

*River Heritage Quilters' Guild*

# *Quilt Chatter*

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Hello Fellow Quilters,

It is February and one of my favorite months of the year. I love the colors of Valentine's Day!! February can be cold, gray, dull and seem like the longest month of the year. We all need something to lift our spirits this time of the year like Red, Red & White, Pink—all the colors of Valentine's Day. I hope everyone gets a great big Valentine from someone special.

The members of the Board have met and are finalizing plans for our programs and events for the next year. Several highlights are: Make plans to attend the Guild birthday party where a special challenge will be issued to each and everyone. Should you choose to accept this challenge, you will be delighted and maybe have a little fun exploring your own creative self. What does Common Threads mean to you?? Hopefully, we will all find out during the year.

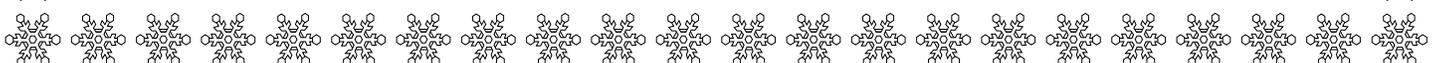
In May, Dr. John Oldani will be our presenter. Dr. Oldani is a published author and speaker. His topic will be "You Did What in the Ditch: Folklore of the American Quilter." July will be Jerri Stroud presenting "A Quilt with a Split Personality." September we will meet again in the park for our annual picnic. Lynnore and Chris are planning special games and prizes for our Birthday Party, Picnic and Christmas Party. I am only listing a few highlights for programs and events. Each month will be interesting. Mark your calendars for the second Monday of each month so you don't miss out. Cheryl Tuschhoff has arranged Workshops to go along with several of our guest speakers. More details will be listed in your 2012 membership handbook.

Mary Green, our Retreat Chairman, has been working hard to finalize plans for our annual Retreat to Kentucky Dam Village State Resort. If you have never been on this retreat, there is no time like this year to attend. This will be the Guild's fifteenth year going to Kentucky Lake to meet with friends for several days of quilting fun. Please contact Mary for more information and details.

Looking forward to seeing everyone at the meeting, February 13, 2012.

Sally Miller

P.S. Again, if you have any questions or comments, please call me at 243-7565 or email [mamslm@swbell.net](mailto:mamslm@swbell.net).

  
**Small Groups**  
Have you ever thought about joining or forming a small group of quilters? There are several going on right now and offer a good way to get to know ladies in the guild. Typically, they meet weekly or monthly and work on a variety of projects. Of course, your group would set its own rules. Think about it. Talk to your friends or other ladies in the guild. These groups form close relationships as well as having lots of fun.  


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**FEBRUARY PROGRAM:**

*We are very fortunate to have so much talent in our Guild. The February Program will be presented by one of our new members, Linda Gast. Linda will share with us her quilting story and quilts.*

**FEBRUARY FAT QUARTER:** *Civil War Reproduction*

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**Sept 22 & 23, 2012 RHQG Quilt Show**

Theme: Dresden Plate

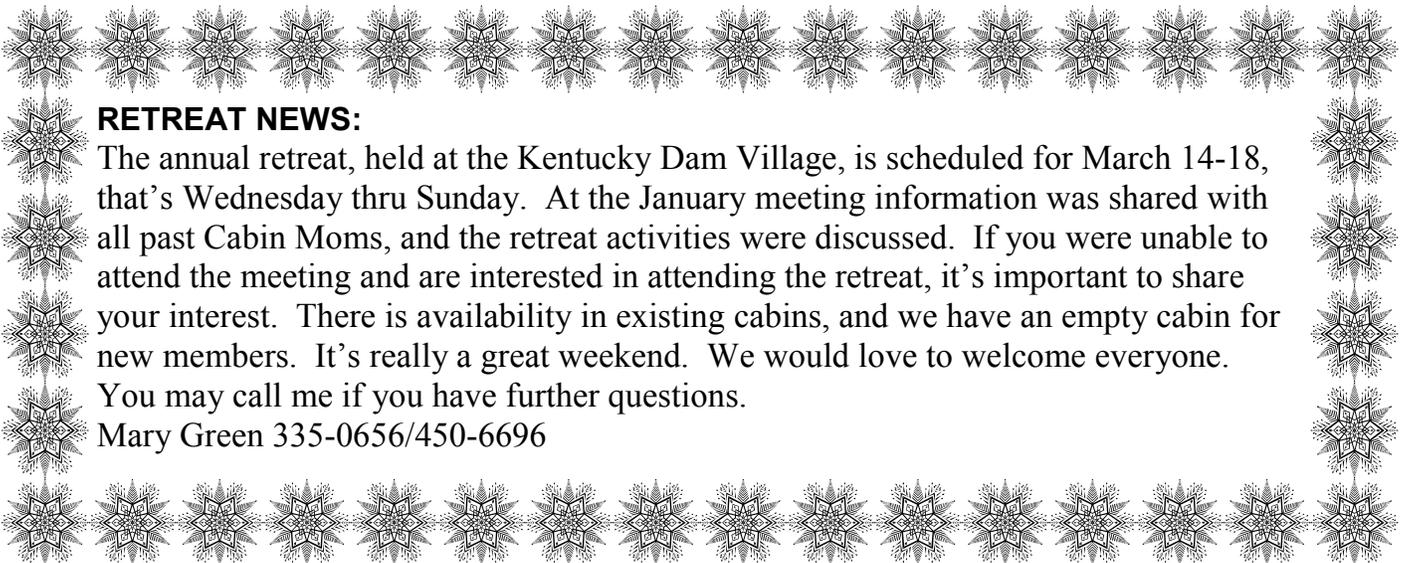
The theme quilt should measure: Minimum perimeter 96 in. or maximum perimeter 192 in., i.e., no larger than 48"x48" or no smaller than 24"x24". If you are wanting to win one of the beautiful ribbons, this might be the category for you as there usually aren't too many entries. The two group quilt categories are the ones with the most entries, so increase your chances for winning a ribbon by entering other categories.

The information on the quilt show is on the website, as well as the entry applications.

There are several committees that you can join, namely: hospitality, setup and take down. We will have the Opportunity Quilt displayed so there will need to be ladies available for that. In the coming months you will hear from each of the committee chairs and what is needed for her committee. We are looking forward to yet one more fabulous Quilt Show. Please direct all questions to Madeline Gieselman and later on to the committee chairs.

**SUE NICKELS WORKSHOP:**

The National Quilt Museum March 22-24, 2012, is hosting Sue Nickels' workshop "Folk Garden Sampler." Registration is limited. She will be teaching easy raw edge machine appliqué and folk art style appliqué just to name a few. She used these techniques to create the "The Beetles Quilt" and "The Space Quilt." Both are in the Museum's collection and available for viewing.

**RETREAT NEWS:**

The annual retreat, held at the Kentucky Dam Village, is scheduled for March 14-18, that's Wednesday thru Sunday. At the January meeting information was shared with all past Cabin Moms, and the retreat activities were discussed. If you were unable to attend the meeting and are interested in attending the retreat, it's important to share your interest. There is availability in existing cabins, and we have an empty cabin for new members. It's really a great weekend. We would love to welcome everyone.

You may call me if you have further questions.

Mary Green 335-0656/450-6696

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REMINDER: Please renew your membership as soon as possible. Renewal forms will be available at the meeting or on the website at [www.riverquilters.org](http://www.riverquilters.org). Renewals must be received by the February meeting to be included in the 2012 membership handbook. Dues are \$12.00 per year. Mailing address is: RHQG, PO Box 1905, Cape Girardeau, MO 63702-1905.

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**River Heritage Quilt Guild Minutes for January 9, 2012:**



On January 9, 2012, at 6:30 President Sally Miller called the guild meeting to order at the Cape Girardeau Public Library in Cape Girardeau, Missouri, with 75 members and 9 visitors present. Last month's minutes were approved after a motion was made by Maxine Michel and seconded by Carol Gallaher.

January Birthdays: Nancy East, Darlene Jackson, Frances Scales, Nancy Craft, Mary Peters, Pat Leech, and Martha Haertling

In an effort to familiarize the guild members with the 2012 slate of officers and board members, President Sally Miller gave a brief introduction of herself and asked each officer and board member to also do so.

Darla Snider announced the Cancer Society is needing pillows again. She passed out several patterns. Pillows can be dropped off locally at the Cancer Society or brought to her.

Nancy East announced Community Projects will be cancelled for the winter months of January, February, and March and will begin again in April on the first and third Monday. All are invited to participate.

Correspondence Chair Donna Irwin needs members' email addresses. If she does not have yours, please contact her.

Newsletter Chair Cindy Spaeth asked for anyone not receiving the newsletter to inform her so arrangements can be made to get you connected.

Opportunity Quilt Chair Jeanette Buchheit is working on ideas for this year's quilt and invited members to let her know any ideas they may have.

Pattern of the Month Chair Pat Smith indicated this project will be discussed at the Board Retreat with more information to follow at the February meeting.

Quilt Show 2012 will be September 22-23 according to Madeline Gieselman. Theme is the Dresden Plate.

Mary Green, Retreat Chair, announced this year's retreat at Kentucky Dam Village is March 14-18. There are 8 cabins reserved at this time. If you are interested in attending, please see Mary.

Board Retreat is scheduled for January 21-22 at Shadow Rest in Cape Girardeau.

Fons and Porter subscriptions can be given to Treasurer Glenda Nations. Cost is \$20 with a portion of that coming back to the guild. Each subscriber will receive 3 spools of thread and two quilt booklets.

Membership Chair Lynne Taylor needs each new member to pick up a new member packet.

Drawings: Name Tag--Carolyn Andrews; Attendance Prize—Frances Scales; Fat Quarters (28)—Nancy Bishop; Cash for Stash (\$42)—Nancy Pleimann

Show and Tell: Mary Belle Dohogne (Golden Thimble Award), Mary Peters, Clara Friese (2), Nancy Pleimann (2), Regina Tucker, Lynnore Meyer, Anastasia Gonzales (Golden Scissors Award), Carolyn Andrews (2), and Betty Meyer

Program: An impressive collection of quilts showcased during a bed turning helped Viva Pope tell her Quilt Story. She informed us after awing us with all her quilts that she didn't start using a rotary cutter until 2004 and her favorite sewing machine is a cheap Wal-Mart Singer. Her quilts included appliqué, embellishments, and pieced quilts. One of her quilts was made from her mother's clothes and hankies. She also had a collection of craft items (dolls, doll clothes, pin cushions, frayed lap quilts, etc.) for sale.

Respectfully submitted, Betty Meyer, Secretary

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COMFORT QUILTS: The Guild presented quilts to Patty Lessmann, Joycelyn Kasten, and Linda Tansil.

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**THANK YOU:**

- 1) On behalf of Birthright I would like to thank you for the quilts. They're quite lovely & will make such great additions to the layettes. —Birthright Volunteer
  - 2) We wanted to thank you for the generous gift to our facility. We gave them out as Christmas gifts and were a big hit! So many of them are on beds and cribs all over the cottages, too. Thank you so much for the tangible gifts of love for our clients. What a special gift! — Family Counseling Center
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## COMMUNITY PROJECTS:

Community projects is looking for volunteers who have a long arm to provide quilting for Community Projects. Nothing fancy needed. Contact Nancy East. Get togethers will begin again 3/19 and held the first and third Mondays of the month from 9 a.m.-2/3 p.m. Bring a lunch, no need for machines, and get acquainted!

A NOTE FROM VICKIE: Retirement gets better every day, but boy is it exhausting!!!!

Last week I visited three local guilds, this week two guilds, and a quilt shop closing. The store opened at 10 a.m. and I got there at 9 a.m. The line had already started to form and by the time it was open I couldn't see the end of it. One lady in the front of the line fell off the curb so the fire truck/ambulance arrived and whisked her away (she didn't even get to shop). When the door finally opened, they only let 25 women at a time come in. The first lady out shouted to the group.....it's only 10% off! I've never seen such an angry mob of women; they started leaving as fast as they lined up.

My favorite guild does something that I thought was very nice. They assign a member to you and for the first three months they call you, invite you to lunch, tell you in detail about their guild, call to remind you about local events, and sit with you the first three months to make you feel welcome. My lady and I have already gone to lunch, then we liked each other so much, that our husbands and I went dancing Friday night!

The guild meets once a month for a meeting which is similar to ours, but then they also meet once a month for a workshop. At these workshops they have guests come in, but also the members teach classes; then a couple of times a year it is just a 'come and sew on UFO's'. They meet in a church so they have a coffee pot, frig, etc. handy. I'll probably join this one.

I also made 40 little dresses this week for my church here to take to Haiti and ordered me the Koala quilter's cabinet for my machine.....goodbye to the den, hello to my new sewing room!

I miss you all.....Vickie

## Fons & Porter's Love of Quilting Magazine

It is time again to order a new or renew a subscription through the guild to Fons & Porter's Love of Quilting Magazine.

By ordering through the guild at this special one year subscription rate of \$20, you will receive **FIVE FREE BONUS GIFTS: *Fons & Porter's Best Scrap Quilts Booklet, Top 10 Quick Gifts Booklet,* and *THREE FREE Spools of Sulky Thread.*** To order your subscription a special sign-up sheet will be available at the February and March meetings. The sign-up sheet will be located by Treasurer Glenda Nations. Make your check payable to RHQG (River Heritage Quilt Guild) for \$20.00. This fee is separate from your membership dues. (*Five dollars of the proceeds stays in our Guild.*)

## RHQG TREASURER'S REPORT

31-Jan-12

<b>Month Beginning Cash Balance</b>	\$ 8,070.22			
<b>Income</b>		January	Year to Date	Budgeted
Stash for Cash (50/50)		\$ 42.00	\$ 42.00	
Dues		\$ 480.00	\$ 480.00	
Opportunity Quilt				
Special Events				
Guild Retreat				
Fons & Porter				
Quilt Show				
Miscellaneous - sale of yearbook				
Miscellaneous - sale of pin		\$ 5.00	\$ 5.00	
Miscellaneous - standard rental				
<b>Total Income</b>		\$ 527.00	\$ 527.00	
<b>Expenses</b>				
Programs		\$ 78.70	\$ 78.70	
Membership				
Hospitality				
Website				
Newsletter		\$ 194.80	\$ 194.80	
Yearbook				
Opportunity Quilt				
Special Events				
Community Projects				
Pattern of the Month				
Administrative Expenses		\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	
Storage for Standards		\$ 180.00	\$ 180.00	
P. O. Box				
Fons & Porter				
Guild Retreat				
Board Retreat		\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	
Room Rental				
NQA Officers' Memberships				
Quilt Show				
Miscellaneous Expenses				
Quilt Guild Cookbook				
<b>Total Expenses</b>		\$ 703.50	\$ 703.50	
<b>Certificate of Deposit</b>	\$ 5,221.81			
<b>Month Ending Cash Balance</b>	\$ 7,893.72			
<b>Balance</b>	\$ 13,115.53			

# Quilt Shows and Other News

**Find a quilt show: <http://www.quiltguilds.com/february.htm>**

## **HOMESTEAD ACT'S 150TH ANNIVERSARY AT BEATRICE, NEBRASKA:**

“One Stitch at a Time”—Wrap yourself up in the history of America as it’s seen through the eyes of a quilter. Twenty two inspirational patterns that make up the “Quilt Discovery Experience” will be unveiled at the Homestead National Monument of America’s (HNMA) 150th anniversary of the Homestead Act on 4/28/12. HNMA is a unit of the National Park Service located 4 miles west of Beatrice, Nebraska. Hours Mon-Fri 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m. and 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Weekends. Free admission. For more information call 402-223-3514 or visit <http://www.nps.gov/home/index.htm>.

## **DOGWOOD FESTIVAL AT SILOAM SPRINGS, ARKANSAS:**

Held April 27-29, 2012, they are placing special emphasis on arts and crafts. They’re looking for craftspeople to demonstrate the processes used to create their items in their booth during the festival. A limited number of booths will be provided at no cost to those chosen, otherwise booths will be provided at the normal cost. For more information contact Eddie Loyd at 479-524-4343 ext. 302 or visit website at <http://www.siloamchamber.com/dogwood-festival>.

## **MSQG ANNUAL MEETING:**

4/13-14/12 in Hannibal, MO. Carla Gowers will give a propeller block workshop/Friday evening. Setting ideas and truck show/Saturday. Catered luncheon. Hickory Stick Quilt Shop. Hannibal Piecemakers Quilt Show the same weekend. See Sally Miller or Madeline Gieselman for details.

—Dear Quilting Sisters, Thank you for the gift to the Endowment Fund at Saxony High School in memory of my husband, Ken. His memory will live on in scholarships to needy students. —Joycelyn Kasten.

—From Saxony Lutheran High School (SLHS): Thank you for your donation in memory of Kenny Kasten. This gift along with many others will help as we continue to hold true to the mission of SLHS.

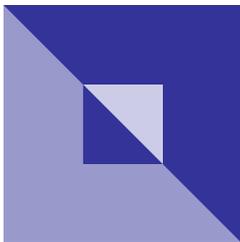
## **SAFE HOUSE FOR WOMEN:**

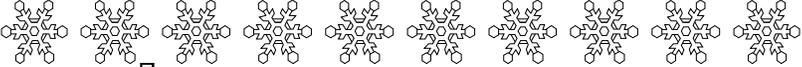
We want to thank RHQG for your donation of four items to our Silent Auction on 10/18/11.

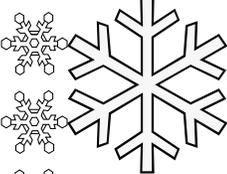
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## **ONE BLOCK WONDER**

Does everyone who attended the One Block Wonder workshop have their quilts completed??? Hope so; we will be showing them in July!!!

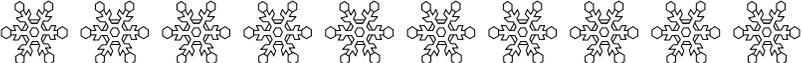






### **Inclement Weather News**

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 in turn contact each officer. Guild members are responsible for contacting an officer for information concerning cancellation of a meeting. The President will attempt to get a message to Donna Irwin, Corr. Chair.; however, she may not be able to get that out. We do not want members risking injury or accident to get to a meeting. Please use good judgment when considering driving conditions.



# FEBRUARY 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<i>NO Community Projects meetings in February.</i>			1 <i>*Carol Gallaher</i>	2	3 <i>*Melody Loveless</i>	4
5	6	7 <i>* Nancy Bishop</i>	8	9	10	11 <i>*Deanna Easley *Betty Brooks</i>
12 <i>Tomorrow is the deadline to rejoin in time to be in the Yearbook.</i>	13 <i>GUILD MEETING 6:00 social time 6:30 Guild Mtg.</i>	14 <i>*Mary Beth Parrish</i>	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25 <i>*Melody Morton</i>
26 <i>*Betty Kuss</i>	27	28	29			

## FOR HIRE:

### RHQG "HEART" PIN:

If you did not receive one when you joined the Guild, please contact Lynne Taylor.

We are compiling a list of persons who do the following for hire:

- 1) hand quilting
- 2) long arm
- 3) embroidery, and/or
- 4) alterations

Please contact Sally Miller.

**2012 Officers**

**President**—Sally Miller

**Vice President**—Lynnore Meyer and Chris Ludwig

**Secretary**—Betty Meyer

**Treasurer**—Glenda Nations

**Historian**—Madeline Gieselman

**2012 Committee Chairman**

**Audit**—Barb Miller

**Community Projects**—Nancy East

**Correspondence**—Donna Irwin

**Hospitality**—Harriet Martin

**Membership**—Lynne Taylor

**Newsletter/Yearbook**—Cindy Spaeth

**Opportunity Quilt**—Jeanette Buchheit

**Opportunity Quilt Ticket Sales**—Merle Deneke

**Pattern of the Month**—Pat Smith

**Publicity**—Ravan Simms

**Quilt Show**—Madeline Gieselman

**Retreat**—Mary Green

**Special Events**—Cheryl Tuschhoff

**Website**—Linda Tansil

**Upcoming Guild Activities....**

**Social Time**

6:00 p.m.

**Guild Meeting**

2/13/12, 6:30 pm

**Kentucky Lake Retreat**

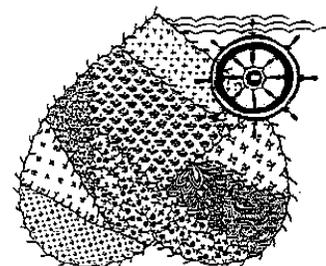
March 14—18, 2012

**Quilt Show**

**2012**

Theme: Dresden Plate

Please send all information to be published in the newsletter by the 20th of the previous month to Cindy Spaeth at [QuiltnCS@aol.com](mailto:QuiltnCS@aol.com). If your email address changes, send an email to Donna Irwin.



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