



Halton Quilters Guild ... celebrating 43 years of quilting and friendship!



January 2021

January 7, 2021

ZOOM meetings will be held monthly.

Meetings will usually take place on the first Thursday of the month.

Next Meeting: February 4, 2021

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We hope you will join us on Thursday, January 7, 2021 at 7 p.m.



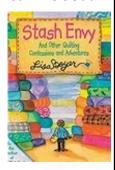
Vice-President's Message

I was gifted this book by Lisa Boyer. This quote is my favourite one so far.

My inspiration comes from somewhat different sources. To me, there's nothing more inspiring than a pile of dirty laundry. A pile of laundry inspires me to go into my sewing room so I can forget all about it.

Editor: Please send us a quote every month, Leann!

Leann Goodall



Wishing everyone

Happy Quilting in 2021

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The deadline for the February issue of Snippets is **Tuesday**, **January 19th**.

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2020/21 HQG EXECUTIVE

Two positions remain open!

OUTREACH / Comfort Quilts and MEMBERSHIP

Please contact **Jean Decaire** (refer to the HQG membership list) and learn more about these important positions.

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Volunteering for guild activities is a great way to meet other quilters while having fun and contributing to your guild.



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MEMBERSHIP

OUTREACH / Comfort Quilts



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Guild Meeting Dates All in person guild meetings and Sew Days are cancelled until further notice

Secretary



If you know a guild member who would appreciate receiving a sympathy or get well card, please email me at karen.staubin33@gmail.com or contact me at 905-304-4254.

Membership

Were you an active paid-up member when guild meetings were cancelled in March 2020? Your membership has been extended during this time. When we resume in person 122 meetings, all memberships will then be up for renewal. If you have sent payment for Members the 2020-21 guild year, you will have your membership extended when we meet again.

NEW members for the 2020-21 guild year will continue to pay the membership fee of \$40.00 (via etransfer only). Our account is set up to receive e-transfers automatically so there is no need for a security question and answer. The email address to use is haltonguilters@gmail.com.

Treasurer Cathy Lamothe

Do you know someone who is interested in joining the Halton Quilters Guild? They may e-transfer the \$40.00 fee to haltonguilters@gmail.com. There is no need to input a security question and answer as our account is set up to receive e-transfers automatically



Remember: ONLY NEW members are to pay the membership fee at this time.

Want to participate in the guild's 50/50 Draw? Please read the information in the box below.

50/50 Draw

Sheila Keating and Brenda Forsey

There was some familiar excitement in the air at the December guild meeting as the 50/50 DRAW WAS BACK! Drum roll please ... Congratulations to Cathy Lamothe who won \$55.00.

The cost is \$5.00 for 20 chances to win. You may pay by e-transfer to haltonguilters@gmail.com or mail a cheque payable to the Halton Quilters Guild to Cathy Lamothe (241 Applevale Court, Burlington, ON L7L 2C1). The cut off date for each draw will be the week prior to the HQG Zoom meeting. Cathy has asked those using e-transfers to pay for multiple months at one time in order to reduce or eliminate charges payable by HQG for extra e-transfer transactions made in a month.

Please send an email (subject line "50/50") to shesams@msn.com and bforsey18@gmail.com with a "cc" to cglamothe2@gmail.com to let us know how many chances you wish to purchase. For example, \$5.00 / 20 chances for current month or, if paying for multiple months, the amount to be used for your choice of months. The winner will be drawn at each HQG Zoom meeting and will be posted in the next month's issue of Snippets.

Remember ... you need a **TICKET** to **WIN!** Thanks for your support, and best of luck to everyone!

Block of the Month

Janet Fisher and Donna Vetter



How is your collection of Covid houses doing? Have you added any details to make your house look more like a "home"? Did you find another way to make the tree block? Please share what you made by sending a photo to gs.atherton@outlook.com.

January: **blue** and white / **silver** February: red / pink March: brights April: purple / turquoise May: florals / green June: yellow / orange

Programme

January 7, 2021



Kathleen O'Flaherty of **Quilts and Shenanigans** will join us from St. Catharines via Zoom. A creative quilter, Kathleen enjoys using colour and often rescues fabric from the thrift store. Her wide range of interests range from traditional to modern and artist quilts. Her presentation promises to be both entertaining and humourous.

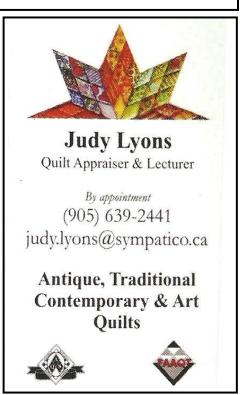
With a Zoom capacity of 100, we can easily host 98 members with two spaces saved for the presenters. Please contact **Cheryl Laine** at nlaine@sympatico.ca if you would like some assistance with the process or have any questions.

Cheryl Laine









Chat Comments during December's Holiday Favourites Party!



With thanks to **Sylvia Lamothe** for the slide show and **Cheryl Laine** for the holiday themed games, the December Zoom meeting was a great success. Guild members appreciated the opportunity to say hello and tell what they had been working on during the past months. I expect this comment from **Joanne Ellis** speaks to a

number of us: "I'm an on-again off-again quilter, and have hopes of using up my stash. But every time I work on a stash buster, the rest just explodes it seems! "

Members were also able to share the name of their favourite holiday cookie which naturally prompted a number of messages requesting recipes.

I NEED that family shortbread and the ginger cookie recipe.

I NEED that Christmas Crack recipe, too!

I feel we are going to need to do a shortbread bakeoff when we can get together in person again! It sounds like we could do a cookie recipe book for the guild, Cheryl!



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Outreach

Quilts bring comfort ... one quilt at a time



An important aim and objective of our guild is to "participate in community projects". Members are encouraged to either complete a quilt kit provided by Outreach, make a quilt from their own supplies, sew neonatal items OR participate in February's Outreach Day, so together we can give some "comfort" to others in our community.

Thank you for supporting the Halton Quilters Guild Outreach Programme.

Comfort Quilts

POSITION AS YET TO BE FILLED

Cathy and Sylvia Lamothe

Quilts, flannel blankets and knitted blankets were dropped off to the Halton Children's Aid Society in time for them to be distributed to families before the holidays. Our contact, Lisa Janssen, wanted to convey her sincere thanks to everyone who donated items for their organization. Lisa mentioned that, whenever she walks through the building

with the bags of quilts, she is stopped repeatedly as everyone wants to have a look!

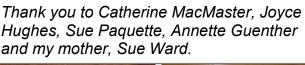
Please continue to drop off quilts on my porch (Burlington) as I will distribute them over the winter. **Katherine Hunter** and **Susan Atherton** will be organizing up some pickup dates and locations for kits. We are also looking for people who would like to bind quilts.

Editor: We are lucky that you are willing to continue to do this, Cathy. THANK YOU! But we **NEED** someone to take over in the new year. Please think about how you might help your guild fill this important position. The quilts that we make play an important role in our community. They send a message that "someone cares" to members in need.

















Have some quilts you'd like to share at our Zoom guild meetings? Send a photo to **Sylvia Lamothe** at **sylvia.lamothe2@gmail.com** and she'll add them to the Sew and Share slide show.











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Mystery Quilt 2020-2021

Katherine Hunter

HANGING CABINS - PART 5 - Adding the Borders

Step 1: "Square up" the quilt so that width and height are uniform, and corners have right angles.

Step 2: Inner Border- Cut (8) 21/2" strips from the black fabric.

Sew strips end to end making one long continuous strip.

Sew strips to the top and bottom of the quilt. Trim and press toward **black**.

Sew strips to each side of the quilt. Trim and press toward black.

Step 3: Pieced Border - Use Border Blocks from Part 3.

Stitch blocks end-to-end into 4 "rows."

Two (2) rows will have 8 blocks; 2 rows will have 11 blocks.



Step 4: Sew short rows to the top and bottom of the quilt.

Press toward the inner border.

Step 5: Cut (1) $4\frac{1}{2}$ " strip from the **black** fabric.

Cut (4) $4\frac{1}{2}$ " squares from the strip.

Sew a black square to each end of long rows.



Step 6: Sew long rows to each side of the quilt. Press toward the inner border.

Step 7: Outer Border - Cut (9) 2½" strips from the black fabric.

Sew strips end to end, making one long continuous strip.

Sew strips to the top and bottom of the quilt.

Trim and press toward black.

Sew strips to each side of the quilt.

Trim and press toward **black**.







I'm sure some of you are like me and may start your day of quilting with a cup of tea. Of course, it's always to be hoped that your day of quilting goes well, and doesn't end with you tossing your sewing aside and finishing the day with a glass of wine!



I had fun looking for mugs with quilt sayings, and these are only some of the ones I found! It truly is amazing how many products

there are on the

market that are

made for quilters.

Susan Atherton

































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