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### **FROM OUR PRESIDENT . . .**

Hello Friends,

Wow, we have had a busy month! First, I'd like to extend sincere regret to our Perryville neighbors; you are in our thoughts and prayers, as rebuilding ensues. Spring is here, but it came with a price!

Our March meeting celebrated friendship and dedication. Our 28<sup>th</sup> birthday included treats, anniversary pins and certificates. Lynne Taylor, a charter member, introduced her series, *Start to Finish*, by encouraging us to look at our design and fabrics through "rose-colored-glasses," a *Ruby Beholder*. At retreat, it was suggested that looking through a camera, adjusted to the black and white setting, will achieve the same effect. Lynne instructed us that *value*, the lightness and darkness of a color scheme, is an element that allows our design to pop.

Our April meeting will feature jewelry-making that incorporates cloth, something a few of us have in abundance! Lynne's series, *Start to Finish*, will focus on the importance of color. Hopefully, we will see more challenge pieces, at various stages of completion and those projects that were conceived at the Kentucky Dam Village! And, don't forget to bring your Quilt of Valor Four-Patch Blocks!

Here's to therapeutic sewing each day!

Sincerely,  
Barb

### **Spring Greetings from your VP's!!!**

Our April fat quarter is Raindrops & Rainbows.

We have a local girl coming for our meeting. Natalie Sharp-McCrae fabric jewelry maker extraordinaire!! She has a shop in Bilderback Plaza. Sign up for her class - Ravan has the info.



Kelly & Lisa

Did you find some Halloween fabric during retreat? Spooktacular!! There have been some Q's about the "Halloween Quilt Challenge". It really isn't a challenge. This project is supposed to be fun. YOU are Dr. Frankenstein! Create! Bring that fabric to Liiiiiff!!! Any size. Old or new- it's okay if you pull a quilt out of the coffin. This is your Trick & Treat!! HAVE FUN!!

Kelly & Lisa

### **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.

## Retreat News. . .

Wow, we have come a long way since the very first weekend retreat in 1998!

In 1998 there were 3 cabins and approximately 24 quilters from the 1998 roster. Checking in on Friday and out on Sunday.

This year we had 14 cabins, 8 cabins staying the whole week and 6 staying 4 days.

From my tally there were approximately 90 attending the retreat!

Next year we will celebrate the milestone of 20 years attending RHQG Retreat at KDV. The dates are March 5 through checkout March 11th, 2018. We will have 19 cabins available.

Make plans now if you want to form a new cabin. The rates are approximately \$120 per cabin per night. The State of KY controls that rate so it can be different after the first of next year.

I would like to applaud our coordinator, Dora Justice at KDV, for doing an outstanding job. She works with the guild to coordinate cabins, check in and check out times, and attends to the details, to make sure everyone has a great stay.

I'm looking forward to 2018!

Thank you again!  
Denise SteckCarpenter  
Retreat Chair RHQG 2017

## Block of the Month

Block #3 of the 2017 BOM was inspired by the children's book the Pokey Little Puppy! Have fun with this one! Keep sewing! Send me photos of what you are working on, (whether it's this BOM or another one)!

Quilt on!

Denise

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## Quilt Show 2018

Keep working on your Ugly Fabric Challenges. They will be hung as a display at the Quilt Show.

The next challenge is the Pizza Box Round Robin. Groups of five will get together and make Round Robin Quilts. More will be explained at a later date, but it is time to get your groups together.

Each lady will make a center 12 ½" block. Each of the other four will add borders. This is a fun challenge with beautiful results. This challenge will be hung at the quilt show, as well.

We have named it the Pizza Box Challenge because a pizza box is a fun way to keep the individual challenges boxed up. Once you turn in your center block, you won't see your quilt again until the reveal, probably in November '17.

**We are also in need of a Publicity Chair.** Please let me know if you would like to help us out.

***Madeline Gieselman***

### From your Quilts of Valor Committee:

If you are planning to donate blocks for this year's Quilts of Valor, please turn them in at our April or May meetings so we can prepare the kits.

This year's donated block is a 4-patch made from 5-inch squares. Please use 4 different fabrics of different shades of reds, whites, and blues. Also be sure to have a 1/4" seam allowance to produce a block that finishes at exactly 9 1/2".

Please contact one of the QOA committee members, if you have any questions, if you are interested in a group sew day or to turn in the name of a veteran you'd like to make a quilt for this year.

Thank you,  
Donna Irwin

### Community Quilts. . .

Community Quilts Committee is needing UPC labels from Hobbs Quilt batting packages. We can get a reduced price on large rolls of batting for the Guild when the labels are redeemed to Hobbs.

Please help us save the Guild some money by saving these for us. We are getting low on the current roll and would appreciate any labels you can give or send us.

Thanks.  
Deanna Easley and Darla Snider

\*\*\*\*\***Seven Community Quilts were delivered to the Amen Center in Delta**\*\*\*\*\*



Happy Birthday!

### Community Projects

Community Projects, chaired by Deanna Easley and Darla Snider, is held the first and third Mondays of each month from 8:30am-11:30am. The location is: Abbey Road Christian Church 2411 Abbey Road Cape Girardeau, MO

#### APRIL BIRTHDAYS

4/1	Linda Byerley
4/3	Tracy Vaughn
4/6	Mary Green
4/11	Joan Meyer
4/15	Linda Gast
4/16	Charlotte Welker
4/20	Lisa Conley
4/21	Caroline Tilghman
4/23	Nyra Campbell
4/25	Diana Diebold
4/25	Julie Wilson

## RHQG Meeting Minutes March 13th, 2017

The meeting was opened with a welcome and Pledge of Allegiance.

Linda Byerly made a motion to approve the February minutes. Kay Kenner seconded the motion. Motion passed.

There were 3 guests: Jean Cole, Bernita Leadbetter and Carla Fisher. We had 1 new member: Delois Jackson.

**Old Business:** There was no old business.

**New Business:** Those of you that indicated interest in a particular committee should be hearing from that chair soon.

### **Committee Reports:**

1. **Block of the Month** – Denise Steck-Carpenter – BOM copies will be at the lake. It is “The Pokey Little Puppy”
  2. **Newsletter** – If anyone needs newsletters mailed to them please let Melody Loveless know.
  3. **QOV** – Mary Green: Turn in any 4 patches if you have any to Mary Green or bring them to the next meeting. Kits will be assembled at the lake.
  4. **Publicity** – Barb Egbert - Visit our 2016 Theme quilts at Cup ‘N Cork through the month of March!
  5. **Retreat** – Denise Steck-Carpenter – Cabin #319 cell – 573-576-6033
  6. **Yearbook** – Diane Diebold –Yearbooks will be handed out at the meeting as well as at the Lake during the retreat.
  7. **Vice-Presidents** – Kelly Irvin & Lisa O’Brien – The April fat quarter will be raindrops or rainbows. Information about a Halloween quilt challenge will be given.
  8. **Membership** – Nancy Buchanan - New member orientation - Mar 25<sup>th</sup> at the Golden Needle.
  9. **Community Quilts:** Darla Snider gave out 2 quilts to be quilted and bound.
- Birthdays in March:** Jeanette Buchheit-1; Nancy Woods-4; Judy Kucera-8; Martha Cox-9; Mary Meyer-15; Glenda Nations-17; Cheryl Denton-18; Michelle Standridge-23; Velda Keister-29; Christine Childers-30

**Tip of the Month**-Lynne Taylor- Lynne gave a short program on getting your quilt started. She gave tips on planning your quilt using elements and principles of art. You can look up elements and principles of art on Wikipedia for more information.

**Show and Tell:** Jo Payne-Butterflies and Flutterbys; Darla Snider-Christmas wall hanging; Pat Stokes-Adventure quilt; Linda Byerly-Simpler Times; Nancy Woods-Berry Picking and Heirloom Romance; Tracy Vaughan-American Jane, Now and Later; Evelyn Beussink-Feather wall hanging and Scrappy Trip Around the World; Kay Kenner-Snowballed Pinwheel; Lisa O’Brien-Zig Zag quilt; Joan Meyer-Just because I like the fabric quilt and Log Cabin wedding quilt.

**Special Event:** 2016 Perfect Attendance Certificates and Presentation of Anniversary Pins.

**Perfect Attendance:** Carla Wren; Cindy Spaeth; Ravan Simms; Barb Narsh; Maxine Michel; Melody Loveless; Kelly Irvin; Glenda Faber; Angie Davie; Jeanette Buchheit

**5 Years joined in 2012** - Connie Cossou; Missy Ferguson; Kathy Keith; Mary Alice Rushton

**10 Years joined in 2007** - Mary Green; Barb Miller; Pat Lester; Priscilla Kirby; Anastasia Gonzales; Carol Gallaher

**15 Years joined in 2002** - Cheryl Amos

**20 Years joined in 1997** - Joycelyn Kasten; Karen Yates Bey; Caroline Tilghman

**25 Years joined in 1992** - Cookie Little

**Program:** Kelly and Lisa - Birthday Party (snacks and left/right game)

**Membership:** Nancy Buchanan

**Total Members Present:**

**Guests:** 3 **New Members:** 1

**Attendance:** Betty Brooks **Name Tag:** Barb Egbert

**Fat Quarter Raffle: #14 Winner:** Danny Freed

**Cash for Stash Raffle: \$23.00 Winner:** Pat Lester

**Announcements:**

Must Stitch Emporium – 128 Market House Square, Paducah by Kirchoff’s Bakery (Chris Ludwig)

RHQG Kentucky Lake Retreat is March 13th-19th

Paducah Quilt Show is April 26th-29th

Respectfully submitted by:  
Sandy Hinton, Secretary

Hello!

STITCH St. Charles is on! We will be holding our inaugural Speaker Series event at The Foundry Arts Centre, St. Charles, MO, on May 23-25, 2017.

The STITCH program is centered on our "Great 8" guest speakers, pro's from the sewing, quilting and creative industry. There will be Hands-On workshops on May 23, 2017, with the Speaker Series on May 24-25, 2017. In addition we will have a fun Marketplace, with FREE admission (Marketplace only—the Speaker Series and Hands-On Workshops are ticketed).

I would like to get more info out to your guild, and if possible be included in your next newsletter and any eblasts you do to your members. The STITCH St. Charles website will go up on March 23<sup>rd</sup>, speakers and workshops will be announced, and tickets will go on sale at that time too. We will have discounts for guild groups of 10 for the Speaker Series.

Please let me know what you may need from me and by when! I look forward to seeing your members at STITCH St. Charles! Thanks for your time and attention. ☺

Cindy Cummins  
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### ***FUN DAY IN KALONA, IA . . .***

We invite you and your guild members to our show and a Fun Day in Kalona, IA!!

Kalona Quilt Show & Sale 2017

Thurs. April 27, "Evening Only" 5 – 8 pm

Fri. April 28, 9 am – 7 pm

Sat. April 29, 9 am – 5 pm

New Location: 715 D. Ave.

In the Kalona Historical Museum

200 New and Antique Quilts on Display and for Sale

Sponsored by the Woodin Wheel [319-656-2240](tel:319-656-2240) &

the Kalona Antique Co. [319-656-4489](tel:319-656-4489)

Email [Katie@woodinwheel.com](mailto:Katie@woodinwheel.com) or [kac@kctc.net](mailto:kac@kctc.net)

Web Site [WWW.WoodinWheel.com](http://WWW.WoodinWheel.com)

### **AQS Quilt Show. . .**

The Golden Needle will again be taking a bus to the AQS Quilt Show in Paducah, KY on Thursday, April 27th. The cost is \$30.00 round trip which includes snacks on the bus and a special discount coupon to The Golden Needle. Seating is limited, so sign up soon to reserve your spot. [\(573-339-0494\)](tel:573-339-0494) The one bus will have 3 pickup and return locations that day:

\* 6:30 AM in Chester, IL at the bus stop (2421 Old Plank Rd., Chester) then

\* 7:15 AM in Perryville at the Walmart parking lot then

\* 8:15 AM in Cape between Sam's and Walmart and on to Paducah

This is always a fun day without the hassles of driving and parking!



**Pattern for our regular committee and guild meetings. . .**

**Community Projects Work Day**

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

**4/13/17 GUILD MEETING**

**Cape Senior Center**

6:00 sign in  
6:30 meeting

**FAT QUARTER**

— “Raindrops and Rainbows” —

**PINTEREST**

Check out RHQG’s page

**2018 RETREAT**

March 5-11, 2018  
or  
March 7-11, 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-Nancy Woods  
Quilt Show-Madeline Gieselman  
Quilts of Valor-  
Mary Green, Karla Kiefner, Donna Irwin  
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  
Historian-  
Melody Loveless & Mary McConnell

**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.