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## Heritage Quilters Guild Newsletter

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### President's Letter

#### Hi Quilting Friends,

Autumn is finally upon us. We love cooler weather and the beautiful colors of fall. Hopefully you are able to spend more time at your sewing machine these days. The cooler weather gives us more incentive to make a quilt or complete projects that have been sitting idle all summer.

We are grateful for our members and their generosity of their time and talent. This coming quilting year will be very busy. The good news is that we have two generous members, Karen Edgar and Laura Raczek, who have volunteered to be co-chairpersons for our 2022 Quilt Show. Be sure to see their article elsewhere in this newsletter and please be ready and willing to help them by volunteering to be on a committee. The Quilt Show is an important activity for our Guild and we sincerely hope that we will all work together to make this show the best ever. Keep working on your quilts to enter in the show.

Another event we are anticipating is the "Yard" Garage Sale scheduled for Saturday, November 13. (A spin-off of the "All things Quilt Sale with a different twist.) This will be a great opportunity for you to do some fall cleaning and reorganizing of your sewing rooms. See the "Save the Date" article elsewhere in this newsletter. (page 2)

We look forward to seeing everyone at our next meeting on Tuesday, October 12 at 7PM.

Kathy and Judy

## **SAVE THE DATE**

On November 13 we are planning on having a “yard” Garage-type sale. This would be at the VFW similar to the “All things Quilt Sale” of a few years ago. Any member who would like to sell any quilting or sewing items can reserve a round table for \$10. This would help offset the cost of the hall rental. If you wish to participate you would be responsible for the items you want to sell and for your set up and take down. You get to keep whatever funds you collect.x

The guild will be offering for sale the remainder of the donated fabric, introduced to you on Sept 14th, at a slightly higher price than at the members only sale. We will need some helpers to set up the fabric tables and help to monitor the sale. There will be more information and a volunteer sign-up sheet at the October meeting.

**In order for this activity to happen we need your help.**  
**Please consider volunteering.**

## **HOSPITALITY REPORT**

Thank you to all those who brought goodies to our September meeting.

Just a reminder, if you signed up to bring snacks for the October meeting, they should be pre-packaged or individually wrapped.

See you on the 12th

Nancy O'Connor

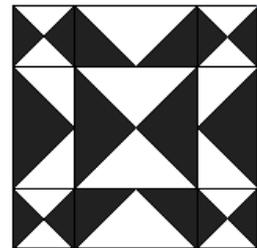
The Block Lottery for October is the Abstraction block..

Since we are in October and all things Halloweenie, I am suggesting that you make this block with black and orange fabrics in whatever order you wish. Get creative and show us what you've got!

The rules are simple. You make a block in the suggested color scheme and bring it to the Guild meeting, you turn it in to Bobbie Molony at the meeting and you get a raffle ticket. If you wish to make more than one block, you will get a raffle ticket for each block that you turn in. 2 blocks will get you 2 tickets, 3 blocks = 3 tickets, and so forth. There is no limit to what you can turn in.

If you really like this block, you can stuff the ballot box!

Here is the link to the pattern [Abstraction \(quilterscache.com\)](http://quilterscache.com)



## Personal News in the Guild

This column will be for anyone with personal news or prayer requests for anyone that wishes to share.

Our sincere condolences go out to Dianna Douglas on the death of her father, Edward Viola, who passed away on September 13. May he rest in eternal peace.

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### MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Our guild has two new members this month. Paula Kmetty and Chris Willis. They are both interested in helping on the HQG Quilt Show committee. Make sure you stop by at the next meeting to introduce yourself and welcome them to our guild. We have also had a few members renew for the year so our current membership count is now 76.

The new Membership Directory is currently being updated. A print copy will be distributed as soon as it is available.

Thanks,  
Karen Simnick, Membership Chair

### Treasurer's Report from Judy McCune

Balance	8/24, 2021		\$21,665.45
<b>Deposits</b>			
Strip sets sold		150.00	
Dues		125.00	
Programs 10/12 and 11/9		240.00	
Veteran Quilts Gift		100.00	
Fabric Sale Fabric		725.00	
Total Deposits			+ \$1,340.00
<b>Expenses</b>			
Start up for fabric sale		\$200.00	
Veteran Quilts thread		26.18	
Opportunity Quilt Fabric		37.27	
Total Expenses			- \$263.45
September 28, 2021 Balance			\$ 22,742.00



## OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

2 - Dorothy Huber  
 9 - Nancy O'Connor  
 14—Andi Tomasik  
 20—Marie Blunk  
 21—Gail Stepanek

## WORKSHOP SCHEDULE 2021—2022

October 12, Coleen Merte will be teaching us her paper pieced pattern Spectrum. The sample quilt has been on display at various get togethers over the summer and most recently at the September meeting. Sign up continues. Currently we have 12 members enrolled.

November 9—Sally Mancke- We will be doing a Landscape quilt with Sally Mancke. The supply list has arrived and is available to those who have signed up. Currently we have 5 individuals signed up. We have plenty of room for additional members. Sally sent two beautiful sample quilts—they will be on display at further gatherings and at the November meeting. Please call to get you included in the worthwhile workshop!

February 8, 2022, Monique Jacobs has the Guild on her calendar—further details will be provided in the near future.

March 8, 2022—Catherine Redford—Catherine has the guild on her calendar—recently enjoyed a similar class with her in Naperville.

Penny Sturges—an email was sent to Penny on 9/13/21. We have contacted Pieces from the Heart Guild as we are to share expenses. Penny is coming from Arizona.

October and November 2022 are open dates. If anyone has suggestions, please contact either Becky Kamysz or Nancy Grizzle.

We are starting to think about our January 2022 Schoolhouse meeting. Can you teach us something?

If you have any questions, please text or call:  
 Becky Kamysz, Co First VP of Programs – 630-846-0561  
 Nancy Grizzle, Co First VP of Programs – 708-288-1291  
 Dianna Douglas, 2nd VP of Workshops – 815-210-5028

## QUILT SHOW—September 2022

Mark your calendar! Laura Raczek and I are your new quilt show chairs and are looking forward to working with all of the members of Heritage Quilt Guild. As we progress we will share all new information with you. We are looking forward to this adventure.

Karen Edgar and Laura Raczek

## HQG Quilt Retreat

The annual quilt retreat is back. We will have a quilt retreat on January 28-30 at the Carmelite Spiritual Center in Darien, IL. Cost will be \$220 for a double occupancy room. Single occupancy rooms are available for \$285. The fee includes 2 nights and 5 meals. Registration will begin at the October guild meeting with payment due at the time of registration. Masks are required in the common areas (hallways, bathrooms, and in the dining room when not eating). We do not need to wear masks in the sewing room. There are only 20 spaces available. I will take reservations in October and November. If you have a roommate, please let me know at the time of registration. After the November guild meeting any openings will be available for non-guild members. We always have a delightful time and hope that you can join us.

Marie Blunk

## VETERANS QUILTS

Our hope was to have the Veterans Quilts ready to distribute in November for Veterans Day. The VFW is not quite ready for us, and we are just a little shy of our goal. We have 11 done and ready to go! There are 6 more ready to be quilted and then bound! Kudo's to all of us!

We are making an attempt to give a quilt to each of the remaining servicemen at our local VFW, from the Viet Nam era. We are told that it would take about 20 quilts to accomplish this. We are doing well, having about 2/3's of the goal promised. If you are able to do any work on any of these quilts, it would be wonderful. You may only have 2 or 3 hours that you can give. We will take it! Let me know if you can help with any portion of the quilts. Working on the quilt top, doing some free motion quilting, or doing a binding. All of these would be helpful. If we all give an afternoon or so, we can get them done!

Please call me to plan what we can do. Judy Gaines 815 545-2938.

Social Quilting on the 28th of September was great fun.

I am sorry I have no pictures to share, but everyone seemed to be having a good time.

For Social Quilting on October 26th we have no one to teach something simple and fast. If you know of a project like that please give me a call.

Bobbie Molony 815 258-5859

## SOS CHRISTMAS STOCKINGS

### School Supplies

We were overwhelmed by the amount of supplies donated at the last meeting. Thank you. Now we have a good supply for this coming Christmas. Donations will still be accepted at the October meeting and can always be saved for the next year if not used this year.

**PILLOW CASES:** Thanks to all who have made them! We are all set for this year. If you still have some kits to be made, they can be turned in at the October meeting.

**STOCKING SEWING:** Thanks to Rose Ojermark and Patty Murphy-Weierman for helping committee members cut out all the stockings on September 18th.

We will need lots of help on Saturday, October 16th at 10:00 AM to sew the stockings together. If you can spare a couple of hours, it would be greatly appreciated. You will need to bring: Sewing machine, neutral thread, straight pins and a pinking rotary blade if you have one.

**OTHER NEEDS:** In our attempt to make the stockings more age appropriate, we are hoping for donations of:

Socks (all sizes)  
Gloves/mittens  
Chapstick or the like  
Small packages of healthy snacks  
Small memo pads  
Baby bibs

Not immediately needed but can use:  
Novelty Christmas or Novelty Winter quilt fabric  
Novelty pillowcase fabric.

**Thanks for always being so generous.**



## Quilt Update for SOS

1. We have 22 finished quilts of various sizes in hand and 6 tops being quilted as you read this.

So you can see our supply is good right now with thanks to all of you currently and over the last several years. We still have several boxes of tops and backings stored at SOS that will need to be quilted during the rest of this year... and we have the batting purchased to do that.

2. Quilts for the future. We know many of you like to be working ahead on SOS quilts. We would like to set some size guide lines as follows:

Maximum width: 60 inches.

Maximum length: 72 inches

Keep on sewing and simply store them at your house until we begin collecting again.

If you need batting so you can get the quilting done, give us a call at 815-267-7911 (Martha), or 815-258-7020 (Marie) or 815-768-9346 (Gail) and we will arrange for you to get the batting in hand.

We have been sharing our donated guild quilts with other organizations in addition to SOS Children's Village (Lockport. This past year those places would include:

The Resource Center (Lockport)  
 Misericordia Home (Chicago) and  
 Sunny Hill Nursing Home (Joliet)

Please join us on Saturday, October 16 at SOS at 10:00 AM for the sewing of the Christmas Stockings!

Thanks again. Your generosity is inspiring!

Martha Sayles and Marie Blunk

(see Gail Stepanek's information about the stockings on page 6 of this newsletter.)

