



PIECING OUR LIVES

President's Notes

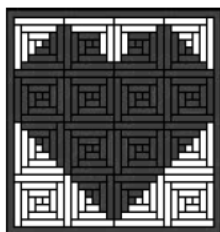
A heartfelt thank you to our previous WAQG Board: Ana, Barbara, Linda, Marie, Jamie, Joyce, and Rose. Thanks for your time, effort, love, and leadership. I also appreciate those of you who served as committee chairs. Your leadership is essential to the success of our guild. All of you have gotten us through these challenging times.

Many of you, as I, are excited about the onset of a new year, a new beginning. All of us anxiously wait for the vaccine inoculations to provide herd immunity so that once again we can meet in person, give hugs, be inspired, and admire each other's work. While Zoom is the next best thing, it will never replace a face-to-face gathering. As to when that glorious day will occur, we will patiently wait and do what we can remotely.

Let me begin 2021 by encouraging and challenging each of you to be involved in the guild, not just as a member but have some measure or involvement in activities. I am in the process of checking with many of the current com-

mittee chairs about continuing and will be on the lookout for others to step-up! Hint, Hint! I also encourage committee chairs to bring others into the fold, reach out to find folks to help! For instance, Sunshine needs a new Chair as Becky will be assuming the position of Co-Chair of Kentucky. We all like receiving birthday cards and words of encouragement; this does not have to be done by one person but rather a committee. If it's of value (I certainly think it is) then someone, two, or three need to assume leadership of that effort. Sunshine is not the only committee/effort needing leadership. Others include Education, Newsletter, Community Service, Name Tag Drawing, Shark Pit, Quilt Show, etc. Please thoughtfully consider what you want the guild to be, how you will offer your gifts/talents and contribute to its success. When first asked, many (me too) feel a sense of dread... tell me about it, this will be my third time to serve as President! In the end, I have found great satisfaction from being active, challenged, and a real sense of accomplishment. Hey, new friends are

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also a plus. Committee leaders don't have to be experts, just willing!

If there are suggestions for mini-workshops, programs, or other activities please let your voice be heard. We not only want to educate novice quilters but those of us who have been at this awhile. Would someone want to take on organizing a Round Robin? Next opportunity quilt? The opportunities for involvement are numerous! Please let me know how you will help.

Here's wishing for a quick resolution to the pandemic, fabric sales, a well-oiled machine, few stitches to remove, no broken needles, and a return to the comradery and inspiration by my quilting friends. Happy 2021!

Charlotte

The heart of a volunteer is never measured in size, but by the depth of the commitment to make a difference in the lives of others.

Quick Note from Ana

Hey There,

Just a quick note to say thanks for the past two years and all the help and fun that you all brought my way. I really appreciate everyone who pitched in and helped us stay active and safe over the last eleven months. I know that Charlotte and the Board will do a fantastic job going forward and I want to encourage all of you to help out any way that you can. Be sure to give the Board your ideas about how to make it all worthwhile.

I am so inspired by all of you and look forward to a day, not too far in the distance when we can enjoy each other's company in person. I expect a lot of hugs. I am taking over the newsletter for the moment until someone steps up to take it and run with it. Let me know if you are interested.

Take care and be safe,

Ana

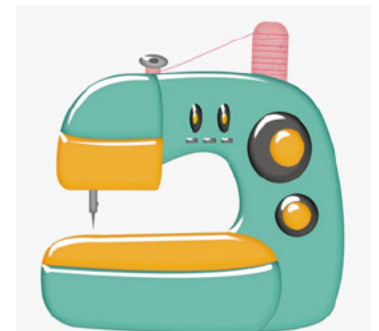
Committees & Board

President	Charlotte [REDACTED]
Vice Presidents	Paula [REDACTED] and Dot [REDACTED]
Secretary	Linda [REDACTED]
Treasurer	Marie [REDACTED]
Basics and Beyond	Karen [REDACTED] and ?
Community Service	
Education	
Historian	Anne [REDACTED]
Hospitality	Judy [REDACTED]
Kentuck	Becky [REDACTED] and Linda [REDACTED]
Library	Patricia [REDACTED]
Membership	Mary [REDACTED]
Name Tag Drawing	
Newsletter	Ana [REDACTED] (temporary)
Photos	
Programs	Dot and Paula
Quilt Show	
Retreat	Barbara [REDACTED]
Shark Pit	
Sunshine	
Telephone Tree	
Website Coordinator	Laura [REDACTED]
Workshops	
Yearbook	
Challenge 2021	WAQG Board

Sewing Machines for Sale

Levi (sewing machine repair man for the Twins in Moundville) has a couple of machines available for sale. Contacted Rose [REDACTED] and she is passing it on to you!

1st machine is a Singer Industrial machine with table for \$500.
 2nd machine is a Lewis Blindstitch machine for \$300.
 Levi – 205-242-8570



Minutes Dec 2020 Zoom

WAQG Meeting, December 12, 2020, 9:00 a.m.
Virtual Meeting via Zoom Minutes

The meeting was called to order by President, Ana [REDACTED]

Mary [REDACTED] announced December birthdays. 32 members attended today's virtual meeting.

Mary [REDACTED] asked that everyone pray for her daughter and her family who lost their home in Oregon to a fire.

Becky [REDACTED] had no sunshine to report.

Ana presented the slate of officers for 2021/2022. Charlotte [REDACTED] had unanimous vote as President. Sharing the Vice President position will be Paula [REDACTED] and Dot [REDACTED] who also had a unanimous vote. The Board has appointed Becky [REDACTED] as a Trustee. Other officers and trustees who will be returning for the upcoming year is Marie [REDACTED] Treasurer; Linda [REDACTED] Secretary; Joyce Terry, Trustee and Rose [REDACTED] Trustee.

Ana has received a notification from DCAF. It will be held May 14 and 15th at Government Plaza.

Kentuck is expected to come back strong in 2021. Becky [REDACTED] and Linda [REDACTED] have agreed to co-chair again.

We need volunteers to chair the 2022 Quilt Show ASAP. Planning for this event will take at least a year.

The 2020 Challenge quilts were on the web site and everyone had the opportunity to vote there.

Winners were: Non-Traditional: 1st – Halloween Table Runner – Mary [REDACTED]
2nd: Cactus Pillow – Dot [REDACTED] 3rd: Stocking – Melanie [REDACTED]

Bed Quilts: 1st – Starburst – Becky [REDACTED] 2nd – Showering Stars – Linda [REDACTED] 3rd – Squares in Squares – Mary Arvay

Wall – Hanging: 1st Rose Window – Paula [REDACTED] 2nd – Modern Graphic – Sheila [REDACTED] 3rd – Bright Diamonds – Christine [REDACTED]

Congratulations to all the winners!

There were several lectures and workshops sent by email from Ana. All members are encouraged to review these and present their choices to Charlotte [REDACTED] or the Board.

All members who paid their dues in 2020 will have their membership roll over for 2021 due to the circumstances surrounding the pandemic. Any new members will be expected to pay their dues.

Ana presented a short Bring and Brag.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Linda [REDACTED]
Secretary

Bring and Brag



Crazy Quilts from the Scrap Bin by Diane [REDACTED]



Bed quilt

By

Judy [REDACTED]

More Bring and Brag



Tara

Websites to kill the boredom during CoVid:

<https://www.quiltingdaily.com/quilting-together/>

<https://www.sweetdarlingquilts.com/covid-19-quilt.htm>

<https://www.stitchintree.com/covid-19-tribute.htm>

Marjorie & Martha Make The News



From DCH FaceBook Site: Over the past few months, Marjorie [REDACTED] and Martha [REDACTED] of Moundville have made beauty out of colorful material, beads, buttons and other objects. The final product is a fidget blanket, and they have made lots of them for DCH patients.

A fidget or activity blanket is a lap quilt that provides sensory and tactile stimulation for those with Alzheimer's disease and/or other forms of dementia. The sisters' recent contributions will be used by patients at Long Term Care at Fayette Medical Center.

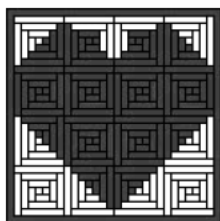
[REDACTED] and [REDACTED] are sisters who have sewn their entire lives and are members of the West Alabama Quilt Guild

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**We are on the Web:
www.waqq.com**



WAQQ Meets at the Department of Transportation Building (1000 28th Avenue) on the second Saturday of each month beginning at 9:30 a.m. Until Further Notice, we will be meeting via Zoom.

Please remember to bring: a cup or glass and something for BRING and BRAG!

Demonstrations

Featured Artist: Flavin Glover

Hall of Fame Quilts

Gee's Bend Quilters

Opportunity Quilt: Victorian Quilt

Vendors

*Challenge Quilt Project:
Telling your story*