

Hands All Around Quilt Guild of Central Illinois

Newsletter

MAY 2017

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

STORMY DAWN HELTON

Vaarwel, my quilting vriende! Ek kan nie glo dat 'n jaar so gou gegaan het nie.

Farewell my quilting friends! I cannot believe a year has gone by so soon. (Maybe not soon enough for some of you! ☺)

Our guild was established in 1982 and I have been honored to be the president of the 34/35th year. We have lost some members and we have gained some. I will miss those we have lost, but look forward to spending time with our new members.

I hope you have been able to participate in the theme of "I don't have a clue, let's learn" and will continue to grow as a quilter over the coming year. The program committee has done a wonderful job with programs and learning experiences and next year looks to be equally educational. Please support the efforts of the program committee and sign up early for classes. From the looks of it some of these workshops may fill up quickly.

There are many opportunities to help move our guild forward by participating as chairman in the many committees the guild has. Please go to the website and click on **About Our Guild**, then click the **Board Members** link which will inform you what the duties are for that office so you know what will be expected of you in that position. You can also review the links for the **By Laws**, **Guidelines**, and **Fee Schedule**. I find it helpful to review each of these links yearly so that I know what direction our Guild is going.

Thank you for all your help, friendship and fellowship this past year. Enjoy the summer off and come back in the fall ready to share what you have learned and see what the upcoming year holds.

God Bless,

Stormy Dawn Helton

HAAQG President 2016-2017

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TREASURER'S REPORT

[BEV ELDER](#)

Treasurer's Report 3/31/2017

Checking Account 2/28/2017	\$	9,314.50
Add Total Receipts	\$	6,680.50
Less Total Expenses	\$	(9,663.36)
Balance in Checking 3/31/2017	\$	6,331.64
Total CDs & Petty Cash	\$	26,695.03
Total Assets as of 3/31/2017	\$	33,026.67
Less Total Assets as of 2/28/2017	\$	34,624.53
Change in Total Assets from Prior Period	\$	(1,597.86)

Submitted by Beverly E Elder, HAAQG Treasurer 2016-2017

MENNONITE RELIEF SALE

[MARY SANKO](#)

The 2017 Mennonite Relief Sale, which benefits local food pantries and world relief efforts, was held March 17th & 18th. Guild members Cheryl Adam, Jo Bressan, Joann Briggs, Becky Carter, Pat Dahme, Pam Riss, Donna Leber, Cathie Lockwood, Jenny Pettinger, Jackie Pilon, Mary Sanko, Jayne Shindel, and Marilyn Sutherland generously donated eighteen quilts that sold for \$3,505. Thank you to everyone who donated quilts and bazaar items! The Committee was very appreciative of the Guild's efforts.

RAFFLE QUILT 2017 MIDNIGHT STARS

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



Congratulations to Nancy Daniels - she won the 2017 Midnight Stars raffle quilt! And since she was the seller of the winning ticket, she went home with a beautiful handmade bag made with colors and fabrics used in the quilt.

Thanks so much to everyone that sold tickets and bought raffle quilt pins! We still have 2017 Raffle Quilt pins left for \$5.00 each and previous years' pins for only \$.25 each. Be sure to check them out at the May Salad Supper.

SPECTRUM QUILT SHOW

[RUTH TAHA](#)

Another big thank you to everyone who made this year's quilt show a success. It once again showcased the talent of our Guild members. Over eight hundred people enjoyed the day, visiting the vendors, admiring the handiwork of our featured artist Connie Guhlstorf, and enjoying the comfortable surroundings. Congratulations to Mary Sanko, whose quilt won the Best in Show. The complete list of winners is listed in the chart below and is available on the Guild website.

The reports for the show committees are coming in and should be complete in time to lay show duties aside for the summer. If you were a committee chairman and have not yet written your report, please finish up in time for the May meeting.

Several members who headed committees this year have volunteered to continue for next year's show. In September, a call will go out to fill in the rest of the needs. I will not mention the need for someone to be chairman and/or co-chairman for 2018. You may have the peace of a summer without being harassed about it. But think about it.

Remember to bring in your yard signs to put away for next year. We will be collecting them at the meeting.

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2017 Spectrum Winners

	<i>Maker</i>	<i>Quilter</i>
Applique	1st Rhonda Byrd	Rhonda Byrd
	2nd Diane Koch	Diane Koch and Friends
	3rd Maria Conrad	Gloria Bolling
Large Pieced	1st Beverly Elder	Bev Elder with help from Sheri Zalar
	2nd Virginia Snow	Nancy Peterson
	3rd Maria Conrad	Gloria Bolling
Small Pieced	1st Pam Riss	Nancy Fessell
	2nd Ruth Pfaffmann	Ruth Pfaffmann
	3rd Ruth Pfaffmann	Ruth Pfaffmann
Modern	1st Ruth Pfaffmann	Ruth Pfaffmann
	2nd Cathy Lockwood	Cathy Lockwood
	3rd Mary Sanko	Mary Sanko
Theme	1st Carol Newberry	Carol Newberry
	2nd Betty Woodruff	Betty Woodruff
	3rd Cheryl Adam	Cheryl Adam
Youth	Honorable Mentions: Kiera Follmer and Titus Adam	
Embellished/Embroidered	1st Joann Briggs	Joann Briggs
	2nd Maria Conrad	Maria Conrad
	3rd Maria Conrad	Maria Conrad
Potpourri	1st Pam Riss	Nancy Fessel
	2nd Jackie Pilon	N/A
	3rd Joann Briggs	Joann Briggs
Best of Show	Mary Sanko	Ruth Pfaffmann

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 6:30PM at the Mennonite church. On **May18th**, 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.

If you are interested in attending this class, please let Kay Bowen or Kay Fisher know since we will be asking Peace and Applique Too Quilt Shop to carry this pattern and they may have to order it. The supply list is in the pattern.

Happy stitching!

MYSTERY QUILT

[CAROLE FAY](#)

We will be doing a new mystery quilt program this year! Registration will begin May 1st, the first clue will be sent out the first week of June. We are starting early this year so everyone has a fun project to work on this summer! The registration fee is a one-time payment of \$2.00 (yes, just \$2.00 will buy you 10 fun mystery quilt installments!)

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If you would like to sign up for the mystery quilt program please email me at Pelli73@frontier.com to let me know. You can sign up in May to start receiving the clues and plan to bring your payment to the Sept meeting. If you are planning to attend the June Retreat you can also pay for the Mystery Quilt at the retreat.

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: 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

HAAQG LIBRARY CHECK IT OUT

[CONNIE JO CARSTENS](#)

HAAQG Library will not be accepting book or magazine donations at the May salad supper meeting. Please look through your personal quilt book library and consider books you could donate at the September 2017 meeting.

We are going to look at all the HAAQG library books and purge books to sell at the September 2017 meeting. I think we will also be looking at our (HAAQG owned and donated) books to choose some to donate to local 4H groups and other groups interested in quilting.

Remember – May will be the last opportunity to borrow books from the library until September.

New books in March and April –

- [Farm Girl Vintage](#) by Lori Holt of Bee In My Bonnet
- [Teach Me to Machine Quilt](#) by Pat Sloan (2017-2018 speaker)
- [Teach Me to Sew Triangles](#) by Pat Sloan (2017-2018 speaker)
- [Machine Quilting With Style](#) by Christa Watson (2017-2018 speaker)
- [Simple Friendships](#) by Kim Diehl and Jo Morton

FYI – Christa Watson lectured and taught 3 workshops for the GEMS Guild in Peoria in early April. Several HAAQG members took the Thursday and Friday classes. Connie Guhlstorf and I attended Christa's Modern Machine Quilting class on Saturday, April 8th. Great class – Christa is wonderful, inspiring instructor. She'd chat, share hints and how she plans her quilting then we'd sew and sew and sew. After this class, I know I'm going to get creative with my walking foot and my free motion machine quilting – even combining both on the same quilt.

NEW HANDS ALL AROUND QUILT GUILD WEBSITE COMPLETED!

[MARY WILKINS](#)

The design of the new Guild website is completed and will be shown at the May Salad Supper. I am waiting for Kari to complete the Search Engine Optimization. As soon as she is done we will redirect the old site to the new one.

The new website doesn't show up when searching yet. However, it is published. You can visit the new website at haagg.com. There may be some changes made as I receive input from members. Some of the new features that I hope you will enjoy include:

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- A Link to Google Maps for directions to the Mennonite Church of Normal.
- A Link on the homepage to our Guild's Calendar. Please let me know if you need a Guild event added!
- Guild News articles will be listed on the newsfeed on the left of the homepage. Click on the newsfeed header to go to the Guild's News Page. If you use an RSS feeder you can add the Guild News to it. I will talk about this further at the May meeting.
- The Guild library is now searchable from the website or you can print out a pdf copy.
- The Mentor Survey can be filled out online. No need to fill out a paper copy. A paper copy is still available to print off on the Mentoring page.
- Job Descriptions are linked to the positions on the Board Members page.
- Slideshows of the 2017 Quilt Show winners and entries have been added. Thank you, Nancy! A slideshow presentation is now also available of the 2016 Quilt Show winners.
- There is now a Volunteer sign-up page. We will also be using SignUpGenius to make it easier for members to volunteer!

The website took way longer than I had anticipated to complete. For that I apologize. I hope you find that it was worth the wait! Please contact me if you have any questions or have information you need added to the website.

DOOR HOSTESS

[MARY WUHRMANN & LINDA HUTCHINS](#)

Since most members sit with their friends at the Salad Supper we will not be using the name tags in May. If you sit with someone new, make a new friend!

If you happen to find your name tag at home please give it to Mary in May and then the name tags will be ready to use in September. Have a wonderful Spring and Summer!

MAY SALAD SUPPER

[KAY FISHER](#)

Join your sister/brother quilters at the Mennonite church for a fun filled evening of food, games, and demonstrations. We are continuing in the spirit begun by Ruth Taha at the quilt show this year. There will be demonstrations directly from the Mentor program so you can go home at the end of the evening and say, "Look what I've Learned."

6 PM---Dinner is served. We will provide table service and drinks.

If your lasts name begins with:

A-I Bring a salad and serving spoon or fork

J-R Bring a dessert and serving spoon or fork

S-Z Bring a bread and serving spoon or fork

Immediately following dinner, Stormy will lead us in a short business meeting.

Immediately following the meeting, 'How To' demonstrations by the Mentor Program Attendees will be set up for you to gather around.

To top off the evening, we will be playing a game called 'Left, Center, Right' where you will have a chance to win strips of fabric.

Summing up, please bring

1. Your designated dish to share and a serving spoon or fork
2. 6 strips of fabric measuring 2 ½ inches x width of fabric
3. High expectation of fun and loads of laughs

If you wish to volunteer to help set up, help with drinks, or help to clean up, call or email Kay Fisher 309-838-4196 (also accepts text messages) kfishquilts@gmail.com.

The June sewing retreat, on Friday June 16th and Saturday June 17th, is only a couple months away! We are looking forward to two days of sewing, visiting and sharing time with friends.

The ladies from Sewing Studio are going to have a shopping area set up for us both days for our shopping pleasure-take a break from your stitching and look through the items available-who knows, you might find a brand-new project to start on during the weekend!

If you think you would like to bring your sewing machine (or machines) in for servicing during the weekend please let me know by May 5th. If there is enough interest we will arrange to have a repair man there to take care of your machines.

Brian Lapping will be available both days-be sure to plan to make time for a massage to take care of those shoulders. There will be sign-up sheets at the check in table each day for you to schedule your time.

We will be serving lunch and dinner on Friday, lunch only on Saturday. If you have special food needs please contact me ahead of time so we can go over our planned menus.

Those who have attended our retreats in the past are familiar with the policy about personal irons at the retreats, but for first timers (and a reminder for experienced retreat goers) please do not bring a personal iron. We have several ironing stations that will be set up in all the rooms. With a full house, we do not want to over-tax the electrical system at the church during our two days of sewing, so please leave the small travel irons at home.

We also ask that you not bring side sewing tables. We have 53 people signed up to attend the event. We do have table space that will allow everyone half of a table for their work space. Sewing machine extension tables are fine, but we will not have the space available for extra side tables. We appreciate your understanding on this! However, if you do have your own special sewing chair please do bring that along-we want everyone to be comfortable!

We plan to unlock the doors for Friday check at 8:30 am. Please do not plan to arrive before that time. The retreat committee will be busy with final set up until that time. Saturday check in will be at 9:00 am. We will have someone at the front door both days to help get your stuff unloaded and in to the church so you can move your vehicle to make room for the next person. Those of you who have attended these retreats in the past know how hectic check in time can be, we appreciate your patience while we get everyone's things in to the church.

For anyone who has been thinking about purchasing the Electric Quilt software I plan to have my laptop with me at the church both days. I have been using this awesome quilt design software since it was created and will be happy to show you how the program works. I don't have any planned demo so just let me know if you are interested in seeing the software, we will arrange a time to play with it.

We are no longer accepting registrations for the June retreat as it is already full. We do have a waiting list, if you would like your name added to this list please send email to Carole Fay (pelli73@frontier.com) and Pam Riss (phriss1951@gmail.com) If there are last minute cancellations we will contact those on the waiting list in the order their name was added to let them know about openings.

We are looking forward to a fun weekend of our favorite activity-sewing with friends! If you have any questions about the weekend please let me know. See you all in June!

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PROGRAMS & WORKSHOPS

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

We're looking forward to a great line up of speakers this coming year! Sign up for guild members will begin at the Salad Supper on May 4. Bring your check book that night – if you register for more than one workshop on the signup sheet, you will need to write a separate check for each. This includes the winter and summer retreats – separate checks for those too. We ask you to post-date your check for each workshop; the date to write on your check is indicated on the signup sheet. Your check(s) will be held and will be deposited two months before each workshop. Cash is also accepted but checks are preferred. Sorry, no credit cards. Per the guild's guidelines, there must be a 60-day notice on cancellations in order to receive a refund.

Here's a summary of each month. Photos of their workshops are on the registration form, that's included in this newsletter.

SEPT 2017 – GYLEEN FITZGERALD

Specialty: Pineapple Quilts

She blends color, pattern and texture to provide a contemporary angle to traditional quilting. She's also a gifted writer.

Lecture: Quilts: Unfinished Stories with New Endings

Workshops: Trash to Treasures Pineapples & Wisp – both stash buster designs

OCTOBER 2017 – PAT SLOAN

Specialty: Patchwork and Applique.

She's written 30 books, hundreds of patterns and has designed over 15 fabric lines for Moda.

Lecture: My Life as a Quilter

Workshops: Mama's Garden Quilt & Scrap Happy Trash Bag – both stash buster designs

NOVEMBER 2017 – PAM BUDA

Specialty: Patchwork.

Pattern writer for Heartspun Quilts, Marcus fabric designer, Pioneer life historian.

Lecture: Making Do: Honoring Our American Quilting Heritage

Workshops: Starry, Starry Nines & Star String Quilt and Pinkeep

DECEMBER 2017 – FLAVIN GLOVER

Specialty: Log Cabin Quilts

Her quilt 'Row Houses' was selected as one of the 100 Best American Quilts of the 20th Century.

Lecture: A New Look at Log Cabin Quilts

Workshops: Rainbow City & Tonal Reflections

JANUARY 2018 – WINTER RETREAT!

No lecture.

FEBRUARY 2018 – KATHRYN LILLEY TRUNK SHOW

Specialty: Fabulous eye for color. Superb workmanship.

FEBRUARY 2018 – LAURIE SHIERER

Workshop: 2-day workshop - Tool Tote

MARCH 2018 – BECKY GOLDSMITH

Specialty – Wonky Applique and Color.

She's co-owner of the Piece O'Cake Designs.

Lecture: A Practical Approach to Color

Workshops: Best- Ever Quilter's House & Pick Up Sticks

APRIL 2018 – SUZI PARRON

Specialty – Barn Quilts

She's traveled the country, chronicling barn quilts.

Lecture: Barn Quilts

Workshop: Paint Your Own Barn Quilt




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PLEASE REVIEW THE COMPLETE [WORKSHOP GUIDELINES](#) ON THE GUILD WEBSITE.

CHECK THE GUILD WEBSITE FOR FURTHER [DETAILS ON SUPPLY LISTS, LOCATIONS, AND LINKS TO SPEAKER WEBSITES.](#)

EITHER HAND THIS IN WITH PAYMENT AT A GUILD MEETING OR MAIL WITH YOUR CHECK TO LINDA CLICK • 1203 KIM DR. • BLOOMINGTON, IL 61704

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	KIT COST	CHECK #
09/08/17 GYLEEN FITZGERALD		TRASH TO TREASURES PINEAPPLE	\$30	\$40	\$10 PATTERN (PAY IN CLASS)	PLEASE DATE CHECK 07/01/17
09/09/17 GYLEEN FITZGERALD		WISP	\$30	\$40	\$10 PATTERN (PAY IN CLASS)	PLEASE DATE CHECK 07/01/17
10/06/17 PAT SLOAN		WILD & FREE	\$30	\$40	NO CHARGE	PLEASE DATE CHECK 08/01/17
10/07/17 PAT SLOAN		SCRAP HAPPY TRASH BAG	\$30	\$40	NO CHARGE	PLEASE DATE CHECK 08/01/17
11/03/17 PAM BUDA		STARRY, STARRY NINES	\$30	\$40	PATTERN (PAY IN CLASS)	PLEASE DATE CHECK 09/01/17
11/04/17 PAM BUDA		STAR STRING QUILT & PINKEEP	\$30	\$40	PATTERN (PAY IN CLASS)	PLEASE DATE CHECK 09/01/17
12/08/17 FLAVIN GLOVER		RAINBOW CITY	\$30	\$40	NO CHARGE	PLEASE DATE CHECK 10/01/17
12/09/17 FLAVIN GLOVER		TONAL REFLECTIONS	\$30	\$40	NO CHARGE	PLEASE DATE CHECK 10/01/17
01/05 & 01/06/18	WINTER RETREAT AT NORMAL MENNONITE CHURCH			\$20 FRIDAY / \$15 SATURDAY \$30 BOTH DAYS		PLEASE DATE CHECK 11/01/17
02/02 & 02/03/18 LAURIE SCHIERER		TOOL TOTE 2-DAY WORKSHOP	\$30	\$40	\$22 PATTERN & HARDWARE (PAY IN CLASS)	PLEASE DATE CHECK 12/01/17
03/02/18 BECKY GOLDSMITH		BEST-EVER QUILTERS HOUSE	\$30	\$40	NO CHARGE	PLEASE DATE CHECK 01/01/18
03/03/18 BECKY GOLDSMITH		PICK UP STICKS	\$30	\$40	NO CHARGE	PLEASE DATE CHECK 01/01/18
04/06/18 SUZI PARRON		PAINT YOUR OWN 'BARN' QUILT	\$30	\$40	\$15 SUPPLIES (PAY WITH REGISTRATION)	PLEASE DATE CHECK 02/01/18
04/07/18 SUZI PARRON		PAINT YOUR OWN 'BARN' QUILT (REPEATED)	\$30	\$40	\$15 SUPPLIES (PAY WITH REGISTRATION)	PLEASE DATE CHECK 02/01/18
DATES TBD	SUMMER RETREAT AT NORMAL MENNONITE CHURCH			\$20 FRIDAY / \$15 SATURDAY \$30 BOTH DAYS		PLEASE DATE CHECK 04/01/18

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2017-2018 MEMBERSHIP 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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<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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