



Pieceful Times

Newsletter of The Gathering of Quilters Guild

The purposes of the Gathering of Quilters Guild are to promote the development and art of quilting and to educate interested persons in all aspects of quilting.

Edited by Hattie Kate Howell

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<https://gatheringofquilters.wixsite.com/gatheringofquilters>

Note from President Rhonda Kistner

Are we having a meeting in May? Will we still hold the quilting challenge for Project Linus? What about the voting for the board members? As of today, May 12, 2020, keep up social distancing orders are still in place with some places opening up for modified business. The church where we meet is still closed. I would have loved to meet and wind up the loose ends for the year. However, the **May meeting will be canceled and our next meeting will be in September** (fingers crossed). How will all of that work?

The quilt challenge - The **batting** supplied by the grant is still available for Project Linus quilts. Keep in mind that Project Linus is ongoing with no end, and batting for Project Linus quilts will remain available until the end of the roll is used. Please contact Beth Rohrbacher if you would like to see if batting is still available. Project Linus will appreciate the quilts whenever they receive them.

We will vote for the challenge at the September meeting. If any members would like to have their quilt in the challenge, but feel that they should not be at the meeting or are uncomfortable coming to the meeting, please contact a friend or one of the following people to transport your quilt to the meeting:

Diana Trost - 419-740-2599 - Maumee territory

Rhonda Kistner - 419-944-0059 - Whitehouse territory

Voting for board members - This was to take place at the May meeting. A slate of candidates has been secured by the nominating committee. Since incoming board members will need some time to get into positions, the **voting will take place via technology**. Members will be receiving the slate of candidates through email, and by telephone for those without email. Members will have a week to vote yes or no to accept the candidates. Hattie Kate will be counting the votes. The president and secretary positions are the only two that need memberships votes. The other positions are committees that do not need to be voted in.

A HUGE thank you to those who stepped up to fill positions. With the unusual circumstances we are going through, as well as, life events, it is appreciated by many of us that members are willing to continue our wonderful group. Current board members will need to meet with the incoming board members to exchange information. This will not happen as a whole board to keep spacing and limit numbers of people in close contact. A board meeting is being planned to happen in August.

Thankfully, Vicki Karnes has done a wonderful job of securing speakers for the 2020-2021 year. There is a speaker planned for the September meeting. The Project Linus challenge voting and a speaker will be a full night for a first meeting. The church has approved the Gathering of Quilter's request to return for the 2020-2021 year.

So keep quilting for the challenge, and make a few more masks for friends, health care workers, and yourself. It has been to have a mask style show at the next meeting, so you may wish to make one as a masterpiece. Thank you to those who have made masks. Your help has made many people a lot less stressed.

Thank you for having me as your president for the past two years. It has been a pleasure to take credit for all of the hard work the board members completed. Help has only been a breath away, each time when something needed done. Committee chairs have solved problems, sometimes even before I knew we ever had a problem to solve. Your help has made the guild a pleasure to work with.

Thank you,
Rhonda Kistner

Gathering of Quilters Minutes

February 20, 2020

President Rhonda Kistner called the meeting to order at 8:16 following a presentation on New Trends in Modern Sewing from Collette Henry and Connie Buick from Lake Erie Mercantile.

Secretary Report- Vicki Karnes moved to accept the secretary report as written, Margie Stone seconded. Approved.

Treasurer Report- Sue Todt reported that the audit has been completed by a CPA and everything is fine. We have a current balance of \$8,294.52. Hattie Kate Howell moved to accept the report, Kathy Deanda seconded. Approved.

Nominating Committee- Kathy Kanitz has put forth the following slate of nominees. If you want to add to this list, please contact Kathy. We are in need of someone to do Publicity and Membership.

President- Vicki Karnes

Vice President- Kathy Deanda

Secretary- Margie Stone

Treasurer- Susie Todt

Programs- Debbie Linenkugel and Dale Burnett

Membership- (Beth Rohrbacher has offered to help with badges and Membership Cards)

Website- Beth Rohrbacher

Publicity-

Program Book- Diana Lindhorst

Historian - Vicki Jones

Newsletter- Hattie Kate Howell

Challenge- Kathy Stein

Door Prize- Sheila Painter

Charitable Contributions- Sheila Painter asks that you tell her, phone or email, your charity donation info.

Annual Retreat- Kathy Kanitz and Mary Ann Kolaz

Sunshine Girl- Carmen El Amin

50/50- Beth Lenix

Fat Quarter- Danielle Kistner

Retreat- Kathy Kanitz reported that the retreat will be held April 1-5 at the Millersburg Hotel. 2 mystery people will be attending.

Door Prize- Elaine Wyatt won Quilt Lovely by Jan Kingwell which was donated by the speakers. Danielle Kistner won the guild door prize.

Membership- Beth Rohrbacher reported that we have two new members and that there were 6 visitors to the meeting.

Batting is being given out for Project Linus quilts. We were able to purchase 3 rolls of batting with our grant. They are cut at 55 x 60. If you need other sizes, contact Beth Rohrbacher with the size you need. The batting is 100% cotton with no scrim and can be quilted up to 8". March 28, 2020 from 10-4 will be a workday for Linus at All Saints Lutheran on Heatherdowns. Pizza will be ordered for lunch. The Challenge quilts will be due at the May meeting. Please make at least one Linus Quilt by September.

50/50- Beth Lennix won \$59.

Fat Quarter- won by Colleen Florkowski. March drawing will be birds and April sewing related fabrics.

Program- Vicki Karnes reported that Penny Haren will be presenting on Creative Grids rulers. She is very knowledgeable and a wonderful speaker.

Beth Rohrbacher reported that the day retreat in January raised \$75 for the guild.

Carmen El Amin moved to adjourn the meeting, Colleen Florkowski seconded. Meeting adjourned at 8:46.

Dale Burnett, secretary

Since The February Meeting:

Approach the church from McCord, to turn right into the drive. When it is dark out, it may be hard to find the drive from a left turn. (Ask Hattie Kate about the hazard of left turns!)

Ongoing: Dog beds. If you have fabric unsuitable for quilting, perhaps too heavy, use it to make dog bags to bring in or fill bags with it. Washable scrap fabric or batting is good stuffing. Pieces or strips rather than big chunks are more comfortable for the dogs (or cats) who have just had surgery. Do not overfill them before sewing up the opening.

Plan Ahead

The 44th Annual Quilt Show has been rescheduled to July 15-19

Check their website for more info www.saudervillage.org
Their challenge for 2020 is a wall hanging honoring flapper women who represented independence in a changing world.



Guild Challenge A Quilt for Project Linus

Make a colorful quilt for a child: newborn - 18 years. Size, Width: 40-50", Length: 40"-60". Make lots and enter your best. I have several finished, but want to try some more patterns, just for fun, and to use up fabric. These quilts will be given, through Project Linus, to patients in the local children's hospitals and to new foster children. If you have been making Linus quilts that you do not want to include in the challenge, contact Billie to turn them in. I just turned in 10 but have others I am saving for the Sauder show and Guild challenge.

Thanks For Covid-19 Face Masks

In a message From Patty Bersinger,, Admn. Assistant
Holland Free Methodist Church

Beth Burton works for Head Start, and she put the word out that masks were needed for families getting help through the Catholic Club.

Beth reported this week:

"My gang at the Catholic Club want to give a great big THANKS to the quilters who have supplied so many of our families with masks! The families need masks to enter our building. Although we are not in session, our families come to get diapers, wipes, and, in some cases. even formula. They have been so grateful to be able to come in and get their needed supplies!

"Thanks for allowing me to show the families I work with as well as the other teachers and staff that the body of Christ is ready, willing, and He enables us to step in when there is a need! Thanks for blessing others!!"

**Gathering of Quilters' Guild
2020-2021 Leadership**

To be elected:

President Vicki Karnes

Secretary Diana Trost

To vote on Pres. & Sec'y, email Hattie Kate
Howell <hkrhowell@sbcglobal.net> Yes or no.
by May 25

Appointed or volunteered

Vice President Kathy Deanda

Treasurer Susie Todt

Programs Dale Burnett and Debbie
Linenkugel

Website Beth Rohrbacher

Program Book Chris Geise

Publicity Chris Geise

Newsletter Hattie Kate Howell

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Kolaz

Charity Reports Sheila Painter

Membership STILL NEED VOLUNTEER FOR
THIS POSITION !!!



Fat Quarter Themes for 2020-2021

September - none - We will be bust getting things ready for the Project Linus voting, enjoying the speaker, and meeting the new board.

October - Batiks

November - A Calendar of Holidays, can be any holiday: 4th of July, New Year's, Thanksgiving, Arbor Day,

January - Brights

February - Black and White

March - Nature

April - Sewing Theme

May - None - Wrapping up the end of the year with the challenge.

New Dates for 44th Annual Sauder Village Quilt Show

In accordance with the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and the state of Ohio's mandates by Governor DeWine to slow the spread of the virus, the Sauder Village Quilt Show planned for April 29–May 3 is rescheduled for July 15–19. We are all in this together and our primary goal is everyone's health & safety. Thank you for your continued support of Sauder Village. We are deeply grateful.

Wednesday, July 15–Sunday, July 19, 2020

Wednesday – Saturday 10:00 am–5:00 pm

Sunday 11:00 am–4:00 pm

Location: Founder's Hall

Celebrate the rich tradition of quilting at northwest Ohio's premiere quilting event! With hundreds of quilts on display, this annual Quilt Show is always a kaleidoscope of color and creativity! Quilts will be on full-length display in categories ranging from pieced, appliqué and mixed media to art, masters, baby, miniatures and youth. Throughout the week guests will have an opportunity to meet and learn from special guest artists. There will be workshops by guest artist Lisa Bongean, special music, demonstrations and great shopping!

Visit www.saudervillage.org/quiltshow for more details!

2020 Quilt Show

Sauder Village Schoolhouse – CANCELLED for 2020

Lecture with Lisa Bongean. Wednesday: Recreating the Past

Workshops with Lisa Bongean:

Wednesday Old Glory Table mat

Thursday: Santa in the Pines Table Runner

Winners Showcase Preview: Tuesday, July 14 5:00–6:00 p.m.

Special Exhibits:

Old Glory Quilt Exhibit. Curated by Mary Kerr

Teacher's Showcase

Fusion Challenge. By: It's Not Your Mama's Quilting Guild

Artistic Diversity Challenge. By: Knot Even Quilters

Quilt Appraisals with Donna Kooistra

Shopping at Threads of Tradition Quilt Shop all week!



Covid-19 & Quilters

Because we have a hobby or obsession we can do at home alone, we have been blessed during this quarantine. We always have something to do, and maybe some have even organized their stash. Fighting cabin fever is so much easier for us with fabric (and books). Be glad to stay home and well! But we surely miss retreats, programs and meetings!