

Heritage Happenings

Great Lakes Heritage Quilt Guild



President's Perspective

Karen Keller

Think Win-Win

We had a little break in February and talked about the color red but now it's time to get back to business, back to learning the "7 Habits of Highly Effective Quilters".

Habit four- Think Win-Win. Think Win-Win is about relating to your fellow quilter. It's about working together to achieve something that couldn't be accomplished by yourself and having all parties happy with the results.

There are instances when it is necessary to work together for a workshop, a block exchange, your small group or within the guild especially. To have a win-win relationship both participants are happy with the decisions, project, or plan. There is something in it for everyone. Win-lose or lose-win are outcomes too, but less desirable. Someone ends up not happy, not excited about working together and the results are diminished as well.

Having a win-win situation takes a little more effort but is worth it. Think about the upcoming class or get together. What kind of quilt or plan will you be working on? Try to put yourself in the other person's shoes. I know many people do this but sometimes you're busy and distracted and may not think about it. Think about what they may be wanting to accomplish. What would constitute a win for you? Stephen Covey calls it a balance between courage and consideration. Consider the words you would use to talk about the plan. I feel our guild getting happier and more productive already!

What's Inside

Program	Pat Sloan Lecture
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Looking Ahead	Great workshops coming this spring

Programs

First VP's Mary Toussaint & Jo Cassar

REMINDER PAT SLOAN

MARCH MEETING AND WORKSHOPS
WILL BE HELD AT
FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
OF TROY
6363 LIVERNOIS
TROY, MI

The church is located on Livernois between South Blvd. and Square Lake Road on the west side of Livernois. There is a very good map on their facebook page.

For this meeting, we are requesting only cookies for the refreshment table. Cookies and a beverage will be it.

Looking forward to the next two programs and the two that follow.

In April we will have two very talented quilters coming to us from the Bay City/Midland area. They travel with many of their award-winning quilts. The presentation and trunk show Thursday, April 14, 7pm will be held at Birmingham Unitarian Church (our usual meeting place).

On Friday, April 15, 9am to 4pm Leslie Peterson will be presenting her specialty "Friends-a Red Work Embroidery Class" where she will demonstrate her technique for tracing, stitching and embellishment. You will be also learning how to color tint your fabric. This class is one any skill level will enjoy.

Saturday, April 16, 9am to 1pm Linda McGibbon will present her paper piecing class, Taffy Star, where you will learn techniques and tricks of paper piecing.

Both classes are \$40.00 each for members and \$45.00 each for non-members. The classes will be held at Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church, 5631 N. Adams in Bloomfield Hills.

For more information on these speakers, go to their YouTube video titled: Linda McGibbon and Leslie Peterson Quilt Trunk Show.

In May we complete our year of programs with Joyce Triezenberg. Joyce resides in Grayling, Michigan where she spends her time producing award-winning quilts, quilt patterns and just enjoying the "up north" life.

Some of you may remember one of her quilts that was done by a student and displayed at our Quilt Show. The Asterisk Quilt was quite a hit with our attendees and many commented that they would be interested in making it. Last September we were also treated to another of her beautiful quilts "Pop Lone Star". When she traveled to our guild to attend a meeting, she brought the quilt with her and displayed it. It was a great hit with our members.

Joyce will be presenting her lecture, "A Quilting Enthusiast's Journey" on Thursday, May 12 at 7pm to be held at Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church, 5631 N. Adams, Bloomfield Hills.

Classes: "Asterisk Quilt and Beyond", Friday, May 13, 9am to 4pm and "Pop Lone Star" on Saturday, May 14 9am to 4pm, will be held at Antioch Lutheran Church, 33360 W. 13 Mile Road, Farmington Hills. Classes are \$40 each for members and \$45 for non-members.



BOARD POSITIONS----Planting seeds....

Now don't look away!!! We really need to talk! Plant those seeds I was talking about at guild. We need some good people to come help us continue building something special here at Great Lakes Heritage Quilters. I think we're the only FULL guild in the area. At capacity, no more per by-laws full. Why? Because we're special, that's why. We have great programs. GREAT. We have fun events---bus trips, retreats, Mystery Quilt Day, Studio Tours, Silent Auction (or not-so-silent). We have wonderful, warm, generous people as members. We need your help to continue to do this. We need you to consider a board position. You can share it with a friend---split attendance at board meetings. We can give you a mentor to guide you. You could share responsibilities with your small group. Please contact me, Sue Chase, or Joyce Cushing for info. on these opportunities. Put your talent to use!

"If I had my life to live over, I would start barefoot earlier in the spring & stay that way later into the fall. I would go to more dances, I would ride more merry-go-rounds. I would pick more daisies" N. Stair

QUILTER TO QUILTER SALE

April 23rd, 10 AM to 2 PM
 Early Bird Admission \$4 (10AM - 11AM)
 \$3 11AM - 2PM
 First United Methodist Church of Troy
 6363 Livernois, Troy, 48098

If you, or someone you know has more quilting stuff than you know what to do with, here's your chance to clean up and clean out. GLHQ's Quilter to Quilter sale will bring shoppers right to you. Gather all the stuff you no longer want or need and come on down. Time is running out (April 1st is the cut off date), so you better reserve your table now.

This is also a great chance for some bargain shopping. As they say, one quilter's junk is another quilter's treasure so gather all your friends and come on down for some GREAT shopping. This sale is open to non-members too, so be sure to invite all your friends and make a day of it.

For more information go to our web site
 GLHQ.org
 or contact Diane Ladue, dladue@me.com or
 248-798-7970.



Charity Committee

How would you feel?

Take 2 seconds to think of how you would feel if you were alone in a nursing home (maybe without visitors) or a child battling cancer spending your days in the hospital when you should be out enjoying life and growing up. Or think if you were a parent of an infant battling for their life when it has just begun OR you've fought for this country putting your own life on the line, often times to be forgotten for the sacrifices you and your family have made.

Now think about receiving a handmade gift, a lap quilt, baby quilt or even just a pillowcase from someone you don't even know that took the time to show they care about you and the challenges you face. You'd probably think, wow this country we live in is indeed pretty special and there are truly amazing and caring people out there that care about me without even knowing my or my child's name. YOU can make someone feel that special.

For those of you who have so generously donated quilts and pillowcases to the seniors, childrens and babies you don't know, but care about - THANK YOU! For those who have donated material and/or batting to the committee - THANK YOU! For anyone who wants to make a difference in this world, start with a pillow case or quilt - your time and effort is appreciated more than you will ever know.

Please consider picking up a kit at our meeting in March or feel free to use your own stash (many do). Not to mention, for each turned in charity item, you'll receive a ticket good towards our Charity Thank You Raffle at the end of the year.

As of the February meeting we have collected 59 Lap Quilts, 50 pillowcases, 23 Baby Quilts and 13 Premie Quilts.

Let's try to match these numbers or even exceed them in the last 4 months of our 2015/2016 Guild year.

Think about it - you CAN make a difference.

Sincerely,
Your Charity Committee
Deb Montague, Deb Robinson,
Denise MacDonald and
Debbie Verschueren

Membership

Kathleen Joseph

Since we are at 150 members and at full capacity, it's time to get to know as many new and old faces as you can. So, wear a nametag! It doesn't matter if it's paper or fabric; the goal is to make it easy to greet others and to find the person you may be looking for. Paper nametags are always available at the membership table. Also, do you already have a GLHQ pin? If not, the pins are also available at the membership table for \$5.

At our January meeting, we had 80 members signed in and 3 guests. The 2015 rosters will continue to be available at the membership table for members to pick up. Please correct Mary Jo Houck's email in your roster:

garyhouch412@comcast.net

Mystery Quilt Day

Everyone had a great time at Mystery Quilt Day on February 6, 2016 at the Jewish Community Center. The venue was perfect for the 81 quilters who attended. There was plenty of room for sewing, socializing, and eating. The weather was great and the day flew by and before we knew it the day was over. Thanks to everyone who signed-up for Mystery Quilt Day this year.

Look for more information about next years Mystery Quilt Day in February at the Jewish Community Center.

Mystery Quilt Day Committee
Lynn Paruch, Liz Hunsanger,
Netta Humphrey, Audrey Brys,
Jan Parslow, Kelli Butcher



JUST A REMINDER!

All items stored in the closet at Birmingham Unitarian Church must be removed by the end of the April meeting. The church will begin their construction project after that time. Thank you!



Happy Birthday

Phyllis Boling	March	1
Theresa Mitchell	March	6
Mary Sugarman	March	6
Robin Cushing	March	7
Suzanne Jones	March	9
Barbara Lusk	March	11
Netta Humphrey	March	13
Susan Maxson	March	16
Diane McDonald	March	21
Nancy Osterman	March	21
Kathleen Joseph	March	23
Lynne Gafford	March	28
Denise MacDonald	March	28
Maureen Magadan	March	31

2015-2016 Block of the Month Article

April BOM – Stained Glass Applique

Theresa Elson won the February Shadow Applique BLOTTO banner. She got a lot of LOVE from GLHQ members.



In April, BOM will explore Stained Glass Applique which imitates beautiful pieces of glass skillfully cut and joined together. In fabric we can simulate what may take years of training to create an intricate stained-glass window.

Stained glass, as an art and a craft, requires the artistic skill to conceive an appropriate and workable design, and the engineering skills to assemble the piece.... Many large windows have withstood the test of time and remained substantially intact since the late Middle Ages. In Western Europe they constitute the major form of pictorial art to have survived. In this context, the purpose of a stained glass window is not to allow those within a building to see the world outside or even primarily to admit light but rather to control it. For this reason, stained glass windows have been described as 'illuminated wall decorations.' Excerpt from Wikipedia

For those wishing to learn a bit more about the history and making of stained glass, please refer to an article by Bill Herren at: <http://www.americanvisionwindows.com/the-history-of-stained-glass-windows.php>

In sewing, there are few different techniques to achieve the channels of lead (called comes), such as using bias strips or an overlay where the top layer is cut away to expose the “glass” underneath. But our machines are sewing computers, so we’ll be exploring a quicker version and using a specialty stitch – the satin stitch - to make our own “illuminated flag decoration themed for spring!

For March Guild Meeting -

Don't forget to bring your March Iris Folded flag for a chance to win the Shamrock BLOTTO banner during the March Guild Meeting. It is not too late to download the instructions from the GLHQ website, under Activities, Block of the Month 2015-2016. These lucky beauties are super quick to make.

Wishing everyone the Luck O' Irish.

COOKBOOKS

If you are interested in buying a copy of the GLHQ cookbook, *Amazing Dishes*, which is full of incredible recipes, see me, Diane Ladue, at the next meeting. If you must have it before the next meeting, just give me a call. 248-798-7970



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March Meeting

March 10, 2016 – 7:00 p.m.

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of Troy
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www.glhq.org

www.facebook.com/GLQuilters

Checklist

- ✓ Name tag
- ✓ Your mug or cup for beverage
- ✓ Charity top or quilt
- ✓ Haven donation
- ✓ Your checkbook to register for workshops