Letter from the President

Happy new year quilting friends! Welcome to 2020! We have so many interesting and exciting programs coming up in the remaining months of our calendar year, so you won’t want to miss them.

The big event of the year is our main fundraiser, the spring quilt show which will be April 3 and fourth. Believe it or not, it is time to get started on the work of the show. It is almost always very well attended so we need a lot of helpers to volunteer for open positions. We need people to help in registration, set up and teardown, selling tickets for the raffle quilt, and many more jobs that I have not listed. There is truly a job for everyone. Maria MacDonald will have sign-up sheets at our next meeting, so start thinking about the job you would most like to volunteer for and then sign up early at the next meeting so you get the position you are most interested in doing. And don’t forget about the most important part! The quilts! We can’t have a quilt show without quilts, so start looking through your quilts to see which ones you want to hang in the show. Or maybe you want to start making a new quilt to hang in the show. If you start now you may still have time to finish a new one. We must have a minimum of around 100 quilts or more to have an interesting show. And remember, this is the main source of income for the guild for at least two years. This is where the funds to pay for the speakers at our meetings come from. We all enjoy having interesting and experienced speakers, so please plan to volunteer to help at the show and invite your friends and family to attend the show so we can maintain our current level of speakers at our meetings. It is also a lot of fun to work with the other guild members. Working together on projects like this is one of the best ways to become friends with other guild members.

I look forward to seeing all of you at the quilt show. Not only will we get to know each other better, will have a lot of fun doing it!

See you soon at the February meeting, Nancy Swinerton
February Birthdays

1st ~ Debby Peters  
3rd ~ Karen Cline  
10th ~ Diana Rolph  
10th ~ Nancy Swinerton  
12th ~ Joan Smith  
14th ~ Lisa Berard  
15th ~ Rita Bonanni  
18th ~ Anne Barbour  
18th ~ Patricia Likins  
19th ~ Ruth McCormick  
22nd ~ Bonnie Green  
22nd ~ Kathy Leniczek  
24th ~ Lisa Cole-Welby

Welcome

All members contact information can be found on the guild website.

If you require assistance logging in to the guild website, please contact Sarah Bush.

CHARITY NEWS

This month charity will have patterns and instructions for holiday stockings. These stockings will be donated next October to Desert Angels. They fill them with candy and other items. There is also a need for pillowcases which material and patterns will be available on the web site.

We still have a number of large quilts that need binding and in addition we have various quilts to be quilted. Starting in March there will be quilt kits for piecing lap, baby and twin quilts.

As always, we will accept finished quilts and quilt tops.

Thank you all for your help.  
Cyndi, Maria and Lisa

Cards for Our Members

If you know of a guild member who is in need of encouragement or comfort due to an illness, bereavement, marriage, etc. please contact Diana Rolph. She will send out an appropriate card. dlrolph820@yahoo.com or cell: 248.396.1256.
February Program

Thursday, February 6, 2020 at 7:00 pm

Rossie Hutchinson of Rossie Crafts

I’ve been quilting since 2002, though I made only a few quilts in my first five years, and now I make a few quilts a month! It all started from a love of fabric and a desire to have a quilt with a modern aesthetic (which I couldn’t find to buy anywhere, so I set about making.) I am sometimes referred to as a leader in the “modern quilt movement” because I started Fresh Modern Quilts on Flickr back in January of 2008; I started the group out of an interest in being a part of a group where I could regularly see pictures of other non-traditional quilts, not finding a group to join, I made one. Fresh Modern Quilts became the first great online meeting place for a modern quilter, and the popularity and activity on Fresh Modern Quilts was an important precursor to the founding of the Modern Quilt Guild.

Speaking of the Modern Quilt Guild, you should see if there’s a guild near you! I currently serve on the MQG’s nominating committee. In the past, I’ve been Vice President of the Ann Arbor Modern Quilt Guild. I’ve also proudly and excitedly attended the first Quilt Con (the MQG’s national conference and show). I was honored to teach at the second and third Quilt Cons, and plan to attend as many as my schedule and budget will allow in the future!

Design Wall Workshop with Rossie Hutchinson

Friday, February 7, 2020
9:00 am - 1:00 pm

Workshop supplies needed:
- Sewing machine (only straight stitch is needed)
- Neutral colored thread (white, off-white, soft gray)
- Scissors or snips
- Rotary cutter
- Rotary ruler 12” or longer
- Rotary cutting mat 12x18” or larger
- 4 small pieces of fabric (7” x 12” is good) to donate to the group quilt
Joy of the Design Wall

Offered/instructed by: Rossie Hutchingson www.rossiecrafts.com

Date: Friday, February 7, 2020
Time: start: 9:00    end:  1:00
Fee: $30
Location: First Congregational Church 1315 N. Pine Street, Rochester

Class limit: 20

Joy of the Design Wall

Are you using your design wall to design? Or is it just a place you store blocks and scraps? (I would rather be without my sewing machine than give up my design wall.) Come and learn how I think about and use my favorite tool. Participants in this class will learn to make blocks for an Arne quilt (pattern is provided in class). Those blocks will be pooled and played with collectively as we explore the joy of the design wall. FUN! FUN! FUN!

Supply List (bring with you for the workshop):
4 small pieces of fabric (fat quarters would work fine)
Sewing machine
Basic sewing supplies: thread, scissors, pins, etc
Rotary cutter with good blade, cutting mat and acrylic ruler (6 x 12 would work)

Please address questions to Colleen at cell # 248-824-3508
Or email: colleenmonti.troy@yahoo.com
Mail in registration: Colleen Monti
526 Placid Court, Rochester Hills, MI 48306

Please confirm that you will attend the workshop by January 9, 2020

Please complete form and include payment in form of check made out to: “Oakland County Quilt Guild”.

REGISTRATION

Name of Workshop: JOY OF THE DESIGN WALL

Name: _________________________________________________________________

Phone: _____________________________________________________________

Email: ______________________________________________________________
OAKLAND COUNTY QUILT GUILD
2019 – 2020 THEME: Birds
CHALLENGE ENTRY FORM

All quilts must be completed according to the challenge rules to be eligible for entry in the 2019 – 2020 Challenge.

The following cash prizes will be awarded by Viewer’s Choice Selection at the March 5, 2020 meeting.

Prizes: 1st Place $50  2nd Place $25  3rd Place $15  4th Place $10

Baste a piece of fabric over any identifying names that appear on the back, front or label of the quilt.

Hanging sleeves are not required.

If your entry is directional, please indicate the top.

Your entry with the entry form pinned to the front of the quilt must be dropped off at the February Guild meeting, February 6, 2020.

Entries will not be accepted the night of the March meeting.

----------------------------------------------CUT ON THIS LINE-----------------------------------------------

NAME___________________________________________________ PHONE________________

TITLE OF ENTRY __________________________________________________________________

DESCRIPTION _____________________________________________________________________
_________________________________________________________________________________

QUILT DIMENSIONS: WIDTH _______________ LENGTH________________

I agree to display my Birds Challenge Quilt entry at the March 5, 2020 meeting of the Oakland County Quilt Guild. I give permission for photographs to be taken of my entry. I agree to pick up my entry on March 5, 2020 after the meeting.

Signed___________________________________________________ Date_______________________
Reminder & a Request

Quilt Inn Attendees…..

This is just a friendly reminder that the 2020 “Sleep In Your Own Bed” Quilt Inn is happening next Friday and Saturday, January 24 & 25th. Let’s hope the weather is much nicer than what greeted us this morning!

Please remember to pack the most important items to make your day successful…..your projects, your surge bar, an extension cord and your machine cords. If you need them, do not forget a chair pillow and a light.

The Accuquilt and its many dies will be here and ready for your use… just bring your fabric. Charity will have some projects here that you can work on if you need a project. We will have the coffee & tea pots on, have water & iced tea chilled and some snacks available on both days. Do not forget to bring your lunch or make plans to go out...lunch will not be provided on either day. Remember you can come and go all day and stay as late as you would like.

A Request...Please do not bring your irons. With a full house we are concerned about overloading the power system. Thanks to Diana Rubel we will have use of her fantastic large steam ironing system plus two more irons and ironing boards set up for your use. We will have two cutting stations also set up for your use.

The doors will be unlocked at 9:30 am on Friday morning. (We need to have our set-up volunteers complete their tasks before the doors open.) You know the routine….drive up to the upper level door and drop off your gear, go park your car and then come retrieve your sewing gear. Fellowship Hall will be warm and ready for your arrival. We are looking forward to seeing you Friday and Saturday!

Restaurants Close by include
Big Boy, Dickey’s Barbecue, Bar Louie, Grand Traverse Pie Company, Bigalora Fire Cucina, George’s Coney Island, Mezza Mediterranean Grill, Qdoba, Red Olive, Panera, Taco Bell Leo’s Coney Island, Potbelly, Whataburger, Rochester Family Grill, Bruegger’s Bagels
and….all of the restaurants in downtown Rochester.
**Quilt Show News**

Set-up for the show - Thursday, April 2, 2020

Show dates - Friday, April 3 and Saturday, April 4, 2020

### Silent Auction 2020 (Mini Quilts) - Deadline and Requirements

Would you like to create a mini quilt for our Quilt Show in April 2020? It’s a fun small project that will be a money-maker for our guild.

**Here are the requirements:**

*All entries are to be delivered to Cathy Cheal no later than the guild meeting of March 5, 2020 along with the registration form, found on our website under Forms and Docs and titled: Quilt Show 2020 Silent Auction*

*No Registration Fee*

*You can donate as many mini quilts that you would like. They can be traditional or pictorial for hanging or practical like a table runner or placemats.*

*Maximum size, not to be larger than 18” x 24”.*

*In the event that an entry is not claimed by the winning bidder the quilt will be returned to the Registrant.*

### Reminder about Ticket Sales

Just a reminder that each member of the guild is expected to sell 25 raffle tickets. You are more than welcomed to take more after you have sold your 25. The funds from the ticket sales and vendor booth rentals goes towards the committee expenses (i.e. programs) of the guild. Please pick up your ticket packets at the November meeting.

**please note**

Guidelines and Registration Forms for the Quilt Show and the Silent Auction have been posted on the guild website under *Forms and Documents.*
Oakland County Quilt Guild Meeting – January 9, 2020

The Oakland County Quilt Guild monthly meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm on Thursday, January 9, 2020 at the First Congregational Church in Rochester by President, Nancy Swinerton. Nancy welcomed new members.

December meeting minutes were published in the Newsletter. Colleen Monti moved to accept the minutes and Diana Rubel seconded. The motion carried and minutes were approved.

Yvonne Shannon presented the financial report. The financial statement will be posted on the OCQG website in the private documents. Yvonne requested all financial or budget questions be directed to her. Julia McQueen motioned to accept, Cyndi seconded and the motion passed.

An update from Cathy Cheal that the miniature quilt donations are due March 5th. They will be displayed at the quilt show for the silent auction. The quilts should be 18” x 24” or less. The submittal form is available on the website and is to be turned in with the quilt.

Maria MacDonald provided an update on the quilt show. Set up will be on April 2nd and the show is April 3 and 4. Reminder that each guild member must sell 25 quilt raffle tickets. Reporting on all tickets is required, therefore all money and ticket stubs must be turned in by the March meeting to allow for counting and reporting. Quilt show job sign-up sheets will be available at the February meeting and will be mailed through Thimble Thoughts.

Lisa Cole-Welby is receiving quilt entries. The form is on the website. A form is due for each quilt entered in the show and is due by the March meeting. When submitting multiple entries and sending pictures of quilt (email or mail), put the quilt name with each photo for identification purposes. The Quilt Show raffle quilt has been on display at multiple quilt shops and is currently at the 2nd Street Quilt Shop.

Colleen Monti provided an update on upcoming workshops. In February, the design wall workshop will provide ideas on how to use a design wall. The March workshop to make the mosaic will be from 4 – 6 pm, prior to the regularly meeting. And, the June class is filling up, so sign up today. Kathy and Mary will be selling books, magazines and fabric at the quilt show. They will be collecting them at the next meeting as well as at the January Quilt Inn.

Shirley Buckmaster is coordinating the January Quilt Inn on January 24 and 25th. Doors will open at 9:30 am on both days. Bring stuff ready to sew. There is no limit to the number of participants. Sign up today to allow for proper set up of the room.

Rachelle Martin gave an update on membership. There were 72 members signed in with one returning member.

Cyndi Anderson has pillow cases and rail quilt tops for assembly as well as quilts needing binding on the charity table. Help is appreciated.

Nancy Swinerton reminded everyone about the Challenge Quilt. The quilt must be 18” x 18” or smaller, have a bird theme and used the special fabric. It is due at the February meeting. There will be cash prizes.

Library books are available at the back of the room during all regular meetings. The books on the table tonight were selected to match the theme of the guest speaker.

After break, guest speaker, Karen Duling presented “Patching Things Together on the Road Less Traveled”, followed by door prizes and show and tell.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30pm.
Respectfully submitted by Marge Miller, recording secretary.
More detailed forms are available on the website. It would be great if you could sign up for the workshop(s) by the December meeting and then we would know if we are able to invite other guilds to join us.

Supply lists can be found on those forms and will also be emailed out a month prior to workshop.

Direct questions to Colleen Monti colleenmonti.troy@yahoo.com or # 248-824-3508

Mosaic Tile with Mary Gilhuly (Song and Spirit) held Thursday, March 5; 4:00-6:00 cost: $25
Layout and construct a 6 x 6 inch tile with a quilting saying in the center. Choose one saying from those given. All supplies are provided. No experience necessary. Decorate your sewing room or give as a gift.

Glacial Ice & Halldora with Gudrun Erla held Friday, June 5; 9:00-4:00 cost $40.
Focus is on 2 projects from the book Quilts of Iceland. Students choose 1 to work on but will learn the techniques for both using the Stripology rulers. Size: crib, lap, twin, full, queen, king. www.GEDesigns

Stripology: Strip Ribbons or Strips & Salsa with Gudrun Erla held Saturday, June 6; 9:00-12:00 cost $30
Focus on 1 project from the book Stripology. Using the Stripology ruler to cut your strips and scraps fast and efficiently; students learn the use of the ruler as well as the construction of either project out of the book. Size: mini, table runner or crib. www.GEDesigns
Workshops by Karen K. Stone

Her dazzling quilts have won awards, magazine covers, and a legion of fans for decades!

Friday June 5th workshop 9-4:00  cost: $40 no kit or supply fee
  Gentle Curves for Gentle People with Karen K Stone
While curved piecing can be intimidating at first, with good technique and a little practice it can become positively addictive. The Gentle curves here are a great introduction, and a wonderful light dark palette opens a great discussion on how to make your fabrics speak eloquently. Pattern graphic provided.

SUPPLY LIST: 10-15 fat quarters (or equivalent) in a pleasing range, including some that read dark, and some light.
ALSO: freezer paper (a foot or two), fabric scissors, piecing thread, medium rotary cutter & mat supplies (optional if you choose to use).

Saturday June 6th workshop 9-12:00 (cost $20 kit fee $15) TOTAL COST $35
  Little Things that Count with Karen K Stone
The devil is in the details! But the joy is there too- the closer someone gets to your quilt, the more there should be for them to appreciate. This class includes variety of detail techniques that should delight both the viewer and the quilter every time.

SUPPLY LIST: fabric scissors, paper scissors, thread (cotton or decorative-any color).
KIT INCLUDES: precut fabric and everything else you'll need; listing it all will spoil your surprise:)

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Name of workshop(s) _____________________________________ Cost:_________________
Name__________________________________________________________
Email________________________________________ Phone #_____________________

Cash or make checks out to OCQG (Oakland County Quilt Guild)
Direct questions to Colleen Monti at email: colleenmonti.troy@yahoo.com
Hand deliver or mail to Colleen at 526 Placid Court, Rochester Hills 48306

June 2020 Workshops
## Mark your calendar!

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The OCQG Newsletter is published every month for guild members and fellow quilters. Articles or other information must be submitted to Maria MacDonald by the 15th of each month. Please submit your articles to mmacdonald@fbclo.org. If you have any questions, please feel free to email Lisa.

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Our next meeting is:

**Thursday, February 6, 2020**

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