



Heritage Quilters Guild Newsletter

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November 2013

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Dear Guild Members,

I have returned from my vacation and I can't believe how quickly our weather has changed. I am not ready for snow or the cold weather for that matter. How about you? The one nice thing about the weather getting colder is that I have more time indoors to piece and quilt. I hope you are able to find time for yourself too.

There is much to read about in the newsletter this month. In November the Guild will be presented with several opportunities to participate in a Guild sponsored project. Bobbie Molony will present the "Block Exchange", Jeannie Engstrom will present a new "Strip Exchange", and the Board will present a "Challenge Project." Please feel free to participate in one, two or all three activities.

We are wondering if you have started your pin cushion for the "Pin Cushion" exchange which will be held at the December Holiday Party? (We need to get started on ours too, lol.)

The Board has created a new Phone Tree. If a business meeting needs to be cancelled due to weather you should receive a phone call from a board member. We will be using the phone number listed in the Membership book.

In closing, our hearts are filled with deep sadness over the passing of two of our Guild Members, Sharon Urbanski and Karen Facenda. Sharon and Karen were dedicated Guild members, prolific quilters and warm and caring people. Their absence will be felt by all.

Piecefully yours,

Ronda and Deb

NOVEMBER REFRESHMENTS

Water	Marie Blunk	Snack	Linda Heinze
Water	Jeanne Turnock	Snack	Regina Fain
Ice	Mary Gaffney	Snack	Sue Barnhill
Snack	Sharon Fritz	Snack	Rose Ojermark
Snack	Joanne Smith	Snack	Martha Sayles
Snack	Betty Drzal	Snack	Karie Chesebro
Snack	Barb Kirnbauer	Snack	Marilyn Erman
Snack	Mary Klimsara		

Thank you - Sharon Medek AND Edna Droz - Co-Chairs, Hospitality/Publicity

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Christine Hogan –1
Amy Gorss – 4

Janet Pawlisz - 23
Jean Finnegan – 20

NOVEMBER WORKSHOP

Our **November 12th Workshop** will be conducted by **Mary Fons** – In this fun, easy-going workshop, we will talk about what quilts mean to us, why we make them, and then get sewing. This class is appropriate for beginners to advanced quilters! The focus of Mary's class is block construction. There is one opening left in this class. The price of the class is \$35.00. If you are interested in this workshop, please contact Janet Woratschek at 773-339-7522.

Janet Woratschek 2nd VP Workshops

BLOCK LOTTERY

We are starting a new-old thing. That just means we have done this before, and we are starting it back up again. I hope this will be a lot of fun for everyone.

This new-old thing is a block "lottery" and at November's meeting you will receive a pattern and suggested color ways to make one or more blocks. You will bring the completed blocks back to the next meeting - in this case that would be December's meeting.

For each completed block that you turn in, you will receive a numbered ticket. When all the blocks have been turned in we will have a drawing. Depending on the number of blocks we get there will be a drawing for 12 blocks, or all the blocks if the number is less than 12. If we have more than 12 blocks then there will be 2 or more drawings until all completed blocks have been distributed.

We will also supply you with a new pattern for the following month. Give it a shot; it should be a fun way to accumulate extra blocks to add to your quilts. If you have any questions, see Bobbie Molony or call at [815 258-5859](tel:8152585859).

WINTER RETREAT

Are you already dreading those long, cold, dark wintry days? With fall in the air it is definitely the time to plan for a bit of warm, toasty quilting fun! Come join us at The Well for a weekend of sewing, comraderie, and good times! Registration begins at the November 12th guild meeting. There are only 30 openings, so don't wait! Reserve your place early! On January 1st, we will open reservations to nonmembers and all reservations will close at the January 14th guild meeting.

Where: The Well, Congregation of St. Joseph, LaGrange Park, IL

When: **February 21, 22, and 23 2014**

Cost: \$161

Sandy Johnson, Chairman and Deb Cornella, Co-Chair

HERITAGE GUILD'S 2013-2014 CHALLENGE PROJECT

The Challenge project for this year is "Black, White and a Splash of Color." Here are the specifics:

1. You provide all fabrics! We will not be giving you any ugly fabric to play with
2. You may use only black, white and **one** other color. The other color can vary in print, value and scale. If you chose green (example) you may use many different green fabrics. The same goes for the white and black fabrics.
3. Any construction technique may be used to create your project.
4. The end project has no minimum size.
5. The end project has a maximum size of 30 x 30 inches.
6. Project is due at the April business meeting – please turn them into Ronda or Deb.
7. Guild Members will vote for their favorite project and ribbons will be awarded.

We have tried to place very few restrictions on this project to allow everyone to "think outside of the box" and be creative. We look forward to seeing the wonderful projects you create at the April business meeting! If you have any additional questions see Ronda or Deb.

STRIP EXCHANGE

I ran across a pattern called "Charming Addit" from the American Patchwork and Quilting Book and thought we could have an old fashioned strip exchange. The scrappy pattern requires strips of fabric cut 2 1/2 inches wide by 15 to 18 inches long. The number of strips needed will depend on the size quilt you want to make. The quilt pattern makes a 78.5 X 80.5 quilt and requires approximately 367 strips. The pattern has a "plus sign" in it and that part takes five 2 1/2 inch squares. If you are interested in making this Scrappy Charm Quilt I will bring the pattern to the next meeting and we can start the STRIP EXCHANGE.

Jeanne Engstrom

HISTORIAN

The historian's job is to take pictures of quilters and their work during the show and tell part of our program. Last month I requested that quilters stand close to their quilts so a picture could be taken during the story about the quilt. Thank you for doing that. It eliminated the need to "pose" at the end of sharing and helped the session to move along smoothly. Also Karen Edgar offered to read brief stories about the quilts. This eliminated the need to pass the microphone and everyone could hear well, I believe. If you write your name, the name of the quilt, and a sentence about it, we can move along efficiently and still enjoy the stories.

Dorothy Brown Brumbaugh, Historian

2014 QUILT SHOW

In thinking ahead to the 2016 Guild raffle quilt.....looking for anyone who would like to join the committee to help decide an awesome quilt pattern for the 2016 quilt show. One recommendation has been to use a Judy Niemeyer quilt pattern. She has stunning paper pieced quilt patterns. Deb Cornella of "The Quilter's Quest" has graciously offered her expertise in picking out only the finest fabrics for a pattern of our choice and will assist in construction of the quilt. Any other recommendations will be considered! So join the committee and let us know your ideas. Help us pick out a pattern. Actual piecing and work would not begin until after the 2014 quilt show; but we need to be prepared and ready to sew! Let me know if you're interested. wrobocop2@netzero.net 630-257-3286 phone.

Quilt Show Co-Chairs, Barb Wrorbel and Karen Edgar

LIBRARY NEWS

We have two new books this month:

Modern Bee by Lindsay Conner: This book offers a virtual, one-year quilting bee! There is a full-sized quilt for each month of the year, plus one extra. The patterns are modern in style, yet inspired by traditional quilt blocks. Each monthly project includes instructions for the block and for finishing the quilt. The instructions allow you to learn more advanced techniques as you go along.

Pieced Hexies by Mickey Dupre: This innovative technique turns English Paper Piecing on its head, Follow Mickey as she twists and turns and just can't stop creating these new hexie designs. First learn this technique and then apply it to any Hexagon project.

Jean Finnegan, Librarian

CHRISTMAS PARTY

Start the Holiday Season with all your quilter friends from Guild on **Tuesday, December 10th**. The festivities will include a buffet dinner with the chicken provided by the Guild and the sides provided by many of our very own great cooks. We will have the pin cushion exchange, games, and lots of laughs.

Hope everyone is working on your PIN CUSHION for the party. Last year's pin cushions were great and I am sure this year's will even be better. To participate in the exchange you will need to bring a handmade pin cushion, whether it is by your hands or someone else's hands. Please bring it wrapped and place it on the counter where we usually put the freebies.

Remember you can find great pin cushions to make by goggling, on pinterest, you tube, or just asking a friend to borrow a pattern. Come on ladies---show us some of the finest pin cushions out there. Hopefully everyone will participate and we will have the biggest party yet. Get the Holiday Spirit going,

Your Christmas Elves, Terri Karls, Sherry Wesner, Janet Wortaschek

SOS CHILDRENS QUILTS UPDATE

If you attempted to join us at the last all day sew on October 12th, you would have probably turned around and just left. A very generous donor gifted each child with a new bicycle. There were children and bikes everywhere, but also smiles and laughter.

For those who were able to make their way in, Bonnie Leslie, Barb Root, Dorothy Huber, Dolores Kettman, and Bobbie Molony thank you for all the hard work. During the month of October, Bonnie Leslie bound a quilt, Arlene Maloney quilted two quilts, and Mary Gaffney pieced a quilt top that is ready to be quilted. Helen Smith left three quilts at Thimbles for the SOS kids.

At the next SOS sew on November 9th, we will be making Christmas stockings. If you have anything you would like to donate as stuffers, please bring it to our next meeting. The Holiday party for the SOS kids will be here before you know it.

Members are asked to spread a little Christmas cheer to the children at SOS Village by donating school supplies. Some needed items: pens, pencils, markers, basic calculator, scientific calculators (more expensive to solve algebra problems), paint brushes for children, construction paper (colored or white), artist's chalk, stickers (animals, stars, cartoon characters – used for preschool kids) There will be a box at the sign-in table at the next meeting for donations. Monetary donations will be accepted.

Rose, SOS Chairman

PLEASE ADD THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION TO YOUR BLUE MEMBERSHIP BOOK

New Member:

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HERITAGE QUILTERS GUILD BOARD **2013-2014**

Co-Presidents – Ronda Dranter and Deborah McClarence
1st Vice President, Programs – Jane Hartel & Terri Karls
2nd Vice President, Workshops - Jan Woratschek
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Co-Hospitality – Edna Droz & Sharon Medek
Newsletter – Karen Edgar
Historian – Dorothy Brumbaugh
Librarian – Jean Finnegan & Rita Fagan

2013 LECTURE/WORKSHOP SCHEDULE

M – Meeting; W - Workshop; L – Lecture; SQ - Social Quilting; SOS – SOS Sewing

SOS – Saturday November 9 – SOS Village

M/W – Tuesday November 12 - Mary Fons---2-session workshop doing a couple of different blocks: Churn Dash and Classic Stars

SQ – Tuesday November 26 - Church

M – Tuesday December 10 - Holiday Party

Holiday party will include the pincushion exchange so get your ideas going!

SOS – Saturday December 14 – SOS Village

M/W – Tuesday January 14, 2014 - Shelley S (Ottawa Guild Member)-Hexies-Workshop and Lecture - This is an English Paper Piecing workshop. Shelly will teach us how to work with hexagons, diamonds, squares, honeycombs, and apple cores. All paper pieces required to make the “**Seven Sisters Table Mat**” are included in the cost (\$35.00) of the workshop. She will also demonstrate how to sew your pieces together so the threads are barely seen. We will have a sample of the completed project at the next meeting, so please stop by the table to take a look and sign up for this class!

M/W/ L–Tuesday February 11, 2014 - Gwen Marston---Liberated Quilter

M/W/L – Tuesday March 11, 2014 – Kathleen Tracy of Country Lane Quilts, Deerfield, IL – Lecture and ½ day workshop will be on Miniatures

M/W/L – Tuesday April 14 2014 – TBD

M/W – Tuesday September 9 2014 - Ami Simms---String Stars and how to make a prize winning quilt

Terri Karls and Jane Hartl, 1st Vice Presidents Programs

Jan Woratschek 2nd VP Workshops

OTHER NEWS YOU CAN USE

SALT CREEK QUILT GUILD WILL BE PRESENTING - A PATCHWORK OF AMERICA

Dates: March 1 & 2, 2014

Time: 10:00 am to 5:00 pm

New Location:

Clarendon Hills Middle School, 301 Chicago Avenue, Clarendon Hills, IL, handicap accessible

Highlights: Over 300 quilts, Bed Turning, Quilt Appraisals, Merchant Mall, Demonstrations, Beautiful Boutique Items, Silent Auction Items (benefiting Lurie Children's Memorial Hospital), Raffle Baskets, Scissor Sharpening

Our guild members are already selling raffle tickets for our beautiful opportunity quilt. Raffle tickets are \$1.00 each or \$5.00 for 6 tickets.

Admission to the show is \$6.00 at the door or \$5.00 if purchased in advance from our members.

For more information and to see pictures of the opportunity quilt, please visit our website: <http://www.saltcreekqg.org/index.asp?p=quiltshow.asp>

Salt Creek Quilt Guild is also on Face Book: <https://www.facebook.com/#!/SaltCreekQuiltersGuild>

FOR SALE

Acrylic Insert for a Koala Sewing Cabinet that will accommodate a Janome 720 or 760 sewing machines. Interested? Call Betty Drzal at 708-460-2685

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RETURN ADDRESS

Heritage Quilters Guild Schedule
First Congregational Church
700 E. 9th St. Lockport, IL 60441

All General Meetings start at 7pm

Saturday November 9 – SOS Village

Tuesday November 12 - Mary Fons – 2 session workshop

Tuesday November 26 –Social Quilting

Tuesday December 10 - Holiday Party (6:30pm)
Holiday party will include the pincushion exchange!

Saturday December 14 – SOS Village