President’s Letter

Happy Fall Y’all!

That fabulous time of year with color change, cider mills, football and Thanksgiving with all it’s traditions of gathering, giving thanks, turkey and pie!

Our most recent workshop was Fabric Collage. Did you give it a go? I have learned some valuable tips and techniques in workshops and not necessarily what they were teaching! That’s where I learned the value of the stiletto tool, using leaders and enders, chain piecing, ruler shortcuts, and I learn from just watching others select and reselect various fabric options before jumping right in. Why is it that the more a quilter learns, the door opens to even more! What skills do you want the guild to present? Applique? Free motion quilting? Choosing your fabrics? I recently read about facing a quilt vs binding it. Who knew! No need to flood the program chairs, but suggestions are welcome.

Quilting is like traveling through elementary school (with a seam ripper); learning from fellow quilters, workshops, reading, and watching youtube. And each year we add on to what we’ve mastered with more complex skills. Possibly starting with that accurate 1/4 inch seam and kits, leading into various quilt blocks and patterns, to y-seams, curved piecing, paper piecing, to ever more tedious, time consuming masterpieces. A journey we can see evidence of in our quilts.

In closing I want to give thanks to the OCQG; library book loans, the wonderful people, and for past programs which have really improved my quilting enjoyment and quality of my quilts. As I sew I remember terrific trunk shows and presentations on good posture, cleaning my machine, batting and Show and Tells!

Happy Thanksgiving!

Colleen Monti

*Here I share the photo of the Teal Mini Swap (Stack ’n Wack) I received from Pamela in Alaska, and my flying geese; also for me, an exercise in selecting fabrics.
Join us via Zoom on
Thursday, November 5, at 7:00 pm

Teaching the World to Quilt
Travel along as I take you around the world to the place I have taught quilting. From the basement of a small church in Cairo to the rice paddies of Cambodia.

Empowering women by teaching them how to quilt. Quilting can provide additional income to their families while staying at home or closer to home. I have had the privilege of living in Cairo, Egypt of 8 years and visiting Vietnam and Cambodia several times while my husband worked in Vietnam. I taught Expats and Sudanese Refugees how to quilt. In Cambodia, I traveled to villages with Mekong/Vietnam Quilts Non-Profit organization to teach beginner quilters. Trunk show and PowerPoint presentation.

Debbie Wendt
wendtquilting.com

The Zoom link will be sent out to Members only via the guild membership email.

If you wish to become a member of Oakland County Quilt Guild you can download a registration form from our website www.oaklandcountyquiltguild.com.
Online Quilt Auction to Benefit Ovarian Cancer Research

Every two years MD Anderson Cancer Hospital in Houston holds an online auction of donated quilts to aid ovarian cancer research. The goals include spreading awareness in diagnosis and treatments.

Please consider donating a quilt. You may have a personal connection to this cause or maybe you're looking for a charity opportunity. It will help in many ways and it is also interesting to watch the process and see your quilt being bid on by people across the continent. Perhaps you might want to purchase one yourself! Three members of the guild donated quilts in 2019.

MD Anderson attempts to get at least one quilt from every state. In the past several of the donated quilts were displayed at the International Quilt Show in Houston along with literature on ovarian cancer. The last auction in 2019 raised more than $55,000.

- The online auction takes place October 20 through November 3, 2021
- Donated quilts are due through June 30, 2021. Quilts may be almost any size from wall hangings to bed sized.

For complete information: Google md anderson quilt auction 2021

Also see their Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/OvarianCancerQuiltProject

Please email or text me if you have questions. (See the directory for my information.)

Thanks, Nancy Rockman
‘Ugly Christmas (Sweater) Quilt’

Due date: November 23, 2020 for December 2020 OCQG meeting

Make a quilt with ‘Ugly Christmas (Sweater)’ as the theme

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 July 2020 – November 2020.

Quilt size: No more than 20” on a side

Due Date: Submit a high resolution photo of your finished quilt or quilt top to ruthmccormick572@gmail.com by November 23, 2020. The photo will be included in a slideshow presentation of the quilts for the OCQG December meeting for any or all who are attending it remotely.

This first Guild Challenge of the 2020-21 Program year will be shared as a Show & Tell rather than as a standing display to be judged.

Any pattern or technique may be used: paper piecing, applique, traditional blocks, fiber art... just to name a few. Anything goes! The more embellishments, the better!

Can’t wait to see your Ugly Christmas (Sweater) Quilts!

** Stay tuned for information on the Spring Guild Challenge Competition with prizes.

Co-Chairs: Diane Licholat-Surati 931-216-1503 (cell) and Ruth McCormick 248-736-3200
Please call if you have any questions.
**AccuQuilt Information**

**OCQG Accuquilt Use Opportunity  Wednesday following Guild meetings**

**The dates open are**
- November 11th
- December 9th
- January 13th

Tina will open more dates if needed

Members may call, text or email to request date, time, and expected time needed. I will send a confirmation and address with directions.

248.496.7765 (Tina Baumgartner)
ptbaumgartner@aol.com
tbaumgartner@oakland.edu


No same day requests, so I can work it around my work schedule. I will be open to times from 7:30 am to 7:30 pm. Use limited to two hours at a time. If they let me know the dies they are expecting to use, I can get those out in advance. But members will have full access to any dies the guild possesses. I will provide an area on the main floor of my house (no steps) where they can use the dies, and I will clean between members. I have an ironing station and cutting board, but ask members to come prepared. I will provide instruction, but member 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.

**Charity News**

On October 12 & 13 we donated the following:

- House of Providence 13 twin quilts
- Crossroads 17 baby quilts
- Wilson Cancer Center 18 lap quilts
- Desert Angels 112 Christmas Stockings 17 pillow cases
- New Day Foundation 2 quilts for their upcoming auction

There is still a need for quilting of lap and baby quilts. This can just be simple stitch in the ditch. I have already placed batting and backing with each quilt.

Attached is a link to a stash buster quilt #7 from the Get It Done Quilting. It takes 6 fat quarters to make a small lap or baby quilt. I will have fat quarters bundled together for you to pick up or use your own fabric. I thought this would be a fun way to make charity quilts. If you are planning on stopping by to pick up fat quarters, please call or email first. Cell 248-321-1350 or iamaquilther2@gmail.com

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Hq1SNau9_Gs&t=134s](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Hq1SNau9_Gs&t=134s)


Cindy Anderson & Lisa Cole-Welby, Chairpersons
OCQG 2020-2021
Annual Challenge

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

‘Quilt-o-Nyms’

Due date: February 22, 2021 for March 2021 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 October 2020 – February 2021.

Quilt size: No more than 20” on a side

Due Date: Submit a high resolution photo of your finished quilt to ruthmccormick572@gmail.com by February 22, 2021. The photo will be included in a slideshow presentation of the quilts for the OCQG March meeting for any or all who are attending it 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 – Anything goes!

Examples:
Rows – Rose – This could be rose bushes all set in many rows.
Bell – Belle – This might be a southern belle lady holding a school bell.

Create your Quilt-o-Nyms: Homonyms, Homophones, Synonyms, and more!

Co-Chairs:
Diane Licholat-Surati 931-216-1503 (cell) and Ruth McCormick 248-736-3200

Please call if you have any questions.
November Birthdays

1st ~ Cynthia Temple
9th ~ Barbara Ennis
10th ~ Kathy Beguin
18th ~ Sherry Tudrick
26th ~ Karen Darin
29th ~ Pat Rieser

Welcome!

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

Welcome new member
Henya Rachmiel

If you require assistance logging in to the guild member section of the website, please contact Maria MacDonald.

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.

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.
Oakland County Quilt Guild Programs

September 2020 to June 2021

Programs and workshops will be on Zoom September- November.
Format for December-June to be determined.

September 10, 2020 (date one week later than usual due to Labor Day)
Lecture “Give it a Scrap Slap” by Beth Helfter. www.evapaigequilts.com

Workshop: 6-hour workshop Saturday, September 12, at 9 AM “The Carpenter's Apprentice.” A workshop on Accordion HST (half square triangles) Cost $30.00

October 1, 2020
Lecture “Fabric Collage” by Cecelia Scow of Warm Hugs Quilt Shop Roscommon, MI

Workshop Saturday October 3, at 9 AM “Fabric Collage” a 2-3-hour event. A kit will be provided for $30.00

November 5, 2020
Lecture and Trunk Show: “Teaching the World to Quilt” by Debbie Wendt (wendtquilting.com)

December 3, 2020
Viewing of first Challenge Quilts of the season “Ugly Christmas (Sweater) Quilts”. See newsletter for details.
Speaker: Meg Cox. “Making meaning, How Quilters Celebrate Life.” (megcox.com)

January 7, 2021
Lecture by Cathy Cheal “In Search of the Perfect Landscape.”


February 4, 2021
Lecture “Influences of Africa” by Hollis Chatelain. (hollisart.com)

March 4, 2021
Second Challenge Quilt of the season by Diane Licholat-Surati and Ruth McCormick. See details in the newsletter.

April 8, 2021 (one week later due to holy Week)
Lecture and trunk show by Karen Miller of Redbird Quilt Company. “Aurilosopy”

Workshop Saturday, April 10, at 9 AM “A Quilters Doodle” Learn how to doodle with machine, needle and thread.

May 6, 2021
Lecture by Carole Harris fiber artist from Detroit who will describe her journey “From Here to There.”

June 3, 2021
Program TBD and meal TBD
Oakland County Quilt Guild Meeting – October 1, 2020

The Oakland County Quilt Guild monthly meeting, held on line as a Zoom meeting, was called to order at 7:02 pm on Thursday, October 1, 2020 by President, Colleen Monti.

Nancy shared president’s quilt with the guild. She has it hung on her wall now.

Last month’s meeting went well. Good feedback. Workshop examples during show and tell

Put Zoom on speaker view to see the current speaker.

October quote from Kaffe Fassett – when in doubt, add 20 more colors.

Will be more daring tonight with more people talking.

Diana Rubel presented the treasurer’s report. The financial statement will be posted on the OCQG website in the private documents.

Maria membership update: 107 members with a new member that joined today. There is someone with screen name of Fire Tablet – who are you?

Diana Rolph – corresponding secretary – if you know of someone that is ill, in the hospital or needs a pick me up, let Diana know. Kathy Reagan is making the cards and Kathy Beguin is making angels.

Sally Uhrig, Kathy DiMaria and Joy Reade – tomorrow they will be at the church in the lower level with the new books - >30 new books from noon – 2:00 pm

Colleen shared a presentation for the charity update while Cindy spoke. Over 3,000 masks were made by guild members during the pandemic. The tub with badges made by Cyndi are in the tub on her porch. She also has elastic and quilts that need binding and finished. Email or text when you are going to stop by. Several thank you notes were shared. The Oakland County Sheriff’s department sent a thank you for masks. House of Providence sent thank you for duvet covers. A thank you from Beaumont Hospital from Nancy for masks. Desert Angels will get quilts to send as gifts. Charity has received so many items from the guild members during this quarantine due to the pandemic.

Colleen gave us an announcement from Tina Baumgartner. The AccuQuilt will be moved from the church to Tina’s home to make it available for guild members. She will accept appointments one day per months on the Wednesday after the meeting from 7:30 AM – 7:30 PM. It will be on the main level of her home- so no steps. Please do not come if you aren’t feeling well, also, wear a mask and wash hands. Look up Tina’s phone number in our directory. Text, email or call to schedule time.

Evelyn provided a program update. In November, speaker set is Debbie Wendt presenting “Teaching the World to Quilt” which includes a trunk show. In December, in addition to the challenge quilt, speaker Meg Cox presents “Making Meaning: How Quilters Celebrate Life”. At the January meeting, Cathy Cheal will present a lecture and have a workshop on layered landscapes. In February, Hollis Chatelain presents “Influences of Africa”.

Today, Cecilia from Roscommon will present Fabric Collage. There will also be a workshop this weekend.

Show and tell: pictures were submitted to Colleen and presented. Members shared comments and stories about their beautiful quilts.

Fat quarters from Fabric Affair were the door prizes. The winners are Phyllis Dean, Carissa Baumgartner and, Diana Carnahan.

Challenges coming up soon! Due November 29th is the Ugly Sweater Challenge and in March the Homonyms Challenge. There were 78 participants in the Zoom meeting tonight.

Meeting ended at 8:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Marge Miller, recording secretary.
Advertisements

Zoom Meeting
Thursday, November 5, 2020
7:00 pm

The Zoom link will be sent to members only through the guild membership mail.