



Hands All Around Quilt Guild of Central Illinois

Newsletter

NOVEMBER 2017

PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

[CAROLYN GATENBY](#)

WOW!! Another great month at the quilt guild!!! We again filled the grocery cart at the church. They are asking for things for a Thanksgiving Dinner this month. Turkey certificates would be very helpful or whatever you can do for them.

The Bed Blitz for 2017 is completed. Thanks to Deborah Hutchins and Cheryl Adam who helped Nancy Stone pack all the boxes on Thursday. Each box contained the following: Letter to each child, washing instructions for the quilts, a set of sheets, extra pillow case, fleece blanket, quilt, a book, a teddy bear and a pillow. Also each bed had a mattress. I was able to go out on Saturday and see the whole process of the building of the beds and the distribution. It was great to see the families getting their boxes and beds. It is time to start making quilts for Bed Blitz 2018. Don't know how many beds they will do yet but we can start collecting quilts at any time.

Pam Buda is with us as a speaker this month. Hope to see everyone at the meeting. It has been great the last two months seeing the sanctuary filled with quilters. Friday's workshop has a waiting list, but I believe there are still openings in the Saturday class. Contact Linda Click if interested.

Feel free to contact me or any of the officers if you have questions.

I want to wish everyone and their families a Happy Thanksgiving!

Carolyn Gatenby, President

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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.

November 2, 2017, December 7, 2017, January 4, 2018, February 1, 2018, March 1, 2018, April 5, 2018, May 3, 2018

CHALLENGE QUILT

LYNN CONDER

Dresden followers: Are you ready for a Dresden lesson? I have to admit I was confused by the various templates used to make Dresden wedges/blades. What are the degrees on the templates all about? How do you know how many wedges are needed for the degrees marked on a template? Or if you know number of wedges, what degree is that template?

It's based on a 360 degree circle. Example: if your Dresden template is marked 30 degrees: divide 360 by 30 = 12, meaning your Dresden circle needs 12 wedges. A 18 degree template will have 20 wedges, etc.

This information is handy not only for comparing templates, but for planning colors to use in a Dresden plate. Example: if 12 wedges are needed, you could plan on 3 colors, using each color 4 times. Of course you could use 12 different colors for a scrappy look.

If you need inspiration, check out this Pinterest board for Dresden ideas: <https://www.pinterest.com/lynnejack/dresden-ideas/>.

Quilt size: Please remember the size criteria laid out in the Challenge Rules. Maximum size is 48" on the longest side. No minimum size. Projects may be a small quilt, wall hanging, table runner, accessory, or apparel. Projects larger than 48" will not be accepted in the Challenge category.

Challenge deadline is March 1, 2018. Finished Challenge quilts will be anonymously displayed and voted on at the March 1 meeting.

P.S. Pam Buda is coming to Guild in November. She has a FREE 5" Dresden pincushion pattern at www.heartspunquilts.blogspot.com/p/freebie-patterns.html.

RAFFLE QUILT 2018

EVELYN YOUNG & SHERRIE SNYDER

Tickets for the raffle quilt, "Bunny in the Blooms," will be available at the November meeting. Tickets will be \$1 each, 6 for \$5, or a packet of 24 for \$20.

The first incentive prize will be given away in November. Stop by the Raffle Quilt table before the meeting to pick up your tickets. Fill them out and turn them in before the end of the break. (Remember to put your name on the back of each ticket!) The winner will be drawn after the break before the speaker is introduced. If your name is drawn, you get first pick of the six, handcrafted incentive prizes.

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: \$1 each, 6 for \$5, or a packet of 24 for \$20.

Please stop by the Raffle Quilt table at the October meeting to see the raffle quilt, to view all six monthly incentive prizes, and to get your raffle tickets or your "special" tickets. See you on the 2nd!

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HAAQG LIBRARY

CONNIE J CARSTENS & MARY WEAKMAN

Wow, so many books have been checked out from our HAAQG Library! Thank you. I'm so glad the Library books are being used. With more shelf space on the cart, finding the book you want (need) to borrow is easier.

Again, we will have the Fons & Porter magazine subscription form available. You can renew your subscription or start a new one for \$15 annually.

As we continue to sell discarded books from the HAAQG library and a few books already donated for \$1 each at the October meeting.

We will **NOT** be accepting book or magazine donations at the October meeting. Please look through your personal quilt book library and consider books you could donate at the November 2017 meeting. Storage space is a problem for donated books. We only have the library cart for storage.

If you have books or magazines to donate, please contact Mary Weakman or Connie J Carstens.

Looking forward to helping you find a good book to snuggle up with when you want to take a break from sewing!!

Traditional Block Patterns - Bag and Quilt Projects Using 66 Traditional Patchwork Blocks by Yoko Saito
This is another book I was surprised by – Mary Weakman wanted this for our library. After reading, I totally agreed.

Yoko Saito is an admired and honored Japanese designer, quilter, author, and teacher. Filled with Ms Saito's remarkable sense of color and layout, this lovely book includes 23 projects made in her beautiful Japanese taupes. She included her favorite blocks, revamped to form new designs. The 66 traditional patchwork blocks are organized into 11 different themes.

Review information from Connecting Threads and Martingale websites.

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.

November 16, 2017

For our November mentoring class, we will be making a pocket pillow that has cording around the edge to learn how to make and apply cording. Cording can also be used when applying binding. Come join us to have a fun night with other quilters.

We will not have mentoring classes in December and January. We are planning projects for February, March, April and May. If you would like to teach a class or have an idea, please share it with one of us.

COMMUNITY PROJECTS

Our first big project for ‘Children Without Beds’/BED BLITZ has been a total success. We received a total of 81 finished quilts to be given out October 14th. Several persons from our guild helped put the kits together and worked on the distribution. Nancy Stone, our guild contact person, said she received many ‘hugs’ and ‘thank you’s’ from recipients. Our committee would like to also extend a big THANK YOU to all of the quilt contributors for their generous gift to these children.

We also received 65 finished pillow cases. This will also be an on-going project this year, “so keep sewing”. Directions are on the Projects table if you need them. We have delivered the first 70 to Home Sweet Home Mission to add to their Christmas stockings.

Fidget quilts are small lap “busy” quilts that help occupy Dementia patients. Simple directions are on the Projects table along with some examples. There are many ideas on Pinterest if you have a computer available. The size should be 20” X 20” up to 24”. All additions, flaps, buttons pockets, etc. should be sewn on very sturdily because they are constantly fingered. Three local facilities have already made requests for these SMALL quilts that make a BIG difference for the persons using them.

Yes! Ladonna Marshall has asked that we make Baby Blanket 40” X 40” to 60”. These can be brought in at any time and will be stored until March for National Quilt Day. She would also like Cancer “warming” blankets the 40” X 60” size. No larger because they would be too much to handle on a wheelchair, but nice to keep warm under during treatments. These will be delivered as soon as they are received.

Many choices! Thank you to all of you for your support.

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: Sept. - Penny Boser, Oct.- Aleta Batty Nov. - Sarah Ray, Dec.- Barb Miller	ARLENE MITCHELL
Hey Quilters	3rd Thursday	6:30-9 p.m.	HEYWORTH UNITED CHURCH library lounge	KIMBERLY TRAVERS or KIM NELSON

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PROGRAMS & WORKSHOPS

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

We had a great time with Pat Sloan in October! She really challenged her students to think outside of the box when it comes to colors and curvy seams – all while using up your stash. If you took one of her workshops, please bring what you accomplished for November's show and tell. It's going to be fun to see your work! Many of our workshops are either full or are filling up. Be sure and stop by the Programs table at the November meeting to check out those you're interested in.

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.

If you register for either **November** class, patterns need to be purchased but will be provided to you at a discounted rate by Pam Buda so you can wait until the workshop to get them.

If you register for the **February** tote class, you'll need to purchase your pattern by Quilts Illustrated. You have 3 sizes to choose from: ps058, ps054, or ps056. You're encouraged to purchase the pattern and supplies now as the pattern gets backordered often. Laurie will provide a pre-work sheet in November and she suggests you do some pre-work at home before the class starts.

If you register for the **April** "Paint Your Own Barn Quilt" class, please remember to include the \$15 supply registration fee. (One check for \$45 (members) or \$55 (non-members) is needed for registration for this class.) The \$15 supply fee includes the 2'x2' primed paint board, paints, patterns, colored pencils, etc.

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.

HERE'S A SUMMARY OF EACH MONTH. PHOTOS OF THE WORKSHOPS ARE ON THE REGISTRATION FORM THAT'S INCLUDED IN THIS NEWSLETTER.

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 **WAIT LIST FOR FRIDAY'S STARRY STARRY NINES.**

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

THERE'S A WAITING LIST FOR FRIDAY'S RAINBOW CITY.

JANUARY 2018 – WINTER RETREAT!

No lecture.

The retreat is full. There is a waitlist.

FEBRUARY 2018 – KATHRYN LILLEY TRUNK SHOW

Specialty: Fabulous eye for color. Superb workmanship.

FEBRUARY 2018 – LAURIE SHIERER

Workshop: 2-day workshop - Tool Tote

SEE NOTE ABOVE FOR SUPPLIES THAT NEED TO BE PURCHASED

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

Wait list for Friday's Barn Quilt workshop.

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2017–2018 PROGRAMS & WORKSHOPS ENROLLMENT FORM

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 _____

<i>CIRCLE THE DATE IN THE FIRST COLUMN TO REGISTER FOR EVENTS. • INDICATE YOUR CHECK NUMBER IN THE LAST COLUMN.</i>						
DATE	WORKSHOP SAMPLE	WORKSHOP	MEMBER FEE	NON-MEMBER FEE	KIT COST	CHECK #
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 MENNONITE CHURCH OF NORMAL			\$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

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