



Bits and Pieces Newsletter

Quilters Guild of Indianapolis

March 2022

President's Message - OPPORTUNITY

March 19, 2022, is National Quilting Day! The third Saturday of March was designated as National Quilting Day back in 1991 by the National Quilting Association (NQA). Although the NQA no longer exists, in past years our guild has held a voluntary gathering of members on that day to work on making quilts for charitable organizations in the Indianapolis area. That type of gathering all came to an end when Covid reared its ugly head. But we can still make a difference as a group. Read on.

The two activities I enjoy doing for charity is putting binding on finished quilts and making pillowcases. For 2022 I would like to offer an OPPORTUNITY to challenge us to make a pillowcase on behalf of every member of our guild! We currently have 225 paid members. There are two ways we can all participate in this challenge.

1. Sew one pillowcase from fabrics in your stash. See the next page for instructions. These pillowcases can be given to me in March at all the locations/times listed below.
2. I am willing to sew all the pillowcases myself if you participate in this challenge by bringing me the fabrics for one pillowcase as follows:

Main Piece: 27" wide x WOF (usually 40-42")
Border Piece: 10" wide x WOF
Accent Piece: 3" wide x WOF

You can bring fabric to me at an in person meeting:

QGIN: March 4 - 1-3pm or QGI: March 10 - 7-9pm
Orchard Park Presbyterian Church
1605 E. 106th St., Indianapolis

QGIS: March 24 - 10am - noon
Friedens United Church of Christ
8300 S. Meridian St., Indianapolis

You can bring fabric to my home: See Member Info on website
Or feel free to bring fabrics to me at the following quilting bee locations:

March 9 - 10am-3pm
March 17 - 9:30am-3pm
March 21 - 5:30-8:30pm
March 25 - 10am-3pm

Zionsville Town Hall (2nd floor), 1100 W. Oak St.
Friends Church, 324 S. Union St., Westfield
John Hensel Bldg., 10701 N. College Ave, Nora
Zionsville Town Hall (2nd floor), 100 W. Oak St.



We may not all be together to take part in National Quilting Day, but we can still make a difference in others lives by giving a pillowcase to show someone that we care. Again, as Rosie the Riveter said, "We Can Do It!"

Maureen

Maureen Weflen
2022 QGI President

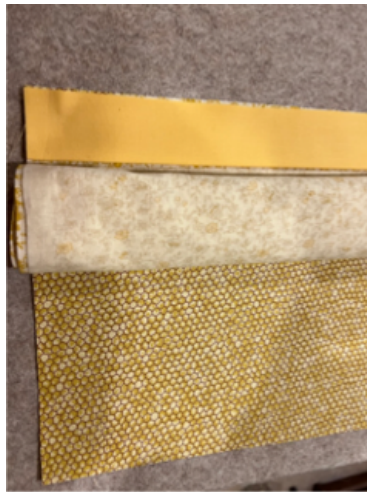
AN EASY WAY TO MAKE A PILLOWCASE

Cut Fabrics as follows: Main Piece: 27" wide x WOF (usually 40-42")
Border Piece 10" wide x WOF
Accent Piece 3" wide x WOF

1. Lay 10" border piece of fabric face up on work surface.
2. Lay 27" main piece of fabric face up on top of border piece. Line up raw edges.
3. Fold accent piece in half lengthwise and press. Lay accent piece of fabric on top of main fabric. Line up all raw edges.
4. Roll the main fabric from the bottom up to just below the accent piece.
5. Bring the bottom edge of the border piece up and over the top main piece of fabric, matching and pinning all the raw edges together.
6. Stitch a seam along the pinned edge. Turn the tube of fabric inside out and like magic your pillowcase is almost finished with no raw edges showing along the top.
7. Finish the side and bottom seams with a "French Seam." A French seam is done by putting the **wrong** sides together and sewing a scant 1/4" seam along the side and bottom of the pillowcase. Then put the **right** sides together and sew a 1/2" seam enclosing the raw edges



Steps 1, 2 & 3



Step 4



Steps 5

Congratulations! You now have a beautifully finished pillowcase!

QGI Evening Meeting Minutes, February 10, 2022

By Jacqui Griswold, Secretary

Hybrid meeting: In-person at Orchard Park church and via Zoom

Maureen Weflen, President, opened the meeting a bit after 7:00pm due to technical connectivity issues. She welcomed everyone attending on-line via Zoom (57) and those in the room (27).

We recognize that this year is the **44th birthday** of the **Quilting Guild of Indianapolis** and sang happy birthday to the quilters born in February plus to all of us in the guild.

Announcements:

- Betsy LaBelle (V.P) – invited the new members and guests to introduce themselves.
- Maureen highlighted opportunities that members have to help the Guild
 - Sell Quilt Show T-shirts and pins at the in-person meetings
 - Sew charity quilts or pillowcases, pre-cut kits available to pick-up
 - The Quilt Show committee needs volunteers to help with the Peony (resale) shop
- The challenge quilt for the Quilt Show is ‘Unspoken Messages’. Let your creative juices flow and design a quilt without words that sends or gives a message. Rules can be found on the QGI website. <https://www.quiltguildindy.net> under the Quilt Show button on Home page
- Chris Hurley -Quilts of Valor representative shared that the in-person work day in Greenwood yielded 8 finished tops. The next work day is planned for the Noblesville VFW. The organization selects a block each year for people to make and then these like blocks are donated and assembled into quilts. (person doesn't have to make a whole quilt) The 2022 block is floating churn dash and the pattern is available on the QOV site - <https://www.qovf.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/01/2022-Floating-Churn-Dash.pdf>
- Mary Strinka – Charity Quilts. The Guild donated 24 quilts and pillowcases to DaySpring Center for homeless families this month. Our charity quilt work day is on the 3rd Thursday of the month at North United Methodist Church. (3808 N. Meridian St) Work starts at 9:30 – 2:30. Bring a lunch. Come for all or part of the day.
 - Upcoming dates Feb. 17 and March 17th.
 - Enter the parking lot from either Illinois St or 39th St. Go to the part of the parking lot that is closest to 38th St near the bus stop. You'll see an entrance to that side of the building with a small canopy. Enter there and take the elevator down to the basement (labeled LL).
- Dallas Reed QGI-South Meets in-person on 4th Thursdays at 8300 S. Meridian St in Friedens United Church of Christ. 10am – Noon. No Zoom option. February 24th program will be given by Back Door Quilts on latest fabric trends and tools.
- Pam Durant QGI-North – meets on 1st Friday from 1-3pm. The March program will be ways to design and have fabric printed. Come early 12:30 on March 4 with any panels you have that you want to ask for advice on ways to incorporate into a quilt.

Announcements, continued

- Sara Buckwald, programs, a summary of coming QGI evening meeting attractions:
 - March 10 program is Timna Tarr: "What Ifs...Working in a series"
 - April 14 – Lea McComas "Making Faces"
 - May 12 – Karen Combs: Quilts of Illusion lecture Thursday plus you can sign up for a workshop on Saturday May 14th, (you will need to pick up a kit from program chairs.)

Sara Buchwald, Program Committee introduced our Guest lecturer (via Zoom)

Linda Hahn "Rock that Quilt Block"

Linda's book came from a student that made a mistake with the weathervane pattern and incorrectly rotated it but produced an interesting effect. Linda showed many examples of how dramatically the look of a quilt could be changed by rotating a portion of a block or changing the color placement. Another feature is extending a block into a border for an interesting effect.

She uses Electric Quilt (EQ8) program to experiment with placement options. She also teaches classes in using EQ. You can sign-up on her website FrogHollowDesigns.com if interested.

She has written many books and shared that the publisher chooses the book title and the quilt for the cover. We were given a flyer to order some of her books with a discount. QGI website->Forum->General Discussion

Show & Tell – of members recently completed projects by those in-person and also from those on-line

Hospitality door prizes were divided between those in person and on-line (enter via website and notified winners pick up prizes at Quilts Plus in Lebanon)



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March 10, 2022 - Evening Meeting Speaker: Timna Tarr

Timna Tarr comes from a long line of quilters but did not begin quilting until after studying art history in college. She bought her first longarm in 2001 and began quilting clients' quilts shortly thereafter. Timna's own nationally award-winning quilts are in private and corporate collections. They have also been seen in numerous exhibits, magazines, and books as well as on *The Quilt Show* and *Quilting Arts TV*. Timna is a designer for Studio e Fabrics and is an in-demand teacher and speaker. She lives in South Hadley, MA and works out of her studio in Holyoke, MA.



"My work is about color and small compositions. Each block in a quilt is made as its own element, independent of the other blocks. After all of the blocks are constructed, my goal is to arrange the small compositions to play off each other and work together to create a larger whole. What keeps me engaged is watching how the project changes and transforms with the addition of each color and texture."

The resulting quilts are contemporary works, set in this time and place, which reference the rich tradition of quilt making."

Learn more about her at her website: **www.timnatarr.com**

Meeting Lecture – What Ifs...Working in a Series

Why do artists work in series? Creating a series of quilts is a way to form a body of work, find and strengthen your artistic voice, help you focus, and add meaning to your work. Join Timna as she shares her own experience of working in series - some of which were planned, while others turned out to be quite accidental. The one thing they all have in common is that each collection started with the question of "what if...?"



Oh Happy Day



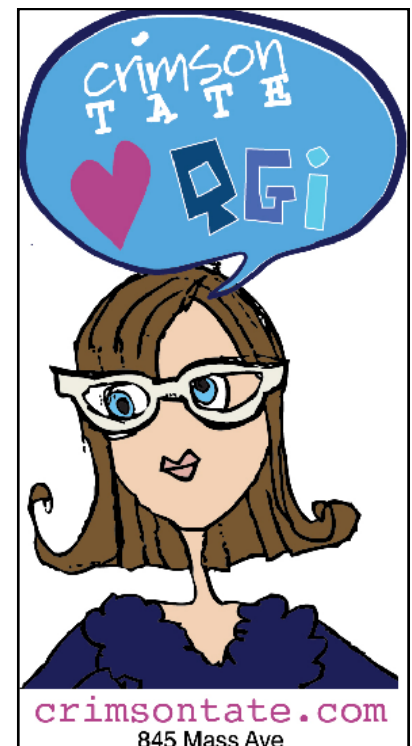
Queen of the Calicoes

2022 QGI Evening Programs 7 - 9pm on 2nd Thursday

2022 Calendar			
Jan 2022	Lisa Dodson	Jan 13	Lecture – Small Quilts
Feb 2022	Linda J. Hahn www.froghollowdesigns.com	Feb 10 Feb 12	Lecture - Rock that Quilt Block Workshop - Wicked Wahini
Mar 2022	Timna Tarr http://www.timnatarr.com	Mar 10	Lecture – Working in a Series
April 2022	Lea McComas https://www.learnccomas.com/biography/	Apr 14 TBD	Lecture – Making Faces Workshop – Pet Portraits Memory Quilt (Thread Painting)
May 2022	Karen Combs www.karencombs.com	May 12 May 14	Lecture – Quilts of Illusion Workshop – Patchwork Illusions
June 2022	Pam Mick	June 9	Lecture – TBA
August 2022	Melissa Snyder https://longarmlouise.com	Aug 11	Topic: Close to Home – Our QGI Quilting Bees

Meeting programs may change from those published. Workshop fees may vary based on speaker policy. Check the QGI Website: Events >Workshops at www.quiltguildindy.net for workshop specific information *Workshop fees may be refunded up to two weeks prior to the class. Send complete form and check made out to "QGI" to:

Carol E. Marlin
9570 Broadway Street
Indianapolis, IN 46240
E-mail questions to: qgiprograms@gmail.com



2022 QGI North Daytime Programs*

Date	Speaker	Topic	Website
Feb 4	Cyndi McChesney	Panel Palooza	http://www.cedarridgequilting.com
March 4	Leigh Layton and Barb Triscari	Working with Fabric you have printed	
April 1	Mary White	Quilt Retreat in Shipshewana	https://www.quiltguildindy.net/
May 6	Margaret Fette	Sewing Problem Free Bloomington Fabric Bus	https://www.universityofsewing.com/
June 3	Karen Brown	Be the Best Quilter you can be	https://www.justgetitdonequilts.com/
July 1	TBA		
August 1	Deb Meyer	History of Fabrics in US, & update on QHF	https://quiltershalloffame.net/
Sept 1	Allie McCathren	Taking Scrap Quilting to the Next level	https://exhaustedoctopus.com/
Oct 7	If you don't submit a quilt, you can't say, "We did this."	Quilt Show at the State Fair Grounds	Volunteer to get free parking
Nov 4	Kim Caskey	Whispers quilt project	http://www.kimcaskey.ca/
Dec 1	TBA		

QGI South In Person Meetings Are Back!

Thursday, March 24, 2022, 10:00am to Noon
Speaker: Pam Durant - 'Motion in Quilting'

Friedens United Church of Christ
8300 S. Meridian St., Indianapolis, IN

NOTE: Masks are required
Bring proof of vaccination

Come early for the meet and greet: 9:30-10:00

Meeting: 10:00-12:00

We'll have games, show and tell, etc.

Hoping to see you there!
- Dallas Reed

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QGI North Meeting Notes for February 4, 2022

By Pam Durant

The Feb 4th QGIN meeting was held by Zoom only because of snow and ice. Our speaker was Cyndi McChesney, <http://www.cedarridgequilting.com/>, from Cañon City, Colorado. Her talk “Panel Palooza” was truly inspiring. She had an engaging teaching style which had many members rethinking what they might do with panels they owned, and later searching their stashes for panels they’d forgotten they had.

Cyndi let us know how important squaring up the panel is before use, and gave some hints on how to do this. Cyndi introduced us to a new quilting acronym—SOB—which stands for Slap on Border. She advised us that although that is always an option with panels, it often produces a more interesting final product if you can add more! Her most important piece of advice, “Get inspiration from elements of the panel itself”. She showed many examples of her own work and those of students to demonstrate how to not just pull colors, but many ways to creatively use interesting pieces and settings. She showed how to duplicate the mountains, use a bear paw block, and stars to a Rocky Mountain panel. Now we can do more than SOB. She has a book coming out on the topic in 2022, *Fun with Panels* by C & T Publishing.

Cyndi is a multitasking quilter and teacher. She does have other zoom lectures available. Her love for quilting is obvious and contagious AND she has a great teaching style. I’m considering booking her again in 2023. Does the topic “Math for Quilters”, “Lonestar Quilts”, or “Increasing Color in Your Quilts” sound good to anyone else?

Cyndi stayed online for the special Show and Tell gathered by Betsy LaBell. It included many inspiring quilts made using panels done in a variety of creative ways by our members. Cyndi seemed to enjoy this, even seeming to learn something from us. Door prize winners got the fabric panel of their choice and a Villa Rose postcard pattern suggesting something they could do with their panels.

As a follow up to this meeting, the March 4th QGIN meeting will have a “premeeting” Panel Discussion. Starting at 12:30. Members are invited to bring a panel that they would like some advice on how to do more than SOB, aka ‘Slap on Border.”



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Upcoming QGIN Meetings, 1st Fridays

Orchard Park Presbyterian Church
1605 E 106th Street (at Rangeline)
Indianapolis, IN 46280

In person with masks and on Zoom

March 4th meeting will be presented by our own, Leigh Layton and Barb Triscari. Their topic—Fabric Printing. Learn about what your reasons, options, and companies that you can turn to if you want to have fabric printed, or want to purchase fabric from companies that “Print on Demand”

April 1st no meeting, No Fooling. Since many QGI members will be in Shipshewana for our QGI retreat, we will be sewing, talking and eating in the company of Mary White and her crew. I hope you join us.

On **May 3rd** Mary from the University of Sewing in Bloomington will bring her Fabric Bus. After an inspiring talk on how to improve our sewing, we can shop in the parking lot of Orchard Park.

QGI North Show and Tell, February 4, 2022



Bonnie Borntrager made
and gifted this Route 66
quilt
to Pam Durant

QGI North February 4 Show and Tell (cont.)



Shirley Brewer
5 quilts!



QGI North February 4 Show and Tell (cont.)



Maureen Weflen - panel quilt



Betsy LaBell - 2 panel quilts:
above and below



Pam Durant

- large panel quilt on left, quilted by Cathy Franks
- Large print fabric top, set as if a panel, on bottom right



Patty Davis - panel quilt

QGI QUILT SHOW 2022 - ONLY 7 MONTHS AWAY!!!

Next planning meeting: March 27 at 2:00 pm

New Joy Lutheran Church, 15951 Spring Mill Road, Westfield, IN 46074

We typically hold a quilt show every 2 years, but, due to the pandemic, now it will be 3 years since our last show. This is our major fundraiser. It keeps our guild going. It supports our zoom meetings, in person meetings, speakers, workshops and website. The quilt show is tons of work and fun. It's more fun when everyone participates!

Support our Quilt Show:

- Volunteer to help the Quilt Show Committee
- Volunteer to help at the show
- Make a Challenge Quilt
- Submit your quilt(s) to hang (option to be judged)
- Bring your family and friends to the show

Contact QGI Quilt show co-chairs to volunteer:

Nancy Trullinger 317-989-2093 nancytrullinger@frontier.com

Marcia Hackett 317-502-2686 mkhind@aol.com

Note: All board members and quilt show committee members are volunteers.



QGI North February 4 Show and Tell (cont.)



Pam Durant - 2019 QGI Quilt Show entry using a panel and coordinating fabrics. See detail on right.



QGI North February 4 Show and Tell (cont.)



Patty Davis panel quilts:

- Halloween border print
- Giraffes
- Love you to the moon
- Cats & flowers
- King of the Road



QGI North February 4 Show and Tell (cont.)



Bonnie Borntager - 2019 QGI Quilt Show entry, panel quilt



Carol Henke - 2019 QGI Quilt Show entry, panel quilt



Carol Henke - three panel quilts

QGI North February 4 Show and Tell (cont.)



Carol Henke - 2019 QGI Quilt Show Entry



Jean Dyer - 2019 QGI Quilt Show Entry, Starry Starry Night;
one block wonder using preprinted panels



Melissa Snyder - Two 2019 QGI Quilt Show Entries,
whole cloth, preprinted panels

QGI North February 4 Show and Tell (cont.)



Marie Harnish -
table runner



Diane Olson - 2019 QGI Quilt
Show entry, panel quilt


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QGI Evening Meeting + Show and Tell, February 10, 2022



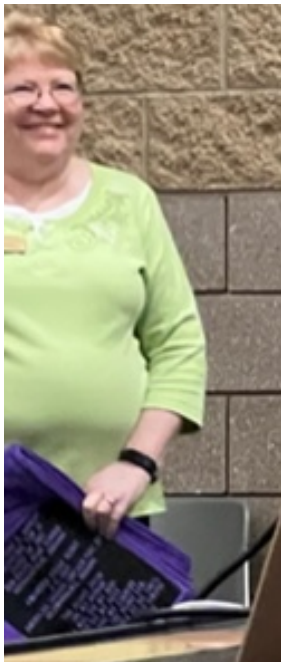
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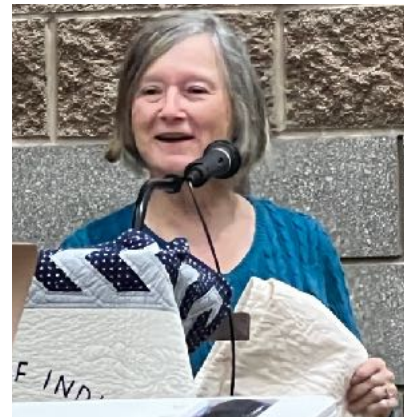


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QGI Evening Show and Tell, February 10, 2022 (cont.)





Marie Harnish



Jacqui Griswold - 2 Quilts: Heart quilt on the left;
National Parks panel quilt with t-shirts & blocks in the borders on the left

Happening Elsewhere.....

February 22 – May 7 “Little Beauties: The Art of the Miniature”
Quilters Hall of Fame in Marion, IN

CANCELLED (due to COVID precautions): **March 3–5, 2022 “Indiana Heritage Quilt Show**

April 27–30, 2022 “30th Anniversary Quilt Week” by American Quilter’s Society in Paducah, KY. <https://www.americanquilter.com/quiltweek/>

Sign up for Dallas Reed’s Bus trip to Paducah using the form in this newsletter!

June 22–25, 2022 “Shipshewana Quilt Festival” in Shipshewana, IN
<https://www.shipshewanaquiltfest.com/>

October 7–8, 2022 “[Quilting at the Crossroads](#)” QGI Quilt Show at the Indiana State Fairgrounds. Join the guild at <http://quiltguildindy.net> and submit one or more quilts! We’ll have vendors, demonstrations, featured guild quilt artist Leigh Layton, guild Challenge Quilts, guest speaker Angela Huffman (<https://quiltedjoy.com/about>) and the Cherrywood “Diana” Challenge on exhibit.

Charity News

How can you use your skills to benefit our community neighbors? We'll be highlighting one or more tasks each month!

March: Practice your quilting skills! We've got quilt tops, and backing and batting. If you're a long armer, quilting a charity quilt gives you a chance to try new patterns, and use your efforts to benefit someone in need.

If you want to practice some quilting on your domestic machine, your efforts are also welcome, either straight-line quilting using a walking foot, or whatever degree of free motion you are comfortable with. Call Mary if you'd like to pick up some work at an in-person meeting, or arrange a pickup/drop off. (I need to know in advance what size projects to have ready.)

The Third Thursday work group will meet on March 17 at North United Methodist Church, starting around 9:30. Bring your machine if you can, bring your own lunch, we love newcomers!

We had nine great productive workers in February, and two more who just stopped in to pick up some "homework."

Thanks to everyone who works with us, in a group, or on your own.

We are still looking for a helper to take over Irma Lou Schmucker's role as charity liaison to the Trinity Free Clinic in Westfield.

Mary Strinka, Charity Quilts



From Dallas Reed's Group in Irvington:

- Quilt giveaway for the month of January is:
- 38 dog beds to the dog pound + 3 to the Indy Humane Society
- 60 lap quilts and 50 pillowcases to the Saint Elizabeth home for mothers and children.
- 25 lap quilts and two full-size quilts to Pink Ribbon Connection.

PADUCAH QUILT SHOW 2022

Overnight Bus Trip to AQS show **April 29 - 30, 2022**

Included: Transportation, Fabric Lottery, Games and Entertainment, Double Occupancy Room with Continental Breakfast, Admission to AQS Show and Rotary Club Quilt Show, Admission to AQS Museum, Lunch on Friday and Dinner on Friday and Saturday

Leave south side Indianapolis at 6:30 am on Friday and return around midnight on Saturday. Total Cost \$275.00 (based on double room occupancy). Deposit returned until March 13, at which time final payment is due. For more information call

Dallas Reed @**317-363-4116** or email: dallasreed@att.net ...**OR**

Sandy Warren @**812-325-0181** or email: swarren@indiana.edu

To reserve your seat on the bus, send a check for \$25.00 to:

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Paducah Overnight Bus Trip April 2022

Final itinerary sent 2 weeks before departure. To sit together, send reservations together.

Seats are assigned in the order in which reservations are received. *Please print clearly.*

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State and Zip Code_____ Telephone

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sent_____ Room Mate_____ Date

Sent_____ Pick Up South Side_____ West Side_____ Total cost

\$275.00 (based on double room occupancy) Single Room \$300 (If Available)

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2022 QGI Meetings

in person, with Zoom options

Masks required

The QGI General Meeting Third Thursday evening each month at 7pm.

Orchard Park Presbyterian Church
1605 E 106th Street (at Rangeline)
Indianapolis, IN 46280

QGI North Daytime Meeting First Friday each month 1:00 PM

At Orchard Park Presbyterian Church

QGI South Daytime Meeting Fourth Thursday each month 10:00 AM

Friedens United Church of Christ
8300 S. Meridian Street
Indianapolis, IN

*Zoom meeting links are on the Member
Forum page at quiltguildindy.net*

2022 QGI Board Meeting

qgiwebsite@gmail.com

Board meetings will be every
other month at 7pm via Zoom on
the third Thursday.

2022 Meeting dates are:

January 20, March 17,
May 19, July 21, Sept. 15 and
November 17.

All paid members are welcome to
link into the meetings.

Please contact Maureen Weflen.