

# WOW NEWS

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## May Meeting

**Monday, May 18, 2020**

**Location:** online ZOOM meeting

**Meeting starts at 7 pm.**

**Featuring:** WOW business and member online show and share.

## President's Corner

Dear WOW members,

It was great to see all the members who were able to join the April 27 Zoom meeting for the online WOW Happy Hour. We have missed seeing members at our monthly meetings. We will continue holding online meetings until Governor Walz's Stay-at-Home orders are revised to allow gatherings of 50 people or more. The Board continues to meet every month and plan for the day when we can all get together again.

Mark your calendars for 7:00 p.m. on May 18<sup>th</sup>, when Kevin Hemberger will be setting up another Happy Hour (including PowerPoint photos of Show and Share). **See the column to the right on this page for instructions to join the ZOOM meeting.**

We need your response to a survey to be sent to all members to approve the WOW Bylaws, the 2021 Quilt Show proposal, and the initial budgeted expenses for the quilt show. Your approval is necessary before we can continue with planning and organizing for a successful quilt show.

Many of you have been making masks and scrub caps for essential workers and working on projects for family and friends. We invite you to send pictures of your projects to [wowquiltguild@gmail.com](mailto:wowquiltguild@gmail.com) so Kevin can assemble a PowerPoint display for the May 18th Happy Hour.

## Upcoming meeting information

Thank you to everyone who attended the last virtual happy hour & show and share. About 20 members attended and all had a lot of fun. WOW will be hosting another one in May. Be sure to take pictures of your finished projects, and send them to Kevin at [kevin.m.hemberger@gmail.com](mailto:kevin.m.hemberger@gmail.com). When we begin in-person meetings, we will be streaming the meetings for the members who are self-quarantining. Now is a great time to become familiar with Zoom. Here is the information on how to install Zoom on your tablet.

The easiest way to find the correct app is go to this webpage: <https://www.zoom.us/download> Go to the Zoom Mobile Apps, and select the app that you need. Follow the instructions. If you have to sign up, be sure to select the "free" option. When it is time to join the WOW meeting, you will need to key-in both the Meeting ID and the Password and click enter.

### **2021 Quilt Show Proposal**

The WOW Board proposes a 2021 quilt show to be held in the banquet room at the Maple Grove Community Center. This space is large enough to allow every member to enter one large quilt and one small quilt (45 inches wide). We are strongly considering holding our quilt show on October 8-9, from 9am to 4pm. We plan to include quilting demonstrations, two or three vendors, a silent auction, a small boutique, the raffle quilt, and a display of our 2020 Challenge Quilt competition. Rent for the space and pole and drape and the cost of advertising on the Community Center's electronic billboard will be only 50% of the cost of the 2019 quilt show.

The advantages of holding the quilt show in this space include great visibility to the public, a central Maple Grove location, and an affordable budget. The attendance at the 2019 Maple Grove Quilt Guild's show at this location was 452. The attendance at the 2019 WOW Quilt Guild's show at Beautiful Savior Church was 350. Since our membership is double that of the Maple Grove Quilt Guild, we can anticipate great attendance.

You will receive a survey this week concerning the quilt show and essential expenses for the quilt show. Please consider this proposal and respond to the survey.

### **Community Service:**

The Community Service group continues to look for a meeting site. We are looking for a meeting room where we could come together and work on community service projects for one day a month. This site would need to allow for the governor's rule to remain 6 feet apart. Let Mary Havisto know of any suggestions.

### **If you are making masks...**

Perhaps you have used the last of your supply of 1/4" elastic and wonder what to use instead. How long should ties be, and what can you use to make ties? Are you using the most comfortable and effective pattern, or the easiest one? What about adding a wire so the user can form the mask to fit his or her nose? How do you size the mask for a man's face? A woman's face? Should your mask pattern include a pocket for adding filter material? Why not make a reversible mask?

### **Treasurer's Report:**

The total asset balance as of April 30, 2020 is \$12,903.04.

#### **WOW Board Consideration of Membership Fees**

At the WOW Board Meeting on May 4th, it was decided to defer any decision to adjust our 2020 annual membership fees until the fall. We hope at that time to have more information about the impact of Covid-19 on WOW activities during 2020.

### **Schedule of Speakers for 2020:**

**January 27th** – Sandy Irish from The Irish Chain Pattern Company will present a lecture/trunk show.

**February 24<sup>th</sup>** – Sara Hardwig from Blueberry Backroads will present a lecture/trunk show - embroidery

**March 23<sup>rd</sup>** – cancelled

**April 27<sup>th</sup>** – speaker cancelled

**May 18<sup>th</sup>** – speaker cancelled

**June 22<sup>nd</sup>** – Carol Steuck and Shawn Taylor will present a lecture/trunk show on techniques that make bags and totes look professional.

**July 27<sup>th</sup>** – WOW Picnic at Carol Steuck's house.

**August 24<sup>th</sup>** – Margie McNichols from Noble Quilters will present a lecture/trunk show on Deb Tucker's Studio 180 Rulers.

**September 28<sup>th</sup>** – Mike Ellingsen of Blue Earth will present a lecture/trunk show with topic to be announced later.

**October 26<sup>th</sup>** – Stacy Horton from The Quilting Grounds will be lecturing on paper piecing with Tula Pink.

**November 23<sup>rd</sup>** – Members are invited to show their favorite Holiday creations, share/trade patterns, and make a holiday craft to bring home.

## 2020 WOW Board Members:

**President:** Carol Steuck

**Vice President:** Terri Good

**Treasurer:** Alice Barrera

**Secretary:** Sandy Hamlin

**Membership:** Linda Waterman/Kevin Hemberger

**Newsletter:** Jeanne Wyman/Deane Gradous

**Data and Technology Manager:** Kevin Hemberger

**Activity Chairperson:** Mary Havisto

- **Small Groups:** Carole Olson
- **Community Service:** Judy Mages
- **Secret Quilter:** Cindy Stenson
- **Birthday Club:** Kathy Barnes/Connie Falkenstein
- **Craft Show Committee Chairs:** Open
- **Block of the Month:** Audrey Fresh

**Facebook:** Sharon Peterson/Brenda Dunlavy

**Web Master:** Joray Dunlavy