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DATES FOR GUILD MEETINGS FOR 2020-2021

Meetings will be held via zoom until it's safe for us to be together. Meetings will run 7:00 to 8:30PM

January 4 February 1 March 1 April 5 May 3 June 7

A NOTE FROM PAT:

Here's hoping we all had a safe and happy, if weird, holiday season. That was a lot of family zooming! But let's say kudos to the UPS, FedEX and USPS drivers who got all my handmade gifts to the right places on time!

I've been thinking a lot about the winter in front of us and hoping that our group can provide some entertainment and company for each other. Starting in January, we will be launching small interest groups - on zoom of course. Sue Blaney will host a few sessions to get people thinking and planning about their HOPE project. Moira and Janet Columbus will be hosting sessions to work on outreach quilts, including introducing new ideas for

easy outreach quilts. And although I never made it to a live one, I will host sit and sew. Details for all of these are further on in the newsletter.

I encourage all our members to come up with an idea and host a zoom - (don't worry about the technology - board members will help!) – it could be a one session demo of an idea that you've been working on, it could be creating something from a common text – such as all participants purchase the same book or download the same pattern, or even gather a small group and hire an expert to run a small group class. The main idea is to keep us all engaged, entertained and mostly CONNECTED during this sure to be wacky winter.

In the mean time I hope you all find some joy (I am loving watching birds in my feeders), some exercise (dusted off those cross-country skis), and learn something new (going to try the National Quilt Museum BOM) Looking forward to seeing you on zoom!

SIT AND SEW ZOOM

Join me for our first sit and sew zoom. I will be in my sewing room on Saturday January 16th from 10-11:30. I am hoping to tackle a paper piecing pattern that I purchased two years ago in Wrangell, Alaska! No agenda, just sign on and we'll chat and sew!

Pat Lukens is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: SIT AND SEW

Time: Jan 16, 2021 10:00 AM Eastern Time (US and

Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

https://zoom.us/j/96399439703?pwd=Z1BSNG5FV

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Meeting ID: 963 9943 9703

Passcode: sew

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JANUARY MEETING

You'll be receiving a separate memo with instructions for the January meeting. The main event will be auctioning off the rest of our 2020 auction items. You will need to know how to use "chat" in zoom, so be sure to practice before the 4th. The meeting will also include an outreach show and tell and if there is time – "a share your favorite quilting tool" – or an unusual one that others might like to know about!

ZOOM

We know that not everyone is comfortable with zoom and yet it's the only way we can all communicate in community for now. If you need help figuring it out, please contact me and I will match you with a coach. We have many people in the guild who are quite good at this and once you learn, it's really quite easy! To those of you opting out – we miss you!! Patlukens70@gmail.com.

Outreach Day Pandemic Version

Watch for details - we will be picking a weather appropriate day in January or February and letting everyone come to the storage unit (in Marlborough on the Sudbury line) and grab whatever fabrics you want to use to make into Outreach quilts. And you will be able to drop off your completed BED READY Outreach quilts at the same time. The announcement will come out by email without a lot of warning because we need to pick a nice day - think January thaw!

Susan Thomas and Lulinda Tucker

Live Auction is coming!

Our January meeting will feature a live auction of the remaining 11 items! There are some amazing things in this list - a Christmas Quilt kit, one of Jill's dolls with a huge wardrobe, a Go Cutter machine, a notion treasure trove, two members have donated certificates for machine quilting, a portable

design wall, a bundle of patterns and kits for American Girl dolls, and a Eureka quilt kit! Pat Lukens and Carol Bradford

OUTREACH Show & Tell January 4

Our January meeting will feature not only the live Auction, but also a Show & Tell devoted to the beautiful outreach quilts you all have made. Please send photos of your outreach quilts to our gmail account by noon on Sunday January 3 and we will include them in the Show & Tell Monday evening. Send your photos to waysideguild@gmail.com

HOPE Project discussion January 11

The spirit and intention behind the winter HOPE project is to keep all of us focused on positive ways to not just endure these winter months, but to remain hopeful and upbeat. And, you are invited to express your experience visually in a guilt which we will share in April. Sue Blaney will host a discussion session on zoom and any and all are invited to attend. We will talk about how we are remaining hopeful during this time and our ideas as we begin to plan and work on our special quilt. Please come and share your ideas and thoughts -- whether you are well into the planning or feel uninspired so far, we are all sure to leave the discussion with some new ideas. The meeting will take place on Monday January 11 at 4pm and here is the link: zoom

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85160326508?pw d=Sk5nWjZSZTZOZWlmd2NNOG5rQTZpQT09

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A couple of years ago I fell in love with a quilt that I saw at a show and it planted a desire in me to someday create a guilt using the same pattern. The Blooming Nine Patch is easily found in searches on the web and Pintrest, but it seemed the only complete instructions I could find were in one particular book. I wanted to avoid buying yet another book, so I contacted Nancy King, our guild librarian. Not only do we have a great selection of books, but Nancy herself is a resource you should know about! She couldn't possibly have been more helpful or more resourceful -- and she came up with exactly what I needed. She loves to help Guild members -- so feel free to reach out to her. And my Blooming Nine Patch is coming out great; THANK YOU NANCY!!

Questions or thoughts? Contact Sue Blaney

A Workshop for Concord Piecemakers

Please join us on January 13th for Kathryn Pellman's zoom lecture, and her workshop on January 16th and 17th. \$50.

Kathryn Alison Pellman will share her Fashionista in Quarantine-how quilting frames and tells the story of her real and imagined life. Her journey from fashion designer to traditional hand pieced miniatures to large bed quilts to cartoon quilts to adding words and poems to her fashionistas is colorful, and funny and inspiring. Take a look at her art on Kathryn's website.



Wednesday, January 13, 7:15 pm Lecture

Saturday January 16th 11-noon. Let's talk about fabric for Fashionistas so you can pull from your stash. You will need a piece of pellon or something similar 14 x14".

Sunday January 17th, 10 a.m -3 p.m. Kathryn Pellman's Workshop Fashionistas: paper dolls for grown-ups.

\$50 mailed to Concord Piecemakers, Marian Bressel, 19 Holbrook Ave., Hull, Ma, 02045 Need more information? Contact Sally at sallyduscha@comcast.net