



Bring On Spring!



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Dear Quilters,

Spring cleaning.

How did the term come about? There are lots of ideas about this. The one I like the most is that before central heating, people had to keep their houses shut tight against winter. They used coal, oil or wood to heat their homes. This led to a lot of dust, dirt and soot to deal with after a long winter. A warm spring day gave the homeowners an opportunity to open up their house and give it a good cleaning.

For me spring cleaning is a thorough cleaning of my quilting room, where I open up the windows and let the fresh air circulate (I love the smell of spring in the air). I dust those hard to reach spots, vacuum all the nooks and crannies and straighten and organize my fabrics – a general deep cleaning of the room.

What does spring cleaning mean to you?

Happy quilting (and cleaning),

Teresa Jones

“Anyone who works on a quilt, who devotes her time, energy, creativity, and passion to that art, learns to value the work of her hands. And as any quilter will tell you, a quilter’s quilting friends are some of the dearest, most generous, and most supportive people she knows.”

Jennifer Chiaverini



The Olathe Quilter's Guild meets on the second Tuesday of each month beginning at 6:30pm.

Meetings are held at Olathe Christian Church 1115 S. Ridgeview Road Olathe, KS

Join in dinner and fellowship before each meeting at Panera at 20120 W 153rd St. (near Home Depot at 153rd and 7 Hwy/169 Hwy).

We meet starting at 4:30 - you can join in at any time as you get off of work or out of the house.

REMINDER: If the Olathe School District calls off school due to weather, we will not have our guild meeting.

FEBRUARY PRESENTATION

February's presentation was by Karen Hill, the "Dresden Queen" who spoke on "Degrees of Dresden!" Karen revealed how a small jar with some fabric and a mini ruler got her started on her journey to becoming a Dresden addict. She teaches regularly at The Quilted Sunflower quilt shop in Spring Hill, KS. Find her on the web at GrannyKquilts.com! Here are some of her amazing quilts that she displayed during her presentation.



STUFF & SERVICES - & A CHALLENGE!

NEW FOR 2020 - MEMBER MARKETPLACE!

Everything old is new again! Our guild is resurrecting a “member marketplace” where people can list items for sale in the newsletter. Here’s an opportunity to clear your sewing room of those gently used items that you know you won’t use, but you know that someone else would love to have them. NOTE: This service is for the convenience of our guild members only. Email your items to Jenny Boudreaux at olatheqgnews@gmail.com.

NEW FOR 2020 - 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.olathequiltersguild.com/business-links>.

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

2020 CHALLENGE DETAILS

Please bring to March meeting 1 1/2 yards of your favorite batik fabric and a pair of small scissors or snips. We will divide it up at the meeting. For the challenge 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

KCRQF (Kansas City Regional Quilt Festival) Update

Please be sure to review the 2 attachments about the 2021 KCRQF (in the same email as this newsletter). Mary Ellen Winter and Heather Buchwitz are our guild representatives for the festival. You should have received an email from them (through Jenny Boudreaux) to get feedback from our members. They also posted information on the guild Facebook page. Please contact them if you have questions or want to give them any feedback.

2020 BOARD AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS

2020 Olathe Quilters' Guild Board Members

President: Teresa Jones

Ways and Means: Carolyn Chaffin

Vice-President: Libby Corrison

Ways and Means Elect: Rhonda Weibrecht

Program: Mary Ellen Winter

Historian: Beverly Berberich

Program Elect: Cheryl Newell

Public Relations: Heather Buchwitz and
Sherri Critchfield

Secretary: Carol Crane

Membership: Cheryl Wilcox

Treasurer: Mary Whitchurch

Newsletter Editor: Jenny Boudreaux

2020 Olathe Quilters' Guild Committee Members

Charity: Sherri Irving

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

Block of the Month: Carolyn Chaffin

Outreach/Education: Mary Pacey

Welcome Table: Gretchen Ryan

Challenge Project: Cheryl Lowrance

CHARITY COMMITTEE NEWS

The Charity Committee has some new plans! All members are invited to come on the third Thursday evening, from 6:00 to 9:00-ish pm. You may come and go when it is convenient. This time that will be March 19th, 2020 and will be at the home of Heather Schaller, 617 N Stevenson St, Olathe. It's not far from Olathe North High School. If we get good response from our many enthusiastic charity quilters, we will do this every month. We have a huge amount of donated fabric that needs to be cut and prepared to be made into quilts, and our charities would love to have them. Bring a pattern if you wish so you know how much fabric you need, or we will have some patterns, too. Cut enough fabric to make the quilt you have in mind. We will package it up as a kit and take it to the next OQG meeting for anyone to take home and make it. That's why we will call these "Kittin' Days!" Or you can take it home, sew it together, and bring back the top, unless you want to finish it yourself. Then we will have tops for someone else to make into a finished quilt. We already have some tops which will be available at this meeting to be made into quilts. This is going to be a fun party – just like shopping - and we might even have refreshments!

COMMITTEE INFORMATION

Our guild partners with the K-State Extension office in Olathe to put on **workshops** that teach different techniques or simple projects in a small, informal setting. Members of the public are welcome to attend. Registration is required for the workshops (<https://www.johnson.k-state.edu/classes-events/index.html>). Please see Mary Pacey with any questions or for more information.

March 24 - Colored Pencil Quilts - Janie Benander

April 28 - Disappearing 9 Path Block - Carolyn Chaffin

June 23 - T-Shirt Quilts - Cindy Nice

August 25 - Drunkard's Path Block - Mary Pacey

September 22 - 3D Jelly Roll Pillow - Cindy Nice

October 27 - Painting on Quilt Blocks - Janie Benander

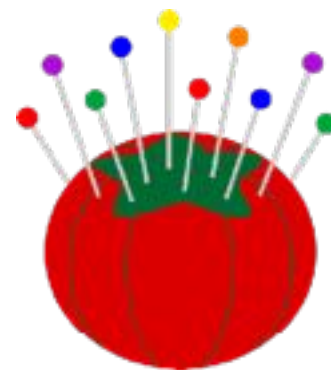
WAYS AND MEANS

March Garage sale: Cutting tools, scissors, rotary cutters, cutting mats, thread cutters. We have leftovers from past months and a few new magazines.

In **April** - we'll have patterns - new ones you loved when you purchased, but will never do or ones you've sewn and won't sew again. I have received some BOM patterns we'll sell as bundle versus separate. Some new - some timeless!!

May will be kits and UFO's. Please be kind and include patterns if it's a kit or UFO and try to have it complete or let purchaser know what's missing. June will be books and magazines. Thank-you everyone for your donations and for purchasing.

I'll have the schedule bookmarks at the table as well. Thanks everyone for your donations and for buying items. Bring some extra \$\$ to spend - Shopping begins at 6pm and closes at the end of the meeting break.



Carolyn Chaffin

2020 BLOCK OF THE MONTH (BOM) - MARCH

This month I'm so ready for spring so a flower is one of the blocks. I have attached a pieced flower block, but feel free to appliqué one of your favorites. We have now completed 3 months of blocks, so **bring one of each month's blocks, attached to piece of fabric to the March meeting.** We'll share with the guild members and I'll draw a name for a prize.

Carolyn Chaffin

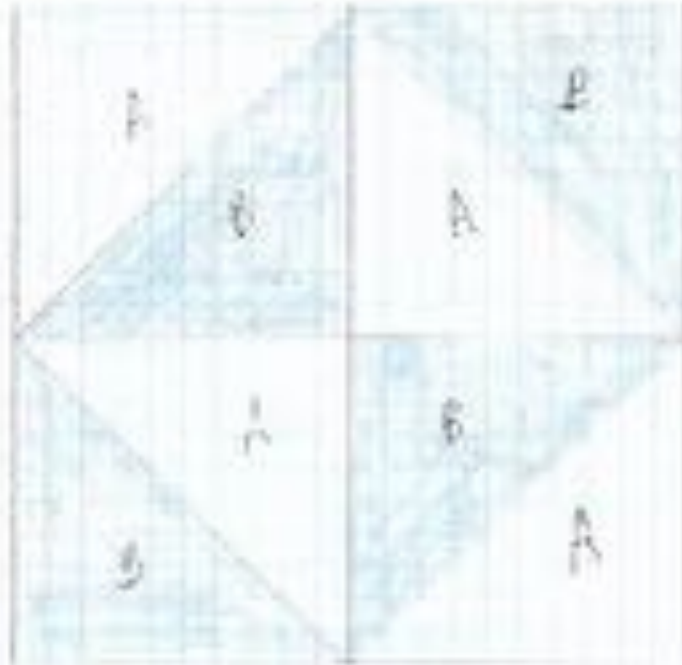
Flower

Block	Cut	Wid	Ht	Sq	Total
A	1/2" x 1/2"	1/2"	1/2"	1/4"	1/16"
B	1/2" x 1/2"	1/2"	1/2"	1/4"	1/16"
C	1/2" x 1/2"	1/2"	1/2"	1/4"	1/16"
D	1/2" x 1/2"	1/2"	1/2"	1/4"	1/16"
E	1/2" x 1/2"	1/2"	1/2"	1/4"	1/16"
F	1/2" x 1/2"	1/2"	1/2"	1/4"	1/16"
G	1/2" x 1/2"	1/2"	1/2"	1/4"	1/16"
H	1/2" x 1/2"	1/2"	1/2"	1/4"	1/16"

- Sew 4x5 (2x) and 4x4 (2x)
- Sew 1/2" to square pieces as w/1/2" (2x) x (2x)
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BLOCK OF THE MONTH - MARCH

Broken Dishes



Pat	Cut	Unit	1"	6"	12"
A		$\frac{1}{2}$	3	9	7
B		$\frac{1}{2}$	3	4	7

Make $\frac{1}{2}$ square triangles



cut to size
2 1/2 / 3 1/2 / 4 1/2

Spin 90 into 4 patch



MINUTES AND REPORTS

Olathe Quilters Guild
General Meeting Minutes
February 11, 2020

Note: Due to Secretary Carol Crane's absence, meeting minutes were taken by member Susan Gandy.

President Teresa Jones opened the February meeting at 6:32 p.m. She welcomed our guests Helen Klein, Anne Brooks, Brenda Hoyer and Linda Sole as well as Karen Genis who also joined. Teresa recognized each member who had a birthday this month. She acknowledged our Spotlight Member of the month, Gretchen Schafer.

Program Chair Mary Ellen Winter introduced our speaker, Karen Hill, who gave an interesting presentation on the Dresden Plate "block" and its many variations and uses.

Teresa Jones then announced a 20-minute break by encouraging members to check out the Ways & Means Garage Sale as well as merchandise offered by our speaker.

The business meeting commenced after the break.

Teresa asked for any corrections to the January meeting minutes. Mary Pacey noted a clarification to the Extension Service February String Piecing Class description. There were no other corrections. Rhonda Weibrecht made a motion to accept the corrected minutes and Mary Pacey seconded the motion. The motion was voted on and passed.

Teresa Jones then asked for discussion of the Treasurer's Report. Jesse Vandenberg asked why we were keeping such a large amount of funds in a Money Market Account (approximately \$12,000). A brief explanation was offered by Teresa and comments were made by other members. Teresa then invited Jesse and any other members who were interested to attend any Board Meeting to continue the discussion. The next meeting is Tuesday, February 18, 6:30 p.m. at the church. Janie Benander then motioned to accept the Treasurer's Report with a second made by Peggy Anderson. The motion was voted on and passed.

Teresa remarked that the Guild offered members the opportunity to sell items via the newsletter in the Member's Marketplace. If a member was interested, donation to the Guild of some of the proceeds of the sale was welcomed.

Sherri Critchfield is currently compiling a list of Guild long-armor members who have a business taking in quilting. It will be posted on the Guild website with links to the member's website or Facebook page.

Our next Extension Service workshop will be February 25 from 6-8 p.m. It is on rag quilts and will be taught by Libby Corrison and Linda Ochs.

MINUTES AND REPORTS (CONTINUED)

2021 Program Chair Cheryl Newell requested suggestions for next year's programs. The Twilight Stitchers Quilt Guild will be bringing their Opportunity Quilt to our March meeting.

The Blue Valley Quilt Guild has space in their April workshop featuring Sherri McConnell and her Classic Curves ruler. See our guild Facebook page for more information.

Heather Schaller announced she would be taking any Charity quilts or donations this evening.

Teresa Jones noted that a great organization, the Heartland Quilt Network, which includes the Kansas City region and surrounding states, has much to offer ... vendors, speakers, teachers and other resources. See Teresa for more information.

Newsletter Editor Jenny Boudreaux announced that quite a few members did not appear to have gotten their newsletters. She suggested that you check your Spam/Junk email folder. She sends the newsletter out the Monday of the week before the meeting. She will be sending out a test email sometime this week.

Challenge Quilt Chair, Cheryl Lowrance requested that those who will be participating bring 1 ½ yards of a batik fabric and snips/scissors to the March meeting. We will be tearing the yardage into strips and trading.

Volunteers are needed to assist with the Library Tea. See Cheryl Wilcox for information.

Teresa asked for a volunteer to become the Ways & Means Chair (Elect) for 2021. Rhonda Weibrecht stepped forward to take the position.

The Guild's next Board meeting is Tuesday, February 18 at 6:30 at the church.

The Welcome Table stated that we had 4 guests and that Beverly Berberich had won the Door Prize drawing.

The UFO group being organized by Pam Pearson will meet at 11:15 a.m. on March 7 at Panera. See her or the Guild Facebook page for more information.

Show and Tell participants were: Kenda Camp, Shelia Pierce, Mary Ellen Winter, Cheryl Newell, Heather Schaller, Pauline Sanders, Pam Pearson, Janie Benander, Jenny Boudreaux, Carolyn Chaffin, Janice Meloan, Dawn Green, Sue Fox and Lisa Hirsch.

There was no other business. The meeting adjourned at 8:26 p.m.

Submitted by Susan Gandy

TREASURER'S REPORT

Olathe Quilters Guild Treasurer's Report

February 22, 2020

Operating Account Balance 1/30/20	6,980.25
Money Market Account Balance 12/31/19	<u>\$12,144.48</u>
	\$19,124.73
Receipts	
Membership Dues	\$ 120.00
Ways and Means	\$69.00
Welcome Desk	<u>\$20.00</u>
Total	\$ 209.00
Money Market interest earned in January	\$0.72
Expenses	
Gretchen Ryan-Welcome Table	\$41.08
Olathe Christian Church - Monthly Rent	\$100.00
Karen Hill-February Speaker	\$250.00
Mary Ellen Winter -Dinner for January Speaker	\$ 13.34
Friends of Olathe Library-Library Tea Tickets	\$50.00
Carol Crane-Charity Quilt Backing	<u>\$104.74</u>
Total	\$ 559.16
Operating Account Balance 2/22/2020	\$6,630.09
Money Market Account Balance 1/31/2020	<u>\$12,145.20</u>
Combined Balance 2/22/2020	<u>\$18,775.29</u>

2020 PROGRAM SCHEDULE - MEMBERSHIP INFO

- **April 14** – Kelly Ashton – "Fussy and Fabulous: Let the Fabric Work for You" lecture
- **May 12** – Judy Vore – "Panelmania" lecture
- **June 9** – Jane Sassaman – "Under the Influence" lecture. Workshop "Simple Silhouettes" in conjunction with Quilt Guild of Greater Kansas City. Fee and number of spots TBD.
- **July 14** – Guild Picnic
- **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

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION & APOLOGIES!

I apologize for the issues with the emails and for listing current members as new who have been with the guild for a while. My email asking about new members went to the membership chair's spam folder, and I was accidentally using an older version of the membership list. Things happen! Be sure to check your spam folders if you aren't receiving emails from me! - Jenny Boudreaux

If you have not paid your 2020 membership dues yet, please do so by **April 1st** as that is the date that names will be purged from our membership list. We want to keep all quilt-friendly ladies in our guild. - Cheryl Wilcox

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

Peggy Anderson	3-11
Judy Eyer	3-11
Teresa Jones	3-16
Karen Lacy	3-17
Susan Gandy	3-27
Sally Kennedy	3-29



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Sheri Keller
Julie Wichtendahl
Karen Genis

2020 SCHEDULES



Hand Quilters

The Hand Quilting Stitch Group meets the third Thursday of each month at 6:30 pm. The next meeting will be February 20th.

The meeting is located at Olathe Christian Church. Enter the main entrance, go down the hallway to the right to Room 2. Everyone is welcome. Bring quilting or piecing to work on.

If you have questions, please contact Susan Gandy at 913-764-1250 or at ganfam@att.net.

OQG Board Meetings

2020 Board Meetings date and time have **changed**. Board meetings in 2020 will be held on the **third Tuesday** of each month beginning at **6:30pm** in Room 3 at the church. All guild members are welcome to attend the OQG Board Meetings. The next meeting will be Tuesday February 18th.

Olathe Christian Church - entrances from main parking lot:



East entrance - use for regular guild meetings



West (main) entrance - use for hand quilting group

SHOW AND TELL



Cheryl Newell



Shelia Pierce



Heather Schaller



Kenda Camp

SHOW AND TELL

Mary Ellen Winter (3 quilts)



Sue Fox



SHOW AND TELL



Jenny Boudreaux



Pauline Sanders



Pam Pearson

SHOW AND TELL



Lisa Hirsch



Dawn Green (2 quilts)

SHOW AND TELL



Janie Benander (3 quilts)



SHOW AND TELL



Janice Meloan (2 quilts)



Carolyn Chaffin

