



AS THE NEEDLE TURNS

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LOOKING FORWARD TO 2021

MYSTERY QUILT 2020

The first FOUR installments of this project are now available on the Members Only page on the Guild website.

It's not too late to join in the fun! It's been reported that the installments are easy and fast!



2020-2021 Officers

President:

Cathy Skelton

Vice President:

Dan Burke

Secretary:

Rosemary Nester

Treasurer:

John Putnam

Past President:

John Putnam

Here are updates on some members' progress. It's starting to look like something....



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Have you ever started a large, involved project and gotten about a quarter of the way into it and wondered if you would ever make it through to the end? And you keep plugging away at it, and then you realize you are more than half way through, and then, lo and behold, you are finishing up?! (Or is that just me?)

To me, 2020 has certainly felt like that large involved project. I have slogged through the quarantine, the changes in plans, the isolation, the weird shortages at the grocery store (who's eating all the hash brown patties?), and I have felt stuck all year at a quarter of the way through the project stage, but kept on wearing my mask, staying in touch with friends and family with the wonders of technology, making more progress in my gardens than any other year and finding more than enough to eat at the store.

Now with the corona vaccines becoming available, I suddenly feel like I have reached the halfway point. There is still lots to be done to return to any semblance of our previous lives, and the Guild being able to meet again, but it feels like it will happen now! (And, yes, I am going to get my doses as soon as I am eligible. I learned enough about vaccine technology in vet school to feel comfortable with what the scientists are saying about it to take it with no hesitation. I may arrange my schedule to have a down day that day and the next for any oh-yes-this-is-really-working effects, but it will be worth it to me.)

So, everyone hang in there, it sure looks like the light at the end of the tunnel is just that, and not an oncoming train. Keep quilting, wear your mask (don't slack off now, they really do help), wash your hands, stay distant (these holidays will be what the stories are made of in a few years...), and before we know it, we can have the most glorious show and tell in the history of the Guild.

Keep quilting, there is still time to make an entry for the Guild challenge!* And if you still haven't gotten John Putnam's President block done, you have time for that, too. And everyone always does so well on making the charity quilts, I hardly feel I need to encourage anyone to work on those. And take care of yourselves, I hope to see each and every one of you back at Guild when it is safe.

Cathy Skelton

**The Guild Challenge info can be found on Page 5. It's time to start President's Blocks for Cathy Skelton, whose term ends in just 4 short months. See instructions on Page 7.*

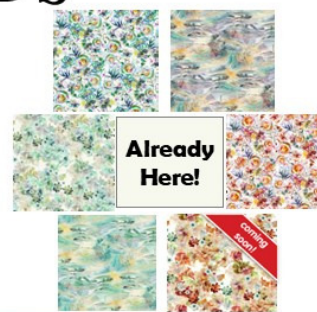


Jean Kaufmann is now taking items for the future garage sale and auction. Please make sure items are quilting/sewing/craft related only.



Come Sew With Us

We are excited to announce...
The 2020 Hoffman Challenge Collection fabric will be here starting November 1st!
(Our events page has a link to The Challenge rules.)



Gall News

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TREASURER'S REPORT

For period ending 11/2020

Current Cash Balance \$21,326.47
 Income Received for period 05/01/20 - 04/30/21: \$3,688.00
 Expenses 05/01/20 - 04/30/21 : \$3,488.92
 Net Income: : -\$58.56
 Payables: Quilt Show Reserve = \$11,445.79
 Payables for Meeting Expenses: \$640.89
 NET Available: \$9,239.79

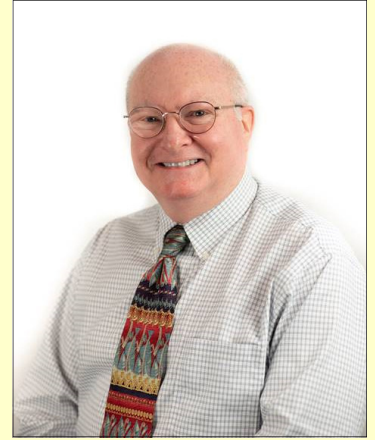


MEMBER PROFILES

Here's something new! Every month, let's put faces to names and get to know our fellow members a little better. It seems like when we do have meetings that the social hour isn't long enough to really interact. Feel free to nominate members for the next issue!

DAN BURKE

I have been a member since 2004, a past President, past Treasurer and currently Vice President. I am an avid paper piecer but also enjoy hand appliqué. I am a teacher and lecturer on foundation piecing. So anxious to get back to meetings! Nothing better than seeing and being with my quilting family!



Super Bowl Sale

Saturday February 6 in East Lansing from 10 am-4 pm

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- **Sewing Machine Feet and Needles** - 25% Off
- **Floriani Stabilizer, Quilters Select Rulers & Mats**- 25% Off
- Pfaff, Husqvarna Viking, Baby Lock Sewing, Bernina, Juki Machines & Cabinets** -- new and used, overstock, open boxes, old models, new models, lots of machines and cabinets up to 75% off manufacturer's suggested retail

New Year's Celebration

East Lansing & Jackson

Fri, January 1 – New Year's Day - 12pm to 4pm

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(2019) 2020 CHALLENGE QUILT
Fly Quilters, Fly!

This year's challenge features a well loved and traditional block, Flying Geese. The challenge quilts will be displayed and judged at the next in-person meeting.

There are no size requirements for this year's challenge, so here we go:

Your quilt must have at least one recognizable flying geese block in the quilt as well as at least 6 square inches of turquoise. The fabric can be a solid, batik or can read as a solid.

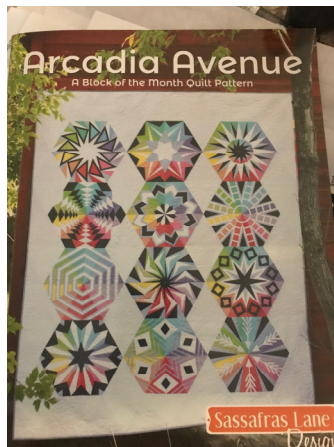
The 6 inch square can be cut into smaller pieces as you wish.

If you have any questions, feel free to get in touch with Chelane Priller at 517-525-0906 or chelane.priller@gmail.com.

Let your imagination run wild and fly!

ARCADIA AVENUE
BLOCK OF THE MONTH

Several members are doing *ARCADIA AVENUE* as a block of the month. It is a **paper pieced** pattern and we will get the patterns at a discount (around \$12). Each month we will make a block and then the next month we will do a show and tell, either in person or via Zoom (or both). If interested in joining the group, contact Jean Kaufmann. Zoom meeting is Jan. 7, but join even if you don't Zoom!



Ruby Freed shows one of her blocks in the BOM



Attention small groups! The Guild has Zoom available for you to use for your virtual meetings. You can be on for longer than the usual free 40-minute meeting. Call John Putnam at 517-505-3782 and he will set it up for you.

And here are some of Jan Asmann's blocks.





JANUARY

- Burke, Dan 1/9
- Meyers, Carol 1/9
- Asmann, Jan Lee 1/10
- Brandt, Danita 1/10
- Wells, Linda 1/13
- Six, June 1/14
- Weatherspoon, Lola 1/16
- Keesler, Janet 1/17



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FEBRUARY

- Brouwer, Rosanne 2/1
- Preston, Carol 2/1
- Booth, Kathy 2/7
- Garlock, Diedra 2/8
- Nash, Judy 2/8
- Obst, Barbara 2/8
- Babcock, Janet 2/14
- Ezell, Charlene 2/15
- Arnold, Donna 2/18
- Smith, Pat 2/18
- Martens, Deb 2/25



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PRESIDENT'S BLOCKS

Cathy has requested that these fabrics be used: Nature fabrics (plants, animals, geology, weather, astronomy, for examples) for the star, and medium to dark green for the background.

Instructions

Cut from background fabric:

4 - 4" squares

2 - 4 3/4" squares. Cut these squares twice diagonally to make 8 quarter square triangles.

Cut from star fabric:

1 - 4" square

2 - 4 3/4" squares. Cut these squares twice diagonally to make 8 quarter square triangles.

Assemble as an Ohio Star block, 11" unfinished, 10 1/2" finished. Please sign your block, bring it to the next guild meeting and leave it at the Vice President's table. We're working on finding a member to mail them to also.



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The Capitol City Quilt Guild usually meets the third Thursday of each month at 7pm (social time 6:30pm) at First Presbyterian Church, 510 W. Ottawa St., Lansing, MI. *Meetings are suspended for now.*

See us on the web!
CapitalCityQuiltGuild.org

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Newsletters are now being e-mailed to Guild members with an e-mail address. Those who prefer a paper copy should indicate this on their membership form and pick them up at the next meeting. Any newsletters not picked up will be mailed.

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Next newsletter deadline: February 1, 2021
