



Hands All Around Quilt Guild of Central Illinois

Newsletter

APRIL 2017

PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

[STORMY DAWN HELTON](#)

Dear Members,

This month has been a sad period for me. As most of you may already know we lost a member this month. Jean Dawson passed away March 3, 2017. I will miss seeing her pretty smile and hearing what she has been up to. The family listed our guild, HAAQG, where memorials may be sent as well as the Flanagan Library. I have already been in touch with the librarian and we are donating children’s books dealing with Grandmothers, children, and quilting in Jean’s memory. I had discussed with Jean one salad supper how I was Mrs. Q (quilt lady) for the Unit Five kindergarten classes learning their letters, for several years and how I brought books, read to the class and donated one to the room and one to the school library. She thought that was such a good idea. So, since our guild donates \$50.00 to a charity in honor of our passing members, Flanagan library will receive these books in Jean’s name. The librarian and I are still deciding on what books to get but if any of you have a suggestion please give me a call. I plan on adding some books as well in Jean’s memory. If you would also like to contribute, please see me after the April meeting.

The fun is about to begin with all the quilt shows coming up this spring. Ours is included in the fun. I am waiting impatiently to “Look What We’ve Learned!” The Quilt Show Set-up Board has already plotted and planned for each entry to be hung in all its glory! A **Great Job** has been accomplished so far and I cannot wait to see it all set up. Please, if you haven’t been already, advertise the show any and every way possible! This is the biggest way we make our money to present all the great speakers and workshops that the guild has each year. It’s nice to have the communities help in funding these not just our membership fees.

Thanks for all the help each of you do and don’t forget those props!

Sincerely,

Stormy Dawn Helton

HAAQG President 2016-2017

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TREASURER'S REPORT

[BEV ELDER](#)

Treasurer's Report	
2/28/2017	
Checking Account 1/31/2017	\$ 9,283.34
Add Total Receipts	\$ 2,699.75
Less Total Expenses	\$ 2,668.59
Balance in Checking 2/28/2017	\$ 9,314.50
Total CDs & Petty Cash	\$ 25,310.03
Total Assets as of 2/28/2017	\$ 34,624.53
Less Total Assets as of 1/31/2017	\$ 34,548.06
Change in Total Assets from Prior Period	\$ 76.47
<i>Submitted by Beverly E Elder, HAAQG Treasurer 2016-2017</i>	

RAFFLE QUILT 2017 MIDNIGHT STARS

[MARIE NOBLE](#) & [NANCY SIMMS](#) & [PAT IANNONE](#)



Congratulations to our March winners: Ruth Green, Nancy O'Neall, and Jean Kuethe! Prizes included an assortment of raffle quilt pins from present and past, a beautiful cord basket, and a lovely tote bag representing the raffle quilt fabrics.



The winner for selling the most tickets was Kristen Johnson at well over 250 tickets! We hope she enjoys her replica wall hanging as much as we did making it.

Don't forget to turn in any additional sold tickets at the quilt show - you will want to enter your chances to win Midnight Stars as well as the prize for selling the winning ticket- a stunning hand-made tote representing the colors in the quilt.

We still have plenty of 2017 Raffle Quilt pins left for \$5.00 each.

Thank you to all those that sold tickets this year!

COMMUNITY PROJECTS

[CHERYL ADAM](#) & [ALETA BATTY](#) & [TRISHA HORNER](#)

All our kits are out to be made. If we could get those all back by the next two meetings, we can deliver to the different recipients in May. Thank you for all your support.

We have reached a total of 400+ pillowcases and many Fidget Blankets.

SPECTRUM QUILT SHOW

[RUTH TAHA](#)

The preparations for the Spectrum Quilt Show at the Parke Regency Hotel and Conference Center on Friday, March 31, and Saturday, April 1, are coming along well. The refurbishing at the Parke Regency, which will give us a new updated venue for our beautiful quilts, is nearly done. The committees are finishing up last minute preparations. If you have signed up to volunteer, we are looking forward to your

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help on your chosen shift. If you have not signed up and want to help, find the link to Sign Up Genius on the Guild website and find out where you are needed. Members who volunteer on Wednesday or Thursday will have a free pass for one day of the show. Volunteers on other days may enter free on the day they volunteer.

Remember that all show entries should be dropped off at the Parke Regency on Wednesday evening, March 29, from 4:30 to 6:00 pm, and on Thursday morning, March 30, from 8:00 to 10:00 am. Pick up is on Saturday, April 1. From 4:30 to 6:00 pm, after the show. Be sure to have each entry in its own pillow case, labeled with your name and number, and have a label on each entry with the name of your entry and your name. All quilts 60" or wider must have a sleeve so they can be hung on the frames.

Remember to get out the information about the show to people you know. Hang up your posters in public places, put show information on your Facebook or other social media pages, and get the word out in any way you can.

Thank you to everyone who has worked on the show. I think it will be a wonderful way to showcase the lovely work our members do and to show off our enthusiasm for the quilting arts.

MENTORING

[Kay Bowen](#) & [Kay Fisher](#)

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.

The Mentor program meets the third Thursday of the month at 6:30p.m. at the Mennonite church. On **April 20, 2017**, we will be making vinyl project bags. With these handy bags, it is easy to see and find the project you want to work on.

See you at the quilt show.

HAAQG LIBRARY CHECK IT OUT

[CONNIE JO CARSTENS](#)

Do you have a favorite book you'd like to see in the HAAQG Library? Please let Mary, Linda or I know as soon as possible by May 1, 2017. You can email me at CONNIEJO1423@MSN.COM.

We also need to know if you want the HAAQG Library to continue the Missouri Star magazine subscription. I know members have been checking out the magazines but -- - should we continue the subscription??

We won't be accepting any more donations of books or magazines to sell this year. Please keep the HAAQG Library in mind for your donations as you weed out your quilting books this summer. We will sell again during the 2017-2018 Guild meetings.

Please stop by the Library and check out a book to inspire your quilting and crafting hours.

Remembering Adelia by Kathleen Tracy

I loved both classes taught by Kathleen Tracy in February and this book. Both class projects are in Remembering Adelia. Though I do not have my Scrappy Star Quilt top done, I will have my Civil War Baskets Quilt in the Quilt Show. Penny Boser posted photos of her Scrappy Star Quilt top on the HAAQG website using lots of secondhand shirt fabrics. So much fun!!

In Remembering Adelia, Kathleen Tracy researched and included excerpts from Adelia's journal, adding an unusual aspect to this book. "Adelia's diary shows what daily life was really like for many women in the

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latter half of the nineteenth century." The 14 projects and quilts shown in the book are inspired by a variety of antique quilts and Adelia's diary entries.

Reading Remembering Adelia reminded me of the many, many women who quilted before us and the rich heritage our craft has inspired to create warmth in our homes and hearts.

Note – I borrowed Kathleen Tracy's Small & Scrappy book from the Bloomington Public Library this month. This book has 16 small, fun projects, which are inspiring me to add to my growing collection of civil war and murkier fabrics.

DOOR HOSTESS

[MARY WUHRMANN & LINDA HUTCHINS](#)

A few months ago, a member gave Mary a guest fee to pay for her friend who might be coming to the meeting. We still have the money! If the money belongs to you, please see Mary at the Door Hostess table.

The door hostesses also send cards to members or their families when there has been a major event in their lives. Please send an email to Linda Hutchins if you know someone.

JUNE QUILT RETREAT MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

[CAROLE FAY](#)

The June retreat committee is in full planning mode! The retreat dates are **Friday, June 16th and Saturday, June 17th**. If you have attended past retreats you know how much fun we all have with two days of sewing, chatting, laughing and sharing! We will serve lunch and dinner on Friday and lunch on Saturday.

Our theme for the retreat is "Homemade Holidays." It is never too early to start planning and sewing those holiday gift and decorating items!

There will be a sign-up sheet at the Programs table at the guild meetings. If you aren't able to attend the meetings but want to make sure your name is on the list just email me at Pelli73@frontier.com. We have a limit of 50 people for the retreats so be sure to sign up early and reserve your seat. We look forward to seeing you in June.

PROGRAMS & WORKSHOPS

[DEBI WINCHESTER](#) & [LINDA CLICK](#) & [SUZIE MCGUIRE](#) & [JENNY PETTINGER](#)

The end of the guild year is almost here! We hope you'll be at the April meeting where we will unveil next year's lineup of speakers and workshops. We have a great year planned. Several workshops are designed for you to use fabrics from your stash - great idea, right?

Lisa Bongean's visit in March was very well attended and we're looking forward to seeing your wool projects at show and tell in April.

Congratulations to JEAN KUETHE who won a free class by volunteering at March's workshops!! Let Debi Winchester know if you are interested to help out in April and be in the running for your free workshop.

Here is the final lecture and workshop for this guild year:

April 2017 – Chris Moline

- Specialty – Quilt appraisals & Featherweight sewing machines
- Chris is an AQS certified appraiser of quilted textiles, Featherweight expert, and a board member of the Quilters Hall of Fame. She is also the new owner of Jean Lyle's featherweight business.
- 4/6 Quilts and quilted item appraisals on Thursday afternoon – see the Programs table at the monthly guild meeting. \$50 for each quilted item for a 30-minute appraisal.

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- 4/6 Lecture: Ugly Quilts
- Workshops: 4/7 & 4/8 Featherweight Maintenance Care and Attachments - are offered on both Friday and Saturday. There are a few openings on each day - sign up soon to ensure you get a spot.

TRIPS WITH GEMS OF THE PRAIRIE QUILTERS

[VIV BROWNING](#)

GEMS of the Prairie Quilters in Peoria are sponsoring the 3rd annual bus trip to the International Quilt Festival in Rosemont, IL on **Thursday, April 6, 2017**. We will leave East Peoria at approx. 6:30 a.m. arriving in Bloomington-Normal about 35 minutes later to pick-up more quilters & friends. You will be back in Bloomington at approx. 8:15 p.m. Cost of the trip this year is \$47, which includes your ticket into the show. If you are interested, please contact me, Viv Browning, by e-mail at sosew-7828@sbcglobal.net. My name, address & phone number are in the current HAAQG membership book.

LECTURE & CLASSES WITH GEMS OF THE PRAIRIE QUILTERS

In April, Gems will be hosting nationally known quilter & instructor Christa Watson from Las Vegas, Nevada. On Wednesday evening April 5th, her lecture is WHAT'S MODERN QUILTING ALL ABOUT ANYWAY? The lecture is at our monthly guild meeting, Wednesday, April 5th, 6:30 pm at St. Paul Lutheran Church, 1427 W. Lake Avenue, Peoria. Fee for guests is \$10.

We have openings in all classes. Classes are from 9 am till 4 pm each day. Guest fee for classes is \$55. More information can be found on Gems website or by e-mailing info@gemsoftheprairie.com.

- Thursday, April 6th class is MODERN LOGS
- Friday, April 7th is STRUCTURED IMPROV PIECING (FACETS)
- Saturday, April 8th is MODERN MACHINE QUILTING.

HAAQG 2016–2017 Programs & Workshops Sign-up Form

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

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

NAME _____ PHONE _____ EMAIL _____

Circle the date in the first column to register for events. Indicate your check number in the last column.						
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DATE	WORKSHOP SAMPLE	WORKSHOP NAME & SUPPLY LIST LINK	MEMBER WORKSHOP FEE	NON-MEMBER WORKSHOP FEE	KIT COST (PAY IN CLASS)	CHECK #
04/07/17 Chris Moline		Featherweight Maintenance, Care & Attachments	\$30	\$40	Tools and attachments available to purchase	Date check 02/01/17 #
04/08/17 Chris Moline		Featherweight Maintenance, Care & Attachments	\$30	\$40	Tools and attachments available to purchase	Date check 02/01/17 #
06/16&6/17/2017 SUMMER RETREAT AT MENNONITE CHURCH OF NORMAL – CONTACT CAROLE FAY FOR SIGN-UP						

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2016-2017 MEMBERSHIP SIGN-UP FORM**

Name	Birth Month/Day	
Street Address		
City	State	Zip Code
Primary Phone	Secondary Phone	
Primary Email		
Secondary Email		

Membership Type

Membership Dues

<input type="checkbox"/> New member <input type="checkbox"/> Renewing member	<input type="checkbox"/> General member (\$30) <input type="checkbox"/> Senior – 65 or better (\$25) <input type="checkbox"/> Junior – 18 or under (\$25)
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Membership Pin

<input type="checkbox"/> I would like to purchase a membership pin (\$5)
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Membership Committee Use Only

<input type="checkbox"/> Cash <input type="checkbox"/> Check (Payable to HAAQG) #	Date paid	Total
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Pay your dues at the monthly guild meeting or mail your dues and form to:

[Pam Riss](#)
 1409 East 2309 Rd.
 Streator, IL 61364

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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.	ADA REDIGER or RUTH PFAFFMANN
Magic Needles	3rd Monday	7 p.m.	Member's home with different members coordinating each month: January-Penny Boser; February-Cheryl Adam; March-Aleta Batty; April-Ruth Novosad; May-Arlene Mitchell; June-Trisha Horner	ARLENE MITCHELL
Hey Quilters	3rd Thursday	6:30-9 p.m.	HEYWORTH UNITED CHURCH library lounge	KIMBERLY TRAVERS or KIM NELSON