Greetings and Happy New Year!

Now that all of the decorations are put away and the Christmas cookies are gone, it's time for a little “me time.” My machine is calling me; how about yours?

We had a fabulous meeting in January even though we were not able to gather at the church listening to Mel Beach talk about challenging ourselves. Very fitting subject to motivate everyone for the upcoming challenge quilts in March. The board has worked hard to keep our guild together as we navigate these unprecedented times of Covid. We had approximately 64 people join us at our January meeting and the guild has 115 members.

Hopefully, we will be able to gather at the church in February. Cathy Cheal has arranged for Ellen Lindner to present a lecture called, “Color it Beautiful.” I hope you have a chance to sign up for Ellen’s workshop, “Double Reverse Applique,” on Saturday, February 5, from 9:30 - 4. Yes, I signed up for the workshop; always something wonderful to learn.

We’ve come to Florida for a little while to escape the cold. I’m looking in the activities paper here in The Villages to see if there’s any quilters in the area. There are 23 groups listed in the paper under Quilting and 3 listed under Crafts, Sewing. Now to decide which one to call or email to see if I can squeeze in with my sewing machine. The Happy Hour Quilters might be a fun group.

If I was home, I would definitely attend the Quilt Inn at the church. Shirley Buckmaster does a great job setting up these events. It opens Friday, 1/28, from 9:30 am to 8 pm and Saturday 1/29 from 9:30 am until 4 pm. The cost is $10 for one day or $15 for both days. And on Saturday, the guild is providing the lunch. It’s so much fun to visit with others and see what they’re working on.

Many kudos to our charity team, Theresa Elson and Colleen Monti, as they pulled together some quilts to help a family (a coworker of one of our guild members) who had a house fire and lost everything. One more fabulous thing about our guild!

Lastly, I hope you’re having great success selling your raffle tickets. I won the quilt from our last quilt show and love, love, love it. Mark your calendars for the “Quilter to Quilter Sale and Show” April 8 and 9 at the church.

If you can spare some time to volunteer to help with the event, that would be great. Setup for the show/sale will be Thursday, April 7.

Sincerely,

Penny Paul, President.
February Meeting

Thursday, February 3, at 7:00 pm
Join us in-person or via zoom

Lecture - “Color it Beautiful”

Ellen Lindner is a talented quilt artist and teacher, who is passionate about making fabric into art. She says, “I make art for the pure joy of doing so!” Known for its strong contrasts and vivid colors, her art has been shown throughout the United States, and beyond, has been commissioned by several well-known hospitals, and has been published in several magazines. Ellen has been seen on Quilting Arts TV, where she taught some of her techniques. She’s also written two books and several magazine articles.

Her work is very diverse, ranging from pictorial still lifes to modernist abstracts. In addition to using commercial fabrics, Ellen has recently started dying much of her own fabric. This enlivens her pieces and gives her one more way to control the results. She works in a freeform collage style, while borrowing heavily from traditional quilt making techniques.

Double Reverse Applique Workshop
February 5, 2022
Ellen Lindner

Learn this raw-edged appliqué technique that is extremely accurate. Draw the pattern on stabilizer, then place that on layers of fabric then stitch it from the back, following the pattern exactly. Ellen’s tricks for staying organized will ensure that your class time is efficient, productive, and free of frustration. You’ll also learn tips for making your own DRA patterns. Note: This class is for intermediate quilters. Participants must be familiar with free motion sewing.

See Ellen’s webpages at: http://adventurequilter.com/

Student’s comment: [A new member and I] both felt, just by looking at the pictures of your examples, that this was way over our heads and very advanced so I said, “Well, lets sit together and we can console each other”. So we did. Boy were we wrong. We both had no problems with the workshop and both turned out beautiful awesome apples. Thank you so much for this wonderful workshop. You made us all feel comfortable and at ease yet you were so knowledgable….The apple is already quilted and I am so proud of it !! Now all kinds of ideas are swimming around in my head. Joan Williams

Class Requirements:

Sewing machine – capable of doing free motion sewing: lowered feed dogs and an appropriate presser foot
Sewing skills – Students must be comfortable with free motion sewing, (although a high level of skill is not needed.)
Workshop February 2022

FEBRUARY 2022 WORKSHOP
Ellen Lindner, *Double Reverse Applique*

6 hours total
Feb. 5, 2022 (Saturday)
9:30 am to 4:00 pm
On Zoom

Cost and Registration:
*Before Wed. Jan. 26, 2022*, send this printed registration form and a $45.00 payment made out to the Oakland County Quilt Guild to Cathy Cheal, 570 E. Snell Rd., Rochester, MI 48306.

There is no fee for the pattern and instructions. I will email these and the supply list to you along with the Zoom link for the workshop.

February Workshop Registration

Fill in Your Name: _______________________________________________________

Phone: __________________

E-mail address: _______________________________________________________

See the newsletter and guild website for additional copies of this form at [https://oaklandcountyquiltguild.com/documents/](https://oaklandcountyquiltguild.com/documents/)
Thank You!

The Oxford Strong committee was delighted to receive our 13 quilts. If anyone else wants to donate a quilt, they would gladly receive it. The future quilts would continue to go to first responders and/or be included in future fundraising efforts, such as an auction or raffle. They plan to continue operating for quite some time so there is no need to rush future quilts.

If you complete a quilt that you would like to go to Oxford, please email me and I will provide you with the contact information for the committee person whom I have dealt with.

Thanks again to all those who have participated. Your efforts are greatly appreciated.
Pat Wojciechowski

A HUGE **THANK YOU** to Joyce Dawson who graciously donated **25 lap size quilts** to Residential Hospice! We received this heartfelt thank you:

*Dear Oakland County Quilt Guild,*

*What an absolutely beautiful collection of quilts you’ve gifted Residential Hospice with. Our patients will love the warmth, comfort and beauty they will bring to their lives. Each quilt is a unique work of art, and we are so grateful for your generous donation. Please extend our gratitude to your guild. What a labor of love!*

*Thank you again,*

*Liz Farber Volunteer Coordinator*

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**REMINDER**

The deadline for getting registration forms and fees for the “Sleep in Your Bed” Quilt Inn is Friday, January 21st.

Forms are under documents on the guild website.

If you have any questions, please contact Shirley Buckmaster.

Hope to see you there!
HERO QUILTS FOR OXFORD

Pat Wojdechowski thoughtfully put out a plea for quilts for Oxford; for first responders and others affected by the recent school tragedy. She organized, gathered, photographed and delivered early January. The guild is proud and thankful for Pat’s and the members’ efforts.

Quilt by Mary Szuch

Quilt by Betsy Roy

Quilt by Judy Brundage

Quilt by Colleen Monti

Quilt by Cyndi Anderson

Quilt by Nimble Needles

Three quilts by Cathy Cheal

Quilt by Dena Ziringibl

Quilt by Kathy Swanteck

Thank you quilters!
We know they will give comfort!
OCQG 2022
Annual Challenge

Put on your literary hat for this Challenge
“A rose by any other name…”

Quilt-O-Nyms
Round 2: Antonyms

Due date: February 3, 2022 (in-person)/February 15, 2022 (virtual)
for March, 2022 OCQG meeting

Challenge Guidelines

Challenge quilt tops must be made by an OCQG member. The quilting may be completed by
the quilt top maker or by another person.

The challenge quilt should be one (1) new quilt made from June, 2021 – February, 2022.

Quilt size: No more than 20” on a side

Due Date: If you are displaying your quilt in person, turn in your finished entry by the
February 3, 2022 OCQG meeting to Diane Licholat-Surati or Marilyn Smith and submit a
high resolution photo of your finished quilt to: dlsurati418@gmail.com by February 15, 2022
for our members attending remotely.

If you are displaying your quilt and attending remotely, submit a high resolution photo of your
finished quilt and to: dlsurati418@gmail.com by February 15, 2022. Include an image of
your completed registration form in the email submission. The photos will be included in a
slideshow presentation of the quilts for the OCQG February meeting for members attending
remotely.

Prizes:

1st Place: $75  2nd Place: $50  3rd Place: $25

Any pattern or technique may be used: traditional pieced, appliqued, paper-pieced, mixed
media.

Examples:
Young - Old – This could be chicks and chickens
Wide - Narrow – This might be stripes of different widths

Create your Quilt-o-Nyms: Antonyms!

Co-Chairs: Diane Licholat-Surati 931-216-1503 (cell) and Marilyn Smith 248-762-7292
Please call if you have any questions.
OAKLAND COUNTY QUILT GUILD

2022 Annual Challenge Theme: Quilt-O-Nyms - Antonyms

ENTRY FORM

All quilts must be completed according to the challenge rules to be eligible for entry in the 2022 “Quilt-O-Nyms: Antonyms” Quilt Challenge.

The following cash prizes will be awarded by Viewer’s Choice Selection at the March 3, 2022 meeting.

Prizes: 1st Place $75  2nd Place $50  3rd Place $25

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

If your entry is directional, please indicate the top.

If you are participating in and attending the March Guild Challenge remotely, send a high-resolution photo via email, including an image of the form below or the same information typed into the body of the email.

Note: Please take a “straight-on” photo of your quilt, without background objects.

If you are participating and attending in-person, submit your finished quilt, along with the completed half of this form by the February Guild meeting. Also, submit a high-resolution photo of your finished quilt by February 15, 2022 for our members attending remotely.

Email picture to: disurati418@gmail.com

Entries deadlines: February 3, 2021 for in-person quilt turn in; February 15, 2021 for emailed pictures (all participants).

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NAME__________________________________ PHONE______________________________

TITLE OF ENTRY __________________________________________________________________

QUILT DIMENSIONS: WIDTH _______ LENGTH__________

DESCRIPTION ____________________________________________________________________________

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Check the box which applies:

☐ I agree to virtually display my “Quilt-O-Nyms - Antonyms” Challenge Quilt entry at the March 3, 2022 meeting of the Oakland County Quilt Guild. I give permission for photographs to be taken of my entry.

☐ I agree to display my “Quilt-O-Nyms” Challenge entry in-person and remotely at the March 3, 2022 meeting of the Oakland County Quilt Guild. I give permission for photographs to be taken of my entry.

Signed____________________________________ ____________________________ Date__________________________
OCQG 2022 Fall Retreat

WHEN          FRIDAY, October 7, 2022 to MONDAY, October 10, 2022

WHERE:  RALPH A MACMULLAN CONFERENCE CENTER
         ROSCOMMON, MICHIGAN

COST:       $312 DOUBLE/ $372.00 SINGLE (Limited Single options available)
             Includes, Meals, Lodging, Coffee, Tea, Water, meeting rooms and linens

BRING:      Sewing equipment, personal items

This is a fun time to meet and get to know other Guild members. To be put on the list,
please text/leave a message (248.496.7765) or email (ptbaumgartner@aol.com or
tbaumgartner@oakland.edu) starting at noon, on March 5, 2022. You will receive confirma-
tion after 8 pm. Not liable for information sent to the wrong contact. You must be a member of
OCQG at time of registration and time of the retreat.

Deposit Amount Due by April 11, 2022        $50.00 Deposit Non-refundable
Balance will be due September 1st, 2022

PAYABLE TO          OCQG

NAME______________________________________________________________
Phone_________________________Email__________________________________

WILL SHARE A ROOM WITH____________________________________________($312)
WANT A SINGLE ROOM________________________________________________($372)

Any Special meal requirements:__________________________________________

Mail to  Tina Baumgartner
         1520 N. Hurd, Ortonville, MI 48462
February Birthdays

1st ~ Debby Peters
3rd - Karen Cline
10th ~ Diana Rolph
10th ~ Nancy Swinerton
14th ~ Lisa Berard
14th ~ Deb Hottman
15th ~ Rebecca Elliott
17th ~ Sheila Johnson
19th ~ Ruth McCormick
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 member section of the website, please contact Maria MacDonald.

Quilter to Quilter Sale & Show News

♦ Set-up date: Thursday, April 7
♦ Sale/Show dates: Friday, April 8 and Saturday, April 9, both days 9:00 am to 3:00 pm
♦ Raffle tickets are available at the sign-in table. We ask that each guild member sell 25 tickets. You are more than welcome to sell more!!!
♦ We are still in need of an individual to be the treasurer for the show/sale. If you are interested, please contact Maria MacDonald. ocqgmembership@gmail.com
♦ Table rentals to our guild members will begin at the January meeting. Participation to other quilters outside of our guild will depend on availability.
♦ Quilt entry forms will be available after January 1, 2022

Raffle Quilt Tickets

Are available. Please return sold tickets and funds to the membership sign-in table.
OCQG Accuquilt Use Opportunity

Do you have scraps you need to make into usable pieces? We have the dies to make jelly rolls, Layer Cakes, 5 in blocks, 2 1/2 in squares, and more. Do you need a gazillion half square triangles? Want to try the Block on boards, but don’t know where to start? Want to cut out a whole quilt in a couple hours. The Accuquilt dies can help.

The Accuquilt will be set up on the dates below:
- JAN 28 AND 29TH at the Church for guild sewing days
- Feb 9th- in my home by appointment
- March 9th- in my home by appointment
- anytime by appointment

Members may call, text or email to request date, and time. A response will be sent, along with address/directions.
248.496.7765
ptbaumgartner@aol.com
tbaumgartner@oakland.edu
I live north of Oxford, near Baldwin and Oakwood rds

No same day requests, so I can work it around my work schedule. Use will be limited to two hours at a time. If you know the dies you are expecting to use, I can get those out in advance. (If you would like to discuss block on board or the way to cut out a whole quilt, we can set up a time to discuss so you will be ready on the day.) Members will have full access to any dies the guild possesses, as well as any others I have. I will provide an area on the main floor of my house (one step to get into the house) where you can use the dies. Cleaning will be done between members. I have an ironing station and cutting board, but ask members to come prepared. I will provide instruction, but members will be doing the cutting. I request that no more than two people at a time come and only if they are not having any symptoms of Covid.

Library

We are asking members to please return all the library books they have borrowed in the past. We have some books outstanding from before COVID hit. We have emailed those members in case they have forgotten. Thanking you in advance.

Kathy, Joy and Sally

Take a look at the books that are in the guild library. You can see the list and description on the guild website under the library tab. It is quite an impressive collection of books that members can check out.
Hello Quilters!

We wanted to share some links to projects you may be interested in making. There are many more patterns if you want to Google on your own. Enjoy browsing and sewing!

**Learn How to Make a Book Pillow with this free Pattern | Polka Dot Chair**

[https://www.polkadotchair.com/more-diy-reading-pillow-patterns/](https://www.polkadotchair.com/more-diy-reading-pillow-patterns/)

The guild has purchased 12 x 12 pillow forms for this project or you may make it any size and please provide your own pillow.

**Quilted Hug Project - American Sewing Guild**


Quilted Shawl Instructions--please feel **free** to use your creative mind when designing your shawl. Also check out Facebook page: **Quilted Hug Project**.

This cute pillow was brought to us by Judy Brundage:

**Sew a Little Love Bug**


If you have any questions, please contact us.

Colleen and Theresa

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Kathy Beguin is busy having fun creating pillows using her embroidery machine.
Oakland County Quilt Guild Meeting Minutes, January 6, 2022

The meeting started at 7 p.m. via Zoom.

Diana Ruble presented the financial report for December. We have a balance of $24,501.66. The financial report was approved.

Diane Licholat-Surati gave a report on the challenge quilt event. This year’s challenge quilt has antonyms as its theme. If our monthly meetings go virtual only, we will use photos to stand in for the actual quilts.

The membership chairperson reported that we have 115 members. Maria also reported that the rental rate for the Quilter-to-Quilter sale tables will be announced in the middle of next month.

Pat Wojciechowski reported on the Oxford Strong program. We received 13 quilts to donate to the Heroes of the Day. 25 quilts were donated to Residential Hospice. Joyce Dawson made the 25 quilts. The charity committee has three other projects to recommend for participation. One is a Love Bug for mental health, and the other is Book Pillows and they are looking for schools to donate to and the third program is called The Hug which is a quilted shawl.

Shirley Buckmaster reported on the Quilt Inn. It is still in our plans as of this writing. We are watching the numbers of people who are getting ill in Michigan with Covid before we make our decision on whether to have the Quilt Inn or cancel it.

Cathy Cheal reported on the upcoming workshops for this year. Cathy also introduced our speaker for the evening, Mel Beach. She gave a talk, via Zoom about Strategies for Quilters.

Having reached a quorum by the end of our meeting, the minutes from the last meeting were approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:36 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Swinerton
Recording Secretary
Oakland County Quilt Guild Programs

Programs September 2021 to June 2022

The format of the OCQG programs and workshops will be determined according to good health recommendations during the year. Programs and workshops have been arranged to be on Zoom for Sept., Oct., Nov., Jan, and Feb. but if we can meet safely as a group at the Congregational Church starting in Sept. 2021, we will also meet as a group while watching the lecturer on Zoom. Workshops, except for June, will be from your home.

September 2, 2021, 7:00 pm-9:00 pm (Zoom and at the Congregational Church)
   Lecture: Lyric Kinard, “The Elements of Art for Quilters”

October 2, 2021, (Saturday), 2:00 pm - 5:00 pm, (Zoom)- Workshop: Julia Graves, Gemstone Bling”

October 7, 2021, 7: 00 pm-9:00 pm (Zoom and at the Congregational Church)
   Lecture: Julia Graves, “Color Exploration”

November 4, 2021, 7: 00 pm-9:00 pm: (Zoom and at the Congregational Church)
   Lecture: Phyllis Cullen, “Quilting in Paradise”

November 5, 2021 (Friday), 3:00-6:00 pm: (Zoom) Workshop - Phyllis Cullen, “Stained Glass”

November 6, 2021 (Saturday), 10:00 am to 1:00 pm: (Zoom) Workshop - Phyllis Cullen, “Stained Glass”

December 2, 2021, 7:00 pm-9:00 pm: (Zoon and at the Congregational Church)
   Lecture: Carol Morrissey, “Confessions of an Absent-Minded Quilter”

January 6, 2022, 7:00 pm-9:00 pm (Zoom and at the Congregational Church)
   Lecture: Mel Beach, “Challenge Yourself”

February 3, 2022, 7: 00 pm-9:00 pm (Zoom and at the Congregational Church)
   Lecture: Ellen Lindner, “Color it Beautiful”

February 5, 2022, (Saturday) 9:30 am-4:00 pm: (Zoom) Workshop - Ellen Lindner, “Double Reverse Applique”

March 3, 2022, 7: 00 pm-9:00 pm (in-person)
   Guild Challenge Quilts

April 7, 2022, (Thursday), 7: 00-9:00 pm —Set Up for Quilter-to-Quilter Sale and Show

April 8 (Fri.) and April 9 (Sat.), 9:00 am-3:00 pm:
   Quilter to Quilter Sale and Show at Congregational Church

May 5, 2022, 7: 00 pm-9:00 pm (in-person)
   Lecture: Ruth McCormick, “From Photo to Art Quilt: My Process and Trunk Show”

June 2, 2022, 7: 00-9:00 pm (In person)
   Lecture: Rachel Derstines, “From Inspiration to Art Process”

June 4, 2022, (Saturday) 10:00 am-1:00 pm: Workshop - Rachel Derstines, “Artful Couching”
**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 Lisa Berard. She will send out an appropriate card. lisaberard60@hotmail.com or cell: 248-495-3582

**Newsletter**

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 Maria.

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**Thursday, February 3, 2022**

**7:00 pm**

**In-Person & Via Zoom**

**First Congregational Church**

1315 N Pine St, Rochester Hills, MI 48307