



York Quilters' Guild
YORK, PENNSYLVANIA

April 2020

Letter from the President:

Fellow Quilters,

Are you tired of making face masks yet? I was rather slow to jump on the band wagon. Now that it is suggested we all wear them, and WellSpan is requesting our help, I've gone into production. I would like to encourage the guild to help support this worthy cause.

Wellspan has requested we use a pattern that allows them to place a filter in the back and has a wire across the bridge of the nose. Here is the link: <https://www.wellspan.org/media/2364423/WellSpan-Facemask-making-instructions.pdf>

I thought I'd share a few tips I've gotten online and from my own experience with mask construction. Batiks would be a great fabric choice because of the tight weave. Please try not to use discount cottons which are loosely woven.

Elastic is hard to purchase now both locally and online. Some people are using narrow headbands from the dollar stores. I hear removing the outer covering of bungee cords will expose multiple pieces of elastic. Other options are to use bias tape or make your own fabric ties. WellSpan's directions state ties should be 10 1/2" long. I made one and the ties are not long enough to tie a bow. Maybe my head is bigger than most, but I doubt it. The link above is actually the third pattern they have placed on their website. I went back to the first pattern and ties were 18" long. My masks now have 18" ties. If they truly want 10 1/2" ties they can cut my extra length off.

When it's time to form the 3 pleats, I formed the middle pleat first. Hold the mask with the right side facing you. Bring the two narrow hemmed edges together so they kiss. The fabric that buckles in the front can be pushed down, away from the wire. This forms the first pleat, and the pocket opening for the filter is nice and neat on the back. Form 1/2" pleats above and below to create 3 pleats on each side.

Completed masks should be placed in a clear plastic bag and taken to 601 Memory Lane, York PA 17402. They are open from 8am-4:30pm, Monday thru Friday.

Please keep track of how many masks you make for WellSpan. It would be nice to know how many we were able to create as a guild. It might not hurt to label your bag as coming from the York Quilters Guild to give our organization some good publicity.

Stay safe during these difficult times. Hopefully we can meet again in May and I'm looking forward to a fantastic show and tell!

Donna Sheffer



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If any of these are outdated or incorrect, please contact Joy at yorkquilt-erguild@gmail.com

**There will be
no April
meeting.
If possible, a
May meeting
may be
scheduled,
depending on
health
restrictions
and room
availability.**

Based in York, PA, the purpose of the York Quilters' Guild is to instruct, stimulate and promote the art of quilt making on an individual, group and community basis. The Guild meets at 7 pm on the third Thursday of each month at Zion United Methodist Church at 1030 Carlisle Road, York

Mask Information

There are many organizations that are looking for help in making basic masks. Donna has outlined the request from WellSpan in her letter, but these are a few more that we have heard from. There will be a document on the www.yorkquiltersguild.com website with this information, which can be updated if we receive more requests.

Rabbittransit is now requiring all riders to wear masks. From Beth Nidam who works for Rabbittransit: Do you know if anyone at your quilt guild is heading up a mask sewing effort for nonmedical masks.? As of Monday, all transit riders must have some kind of face covering or mask or they cannot ride any of the buses. I was wondering if the York Quilt Guild has any they could donate to rabbittransit - no pocket, no wire. Most of our riders are very poor . Drop the mask at 415 N Zarfoss Dr York 17408 or people can text Beth (717-781-5488) and she will go get them .

Danners in Hanover has kits put together from a company that has special fabric that is treated to help prevent the spread of the virus. The company has an agreement with Hershey Medical. If anyone is interested and they want to contact me, I will pick them up and stitchers can arrange to pick them up from me if they like. They have 700 more masks that will be delivered tomorrow! They already had 700!!! The stitching is much less complicated than the styles i have already made! From Eva Weber
ekwth@sbcglobal.net

I am Shirl Lloyd-Taylor, RN, and I am the Nurse Recruiter for Kennedy Krieger Institute in Baltimore, Maryland.

We are an acute care center, taking care of children with disabilities, a crucial element of service to our pediatric population. We are in need of fabric masks, and would like to know if you would be able to assist us by donating masks for use by the staff who are caring for this patient population. We are not asking for a committed number of masks, as any amount would be of great help.

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Suzette Pursel recommended this site for easy mask directions:<https://seekatesew.com/3-ways-to-make-a-diy-surgical-face-mask-for-virus-shortage/>

According to their website, at this point, UPMC is not accepting donations of homemade masks.

To everyone who continues to do vital work or who have family members who are doing so: Thank you from the bottom of our hearts.



Salvation Army Fabric Fair

This years Fabric Fair has been canceled. With the current health situation we did not want to do anything to put our supporters in jeopardy with donations and set up. Our other concern was having a large group in a very close environment. This is disappointing to all of us but definitely the best decision. We will try again next year.

Classes Rescheduled

Snyders Sewing Center has re-scheduled several of the their classes. Please see their website for more information.

May Birthdays

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| Linda Kenee | 5/2 |
| Rhonda Newton | 5/3 |
| Fay Spangler | 5/17 |
| Erma Raver | 5/20 |
| Ann Hoffman | 5/21 |
| Bonnie Lenkner | 5/22 |
| Joanne Hammen | 5/27 |
| Patsy Hartnett | 5/29 |
| Rachael Tracey | 5/31 |
| Mary E Jones | 5/10 |
| Eva Weber | 5/26 |



We get these emails . . . Can anyone help this gentleman?

My wife is a quilter and has used a lady that lives in Jacobus to stipple her quilts. Somehow we have lost her contact information. If you could help us in obtain her contact information that would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you for your assistance.

Richard Keen rkeen41@msn.com

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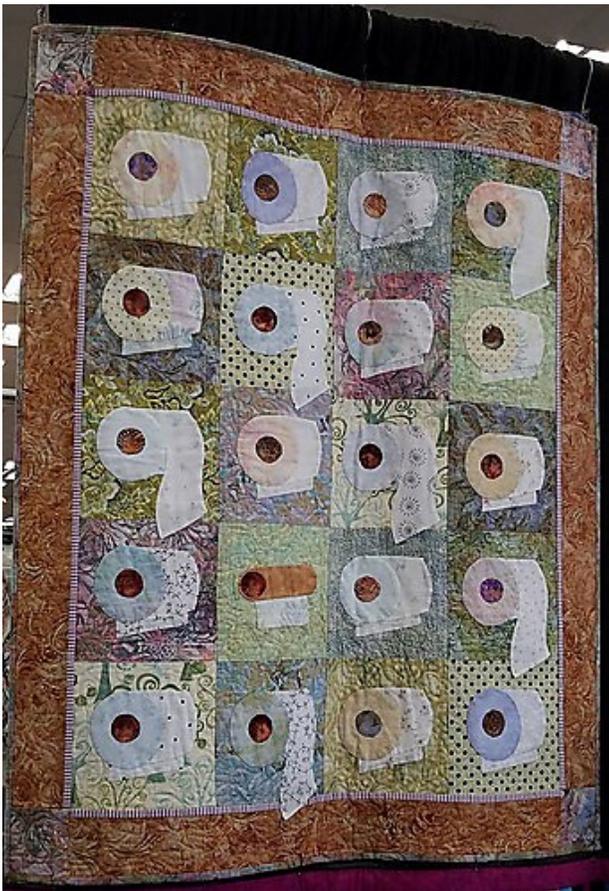
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- Speed control slider
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Sunshine Lady



As Sunshine Lady for the guild, it is my duty to correspond to members of the guild who are in need of condolences, encouragement, and/or congratulations. In order to do this, I rely on each of you to inform me when a member is in need. I will then mail them a card on behalf of the guild expressing support, encouragement, and best wishes. If you know someone who could benefit from such a correspondence, please feel free to contact me at longarmlady1@gmail.com, (717)676-5649 or, in person.

Fondly,
Your Sunshine Lady,
Cindy Hodge



By now we may have all seen this on the internet—someday maybe it will be a reminder of one of the strange sidebars of this time.

Besides masks, what are you working on?

This from Eileen Shrey—pretty!



What we are watching, listening to and learning from

Tena Wolfe: I've been watching Pat Sloan. She does a daily post and Alex Anderson has a free post as well.

<https://www.patsloan.com/> <https://alexandersonquilts.com/>

Donna Sheffer

Deb Tucker's Studio 180 Design Facebook page has a Tips and Tricks with the Tucker Team on Thurs at 2pm. April 2nd was spinning seams around a center point. April 9th demonstrated partial seams.

The Sew Steady Facebook page is running ruler education video's daily from 3/30-4/15. You can catch them live at 5 pm or view past videos on the Sew Steady page. My favorite certified instructor is Donelle Bradford McAdams.

Alyce Blyth of Blossom Heart Quilts is hosting a Happy Scrappy QAL on her BLOG. It's a mystery and she post every 2-3 days. She is on step 7. I promised myself I wouldn't start anything new until I finish some of my tops, but I have some many scraps! Its fun to watch the layouts others are coming up with.

Debbie Macomber has some free coloring pages at <https://tinyurl.com/saxcjfa>

Marie Bostwick is doing a read along daily on her Facebook page. Many of Marie's books are set in a quilt shop.

National Quilter's Circle (Facebook) is doing a Community Quilt Along with Colleen Tauke Thurs. at 10 CT. The free pattern is a 9-patch called Charming Strips Quilt. It started 3/26. Good way to use that charm pack you've been saving for that special project.

National Quilter's Circle (Facebook) is doing a Quilt Block Challenge called Baskets and Blooms. Sign up for their newsletter and the challenge will begin 4/24.

Connecting Threads has a brand-new Facebook groups called Together We Quilt. On 4/6 they posted a challenge to fussy cut a treasured fabric and use in a block.

Opportunity for free instruction: In the midst of the [coronavirus](#) outbreak, the [American Quilter's Society](#), the largest quilting membership organization in the world, decided they want to bring the joy of [quilting](#) to everyone at home during these [difficult times](#). To that end, they are now offering anyone one free virtual class through their professional-quality online [quilting tutorials](#) on their website quilt.com. To redeem your free class, simply check out the course options [here](#), select your class, and enter the promotion code IQUILTFREE at checkout. This code is valid through June 30, 2020.

Joy Rusionis: I'm still working (at home on very boring online work) and I find this very relaxing to listen to—and a sweet reminder of simpler times. <https://quiltfiction.com/> I previously listened to *Friendship Album, 1933* and have now started *Aunt Jane of Kentucky*

Quilt Show

Just a reminder that our Quilt Show for May 29, 30 has been cancelled. Look for more information in the future about plans for rescheduling and our raffle quilt.