and not worry about what other people think.

She states that quilting is a journey, a part of your own personal history. Each of us has a creative path to follow and “if you follow your own path, you will always be happy with the journey”

Evelyn

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3 FUN FLORAL VASES
By eyecandyfabrics
Karen Turkes

May 3rd Meeting – Karen Turckes will be our lecturer on Fabric Manipulation along with showing her Beautiful quilts.

May 4th – Karen Turckes Workshop, Fabric Manipulation, 9am to 5pm, First Congregational Church, Rochester Hills.
Class fee:$45 and Required Kit fee of $30 on the day of Class.

Discover how fun and interesting it can be to manipulate your fabric. Sew, fold, gather, crinkle and be inspired to create a new look. In this class we will use muslin and silk in neutral colors to learn how to tuck, pin tuck, center-cross tuck as well as endless variations on these tucks. Techniques also include: couching, ruching, interlocking squares, flower folds, inserted trumpet flowers and texture magic. These samples will be sized for you to make 6 inch blocks. Later use your blocks to create a beautiful textured sampler quilt.

Registration and Supply List are Located in the Documents and Forms on the Oakland County Quilt Guild Website.

Please contact Rachelle Martin at 586-604-7688 or by email at Rachelle.martin@siemens.com if you are interested in taking the workshop.
Charity

MARLEE SMEARING & LESA REYNOLDS

HELP WANTED

The charity committee needs your help!!!!!!!!!!

If you can straight stitch and have a walking foot for your machine, we need your help to quilt some lap quilts with simple straight lines. If you could come to the charity table at the May or June meeting and take a quilt to quilt over the summer, we would greatly appreciate it. If you also have fabric to bind the quilt, it would be great to have a completed quilt turned back in at the September meeting.

We greatly appreciate all the help we have had this year with making strip blocks, sanitary pads and drawstring bags as well as helping to complete quilts. Without your help we could not support the charities that we do.

Thank you sooooo much for your continued help.

Marlee and Lesa

May Birthdays

Mary Ann Fassnacht  May  1
Pat Wojciechowski  May  4
Arden White        May  5
Joyce Dawson       May  7
Letty Abraham      May 11
Lois Sayers        May 13
Jan Stepp          May 15
Susan Lindsey      May 16
Dianne Matthieson  May 19
Emily Baumgartner  May 19
Maggie Schwartz    May 21
Kristine Bolsius    May 23

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 Rita Weitendorf. She will send out an appropriate card. kariwhite3@yahoo.com, or 419-367-8717.
Karen Turckes Workshop

Fabric Manipulation

Date: May 4, 2018
Time: 9am to 5pm (Doors will be open at 8:30am, please be there no later than 8:45 to setup your Machine and prep for the workshop)
Location: First Congregational Church
315 N Pine St, Rochester Hills, MI 48307
Class Size: 15 people
Class Cost: $45.00
Kit Fee: $30.00 – Pay on the day of the class

Fabric Manipulation:
As a quilter you already manipulate fabric. Let’s take it a step further.
See how fabric can be manipulated by means of folding, gathering, crinkling, sewing, etc. Learn to use the bias of the fabric to create interesting designs. Fabric manipulations can be used in quilts, bags and clothing.

Workshop:
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Kit of all fabrics marked and ready to sew provided. Kit fee $30.00
Supply List for Fabric Manipulation class

- Sewing Machine in good working order. You will need Zigzag. Bring your machine manual a well.
- Extension cord
- Ivory thread 1 large spool or 2 small
- 2 bobbins already filled with your ivory thread
- ¼ inch quilting foot (if you have one)
- Edge guide, or sometimes called quilting guide that attaches to your machine (if you have one)
- Couching foot (if you have one) If you do not, bring a foot meant for decorative stitching i.e. one that has a grove or some space under the foot for thick stitching. Other possibilities are blind hemstitch foot, open-toe foot, cording foot or pearls n’ piping foot.
- Pin tuck foot (if you have one)
- Straight pins
- Ruler
- #12 needle (Universal or sharp)
- 2/80 twin needle (Universal) for pin tucking
- Fabric scissors
- Thread trimmers
- Pinking Shears
- Seam ripper
- Sewing Gauge
- Hand sewing needles
- We will need a few small low wattage irons and a couple regular steam irons. As well as table pads and ironing boards. Bring what you can and we will work out a set up.
- Optional: Bias Bars, extra ivory colored thread
- Chair cushion if you need to sit higher

Please come 15 minutes early to set up.

Karen mentions that she doesn’t want you to have to buy a lot of machine feet or the twin needles if you don’t want too. You can skip the pin tucking if necessary.

***Remember to please bring your Lunch, Snacks and Beverages for the Day. There will be a table setup if you would like to bring a snack or dessert to share with everyone.***

Please complete the information below and give it to Rachelle Martin along with your payment Or Mail this form and your payment to Rachelle Martin, 1061 Eagle Nest Drive, Rochester, MI 48306

Karen Turckes – Fabric Manipulation

Name: ________________________________

Email Address: ________________________________

Phone Number: ________________________________

Payment type: ________________________________

Paid: YES or NO (To be Completed by Rachelle)

*** Please Make Checks payable to the Oakland County Quilt Guild. ***
The OCQG Newsletter is published every month for guild members and fellow quilters. Articles or other information must be submitted to Lisa Cole-Welby by the 15th of each month. Please submit your articles to welby_lisa@comcast.net. If you have any questions, please feel free to email Lisa.
Our next meeting is:

**May 3, at 7:00 pm**

First Congregational Church
1315 North Pine Street
Rochester, Michigan 48307