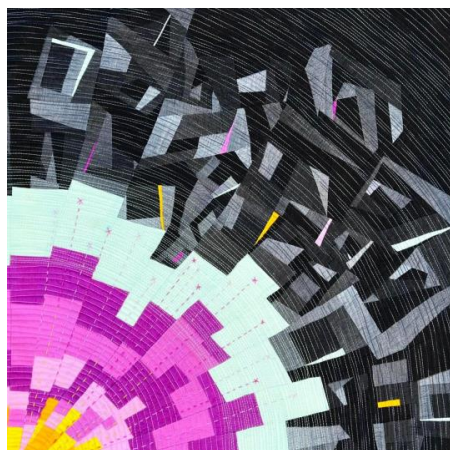
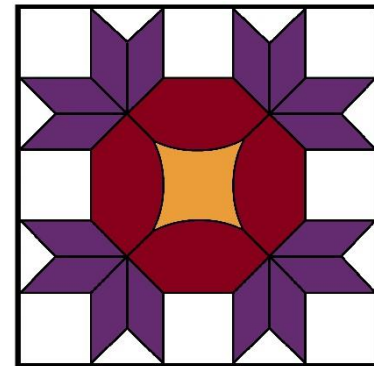


Hands All Around Quilt Guild

Newsletter May 2024

Roaring Through the 20's



Bloom in the
Moonlight

2024

Nancy Powell

2024 HAAQG
Challenge

1st Place Quilt

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President's Message

By Kathleen Schwitzner

WHAT A WHIRLWIND!

Can you believe that 2024 is already one-third completed? ONE-THIRD?!?!? That's just crazy! But spring is here – the grass is green, the trees are budding and it's almost time to plant the garden.

We are just coming off this year's wonderfully successful Quilt Spectrum! The quilts were just amazing! It was great to see the variations on the Block of the Month. And congratulations to all the winners! That Dear Jane by Rhonda Byrd and quilted by Nancy Fessel was a treasure to behold. I want to personally thank Gwynne Bettisch and her team for all the hours they volunteered these last several months that led to such a memorable experience for our guests. Many left glowing compliments on the ballot survey and several indicated they were interested in joining the guild. That wouldn't have happened had they not been inspired by what they saw at our show.

Looking forward, we will, as always, celebrate the end of another great guild year with our May Salad Supper. Enjoy morsels of this and that from everyone; we all have great taste in food and will share our favorites – either homemade or our favorite store-bought discovery – with each other. And in the spirit of being the friendly guild that we are, please welcome a new face to your table while we eat and get to know a fellow guild member.

So when I review those events I've noted above, I guess it really is May, which means my time as President has come to a close. Thank you for Roaring Through the 20's with me!

In stitches,
Kathleen





May 2nd

Mennonite Church of Normal
805 S. Cottage Avenue

Doors open at 5:00pm
Dinner served at 6:00pm

**BRING SOMETHING TO SHARE
BASED ON YOUR LAST NAME:**

- | | |
|-------|---------------|
| A & B | PASTA SALADS |
| C - G | GARDEN SALADS |
| H - L | FRUIT SALADS |
| M - P | BREADS |
| Q - Z | DESSERTS |

DON'T FORGET A SERVING UTENSIL

The guild will provide grilled and fried chicken along with paper products and silverware. Please bring your own beverage.

May Salad Supper

By Kathleen Schwitzner

Our annual Salad Supper will take place on Thursday, May 2nd. The church doors will open at 5:00 and dinner will be served at 6:00. Here's what you should bring based on the first letter of your last name:

A & B	Pasta Salads
C – G	Garden Salads
H – L	Fruit Salads
M – P	Breads
Q - Z	Desserts

The guild will provide grilled & fried chicken.

Please bring your own beverage.

Paper products and silverware will be provided.

Bring a serving utensil for your dish with your name on it.

There will be no Zoom at the May meeting.

Mystery Bag Report

By Ary Anderson

Of the 500+ Mystery Bags that were for sale at the Quilt Spectrum, there are only 39 remaining. We have 16 bags of browns, a few blacks, and the rest are a variety of fabrics and colors. These bags will reappear at the August Stash Sale. Thank you again for your generous donations of fabric and time to those who helped sort, weigh, and package your lovely scraps.

Library

By Joann Briggs

Even though Gary Riss has repaired the library cart, the library will not be open for the May meeting. However please note we are now accepting your books and bundled magazines. They'll be sold at the Stash Sale in August for \$2 book / bundle.

Switching Gears

By Ary Anderson

Now that our fabulous Quilt Spectrum is done, we can turn our energy and focus to the August Stash Sale. Your unwanted fabric and notions would be perfect for the Public Stash Sale on Friday, August 2 from 10am-2pm. Just like last year, members will be able to shop on Thursday, August 1st, prior to the Public Sale on Friday. You'll get the best selection! With your shopping done, the committee hopes that you'll then be free to volunteer at the Public Sale. Members' shopping times will be in a later newsletter. There is a chart below listing the various items that will be accepted for sale.

We learned many things last year about conducting this sale and have heard and appreciated your feedback. There will be changes in how your fabric should be packaged for sale, but the labeling system will remain the same. At the June 6 meeting, there will be a demonstration of a suggested way to package your fabric without using plastic bags. For labeling, please let Ary know if you are participating again this year and want the same seller number as last year. If you are a new participant – welcome! You may get a seller number at the May meeting.

NEW: If you are donating 100% of the proceeds of your cotton quilting fabric to the guild, you may bring that fabric beginning with the June 6 meeting. That night we cannot accept anything other than the quilt fabric which 100% of the proceeds will go to the guild. The last day to bring your donated fabric is July 11, our Ice Cream Social. If you are donating a large quantity of fabric, the committee would greatly appreciate it if you would contribute a couple of hours to the measuring and packaging of your donation.

Here are items that will be accepted for the sale:

- **Fabric:** quilting cotton in yardage, panels, kits, FQs, or usable size but not scraps
- **Wool**
- **Books**
- **Magazines:** bundles of at least 4
- **Yarn**
- **Craft supplies**



Quilt Spectrum

By Gwynne Bettisch

Another Quilt Spectrum has taken place! Many thanks to all who helped - we all know it takes a village to pull this off every year. We had 220 quilts, great vendors, great food, great demos, great appraiser, great weather.

Congratulations to our winners – see below and the next column to the right. The June meeting will be devoted to the entire quilt show entries.

Best of Show

Dear Jane by Rhonda Byrd



Raffle Quilt Winner

By Kristen Johnson



Congratulations to our own Aleta Batty for winning this year's raffle quilt! We also raffled off a matching baby quilt at the show and guild member Barb Miller won it. All proceeds from that exclusive raffle will be

donated to the Mennonite Church of Normal.

The guild members that sold the winning ticket and the most raffle tickets will be awarded at the May meeting. A raffle quilt report will be shared in the June newsletter.

Quilt Spectrum Winners

100 – Small Pieced		
1 st	Appalachian Sunset	Rebecca Golladay
2 nd	Joyful Magic	Carol Rice
3 rd	Raptors	Pam Riss
200 - Medium Pieced		
1 st	Circle of Life	Pam Riss
2 nd	Autumn Blaze	Diane Schertz
3 rd	Wonky Log Cabin	Maria Conrad
300 – Large Pieced		
1 st	Dear Jane	Rhonda Byrd
2 nd	Designer Mystery 2022	Pam Riss
3 rd	Dutch Iris	Pam Riss
400 - Panels		
1 st	Royal Beauty Peony	Becky Berry
2 nd	Flowers and Butterflies	Becky Berry
3 rd	Autumn the Fox	Becky Berry
500 – HAAQG Block of the Month		
1 st	Navigating the Stars	Cheryl Adam
2 nd	Color Coded Blocks	Cathie Lockwood
3 rd	Midnight Stargazer	Maria Conrad
600 – Hand Quilted		
1 st	Civil War Wanderings	Jenny Pettinger
2 nd	My Butterfly Garden	Kathy Hatch
3 rd	Singing the Blues	Rhonda Byrd
700 – Machine Embroidered / Embellished		
1 st	Barn Quilts	Pam Riss
2 nd	Stitches of the Sea	Becky Berry
3 rd	Magic Wholecloth Quilt	Becky Berry
800 - Appliqued		
1 st	Midnight Blooms	Rhonda Byrd
2 nd	Flower Box	Karen Goloff
3 rd	Live a Thankful Life	Carol Rice
900 – Hand Embroidered / Embellished		
1 st	Childhood Memories	Paula Meiner
2 nd	Wooly Spring	Becky Berry
1000 – Modern		
1 st	Maria's Orphanage	Maria Conrad
2 nd	Flower Plaid	Connie Jo Carstens
3 rd	You Are My Sunshine	Paula Meiner
1100 - Miniature		
1 st	Playing with Pineapples	Nancy Powell
2 nd	Small Pinwheels	Carole Fay
3 rd	New York Compass	Dephina Spangler
1200 - Potpourri		
1 st	Seasonal Tablemats	Dee Winterland
2 nd	Tamarack Jacket	Maria Conrad
3 rd	O Christmas Tree	Jenny Pettinger
1300 – 2024 Guild Challenge		
1 st	Bloom in the Moonlight	Nancy Powell
2 nd	Rainbow Stars	Mary Sanko
3 rd	2024 Challenge	Jenny Pettinger



HAAQG 2024 – 2025 Calendar

2024	
May 2	Salad Supper & 2025 Sign Ups
May 16	Mentoring: Manx Block
June 6	Quilt Spectrum Slide Show
July 11	Ice Cream Social First and Latest Quilts
Aug 1	Quilters Stash Sale – Open to the Public
Sept 5	Deb Strain 28 Years of Moda Design Fri: Beginner Purse Embroidery
Oct 3	Diane Harris Scrap Quilt Potluck Fri: Ahead of the Curve Sat: StarQuar Scrap Quilts
Nov 7	Janette Dwyer It's OK to be Different
Dec 5	Sharon Davidson Dancing with Threads Fri: Intro to Thread Painting Sat: Acrylic Painting on Fabric
2025	
Jan 9	*Virtual Guild Meeting* Jen Houlden Creating Fabric Runs
Feb 6	*Virtual Guild Meeting* Rachael Daisy Dodd Whizz Bang Quilts
March 6	MacQuivering Tips
April 3	Quilt Spectrum Prep Annual Member Feedback
Apr 11 & 12	2025 Quilt Spectrum Show Interstate Center
May 1	Salad Supper & 2026 Sign Ups

According to German research company GfK, about 34% of U.S. households have a garden. The United States is one of the top three gardening countries worldwide, preceded by Australia (45%) and China (36%).

Mentoring

By Kay Bowen



Come and learn about the Manx block at the May 16th Mentoring session which starts at 6:30. The church doors open at 6:00. Carol Lou Eisenhardt and Ary Anderson will guide you through the construction of a 10" Manx block. You will

learn about the measuring and cutting by the creators of this block. Bring your sewing

**POSTPONED UNTIL
OCTOBER**

Bring the following:

- needle, thread, scissors
- thimble (optional)
- one red or yellow fat quarter
- a variety of 5 light and 5 dark FQ (at the very least)

2024 – 2025 Programs

By Ary Anderson & Connie Borth

We've got a fun line-up of speakers and teachers participating in our Programs this coming guild year.

In the column to the left, you can see what's on tap.

Specific details about their lectures and/or workshops will be outlined at the May Salad Supper and in future newsletters.

2024 – 2025 Membership

By Pam Riss

We will start accepting memberships and dues for the upcoming guild year at next week's Salad Supper. The form is at the back of this newsletter. It's also under the Join Us tab on the guild website. Please note that any checks received in May will not be deposited until June.



Quilt Challenge

By Kathleen Schwitzer

You might have heard that the Sewing Studio recently moved to a new location where Whitacre's used to be in Hudson. In conjunction with their grand re-opening, they had a quilt challenge using a Moda line called Collections for a Cause: Etchings. This fabric benefits the Parkinson's Foundation and Sewing Studio plans to make a donation to this cause.

Here are a few of the winning quilts, including some made by our members! Congratulations!!!



Best in Show by Pamela Gates Toohill



Best Machine Quilting by Maria Conrad



People's Choice & Best Hand Quilting by Jenny Pettinger



Lovely display

Happy May Birthday!



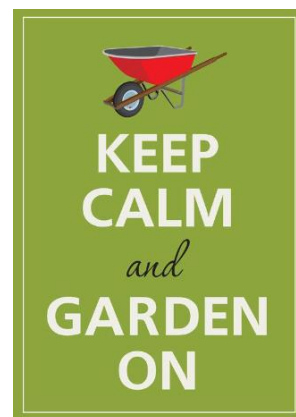
Debbie Darrow	May 2
Dee Lyn Balensiefen	May 5
Juanita Henslick	May 7
Vivian Hoette	May 7
Carol Ann Harris	May 17
Beth Porter	May 20
Kelly Cummings-Cowles	May 23
Barbara Miller	May 26
Lee Ann Coleman	May 29

May birthdays – since we're enjoying the Salad Supper this month, there's no need to bring desserts to share. You may be asked to bring something at a future meeting instead.

Food Pantry Donations

By Jenny Pettinger

For each meeting that's held in-person at the church, you are encouraged to bring a non-perishable food item. The church requests items that have a relatively long shelf life such as mac and cheese, canned veggies/fruit/soup, dry pasta, pasta sauce or granola bars. Also be sure your donations haven't expired. Thank you!



Hands All Around Quilt Guild 2024-2025 Membership Form

Name _____ Birth Month/Day _____

Street Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Primary Phone _____ Secondary Phone _____

Primary Email _____

Secondary Email _____

Membership Type & Dues		
<input type="checkbox"/> New member	<input type="checkbox"/> General Member (\$50)	<input type="checkbox"/> General Member, Dec 1 - May 31 (\$25)
<input type="checkbox"/> Renewing member	<input type="checkbox"/> Junior – 18 or under (\$25)	<input type="checkbox"/> Junior – 18 or under, Dec 1 – May 31 (\$12.50)
Newsletter Notification Preference		
Email / Website Option		Mail Option
<input type="checkbox"/> Send me an email when newsletter is posted to website		<input type="checkbox"/> Mail newsletter to my home address (\$20)
<input type="checkbox"/> I will access newsletter from the website. No notification needed.		
Photography		
<input type="checkbox"/> <i>I DO NOT give HAAQG permission to post or use my image online or in publication.</i>		
Membership Pin		
<input type="checkbox"/> I would like to purchase a membership pin (\$5)		
Membership Committee Use Only		
<input type="checkbox"/> Cash		
<input type="checkbox"/> Check (payable to HAAQG) #	Date paid	Total \$

Pay your dues at the monthly quilt guild meeting or mail your dues and this form to:

**Pam Riss
1409 E 2309th Rd.
Streator, IL 61364**

Hands All Around Quilt Guild • Programs' Workshops 2024 - 2025

[Please review the complete Class Guidelines on the Guild website.](#)

[Check the Guild website for further details on supply lists, locations, and links to speaker websites.](#)

**PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO HAAQG and DATE AS REQUESTED BELOW.
A SEPARATE CHECK IS REQUIRED FOR EACH CLASS;
YOU CAN ADD ANY KIT FEES TO THAT CLASS'S CHECK.**

Either hand this in with payment at a guild meeting or mail with your check to:

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NAME: _____ PHONE: _____

EMAIL: _____

Circle the date in the first column to register for events. • Indicate your check number in the last column.						
Date	Workshop Sample	Workshop	Member Fee	Non-Member Fee	Add: Kit Cost, Supply lists on guild site	Check #
09/06/2024		Beginner Purse Embroidery Deb Strain	\$25 (1/2 day)	\$35 (1/2 day)	Add kit cost \$15.00 Includes everything you'll need except scissors	Please date check 06/30/24
10/04/2024		Ahead of the Curve Diane Harris	\$50	\$60		Please date check 08/30/24
10/05/2024		StarQuar Scrap Quilts Diane Harris	\$50	\$60		Please date check 08/30/24
12/06/2024		Intro to Thread Painting Sharon Davidson	\$50	\$60	Check class pictures on her Facebook page 'Dancing with Threads'	Please date check 10/31/24
12/07/2024		Acrylic Painting on Fabric Sharon Davidson	\$50	\$60		Please date check 10/31/24