

# Heritage Happenings

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## President's Message

Liz Hunsanger

What a start to 2018!!! Frigid temperatures, snow, and Mary Fons!!!

The quilting season is in full swing. There are new projects to begin and old ones to finish up. Don't forget about our GLHQ Challenge -- finishing a project -- small or large. Who among us does not have an UFO lying around just crying to be finished? There is plenty of time to get busy.

Are you taking on any new "challenges" this year? Have you committed to learning a new technique? Are you setting aside time for your quilting needs? Are you making time for you this year?

Making time for yourself and your happiness should be a priority. Life is way too short to spend out entire life only doing for others and making them happy. It is only right that we take care of ourselves first leaving us mentally and physically able to offer help when and where needed.

**February 8, 2018**

**GLHQ Member—Ruth McCormick**

**HOW TO PEPARE YOUR QUILT TOP FOR  
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1<sup>st</sup> Vice President

Sue Chase

## **FEBRUARY LECTURE**

'HOW TO PREPARE YOUR QUILT TOP FOR LONG-ARM QUILTING' presented by RUTH McCORMICK

Do you take all your quilt tops to someone else to quilt? Or just some of your quilts? By having a long-arm professional quilter, quilt your quilts, it can really help clear up your UFO situation and free up your time to quilt more tops. What does your long-arm quilter want from you? How do you best prepare your tops for the long-arm quilter? How do you prepare the batting? How do you prepare the backing?

You don't want your long-arm quilter to cringe when you call---you want to be a favorite quilter of your long-arm quilter.

After all the work you've put into the quilt top, you want to do your part to help your long-arm quilter make your quilt the best quilt it can possibly be! That is what your long-arm quilter wants too!

How can we help our long-arm quilter make our quilt

even better with careful preparation?

Our February lecture will provide some answers and insights into the job of the long-arm quilter. Our own GLHQ member, RUTH McCORMICK is a very talented professional long-arm quilter and has spent thousands of hours quilting on her Gammill. Ruth will share her knowledge and experience to guide you in preparing your quilts for the long-arm quilter. You will be learning some wonderful things you didn't know!

## **Mystery Quilt Day 2018**

February 17, 2018 - Oakland University - 9am to 9pm

There are only a couple of spots still available for mystery quilt day, so sign up now!

### **Send registration form to:**

Kathy Swanteck  
1262 Player Drive  
Troy, MI 48085

## **BOARD POSITIONS**

Fellow guild members, as your Corresponding Secretary, I wanted to let you know that one of my pleasant duties is to encourage and secure the Board of our Guild for next

year. I personally have served two years and that is my limit. I am letting you know my position is available. I will speak at the next meeting on the topic of open board positions. Please remember this year's board's accomplishments as well as in years past. I encourage you to step up and try a board position. It is rewarding!

Cathy Labrie



## **February Birthdays**

Darlene Baer  
Barbara Geiger  
Marth Hale  
Sheila Johnson  
Jennifer King  
Patti Kreh  
Kimberly Leugers  
Ruth McCormick  
Vera Milz  
Jen Usner

## **Travel..... SAVE the DATE for Missouri Star!**

Our trip to Missouri Star is October 3-6, 2018. Trip information and registration forms are posted on the [GLHQ website](#).

Click on the link below to see the shops that are just a small part of our trip:

<https://www.missouriquiltco.com/content/visit-the-missouri-star-quilt-company>

If you are interested in participating, please complete the registration form and return to Xpedition Travel with your \$100 deposit (address is on the registration form). Kimberly Strang can be reached at (855) 411-5766.

For those of you who have received a statement, the second payment of \$350 is due by March 15<sup>th</sup>.

Hope to see you all there!

Michele St. Denis

## **Ken Burns and his Collection of Quilts**

AnikoA just read this great article in the *NY Times* regarding Ken Burns and his collection of quilts...she is recommending the article to our guild as a very good read!

<https://www.nytimes.com/2018/01/16/arts/design/quilts-ken-burns-international-quilt-study-center-museum.html?action=click&pgtype=Homepage&region=CColumn&module=MostEmailed&version=Full&src=me&WT.nav=MostEmailed>

## **Challenge Quilt**

The weather has been brisk, if not darn right frigid most of the winter. What better way to dream about warmer weather than to work on those unfinished GLHQ projects. Remember, you can enter up to two quilts – a small and a large (one per category please) – see dimension rules below.

The Challenge Quilt Rules are simple:

1. Complete an unfinished quilt from a Great Lakes Heritage Guild Workshop, Mystery Day, BOMs or past Challenge quilt. This year's workshops and Mystery quilt qualify, too.
2. You can submit up to two quilts – one in each category:
  - a. Small category 30" x 30" or less, (if not square, 900 square inches or less)
  - b. Large category - over 30" x 30" (if not square, more than 900 square inches)

Stay warm and finish up those quilts!

Patti Kreh

## Membership

Greetings! As was mentioned at the January meeting, we are currently at full membership. 150 strong!!! I have, started a waitlist for next year.

I still have some rosters that have not been claimed. Please remember to get yours at the meeting if you have not already.

We had a great turn-out for the Mary Fons presentation--96 members in attendance and we had a whopping 27 guests. I hope you enjoyed her visit as much as I did.

See you at the February meeting!

Andi Cushman-Membership

248-330-3698

## Free Table

"The best way to find out what we really need is to get rid of what we don't."  
— Marie Kondo

With that in mind, the Free Table will be set up and ready for your excess quilting goods at our Feb 8 meeting.

Please check before leaving the meeting to make sure your items were taken. Thank you!

Nancy Hughson

## Hospitality

We all so enjoy the fabulous treats from the hospitality table. Keep them coming, please.

Lucy Lesperance

## Meeting at 7:00

[www.glhq.org](http://www.glhq.org)

[www.facebook.com/GLQuilters](https://www.facebook.com/GLQuilters)

### Meeting Checklist

- ✓ Name tag
- ✓ Your mug or cup for beverage
- ✓ A snack for the table
- ✓ Haven donation
- ✓ Charity donation
- ✓ Sign-up for Mystery Quilt Day

**There's more on the next page!!!**

## Motivation of the Month

### Future Consequences

Long after this day is over, you'll be living with the consequences of what you do with it. Now, while you are living this day, you can make those future consequences positive and beneficial.

Every choice in every moment matters and continues to matter after the moment has passed. Make the choices now that will make life increasingly good as time goes on.

Live this day well, enjoy its possibilities and pleasures. But don't sacrifice the quality of future days in order to do so.

The choices you make today will echo through your life for a long time. Act in a way that will make your future self-thankful again and again.

Right now, you have leverage over your entire future. Even the smallest nudge in a positive direction can create major benefits as time goes by.

Summon the strength to make that nudge, and live today as if your choices, your actions will influence the rest of your life. Because they will.

Read more at:

<http://www.greatday.com/#iyHuMKK4L7m4FV6Y.99>

-Ralph Marston



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