



Hands All Around Quilt Guild of Central Illinois

Newsletter

APRIL 2018

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

[CAROLYN GATENBY](#)

Seaming together friendships—one stitch at a time!

Happy Spring!!! Hopefully the flowers will be blooming soon and the temperatures will be warming up! This year has been a good year for the quilt guild and we have had a lot of great speakers. Everyone seems to be learning new skills as they participate in classes and mentoring. I thoroughly enjoyed teaching the reversible tote bag in mentoring.

This month we are painting barn quilts. What fun that shall be. As this year winds down, the new officers you elected are preparing to take on new challenges. I want to thank each of them for stepping up and volunteering to help out. Elected at the last meeting was: Gerry Schrock, President; Connie Borth, Vice President; Karen Henry, Secretary and Mary Schoneman, Treasurer. Please continue to support them as you have supported this year's board.

Looking ahead in May we will have our Salad Supper. June 23-24 will be our retreat here at the church. Registration form is part of this newsletter and will be available at the programs table at the meeting. Also, we are asking you to sign up for the summer sewing days on July 21 and August 18. The fee for the sewing days is only \$5 to help cover the cost of renting the facility. These two days we will have bottled water available, but you are on your own for lunch. Please sign up if you know you are coming as it helps us know how many people to set up for.

Let's again fill the shopping cart in the entry way of the church. We are a very caring and giving group and I am proud to be a part of it! See you at the meeting!

Carolyn Gatenby, President

GUILD MEETINGS FOR 2017/2018 – HELD ON 1ST THURSDAY OF THE MONTH- AT MENNONITE CHURCH OF NORMAL, 806 S. COTTAGE AVE., NORMAL, IL. MEETING FROM 7PM -9 PM.

DATES: APRIL 5, 2018, MAY 3, 2018 SUMMER RETREAT: JUNE 23-24, SUMMER SEWING DAYS: JULY 21, AUGUST 18

CHALLENGE QUILT

LYNN CONDER

Thank you everyone for your interest in the Dresden Challenge this year!

Of the 36 people who initially signed up for the Challenge, there were 14 entries brought to the March Guild meeting for voting. Members cast approximately 155 ballots!

Winners of the 2018 Dresden Challenge - Congratulations!

Best **Overall** creative or unique Dresden#4Linda Patzer

Best **Traditional** Dresden#29Maria Conrad

Best **Modern** Dresden#2Nancy Powell

Look for all of the Challenge projects at the April Quilt Spectrum show. They will hang in a section of their own and each winning entry has a designated Challenge winner ribbon.

If you cannot make it to the April Quilt Show, photos of all entries are on the Guild's Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/photo.php?fbid=10215192649279990&set=pcb.10160217174690089&type=3&heater&ifg=1> (photos by Nancy Stone).

and <https://www.facebook.com/photo.php?fbid=10211298943688957&set=oa.10160211224050089&type=3&heater&ifg=1> (photos by Nancy Powell).

MENTORING

Kay Bowen, Ruth Taha, Deanna & Richard Bilyeu

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.

April 19, 2018

Come join us as we make Flying Geese. There are many ways to make Flying Geese and we will be showing you several different ways and you can choose with which method you like.

May 20, 2018 We are looking for ideas. Do you have a class or technique that you would like us to teach? Come see us at a meeting or email one of us.

RAFFLE QUILT 2018

EVELYN YOUNG & SHERRIE SNYDER



Thank you to everyone who turned in raffle tickets at the March meeting. Karen Dodd was the winner of March's incentive prize. Karen selected the beautiful orange and green applique block as her prize.

There's one monthly incentive prize remaining. The raffle quilt committee is sweetening the deal for this final prize - pictured here. The small table topper is 16.5" x 10.5" with a pottery bunny and a milk bottle vase with coordinating blooms. A bunny in the blooms, you might say.

To have a chance at winning this adorable prize, bring your sold tickets or a donation to the raffle quilt table at the April meeting where you can see the raffle quilt and the incentive prize in person. Tickets are \$1 each, 6 for \$5, or a packet of 24 for \$20. The winner of the raffle quilt will be drawn at the quilt show on

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April 14, 2018. The final two incentive prizes – “Sold the Winning Ticket” and “Sold the Most Tickets” will also be given away at the quilt show.

If you prefer not to participate in the raffle, you can still support the guild and have a chance to win the incentive prize. Just make a donation at the Raffle Quilt table and receive “special” tickets which you can use to enter the monthly drawing. These “special” tickets are available for the same price as the raffle tickets.

Tickets must be turned in before the beginning of the April business meeting to be entered in the drawing for the remaining monthly incentive prize. (Remember to put your name on the back of each ticket you sell to be eligible for the incentive prize drawing.)

NOTE: If you have unsold tickets, please return them at the April meeting (or at the quilt show). We can use them at the quilt show. Thank you!

HAAQG LIBRARY

CONNIE J CARSTENS & MARY WEAKMAN

We will NOT be accepting book or magazine donations until next guild year, September, 2018. Storage space is a problem for donated books. We only have the library cart for storage.

Do you want a particular quilt or craft book? Please contact Mary, Linda or me with your recommendations for books for HAAQG. We would love to hear your suggestions.

COMMUNITY PROJECTS

CAROL LOU EISENHARDT & CATHIE LOCKWOOD

Thanks again for all the generous donations to all of our guild Community Projects efforts all this year. The response has been grand, great and glorious. Please remember that our committee doesn't always know names but we want to be able to thank each of you -so please help us by signing in each time you come in and give us your donations. We have books available for you to do this with us at the table at each meeting.

Donations for the pillowcase project netted 14 more and all of the pillowcase kits went out from the table. We will continue to cut and have a number of these available at each meeting for you. Not sure how to sew them, ask one of us as we also have a nifty pattern to hand you to help.

LaDonna Marshal picked up our baby quilts donated and able to send all 50 gathered up until last meeting with 25 going to St Joseph Hospital and 25 to Bromenn Hospital. Way to go ladies!!!! I believe that LaDonna also shared with me that she was able to also distribute 14 cancer quilts. another YAY!!!!

We did receive 1 quilt looking forward to the next years BED BLITZ and will make sure that Nancy Stone receives it and any others donated until then

Also dont forget her request for the Bold, Bright and Happy colors to dazzle the new little ones who will receive.

Last of all, We received one quilted/in pillowcase and one finished top for the Quilt of Valor efforts. These have already been delivered to the Leroy QOV coordinator with one scheduled presentation arranged for giving.

Again thanks for all the wonderful donations-looking forward to any and all at this months meeting. We have had several continued requests for more Figet Quilts so if that is your love to do-bring em on down.

Friday, April 13, 9am-6pm and Saturday April 14, 9am-4pm
 Parke Regency Hotel and Conference Center
 Featured Artist: Eloyce Slown

Thank you for the quilts you entered in the show. It will be another wonderful display of talent from our guild.

You can still bring items for the Unique Boutique and fat quarters for door prizes to the April meeting. Keep those boutique items coming.

VOLUNTEER SIGNUP: Sign ups to help with the set up and running of the show are coming in, but we need more people in several places. Go to the HAAQG website, click volunteer, and scroll down to Volunteer for Spectrum Show and choose all the places where you can serve. Then provide your name and email address at the end to complete your sign up. We need people at various times during all four days. In particular we need help with set up on Wednesday evening, hanging quilts on Thursday morning, and take down on Saturday night. We also need people to sign out quilts to their owners. **PLEASE** volunteer. The friendly faces of our guild members help to make the show a success.

PROP SIGN UP: Go to the same place and find Volunteer to Bring Props and find out what is still needed. Sign up the same way. The props are an important part of the show.

Thanks to all the people who have been working on all the facets of what makes up a show. It would not be possible without you.

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-Mar, Jenny Pettinger-Apr, Arlene Mitchell -May, Trisha Horner- June, Judy Struve-July	ARLENE MITCHELL
Hey Quilters	3rd Thursday	6:30-9 p.m.	HEYWORTH UNITED CHURCH library lounge	KIMBERLY TRAVERS or KIM NELSON

PROGRAMS & WORKSHOPS

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

We enjoyed having Piece ‘O Cake’s Becky Goldsmith lecture to us about color in March and especially enjoyed hearing all her tips about quilting in general at her classes. If you took her class, please bring your projects for April’s show and tell!

In April we’re really looking forward to having Suzi Parron with us. She’s going to tell us all about barn quilts and then we’ll have two sessions where we’ll paint our own mini barn quilts. Both sessions are full but let Linda Click know if you want to be put on a wait list.

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Our speakers receive a welcome bag when they arrive here. Beer Nuts and The Olive Bin generously donate goodies for them and we encourage you to shop at these stores in Bloomington/Normal.

Please make sure you have renewed your guild membership dues before registering for classes. The membership form can be found on the HAAQG web site with Pam Riss's contact information for mailing your form & payment. Per the guild's guidelines, there must be a 60-day notice on cancellations in order to receive a refund for workshops.

APRIL 2018 – SUZI PARRON

Specialty – Barn Quilts

She's traveled the country, chronicling barn quilts.

Lecture: Barn Quilts

Workshop: Paint Your Own Barn Quilt

Wait list for Friday's & Saturday's Barn Quilt workshops.

Hands All Around Quilt Guild • 2018 Summer Retreat & Sew Days Registration Form

***Either hand this form in with payment at a guild meeting or mail with your check to:
Linda Click • 1203 Kim Dr. • Bloomington, IL 61704***

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO HAAQG

NAME _____ PHONE _____
EMAIL _____

June 22 and 23	Summer Retreat	\$20 Friday/\$15 Saturday \$30 Both Days	Please date check 6/1/2018 _____
07/21/18	Sew Day	\$5.00	Check date 6/1/2018
08/18/18	Sew Day	\$5.00	Check date 6/1/2018