

SNIPPETS



These are not my quilts.
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Spring is Springing and . . .

. . . we will soon be sprung, from our lockdown. We hope you are getting a lot of chores and/or creative projects completed (and using up a lot of that “stash” while safe at home). In case you missed the e-mail, there is no April guild meeting. The plan is to meet in May but that is, of course, subject to change. You will receive an e-mail with any updates. Enjoy this short newsletter.

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President's Message

Well, hello to my fellow quilters who are locked in their house with that stash that we all knew would come in handy someday. I think we were all hoping someday would not last this long.

Another month gone by without seeing our friends. You never realize how much you miss laughing and sharing with them until it's been gone for a while.

I hope you are working through your PHD list. I am trying to check a couple off of mine. Many of us have also been sewing masks for family and friends. At the end of this it would be interesting to figure out how many have been made by members of our little guild. Well, ladies, until next month, happy sewing and please be safe.

Joanne Shropshire

Notes from Jerre

Programs - Colleen Martin's program, "**Satchels**", and the April program, "**The Stars Among Us**," will be re-scheduled at a later time. We will also re-schedule Colleen's class on bag making. We will let you know as soon as we know.

Our May speaker, Paige Alexander, has been moved to **June**. Paige is a Modern Quilter who lives in North Carolina. You can check out her website at www.QuiltedBlooms.com

She will present a lecture on "What Makes It Modern," and will have a class the following day. More information will be coming.

May ?? Program?? - IF we have a May meeting, the Program Committee will put our heads together and come up with some fun things. The most important thing right now is to stay healthy.

Spring Challenge - The challenge due date has been moved to the June meeting. This gives everyone plenty of time to finish their project. No excuses!

In case you need a reminder, this latest challenge is an "Altered Panel." Choose any panel you wish (I'm betting many of you have some just lying around waiting for you to work on) and make it more interesting. Do not just add borders and call it done. The idea is to spark your creativity and do something different. The Panel needs to be quilted and bound to enter into the challenge. Prizes will be awarded for creativity.

WASH YOUR HANDS!!

Needed a filler for this space so I chose this poem. It was written by the mother of one of my former co-workers, in California. She passed in 2016 at the age of 97.

Memory's Shelf

When I wish to wax nostalgic,
I reach back through the years
And open up that box marked "pain,"
And view the flood of tears
That float within—so easily shed—
For minor things, as well
As larger disappointments...
(I hadn't built my shell.)
The heavier lumps are underneath
(I wisely let them lie)
"Why stir up pain?" I ask myself—
I'll forget them if I try.
A bigger box has "LOVE" in print.
I lift the lid to see
The faces of a hundred friends
All smiling back at me!
With old friends on the bottom
And the newer friends on top,
All laugh and wave and throw a kiss...
Affection doesn't stop.
The grandest box of all
Is bulging at the seams
"Happiness" is on one side,
The opposite says "Dreams!"
I recall the smallest treasure
And savor every one
Remembering each emotion...
I've never had such fun!
I return those boxes side by side
Upon my memory's shelf,
And enjoy the revelation
Of how I became myself.

Lois Clark,
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