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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It was so wonderful seeing all the smiles and hearing the wonderful conversations taking place at the guild brunch. Thank you to all who participated and joined in. It was an honor to celebrate the guild year with you.

We send an abundance of thanks and appreciation to those who have served and completed their term on the board – Mary T. as Secretary, Peggy S. as Parliamentarian and Pat W. as Vice President and Parliamentarian. You, and the board as a whole, have shared so many insights and encouragement in the planning and functioning of the guild. Your knowledge and friendship is a blessing.

Following brunch we all walked into the sanctuary to see it full of beautifully created quilts draped on the stage and chairs. Definitely candy to the quilter's eye. Thank you Pat C. for sharing the idea to introduce this display for Show and Share – it was enjoyed by all! I believe we're all looking forward to continuing this for our future meetings.

Carolyn B. has been serving on the board as Program Coordinator and I'm happy to welcome her to the additional role of Vice President. I know from experience of working with her that she always wants to provide wonderful opportunities for our members to enjoy learning and time together.

A note to mention: For the purpose of protecting privacy, the board voted to have the guild newsletters moved to the Members Only section of the website. Current members will be able to find all newsletters there.

I look forward to seeing you all in September as we kick off a year filled with new lectures, workshops, community projects, and yummy brunch/lunch gatherings! Cheers to building friendship and community.

Best to all of you,
Willow



PROGRAM NEWS 2023-2024

All programs are offered by Zoom unless stated otherwise. PLEASE SEE BELOW FOR 2023-2024 OUTLINE.

Email Carolyn Boice at TiggerTurtle313@msn.com with any questions.

SUMMER IS HERE!!!!!!



I want to thank everyone who was able to attend our June meeting/brunch for coming and helping make a successful fun morning. It was very nice to see the projects in person during show and share.

We had a total of 34 people at our brunch and it was so nice to see all of you. Hopefully when we get together in September more people will be able to attend.

Quick Reminder – If you are interested in the September workshop I need to know by July 10 th so I can give numbers to the instructor so she may purchase the appropriate number of supplies.

SAT SEPT 16, 2023 – IN PERSON -- we will meet with Jacqui Clarkson and talk *Sashiko*, followed by her workshop. Workshop fee is \$15 which gets paid to the guild. She offers 2 kits (\$25 each), one for a beginner and one for more advanced. Payment for these will be to the instructor on the day of the class. 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. Sally is going to discuss the *Mile a Minute* quilting technique that she learned so many years ago and has perfected along with showing us her beautiful quilts. For our workshop we will be putting her lecture to the test. This will be a great scrap buster. She does not have a website but she does have a small You Tube video called *Just a Minute Quilts*. Workshop fee is \$15 members/\$20 non-members.

SAT NOV 11, 2023 – IN PERSON, *community sew – Quilts of Valor*. We are looking to finally be able to get together and do a project. So start looking to pull out your red, white and blue scraps. Between Covid and the snow, January has not been a good month to get anything done, hopefully this will help. **This meeting is on the 2 nd Saturday of the month due to the church not being available for the 3 rd Saturday.** Connie and Ginny are helping Willow and myself organize this project and we are all hoping for a great turn out. Many came together earlier this year to produce those little lap quilt-as-you-go quilts and we got so much accomplished - hoping to once again. In September I will have pre-cutting instructions for you at the meeting and should have them posted in the next newsletter as well, (but think 2 ½ inch and 4 ½ inch squares when you are looking at your scraps)

SAT DEC 16, 2023 -- IN PERSON *December Brunch*



PROGRAM NEWS 2023-2024, continued

SAT JAN 20, 2024—ZOOM -- *Every Last Crumb, An Adventure in Scrap Quilting with Brita Nelson*

This is a fun, informative and inspirational trek to find the best way to handle a mountain of left-over fabric. Brita said she had over 30 years worth of accumulated scraps which threatened to take over her sewing room and consume her. She had to do something. Some of you may have the same problem. Here is how she managed to save herself and actually make some room in her fabric closet. With over two dozen quilts and projects, Brita will demonstrate some great ways to use that secret treasure hiding in your house. She will also cover basic color and contrast principles to make your scrap beauties really shine.

The Questioning Quilter – Information for Quilters with Questions

ZOOM WORKSHOP -- “*Crumbs to Quilts*” a 4-hour workshop (1230-430) where you will learn how to turn the tiniest scraps into a beautiful, quilt. Have you ever thought about making your own fabric? In this class we will discuss tint, tone, shade, value and scale to take your tiniest scraps and turn them into one-of-a-kind textiles. My simple, organized method for assembling your curated crumbs results in fabric that is part planned, part free-form and totally fun! We will use this new fabric to make a simple tulip block, but once you master this technique, there is no limit to what you can create. Workshop \$30 members/\$35 non-members.

SAT FEB 10, 2024—ZOOM -- *Traditional, Art, Modern – Notes from the Field with Maria Shell*

Interested in the current state of affairs in the larger quilt world? Join Maria for this fun and informative lecture that is a combination of Gonzo Journalism, humorous memoir, and history in the making. Maria will share her personal journey along with interesting moments in all three quilt genres. What does it mean to be a 21ST Century Quilter? Come to the lecture to find out.

- Maria Shell

WORKSHOP PART 1 – ZOOM -- *Riffing on Tradition – Exploring Design Elements with Quilt Blocks*

Using the traditional quilt block as a foundation for our art, we will explore new territory in making contemporary quilts. We will take simple traditional quilt blocks and blow them up, repeat them, distort them, and in the end create fabulous new compositions. Workshop \$45 members/\$50 non-members.

SAT FEB 17, 2024—WORKSHOP PART 2 (12:30-03:30) -- ZOOM -- *Riffing on Tradition continued*

SAT MAR 16, 2024—ZOOM – *Teresa Duryea Wong will present her Sewing and Survival – Native American Quilts from 1880-2022.* Teresa, besides being a quilter, is an author and historian and will bring us another look into quilt history.

Teresa Duryea Wong – Author

NO WORKSHOP

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

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MINIATURE HISTORICAL QUILT GROUP

Hi Everyone!

In case you have free time over the summer and would like to get a head start on some of the miniature quilts I am sending out this updated (and changed) agenda for next year. I would like to thank some of our wonderful members who have volunteered to do a presentation. Many thanks!

September 23rd—Vera will present on Katherine Johnson, the woman from NASA.
Quilt—Friendship Star in PC

October 14th—Kathleen will present on Temple Grandin, who worked on behalf of animal rights and autism.
Quilt—Bear Paw in PC

November (date TBA)—Hilda will present on Frances Perkins, the first woman Secretary of Labor responsible for social security and the New Deal.
Quilt—I have chosen Amish Nine Patch in AD because quilting lost popularity during WW2 when women began working outside the home and fabric was used for the war effort. Fortunately, Amish women kept quilting tradition alive during that time.

December (date TBA)—I will present Mrs. Claus : The Woman Behind the Legend and her ties to the suffragist movement.
Quilt—a miniature Christmas quilt of your choice

Tentative schedule for 2024

January—a white slave in the pre-Civil War and Civil War era
Quilt—Civil War Baskets (in Remembering Adelia. Let me know if you need the pattern)

February—a woman who brought an artist to the public light and created his fame
Quilt—TBA

March—the Pied Piper Project
Quilt—TBA

April—Women of the Hudson Valley
Quilt—Medallion Quilt in AD

As always, if you would like to do a presentation please let me know and I would be glad to change the schedule around. I always felt this group should be just that - a group effort. Have a wonderful summer and as the song goes...see you in September!

“Dear Jane” Quilt Update:



The original “Dear Jane” quilt. 1863 by Jane A. Stickle

I suggested to Ellen A to make a Dear Jane quilt because I wanted to make a big quilt and I know Ellen (and other members) enjoy working with small pieces. When I saw the Dear Jane quilt, I thought that would satisfy everybody's wants.

She will be the head of the group if enough members join, and I will be working on a Dear Jane quilt too. I will help Ellen here and there if I can. I think breaking the quilt down into smaller steps per month would make it easier for everyone to finish.

I also want to make it clear that the Mystery Quilt will always be my 1st quilting priority.

Hoping more people will sign up for the “Dear Jane” quilt; Ellen only has two people signed up, and I’m one of them. Members can choose between making 12 “Dear Jane” blocks for a mini quilt; to make a quilt by only using the triangle blocks; to replicate the quilt the way Jane Stickle originally made it; or do something completely different from the above ideas. I know I’m going to use the 5” squares as a border for my quilt. The choice is ours!

Donald

MYSTERY QUILT

There was one unfinished Dizzy mystery quilt at the Sew and Share (mine), and two quilts that were unable to make an appearance. Next Zoom meeting, October, I’d like for the mystery quilt members to send a picture of their quilts to Willow this way everyone will have a chance to show their quilts.

Last Mystery Quilt I offered three different quilt sizes for members to make. I thought the adult throw sized quilts came out the best, so future mystery quilts will probably be about the same size. They’re some other changes that I’m going to try this fall as well.

Happy Quilting,
Donald