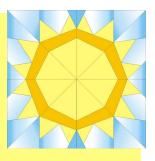


Summertime!



June 2020 Volume 40 Issue 6 Website: www.olathequiltersguild.com
Facebook page: www.facebook.com/olatheQuiltersGuild
Facebook group: www.facebook.com/groups/OQGuildGroup

Dear Quilters,

Mentioning COVID-19 evokes many emotions for me. I have been frustrated – that I haven't been able to go out without quite a bit of preplanning; scared – what if I get the virus; impatient – with family members. With this being said, I have also enjoyed my time at home. I feel confident that each of you have your own emotions to work through during this time.

Now that the government is in the process of reopening the economy, we are all working towards a new normal, which will look different for each of us. What may seem essential for one person may not be essential for another - it depends on our own perspective.

The Guild board members had our May meeting via Zoom. We have cancelled all June activities. We are considering an outdoor event in July – more details to come.

As we traverse the remainder of the year and make decisions for meetings and activities in future months, we will take it one month at a time. There will be many factors that we will need to look at when we make these decisions. Please be patient with us.

If it is possible, stay home.
If you venture out, stay safe.

And through this time ... quilt to your hearts' content.

Teresa Jones





Our monthly meetings and all events are CANCELLED or POSTPONED for the next month - more details will be announced as the board decides how to proceed given guidelines from the county and state.

We encourage all guild members to engage with others in any way you can... through Facebook or other online groups, texting, video chats, even a good old telephone call. Our community will help us through this crisis and maybe even build stronger bonds once we emerge on the other side of this quarantine.

Stay safe, strong, and keep quilting (or knitting, or crafting, or whatever you need to do to cope)!

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UPDATES ON UPCOMING EVENTS

K-STATE EXTENSION WORKSHOPS - T-SHIRT QUILTS with CINDY NICE

Tuesday, June 23 6pm-7pm - Zoom meeting Register online: <u>click here</u>

Our next workshop in conjunction with the Johnson County Extension Office is **T-Shirt Quilts** hosted by **Cindy Nice.** This virtual, informational class will demonstrate the process of turning t-shirts into a memory quilt including details such as number of t-shirts required, washing (no fabric softener), cutting shirts, stabilizing, cutting blocks, fabric choices, sashing (cornerstones), border and quilting. No need to have any supplies prepared in advance! The workshop is open to the public as well as our guild.

Denise Dias of the extension office will host the Zoom the meeting online, so she can control the audio (by muting everyone but the speaker) and monitor the chat window for any questions or to help with issues. Denise will record the session and the recording will be posted on the extension web site:

https://www.johnson.k-state.edu/home-family/clothing-and-textiles.html

(If there is a password for the recording, we will send that to the guild in an email.)

Thanks to **Cindy** for presenting the content of the workshop, and to **Mary Pacey** for working with Denise to present the workshops online!

JOHNSON COUNTY FAIR UPDATE

Hi Ladies.

As Supervisor of the Quilt Division for the JoCo Fair for the last few years and talking to several members who participate in the fair as helpers and guard/monitors, I have notified the Fair President Denise King, that we would NOT be participating in the 2020 fair as a group. If there is a display this year, and the Fair board does not cancel the fair, they will have to find a replacement for me and those of you who volunteered your time in the past.

Denise's response to my email to here on the notification is that we will be missed and hope to see us in 2021.

I believe this is the best decision due to the Covid-19 virus circulation. Hopefully we can look forward and see where we are next year. If there is a quilt display this year and you would like to show your quilt, please do. It's just going to be a little different.

Hopefully we can come back better and stronger next year if we decide to continue to participate.

Thank you all and please stay healthy and stay safe.

Karen Lacy

2020 BOARD AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS

2020 Olathe Quilters' Guild Board Members

President: Teresa Jones

Vice-President: Libby Corriston

Program: Mary Ellen Winter

Program Elect: Cheryl Newell

Secretary: Carol Crane

Treasurer: Mary Whitchurch

Ways and Means: Carolyn Chaffin

Ways and Means Elect: Rhonda Weibrecht

Historian: Beverly Berberich

Public Relations: Heather Buchwitz and

Sherri Critchfield

Membership: Cheryl Wilcox

Newsletter Editor: Jenny Boudreaux

2020 Olathe Quilters' Guild Committee Members

Charity: Sherri Irving, Heather Schaller

Block of the Month: Carolyn Chaffin

Welcome Table: Gretchen Ryan

Special Events: Kathy Koloziejczyk, Heather Schaller, Gretchen Ryan (co-chairs)

Outreach/Education: Mary Pacey

Challenge Project: Cheryl Lowrance

UPCOMING OQG BOARD ZOOM MEETING

The next meeting of the board is Tuesday, June 16th at 6:30pm. The board will discuss potential plans for some sort of get-together in July, along with other guild business. Any guild member is welcome to attend the board meetings to contribute input. If you wish to attend, please let Teresa Jones know and she will send you a link to the Zoom meeting.

2020 OQG CHALLENGE INFO & MEMBER SERVICES

2020 CHALLENGE DETAILS

Don't forget to work on your 2020 challenge project. Use the batiks you got earlier, and you can add up to 2 other fabrics. They do not have to be batiks. You will have until November meeting to take your fabrics to make anything you want. Purse, bag, quilt, wall hanging. Let your imagination go where it wants to go. Questions can be sent to Cheryl Lowrance at calowr@sunflower.com or 785-550-2460

GUILD MEMBERS' BUSINESS LISTINGS

Remember that we are now listing guild members who have quilting-related businesses here in the newsletter as well as on our guild web site. Check out the list online at https://www.olatheguiltersquild.com/business-links.

Cheryl Newell - **CAN Designs** - quilting & longarm services 4537 Reese Drive, Wellsville, KS 913-749-6668

MEMBER MARKETPLACE

From **Joellyn Randall**: I have a collection of Pendleton worsted wool I would like to **GIVE** away. Most pieces are 1-2 yardages all 60 inches wide. It has been kept in a sealed plastic box, is clean and no moths! Anyone who wants them can contact me at 913-424-9578 and come pick it up.

Email Jenny Boudreaux at OQGNews@gmail.com if you have items to list in the marketplace.



KCRQF UPDATE

The KCRQF lead committee has continued to work on the festival meeting online and over the phone with each other. No meeting with Guild Reps (Heather & Mary Ellen) have been held but we've received some email communications.

As you probably remember, we have been assigned the Merchandise Booth at the festival. This will include finding vendors & purchasing T-shirts & pins ahead of the festival. We are unsure of additional merchandise at this time.

Additionally, our job includes dealing with the mountain of merchandise left from the last festival. With the exception of the pins, NONE of it is dated! That's a good thing. The Festival Committee has asked us to come up with some ways to sell merchandise starting this fall through the guilds at a discounted price. Mary Ellen, with the help of the OQG Board, have come up with some ideas & will be working on plans over the next few months. We will have some great deals on the merchandise when we get ready to sell it – so if you are looking for easy stocking stuffers or other little gifts for quilting friends this fall, keep us in mind!

You may be asking – WHY can't we just wait for the Festival? – so we want to address that quickly. The Coronavirus has upset every retail and social gathering out there. The Festival was making fast strides to solidify sponsors and vendors before the pandemic but that has pretty much stopped as stores wait to see whether they will be in a position to participate next year (and unfortunately for some whether they will be in business). The festival did not maintain a seed cash fund carry over from the last festival as they had in prior years. With the number of committed vendors & sponsors to help cover initial down payments and low overall income, they passed all profits back to the guilds. Now they need some cash to cover costs for items that are ongoing (think websites, etc.) as well as future bills to continue securing event space. The merchandise is written off and valued at \$0 on the books so any sales we make are pure income for the festival right now.

Heather Buchwitz & Mary Ellen Winter

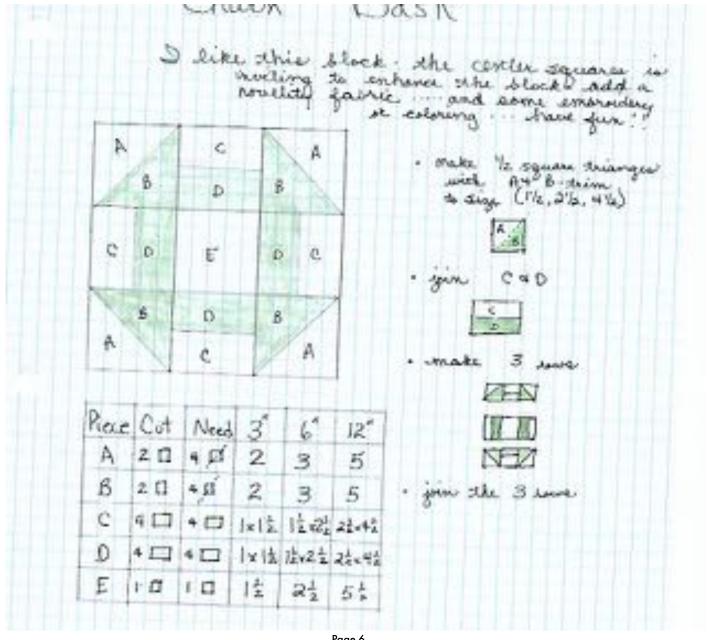


2020 BLOCK OF THE MONTH (BOM) - JUNE

I am so sorry about the errors last month. This month I have made each size block - they worked fine. Let me know though if you have any issues. In the future, if I find an error, I will post a correction on the Guild Facebook page.

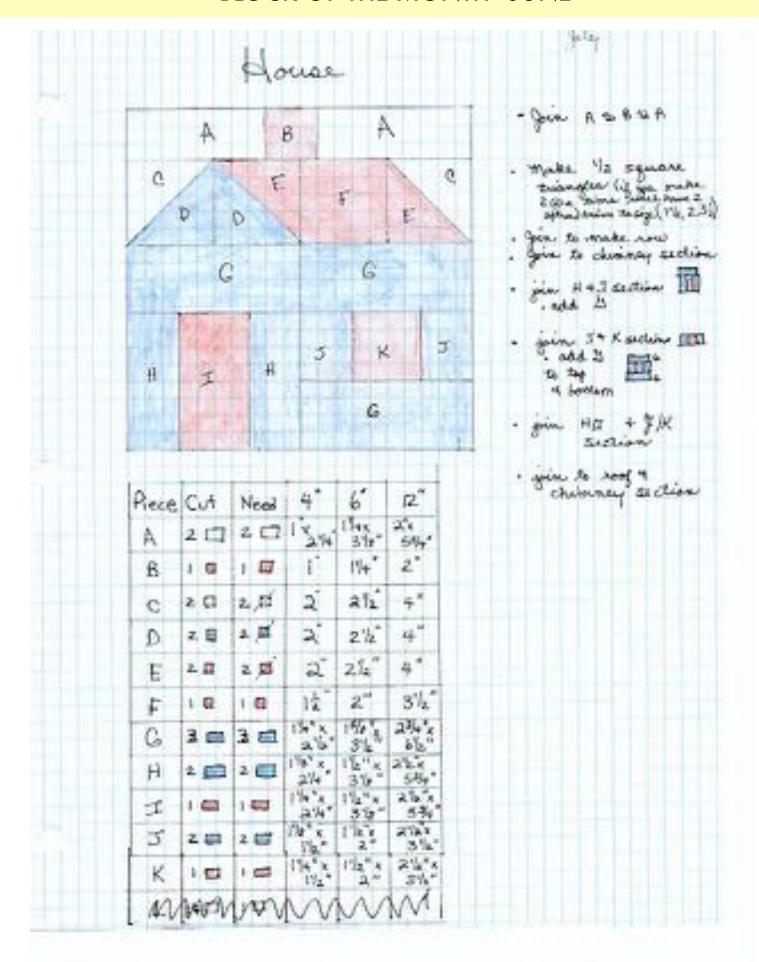
This month either block could be a block you choose to include in your finished product, a house block which often gets a - been there - done that. I enjoy adding some critters, curtains, etc to make my house come alive. If you're not a house person I've also included the traditional Churn Dash.

Be well, safe and enjoy the blocks. If you have any ideas how we can share our progress please let me know. I miss not seeing other people's progress. - Carolyn



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BLOCK OF THE MONTH - JUNE



TREASURER'S REPORT

Olathe Quilters Guild Treasurer's Report May 29, 2020

Operating Account Balance 4/30/20	6,434.79
Money Market Account Balance 3/31/20	<u>\$12,146.59</u>
	\$18,591.38
Receipts	
Membership Dues	\$60.00
Donation for Masks	\$45.00
	<u>\$105.00</u>
Total	\$105.00
Money Market interest earned in April	\$0.70
Expenses	
Olathe Christian Church	
Total	
Operating Account Balance 5/29/2020	\$6,539.79
Money Market Account Balance 4/30/2020	\$12,147.29
Combined Balance 5/29/2020	<u>\$18,687.08</u>

2020 PROGRAM SCHEDULE - MEMBERSHIP INFO

Our June meeting is cancelled. All other sessions are TBD at this time.

- July 14 Guild ?Picnic? details to come.
- August 11 Dawn Heese "The French Connection" lecture
- September 8 Toni Steele "Concept to Quilt Let the Fabric do the Work for You" lecture
- October 13 TBD
- November 10 Diane Harris "Jingle Bell" trunk show. Workshop "Old-Fashioned Pine Burr" in conjunction with Quilt Guild of Greater Kansas City. Fee and number of spots TBD.
- December 8 TBD



As a reminder, you can find up-to-date information on our <u>guild web site</u>, thanks to our web site editors **Sherri Critchfield** and **Heather Buchwitz**.

Our <u>guild Facebook group</u> is very active thanks to many members - you can share your questions, ideas, and pictures of whatever you're working on!

If Facebook isn't for you, contact <u>Sherri C</u> or <u>Heather B</u> if you have content to post on the guild web site, such as links to favorite web sites, information on your quilting-related business, or ideas for other types of information.

Due to concerns about online security and malicious web sites, we are not sending emails with links to web sites, such as online quilt shows. We will list certain links in the newsletters and on the guild web site (such as the online extension workshop).

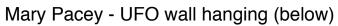
You can share links in in Facebook on the guild group page if you wish.

SHOW AND TELL





Joellyn Randall - 2 quilts (above)



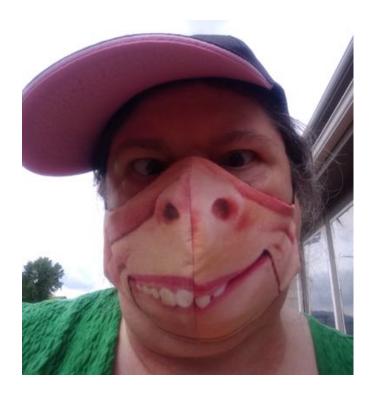


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SHOW AND TELL



Lynda Ochs (2 quilts)





I asked our board members to share a picture of them in a face mask, as we all learn to make that our new normal...even an "ugly" mask. **Sherri Critchfield** bravely sent the photo at left - she wins, hands down! Thanks Sherri for being such a trooper! Send me your mask photos - you can find Teresa Jones' and mine in this issue.

Thanks, Jenny Boudreaux

From Sherri C:"I think I successfully made an ugly mask. This started out as a picture of Bubba J, a Jeff Dunham puppet. I warped it to fit the shape of the mask pattern, then printed it on fabric. I'm having doubts that I would ever have the nerve to wear it in public.

SHOW AND TELL



Janis Raspberry

Please send your show and tell photos...or your Block of the Month progress...or your face masks...whatever you want to share with the guild! Either send to me to include in the newsletter, or post in our Facebook group. We all want to stay in touch and see what people are working on, so please share!

Thanks, Jenny Boudreaux

