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## President's Letter

Wow! Can you believe it's December already? Man, what a crazy year! What a *challenging* year.

It has been difficult for the board to keep things together - so much is unknown, so many activities have had to be suspended or drastically changed. Adaptation has been the byword. We greatly appreciate your attendance at the Zoom meetings and your patience as we learn this new method. The level of your participation in the guild during this difficult time has been amazing! Please **renew your membership** – we don't want to lose you.

This month I have quite a lot to say so grab a cup (or a glass) and settle in for a long read. I want to take this opportunity to thank each board member and to expand on their contributions.

President Pro tempore DeaJae Shore got to lead the first (and so far last) meeting held in person at our new location, Covenant Presbyterian. Way back in February! One workshop managed to squeeze in, ending just minutes before the church shooed us out. Ah, the good times. These days DeaJae is mistress of all things dealing with Zoom. I am sooo grateful for her!

Sandy Doyle served her first year as VP Special Events watching them all *f-a-l-l* like dominoes. No Auction, no bus trip to Houston, no summer retreat, no winter retreat, no mini-retreats. A Show postponed indefinitely with a major fund-raising quilt being raffled online for a guild first. Whew!

Ina Ramirez, VP for Information extraordinaire, has had to gather articles from severely curtailed activities. She has done a splendid job keeping us all informed and has prodded us all to *contribute something*. Don't let's disappoint her!

Sandra Lowell stepped into her place as VP for Programs in January with great plans for teachers and classes to present to us. Luckily for us she is quick to change gears. She also has a knack for seeking out creative things to engage us. The guild calendar is as full as it ever has been.

Leti Zavala has spent the past year as VP for Services pretty much sitting on the bench. No point in door prizes if there isn't any door, eh? The Bees and the Auction were early casualties of our unfortunate circumstances. No guild Library happening any time soon either. Yet she attended all the virtual board meetings. (Give us a joke, Leti!)

Gail Clover had a bit of buzz in her committees. She overlooks Bright Hopes whose leaders, Linda Nash and Judy Pearl, have been very fortunate. Many children passing through Roy Maas Youth Alternatives this year will leave with colorful, soft quilts thanks to guild members confined at home with lots of fabric and lots of time. Gail's other charges – Community Education, ITC Quilters, Storybooks, and Community Quilt Angels – have had to cease for safety's sake

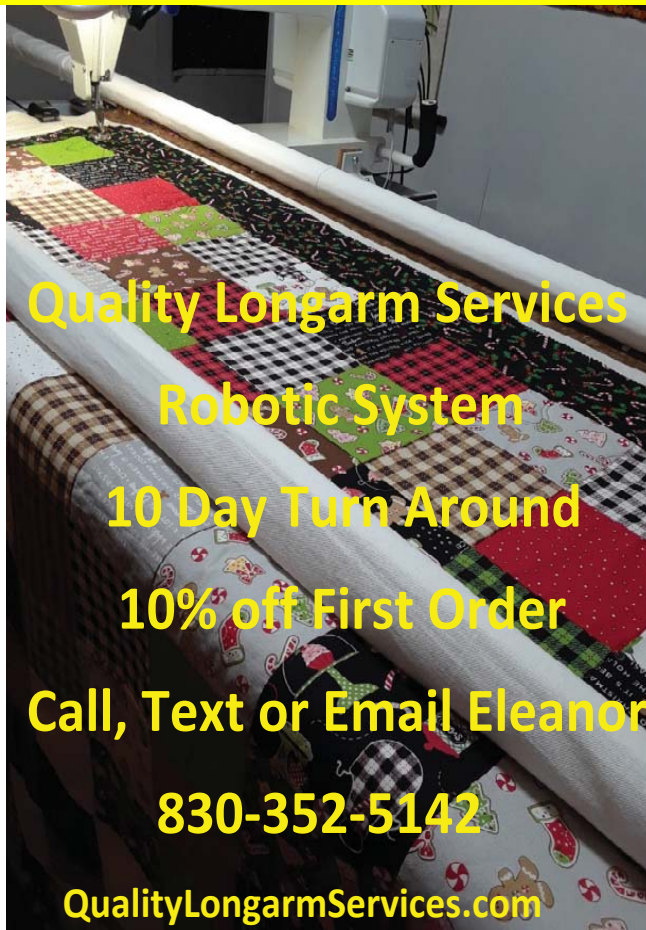
Secretary Janice Schwab continued writing all year long. She has been helped these last few months by having the Zoom recordings to fall back on. Easy-peasy, you'd think. Ha! It is thanks to Janice's determination and persistence that we found a home at Covenant. Many phone calls, many in-person inspections were voluntarily undertaken with nary a complaint. Now if we could just get back to it...

Guild Treasurer Cindy Shutt (and Karen Nanos before her) informed us for years why there was so much money setting in our bank accounts. Well! Now we know, don't we? It is vital that the raffle quilt raise as much as it can, that members buy the challenge fabric, not abandon the guild but renew their membership and pay the class fees for those teachers we contract. Money has to come from somewhere, folks!

As President I basically check in with the board members to be sure the wheels keep spinning, apply grease where needed, and strive to keep the friction (what friction?) to a minimum. It's wonderful when there are such competent and committed people to work with. Even during this topsy-turvy, time-whirling, pandemic panic year it has been a joy!

Merry Christmas/Happy Holidays to each of you! --- Mary

*Merry Christmas  
& Happy New Year!*



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**Programs**

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**January** – Chat and Sew Gingerbread House block, Bring and Brag your Roosting Robin. Round 3 given for Roosting Robin.

**February** – Chat and Sew Mesh Project Bag with Barbara Sumlin. Round 4 given for Roosting Robin.

**March** – Our first Guest Speaker and Teacher for 2021, Linda Hahn. Her topic is New York Beauty on Her Mind, and she will teach the wall hanging Wicked Wahini. Round 5 (Last Round!) given for Roosting Robin.

**April** – Mellisa Allo and Sandra Doyle will teach Raw Edge Applique and discuss the different kinds of fusibles.

Sandra

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 &  
 Judy Pearl  
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GSAQG Board Meeting Minutes  
November 2, 2020

Mary McCarthy, President, called the zoom virtual meeting to order at 7:06 p.m. Present were board members Dea Jae Shore, Janice Schwab, Cindy Shutt, Sandy Doyle, Ina Ramirez, Sandra Lowell, Leti Zavala and Gail Clover.

**President** – Mary McCarthy

- 1) The October meeting minutes were approved as published
- 2) Appreciation to all board members who are vacating their positions.

**President Pro Tem** - Dea Jae Shore

- 1) Conducted a practice “break out room” session which will be used at the monthly guild meeting.
- 2) Deadline for member dues is February.

**Secretary** - Janice Schwab

Reported 5 guild phone calls that were referred to appropriate board and committee members.

**Treasurer** – Cindy Shutt

- 1) Reported the current total balance is 60,032.48.
- 2) The storage unit is increasing their rental fee.
- 3) Cindy will submit an article reminding members about dues and payment options for the next newsletter.

**1<sup>st</sup> VP for Special Events** – Sandy Doyle

- 1) Auction Chair, Jean Hardies reports that the storage unit has no more room for the auction quilts so they are currently being stored at her house. It was suggested that the quilts be put in plastic storage bins and stacked on the floor of the unit.
- 2) Quilt Show – Suggestions have surfaced regarding the Challenge Quilt category requirements. These were referred to the challenge fabric quilt committee who will make the final decisions.
- 3) The raffle quilt is traveling.

**2<sup>nd</sup> VP for Information** – Ina Ramirez

Requested a dues payment option article from Cindy and a program update from Sandra.

**3<sup>rd</sup> VP for Programs** – Sandra Lowell

1. Program updates are listed on the guild webpage.
2. In order to allow sufficient time to collect professional teacher fees, the presentation sequence of Zoom paid teachers and local presenters must be adjusted.
3. Reported tentative programs through May 2021.

**4<sup>th</sup> VP for Services** – Leti Zavala ~ Nothing to report.

**5<sup>th</sup> VP for Community Outreach** – Gail Clover

Nominated Linda Nash and Judy Pearl as recipients of a Calico Rose for their efforts to collect Bright Hopes quilt donations from all over the city for many months.

**Parliamentarian** – Gail Clover

Mary noted that this is an appointed position.

New Business- None

Old Business – None

Meeting adjourned at 8:01 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Janice Schwab, Secretary

## GSAQG General Meeting Minutes

November 14, 2020

**President – Mary McCarthy**

- 1) Called to order the Zoom virtual meeting at 9:05 a.m.
- 2) The October General meeting minutes stand approved.
- 3) The following members for the open board positions were elected:

**President – Mary McCarthy; Secretary – Oralia Aves; 2<sup>nd</sup> VP for Information – Ina Ramirez; 4<sup>th</sup> VP for Services – Jean Hardies; 5<sup>th</sup> VP for Community Outreach – Elaine Staller**

- 4) Farewell to outgoing board members: Leti Zavala and Janice Schwab.
- 5) Submitted for approval the 2021 Budget, which is available for viewing on the website. The 2021 Budget was approved after member questions and discussion.
- 6) Presented Calico Roses to Bright Hopes committee members Linda Nash and Judy Pearl for their tireless work picking up and delivering donated quilts from guild members to the Roy Maas Youth Alternative Center.
- 7) Bring and Brag and Runaround Bag instruction will follow after today's meeting.

**President Pro Tem – Dea Jae Shore**

Membership dues must be paid by February 2021. Go to the guild website, complete the registration form and pay either using pay pal (add \$1 to the amount due) or check mailed to the guild address. Mail check to Cindy Shutt's home address (available in guild directory). Due to COVID-19 circumstance, dues will not be raised.

**Secretary – Janice Schwab ~ Nothing to report.**

**Treasurer – Cindy Shutt**

- 1) Total balance of the guild account is \$60,032.48.
- 2) Purchases of the following are available online: challenge fabric fat quarters, raffle tickets, and dues.

**1<sup>st</sup> VP for Special Events – Sandy Doyle**

- 1) The summer retreat may be a reality.
- 2) The Houston virtual Quilt Show features online classes and winners of 2020 quilt entries.
- 3) Auction quilts – Jean Hardies is accepting completed quilts which will be photographed and then placed in the guild storage unit.
- 4) Jen Eskridge, Chair of the 2021 Quilt Show, has cancelled the event because of so many unknowns. Karen Lambdin, organizer of the construction of the raffle quilt, reports that it is available for viewing on the website. The challenge fabric quilt fat quarters are for sale. It is crucial to the committee's fund-raising goal that all fat quarters be sold. Contest rules accept any project that uses the challenge fabric. Dea Jae can send up to three fat quarters in the mail. For delivery of more than three, contact Dea Jae. Kristy Walker volunteered to contact shops about displaying the raffle quilt. The drawing is scheduled for the third week of September 2021.

**2<sup>nd</sup> VP for Information – Ina Ramirez**

- 1) Requested additional funds to cover postage for mailing member directories. E-mailing the directory presents privacy issues.
- 2) Encouraged members to send articles for the newsletter about their activities for the last several months.

**3<sup>rd</sup> VP for Programs – Sandra Lowell**

- 1) Instructions for the Roosting Robin challenge are on the website under Programs.
- 2) December - features a slide show of member holiday quilts. Send entries to Dea Jae's email. Dea Jae will also teach construction of the "Easy-Peasy Drawstring Backpack."
- 3) January – Chat and Sew with Sandra - pin cushions, name tags, mug rugs, etc., using a gingerbread house pattern.
- 4) February – Chat and Sew with Barbara Sumlin – mesh project bag.
- 5) March – Linda Hahn

**4<sup>th</sup> VP for Services – Leti Zavala ~ Nothing to report.****5<sup>th</sup> VP for Community Outreach – Gail Clover**

Expressed her appreciation to all the committee members for their hard work during her tenure. She is assuming the parliamentarian position on the board.

New business – None. Old business – None. Meeting adjourned at 10:05 a.m.

Minutes submitted by Janice Schwab, Secretary.

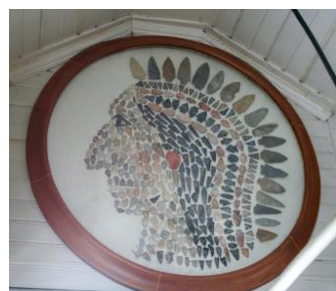
12.2020 Pieces of the Past, 128: **Frieda Warther Button House**, by Ellen Hernandez



The home of Frieda Warther in Dover, Ohio is most unique, decorated with over 100,000 buttons of pearl, ceramic, rubber, and metal. Born in Switzerland, at age four Frieda moved with her family to Ohio. As a cultural tradition, the gift of a mother’s button box was given to the oldest daughter, that being Frieda. She was fascinated with the buttons and made jewelry with them. She went on to collect all sorts of buttons during her lifetime and at age 60 she mounted the buttons onto boards with wire or dental floss. Her patterns mimicked traditional quilt blocks though many are original designs. The walls and ceilings of her home are covered with these boards.



Frieda married Ernest Mooney Warther, a World Master Carver. He opened a museum in 1936 in their backyard. As an admirer of trains, most of his 64 ebony, ivory, and walnut carvings are scaled reproduction steam trains. Mooney’s first date with Frieda was to go on an arrowhead search. They continued this Sunday habit for years, collecting over 5,000 arrowheads. Frieda mounted them also into patterns throughout their home.



The center button of this star is from Mrs. Lincoln’s inaugural dress.



Frieda founded Dover’s Garden Club, led in 4-H and taught many women to sew, make wreaths, press flowers, and can vegetables. Her garden was Swiss designed and even today her original flowers continue to seed.

The Ernest Warther Museum & Gardens continues to attract many tourists. The eight-acre grounds and gardens are beautifully manicured and they have held many special dinners, weddings, and Spring and Christmas events. The museum and park are now operated by Frieda’s children and grandchildren with a mission to “share, educate, and delight visitors” with the art work of two unique artists.



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President's Quilt

We would like to recognize and thank the ladies that helped with Mary's "President's" quilt this year. A big thank you to Cindy Shutt, Karen Lambdin, Cindy King, Barbara Sumlin, Janice Frankenburger, Lisetta Ennis, Gail Clover, Bernie Farris, Glenda Harris and Vonnie Maglinte.

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**December Schedule**

**December 2 Board Meeting 7:00 PM**  
**on Zoom**

**November 14 Guild Meeting 9:00 AM**  
**on Zoom**

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