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President's Message

Hello, fellow WVQI Members. The ongoing Covid – 19 pandemic continues to disrupt our best laid plans for our organization's activities. I sincerely hope that you and your loved ones are staying safe and healthy. Your board has recently taken the following actions with our members' health and financial situation in mind:

- Cancelled the September 2020 Fall meeting and class.
- Automatically extended every member's membership in WVQI by one (1) year with no additional fee, due to lack of 2020 activities.
- Postponed board member elections by one (1) year and voted to retain current board members in their positions for an additional one (1) year due to lack of 2020 activities.

We are all deeply disappointed to have to cancel yet another 2020 meeting. We are very hopeful that 2021 will allow us to resume our normal activities. As a reminder, we normally have a Spring meeting and class in the April timeframe, our annual West Virginia Quilt Festival and member meeting in June, and a Fall meeting and class in the September timeframe.

It is our expectation that we will be able to hold our 2021 meetings and activities. Please watch for upcoming newsletters with more information as we get closer to those dates, and we look forward to seeing everyone in future.

We continue to pray that all of our members remain healthy and unscathed by the

pandemic. Please feel free to call me if you have any questions about the Board's actions.

Mary Utt, President

*** IMPORTANT INFORMATION ***

WVQI's September 2020 Fall meeting and class have been CANCELLED

July 14, 2020 Actions of the Board (Board actions taken electronically)

- Resolution to cancel the WVQI Fall meeting and class. Resolution passed unanimously.
- Resolution to postpone Board elections for one year. Resolution passed unanimously.
- Resolution to extend everyone's membership by one year with no additional fee. Resolution passed unanimously.

Festival Chair Message

Although the 2020 West Virginia Quilt Festival was cancelled due to the extraordinary circumstances surrounding the Covid-19 outbreak, I and the other members of the Festival Committee are looking forward to the 2021 Quilt Festival. Later this year, we will be gearing up for next year's Festival scheduled for June 17-19, 2021. As always, we rely heavily on our awesome members to volunteer as

members of the Festival Committee and to take on the many activities that make the Festival run smoothly. If you would like to volunteer to help with the 2021 Quilt Festival, please contact me.

*Respectfully submitted by Joni Hoffman,
Festival Chair*

WVQI Officer Needed

We still need a volunteer to fill the role of Membership Secretary. Any interested party, please contact Joni Hoffman.

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WVQI Fall Cedar Lakes Quilt Retreat Information and Survey

PLEASE NOTE – HEALTH GUIDELINES MAY CHANGE, AND WE WILL NEED TO BE FLEXIBLE WITH RESPECT TO THIS EVENT.

While working on logistics for a possible Fall 2020 Quilt Retreat, scheduled for November 10-15, 2020, I have the following information:

As of now, Cedar Lakes is open to groups for meetings. Their staff has informed me that current CDC guidelines, WV guidelines and all protocols are to be followed during the retreat. Should the retreat happen in November, the following guidelines are to be followed (but could be subject to change).

1. Only one (1) person per table.
2. All tables facing the same direction.
3. Masks to be worn.
4. Work areas to be sanitized on a regular basis (by staff and possibly our group as well).
5. All shared food will need to be individually wrapped or packaged.

As I weigh the pros and cons of holding the November retreat, I need your input immediately. These times are unprecedented. Each of you and your families must consider all options. This pandemic has certainly changed

the way we do things and think about doing things. We have our health and our loved ones' health to consider also.

You can respond by phone, email, message or text to the address at the bottom of this article. I would like all those who have attended previous retreats or those who wish to attend to respond. Two questions — Either way I would like to hear from you.

1. Yes, I plan to attend the November retreat, understanding that guidelines must be followed.
OR
2. No, I will not attend a Fall Retreat.

When responding, please make sure to give your name. *I need your response by September 10, 2020 in order to make appropriate plans.*

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*Respectfully submitted by Lorrayne Corley,
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