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President's Letter September 2021

Hi Quilting Friends,

We hope everyone has been enjoying the summer. We are ready for the heat to go away and for the cool days of fall to arrive.

This has been a very busy summer for our Guild. Our trial summer meetings and social quilting meetings were a great success. Those who attended had a great time sewing together and socializing. Members helped Judy Gaines with the veteran's quilts in June. In July Beth Braun demonstrated how to make a mini wallet and in August Dolores Kettman showed us how to create a cute pumpkin. We thank Judy, Beth and Dolores for sharing their creativity with us. Look elsewhere in this newsletter for information on upcoming Social Quilting Projects.

The best part of the summer meetings was the ability of members to socialize and exchange ideas.

Many of our members participated as docents at the Endangered Species Exhibit at Sugar Creek Nature Center. The quilts were outstanding and we hope that many of you were able to view them.

The previous quilt show chairpersons have decided to step down. The Board would like to have a Quilt Show but we need members to chair and manage this event. The Quilt Show is a very important event for our guild. Please consider chairing this event. We cannot have a show without members being willing to step up to the plate. We will be discussing this at the September meeting.

Be sure to check out the coming activities elsewhere in this newsletter. We have some very nice activities planned for this year.

Judy and I are heading off to Iowa this weekend for a quick Iowa quilt shop jaunt.

That's all for now.

Stay cool and healthy and happy sewing.

See you in September.

Happy Quilting
Kathy and Judy

PS, Please review the revised bylaws on pages 2 through 5. We will be voting on them at the September meeting.

Heritage Quilters Guild By-Laws Revised: September, 2020

Article I - Name and Purpose

Section 1. This organization shall be known as the Heritage Quilters Guild, hereinafter called “the Guild.”

Section 2. The purpose of the Guild shall be to foster the art of quilting and to encourage through education, a high standard of design and technique in all of its various forms.

Section 3. The Guild shall be nonprofit, non-partisan and nonsectarian. The Guild is not organized for pecuniary profit, no one may profit financially from membership in the Guild; however, the Guild may contract with members in their professional capacity.

Article II - Membership

Section 1. **REGULAR MEMBERSHIP:** Any person over the age of 18, with a serious interest in the art of quilting shall be eligible for membership upon payment of annual dues. Membership shall be limited to 150 members.

Section 2. **DUES:** Membership dues shall be at such rate, schedule or formula as may from time to time be prescribed by the Executive Board and approved by the general membership. The annual dues are payable at the May meeting and each year thereafter. ***If membership is not paid by June 1, a member shall be subject to loss of all privileges of membership until dues are paid and may be subject to a late fee for renewal.*** New members joining after January 1 shall pay half the annual dues.

Section 3. **GUESTS:** A nominal guest fee may be charged for a guest at the discretion of the Executive Board. Guest privileges are limited to one meeting prior to joining the Guild.

Section 4: ***FISCAL YEAR: The fiscal year shall begin June 1 and end May 31.***

Article III – Officers, Board of Directors and Executive Board

Section 1. **OFFICERS:** Officers for the Board of Directors shall consist of a President, First Vice President, Second Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. Any office on the Board of Directors may be held by 2 members as co-officers, as needed, ***with the exception of the Treasurer.*** Co-officers will have 1 Executive Board vote. In the case of President, one of the 2 Co-Presidents must have served at least 1 year on the Executive Board.

Section 2. **ELECTION OF OFFICERS:** The officers shall be elected at the annual meeting of the members and shall serve for a term of two years. No officer shall serve more than one consecutive term in the same office. Unexpired terms shall be filled to their expiration date through appointment by the President with the approval of the Executive Board. “Unexpired term” is defined as a term left open due to non-performance of duties.

The following officers shall be elected in odd-numbered years: President, Second Vice President and Treasurer.

The following officers shall be elected in even years: First Vice President and Secretary.

Section 3. **BOARD OF DIRECTORS:** The Board of Directors shall consist of all elected officers of the Guild.

Section 4. EXECUTIVE BOARD: The Executive Board shall consist of all officers of the Board of Directors and six elected **Chairpersons** in charge of Publicity, Hospitality, Membership, Newsletter, **Webmaster/Public Facebook** and Historian/Photographer. The immediate past President shall also serve on the Executive Board for one year in a non-voting capacity. ***Any elected chairperson position on the Executive Board may be held by 2 members as co-chairpersons, as needed, and will have 1 Executive Board vote. Any elected chairperson position on the Executive Board may be re-elected for 1 additional term of 2 years, unless determined otherwise.***

The following Executive Board Chairpersons shall be elected in even-numbered years: Publicity Chairperson, Hospitality Chairperson and Newsletter Chairperson.

The following Executive Board Chairpersons shall be elected in odd-numbered years: Membership Chairperson, Webmaster/ Public Facebook Chairperson and Historian/Photographer Chairperson.

Section 5. DUTIES OF THE OFFICERS:

President: The president shall preside at all meetings of the Guild and the Executive Board, shall be an ex-officio member of all committees, shall appoint all committees not herein otherwise provided for, and shall perform such other duties as are incidental to the office. The President must have served at least one year on the Executive Board prior to being elected, ***or in the event of co-presidents at least one shall have served at least one year on the Executive Board.***

First Vice President: The First Vice President shall, in the absence of the President perform all the duties of the President. The first Vice President also shall serve as Chairperson of the Program Committee, with all the duties which pertain thereto.

C. **Second Vice President:** The Second Vice President shall, in the absence of the President and the First Vice President, perform all of the duties of the President. The Second Vice President also shall serve as Chairperson of the Workshop Committee, with all the duties which pertain thereto.

D. **Secretary:** The Secretary shall keep minutes of all meetings of the Executive Board, general meetings, and assume all duties usual of the office. The Secretary shall conduct general correspondence as required.

E. **Treasurer:** The Treasurer shall act as custodian of the funds, collect necessary monies, and present an itemized accounting of receipts and disbursements at each ***Executive Board and Guild*** business meeting. The Treasurer shall be responsible for keeping all financial records having to do with financial obligations to any organization with which the Guild is affiliated. The Treasurer shall be responsible for the payment of services rendered by any individual who has been engaged by the Guild for the purpose of lecture or workshop, or other purposes as approved by the Executive Board. An annual audit may occur at the discretion of the Board of Directors, ***but minimally should occur before a newly elected treasurer assumes office.*** The Treasurer shall deposit all funds to the credit of the Guild in such banks or other depositories as the Executive Board may select. ***Serves as Chairperson of the Budget Committee.***

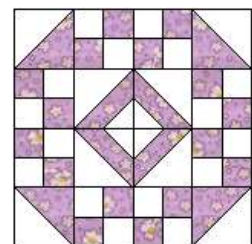
The Block Lottery is BACK!

I will be using the Quilters Cache for patterns this year. Watch for the pattern each month in the newsletter. The rules are simple. You make a block in the suggested color scheme and bring it to the Guild meeting, you turn it in to Bobbie Molony at the meeting and you get a raffle ticket. If you wish to make more than one block, you will get a raffle ticket for each block that you turn in. 2 blocks will get you 2 tickets, 3 blocks = 3 tickets, and so forth. There is no limit to what you can turn in

The block we will be doing for September is the 1930's block

The suggested color scheme is any pastel with a white background.

Here is the link to the pattern [1930's Square \(quilterscache.com\)](http://quilterscache.com)



Article IV - Committees

Committees shall be appointed as needed by the President with approval of the Executive Board.

Section 1: SPECIAL COMMITTEES:

- A. Nominating Committee: The Nominating Committee shall consist of five members, composed as follows: The President shall appoint two Executive Board members and three Guild members at large. The Nominating Committee shall be approved by the Executive Board and announced at the February general meeting. By the March Executive Board meeting, the Nominating Committee shall prepare and report to the Secretary one nominee for each office to be elected at the May meeting. These nominees will then be published in the April Newsletter and announced at the April general meeting. Also, at this time, nominations from the floor will be heard ***providing that prior consent has been obtained from the proposed nominee. Any additional nominations from the floor must be approved by the Nominating Committee and Executive Board before their names will appear on the ballot.***

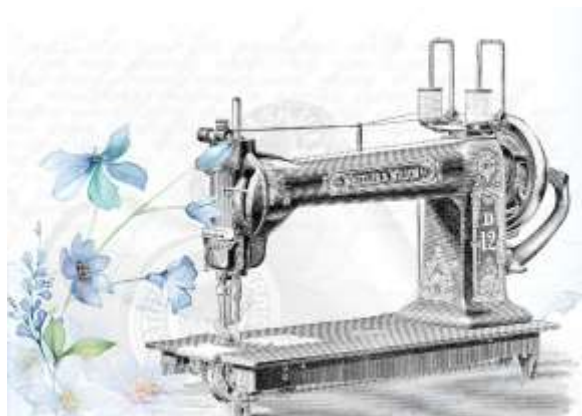
Each candidate must be an active member in good standing and must have agreed to accept the responsibilities of the position.

In the event of multiple nominees for an office, a paper ballot will be used at the May meeting. Members must be present to vote. A sample ballot will be published in the May newsletter. Elected officers will be announced and installed at the May meeting.

- B. Quilt Show Committee: If the general membership indicates a desire to host a quilt show in even-numbered years, the Executive Board will begin the process in May of the odd-numbered year to form a Quilt Show Committee to organize a show in the fall of the following year. ***A quilt show committee will be formed from the general membership and will include a Chairperson or Co-Chairs and the following sub-committees: Publicity, Registration, Lobby, Display, Vendors, Kitchen, Awards, Member Boutique, and Opportunity Quilt.*** Sub-committees may be deleted or added as necessary as determined by the Chairperson(s). ***The Chairperson(s) will submit monthly written reports to the Executive Board and/or attend monthly Executive Board meetings.***

Community Service Committee: In May of each year, the President shall nominate a Community Service Chairperson(s). The Chairperson(s), who shall report to the Executive Board, will form a committee of at least two members to determine an appropriate annual community service project(s), if any, and organize general membership participation.

Budget Committee: Prior to the end of the fiscal year, the President shall nominate three members for a Budget Committee which shall include one member from the general membership and two members from the Executive Board, one of which shall be the treasurer as Chairperson. The Committee is responsible for preparing a proposed budget for the coming fiscal year based on input from the Board of Directors, Executive Board and Special Committees to present to the Executive Board for approval. The approved budget will be presented to the general membership for endorsement at the first meeting of the fiscal year.



Article V - Meetings

Section 1. EXECUTIVE BOARD ANNUAL JOINT MEETING: There shall be a joint meeting of the outgoing Executive Board with the incoming Executive Board, which shall be held shortly after the May Election Meeting.

Section 2. GENERAL MEMBERSHIP ANNUAL MEETING:

The annual meeting of the general membership shall be held in May of each year, at the time and place of the regular May meeting, for the purpose of electing officers of the Board of Directors and Executive Board and for conducting such business as may be deemed necessary.

Section 3. REGULAR MEETINGS:

A. General Membership: Unless otherwise ordered by the Guild or by the Executive Board, regular meetings of the general membership shall be held monthly, with the exception of the summer months, a total of nine meetings each year.

B. Executive Board: Unless otherwise ordered by the Executive Board, regular meetings of the Executive Board shall be held monthly or at the discretion of the President.

Section 4. QUORUM: A quorum for conducting business shall consist of a simple majority of the total attending membership.

Article VI - Dissolution

On dissolution, all remaining funds shall be distributed to the Department of Textiles of the Art Institute of Chicago for the specific purpose of the preservation of antique quilts.

Article VII - Parliamentary Authority

The current edition of "Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised" shall be the final source of authority in all questions of parliamentary procedure when rules are not consistent with the By-Laws of the Guild.

Article VII - Amendments

These By-Laws may be altered, amended or repealed and new By-Laws adopted at any business meeting of the Guild by a two-thirds vote of the members present, provided a quorum is present to conduct business. Notification by newsletter one month in advance of any changes is required.

ATTENTION! ATTENTION! MEMBERS ONLY FABRIC SALE

We have some exciting news!! Many of you already know that our guild has been blessed with the gift of the stash of fabric from a quilter who has passed away. The only request from her family is that the stash be used for charitable purposes.

The fabric is quilt shop quality and is very lovely. We will have a portion of this stash available for a "Members Only Sale" at our September meeting (on the 14th) at a greatly reduced price. The proceeds from the sale will be used to fund our charitable activities such as SOS, veteran's quilts and projects for nursing homes.

The fabric will be available at 5:30 before our September meeting. The prices are as follows:

one yard pieces \$3.00, ½ yard pieces \$2.00 and fat quarters \$1.00. Come to the September meeting prepared for a fun "fabric treat."

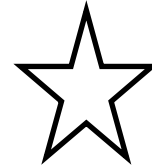
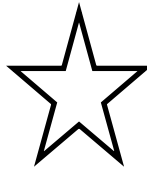
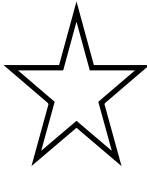
Personal News in the Guild

This column will be for anyone with personal news or prayer requests for anyone that wishes to share.

Please remember former member Terri Karls in your thoughts and prayers, she has sharted chemo treatments.

Thank you from Betty Drzal for all your thoughts and pryasers for her husband. He is doing fairly well.

Vickie Skinner is seriously ill and would appreciate your thoughts and prayers.



MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Membership news September

We are getting ready to print our membership directory. ***If you need to update your information or photo, please email it to me at kbkms@aol.com or see me at the September meeting.***

Thanks
Karen Simnick, Membeership Chair

Treasurer's Report from Judy McCune



Balance	June 20, 2021		\$21,887.20
Deposits			
	Programs: Coleen Merte 10/12/21	40.00	
Total Deposits			40.00
Expenses			
Communications—Web Hosting fee		261.75	
	2020-2022 (2 years)		
Total Expenses			(261.75)
	August 24, 202` Ending Balance		\$21,665.45



SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

7—Mary Klimasara
 9—Celeste Belke
 10— Arlene Moloney
 13— Gail Hanks
 20— Barbara Kirnbauer
 21— Peggy Coons
 26— Bernice Frederick



SOCIAL QUILTING REPORT AND SCHEDULE

August 24th—Dolores Kettman showed us how to make a no-sew fall table decoration. This was so very quick, and so cute. You would never guess there was a roll of toilet paper hiding inside of it, would you?

September 28th—Kathy Becker will demonstrate an over the shoulders kitchen / hand wipe that looks like fun as well. More news to follow.

Is there anyone out there who has a really fast and cute project for October? The rule of the game is that it has to be simple and fast!

We will also be needing a quick and cute project for November as well.

Call Bobbie Molony at 815 258-5859 if you have something you would like to share with us.

WORKSHOP SCHEDULE 2021—2022



Good news! We've gotten our workshop space back. We will be back at SOS Villages, in Lockport, for our workshops. Many thanks to Roberts and Thimbles Quilt Stores for offering their classroom spaces as back up.

See below for details .

October 12, Coleen Merte will be teaching us her paper pieced pattern Spectrum.

November 9 brings us Sally Manke and her Landscape Confetti art quilt project.

February 8, 2022, Monique Jacobs of Open Gate Quilts will be with us.

March 8, 2022 brings us Catherine Redford with her walking foot quilting.

Penny Sturges will be teaching a bag project in April 12, 2022—No Wimpy Bags

We are starting to think about our January 2022 Schoolhouse meeting. Can you teach us something?

If you have any questions, please text or call:

Becky Kamysz, Co First VP of Programs – 630-846-0561

Nancy Grizzle, Co First VP of Programs – 708-288-1291

Dianna Douglas, 2nd VP of Workshops – 815-210-5028

SOS UPDATE

SOS Christmas Stockings

It's that time of year again when we start thinking of Christmas stockings for SOS Children's Village in Lockport.

After contacting the village, we learned that there is a great need for certain age specific items other than the usual school supplies.

Ages range from 9 months to 17 years. We are seeking the following donations from our guild members: Adult and children's mittens/gloves

Large pencil erasers

Adult and children's socks

Colored pencils

Pencils, Crayons, and Washable markers

Glue sticks, Pens, Individually packed healthy snacks.

If you wish to donate more than stocking fillers, they also need: Huggies Diapers, Construction paper Huggies Pullups

All Free and Clear Laundry Detergent

Spiral notebooks

Arm and Hammer Sensitive Skin Detergent

Gail Stepanek and Diane Greenfield SOS Workshops for Fall 2021

The third Saturday of the following months we will meet at SOS Children's Village from 9 a.m. To 3 p.m.:

September 18th.....cutting out Christmas stockings

October 16thsew stockings

** November 20thfill stockings **

**we will begin to have quilt kits available from our SOS stash of fabrics. More info to come on these projects. Looking forward to seeing many of you again this fall.

Martha and Marie

Veterans Quilts

Well ladies, we have spent a lot of time talking about, planning, and working on the quilts for the Viet Nam era servicemen. Now it is time to pull it all together!

We are making an attempt to give a quilt to each of the remaining servicemen at our local VFW, from the Viet Nam era. We are told that it would take about 20 quilts to accomplish this. We are doing well, having about half of this goal promised. If you are able to do any work on any of these quilts, it would be wonderful. You may only have 2 or 3 hours that you can give. We will take it! Let me know if you can help with any portion of the quilts. Working on the quilt top, doing some free motion quilting, or doing a binding. All of these would be helpful. If we all give an afternoon or so, we can get them done!

Our hope is to have them ready to distribute in November for Veterans Day.

Please call me to plan what we can do.

Judy Gaines 815-545-2938

From Member Pat Burke

I have the following item for sale:

Used Arrow Gidget II table that can be used as a portable or permanent solution. Fits a larger sewing machine up to 45 lbs. I used it for my Bernin 750. Supports machines no larger than 23 1/2 (L to R) and 12 1/4 deep (front to back). Cost new \$199.

Size 40"w x 19 3/4 x 28 1/2 H. Weighs 35 lbs. No assembly required. Cost \$80.00. Contact Pat Burke 815-931-1427 or pburkequilt@outlook.com



SAVE THE DATE

On November 13 we are planning on having a “yard” Garage-type sale. This would be at the VFW similar to the “All things Quilt Sale” of a few years ago. Any member who would like to sell any quilting or sewing items can reserve a round table for \$10. This would help offset the cost of the hall rental. If you wish to participate you would be responsible for the items you want to sell and for your set up and take down. You get to keep whatever funds you collect.

The guild will be offering for sale the remainder of the donated fabric, introduced to you on Sept 14th, at a slightly higher price than at the members only sale. We will need some helpers to set up the fabric tables and help to monitor the sale. There will be more information and a volunteer sign-up sheet at the September meeting.

In order for this activity to happen we need your help.

Please consider volunteering.