



NEWSLETTER

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello everyone,

It's so great welcoming the new year with you, seeing your projects, and catching up with each other.

We had such a great time in the January workshop creating *Wonky Log Cabin lap quilts* for our community service project. Thank you, Carolyn, for leading us through the process and to everyone who participated. I'm sure Mountain Valley Manor in Kingston will be very pleased to receive and use these fun quilts.

Please consider how you would like to participate in the guild. The following positions will be open starting July 1, 2023:

- ***Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Parliamentarian*** (Please speak with Peggy regarding these positions for either your interest or nominating someone.)
- ***Community Service Projects and Quilt Show Chairs*** (Please speak with Willow regarding your interest in these positions.)

Also, keep an eye open for an additional email that includes two attachments with information on:

- the nomination process for the CMQHOF and
- the details for the QCNY for the 2023 Challenge Quilt (20" x 20").

Best regards to each of you,
Willow

ODDS AND ENDS

I would like to acknowledge the generous donation given to the guild this month by long term member Shirley Darrow. She has gifted us \$250 to be used for programming expenses. As some of you remember, the guild was a family affair for the Prehn-Darrow family. Her mom, Florence, her brother Bill, and sister-in-law Judy did much work on the mechanics of multiple quilt shows. We are grateful for their service and also for their generosity.

My book choices for this month are meant to be settled down with on a chilly winter afternoon. They are "Mad Honey" by Jodi Piccoult, "The Girl From Guernaca" by Karen Robards and finally "Picture in the Sand," a generational tale by Peter Blauner.

I know that I have referenced this before but it bears repeating. Bear Creek Quilting is a wonderful on line site that offers great fabrics, recipes and other goodies. But what I like them most for is their LARGE library of FREE quilt patterns, many by Moda. Check it out if you like.

As the winter winds down I hope that each of you can share a tip, an event, a book or something that interests you. *This time of year our fingers do the walking so our feet won't be slipping*, so any and all comments etc. are welcome.

Till next time

Mary

MYSTERY QUILT

We are getting to the part of *The Dizzy Quilt* where there will be many bias seams. I decided that I'm going to send instructions for the whole block in Month 2 instead of splitting the instructions, so your blocks won't stretch or lose their shape. Even after the blocks are made, you'll probably still have bias edges, so I highly recommend that you leave them on a flat surface and avoid touching them until we are ready to piece the blocks into the quilt.

Also, I've been experimenting with new ways to show pictures and write instructions. I just want to thank all the members for being patient with me. On a positive note, my experiments have been successful, so we should be able to catch up very soon!

Donald

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.**

PROGRAM NEWS 2022-2023

All programs are offered by Zoom unless stated otherwise. PLEASE SEE BELOW FOR 2023-2024 OUT-LINE. Email Carolyn Boice at <TiggerTurtle313@msn.com> with any questions. Fall workshop information is posted on the website, spring workshop info will be posted shortly.

ON ANOTHER NOTE – I WOULD LIKE TO LET EVERYONE KNOW THAT **HAI-PING QUILTED AND BOUND ANOTHER ONE OF THE QUILT KITS** DISTRIBUTED LAST JUNE. I WILL DONATE THAT ONE TO THE SHELTER AS WELL. THANK YOU HAI-PING.

SAT JANUARY 21, 2023 – After our meeting there were 18 people who stayed on. Most of us worked on the community sew project. Some could not due to various reasons such as wrong locations, broken machines that were being fixed, etc. But they hung out and worked on something else or just stayed to connect. All in all, everyone that stayed seemed to be having a good time. I heard from a few that said they very much enjoyed it. I hope everyone who was there had fun and I hope we will have many more. I will be collecting these bound projects once they are finished - just contact me to make arrangements. If anyone would like to do one of these or make any other small lap size (30x36) to donate to the Mountain Valley Manor Adult Home in Kingston please let me know.

BELOW IN RED ARE 3 MEMBER LED ZOOM WORKSHOPS TO SIGN UP FOR – PLEASE LET ME KNOW ASAP IF YOU HAVE INTEREST IN ATTENDING THEM. YOU CAN SIGN UP FOR MORE THAN ONE. SUPPLY LISTS WILL BE POSTED AND SENT OUT TO THOSE WHO SIGN UP.

FRI FEBRUARY 17, 2023 - Donald Kenly has put together a 3D pinwheel hot pad class for all to enjoy. Class will run from 1pm-3pm on Zoom.

SUN FEBRUARY 19, 2023 - Barbara Haynes will teach a Dresden Plate Centerpiece. This is a fun and quick way to create a nice Dresden. Class will run from 10-12 on Zoom. No need to buy a ruler, we have a template in with the supply list for you to use.

MON FEBRUARY 20, 2023 - Pat Clark will be doing Convergence Quilts, Ricky Tims style with a touch of Pat. Class will run from 10-2 on Zoom.

SAT FEBRUARY 18, 2023 - regular meeting followed by our lecture from Karen Brow-Meier: Zoom Presentation “SMUGGLE Principles” where Karen will discuss the seven design elements which make a quilt sing.
www.javahousequilts.com

SAT MARCH 18, 2023 – Jennifer Houlden – Zoom presentation “Creating Contrast in your Quilts” where Jen will talk about how one of the key ingredients to great work is contrast and using fabric with different values, textures, patterns are the first steps to gaining that contrast. She talks of embellishments and other ways to create dimension within your piece and the role of design. Everything adds levels to your quilt to get that WOW factor. We will follow her presentation with her workshop “Mini Bargello Sunflower” part 1 (12:30pm-4:30pm). She spends the first part of the workshop working with the participants on color and fabric selection then we move into creating this beautiful piece.
Workshop cost is \$30 members, \$35 non-members.
www.quiltsbyjen.ca

SAT MARCH 25, 2023 – Part 2 (12:30pm-3:30pm) of the Mini Bargello Sunflower where we get to continue with Jen and working with finishing tips and techniques to make this beautiful sunflower come to life.
<TiggerTurtle313@msn.com>

PROGRAM NEWS 2022-2023, continued

SAT APRIL 15, 2023 – Shelley Cavanna of Cora's Quilts – Zoom presentation "*Spectacular Stars Simplified*" where Shelley talks about how she has simplified the intricate-looking traditional design by breaking it into easy-to-piece units, without a set-in seam or bias edge in sight. You won't be using templates or cutting angled pieces from strip sets either. Instead, each of the eight designs begins with familiar stitch-and-flip units that are then sewn into blocks. Yes, blocks! From there, arrange blocks to create a variety of stellar designs that even a novice can complete with ease. If you can stitch on a marked line, you're ready to make these heavenly quilts! For our workshop we will be working with the *Dandelion Quilt* using this method, (*pattern book is required.*) Workshop cost is \$25 for members/\$30 for non-members. www.corasquilts.com

SAT MAY 20, 2023 – MJ Kinman -- Lecture: *Gems & Joy: The diamond quilts of MJ Kinman* -- The most beautiful gemstone captures light and reflects it back to us with unique brilliance, revealing its fiery personality. These are the divas and the drama queens of the gem world. Every one of them has a story to tell...just like people. This slide lecture and trunk show chronicle her story – My 20-year adventure in learning how to create the biggest diamonds in the world in cloth. www.mjkinman.com

Workshop: The Hope Diamond and Evelyn Walsh McLean with MJ Kinman -- The 18" pattern, inspired by the legendary Hope Diamond, is perfect for the confident beginner. I describe the technique they will learn as traditional piecing using freezer paper as a template. If students can put two pieces of fabric together with a quarter-inch seam allowance, they'll be able to successfully finish this large block. Workshop cost is \$30 for members and \$35 for non-members.

SAT JUNE 17, 2023 – End of the year -- Still working on details, more to follow.

MOVING FORWARD WE ARE LOOKING AT BRINGING BACK SOME MORE TIMES TO GET TOGETHER!

HERE IS THE PLAN (ROUGHLY) FOR THE 2023-2024 YEAR.

SAT SEPT 16, 2023 – In person we will meet with Jacqui Clarkson and talk *Sashiko*, followed by her workshop. She offers 2 kits (\$25 each), one for a beginner and one for more advanced. The beginner kit has a preprinted fabric while the advanced one is blank and she will teach you to create your own design. You can sign up at anytime, let me know. I do have to have numbers to her by July so she has time to prep the kits.

SAT OCT 21, 2023 – Zoom lecture and workshop by *Sally Miller*. This will be a great scrap buster.

SAT NOV 17, 2023 – In person, community sew. We are looking to finally be able to get together and do a project.

Between Covid and the snow, January has not been a good month to get anything done, hopefully this will help.

SAT DEC 16, 2023—In person December brunch

SAT JAN 20, 2024—Zoom lecture and workshop TBD

SAT FEB 17, 2024—Zoom lecture and workshop TBD

SAT MAR 16, 2024—Zoom lecture and workshop TBD

SAT APR 20, 2024—In person - Member led workshops

SAT MAY 18, 2024-- In person - Member led workshops

SAT JUNE 15, 2024 – In person – activity TBD

Carolyn Boice <TiggerTurtle313@msn.com>

DESCRIPTION OF BOARD POSITIONS

January is the time of year that we begin to look forward to new elections and new faces in office. The current members have been on board and are either term limited or wishing to move on to other positions. The board is the heart of the guild and everyone has a say in how we grow, attain personal satisfaction and improve our presence in the community, either as a place to connect with others or a place to make things that better the lives of those needing our support.

The President is in charge of heading the board, assuring adherence to policies and procedures and setting the tone of collegiality and inclusivity to all who are members. Our current president, Willow Olson, has agreed to continue in this role for a two year term.

The Vice President supports the President and collaborates with special projects. Currently, Carolyn Boice is seeking to move from Program Coordinator to Vice President for the next two years.

The Historian (or Archivist) is responsible for preserving guild history and making sure that bits and pieces of history are not lost as officers and chairpersons change. We are fortunate to have Hilda Pleva in this role which has been vacant for several years.

The Secretary is responsible for all guild communication. Taking and circulating minutes, (both board and regular meetings), collecting mail, and reaching out to members who are ill or have suffered a loss. Mary Tyler is completing her term and the seat is open for replacement. There is also responsibility for zoom classes and meetings.

The Treasurer is responsible for the books: deposits, bill paying, insurance renewals. Reporting balances with income and disbursements is also included. Currently Connie Brewer is filling in for a member who was unable to continue in the role and we will share Connie's decision when it is available.

The Parliamentarian is responsible for the nominating committee and to provide accurate interpretation of the by-laws when necessary. She is also the person who can clarify questions asked by other officers or members.

Although I have included potential candidates, nothing is written in stone, and we invite any and all questions, comments, concerns and offers to help.

These are the machinery of what makes our guild solid, promotes changes with the times (ie Covid) and encourages equal treatment and opportunity for all. We are an aging guild but that does not mean that we are not relevant, forward thinking, and wanting to give everyone the experience they expected when they joined. Consider sharing a role with someone else or if you are not able to do the whole requirement of a position, pitch in and do a part. The success of the guild depends on your dedication and willingness to change with the times, and helps us reach our fiftieth anniversary saying "This has been quite a ride". Please contact any board member to share your willingness to participate and make the coming year the best. Let that be our legacy.

Thank you for listening, Mary Tyler, Secretary

MINIATURE HISTORICAL QUILT GROUP

The Miniature Historical Quilt Group will meet next on Saturday, February 11th at 10:00am on Zoom. The topic will be a woman who changed the way news is reported.

The quilt to represent her is the *Game Board Quilt*, in "Prairie Children and their Quilts".

It is a fun quilt to make and the sewing goes quickly, once the pieces are cut. I think you will enjoy making this little quilt.

Hope to see you all in February!

Ellen

BLOCK OF THE MONTH

February 2023

SUPER...SUPER...EASY!!!

SKI PARTY

We will make a 10 1/2" unfinished block taken from the Quilters World Magazine, Winter, 2020 edition on pp30-32. It was designed by Tricia Lynn Maloney.

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

All seams are 1/4"

FABRICS: A=Dark blue solid or tone-on-tone: two 2 1/2" squares

B=Red print: one 2 1/2" x 8 1/2" rectangle

C=White with blue print: one 2 1/2" x 8 1/2" rectangle

D=Dark blue print: one 2 1/2" x 10 1/2" rectangle

E= Medium blue print: one 2 1/2" x 10 1/2" rectangle

F=A second white with blue print: one 2 1/2" x 10 1/2" rectangle

Piecing the block:

1) Sew an A square to one end of a B rectangle and one to the end of a C rectangle
Press to the A square in each.

2) Arrange the step #1 units and three D, E, F units
as shown with solid squares in opposite corners.

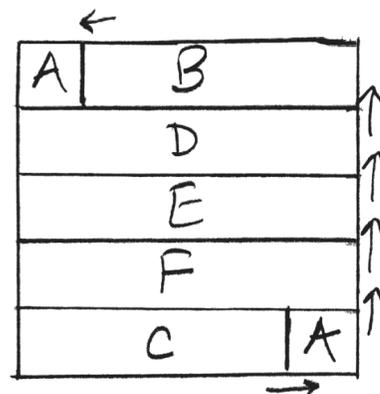
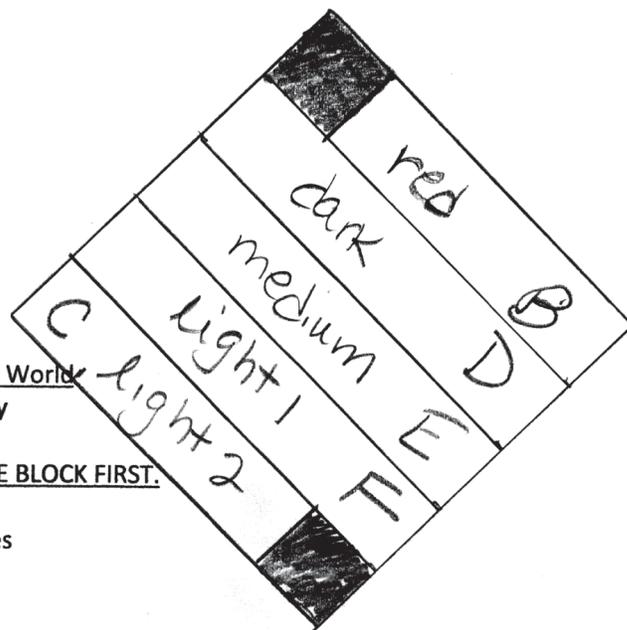
3) Sew together and press to the red.

Square up to 10 1/2" and write your name in the seam allowance.

Mail to Mary McLaughlin, 212 Dogwood Lane, Kingston, NY 12401

By the February meeting.

Mary McLaughlin



WILTWYCK GUILD CHALLENGE

What fun to be able to have an instant Guild Challenge vote during the Zoom meeting! Thank you Willow for setting it up. And thank you to everyone who voted!

The Wiltwyck Guild Challenge for 2023 will be the Quilt Magazine Challenge:

Everyone who is participating picks a quilting magazine of their choice (old or new). Open the magazine to page 38 and create something (pin size to king size) that is inspired by something you see on that page. (And if the first magazine doesn't inspire you, you can always pick a different magazine and try again!)

Be sure to keep track of what magazine you used, or at least page 38 of it! At our May meeting we will reveal what we created. Since the May meeting will have a Zoom component we will be able to show pictures of both the creation and the inspiration.

Please send me pictures of both your inspiration and creation by the end of April so they can be added into a PowerPoint presentation for the May meeting.

If you are participating, please send me a quick email to let me know, that way I will know who to contact if there are any changes or updates. I can be reached at <yourmemorykeepers3@gmail.com>.

I look forward to seeing what inspirations you create!

Grace Moone