

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Thanks to everyone who helped make this strange year relatively successful. *Special thanks to M. Tyler and W. Olsen for many extra hours providing Zoom and other technical assistance to members.* 

There are rumblings about some members who are not happy with the changes being made and some saying that they are not staying in the guild. The Board is sorry about these decisions and hopes people will reconsider. Hopefully you understand the board decisions were not easily made and were all unanimous. Covid has changed quilting along with so many other world changes. Our guild has to change to match this reality: many shops have closed or are only on-line; many teachers are only doing Zoom classes and lectures; vendors too are mostly on-line.

We have offered tutorials and even our homes for people not familiar with computers for access to our meetings. If people had spoken up and shared their concerns and ideas perhaps things would be different.

Hope people will reconsider being a member so we can continue to do great things together for the community and ourselves.

On a different topic, the "trade show" seemed to go well. Many people participated and there were lots of laughs, questions and exchanges of tools, books and fabric.

Please be sure to read the minutes of the last board meeting on-line at the web-site. Committee chairs please send year-end reports to me.

Have a good summer.

Thanks for tolerating my style for the 5th year, and please support the next Board.

Theresa

#### **NEWSLETTER ARTICLES**

Please send all articles to be placed in the newsletter by the Friday 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)

I am recommending the following non-fiction choices for this month. "The Ride of Her Life" the true story of a woman, her horse and a last chance journey across America, by Elizabeth Letts. This journey took place in the early 50's after a woman is told by her doctor that she has two years to live. My second non-fiction comes from Hilda Pleva. "Threads of Life", a history of the world through the eye of a needle. The third is "Finding Me" by Viola Davis. For fiction I am choosing "The Book Woman's Daughter" by Kim Michelle Richardson. All are available thru the Mid-Hudson Library System.

Don't forget you have a few more weeks to visit the quilt block display at the *Hyde Park Library.* Their request for blocks brought a response of over 100 blocks from three countries. There is also one in that group from our very own Alexia Doyle.

The **New England Quilt Museum** in Lowell Mass has a display of three dimensional works thru July 16th. Not a bad drive and you won't have to worry that your flight will be cancelled. Several shows coming up in the fall starting with the *Bennington Quiltfest* in Bennington Vermont on September 17th and 18th. Lots to see and do this summer. If you come across something to share please send it to the newsletter.

I would like to express deep appreciation for the excellent response to raffle ticket sales and the half-yard of fabric for the second prize at the show. Please contact me or Deb Martin if you need to turn in-stubs and money and most importantly to return unsold tickets needed for the show. We also have more bookmarks to share.

Till next time Mary

#### **MINIATURE HISTORICAL QUILT GROUP**

• Do you enjoy history and particularly the story of women forgotten by history? Do you enjoy making miniature quilts? If so, this group is for you! Over the past couple of years, we have not only made numerous lovely miniature quilts but have heard the story of so many important women of the past. This is our heritage and it is important for us to remember these remarkable ladies. Each month we discuss another woman and make a miniature quilt to represent her. It is fun and informative and it is all done on Zoom. So even if you are a "snowbird" you can still join in, coffee in hand, pj's on!

• We will not be meeting in September. The first Saturday is Labor Day weekend, the second Saturday is the new date of the guild meeting, the third Saturday is the Catskill Hall of Fame Quilt Show that Pat and others are involved in and the last Saturday Pat has a girl cousin reunion! Busy, busy month! So...our first meeting of the year will be in October, first Saturday, October 1st, since the quilt show is the second Saturday and the guild meeting is the third Saturday.

• In October we will be discussing a woman who fought for the rights of other women whose husbands committed them to asylums for wearing their hair down, reading, or disagreeing with them. The quilt to represent her is *Crazy Quilt* in American Doll Quilts. It is really a fun little quilt to make! Personalize it by using batiks or oriental fabrics or thirties fabrics or whatever you desire.

• In November we will be discussing a woman who built one of the most iconic structures in all of New York. You will be surprised to learn it was a woman who built it. The quilt to represent her is *Prairie Baskets* in Prairie Children and their Quilts.

• So join your fellow guild members for some history and quilting. As always, comments and discussion are most welcome. If you wish to join us, just let me or Pat Clark know so we can add your name to the Zoom list. Hope to see you in October. Ellen

# **PROGRAM NEWS** 2022

All programs are offered by Zoom unless stated otherwise. Email Carolyn Boice at TiggerTurtle313@msn.com with any questions. Workshop information is posted on the website.

**SUMMERTIME** – Take a look at the Community Section for our *Seat Belt Pillows* thanks to Willow.

SAT SEPTEMBER 10, 2022 – No program due to Quilt show preparations!

**SAT OCTOBER 15, 2022 –** Pam Hadfield aka Mama P Quilts: Zoom Presentation and trunk show followed by a half day workshop *"All Around the Neighborhood"*, a modern take on the Dresden, to design a fun circular row of houses. You can design your neighborhood like she did using all those leftover Halloween scraps or you can pick a Christmas, Easter theme. You can even pick your favorite theme of fabrics to match your house! The possibilities are endless. www.mamapquilts.com

**SAT NOVEMBER 19, 2022 –** Karen Brow-Meier: Zoom Presentation *"SMUGGLE Principles"* where Karen will discuss the seven design elements that make a quilt sing, and the workshop *"Shell Shelters Turtle Case"*. I have been looking for some projects for us to do that aren't quilts and this is an adorable looking turtle case, great for children of all ages.

www.javahousequilts.com

**SAT NOVEMBER 26, 2022** – Karen Brow-Meier – for those participating in the workshop, this is the second half where we finish up putting our turtle cases together so that hopefully they will be ready to distribute as Christmas gifts. (Or we can just keep them all, they really are that adorable).

**SAT DECEMBER 17, 2022** - December holiday brunch, details to follow once we get closer.

# FOR SALE

I have a *Husqvarna Saphire* 965Q for sale. Just cleaned and looked at very well. Will sell for \$800.00 or negotiate some. Thanks Sharon Conlon (Sam) Sherry111540@gmail.com