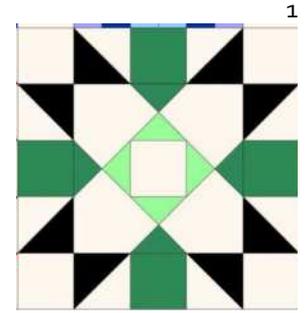


SCRAPS OF WISDOM

Waterloo County Quilters' Guild



President's Message: Good-bye Summer, Hello Fall!

Who could have imagined or predicted how much our daily lives would be altered as we moved through the months of 2020? While we have maintained our physical distancing, lived within our "social bubbles", made wearing masks on a daily basis the new norm, and learned how to use Zoom, we have remained resilient, optimistic and developed new ways of coping and enjoying life. We are now heading into the fall season, where we would generally see a return to the normal structures and routines of our lives. This year continues to be different.

For our guild, this means that our guild meetings and activities will continue to be offered virtually. While our first choice is obviously a return to in-person meetings and regular activities, the use of Zoom provides us with some unprecedented opportunities. We have learned how to go "virtual". We have two guild meetings in September to which we will welcome international speakers. How exciting that is! We have learned that virtual sewing workshops are possible and enjoyable, and we look forward to the on-line workshops that will be available in the months ahead. We have had successful virtual experiences where we can "Sew Together, But Apart".

These special sewing days will continue, and provide time for sewing together, welcoming additional guest speakers from near and far, enjoying social experiences, and sharing and learning together. We have moved into new uncharted territory for our guild, and hopefully we can all look ahead in these unusual times to some exciting quilt guild experiences in the months to come.

Thank you to the many guild members who have renewed their memberships for the year ahead and are taking a leap of faith with us as we continue to move to virtual events. A special welcome is extended to the new members who are coming to us locally and from some distance.

I would like to extend special recognition and appreciation to our Quilt Guild Executive for having the insight and courage to take on the many unique challenges we have experienced in the last seven months. Their willingness to learn new things (e.g. Zoom), look at issues differently and seek solutions have led our guild through a successful transition to our current reality.

I also want to truly recognize and celebrate the amazing contributions of our guild in the last seven months as so many of you have risen to the challenge of sewing masks, isolation gowns and scrub caps. The totals of each these continue to astound me! When we first began our tally, I could not have imagined that we would sew literally thousands and thousands of masks. And yet, as guild members began experiencing "sewing mask fatigue" – as each new request from the community was received, so many of you continued to rise to the challenge and sew more masks. This has truly been a wonderful, caring and generous outreach for which many of our community agencies have expressed considerable appreciation.

Our Annual Meeting, (postponed from June) will take place in early September. Committee reports and financial statements are being sent to all members in the weekly email updates.

Please review these documents prior to the Annual Meeting. More information is provided in the weekly emails.

Welcome to Fall 2020. I look forward to an exciting guild year ahead filled with new opportunities, new learning, continued guild social activities, new friendships and many quilting adventures. Stay well everyone. Happy quilting. - Inge Ford, President

The Waterloo County Quilters' Guild provides an opportunity for quilters to learn in a supportive, sharing, social environment. We encourage you to get the most out of your membership by becoming more deeply involved in the guild.

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All In-Person Guild Meetings including Mannheim Sewing Circle and Workshops have been cancelled until further notice

SEPTEMBER PROGRAM

Welcome to another exciting guild year! We have a terrific lineup of speakers and workshops this year!

The Program Committee is so excited to start the year off with **Mary Fons!** For those few who may not be familiar with Mary, she is a writer and public speaker who specializes in the history of American quilts and the life of quilts in popular culture. **Mary will join our rescheduled Annual General Meeting on September 9th** from London, England, where she will present 'The Mary Fons Trunk Show: Extreme Home Edition'.

Mary will share some of her own quilts as well as vintage quilts and inherited quilts. Mary is a self proclaimed quilt history junkie and will share the fascinating cultural context of the quilts in her trunk show. You won't want to miss Mary's educational and so entertaining presentation! For information about Mary, check out her website:

www.maryfons.com



For our first monthly guild meeting on September 16th, the Program Committee is happy to have **Lisa Walton** join us from Sydney, Australia! Lisa is a renowned fibre artist whose work has been recognized at international and Australian quilt shows. She is widely published and teaches in many countries globally. She was awarded the final Jewel Pearce Patterson Scholarship for Quilting Teachers by the International Quilt Association, Houston, Texas, USA.

Lisa's presentation, 'Leap and the Net Will Appear' will take you on her creative journey and you'll see how her work has developed over the years. To see Lisa's amazing work, go to her website: www.lisawaltonartist.com

Virtual Show and Tell for September

Please send pictures of your quilts, with a sentence or two about them to kathleenbissett@me.com by September 14th so they can be included in our virtual show and tell.



14,567 as of August 28th

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Contact Inge Ford and let her know how many masks you've made so we can celebrate our progress!

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If you know of a guild member who has become ill, please let our secretary, Doris Martin, know so she can send a get well card from all of us.

Internet Resources for Quilters

Prepared by Inge Ford

Welcome to Fall 2020. When I returned to sewing and quilting about eight years ago as a retirement activity and hobby, I found the internet to be such a wonderful source to explore new learning. How much the world of quilting and sewing had changed over the years. I continue to enjoy “internet surfing”. Here are some of my latest findings. Hope you enjoy them!

Sewing a Drawstring Travel Laundry Bag



Amy Smart, who hosts the blog, Diary of a Quilter, invited Amy Chappell of Ameroonie Designs as a special guest. Amy shares how to sew a drawstring travel laundry bag. The bag is fully lined and generously sized. It includes a loop to hang the bag from a hook. Great travel tool – even though most of us are not travelling right now, perhaps it’s a good time to plan ahead to make one of these. Here is the link: <https://www.diaryofaquilter.com/2020/08/travel-laundry-bag-tutorial.html>

Quilting Podcasts - When I’m sewing I often listen to podcasts or audio books. Quilting Arts has a great podcast. As art quilters, colour influences every corner of our lives. Quilters, especially, are fascinated by colour because it is one of the very basic components of our work. We all have our favorites and gravitate toward those hues intuitively.



Luana Rubin, a colour influencer from the quilting industry is featured in this podcast to discuss how trending colours are identified, named and predicted. Click the link to access this podcast. <https://www.quiltingdaily.com/color-confidential-quilting-arts-podcast-episode-5/>



From My Carolina Home is a new internet site and blog for me. Carole is from North Carolina and her blog covers a variety of subjects – lots of quilting and sewing, but also recipes, book reviews, hand stitching and much more. She has a list of fiction novels about quilting and she has provided reviews for many of them. It’s one of the best lists I’ve discovered. What brought me to her site was the quilting of a “Dahlia Quilt” for a special show – “Burlington Gardens”. I invite you to take a look to see the amazing quilting. Detail of the intricate quilting is featured. Click the link to see the quilt – and then take time to explore more of the many thing included on her site, <https://frommycarolinahome.com/dahlia-quilt-for-bullington-gardens/>

Spot on Dot I discovered a new tool. It’s a little magnifying lens that makes it easier to make accurate cuts in quilting. Simply place your “Spot on Dot” on your ruler at the point you’d like magnified, press down to activate the adhesive. If the adhesive loses its sticking power, simply wash with mild soap and water and allow to dry. Check out this tool on youtube; it has some interesting possibilities - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=laP-ZkbB3pk>



Membership Renewals

We have 210 members who have renewed, not only here in Waterloo Region, but from Nova Scotia to Manitoba to Edmonton!

If you haven't renewed yet, there is still time. Contact Madeline Hughes.

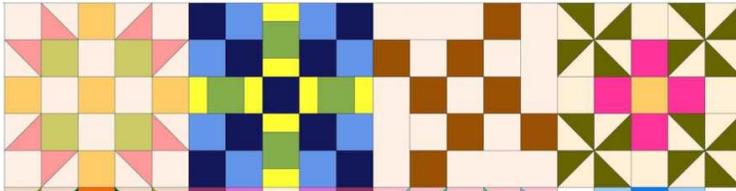


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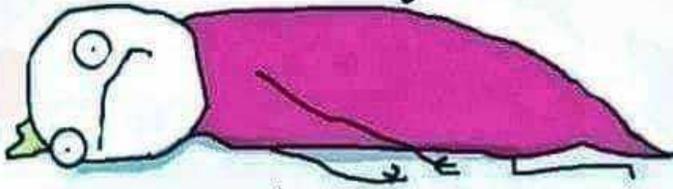
..... there are still a few days left for you to use your strips and get sewing !! Remember to take a picture of your finished project (s) (pillow, tote bag, small quilt, table runner, etc.) and email it to dwettges@gmail.com. You get a ballot for every item you make. I have received a number of entries so our virtual slideshow should be great.

Entries must be received by September 11th.

There will be 1 winner announced during our September 16th meeting for a \$50.00 prize. Best of luck !!



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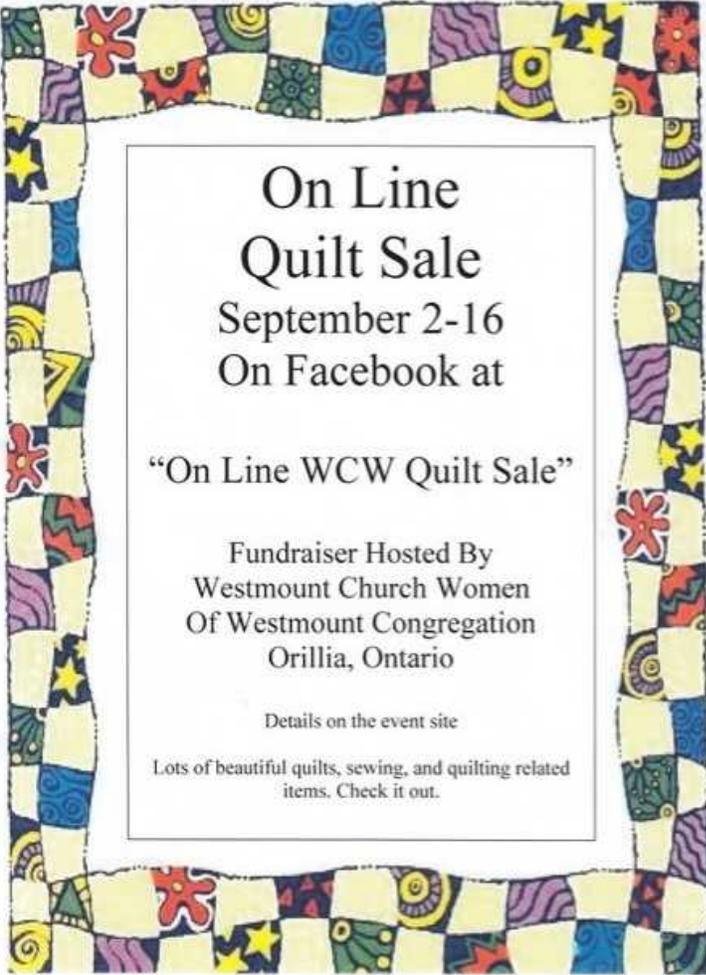
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PROGRAM COMMITTEE UPDATE

Every cloud has a silver lining, even during this unprecedented time. Although we miss our monthly in person meetings, the pandemic has brought new opportunities that would otherwise not be possible. Technology provides the means to have renowned quilters from across the globe host workshops in the comfort of our own homes. The Program Committee is reaching out to quilters in the UK, South Africa, USA and Canada to create an exciting line up of varied workshops that will appeal to our members. We'll keep you posted, so stay tuned!

- Your Program Committee



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Lots of beautiful quilts, sewing, and quilting related items. Check it out.

How to Hex: Table Runner Workshop with Janet Barker, Calgary AB August 14, 2020



Above: Jean Weller completed all 3 styles of table runner tops



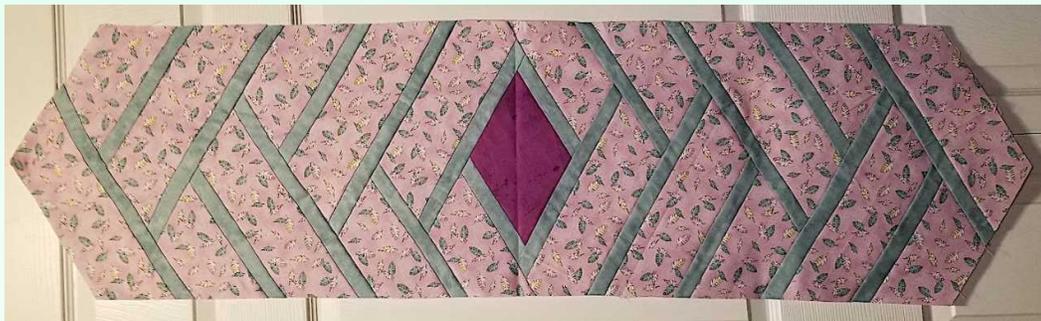
Marg Sandiford's
3 table runner tops waiting
to be quilted

Please send pictures of your table runners to
Kathy Bissett for our September Virtual Show
and Tell by Sept 14th



Right: Lori Roy's table
runner

Left & Below:
Joan Holland's work

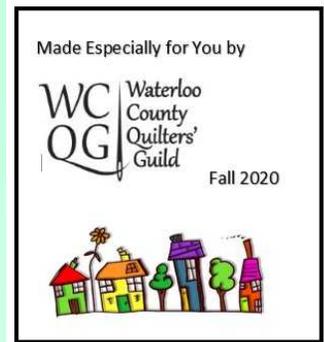


PAL Quilts

New Initiatives For PAL

There has been a request for quilts for St. Mary’s Hospital for palliative purposes. These could be slightly smaller than bed size.

Also, a request from the Tiny Houses project at Lot 42 has been received.



Here is the label for the Tiny House quilts.



Bonnie Murdoch, Judy Siegner, 2 Waterloo Region Hospice staff members, Inge Ford and Marilyn Hollinger with a quilt made by Vikki MacDonald and quilted by Mara Sandiford. Right: Marilyn Hollinger holding a wall hanging made by Joline Freund for the new hospice, which they expect will be opening in November 2020.

In the past couple of weeks, quilts have been donated as follows:

Waterloo Region Hospice	28
Hospice Wellington	7
Innisfree	10
Lisaard House	8
Tiny Houses	6
St. Mary’s Hospital	3

If you have a preference for where your donated quilt goes, please specify when you hand it in.

Batting

Please request your batting by emailing Judy Siegner your quilt measurements. Pick up or delivery will be arranged.

SMILE Quilts

We are making plans to get flannel backing and batting to those who need these supplies to make Smile Quilts. We need to retrieve our supplies from the Albert McCormick Community Centre and photograph the flannel backing so that you can better choose a coordinating material. You will order the size and colour of the backing and batting. There will be a form posted on the website shortly. Orders can be sent either by phone to Helene Doerfler, or by email to Anne-Marie Vander Maas. We will fill the orders and then you will pick the batting and batting up. Hopefully this will be in place by the third week of September.

We are planning a Bee day in November via Zoom. More information to follow.

- Bonnie Murdoch, for the Smile Quilt committee



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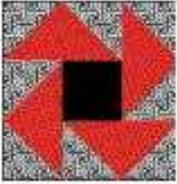
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Block of the Month



I hope you have all enjoyed seeing the 9 blocks shown each month at our Guild meetings and in our Newsletter this past year. Now is the time to enter our **BLOCK OF THE MONTH** contest. Take a pic of each item you make (pillow, small quilt, tote bag, table runner etc.) using one of the Blocks of the

Month and email it to dwettges@gmail.com. There will be a virtual show of all the items submitted.

Entries must be received by September 11th.

An announcement of the winner's name will be made at the Guild meeting on the 16th of September. The prize is a \$50.00 gift. This contest is open to all members and you can enter as often as you wish. Best of luck to all!!



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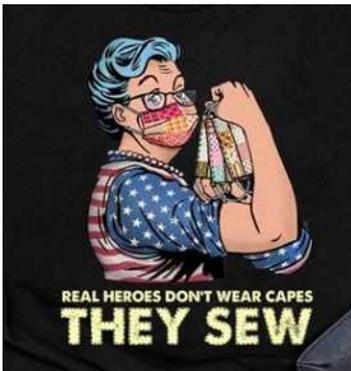
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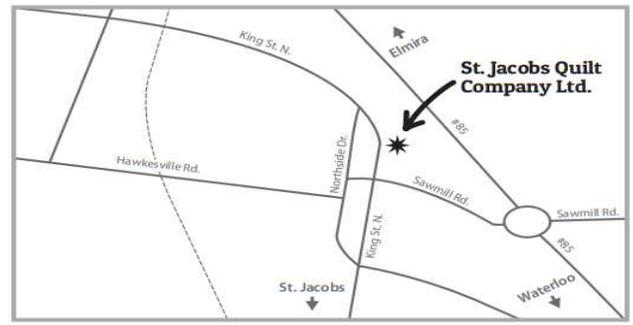
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LIBRARY UPDATE

We are trusting that all of you have returned any library books that were borrowed before Covid. If not, please do so as soon as possible!

Some of you may have been inspired by a borrowed book to work on a project during your isolation time. If so, we would like to give you the opportunity to enter the library challenge. Our draw for a prize will happen at the annual meeting in September. You will need to send a photo of your quilt along with a short write-up to Kathy Bissett so it can be put in the September Show and Tell video. Also, please call Helene Stevens or Kathy Janzen so your name can be added for the draw.

Thanks, Kathy Janzen, Helene Stevens

2021 Quilt Exhibit

Covid 19 has certainly altered summer plans for lots of people. Since many of us are having "Staycations" this year, you may be looking for a project for those days when it is too hot to work or play outdoors. This could be the perfect opportunity for planning and preparing your quilts, wall-hangings, etc. for our next quilt exhibit. Of course, this time could also be used to sew items for the Boutique Table and small quilts for the Mini Quilt draw. Luckily, there are many sites on the internet with wonderful ideas for quilting projects, so have fun using your imagination and talent to create your items for the exhibit.

Plans for the 2021 Quilt Exhibit may be on hold at the moment, but let's hope that by this time next year we will be well on our way to creating another successful quilt show.

- Elaine La Ronde and Inge Ford, Quilt Exhibit co-chairs

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September 9 - AGM & Mary Fons
 September 16 - Lisa Walton
 October - Kathy Wylie
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Quilting Months Ahead

Month	Day	Activity
September	3 & 8	Zoom Practice Sessions
September	9	Annual General Meeting Online 7pm With Speaker: Mary Fons, Chicago, Illinois
September	16	September Guild Meeting Online 7pm With Speaker: Lisa Walton, Sydney, Australia
November	TBA	SMILE Bee Day on Zoom

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Newsletter Deadline for October 2020 issue is September 25, 2020