



NEWSLETTER

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello everyone,

Here are a few updates and reminders from the Quilters Consortium of New York State for you to enjoy!

QCNYS Quilt Challenge 2023

Call-for-Entry

Theme: JOY!

December 15, 2023 – Entry registration deadline

<https://qcnys.org/challenge/>

QCNYS2024 – Mystery Quilt

First Clue January 2024

Get a clue every month and enjoy helpful hints from the QCNYS Mystery Team every month via Zoom!

QCNYS Quarterly meetings on zoom

Register for the meetings on the QCNYS website and a zoom link will be emailed to you to attend.

Tues, Dec 5, 10am-2pm

Wed, March 20, 2024 9:30am-2pm

Wed, June 19, 2024 10am-11am

Wed, Sept 18. 9:30am-2pm

Also, someone reached out to the guild from the Ulster County Office of the Aging to ask if anyone has an interest in making a throw size quilt using the flannels and Hawaiian shirts that were her father's. He recently passed away and she thought of us to assist with this quilt. If you are interested, please let me know and I will share her contact number with you. Thank you.

Best to you,

Willow

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 2023-2024

All programs are offered by Zoom unless stated otherwise. ***As a reminder, please send your checks to me at PO Box 117, Tillson, NY 12486 but make the checks payable to Wiltwyck Quilters Guild!***

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

What a scrap buster! Sally Miller came and showed us how she perfected that Mile a Minute technique to blow through those scraps and make something wonderful. There were 17 attendees and I look forward to seeing what everyone created, don't forget to share.

We are getting closer to our community sew day. I know I for one am looking forward to this group project, it has been way too long since we were able to have one in-person. If you didn't see the eblast or newsletter and have questions please reach out. We are hoping to have a large crowd to help, iron, cut and sew these tops together. If you can't make it but would like to help in other ways please let me or Connie B. know, there is always more work to be done.

SAT NOV 11, 2023 – IN PERSON, community sew – *Quilts of Valor*. This meeting is on the 2 nd Saturday of the month due to the church not being available for the 3 rd Saturday. Connie, Ginny, Willow and myself organized this project and we are all hoping for a great turn out. Instructions are on the website and will be/have been sent out in an eblast. If you still need them please reach out. Think red, white and blue.

SAT DEC 16, 2023 -- IN PERSON *December Brunch* –As a special treat, we will have a member led presentation at our December brunch. I am very excited about this. I hope we will have lots of members able to join us and support our fellow member as she presents. I will have a sign up sheet at the November meeting so we can get an idea of attendance and after the meeting I will have Jackie send out an eblast so you can let me know if you are coming. As a reminder please email me at <TiggerTurtle313@msn.com> to advise me you are coming.

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

PROGRAM NEWS 2023-2024, continued

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 (12:30-03:30) – 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 and 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 – looking for volunteers!

SAT MAY 11, 2024 -- IN PERSON - ***This is a new date! The church was no longer available on the 18th so if you already marked your calendars please change the date so you do not miss.*** Member led workshops – looking for volunteers!

SAT JUNE 15, 2024 – IN PERSON – activity TBD

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MYSTERY QUILT

The Mystery quilt block is almost complete. You should be getting a fabric requirement list very soon (I'm hoping November 1st at the latest, but no promises).

Anybody that has participated in the Mystery Quilt before, knows that it is different every year; this year will be no exception. There will be two challenges included with this Mystery quilt which are:

Challenge 1: *Make a focal block(s).* Many art forms, such as paintings, have focal points. This can be done by choosing different colors or values for only one or two blocks. There will also be other guidelines for this in the instructions.

Challenge 2: *No neutrals.* This includes no whites, off-whites, creams, grays, or blacks.

Of course you do not have to do these challenges. They're no prizes to be won or anything like that. they're just for fun and experimenting with different color options.

Have fun and keep checking your emails for the fabric requirements list,

Donald

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

If you are interested in seeing what the guild is planning at our board meetings, go to the "Members Only" section of our website to read the minutes of the meeting.

Sarah



Dagmar Yaddow has volunteered to be the Sunshine Chairperson. If you know of a member who has lost someone in the family, or who has achieved something worthy of congratulations, or who has passed away, please notify Dagmar and she will send a card or reach out. You can reach her at: <dyaddow@aol.com> or phone 845 876-2127

QUILTS OF VALOR

Community Sew

At our community sew on November 11, 2023 we are looking to do Quilts of Valor and the pattern picked was **Hero's Comfort**.

Please pull from your stash the fabrics you would like to contribute and cut any of the needed sizes to bring.

Blues – anything that reads blue, try to stick with blue to navy something that you could see on the American flag, avoid the light blue and turquoise type colors

Reds – anything that reads red, think of your flag, avoid magenta and the pink family

White – tone on tone is best, does not have to be pure white but stay away from crème/tan colors.

Remember patterns in your fabric will add to the quilts movement and interest so don't shy away from those. Place your fabric and step back from it, how does it look, do you read red, white or blue? Take a look at the picture for inspiration.



In blue 4.5" squares and 2.5" squares

In red 4.5" squares

In white 4.5" squares and 2.5" squares

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COMMUNITY SERVICE

WANTED: The present Community Service coordinators, Connie Brewer and Ginny Hanna, are hoping to compile a list of organizations and facilities who have received items (walker pockets, wheelchair lap robes, placemats, seat belts pillows, etc.) donated in the past by our guild members. Any information about what was given, the contact person, etc. will be helpful.

If any member knows or hears about a need that we as a guild can work to fulfill please contact one of us. When a need is revealed we can work on filling it. Often the guild receives lovely quilts which have no intended home and homes cannot be found for them. This new list will show the items that are needed, where they are needed and any other pertinent information.

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