

I hope this letter finds everyone well. This is not the way I hoped we could start our 2020-2021 Guild Year after missing the last 4 meetings in the spring, but it is out of our control. I hope you have gotten a lot of projects done, especially numbers 3 & 8 on your UFO list as well as 2-12" QOV blocks. The charity group has been very busy providing quilts. I think they are up to about 211 this year. I am also thinking that it is time to get started on Christmas projects because we only have a little over 3 months until the big day.

Because of Covid-19, a decision has been made by the Board of Directors to cancel any in person meetings through the 2020 calendar year. None of us want to be responsible for someone getting ill. Consequently, we will be doing the next 4 meetings electronically via Zoom. Special thanks to Carol Blanchard. She has gone out of her way to try to learn Zoom and is our administrator. We did a Board meeting via Zoom, and it was fun. At least we can see each other. I don't expect it to take the place of all of us getting together physically, and it will go slowly until we really get the hang of it, BUT we will be able to keep in contact due to technology. We will have our first meeting on Thursday, September 10. Carol will include instructions in the newsletter and send an email with the link to the meeting. Please be patient with us as we learn. Also, it would be good to download a free copy of the Zoom app and look at their information. The one positive is that our out of the area members will be able to join us. Someone also talked about the possibility of getting people together on a Saturday morning at the park at Main Beach. We could bring our lawn chairs and have some time to socialize. Let me know what you think about this idea.

We still have some positions to fill for Committees and a Chairperson for the Membership Committee. Sadly, Julie Keith will be moving to South Dakota. Pat Deacon has graciously agreed to cover the task until we can get a replacement.

We also need a co-chair for our next quilt show and someone for the 50/50 and door prizes. Please let me know if you will be able to help.

Stay safe and keep that pedal to the metal (really tile or wood floors).

Vicki Skahill