



# Hands All Around Quilt Guild of Central Illinois

## Newsletter

### February 2022

#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello Quilters,

The last month has been trying on many levels. Here's hoping for a quick end to this frigid weather and Covid. I am really getting worn out from the concern as I know most of you are as well. But we will continue to move forward. The Ex-Board has decided to do a hybrid meeting which means we will meet in person as well as do a Zoom meeting. This gives you the option to do what is best for you. The programs committee is working hard to get speakers and workshops, but if we do not sign up for them, it does no good. We hope to have the classes in March, but maybe at a new location so we can have food. Please sign up! We will do social distancing and masks which the church requires.

Another issue of concern is participation for leadership for the upcoming years. We need a volunteer for VP so please help and step up filling this position. I am out of ideas to get more support and participation to keep the guild moving forward. So please helps us out. If you are interested give a call to Sharon Rhoda or any member of the board.

I hope to see you all on Feb 3rd. In the meantime, stay warm and healthy.

Sincerely,

*Stormy Dawn Helton*

President

#### PROGRAMS

##### **February 2, 2022**

This is the first Wednesday of the month and Rhonda Pierce will conduct her SCHMETZneedles FacebookLive presentation at noon CST. They are 30 – 45 minutes with updates, SCHMETZ answers and an awesome giveaway. (She was our speaker in January.)

**How to attend?** If you haven't attended before and are interested, first go in and “like” SCHMETZneedles on Facebook. A few days before the FBLive, a FB announcement will be made that will include a link to the event. With this link, you can indicate, *interested*, *not going*, or *going*. If you click interested or going, you will get a reminder of the event. Each month, her agenda and topics are different, sometimes spontaneous and fun.

##### **February 3, 2022**

Monique Jacobs ([www.opengatequilts.com](http://www.opengatequilts.com)) She will present her program, “My Quilting Journey” starting at 7 pm. Due to low enrollment, her classes have been cancelled.

### **March 3, 2022, TIPS and TOOLS**

**Put your thinking caps on and look around your sewing room.** Members of HAAQG will be the program. Be thinking of a sewing/quilting tip to share and/or a tool you use that is not really a sewing/quilting tool. Ex: All those address labels that will never see an envelope are handy to remove all those short threads that are left when you "unsew" something.

### **March 4 & 5, 2022, CLASS with Laurie Schierer, Time: 9-4**

You will be using Laurie's "Delightful Duffle" pattern. You may purchase either a digital pattern (\$7) from Laurie or hard copy (\$10) from Peddler's Way prior to the class. A sample of her bag will be on display at the meeting as well as signup forms. The cost for this 2-day class is \$45 plus the pattern. You may register for the class at the February meeting or send your name and check to Pam Riss.

In early February, Laurie will be sending a letter to those registered with more detailed information. Put on your calendar: **FEBRUARY 9 at 7 pm.**

Laurie will conduct via Zoom a free pre-class preparation demo and answer questions.

Programs has some good and maybe some not so good news concerning our April program and classes with Debbie Maddy.

Her program on **April 7, 2022** "Indigo Shibori Dyeing" at 7 pm will be by Zoom. This means her classes on **April 8, 2022.** CLASS "Geese in the Lilies" and **April 9, 2022.** CLASS "Labyrinth" will also be by Zoom. You can order the patterns online from her website at <https://www.debbiemaddy.com/collections/hard-copy-patterns>. Hard copy and download copies are available. You may use either format for the class. Times for the classes are 9-4 with a break for lunch.

The Program committee realizes that some of you will not be able to take her classes because they are via Zoom. For those taking her classes, the format will be similar to other online classes. She will start "live" on Zoom, show some videos of demos, provide sewing time, and then back live again.

To date, there are 2 people registered for each of her classes. **EACH** class needs a total of **16** maximum of 20. You are urged to take advantage of the techniques Debbie offers in her classes.

*Ary Anderson*

Programs

### **MENNONITE RELIEF SALE**

The Illinois Relief Sale Committee has decided to hold an online auction again this year. Last year's sale was a success with bidders from all over the country. Proceeds from the sale fund local food pantries and worldwide relief efforts. The 2022 sale is planned for mid-March.

If you have any questions or would like to contribute a wall hanging, lap quilt, or bed quilt to the auction, please contact Mary Sanko. She will provide you with details as they become available. It is anticipated that they will need items the last week of February. Thank you for your consideration.

*Mary Sanko*



# Happy Birthday!



Feb 4 Pat Bozarth  
Feb 11 Jayne Shindel  
Feb 15 Stephanie Davis  
Feb 16 Andrea Miller  
Feb 19 Stormy Dawn Helton

Feb 20 Laurie Schierer  
Feb 23 Rosena Cortelyou  
Feb 26 Noemi Bowers  
Feb 29 Sara Thompson

## LIBRARY

The library still plans on accepting donated items in the future. For now, donations are on hold until we start meeting in person at the church. Let's hope that things will get back to normal soon!

- Mary Weakman - 815-692-1234
- Judy Bennington - 309-261-6612
- Joanne Briggs - 309-825-3665

*Mary Weakman, Judy Bennington & Joanne Briggs*

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