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Meetings are usually held on the third Wednesday of the month (except July and August) at Brighton Community Centre, Brighton, Ontario. The doors open at 1:00 p.m. and we meet from 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

President's Message

Judy Gray

Greetings Fellow Guild Members!

With the Spring Equinox at our door steps; and springing our clocks forward to proclaim that Spring has finally arrived. We do this with eagerness in our footsteps and a sigh of relief in our hearts! I personally have not seen a Robin yet; but I have heard of a few sightings! What a joy and delight to think that winter might well be on its way till next year!!

I hope and trust that you are all well and have survived the winter months!
Although the CoronaVirus is still making its mark in the world, there have been encouraging discoveries with the vaccine making it available for people. We see more and more things opening and some sort of normal starting to take shape.

It's with regret that we are still not able to get together because of distancing in large crowds. Thanks to the internet we are able to stay connected VIA Zoom as well as Facebook and our Website. It's good to see that UFO is able to get back into action with limited numbers and protocols. Thanks Midge Trauzzi for making that possible.

We also have had the opportunity to have monthly Zoom UFO's days thanks to Rita Downhill setting that up! Our Program Team has been busy contacting speakers so we are able to continue to get great insight at our monthly Zoom Meetings! I am thankful to see many familiar, smiling faces each month as we continue to encourage one another through our monthly meetings. Zoom has a few glitches but it's still REALLY GREAT to see everyone!!!

The CoronaVirus may have given us a good kick in the butt!! - -but only to prove we are stronger than we think!!!!

I thank each and every one of you for hanging in there and supporting our Guild!

I hope you are starting to create fresh new Spring quilts or finally finishing ones that you have had stuck away since last Spring! If that is the case, pull them out and revel in the fact that Spring has finally arrived!!!

Until it is possible for us to meet again, I urge you to stay safe and healthy. I wish you and your Family a very Happy Easter!

Your President
Judy Gray



I thought rather than me talking for the Newsletter I would ask some of the ladies who have been joining me for the Virtual UFOs to share their thoughts. The next Virtual UFO will be on April 9th 2021. @10am. Please mark your calendars. I thought that we would skip Friday 2nd April being as it is Good Friday <lol>

Here are the comments:

I got so much out of it, seeing faces of the girls I miss seeing when we would get together for quilting, especially being in so much, not going anywhere, except to the bank and drugstore, John doing the groceries. Backyard and driveway visits. Reason for loving seeing the girls again. **Joyce Eggleston.**

I really enjoy the Zoom UFO days! I get stuff accomplished, I get to talk to someone other than my husband, and we share laughs and triumphs. I see gorgeous, quilted articles to aspire to, and all that gives me more ideas for the quilt show! Here's to as many as we can have while this pandemic plays out! **Sarah Roberts.**

It helps to motivate me. I enjoy seeing what my friends are working on and also being able to request and share advice about quilting. It actually does feel as if we are working in the same room **Janet Kivisto.**

I have enjoyed the virtual UFO's we have been having as it is a chance to meet up with the guild members and get some good advice from them. I don't go to regular UFO's as I find it hard to get everything together. So, this has been great. **Linda Harvey**

I enjoyed UFO and it was so great to see the other ladies. I hope we can do this again. **Joy Forge.**

I had a lovely day at the Virtual UFO, seeing the familiar faces on my screen, listening to the chatter about quilting tips and book recommendations, taking a peek at works in progress, all the while enjoying some dedicated uninterrupted sewing time. **Stella Dorsman.**

We have been having up to 15 ladies joining the Virtual UFOs. Some ladies join us for the whole day, others log on and off. It is all very casual and meant to be a time where we can all meet without it being in a formal meeting environment. Plan to join us. Its Fun!

Rita.

Nominations

Hattie Van Dyk, past President

Quilt Show 2021

Sarah Roberts & team

Through the wonder of Zoom meetings with Show and Share, and Zoom UFO days, I have been seeing so many wonderful projects completed or nearing completion.

I really hope you will consider entering your work in our next Quilt Show, June 4 and 5, 2022. And a few of you have been talking about your "Challenge" project, so I know they are under way as well. Keep working on those, and as soon as we can meet in person again, we will set a deadline for

completion, so we can show them off to all the Guild members! These Challenge items will be used to decorate our Tea Room!

Stay safe, get your vaccination when you can, and shop local!

Sarah Roberts

Program

Tina May

Hello my quilting friends (as Leah Day says on YouTube). March is here and spring is not far away. We have some very interesting and knowledgeable speakers coming to our last few meetings before the summer break.

The internet and Zoom allow us to roam the world so that is what the Program Committee has been doing. On March 17 our Speaker will **Paula Rafferty** a quilter from Ireland. We are not able to record her program so please make sure you log into our Zoom meeting to hear all about her quilt.

In April we have Kim from **Chatterbox Quilts** in Alberta.

This term of the program committee comes to an end after our June meeting. If you are interested in bringing interesting new speakers to our guild and being part of the new committee please contact Hattie and let her know. I look forward to seeing you on my computer.

Tina

Workshop Convenor

Marie Newman

Workshops for 2021/22

Your workshop committee is optimistic, and has scheduled next year.

September no workshop.

October 22, 2021. Curved Log Cabin with Jennifer Swallow. Ruler required

November 26, 2021 Curved piecing with Raw Edge Appliqué with Al Cote.

December 24, 2021 no workshop.

January 28, 2022 signup for

Next workshop.

February 25, 2022 Thread Painting with Judy Elliott

March 25, 2022 Quilting Basics & More. With Yvette Chilcott.

April 22, 2022 Paper Piecing with Carolyn Biersworth

May 2022 no workshop- preparations for Quilt Show

June 2022 no work shop.

Marie Newman

Workshop Chair

Comfort Quilt Convenors

Nancy Wallace, Janice Hewitt, Judy Elliott & Jude Burns

Greetings from Comfort Quilts! I hope you are all well and filling your time with lots of sewing. I'm very thankful that I have such a wonderful hobby, and that we are still able to connect in some way through our monthly online Guild and UFO meetings.

In response to our appeal to the membership for more quilts to add to our Comfort Quilts inventory, I am pleased to report that we have received 26 completed quilts and 36 quilt tops! Wow! We can always count on our membership to step up in our time of need. Thank you very much for your efforts!

The total number of quilts distributed in January and February was 7, bringing our total to 76 for our Guild year so far. Happy Sewing!

Membership

Donna Brawley & Donna Simpson

Wishing everyone a wonderful spring and a Happy Easter.

U.F.O. P.H.D Update

Midge Trauzzi

UFO is held at the Brighton Community Centre from 9:00 - 3:30. The fee for the day is \$5.00. Brown bag lunch.

The dates are as follows: April 9th May14th June 11th July 9th August 13th Sept 10th

The last day to sign up for the April 9th UFO is March 29th. Send your e-mail to **Midge Trauzi** not Renee or Yvette.

Cheers, Midge Trauzzi

Retreat 2020

Pat Brinklow and team

Hope all our members and their families are well.

Spring is just around the corner and, I, for one, am anticipating that it will be brighter days ahead regarding the Covid 19 virus.

It's spring-cleaning time. First on my list is my sewing room. Cleanup and reorganizing the cabinets and drawers (a project in itself) might just give me some much-needed motivation to start another project.

Looking forward to the time when we, as a membership, can meet together!

Pat

Dear Members we know you are making the best of the lockdown with some quilting. Let's see some more of your projects on our website!

How to share your quilts on the TVQG website:

1. Take pictures of your quilt using the best lighting possible. Try to get them as clear as possible. Make note of where these pictures are on your tablet or computer. They will need to be on the same device as what you will be using to access the website.

1. Go to www.trentvalleyquiltersguild.com. Under **OUR SITE INDEX**, select **MEMBERS LOGIN**.

2. Login in using the usual password and press Login. You can get a reminder of the password by emailing me.

3. Select the **Show and Share Upload** button.

4.. Complete the form with:

Name. This is mandatory. First and last name.

Email. Mandatory. (Extra spaces may make the email address appear invalid)

****The above two fields will NOT be included in the post. The Coordinator needs this information**

Description. Write up a short story about your quilt. The title of your quilt and the name of the designer. Who is it for? Why that pattern? You know what we like to hear. Just like our live "SHOW & SHARES" in person without that scary microphone.

Include your name in this paragraph as you would like to see it on the website. If you don't want your full name on the website, then just put your first name and last name initial.

Select up to 2 images to upload. Hit Browse and go to the folder on your device where the pictures are. Select a picture and press Open. The coordinator will pick one photo to use.

You will notice that when a field is filled correctly, the title changes to green.

Click **SUBMIT**

Done. This will send an email to Sue Davies. From there it will be put on the website.

To enjoy the Shared quilts, go to **SHOW AND SHARE** under **OUR SITE INDEX**.

The Website Coordinator have editing rights of your text.

Questions about this can be sent to Sue Davies.

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No library news from Pat, but she's been having a ball, sewing doll clothes and wrote:
I am sure wishing for an end to this pandemic. Hopefully by summer we can have a more normal life.

In the meantime, I am keeping busy as we all must. Here is my latest pirate doll clothes.

HAPPY EASTER, HERE'S PAT'S EASTER TREE



Sunshine

Darlene Blanchet

Sent in from **Marilyn Magee**: I would like to thank our comfort quilt ladies for your thoughtfulness and all your hard work. I have recently received a lap quilt and enjoy it every evening while watching TV.

Also thank you to Darlene for sending such a beautiful card. It means a lots to have your support. Thank you. God bless.

Marilyn Magee.

Social

Heather McKellar

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Guild Show Challenge 2021	Janet Kivisto & Lee Farmes
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Diane Cichon would like to share the BOM project with the guild as the members did such great work to design this quilt. After taking a free motion class on zoom, Diane feels confident to topstitch her beautiful quilt.



Linda Thayer sent in this photo: King size quilt **Oh My Stars** a **Pat Sloan** pattern, quilted as well by Linda



Sent in and shared by **Kathy Herron**, "this is my quilt project for March
It is called Seafloor Surprises by Connecting
Threads and is 56x68. This quilt is made out of batiks which is quite different for me. I really
enjoyed making this quilt as it had lots of twists and turns. I love the fabric colours and it is a
very calming quilt even though it looks very busy."



Marilyn Edmonds has been keeping herself busy sewing more quilts using fabric from her stash.



Sent in by **Suzanne Postma**

"I'm working on this baby quilt for my niece...she is expecting her 3rd baby. They don't know the gender...therefore if its a girl I'll get a pink bunny..lol...

I just have to finish the last border and binding... I used my walking foot and did the bubbles with a quilting feature I have on my sewing machine.



I call it my cheating free motion."



These businesses support our guild.

Please let them know that you saw their business card here in your newsletter when you visit or call them. They are the back bone of our quilting; their knowledge and services are indispensable so it is vital that we support them during these difficult times.

(editor's note; I know how easy it is to buy on-line these days, but our local businesses NEED your support.)

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Raffle Quilt 2021

Trent Valley Quilters' Guild has a Quilt Show every three years, but COVID-19 has changed that. The 2021 show has been delayed to June 4 and 5, 2022, at the Brighton Community Centre.

For each show, the Guild creates a quilt for raffle to raise funds for Comfort Quilts, which are given to people and organizations in our community in cases of illness, fire, and other emergency. The Comfort Quilts committee has distributed hundreds of quilts over the past years. Every Guild member is required to contribute their time and talent to help the committee make quilts as part of their membership. Fabric is often donated and other supplies (batting, thread, basting spray) to construct these quilts are purchased by the committee.

The 2021 Raffle Quilt was created through the donation of a quilt kit from a former member, Georgia Rogers; pieced by Marilyn Edmonds; and quilted by Deanna Gaudaur. Photography by Mike Gaudaur. The quilt is queen size, 88" by 108". Tickets are \$2 each or 3 for \$5

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You can purchase tickets on this raffle quilt using e-transfer. Please send your e-transfer to:

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In the comment box of your e-transfer, please include your name, email address and how many tickets you wish to purchase. You will receive an email in reply with your ticket numbers.

Draw will be made June 6, 2021 at 3:00 p.m. at the Brighton Community Centre. Winner will be contacted via phone and/or email supplied.