

*Dear Guild Members,*

*Normally we are trying to enjoy our last days of our summer break at this time, but this has hardly been a normal year. Your leadership has been scrambling to try to keep your Guild alive and viable for you. I thank you for your patience and so many for their support and extra effort during this pandemic. Because we are soon to start our new Guild year, it is time again to let you know what is in store for you. There is much good news herein and some exciting presentations planned! READ ON...*

*And DO enjoy your last halcyon days of summer, My Friends.*

*Kathleen Morris  
President, QUILTSchenectady*

## **KIDS QUILTS GO TO NORTHERN RIVERS ONCE AGAIN!!!**

**and**

**planning for holiday gifting underway**

After a pandemic-related hiatus of several months, **Emily Spooner**, Our Kid's Quilt Chairwoman Extraordinaire, reports...

*"Northern Rivers came and picked up 14 bags of quilts this week. That's about 60 quilts. I was thrilled. They were thrilled. I have about 20 left, but I'm still sewing so there will be more. Nancy Calkins has 12 that she is machine quilting..."*

*Also, the holiday giving program is being organized now. I was told that they are going to allow organizations to adopt a residential group and buy things from the wish list for those specific kids. Gifts would be ordered on amazon from their online wishlist, and mailed directly to Northern Rivers. They will also be doing things the "old/usual" way, which is similar, but not child specific. They will still have their "store" where community parents can come in to shop from whatever is there. This is where our in-kind gifts have gone in the past."*

We are suggesting that you continue to make kids quilts as you always have so generously done. But keep them at your house until we can arrange the next pick up with Northern Rivers who is handling acquiring them differently than before due to Covid-19.

No doubt it will take Northern Rivers a few months to deplete this new supply. Please send Emily an email to let her know when you have some awaiting pick-up/delivery so that we can coordinate that effort when the time comes. Be sure to give her your name and quantity of quilts.

## **ZOOM ZOOM**

Because Zoom is a new modality for our guild meetings we are making every effort to make it as painless as possible. Our meetings will need to be conducted this way until that blissful future when the pandemic is history and we can meet safely as in the past.

We will send out an email with the Zoom link before each zoom session we *schedule*. ***These will be meeting specific and always include the words ZOOM ZOOM*** in the subject line so that you know it is important —your gateway into the session— and not to be inadvertently lost or deleted. We will send these emails out to you ***only a few days in advance of each meeting*** so that they do not get buried in the mountain of your other messages. Only those people who have signed up for and paid for their workshops will be sent the links for those sessions. ALL Guild members will be sent the links for other sessions.

## **Zoom Practice Session Wednesday, September 9 7 pm**

**This session is offered for those who do not feel comfortable with using Zoom.** Please do not be shy about this. As your president I admit that I am among you and need this session myself. It is a time, perhaps your first, to link in and see how your technology works so that you can hear and see our presentations. We will lean on a couple of members and spouses to try to help solve any problems that you may experience your first time. **It will be impossible** to address our problems at the same zoom session when we are featuring speakers for lectures or workshops for it will take far too long to deal with so many of us and be chaotic for ourselves and our presenters. There is no other agenda to this meeting other than to use it and make sure it is working for you. You can sign off —leave the zoom meeting— as soon as you are satisfied. Be prepared and be patient because this meeting will likely be a little chaotic: that is what it is about.

**If at all possible, download the zoom app on your computer BEFORE the Practice Session on Wednesday, September 9th meeting.**

## **OUR SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER PRESENTATION AND WORKSHOP REMINDERS**

**Mary Wade**, Our Program Chairwoman, has worked very hard to reschedule our fall presenters since we were forced to cancel all of our in-person meetings. The lectures will be on first of the month Thursday nights — the same schedule as our regular meetings. However, the **workshops will be on Saturdays**. Our hope is that this change will allow some of our working members to attend. *Please note the change of the day of the workshops.*

## **Michelle Renee Hiatt Lecture 7 pm via Zoom Thursday - September 10**

*When Life Gives You Fat Quarters, Make a Quilt*

Michelle's journey into quilting, plus hints in organizing, playing with color and designing. Michelle will present versions of quilts, changing color placement and values.

**Michelle Renee Hiatt Workshop  
half day 10am - 2pm  
via Zoom Saturday - September 12**

Michelle is a Certified Instructor for Deb Tucker's Studio 180 Design. For the workshop, Combo Weave, Michelle will not only guide us through the making of the pattern, but will demonstrate one of Deb's rulers, the Tucker Trimmer and show us how to use it in her patterns as well as others.

*Combo Weave*

It's not too late to sign up for Michelle's workshop- but hurry so that you will be able to get the pattern and ruler from her website. If you have the ruler then you only need to order the pattern.

Workshop fee.....	\$30.00
Combo Weave Pattern (required)	\$11.50*
Tucker Trimmer 1 or 3 Ruler (required) \$	21.50*
TOTAL.....\$	63.00

Checks payable to Q.U.I.L.T.S. can be sent to Mary Wade at 1346 Myron Street, Niskayuna NY 12309.

**Joen Wolfrom Lecture 7pm  
Via Zoom Thursday - October 1, 2020**

*It's Color That Makes the Quilt Go WOW*

Joen will take us through the journey into the world of color, finding clues to basic color ideas and such wonderful illusions such as luminosity, luster, depth, shadow and highlights. This presentation will help quilters better understand color while also seeing what amazing things color can do in a design.

**Joen Wolfrom Workshop 10am-4pm  
Via Zoom Saturday - October 3rd, 2020  
Workshop fee...\$40.00**

*A Celebration of Color*

This class is designed to help you become more comfortable with selecting colors and fabrics for your quilts. Joen will discuss ways nature presents her colors both through color theory and visual coloring.

*Participants are limited to 18 students*

**For a supply list, contact Mary Wade**

**[mwade1946@gmail.com](mailto:mwade1946@gmail.com)**

No sewing machine required. Optional - before class- - Read chapters 1-4 of Joen's book Color Play, second edition or chapters 1-2 of the original Color Play book.

## **Karen Combs Lecture 7pm Via Zoom Thursday - November 5th , 2020**

### *Quilts of Illusions*

Explore the world of optical illusions with Karen as she shows you some of the wonderful quilts that she has created and shares tips and tricks on how to make them

## **Karen Combs Workshop 10am-1:00pm Via Zoom Saturday - November 7th , 2020 Workshop fee... \$40.00**

### *Chip Out of Every Block*

Is this chip going in or does it go out? A fun quilt of illusion, so simple to make, once you know how. Karen will show you how easy it is to make an intriguing quilt of illusion.

## **UPCOMING LECTURES AND WORKSHOPS**

### **Karen K. Stone**

Thursday, December 3rd, 2020 Lecture 7:00 PM - English Paper Piecing by Machine

Saturday, December 5th, 2020 Workshop *topic to be determined*

### **Teri Tope**

Thursday, January 7th 2021 Lecture 7:00 PM - Reverse Applique

Saturday, January 9th 2021 Workshop *topic to be determined*

**Carole Lyles Shaw**

Thursday, February 4th, 2021 Lecture 7:00 *topic to be determined*

Saturday, February 6th, 2021 Workshop *topic to be determined*

**March 2021- *to be announced***

**Sue Pritt**

April 2021- *topic to be determined*

**Gyleen Fitzgerald**

May 2021 - *topic to be determined*

June 2021 - *to be announce*

**ITEMS FOR SALE**

**Connie Danko** is helping out a friend who is downsizing now that she has moved to Beverwyck. She is selling...

- large folding/cutting table of the sort sold at JoAnns
  - sewing machine cabinet which is a nice piece of furniture
  - **Bernina Artista 180** with the embroidery machine
- email: [connie917@aol.com](mailto:connie917@aol.com) .....Phone: 518-527-6261

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**Kathleen Morris** is selling a **Singer Featherweight** (with case )  
in great working order  
email [kathleen@morrises.org](mailto:kathleen@morrises.org) .....phone 518-986-5746

**ZOOM INFORMATION GUIDE**

*The Zoom information is edited and reprinted with permission from the very gracious Sue Schoch who shared this with her own Quilt North Guild.*

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