



Hands All Around Quilt Guild of Central Illinois

Newsletter

FEBRUARY 2019

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

GERRY SCHROCK

. Quilting is a golden thread....that binds our hearts and souls together.

Hello quilters, Greetings on a snowy day. Are you all enjoying our snowy weekends? I hope you haven't had to do a lot of traveling during these snowstorms. It is winter so I think we have to expect some snow. So this is a good time to quilt.

Thank you to all who contributed to our January meeting and to our retreat. I was lucky and won a very nice door prize...an ottlite...something I can definitely use. It was great to sew all day and even have delicious food without having to stop and cook. A good time was had by all.

I hope you all can come to our February 7 meeting. Our featured speaker for February 7 at 7:00 is Mark Sherman. His workshop on Friday is "Remarkable Stained Glass." Saturday February 9 is "Machine Trapunto for the Timid Quilter." Both sound like they would be very interesting.

Quilt spectrum committee met in January. Gwynne Bettisch is still looking for volunteers for a few committees. All quilters are encouraged to make a quilt with some gold fabric or thread in it as part of our theme for this year, GOLDEN THREADS THAT JOIN US. Entry forms are being prepared by Jenny Pettinger. Entry form deadline will be April 4. Featured speaker will be Suzi Parron, who will give a lecture as well as conduct workshops on Barn Painting.

It is time to think about officers for next year. We are seeking volunteers to serve on the Nominating Committee. Let me know if you would be willing to serve on this committee. Board Meeting at 5:30 on February 7. See you all there.

Enjoy the snow by quilting!

Gerry

GUILD MEETINGS FOR 2018/2019 – HELD ON 1ST THURSDAY OF THE MONTH- AT MENNONITE CHURCH OF NORMAL, 806 S. COTTAGE AVE., NORMAL, IL. MEETING FROM 7PM -9 PM. FEBRUARY 7TH, MARCH 7TH, APRIL 4TH, & MAY 9(2ND THURSDAY)

QUILT SPECTRUM – INTERSTATE CENTER- MAY 3 & 4, 2019 (SET UP MAY 1 & 2)

GUILD FUNDRAISER

CONNIE BORTH

Members, we will stop taking orders for the jackets, vests and denim shirts at our April meeting, so if you are wanting one to have to wear at our Quilt Spectrum, the sooner you order it the better the chance to have it in time for it. We are not making a fortune off of the selling these items, but the more we do sell, it will help keep the cost of our workshops down. Thank you.

2019-20 GUILD YEAR VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

CONNIE BORTH

Members, as I am writing this, we have had our second snowstorm within a short period of time. Hopefully, everyone stayed in out of the storm and sewed a storm in their own sewing space. Now onto the reason for my paragraph in our newsletter. First, let me introduce myself. I am Connie Borth, the current vice-president of Hands All Around Quilt Guild and will be the guild's president next year.

It is time for me to find volunteers to serve on the guilds many different committees. I am recruiting or asking you as members, if you are already on a committee, are you willing to serve on it next year? Or if you are not on a committee but would like to serve on a committee, please contact me. The guild has many different committees in it and I'm sure the guild can find one that would peak your interest. We are a volunteer organization and need the help of others to be successful, so please consider volunteering.

I can say from my own personal experience that volunteering with the members of this guild has been very enlightening and an enjoyable experience. Don't think that if you are new to the guild that you can't serve, sure you can. I have been a member for only a few years but when I was asked last year at this time to be vice-president/president, I figured it was my time to volunteer. Yes, it is scary, but I welcome the challenge. So, please if you are already volunteering, consider continuing to do so or if you are new to the guild or haven't volunteered before, consider volunteering now. I can be contacted by either the cell phone or email address listed in the members directory. Or even better yet, introduce yourself to me at one of the guild's meetings and let me know that you would like to volunteer. Thank you

CREATIVE CHALLENGE

CAROL LOU EISENHARDT

Thank you for the wonderful response to this out-of-the-box challenge put forward last September.

I hope you all enjoyed making and seeing the different items on display. Thank you again to all the persons who participated in the challenge.

COMMUNITY PROJECTS

CATHIE LOCKWOOD, CAROL LOU EISENHARDT

We hope you all had a wonderful holiday and are ready for the New Year to start our many projects for the local community. At the table, we will have some kits available for the 'taking' and 'finishing'. This spring brings the continued need for Nursing Home and Cancer Comfort quilts. The fidget quilts are always greatly appreciated by the Adult Care facilities. Bring any finished projects to the table and we will see that they are distributed to the proper places.

Thank you for all your continued time and efforts to supply these many different items that are so much appreciated.

MENNONITE RELIEF SALE

MARY SANKO

This year's sale will be held March 15th & 16th at the Interstate Center. If you would like to donate a wall hanging or quilt for the auction – or an item for the bazaar – please contact Mary Sanko for details. The committee is requesting a picture of all quilted items donated to the auction.

Please bring your donation to the March meeting. She will make sure it gets to the sale and will obtain a tax receipt for you.

QUILT SPECTRUM 2019

GWYNNE BETTISCH

Plans are well underway for the 2019 Quilt Show. Just a few updates for everyone. First, in case you hadn't heard yet, we are pleased to announce that Suzi Parron will be our featured speaker at the show this year. She will be doing a lecture in the afternoon on both Friday and Saturday. Suzi will also host a workshop on both Friday and Saturday from 9am to 1pm to a maximum of 30 students each day. At this time this is only open to HAAQG members. We ask that you attend only one workshop, so more members have the opportunity to attend as well. The sign-up form is attached to this newsletter or you may pick one up from me at the February meeting. We will have the quilt entry forms available at the February meeting as well. If there are any questions, please email me at gbettisch_75@yahoo.com.

MYSTERY BAGS for QUILT SPECTRUM

ARY ANDERSON

We want your fabric scraps! Please bring your quilt scraps for the mystery bags for the 2019 Quilt Spectrum to any of the monthly meetings. The March meeting is the LAST time fabric will be accepted. Fabric scraps need to be quality cotton and no smaller than 2 inches. You may put your scraps on the counter outside the kitchen.

Visitors to this booth enjoy the "surprise" of opening their purchases. Many enjoy the "hunt" for that special brown bag. Thank you for helping us add an air of "mystery" to the Quilt Spectrum!

SEWING DAY/JANUARY 2020 RETREAT HOST

CONNIE BORTH

Members, we need a member or a group of members who would be willing to host the guild's sewing retreat in June of this year and/or hosting the retreat in January 2020. If anyone or a group is interested, please contact me. Thank you.

LIBRARY

CONNIE JO CARSTENS, MARY WEAKMAN & LINDA EDWARDS

Snow days have given me time to ponder books for the HAAQG library. So many books, so little time.

So (sew) little time led me to a lovely book new to me ... PIN PALS by Carrie Nelson. Interesting "regular" size book about many little projects, pin cushions. Please find time to look at this book online and let me (Connie J Carstens) know if we should buy for HAAQG library.

If you have books or magazines to donate to the HAAQG library sale, please contact Mary Weakman or Linda Edward's. Storage space is very limited.

If you have any book suggestions, please let Connie J Carstens, Mary Weakman or Linda Edwards know.

HAAQG NEWSLETTER

SMALL GROUP MEETINGS

[Small group meetings](#) are for all HAAQG members and a great way to meet people, learn new techniques, and have a good time. Below are contacts for the Guild's current small groups; additional description is on the website. Hope to see you at a meeting!

| SMALL GROUP | MONTHLY DAY | TIME | LOCATION | CONTACT |
|----------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------|---|--|
| Sew & Tell | 2nd Wednesday | 1 p.m. | LEXINGTON COMMUNITY CENTER | LINDA HUTCHINS |
| Hudson Area Quilters | 2nd Saturday; no December meeting | 9 a.m.-5 p.m. | Hudson Fire Department with different members coordinating each month. See Guidelines/ Expectations at www.haaqg.com under guild activities, small groups~ Hudson Area Quilters. | ADA REDIGER or MARIA CONRAD |
| Magic Needles | 3rd Monday | 7 p.m. | MEMBER'S HOME WITH DIFFERENT MEMBERS COORDINATING EACH MONTH: | ARLENE MITCHELL |
| Hey Quilters | 3rd Thursday | 6:30-9 p.m. | HEYWORTH UNITED CHURCH library lounge | KIMBERLY TRAVERS or KIM NELSON |

PROGRAMS & WORKSHOPS

JULIE MOOBERRY, CAROL BENSON, CAROLE FAY & DEBBIE SHERMAN

February --Mark Sherman

Specialty: ReMARKable quilting
 Mark is an award-winning quilt artist who has lectured & taught all over the world.
 Lecture: Man Quilter
 Workshops: Remarkable Stained Glass and Machine Trapunto for the Timid Quilter – **Friday - 1 opening & Saturday- 4 openings**

March--Edyta Sitar

Specialty: Patchwork and applique featuring her batiks and print designs
 Edyta designs fabric for Moda & threads for Aurifil. She's published five books, has been featured in magazines worldwide, and her quilts have received many awards.
 Lecture: Reasons for Quilting
 Workshops: Spool Quilt and Tree Farm
Both Workshops are Sold Out!

April--Mary Lou Wiedman

Specialty: Vibrant use of color and whimsical designs
 Mary Lou has written five books, designs fabric for Benartex, represents Bernina, and has taught worldwide.
 Lecture: Out of the Box
 Workshops: Flower Power and Creative Cow

Both Workshops are Sold Out!

May--Suzi Parron (at Quilt Spectrum)

Lectures: Friday & Saturday afternoons
 Workshops: Painted Barn Quilt Workshops
 9 am-1 pm on Friday & Saturday.

**HAAQG NEWSLETTER
HAAQG Quilt Spectrum
Suzi Parron Workshop BARN QUILTS
Sign-Up Form**

Friday, May 3, 2019 • 9am – 1pm or Saturday, May 4, 2019 • 9am – 1pm

Interstate Center
1106 Interstate Drive – Bloomington, IL 61705

**Give this form with workshop fee to Gwynne Bettisch or mail to her home: 3 Cardinal Ct, LeRoy, IL 61752
HAAQG Guild Members may sign up now – Non Guild Members may sign up after March 8, 2019.**

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| Circle which date you plan to attend. | | | | |
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| Date | HAAQG Member Fees | | Non-HAAQG Member Fees | |
| Friday May 3, 2019 | Workshop fee \$35 Make check out to HAAQG and include with this form. | Supply fee \$45 Make check out to Suzi Parron and give to her at class. | Workshop fee \$45 Make check out to HAAQG and include with this form. | Supply fee \$45 Make check out to Suzi Parron and give to her at class. |
| Saturday May 4, 2019 | | | | |

Join the barn quilt movement by creating your own painted 24" x 24" quilt block! You will begin with a pre-primed board and will go through each step – drafting, taping, and painting, with careful attention to detail. Once painting begins, you can work at your own pace. Depending on your design, you will leave with a completed barn quilt block or one last color to finish at home. Paint will be provided.

SUPPLIES PROVIDED:

- Pre-primed 24" x 24" board
- Suggested patterns
- Paint
- Brushes

SUPPLIES YOU BRING:

- 24" ruler
- Pencil
- Blow dryer (one per 3-4 people)

MENTORING

Our guild is large and has many wonderful groups from which to choose. Whether you are a new member or have been in the guild for many years, you are welcome to come to the mentor class and meet quilters who enjoy quilting and learning new skills just like you.

We are sorry that we had to cancel the January mentoring class because of the forecasted bad weather but we would rather be safe than have someone out in bad weather.

February 21, 2019

We will be making a Rail Fence table runner. We will have you do some pre-cutting before class and be making the middle of the rail fence table runner. We will see how far we get and will see if we need an additional class for the borders. This table runner will be set on point so if you haven't set anything on point this would be a great opportunity to learn how.

March 21, 2019 and April 18, 2019

Cheryl Adam will be teaching us how to make this fantastic bag. Bet you can't make just one!

If you have any mentoring classes you would like us to do, please stop by and let us know. Come join us for a fun night out quilting with friends.

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