



# Patchwords



March 2021

## PRESIDENT'S LETTER

### March Calendar

#### **March 10th**

Board Meeting  
9:30 am

#### **March 17th**

9 am Social  
9:30am Program  
Bell Hall

(Note Covid Guidelines)

#### **March 18th**

6:30pm Social  
7pm Program  
Bell Hall

(Note Covid Guidelines)

#### **March 24th**

Workday Wednesday  
9am  
TBD

Hello Fellow Quilters,

Well, I feel that it is safe enough for us to start back with our Day and Night Meetings. I know that this past year will be one that we will never forget. We have lost members, had members move or in the process of moving and they will all be missed dearly.

I feel strongly that it is time to move forward and start the Spring out with a bounce in our step. Hopefully, we can start on having classes again.

So please keep strong, safe, and healthy and please know my phone and door are always open.

Respectfully submitted,  
Karen Radcliff  
SABQG President



## March Meeting Reminders



- Wear something "green".
- Bring a project to show, any project not just quilting.
- Note Covid Guidelines, ie. wear your masks and use social distancing.





1st Vice President:

Hi all quilters.

I thought about what we might need to get us going again and an idea came to mind. Hopefully we will have fun and be amazed at what has been accomplished this year.

Having been cloistered at home for such a long time, with lots of time on our hands, I am hoping that some of you have put your creative talents into making some beautiful treasures that our group might see. So bring any type of quilting projects and let's include all things you want to share. We would enjoy seeing knitting, crochet, needle work, cross stitch, art, garments, or whatever you have had fun doing.



One item per person please. Get ready for your friends adoration, as you wow us, for what I am calling, a new start to a new year.

Thanks and see you soon. Barbara Tillman



2nd Vice President:



I find it ironic that I am using a quilt made from a pattern named CABIN FEVER on my bed. I am sure that all of you know exactly how CABIN FEVER feels. I look forward to seeing everyone who feels they can attend the March night meeting. I know some of you by name, some by face and others personally. I have always felt that a room full of quilters is a room full of friends that I have not met.

I look forward to working with you this year and getting to know all of you as we seek to find our "new normal" after this difficult time.

Please bring anything you have to share, that is always the highlight of the meeting.

Carolyn Finlayson



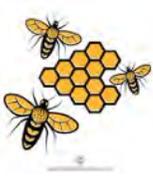
Treasurer:



Happy March 2021 to everyone! I have enjoyed spring cleaning a little early this year in my sewing room. Now it is somewhat organized and I am ready to start a new project. Looking forward to meeting again!! JoAnn Dunn



JOANN DUNN'S  
PRETTY FLOWERS



### Beekeeper:

Bee populations have been declining since the 1990s which is very troublesome due to bees being connected to many ecosystems all around the globe. They pollinate 80 percent of all flowering plants including most of all the crops we eat.

The declining population is also a representation of the larger issue, the destructive effect that we as human beings are creating on nature all over the world. We also have the problem of the killer wasps that can wipe out hives in no time at all, in a lighter note, worker bees keep working, drones keep droning, and your "Queen Bee" will be so happy when she can see you all again. Edyth Brown



### Education:

I am looking forward, and hoping the guild can soon be more active. With that in mind I would like some suggestions for classes. What are you interested in? Maybe a technique, some basic quilting skills, understanding color, etc.

We have lots of talent in our group so I am planning to tap into it.

Do you still want to do a quilting 101 class?

Let me hear from you

Sarah Hutton Education chairman.



### Hospitality:

One definition of Spring is that it's a lovely reminder of how beautiful change can truly be.

After our hibernation from the cold, rainy, damp winter we have had, not to mention the other reason for our limited gatherings, we can see a change for the better!

Hopefully, a beautiful change for us as a Guild, can be to come together, (still masked for safety), and celebrate our optimism that Spring IS a new beginning.

Hospitality is ready to welcome Spring and our members back!

Alana



ALANA'S BEAUTIFUL HANDWORK.



Membership:

I am so looking for to seeing everyone at the next meeting. My sister and I have been busy the last two months. She heads back to cold IL in March, so she will miss you this year. She is extremely happy she came south in December so she missed all the cold weather IL had this winter. We made dog bags, St Patrick's Day table runners, masks and even remembered our macramé skills with a Valentine Heart. Can't wait to see your smiling faces and hear what you have been up to the last couple of months. Stay Safe! Linda Kelley



Newsletter:



Thank you for all of your support and kind comments about my past newsletters. I enjoy doing them and am glad to know you enjoy reading them too.

Please let me know if you have difficulty reading the email versions and I would gladly mail you a hard copy. I alway print off a few extra just in case. Thank you and stay safe, Carolyn Pic



Quilt Show:

Hí Guild members.



Feeling too housebound? maybe, be happy we are not facing winter in Alaska where you don't see the sun for months! Just a reminder that we will get together and that we will have a quilt show someday. I have received three phone calls from women who wanted information on our show! So there are still people "out there" who remember that we have a show in February! So keep your quilting fingers nimble and keep those quilts coming.

I am sooo hopeful for a show in 2022.

Beverly



JO-ELLEN ROGERS  
LATEST PROJECT

## A Quilter's Journey

### Trials of making a "Bargello" quilt.

Several years ago I bought a kit for a bargello wall hanging. At the time I cut the strips and even put them in order (per pattern instructions). I pulled it out and decided it would be a good thing to work on. Reading instructions carefully I began to sew the strips together. All is going well on section A. When I got to section B I discovered I was short two strips. I thought, oh #&\$@%!

What to do? I had only scraps left. I decided to sew the scraps together and cut to size. Only had half enough in length.

I am now trying to figure just where to sew this into the section so they are where they need to be. Trying to count the inches down so they will be where they should be. Needless to say stress abounds.

TO BE CONTINUED

Check next months newsletter.

Sarah Hutton



Coming up next month- maybe!!

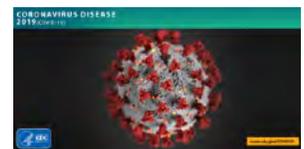
- Will Sarah find the lost strips?
- Will Sarah be as stressed next month too?
- Will Sarah finish section B?

Stay tuned to that and more next month-maybe!!



## A Covid year in review

(and some fun memories from the newsletter. I hope there were a few.)



In March and April we showed our determination to get projects done while others started working from home. I became a Grandma.





May brought the latest new fashion, face masks.



June and July, we had cabin fever, big time.



August we finally had a meeting and celebrated the grand reveal for our Opportunity Quilt. We even got in a Workday Wednesday.



In September, Hurricane Sally came along just in time for our next meeting and we had to cancel.





In October we got to meet, lots of lovely show'n tells to catch up on.



By November several members got the covid and it was decided to cancel the remaining meetings of the year.

We also lost several wonderful members last year; Peggy Cunningham, Sam Lopez, Connie Bernhard, Estelle Sprinkle and Chris Goehring. Several members lost their spouses as well. Others had surgeries, injuries, illnesses, and life goes on.

It's 2021, the vaccine has finally come on the scene and they're working hard to get them to seniors who want them, with promises of more for everyone else in the near future.

It's been a tough year but I personally, feel I have grown a lot and not just around the middle.

I honed my sewing skills as I finished my sewing projects, old and new.

We did some repairs around the house and some home improvement projects were finally got completed.

I have read several interesting books, watched lots of movies and television series, even rediscovered some old ones. I tried new recipes in the kitchen and just kept busy doing "stuff". I'm sure this describes how things have been, for just about all of you, as well.

We are tough people, us quilters; we're brilliant, strong and very resilient. We have strength that has no bounds.

Best of all we get to continue on, with our favorite pastime, in the company of our most favorite best friends.

See you soon and as always stay safe,

Carolyn Pic Newsletter

