



Long Island Quilters' Society
Newsletter Extra
March 2021 C-19 #10



**March is
National Quilting Month**

**March 20
National Quilting Day
Sew Together on Zoom**

**March 22
12:00-1:00
Charity Collection at
Eisenhower Park
(Details on p. 4 Charity)**

**March 22
7:00 PM
Zoom Meeting/Show & Tell
(Details via email)**

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Hi Quilters,

March at last!

**Spring Equinox
Change the clocks
Coming soon
Green foliage and bloom**

**We are:
Community
Creativity
Collaboration**

Welcome to "Extra #10."

Emily

A Message from our Co-Presidents...

Hi Quilters!

Here we are a year after the virus drove us into hiding. With everyone's help, we have carried on, taking advantage of the internet for Zoom meetings, workshops, and gatherings. Emily has kept us all connected with her COVID Newsletter editions.

Eighteen people who may want to join LIQS are on the Newsletter list, so they will be able to join officially when we start collecting dues again. Mary Ellen's and Judy's charity projects have kept us busy, and their Eisenhower Park "Drop Offs" have provided a chance to see each other, even if just in passing. Deb has arranged speakers and workshops for those who were interested. And so, a year has passed.

Now the vaccines have given us a bit of hope for the future. The Board has made tentative plans for a 2022 Quilt Show next Spring at Point Lookout. We will be looking for chairpersons for all aspects of the show.

Big news: We have decided to celebrate National Quilting Month with a "Sew Together" event on Zoom on Saturday March 20th. Zoom in and chat with guild members while making any quilt of your choice. Zoom details will follow.

Monday March 22nd, we will have a charity project drop off at Eisenhower Park weather permitting! At 7PM that night we will have a Zoom meeting with a bit of business and a fabulous Show and Tell. Please submit photos of your quilts to Deb Kircheim via her email. We will also have a raffle that night, so if you wish to enter the raffle, send \$5.00 to:
Gail Savold.

So, hang in there everyone, and we will find ourselves all together and back in the Freeport Rec Center when it is safe.

Watch for the Zoom Meeting Show and Tell info.

Happy Quilting!

Pat & Marie

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Programs



March 20 - Sew Together

Zoom details to be announced.

March 22 is a busy day!

- **12:00-1:00 PM Charity Drop-Off - Eisenhower Park Field 6-6A**

Bust through your scraps! There is still time to make baby quilts, pillowcases, and trauma dolls. They come together so fast. Quilt backings can be scrappy too; piece them with remnants and orphan blocks. You KNOW you know how to make it work. All recipients are grateful!

- **7:00 PM - Members' Zoom meeting with Show and Tell**

Follow the emailed instructions for submitting photos **by March 17** to Deb Kircheim. Check your email for updates and login info for Zoom.

- **Town of Hempstead Quilting Classes** - tentatively planning to start the week of June 2. Location: Bernard Brown Park, Smith Street, Uniondale. Registration by phone or at Town of Hempstead website. Previous attendees may receive announcements and updates via email.

Members' News

- Postcards project

Members loved receiving the keeping-in-touch picture postcards with the stunning quilt by Joanne Sorrentino. The Board enjoyed writing them and connecting with our distanced members.

- Dues Temporarily Suspended

The pandemic has caused LIQS to go virtual, thus reducing expenditures for live events.

Stay tuned for updates with health concerns and future decisions about the dues.

Meantime, please consider donating via **optional raffles**.

- Optional Raffle Reminder:

If you wish to participate, send **\$5.00 per entry, payable to LIQS**, to:

Gail Savold.

Please connect with a member who does not receive email: (contact Editor)

Jean Wilson (Levittown)



Charity..... Judy Wollman

- **March 22, 12:00-1:00 PM** collection at Eisenhower Park, Field 6-6A, by Lannin House. Please contribute ***baby quilts, trauma dolls, and pillowcases***. They are always greatly appreciated by the recipients. Perfect time for busting those scraps and remnants.
- **Quilt tops in need of finishing:** If you are interested in these projects, contact Judy for a pickup appointment
- **Instructions for Charity projects**, for your continued reference:

Pillowcase:

1. Place the fabrics on top of each other matching the fold line. Cut off selvage. Make sure all pieces are the same size. Press the cuff and piping pieces in half, **wrong sides together**.
2. Open up 9" strip.
3. First, place the 9" opened strip, face-up, then place the main fabric face up on top, then place the 2" **folded** strip on top of that. Reach down and roll up, only the main piece of fabric to make a tube.
4. Then bring the 9" cuff piece of fabric **over** the tube, pin across the top making sure all pieces are pinned. Stitch a 1/4 inch seam across the top. **Do not sew the ends closed.**
5. Reach inside the tube and pull the tube out completely.
6. Fold the pillowcase in half, right sides together. Stitch down the side seam, making sure that the cuff and piping match, then the bottom. You can zig-zag the bottom and the side to stop from unraveling, or finish with crisp French seams.
7. It can be made with or without the piping.

Pillowcase:

1. **Main fabric 27" x WOF**
2. **Cuff 9" x WOF**
3. **Piping 2" x WOF**

Chemo Seatbelt Port Pillow:

1. Take the Velcro and separate it. Sew it to the right long side on the center edge of one piece of fabric and the other end to the other side of the same fabric. When they're sewn on you can wrap it around the seatbelt.
2. Close the Velcro.
3. Sew the two pieces of fabric, right sides together leaving an opening so you can stuff it.
4. Stuff it.
5. Sew the opening closed.

Chemo Seatbelt Port Pillow:

1. **2 pieces of fabric 7" x 4"**
2. **1 piece Velcro 3 1/2" (sew-on type)**

Doll Pattern and Instructions: PDF file sent with previous newsletter email.

Publicity



Facebook Mary Ellen Orchard

Contact Mary Ellen for social media communication:

LIQS Website Anna Hanrahan

LIQS.org

Contact Anna at her email.

More Stuff to Do At Home

Free library digital access - get the Libby app (yes, quilting magazines!)

<https://nassau.overdrive.com>

<https://www.overdrive.com/apps/libby/>

<https://libbyapp.com/welcome>

“Memory quilts”: Google it for ideas

Face mask template - curved, fitted, sizes, how-to video

<https://www.creativegridsusa.com/products/CGRFACE>

Amy Smart ideas- quick & easy, tutorials, scrap-busters, time savers, organization

<https://www.diaryofaquilter.com>

<https://www.diaryofaquilter.com/2021/01/organize-your-sewing-room.html>

References/resources for everything quilting

<https://www.allpeoplequilt.com>

Supplies for general quilting

<https://www.keepsakequilting.com>

Supplies - special offers on select notions

<https://love-sew.com>

New patterns

<https://liveartgalleryfabrics.com>

Directory of webinars, quilting events and teachers

<http://www.globalquiltconnection.com>

Victoria Findlay Wolfe - podcasts; “Craft in America” episode on PBS

<https://vfwquilts.com/pages/schedule>

Edyta Sitar - start here for free Winter Village Quilt Along (and into spring!)

<https://www.laundrybasketquilts.com/blog/winter-village-quilt-along/>

Edyta Sitar - “Quilting Window” tutorial videos

<https://www.youtube.com/user/LaundryBasketQuilts/videos>

DIY portable mini design board

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1nSZtoionpA>

Guide to batting, trimming HST's and more

<https://suzyquilts.com/right-side-to-quilt-batting/>
<https://suzyquilts.com/how-to-trim-half-square-triangles/>

**Friendly quilt shop in East Northport - mystery quilts, classes, retreats, supplies
Virtual Shop Hop March 10-19 on Facebook 7:00 PM CST**

<https://www.piecefulquilting.com>

"Best of the Boro" Sew Right

<https://www.sewright.com>

Fabrics for all purposes, can shop by use

<https://www.onlinefabricstore.com>

Fabrics and more fabrics, sale-a-bration section

<https://fabricshack.com>

Precuts of the week, flash sales

<https://www.fatquartershop.com>

Retro inspired, modern flare, low volume bundles

<https://figtreeandcompany.com>

Quality, variety, 2% of sales go to charity, weekly newsletter, online design board, free patterns with ideas for panels

<https://www.equilter.com>

Whimsical, simple pattern ideas, weekly giveaway drawing

<https://www.hawthornesupplyco.com>

Curated art & premium fabrics, Liberty of London

<https://www.jonesandvandermeer.com>



Happy Birthday to March-Birthday Members!!

Kathy Arning, Cheryl Blam, Gloria Bleidner, Virginia Dittko, Barbara Hudson,
Nancy LaRocca, Niveau Maldonado, Susan Merkel, Deborah Monteko,
Mary Ellen Orchard, Alice Palmer, Cora Pandy, Elaine Roth

Sunshine and Shadows Carol Irwin

Carol sends her wishes for everyone to keep well, and hopes we can see one another soon!

Send us your organization ideas!

Thoughts

Quilter's Spring Cleaning Emily Mann

Overwhelmed with scraps? De-cluttering?

This process took many hours of organizing, piece by piece, by the hundreds, or maybe thousands. Why not? Snowstorms, rain, cold, pandemic isolation, cabin fever. (Even the dog gets bored.) Confinement breeds innovation ... Weirdly and therapeutically rewarding! What ancient treasures are buried in boxes and bags? Tedious, yes. Categories, yes.

1. **Remnants - large enough for more cutting into shapes, grouped by colors**
2. **Bindings - ready made for future "something"**
3. **Strips - separate by width for borders, strip piecing, log cabins, or sub-cutting into squares**
4. **Orphan blocks & panels - ready made for a scrappy throw or baby quilt**
5. **Leftover squares - sorted by size**
6. **Storage - Recycle/Re-purpose/Buy storage bins (e.g. Artbin, clear shoe boxes, baskets)**
7. **Trash - discard what is totally useless**

They were sorted by sizes and color groups. How OCD is this?
Next challenge: where to put those storage bins and ziplock bags??



What's in this mountain of scraps?



Forgotten yards of leftover bindings??



Bindings and strips in their own cozy bin

Reflecting on quilting life ... responses welcome for future publication

Notions Corner:

What's your favorite tool or accessory?
Your newest notion?
Recommendations for notions/tools?

Memorable Corner:

Best quilting gift that you made?
Your biggest mistake that you fixed?

Existential Corner:

Your most significant challenge?
What do you want to learn next?
What do you love most about quilting?

Send us your thoughts, observations, and anecdotes

Getting past winter homebound mishaps

Emily: I won't lie about the organizing bonanza.

It wasn't originally intended as spring cleaning; it started with the unforeseen circumstance of a flood from a leaky heating pipe. The room was gutted, resulting in bags and bins of undamaged fabric yardage and batting mysteriously disappearing into a storage pod in the driveway, which became inaccessible by surrounding piles of snow. The only other supply sources just happened to be stowed into other boxes and bins of scraps. Snowstorm, rain, cold, distancing. More time indoors. Perfect timing to find a new method of productivity: Dive into those scraps. Stop sewing, start planning. The payoff: a treasure trove of remnants, squares, and lonely blocks to format into charity baby quilts. And... now ... there are more scraps... the cycle continues...

Deb: "March Mishap" day.

So far I have one baby quilt and two pet beds done.

Work comes to a halt when I nick my finger with the scissor I was using to make the pet bed filling shreddier (new word!) and I also start to develop a blister from the scissor handle.

I decide it would be safer to go to the kitchen and fry something in hot oil. That goes well until I need something from over the stove and nearly set my apron on fire.

And my hubster wants me to give him a haircut. Should I tell him what kind of day I'm having?

Show and Tell

**>>>>>> Don't forget to enter yours by March 17, for the Zoom meeting
March 22 7:00 PM**

***News items, short articles, and suggestions are always welcome.
Contact the Editor.***

Attention Classified entries:

Ads will appear for one newsletter issue, and subsequently removed. Any questions?

Email the Editor emmylou1230@optimum.net

Classified

Wanted: Quilting Instruction.

I have been hand sewing for my entire life and would like to learn quilting during this pandemic. Please contact me if you can help me figure out a way to learn from an experienced quilter. I live in Malverne. Thank you.

Contact: Dawn Acquaviva Roth
renosdawn@optonline.net

For free: 30 inch stand up round quilting frame.

Excellent condition, to be donated to someone who can use it. I currently live in Amityville, and would need someone to pick it up.

Contact: Joan Walsh
jawofrh@aol.com

Quilting help wanted: Make quilt from pillow tops.

I have a number of quilted pillow tops that were quilted by my mother. I am looking for an experienced quilter who would be able to transform these into a quilt. I would love to have one to give to each of my children as a remembrance. I hope you can help. Thank you.

Contact: Marcelle Manteria
manteria.marcelle8@gmail.com





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The Long Island Quilter's Society, Inc. is a non-profit organization dedicated to furthering an interest in quilting, encouraging the preservation of our quilt heritage, and offering year-round instructional opportunities for its members. The society provides a meeting where quilters can support each other's growth and development. The membership year is from September 1 through August 31; annual membership fee is \$40. Members receive a bi-monthly newsletter and are eligible to participate in workshops. Monthly meetings are held at the Freeport Recreation Center, 130 E. Merrick Road, Freeport, NY.