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Halton Hills Quilters' Guild Newsletter

March 2020



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Meetings Held At:
Hillcrest United Church
8958 Trafalgar Rd., North of Steeles Ave., near Hornby
7pm - 4th Monday of the month Sept – June, except Dec

2019 – 2020 Executive

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Newsletter:	Irene Rushworth

Non-Executive Positions

BOM:	Mary Dodd Marian Baidacoff
Hearts & Hugs:	June Ball
50/50 Draw:	Jane Symmes
Photographer:	Anne Balanyk
Snacks:	Joy Schmidt Maryann Ellwood
Facebook:	Marg Newey
Postcard:	Sue Luque
Exchange:	
Sew & Chat:	TBA
Retreat:	TBA

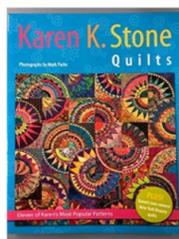
President's Message – Sue (on behalf of Teresa)

Hi Everyone,

Teresa Jarvis, our President, is in the Oakville Hospital. She has been there for some time now and is dealing with server medical issues. As a true quilter she is still managing to hand sew a few hexes' when she feels up to it. As she is dealing with her health I will take on the role as Acting President. We send her good thoughts and our best wishes. I want to thank Nancy Perrault our Secretary for chairing the last two Guild meetings for Teresa.



I have never been good at writing an inspiring or motivational President Message. Teresa is much better at it, but I will do my best. I was in Florida for Dec, Jan & Feb and spent a lot of time reading.



I took one quilt project with me and it is the Cinco de Mayo pattern by Karen K. Stone. The pattern just caught my eye and I thought I would give it a try. It is an extreme "New York Beauty" type block and I am doing it using the "Paperless Paper Piecing" technique that Ruth Kennedy taught us at a HHQG workshop in Nov 2015. It is all in bright solids.

I need 36 (12" blocks) for this pattern and I have 16 done so far. I am finding it very challenging and slow going but looking forward to the final results. I hope you also try a challenging pattern at least once to expand you quilting experience. You may be surprised at what you are capable of!

The Executive Committee has expressed some concerns about the Coronavirus (COVID-19) and have decided that we should cancel our March 23rd Guild meeting.

Let's hope we can meet at the April 27th meeting.
Sue

Program - Irene Rushworth & Judy Ferguson

This month, we have Céleste Compion from Meerkat Trading for a trunk show called:
"The Bolt and the Beautiful: The Shweshwe Saga"

Here is a sneak peak about Céleste:

"Born and raised in Cape Town, South Africa, I come from a family of sewing and knitting enthusiasts. I started learning needlecrafts from the age of 5 and was introduced to quilting in 1985, when I joined a small weekly quilting group and by 1999 I started a quilting group of my own. I taught quilting and patchwork in my home and in a sewing store in Cape Town.



In 2001, we moved to Canada. Since our arrival, we have lived in beautiful Elora, on the edge of Mennonite country, and my first Canadian friends were quilters from local guilds in our region. For several years, all needlecraft took a back seat to the demands of settling and making a new life as an immigrant, but now I am immersing myself in the world of textiles and creativity as never before.

Driven by my passion for the beautiful creativity of South Africa, I aim to teach more people about it, by importing and distributing Shweshwe to North America. Shweshwe, often called the tartan of South Africa, is a heritage fabric with a fascinating story. My presentation, "The Bolt and the Beautiful: The Shweshwe Saga" is all about that story."

You can check out her website here: <https://meerkatshweshwe.com/>

Membership Draw Winners

Membership	Elaine Karton
	Dodie Ryan
Name Tag Draw	MaryAnn Elwood
Fat Quarter Draw	Vivian Derochers
50/50	Joyce Rawes
Library	Donna Thompson & Judy Mair



Things to Bring to Guild Meeting

Mar 23, 2020

- ❖ Coffee/Tea Cup
- ❖ Name Tag
- ❖ Money for Draws
- ❖ Fat Quarter for Draw
- ❖ Show and Share items
- ❖ Community Outreach items
- ❖ Return Guild Library Books
- ❖ Items for the Free Table
- ❖ Membership form & dues

Patience, understanding & fellowship.

On the subject of Coronavirus (COVID-19), while at the meetings we ask that you cough into your sleeves, wash/sanitize your hands often and always after blowing your nose. We won't be able to stop it from coming but maybe we can limit the effect.

Community Outreach Coordinator – Vivian Derochers



Community Outreach

In February, **five lap quilts** were delivered to the daycare program at the Allandale Nursing Home. These will be distributed to wheelchair patients. On March 5th, **six quilts** were presented to the Ian Anderson House in Oakville. This is a six bed hospice and our contribution was well received.

I know that many of you are busily producing **Quilts of Valour** blocks. I must apologize for the shortage of patterns at last month's meeting. I had some printer problems, but will have more copies this month.



Your continued generosity will be sewn into a quilt which will bring comfort to an injured Canadian veteran. Thank you!

National Quilting Day is observed on March 21, 2020. It celebrates quilts and those who make them, annually on the third Saturday in March. The National Quilting Association started National Quilting Day in 1991. Their members passed a resolution in Lincoln, Nebraska, on June 1991.

I hope you make some time on that day
to sew and create!



Treats – Joy Schmidt

Bring Treats for Mar 23

- ✓ Lorna Blanchette
- ✓ Susan Fitzgerald
- ✓ Anne Balanyk
- ✓ Kay Trower



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2019 - 2020 Block of the Month! Mary Dodd & Marian Baidacoff

We hope you are all enjoying this nature focused
"Wetlands Mystery Quilt" I think many will be
envious of our finished projects!



This month you will receive another
pieced block as well as an appliqué
fused block.

They are all fairly simple, hope
you are making them each
month.



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rotary cutters and blades,
interfacing and stabilizer,
too much to mention.



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in between meetings.
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messages to share ideas or ask
questions"

Margaret
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Workshops - Ida Jenkins & Sue Phillips

On March 7/20 Anne Balanyk taught a **QUILT-AS-YOU-GO** table runner!
We had a lot of fun and learned a new technique for quilting. Some people like this method when making a large quilt, where you cannot tell that it is assembled using a *quilt-as-you-go process*.



Thank you Anne for your patience and sharing your expertise, and thank you Ida for facilitating the day!

Ida is already working on our next workshop and it looks awesome!!!

See the 2nd Workshop Block on pg 11 !!!

If you get the opportunity to come to a workshop, you will certainly enjoy the camaraderie, needling (pun intended), and an opportunity to get to know your fellow guild members in new ways!

quilting4pleasure

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Day

Hearts & Hugs - June Ball

This month I have sent out three cards.

- Judy Makinson's husband passed away, and we sent our condolences.
- Pearl Sawden has unfortunately broken a rib and was unable to be with us at our meeting.
- Teresa Jarvis, our President, has several medical problems needing treatment in hospital.

I would like them to know they are in our thoughts at this time.

Please let me know if anyone needs a hug.



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Bucket List - Teresa Jarvis

Each month, Teresa will post a few tasks

"..designed to get our members to try new things, meet new quilting friends, and accomplish a lot of sewing"



Month #6!!!



Here is your list for this month....

30. Visit a new quilt shop (with your best quilting buddies).
31. Try English paper piecing.
32. Explore a quilt museum.
33. Safely wash and store your quilts. (Read our tips on how to wash and care for your quilts [here](#).)
34. Finish a Christmas project before December.
35. Splurge on a quilting tool you've been eyeing.

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Project Linus

Anne M. Smith, Project Linus Ladies Coordinator

I understand there have been questions regarding the destinations of the Linus quilts exhibited during HHQG's "Show and Share".

Project Linus is a registered charity which provides quilts and knitted/crocheted blankets to children who are seriously ill, traumatized or otherwise in need.



I have the privilege of heading up a group of 20 enthusiastic and generous quilters, knitters and crocheters, who donate their completed projects for Project Linus. (About half the members of this group are also HHQG members.)

We support the Kitchener-Waterloo Chapter. (There are no chapters in Halton Hills.)

The following is a list of the most recent recipients:

Grand River Hospital:

The Neonatal Unit receives our 24" or 25" square quilts/blankets. These cover the NICU cubicles containing the babies, and the quilts go home with the babies when they recover

The Paediatrics Unit receives small quilts/blankets for young children.

The Children's Mental Health Unit receives medium and large quilts/blankets.

Reception House:

This is a non-profit organization that receives government-assisted refugees, helping them with resettlement. Many have suffered from trauma and loss. Some of our knit/crochet projects are delivered here for the children of these families..

Please feel free to email or phone me, or talk to me at a guild meeting, if you have any questions !

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Membership – Marg Brown

There were 36 members in attendance at our February meeting.

The theme for the March Fat Quarter Draw will be:

"Outrageous Oranges"

tone on tone, solid, batik, print, etc.-

Criteria Checklist for Draw Entries:

Dimensions: 18 – 20" x 20"
Material: 100 % Cotton
Quality: bought in a quilt shop



TRIVIA!!!!



February... Myth or fact: **There is an International UFO day.... do you know when to celebrate it?**

Fact!!!! Apparently this is a real thing...but it's not what you think!!!

Space enthusiasts have a UFO day on July 2nd, "The stated goal of the July 2 celebration is to raise awareness of "the undoubted existence of UFOs" and to encourage governments to declassify their files on UFO sightings".



So, now that we've clarified that it has nothing to do with sewing  ...how do we bring this back to Quilting UFO's? Well, after we had our UFO discussion last month, we came up with lots of ideas to help each other to deal with them in a constructive fashion - without staring endlessly into space!!!!

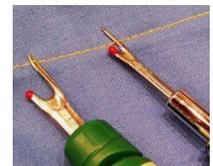
Here is a fun link I thought you would enjoy for more tips for:

UnFinished Objects: Tips For Taming Your UFO Pile :

<https://www.sewnews.com/blogs/sewing/2018/07/02/unfinished-objects-tips-for-taming-your-ufo-pile/>

MARCH... Myth or fact: In honor of our workshop this month....

There is a specific purpose for the red ball on a ripper....



Past President - Sue Luque

OK ladies we have several Executive Committee positions to be filled for June (or earlier if you want to shadow and learn the position ahead of time). The Guild needs you to step out of your comfort zone and take on one of these positions so we can keep this fun Guild going strong.

Executive Committee positions to be filled:

- **Vice President**
 - Assist and replace the President when necessary
 - Attend Executive meetings
 - Prepare to take on President role
- **Publicity**
 - Putting in notices in Milton & Georgetown and other papers
 - Act as a liaison between the Guild and the Community
 - Arranging occasional public awareness events.
- **Treasurer**
 - In charge of Guild funds, receive dues, deposit receipts and disburse monies as authorized by the Executive Committee
 - Report a Financial overview at each Executive mtg.
 - Maintain all records necessary for annual report and financial statements
- **Membership**
 - Keep up-to-date records of all members
 - Arrange for publication of membership list
 - Distribute membership cards and name tags
 - Arrange Fat Quarter and membership Draws
- **Librarian**
 - Be responsible for the acquisition of and maintenance of books and magazines owned by the Guild
 - Arrange library draw
 - Promote books in our library
- **Program** (2nd chair as Irene has agreed to continue in this role)
 - Contact and arrange for speakers, assist them where needed
 - Plan Round Robins, AGM activities, etc.
 - Help set up room/equipment for meetings



Newsletter Deadline

Apr 10, 2020

Thanks, Irene



Past President - Sue Luque

For **non-Executive** Committee positions we still need:

- **Sew & Chat Social Host**
 - Book venue
 - Unlock Venue, set up and close up
 - Send out emails
 - Send out notices in newsletter
- **HHQG Retreat**
 - Who would be willing to take on and organize the HHQG Retreat?
 - The HHQG Retreat has traditionally been held at the Crieff Hills Retreat and Conference Centre in Puslinch, however if you wanted to try somewhere new that would be up to you.
 - The Retreat would be open to the Guild members first and if any space available after a certain time would then be open to non-Guild member
- **Raffle Quilt Convener**
 - Decide on a pattern
 - Organize fabric source, either from members, new purchase or outreach
 - Organize sew days.
 - Obtain raffle permit from Town of HH (Sue L. has contact info)
 - Have tickets printed (Sue L. has contact info)
 - Distribute and track tickets
 - Book venues to sell tickets (Sue L. has contact info)

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Workshops Part 2!!! - Ida Jenkins & Sue Phillips

How many of you have jelly rolls laying around wondering what you should do with them?

Or

How many of you have 2 1/2" strips of odds and ends scraps that you want to use up?

WELL.....have I got the pattern for you!!

The pattern is suitable for beginners with **no points to match** and **no points will be cut off!!** The pattern looks complicated, but the technique is quite simple.



The name of the pattern is called "**Daybreak**".

We will be making a baby size for the workshop, but if you like it, the pattern provides instructions, for making sizes all the way up to king size.

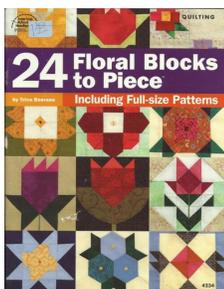
The cost will \$35, which will include the **Cozy Quilt Design Pattern**

Class to be taught by Ida Jenkins at the **Trinity United Church on May 23th.**

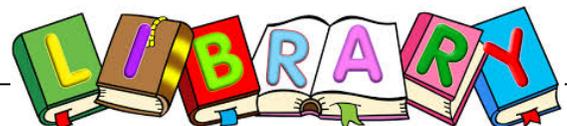
Funds for the Class are to be handed in by **no later than April 30th**, in order to allow sufficient time to order the pattern. (Cash, cheques or e-transfer accepted)

Library Report - Jane Symmes

Might we see some flowers in April?? We can only hope!



- B18-24 Floral Blocks to Piece: Trice Boerens
- F06 - Fast-Folded Flowers: Timesaving Techniques for a Quilted Bouquet: Laura Farson
- S31 - Flower Origami: Fabric Flowers from Simple Shapes: Kumiko Sudo
- W06 - Fantastic Fabric Folding: Innovative Quilting Projects: Rebecca Wat
- W23 - Portraits from Nature: 35 Studies for Dimensional Quilts: Jean Wells



COME JOIN US UPCOMING EVENTS...

- 2020 Etobicoke Quilters Guild
56 Neilson Drive, Etobicoke (Toronto)
March 27 - 28/20 10 am - 5 pm
- 2020 Piecemakers 2020 Quilt Show - Huron Perth Quilters' Guild & The Stonetown Quilters' Guild, www.huronperthquiltersguild.com • www.stonetownquilters.com
The Pyramid Centre, 317 James St. S, St. Marys, ON Cost: \$8.00
April 23-25, 2020 10 am - 4 pm
- 2020 CQA/ACC 2020 QUILTED POSTCARD CHALLENGE
THEME: Inspired by Nature!
All postcards received after May 1, 2020, are welcome, but no longer eligible for judging.
- 2020 The Mississauga Quilter's Guild Quilt Show
Mississauga Quilts, Mississauga Quilters Guild Burnhamthorpe Community Centre and Chic Murray Arena, 1500 Gullenden Drive, Mississauga
www.mississaugaquiltersguild.ca
May 8 & 9, 2020
- 2020 Chatham-Kent Quilters' Guild, Quilt show
"Stitches in Bloom"
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May 8 & 9, 2020



February 2020 UFO Challenge
- Photos by Anne Balanyk



February 2020 - UFO Challenge
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