Oxford Quilters Guild *disPatch* March/April, 2021



President's Message

February certainly was a good month. Our guest speaker Kathy Doughty was excellent and then Linda Smith hosted a great VP Day. The turn out on zoom was very good and everyone enjoyed chatting and sewing with friends. It was so successful that we are going to start hosting a Saturday 3 hour sew and chat zoom meeting. The meetings will be 3 hours long and will rotate between morning and afternoon. Not everyone is a morning person and some are in different time zones. The first one will be February 20 from 9 till 12 and March will also be on the 20th, running from 1 till 4. An invitation will be sent to all members 30 minutes before the meeting is to start, hope to see you there.

Starting with the March meeting we are going to keep zoom open at the end of the meeting for about 30 minutes. This will give you time to chat with friends and keep us all connected.

We have had 2 members step up and join the Program Committee, thank you. I will let Lynn Rock introduce these 2 ladies, who I'm sure will have a great deal to offer the Committee. We are still hoping other members will be interested in the following positions.....Vice President, Facebook Admin and a Plus 1 to learn from Megan for 1 year and take over our Webpage. If you are interested in one of these positions, please send an email to oxfordquiltersguild@gmail.com I hope to hear from you.

Happy Quilting Marion

Program

March

Thurs. March 6, 2021 from 7 - 9:30 p.m. (Virtual Meeting)

Krista Hennebury, of Vancouver BC Spokesperson for Aurifil Threads and Oakshott Fabrics "Who gives a Flying Fat Quarter about Accuracy"



Virtual Trunk Show

Krista's modern designs display strong geometric themes and bright colours.

She has written her first book, "Make It, Take It".





April

Thurs. April 1, 2021 from 7 - 9:30 (Virtual Meeting)

Sue Sherman of Newmarket Ontario "Quilting Journey of a Renaissance Woman"



Virtual Trunk Show

Sue, is a national and international award winning quilt artist. In 2019 she placed first in the Art Quilt Category for her work "Huddle". Many of you will recognize her penguin quilt as it has been featured in many publications.







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We are looking for some new executive members for next year. If you are interested in the role of Vice President or Social Media, we would love to hear from you!

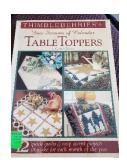
Library News

It's February and love is in the air...??? Well that, and cold weather, and snow, and continued lockdown and hopefully lots of quilting to pass the time. I am looking forward to the day when we can get back to the centre so that you can enjoy the collection of books in our Guild's library. In the meantime I will continue to share examples of what is there for you to check out when we are able to do so safely. I have purchased the remainder of <u>A Quilting Cozy</u> series of novels, by Carol Dean Jones, for those that enjoy a bit of mystery mixed with quilting. I have also chosen to highlight 2 books of quick projects to do when yet another full size quilt may not be what you want to do.



<u>Thimbleberries Four Season of Calendar Table Toppers</u> by Lynette Jensen

As with most of the Thimbleberries books these projects all have that wonderful country flair using beautiful muted colours and traditional shapes. What I liked about this book were the easy to follow directions for each pattern, as well as tips for various techniques. You could easily plan your holiday tables with these table toppers as the focus of your decorations, something for each month of the year. I especially liked the May Basket Place Mats and napkins. What a perfect gift for Mother's Day!





Sew Special Fat Quarter Gifts edited by Julie Johnson



Who doesn't have a pile of fat quarters in their stash? I know I do. I was excited to find this book and the quick and easy projects in this book. From baby and children's gifts to gifts for the home and gifts you will want to keep for yourself, these are all practical and pretty patterns. There seems to be a bit of a baby boom with my kids' friends these days so I am thinking that I will be using this book. I really like the Baby Announcement Board. Such a cute keepsake to create for new family member. I also thought that the Sewing Circle Etui was a great gift for that hand sewer. It looks like an elegant little handbag yet inside it keeps all you need to

work on those paper piecing projects when you are out and about. Make sure you keep this book in mind when you want to use up all those fat quarters.





Since we don't know when we will be able to be back at the centre why not check out the local libraries to fill in your quilting book needs. Most branches offer curb-side pick-up. Here are links to some of the areas' library sites.

Oxford County Library - https://www.ocl.net/
Woodstock Public Library - https://www.mywpl.ca/
London Public Library - https://www.londonpubliclibrary.ca/
St. Thomas Public Library - https://stthomaspubliclibrary.ca/

I hope you are able to find a way to keep reading and keep quilting!!

Leslie

Workshop

Saturday, March 6 from 9:00 a.m. to noon (Virtually)



Taught by Barb Vedder of Connecticut Cost \$35 for members

Cost \$40 for non members Register by etransferring fee to

Oxford Quilters <u>Guild@gmail.com</u>
Password Barb



Things of Interest



Erin Village Quilters (EVQ) is hosting Kim Caskey on Monday, March 8 at 7pm on Zoom. Kim's presentation includes stunning photos of Japan and last year's International Quilt Show from Tokyo. Take in this inspiring eye candy!

Guests are welcome. Please email Pam at evquilters@gmail.com. The guest fee is \$5.00 for etransfer to the above email or mailed cheque (Pam Baker, PO Box 1029, Erin ON N0B 1T0). Please contact Pam at least 3 days prior to the event so that links can be sent in a timely fashion.

Quilters Swap and Sell

If you have an item you wish described here, please contact me with your information. gwentracey@execulink.com

ICAC News

Key fobs will be signed out shortly. Members with keys will be contacted first and able to switch over. At this time there are 25 keys out and we have ordered 30 fobs to start with, but more can be ordered. After that stage is done, if you would like a fob, please contact the Art Centre's Office and you will be placed on a list.

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