

# Mt. Hood Quilt Guild



## News from the Hood

February 2021

**Our February 9th meeting will be online at 7pm, and you're invited!** Watch your email for the Zoom invitation, or find it on our [website calendar](#).

### President's Message

In my senior year of high school; one of our English assignments was to write 3 essays for college applications. My favorite essay was about.....QUILTS!! I wrote about how quilts are made up of small pieces of fabric just like life is made up of small moments. Some moments are beautiful, planned, and color coordinated; while others are ugly and clash with everything!

While I think every quilt is stunning; I am drawn to the scrappy ones most! I am intrigued by the random cohesiveness of every scrappy quilt I see or make. I love discovering patterns designed to give random scraps a purpose and function. Even the ugliest and loudest fabrics can find their place within the scrappy quilt.

2020 seemed like a scrappy quilt made from the scraps of the scraps! But, if we stand back and look at last year, we can find the beauty in another year completed. All those haphazard moments, unexpected challenges, and events joined together to create a masterpiece we could never have imagined or wished to have planned!!

As your president for this year; I am committed to finding the beauty in every twist, turn, and moment we are given. I am excited to look for new opportunities for our guild to grow, reach out more into our community, and be a blessing through quilting to those around us. I can't wait to see what guild members create and the new challenges we will conquer! While we can't predict what small moments will make up this new year, I am confident it will be a "scrappy masterpiece" beyond anything we could imagine!

Here's to a happy new year!

Becky Caputo, Guild President



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## Vice President's Message

Hello All and welcome to February!!

This month's speaker is Mel Beach, a modern professional quilter who has been featured in *Quilting Arts Magazine*, *The Quilt Show* with Alex Anderson and Ricky Tims, and is also a Michael Miller Fabrics Brand Ambassador. She teaches several online courses and writes a cool blog on modern quilt designs.

Check her out before the February Live ZOOM Meeting at [melbeachquilts.com](http://melbeachquilts.com), and on [Facebook at melbeachquilts](#). If you would like to visit her blog, it is <https://pieceloveandhappiness.blogspot.com/>. Enjoy!!

- Dottie Miller, Vice President

## Treasurer's Report

December 31, 2021

Opening Balance – Checking	\$17,219.46
Income:	
Dues	
Kroeger	\$31.42
Dues and Guest Fees	\$315.91
Ret'd Speaker Check	\$250.00
Ret'd Audible charges	\$119.60
<u>Total Income</u>	<u>\$716.93</u>
<u>Adj. for error in September</u>	<u>\$98.02</u>
Expenses:	
Insurance	\$523.00
Speaker	\$154.11
Website	\$216.00
Video	\$8.99
<u>Total Expenses</u>	<u>\$902.10</u>
Current Balance:	<u>\$17,132.31</u>
Less \$s held for Charitable activity	\$3,793.55
<b>Net Balance</b>	<b>\$13,338.76</b>

### Looking ahead:

I am not sure about all of you but I wouldn't mind a little snow.

The returned check for \$250 is for a speaker and class we were going to have this Spring, We sent a check to Columbia George as we were going to share the cost. The speaker and class will not happen this Spring.

We had been incorrectly charged by Amazon Audible and those funds have been returned.

I will be turning the treasurer's position over to Ann Marie Rears in March. Ann Marie has a ton of bookkeeping experience and has worked with Quicken which will make Quickbooks easy for her. She will do an awesome job and, I'm sure, improve the process.

# Mt. Hood Quilt Guild Small Groups

Coordinator: Susan Ainsworth Smith [smallgroups@mthoodquiltguild.com](mailto:smallgroups@mthoodquiltguild.com)

Fellow guild members, we are having more activity in Small Groups, and I'm glad to see the list of meetings growing! Why not try out a small group via Zoom, it's easy to do, why not take a step into the world of Zoom-Sewing!

Anyone who has an idea for meeting via zoom but needs a little help, please contact me. We can work on getting you started, or join us at Open Sew on the first Sunday of each month. Open Sew is the best place to be initiated into the world of Zoom-Sewing!

For ease, certain Small Groups will have the meeting link, here in the newsletter such as Open Sew and a new group starting, Back Table Quilters.

## **BACK TABLE QUILTERS**

Meets 2nd Thursday via Zoom

4:00 – 5:30 p.m.

Open to guild members, to connect to Community Outreach.

Contact: Ann Marie Rears

[arears77@gmail.com](mailto:arears77@gmail.com)

503.784.0089

[communityoutreach@mthoodquiltguild.com](mailto:communityoutreach@mthoodquiltguild.com)

Join Zoom Meeting

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85189276904?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85189276904?pwd=L295dTVIa0I2UnZIOVI3dFZzOWVQZz09)

[pwd=L295dTVIa0I2UnZIOVI3dFZzOWVQZz09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85189276904?pwd=L295dTVIa0I2UnZIOVI3dFZzOWVQZz09)

Meeting ID: 851 8927 6904

Passcode: 403264

## **OPEN SEW**

Meets 1st Sunday via Zoom

10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Contact: Susan Ainsworth Smith

[opensew@mthoodquiltguild.com](mailto:opensew@mthoodquiltguild.com)

Open to Guild members

Join Zoom Meeting

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81735192274?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81735192274?pwd=WkI4Tjh6ZXVHYUNra05XaitVL3JoZz09)

[pwd=WkI4Tjh6ZXVHYUNra05XaitVL3JoZz09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81735192274?pwd=WkI4Tjh6ZXVHYUNra05XaitVL3JoZz09)

Meeting ID: 817 3519 2274

Passcode: 787008

## **2021 TEMPERATURE QUILT**

Meets Sunday 2/7/21 3:30 – 4:30 via Zoom

[See also Facebook Group](#)

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Pat Curtis [Pat.curtis@live.com](mailto:Pat.curtis@live.com)

503.953.5170

Open to Guild members

## **3rd THURSDAY SEWING GROUP**

Meets 3rd Thursday 10-3 via Zoom

Contact: Donna Taylor

[donmartayl@comcast.net](mailto:donmartayl@comcast.net)

503.720.7439

## **SEW HAPPY**

Meets 4th Monday 10-3

Will resume meeting via Zoom in January 2021

Contact: Laura Rom [puma01.laura@gmail.com](mailto:puma01.laura@gmail.com)

971.244.2304

## **MYSTERY MAVENS**

Meets 1st Monday 10-3 via Zoom

Contact: Terry Knott [quilting00@aol.com](mailto:quilting00@aol.com)

503.804.6367

## **WEDNESDAY SEWCIAL CLUB**

Meets every Wednesday evening via Zoom

Contact: Debbie Johnsen [Debbie.johnsen@yahoo.com](mailto:Debbie.johnsen@yahoo.com)

No openings 503.680.6494

## **THREADIES**

Meets 3rd Monday evening via Zoom

Contact: Susan Ainsworth Smith

[Susan@kellycreekstudio.com](mailto:Susan@kellycreekstudio.com)

No openings 503-577-1434

## **NEEDLE TURNERS Applique Group**

Not currently meeting

If interested, please contact

Jackie Park [jmillerparks@comcast.net](mailto:jmillerparks@comcast.net)

Open to new members 503.512.7665

## **LAST WEDNESDAY OPEN SEW**

Not currently meeting

Meets last Wednesday 11-3

Contact: Nancy Toupin [nancytoupin52@gmail.com](mailto:nancytoupin52@gmail.com)

Open to new members 503.381.8543

## The Wednesday Sewcial Small Group would like to share an update with you!

### Members:

Jere Barrett, Pam Hutcheson, Lori Oathes, Martha Thomas, Debbie Stoffer, Kim Simmons, Julie Hale, Debbie Johnsen, Bev Campbell

Originally we met the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the month at Heidi's for dinner and conversation. We brought show and shares, discussed quilting techniques, challenges anyone was having and just enjoying each other's company. The group has members that are seasoned quilters to some that have just started quilting.

When COVID became an issue our group met using the 40 min. free zoom. It was quickly determined that 40 min once a month was not enough. The meetings were moved to weekly on Wednesday's. That was much better and the group agreed that this was helping all of us get through this trying time.

When the weather began getting nicer and it was light out later, we decided to continue to meet weekly but in person in the Mt. Hood Christian parking lot while maintaining the 6 ft. social distancing requirement. Everyone brought a chair, dinner, quilt for warmth, show/share and great conversation. Other types of groups were also utilizing the church parking lot for outdoor meetings. 2 of the pastors at the church ventured out one evening and introduced themselves, asked what our group was about and told us to enjoy ourselves. As the summer went on we decided to add themes to our meetings so we brought quilts that went with the theme and added costumes, hats or whatever you wanted to bring for the theme. Everyone has fun with it and there is a lot of laughter.

As the season changed from summer to fall we were still meeting at the church in the evening but an hour earlier as our spouses were concerned for our safety to be out after dark. We are utilizing the Guilds zoom account to continue meeting weekly during the winter. But some weeks we meet at a school that has a cover on Saturday as we really like to meet in person. Of course social distancing is ever most in our minds.

This has definitely brought us all closer together not just sharing our love of quilting, but sharing pieces of our lives, supporting each other through the pandemic. Without these women it would be have been much more difficult these last 9 months in 2020.

Here are some projects that as a group we have completed since the group started at the first Mt. Hood Quilt Guild meeting.

- Completed 3 charity quilts that were gifted to a group member that retired, our favorite waitress at Heidi's, a Mt. Hood Christian member

- Chose a fabric and table runner pattern – the fabric had to be used in the table runner, but we also added our own complimenting fabric

- Pillow cases that were donated to several charities

- Mystery table runner that 1 member provided weekly clues to the rest of the group

- Christmas Fabric challenge to use in any project of your choice

- 1 Member brought mug rug kits for everyone that we all put together and use in our sewing rooms

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## The Wednesday Sewcial Small Group (continued)

All members brought 1 yd. of blue fabric and during our meeting we ripped strips and passed to the person to our right. When we were done each member had a strip from each fabric to make whatever they want

Seasonal wall hanging challenge that the group entered into the quilt show

Sorted jelly roll strips that were donated, these were sold at the Guilds fabric sale

Attend the quilting shows together (pre Covid)

Attend shop hops that are scheduled or that we schedule as a group (pre Covid)

Current project is a Block Robin....each of us chose fabric colors based upon our initials. Each member chose a block to make for the other members. Every month we pass our project to another member, make our block with the fabric from the other member. We are on our last block exchange in January. The group will then use the blocks in their own quilt and will be shared with the guild members as part of show and share later in 2021.

Next project will be a Tree Charity quilt

As we met in the church parking lot it became evident the world was changing around us without us even realizing it. There were no planes going over in early summer and as summer progressed and restrictions were lifted the airplane traffic increased each week. We noticed because they would fly right over us and interrupt our conversations! The wildfires were another challenge and we couldn't meet outside a couple of times due to the smoke, but we still did a zoom meeting. A couple that was evacuated from Estacada had parked their trailer in the church parking lot and they walked over and spoke with us. They knew we were the quilting group as a church member advised them we met there.

Hoping that other groups will see that there are ways of meeting and keeping in touch with your small quilt group and how much this has meant to our sanity and well-being over the last 9 months. We are all ready for our lives to be normal again, but it may be awhile...



### Message from Membership

Hope everyone is having a fantastic beginning to 2021!

MHQG has 166 members currently. A big welcome to our newest member, Julie! All new members receive a new member packet via email when you are added to the guild email list. Please let us know if you have any questions at [membership@mthoodquiltquild.com](mailto:membership@mthoodquiltquild.com). Name tags will be in the mail soon to all the new members embroidered by our own Charlene Opperman. Thank you, Charlene! Please customize them to your liking so you have it ready for our in person meetings in the future. Remember you will receive an extra ticket for the prize drawings when you check in if you wear it.

I look forward to seeing everyone at the live virtual meeting this month via ZOOM.

Happy stitching,  
Debra O'Donnell



Hi Quilters,

Here's an update on a few things that are happening with Community Outreach. We have a new small group that meets on the 2nd Thursday of the month.

The Back Table group is open to anyone interested in quilting and sewing items for the community. The link will always be on our guild web calendar, as well as the newsletter. We hope you may want to come join the sharing and the inspirations from other members.

We are winding down on a request for 70 caps for hospital workers. These requests come in every few months, and I usually have been able to handle working them in around the quilting and binding projects. One thing I've learned this time around, the male nurses need caps as well, and my supply of "manly fabric" is small! If you have boy/guy fabric to donate, we can always use it in quilts that go out.

Rita McRoberts has brought a service project to us from Restore Hope. <https://www.restoretheirhope.org/> They need 600 Christmas stockings sewn to stuff with goodies for foster children. We hope to get kits out to you in about one month, so think about how you can help. Right now, we are collecting your extra Christmas fabric that would be kid friendly, and work for the cuff of the stockings. Rita figures we can get about 6 tops from a yard of fabric. I did a practice stocking, and found that some of my fabrics have motifs that are too large for the approximate size of 7"x9". You may want to check your stash, and see what is available for you or others to use on this project.

The felt pieces will come to you already cut, and in bundles of 12 stockings. You can sign up for as many bundles as you want. If you are ready to help out, log on to the next Back Table meeting, or drop me an email

at [communityoutreach@mthoodquiltguild.com](mailto:communityoutreach@mthoodquiltguild.com)

We will have more info for you soon. Thanks again to all the members who stopped by at the church on the 29th, and others who continue to sew quilts for our program. We love that you are staying involved from a distance.

~Delleen



Here's a secret for you—click on the quilt on the upper right corner of the first page to get the free pattern!

# Mt. Hood Quilt Guild Minutes

Mt Hood Quilt Guild  
January 11, 2021  
Mt. Hood Quilt Guild Record Meeting

Attendance: Staci Wendland, Wendy Sternberg, Virginia O'Donnell, Dottie Miller, Laura Rom, Linda Gaudette-Sigel, Susan Ainsworth-Smith, Deb O'Donnell, Delleen Kompkoff, Ann Marie Rears, Terry Knott, Becky Caputo, Helen Godden

The meeting started at 5:00pm

Wendy: welcomed everyone to the first meeting of 2021 and her last meeting as president. The new board members are: Becky Caputo- President, Ann Marie Rears- Treasurer and Deb O'Donnell will be continuing for another year as Membership chair.

We currently have 165 members.

Dottie: Introduced Helen Godden of Canberra, Australia. It's currently Tuesday at lunch time in Australia (and Monday at dinner time in the PNW). Helen is an extreme free-motion quilter.

Helen Godden: Her presentation: Many of her quilts were previously paintings as that was her first art medium. Top 10 art quilt techniques, describes raw edge appliqué with blanket stitch and with free motion, reverse appliqué, painting with dye and with acrylics (on black & bleached muslin), bleach painting, couching, mosaics, using metallics, and painting with inks. Her pieces are BIG. One is 6' x 22'. She has had 26 selections go to the International Quilt Festival in Houston. Check out more of her work at her facebook page or youtube.

Wendy: Sad news- our member, Kim Baum has lost her life after a long struggle with cancer. Wendy opened her departing President gift- a basket full of mermaid tail blocks! There will be a new committee starting. It is called the Ad Hoc committee and the purpose is to support people new to the board and to help get nominations for board members. The people on this committee will be previous board members: Wendy Sternberg (past President) will be the first committee chair. Other members are: Tomme Fent (past President), Donna Taylor (past President) Debbie Johnson (past Treasurer) Charlotte Toman (past Treasurer), Laura Rom (past Treasurer), Kathy Amidon (past Secretary) and Julie Hale (past Membership). The birthday drawing: Kathy Anderson (quilt store gift card) and Terry Gullickson (Quilt Folk gift card)

Susan: Report from Delleen, Back Table Group starts this Thursday, January 14 at 4pm. The Zoom link is in the newsletter. There will be a pick up/drop off for community donation quilts & Human Solutions items on Friday, January 29th from 12 noon to 3pm at the Mountain View Church portico.

Other info from Susan: The Open Sew link (first Sunday of the month) will be in the newsletter. There won't be a waiting room so you'll get right in. Sew Happy will be meeting on Zoom. If you want to join this group email Laura Rom (under MHQG treasurer). She will send you the link.

Wendy: All meetings from here on will be live on Zoom the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 7pm. The link will be in the newsletter. The business portion of every meeting will be recorded. Not all presenters will be recorded.

Staci: Show and Share.

Becky: (our new President) Zoom tip: you can use your phone to be a part of Zoom meetings- even if you don't have a smart phone- you won't be able to see but you will be able to hear. With the link (in the newsletter) there is a phone number and pin number if you need to use this Zoom option. We want you connected any way we can get you! See you in February.

Respectfully submitted by  
Linda Gaudette-Sigel



# Support our Business Members

## Barbara's Bobbins and Threads

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bjb1955@gmail.com

## Craft Warehouse

Gresham Station Shopping Center, 687 NW 12th Street, Gresham 97030, 503-907-3137  
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## Crafty Staci

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## Debbiez Quilting

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## Heidi's Garden Quilting

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## Kelly Creek Studio - Longarm Machine Quilting Service

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## Marie's Custom Quilting

Marie Anderson, 59 NE 3rd St., Gresham 97030, 503-481-5117 marieanderson0@hotmail.com  
[mariescustomquilting.com](http://mariescustomquilting.com) and [Marie's Custom Quilting on Facebook](#)

## My Quilting Loft

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## Quilting by the Fence

Tomme Fent, 2152 SE Beaver Creek Lane, Troutdale 97060, 503-674-4464, tommequilts@gmail.com  
[Quilting by the Fence on Facebook](#)

## Save Stores

1900 McLoughlin Blvd, Oregon City, OR 503-655-4414 or 6701 SE Foster Rd, Portland, OR 503-775-7283  
[savestores.com](http://savestores.com) and [Save Stores on Facebook](#)

## Shepherd's Garden Quilting

Rebecca Tellez, 775 NE 9th Street, Gresham 97030, 503-888-3415  
rebecca@shepherdsyardquilting.com  
[shepherdsyardquilting.com](http://shepherdsyardquilting.com) and [Shepherd's Garden on Facebook](#)

## Women-SEW Global Foundation

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[www.womensewglobalfoundation.org](http://www.womensewglobalfoundation.org)



## February Birthdays

Suzie Bingham	3
Stacie Phillips	6
RayeAnn Yapp	9
Weezy Brewer	12
Janet Larson	13
Susan Schmidt	14
Candy Myers	15
Tricia Crockett	16
Gale Schulz	16
Irene Reid	18
Debbie Stoffer	20
Lorraine Kistner	22
Linda Littler	22
Maureen Bittner	24
Laura Mituniewicz	26
Marian Spurlock	27

## Ad Hoc Committee

We've formed a new committee comprised of past board members. I am thrilled to chair it with this amazing group of women who have volunteered. The committee includes past presidents Tomme Fent and Donna Taylor; past treasurers Laura Rom, Charlotte Toman and Debbie Johnson; past secretary Kathy Amidon; and past membership Julie Hale. Our main purpose is to support new members coming on to the board and committee chairs. We hope that with this support we will have more members volunteering to take leadership positions. Our plan is to also help out during nomination seasons to make those transitions smoother.

-Wendy Sternberg



# Project of the Month Challenge

A new year calls for a new challenge. We are going to take a short break from the block of the month and try something new.

## 2021 MYSTERY QUILT CHALLENGE ! ! !



Each month you will get a clue, starting with the fabric requirements & first cutting instructions in February. For solving the mystery, your prize will be a beautiful lap size quilt custom made by you! Clues and/or tips will be mentioned on the monthly meeting, but the full clue and other info will be posted on the website in the Block Of the Month section. Questions? Email [ChallengeCoordinator@mthoodquiltguild.com](mailto:ChallengeCoordinator@mthoodquiltguild.com).

As we work to solve the mystery, there will also be clues on to how to win prizes along the way, and a grand prize when all is solved! Watch for those clues!

For all other Project and Block of the Month patterns, [click here!](#)

## Show and Share

Do you have a recent finish (or almost finish) you'd like included in Show and Share? Please email a photo and description, along with your name, to Staci at [newsletter@mthoodquiltguild.com](mailto:newsletter@mthoodquiltguild.com) **before Feb. 7th**. Thanks!

Human Solutions—In addition to the usual socks and underwear, they are in need of the following items:

- Diapers (size 5 and 6)
- Baby wipes
- Hygiene items, as always
- Hand sanitizer
- Bedding (twin and queen)
- New shower curtains and new/gently used bath towels
- Healthy snacks like granola bars (non perishable)



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**Sherri Phillips, 503-894-3726**  
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