tell.

Slate Of Officers: Pres: Pat Clark, Vice-Pres: Judy Craddock, Secretary: Sharon Vrooman, Treasurer: Ellen Adams, Historian: Lucci Kelly

We ask that everyone follows the CDC guidelines in effect at the time of the meeting.

Spread the word - hope to see you there!

Members spoke at the June meeting of the need to preserve the history and good work of the charter members. Consider getting together with someone else to help make a plan to preserve this important work.

Covid vaccination is now available to those in need who are unable to leave home and travel to a site. Please call your local health department if you or someone you know could use this service.

SCRAMBLEFILLER ANSWERS: TITANIUM BLADE BASTING STITCH PILLOW CASE

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.

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. Please use a universal format, or write directly into your email.**

ODDS AND ENDS *(from Mary Tyler)*

If you want to try something new and are hesitant, do it anyway and the courage will come –
Ellen Burstyn (88 and still acting)

If you start road tripping this summer there is a neat place in Connecticut called the Colchester Mill. They also offer a variety of on site classes. It is about 30 minutes from Hartford and not a bad ride. Besides if you keep going you will run right into the ocean and Connecticut shore.

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Parents and grandparents have lots of good life stories to share. However, if your family is far away some of that valuable information can be lost. Enter Storyworth, a service that sends you weekly emails for a year. All you have to do is reply with a story. After one year these stories are returned to you in book form to share with your family. Stories like this will never be replaced by sporadic texts, don't lose those pieces of history.

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The Patchwork Place in Windham is open again by appointment. I have it on good authority that there is something for everyone. I do not believe that on line ordering was interrupted at all. Those seeking travel to retreats should check out "Quilting in New England" – their retreats are filling fast and the area of New Hampshire that they are held in provides other sites for a great road trip.

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"You will get stuck in one place until you either learn something or teach something" –
unsure of the author but helps put some pandemic restrictions in perspective.

*** Dolly Wodin just turned in her 502nd quilt for charity. ***

Join us this summer as we make **placemats for Meals on Wheels.**

A place setting fits nicely on anything between 12" x 16" to 14" x 18". It does not have to be exact. So quilters, grab your orphan blocks, your "ooo, I want to try that block pattern, but I'm not ready to commit to an entire quilt with it just yet," or get those scrap strips and binding pieces and let's start pulling some placemats together.

TIP: pressing seams open helps beverages to sit flat and hopefully avoid spills.

Project timeline: June - Sept/Oct 2021.

- June 19 kickoff [drumroll & cheers]
- Thursday July 8, 6-8pm Project Sew-in zoom time (link will be emailed)
- Thursday Aug 5, 6-8pm Project Sew-in zoom time (link will be emailed)
- September: collecting completed placemats at the in-person guild meeting.
- October: collection location to be determined.

We are on our way to the goal of 250 placemats that will be distributed in November.

With your permission, to spread the word of our guild and to inspire other quilters as they choose community projects to work on, I would like to highlight our guild project on social media and my blog. ***If you would like to contribute to this, please share photos of your placemats by emailing me, Willow Olson, at BearPaw217@gmail.com***

Please include: your name or list "guild member" (meaning you wish to remain anonymous) pattern name & designer (if you used one. Otherwise please list "original")

Have questions, please reach out - we've had some wonderful calls and email conversations this month. Love it!

Blessings to each of you,
Willow Olson