



From our President . . .

Hello Friends,

I hope that this newsletter finds you in the midst of enjoying family and friends this holiday season. With the passing of five of my family this year, I am increasingly aware of the importance of those opportunities. So, make those wonderful memories and celebrate life!!!!

Speaking of memories...thank you to all those that contributed to the touching Quilt of Valor ceremony last month. I appreciate being given an avenue to express admiration for those that are willing to give of themselves, allowing me to pursue my dreams. As long as I am able, I intend to give a quilt each year. I, also, thank LaCroix United Methodist, for donating their beautiful facility.

I regret to inform you that, according to the RHQG Constitution, the Board must choose the meeting venue. I am so sorry that I allowed the vote and consequently misled everyone. That being said, it was obvious that our membership would appreciate the Board discussing the feasibility of using LaCroix United Methodist as our meeting venue each month and acting on this matter. I am in correspondence with the LaCroix Facilities Manager, putting together a proposal for Board discussion at our December meeting. So, **the January 8th meeting may be held at**

the Senior Center. Please watch for accurate information in the January newsletter.

Lynne's November focus was on blocking and binding. In December, she promises to discuss hanging sleeves and labels. Then, we will have the foundational information for the lovely quilt each of us will enter in our 2018 Quilt Show! As your Quilt Show Registrar Chair, I'd love to see every member, novice and experienced, submit a piece. Think of it as a giant Show And Tell!

Thank you for the privilege of acting as RHQG President. Here's to many years of sewing fun in our future!

May the blessings of this holy season comfort us and guide our choices,

Barb Egbert

Happy Holidays from the VP Corner!!

Our December meeting will have the usual drawings. (and Show and Tell, if time allows)

Our fat quarter is "Christmas".

Don't forget to wear your "ugly" Christmas sweater.

And yes, we will have a free table.

See you at dinner!!

Kelly & Lisa

Doors open at **5:15 p.m.

Dinner served at **6:00 p.m.

December Christmas Party/Meeting

Please mark your calendars now for our annual Christmas Party/Meeting, Monday, December 11, 2017, for this special time for our guild to celebrate & enjoy the Christmas season together.

We will be gathering at the KC Hall in Cape Girardeau.

****DOORS OPEN AT 5:15****

****DINNER IS SERVED AT 6:00****

Prepayment of \$13.00 is DUE by Monday, December 4, 2017

Please get in touch with Sally **ASAP!**

Sally Miller
Hospitality

2017 Programs for RHQG

DECEMBER 11- DINNER @ THE KC HALL

FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE

During the December meeting, the Fundraising Committee will have RHQG Cookbooks and Mugs for Sale. Great Last Minute Gifts!!

RAVAN SIMMS

***** From your Quilts of Valor Committee: *****

The Quilts of Valor Committee would like to thank everyone for their support this year! This was our fourth presentation, and to date our guild members have made and presented 32 quilts of valor to veterans and servicemen and women! I am so proud that we have taken the time to show our appreciation for what they've done!

If you would like to make a Quilt of Valor please let Karla Kiefner, Mary Green or I know.

We have two kits left or you can make your own following the guidelines at govf.org.

Listed below are the 2017 on Honorees:

Joe Bishop - US Navy, (Nancy Bishop)
Daniel Bollinger - US Air Force, (Mary Tripp)
Larry Davie - U.S. Army, (Angie Davie)
John McHughes - U.S. Navy, (Deb Morris)
David Meyer - US Marine Corps, (Karla Kiefner)
Edgar Myers - US Air Force, (Pat Leech)
John Seitz - U.S. Navy, (Christine Childers)
Robert Sides - U.S. Army, (DeLois Jackson)
Danny Stitz - US Marines, US Navy Reservist (Nancy Kester)
Sherman Swan - U.S. Army, National Guard (DeLois Jackson)
Howard Thomas - World War II US Army Tank Crew, Omaha Beach (Linda Tansil)
Thomas Wentz - U.S. Navy, (Barb Egbert)
Ray Wilhelm - US Air Force, (Sandy Wilhelm)

Donna Irwin



BOM Show and Tell December Meeting

Please bring your finished Block of the Month projects to show off at the Christmas Party.

The current BOM Quilt is the Pat Sloan 2017 The Children's Library.

I know some of you awesome quilters have followed your own BOM path or block of the day!!

Please bring and share those with us also.

Tyfys
Denise SteckCarpenter
2017 BOM Chairperson

OPPORTUNITY QUILT TICKETS

Time is running out for those of you that have not picked up your envelope of tickets for the Opportunity Quilt.

I have an offer for you. You send me a check and I will fill out the tickets for you. Then your obligation is taken care of. Or, I'll be at the December meeting for a last minute chance of winning the quilt.

Merle Deneke

Community Quilts

Progress is being made to the Community Quilts Room at Abbey Road Christian Church for the Community Projects Quilts. Please watch for updates in the newsletter and through email.

Darla Snider/Deanna Easley

****Inclement Weather News****

- If Cape Public Schools are closed, the Quilt Guild will not meet. Sometimes bad weather strikes later in the day.
- The decision to cancel a meeting due to inclement weather will be made by the **President** who will then contact each officer.
- Guild members are responsible for contacting an officer for information concerning cancellation of a meeting.
- If possible, perhaps Donna Irwin could be notified and she could send a message out.
- We do not want members risking injury or accident to get to a meeting.
- Please use good judgment when considering driving conditions.



Membership Renewal

It is time to renew your membership! We are asked to include \$20.00 *and* the form found on our website. There will be a few copies at each meeting. Those renewing through January 8th will appear in the 2018 guild yearbook. But, the earlier you can take care of this, the better.

Thanks for your continued support,

Your Membership Committee

*Happy
Birthday!*

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

12/1 Ann Beggs
12/1 Ruth LaClair
12/1 Anne Marietta
12/2 Frannie Essner
12/3 Denise Steck-Carpenter
12/3 Julie-Ann Samuelson
12/4 Mary Tripp
12/7 Joycelyn Kasten
12/11 Linda Biri
12/12 Nelda Steffen
12/17 Linda Tansil
12/18 Marla Kay Clark
12/18 Kathryn Keith
12/27 Cookie Little
12//29 Karla Kiefner
12/30 Kelly Irvin
12/30 Jeanette Mastin
12/30 Thelma Stone

Lids to Fight Childhood Cancer

The administrator of the Senior Center collects lids from water bottles, screw-on soda or other drink bottles that eventually go to fund chemo treatments for children. If you use such bottles, please consider bringing the lids to the meetings.

RHQG 2018 Retreat March 5-11th

Check in times for the 5th - 3pm or after and check out time - 11am on March 11th.

Our former coordinator Dora has left KDV to assist her family. We wish her the best of luck. Our new coordinator, Karen, has obtained a price per night for us of \$125.

This is an excellent rate! The new "on" season rates for the larger cottages/cabins has increased to over \$300 per night. Last year we paid \$117 per night.

We have spoken for 15 cottages/cabins. Last year we filled 14. That leaves one cabin for a new group.

We have requested the same cottages/cabins we have had each year.

We will be celebrating our 20 year milestone of going to retreat as a Guild. Any special events, shirts for the retreat etc. Let me know after the holidays to make it a special year.

I will have information at the December meeting.

TYFYS
Denise SteckCarpenter
2018 Retreat Chairperson

River Heritage Quilters' Guild Meeting Minutes
November 13, 2017

Carol Gallaher opened our Quilts of Valor Ceremony with a prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance. Mary Green gave the history of Quilts of Valor. Karla Kiefner, Donna Irwin and Mary Green introduced 11 veterans to receive a quilt. The 2017 QOV recipients are: 1. **Marion Joe Bishop**- US Navy (Nancy Bishop) 2. **Daniel J. Bollinger**- US Air Force (Mary Tripp) 3. **Larry G. Davie**- US Army (Angie Davie) 4. **John C. McHughes**- US Navy (Debbie Morris) 5. **Edgar L. Myers**-US Air Force (Pat Leech) 6. **Danny E. Stitz**- US Marines, US Navy Reservist (Nancy Kester) 7. **Howard Thomas**- US Army Tank Crew WWII (Linda Tansil) 8. **Thomas Robert Wentz**- US Navy (Barb Egbert) 9. **Ray Wilhelm**- US Air Force (Sandy Wilhelm) Four Quilts of Valor were presented at other locations 10. **Robert D. Sides**- US Army (Delois Jackson) 11. **Sherman Swan**- US Army, National Guard (Delois Jackson) 12. **John Wilfrid Seitz**- US Navy (Christine Childers) 13. **David Meyer**- US Marine Corps (Karla Kiefner) RHQG has awarded 32 Quilts of Valor since 2014. The QOV Committee has registered the recipients (names only) on the qovt.org website to count toward the total # of quilts presented nationwide.

Patriotic Bed-Turning-Patriotic quilts made by guild members were shown by Lisa, Kelly and Ravan.

Old Business: Approve October Minutes as appear in newsletter: 1) Discussion- The minutes stated there were 6 people in attendance. That was a typing error. There were 65 members present. 2) Motion was made by Pricilla Kirby 3) Second by Pat Leech 4)Approved 5)Passed

New Business: Donna Irwin stated we can use the building at the church for our guild meetings. There is a 2nd room that will hold 95 people, 12 tables/8 chairs each. It would be \$100 a month. Technology would be available. The parking lot is lit. Kitchen is available if needed. We can use the room from 5:30 to 10:00. They would take care of the tables and chairs. Nancy Pleimann made a motion to move the meetings to Cape LaCroix and pay \$100 beginning the January meeting. It was seconded by Cheryl Amos. Note: After the meeting, it was brought up that change of venue would be discussed by the board and then brought to the guild members. There will be a side meeting at the December meeting to discuss options. At this time no change in venue will be made.

There will be a board meeting Jan 13th at Shadow Rest.

1. **Treasurer's Report**: Monthly Print-outs at sign-in table **Committee Reports**: 1. **Block of the Month** –

Denise Steck-Carpenter: No report 2. **Community Quilts** – Darla Snider: Water problem has been fixed. They are working on organizing materials. They might be ready to begin meeting again in January 3. **Opportunity Quilt** – Barb Narsh reported that tickets or money need to be turned in by Dec. meeting. 4. **Special Events** – Ravan Simms: Woolly Gals will meet Friday the 17th from 4-7 at Ground About in Jackson. If you want to send a Christmas card to troops Ravan has the address. She will post it on Facebook. Donna will email the address to members. 5. **Vice-Presidents** – Kelly Irvin & Lisa O'Brien: December meeting will be at the KC Hall. Wear ugly Christmas sweaters. The Fat quarter will be Christmas themed. 6. **Quilt Show** – Madeline Gieselman: No report 7. **Tip of the Month** - Lynne Taylor: Lynne gave a presentation on binding. She stated to be innovative to add to the quilt. Use scallops, triangles, beads etc. Block your quilt before binding. Make sure the binding is full, miter the corners. Make sure it is even on the front and back. The gadget of the month is the binding tool. 8. **Hospitality**- Sally Miller-December venue and meal: Payment of \$13.00 need to be mailed to Sally by Dec. 4th. 9. **Birthdays in November**: Jo Payne-3; Donna Irwin-6; Dr. Terrie Bert-7; Jean Mason-9; Barb Reininger-12; Joanne Moore-13; Susie Owens-14; Rosie Conrad-17; Lisa O'Brien- 18; Sherry Pressley-21; Evelyn Beussink-22; Janice Collier-22; Roseanne Myers-22; Shirley Dallmier-23; Rebecca Moore-27; Betty Carroll-28 10. **Membership** – Nancy Buchanan Total Members Present: 79 Guests: 18 New Members: 1 **Attendance**: Lynne Taylor Name Tag: Diana Diebold Fat Quarter Raffle: # 20 Winner: Jean Cole Cash for Stash Raffle: \$42 Winner: Nancy Kester **Announcements**: Reminder – Sally - December meeting is at the K of C Hall Cheryl Amos made a motion to accept the slate of officers. Donna Kiel seconded the motion. No discussion. Motion passed. Dinner and Officer Installation will be at the December meeting. **Show and Tell**: Pam Lewis-wall hanging and pocket full of posies quilt; Karla Kiefner-Kate and Joy; Sally Miller-snowman wall hanging; Jean Cole-wool applique quilt; Lynnore Meyer-Rose wall hanging and friendship braid quilt; Angie Davie-Dresden quilt; Jo Payne-Bunny Love lap quilt; Mary Lou Rutherford-Lily; Ravan Simms-basket quilt; Caroline Tilghman-Geraldine 1 and 2; Nancy Woods-M'Lady.

Respectively submitted by,

Sandy Hinton
Secretary

MEMBER TYPE (Circle One): **New Member / Renewal**

Dues may be paid by completing this form and mailing it along with a check for \$20.00 to R.H.Q.G.(River Heritage Quilt Guild, PO Box 1905, Cape Girardeau, MO 63702-1905). You may also bring this form to any meeting. To assure your listing in the Membership Yearbook, please renew by the January meeting.

Date: _____ (mm/dd) of birthday: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: Home: (_____) _____ Work: (_____) _____

Cell: (_____) _____

Email: _____

*IN ORDER TO RECEIVE THE NOTICE THAT THE NEWSLETTER IS AVAILABLE ON ONLINE, WE NEED AN EMAIL ADDRESS. NEWSLETTER IS ONLY AVAILABLE ONLINE.

Please indicate which committees you would like to serve on and/or be chairperson:

Committee	Chairman	Member
Community Projects (Make quilts to be given away, i.e. trauma quilts, Birthright, LFCS, etc.)	_____	_____
Hospitality (Coordinates refreshments at Birthday meeting, Guild Picnic, and Christmas Dinner)	_____	_____
Membership (Keep the roll, door prizes, collecting dues, etc.)	_____	_____
Newsletter (Put out monthly newsletter online)	_____	_____
Yearbook (compile member's addresses in book, publish)	_____	_____
Pattern of the month (Presents members with monthly block pattern)	_____	_____
Special Events (Coordinates Workshops, Seminars, Bus Trips, etc.)	_____	_____
Opportunity Quilt (Planning and construction of fundraiser quilt; Coordinating ticket sales)	_____	_____
Publicity (Publicity chairperson and members coordinate publicity needs of the guild in reference to special events, etc.)	_____	_____
Quilt Show (Quilt Show chairperson(s) and members plan and oversee quilt shows and appoint chairs of sub-committees.	_____	_____

Updated 10/2017

Pattern for our regular committee and guild meetings. . .

Community Projects Work Day

(Discontinued until further notice)

Abbey Road Christian Church
2411 Abbey Road Cape Girardeau, MO
First and Third Monday of each month,
8:30 am-11-30 am.

Guild Meeting

Second Monday

6:00 sign-in, 6:30 pm meeting all but picnic
and dinner meetings
6 pm for September picnic and for
December dinner

Quilters Dinner Out --

Panera's before Guild meeting on the
second Monday

12/11/17 GUILD MEETING

Knights of Columbus Hall

318 Spanish, Cape
Doors open at 5:15
Dinner served at 6:00

FAT QUARTER

— "Christmas" —

PINTEREST

Check out RHQG's page

2018 RETREAT

March 5-11, 2018

or

March 7-11, 2018

QUILT SHOW 2018

September 29 & 30, 2018

2017 Committee Chairpersons

Audit-Barb Miller
Block of Month—Denise Steck-Carpenter
Comfort Quilts-Nancy Bishop
Community Projects-Deanna Easley & Darla Snider
Correspondence-Donna Irwin
Gadget of the Month-Lynne Taylor
Hospitality-Sally Miller
Membership-Nancy Buchanan
Newsletter-Melody Loveless
Opportunity Quilt-Merle Deneke
Opportunity Quilt Raffle-Merle Deneke
Publicity-Barb Egbert
Quilt Show-Madeline Gieselman
Quilts of Valor-Mary Green
Retreat-Denise Steck-Carpenter
Special Events-Ravan Simms
Website-Linda Tansil
Yearbook-Diana Diebold

2017 Officers

President-Barb Egbert
Vice President-Kelly Irvin & Lisa O'Brien
Secretary-Sandy Hinton
Treasurer-Jeanette Mastin
Historians-
Mary McConnell & Melody Loveless

****NEWSLETTER & EMAILS****

**Please send all information (in typed format in a Word document) to be published in the newsletter, by the 20th of the previous month, to Melody Loveless. If your email changes, or for any announcements, send an email to Donna Irwin.

NOTE: Please double check your information before passing it on to ensure it is correct.