



HHQ NEWS

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Program Calendar:

March 19, 2022 Hybrid Meeting: 9:00 - 9:30 social. 9:30 -10:15 business meeting. 10:15 to 10:30 break. 10:30 Presenter: **Sue Heinz** will present "You've Got a Friend Named Elmer". Sue will show you how you can without any pins, clips or gadgets:

- Have guaranteed seam alignment
- Perfect pattern matching
- Easily piece circles
- Eliminate bias stretch
- Create unique borders, patterns and more.

Lunch Bunch: Please join the Lunch and Bunch at *Pier 500* located at 500 1st Street, Hudson after the meeting. This restaurant has great food and the atmosphere is casual and comfortable. We are hoping you can join us. Nancy Lyslo and Mary Hintenach

April 2022: No meeting

May 21, 2022 Hybrid Meeting: 9:00 - 9:30 am social. 9:30 -10:15 am business meeting. 10:15 to 10:30 am break. 10:30 am Presenter: **Lori Kennedy--"Easy Machine Quilting"**: Have a stack of unfinished quilt tops waiting to be quilted? Do the words "quilt as desired" strike fear in YOUR heart? If so, you are not alone! Join quilting expert, Lori Kennedy as she walks you through the process of transforming your unfinished quilts tops into priceless heirlooms. It's easy with her step-by-step techniques. You'll learn how to choose the right quilt design for your skill level. She'll help you navigate through the wide array of batting, thread and techniques available. In this fun and fast paced lecture you will gain the confidence and inspiration to free motion quilt all of your own quilt tops with personal designs and fun motifs!

June 2022 Bus Tour: Replaces meeting. MN Quilters Association Annual Quilt Show. See Details below

Format for Hybrid Meetings: Prior to 9:30 and during the break, the church meeting room's Zoom connection will be on mute. At the church, there will be a PC which will display the zoom on the wall and speaker equipment for the room. While the guest speaker is on, everyone else will be muted. Karen Nelson will monitor the zoom chat

Reservation process for 'In Person' attendance: 18 "In Person" attendees can attend meetings at Mt. Zion Church. Any members on the waiting list from the previous meeting will be offered "In Person" attendance first. Then during the week of the meeting, an email will be sent to all members inviting attendance. Open slots will be assigned on first come, first serve basis. Any additional names will be placed on the next meeting list.

Show-n-Tell: Members are encouraged to share their latest *projects-n-finds* during the *Show-n-Tell* section of monthly HHQ zoom meetings. Send .jpeg photos (avoid "live" i-phone pictures) to the HudsonHeritageQuilters@gmail.com. Phyllis Albert will curate. She will share photos while members narrate.

Events, Ongoing Meetings & Connections:

2022 Quilt Retreat Summary by Anita Cole:

Thank you to everyone who attended the HHQ retreat, for adapting to the weather, to the travel conditions and to the last-minute early arrival date. A special thank you to Lennet, Linda Wilson, Pat Eid, and Karen Reed for providing a couple meals. Also, thanks to Chris Daly for allowing us to show up a day early because of the predicted blizzard.

Due to the overwhelmingly positive response of attendees, we are planning another retreat next year - same place, same time of year. **Woodland Ridge Retreat has been reserved for February 21-26, 2023.** Deposits will be due six months in advance with the remaining balance due a month prior to the event. Watch for an email sometime in July to have your name added to the guest list.

Note: Attendees would like to thank Anita for graciously organizing the retreat and ensuring all went smoothly. The retreat was a resounding success.

HHQ Bus Tour: MN Quilters Association's Annual Quilt Show:

Hudson Heritage Quilters invites you to join them on a Road Trip to the MN Quilters Association's annual Quilt Show in St Cloud MN. The motorcoach will leave from the Hudson Park & Ride (by Target) on Thursday June 16th at 8:30. The trip to St Cloud will take us about two hours. That's two hours of fun with lots of other quilters!! Once we arrive at the convention center's FRONT DOOR, we will be greeted by staff from the MN Quilters and have our hand stamped. We will then proceed directly into the show! No finding a parking spot, walking to the convention center or waiting in line for a ticket, or access to the show floor!!

There will be hundreds of quilts to view and over 30 vendors to shop. Lunch can be found in the Convention center, or in nearby downtown St Cloud. (a list of restaurants will be provided). We will meet back at the bus at 3:30 for the ride home and to go over all of our purchases and share what we learned!! We'll arrive back in Hudson at about 5:30. Since we will be in a Motorcoach, there will be LOTS of room to store all your purchases as well!!

The cost for the trip is \$50. This will include the bus trip, driver tip and our fees to enter the show itself. We have room on the bus for up to 54 people. Once that roster is full, we will maintain a wait list. COVID policy. Currently (Feb 22,2022) MN Quilters Assoc policy is as follows: *Proof of full vaccination against COVID-19 and masks are required to attend any event where close contact is required. Masks that securely cover the nose and mouth (no bandanas or neck gaiters) are required in the building.* However, the event is four months out and these policies are subject to change based on evolving city, state and CDC guidelines. We will keep you posted.

To Register: Contact Deb Barron at redbarnfarmwi@gmail.com with the number of people you would like to register. Checks for registration are to be made out to **Hudson Heritage Quilters** and mailed to **Deb Barron, HHQ Registration**, N7348 County Road QQ, Prescott, WI, 54021. Registration is not confirmed until payment has been received. Currently registration is being restricted to HHQ members and friends, however, after April 1st, registrations will be open to anyone. There are a limited number of seats available on the bus – Get Yours NOW!!! (If the show or the trip is cancelled all funds will be returned)

If you have any questions, feel free to contact Deb Barron at redbarnfarmwi@gmail.com

Sew 'n- So Applique Group: **Second Wednesday of every month at 9am via Zoom.** This applique group is open to all members and friends. Benefits include friendship and the sharing of many tips from others. If you have not signed up, please contact Arlene, ajfranz928@hotmail.com, to get added to the notification email. Sponsor/Host: Arlene Franz.

Woolies Group: Do you like to work with wool? Want to learn some new stitches? We are starting a new group - HHQ Woolies - and will be meeting on the **first Thursday of the month at 10:00am at Buddy's Bakery**, 800 Carmichael Rd, Hudson, WI 54016. Join us if you're interested. If you have any questions feel free to contact Deb Barron at redbarnfarmwi@gmail.com

Board Meeting Minutes: January/February meetings:

- Financial Reports (Show reports, 2021 final, 2022-2023 proposed Budget)
- Programs/meetings
- Bus trip
- Updates to the By-laws

HHQ This and That

Partnership with the Octagon House

As you know, I volunteer at the Octagon House and they have asked me to categorize their quilts. I am looking for anyone that has an interest in volunteering to help with this project.

The project is to explore each quilt: measure it, identify and connect any information about, inspect it for any needed repairs and anything else of note about the quilt. There is some information to start with either in a database or reference books.

Typically, we would meet on Mondays in the gift shop, starting around 10 and allotting as much time as you are able. In case you aren't familiar with where the Octagon House is, it is on 3rd and Myrtle streets in Hudson.

For more information or to volunteer as much or as little as you are able, please contact me by phone or text at 651-334-8561 or lrstraub.sewitseams@gmail.com.

Join the HHQ Technology Committee!

Like many organizations during the pandemic, HHQ replaced in-person activities with virtual events — and we recognize that technology has not always been our friend.

Our newly-established Technology Committee is looking for tech-savvy members who want to help us keep up with technical advances! No special experience required.

By joining, you will influence and implement technology plans, support the Guild's electronics needs (such as Zoom) and serve as a resource for other members.

Contact Erica Vranak (erica.vranak@gmail.com or 262-705-5514) or HudsonHeritageQuilters@gmail.com.

Blue Quilts Needed:

Barbara Gagliardi is looking to borrow blue quilts for **St. Patrick's Catholic Church Spring Event** on May 12th in Hudson. Please contact her at bsvgagliardi@gmail.com or 715-441-9150, if you are willing to share.

Membership Corner: Current membership 61 members.

Do you know someone who has interest in joining our quilt guild? Direct them to our website for guild information. Have them click on the Contact Tab to request membership information about joining our guild. We will then respond with all the necessary information about joining HHQ.

Address-Phone-Email Updates: Please check the latest membership directory you received to make sure your information is accurate. Update HHQ with any changes in your address, phone or email by contacting Gena Hartmon at mghartmon@gmail.com.

New Members: Welcome!! We are honored that you chose to join the HHQ.

Cathrine Elziinga of Hudson heard about HHQ from attending several of the guild's quilt shows. She describes herself as an intermediate quilter, but has been quilting [or making UFO's] since the 90's. Since retiring a few years ago, she's been working to finish projects, improve her hand and machine quilt stitching. She follows in her Grandmother's footsteps as a quilter, but is the first to pick up the quilting bug again in her family.

Mary Gosse of New Richmond joined HHQ in November. Deb describes herself as an intermediate quilter and has been quilting on and off for 25 years. Now that she's retired from being a full-time chaplain, she is hoping to spend more time quilting. She's ready to reach beyond the basics, to learn and be challenged.

Maryann Anderson of rural River Falls also came to know HHQ through the quilt show. She got her start with a table topper class at Top Stitchery and classifies herself as a beginning quilter. She loves to craft and finds quilting a great way to keep working her brain and expanding her knowledge.

Gretchen Monahan of Hudson joined the guild after visiting the 2021 HHQ quilt show. Another intermediate quilter, Gretchen began quilting over 20 years ago, inspired by a co-worker who hand-stitched quilts during downtime. Now Gretchen is busy raising kids along with being married to her best friend for 23 years. She's worked in law enforcement for 26 years, but returns to quilting as her passion. After recovering from making a mammoth King-sized One Block Wonder quilt, she returns to quilting, learning new skills and reinvigorated.

HHQ LIBRARY AVAILABLE FOR MEMBERS

The Library holdings have been downsized to 9 historical books. Please contact our librarian, Gena Hartmon (mghartmon@gmail.com) if you would like to check out a book. Arrangements can be made to meet or drop off a book at your home. The titles are:

- American Quilt Story
- Carrie Hall Blocks
- Dating Fabric
- Encyclopedia of Pieced Quilt Patterns
- Forget Me Not a Gallery of Friendship and Album Quilts
- Minnesota Quilts
- Standard book of Quilting and Collecting
- Treasury of American Quilts
- Wisconsin Quilts

Charity Opportunities

Comfort Quilters —Comfort Quilters meets the first and third Monday of each month at Warren Town Hall, 720 112th Street, Roberts, WI. Bring your own project or sew on one we supply. Bring your own lunch/snack/beverage, power strip/extensions cords and all equipment you think you may need (sewing machine, scissors, cutting mat, etc.). We sew for a variety of agencies and needs in St. Croix County. Feel free to bring a friend. Questions? Contact Kathy Miller, 715-749-3508 or kwmiller69@gmail.com for more information.

We Do Feet: an outreach program associated with Trinity Lutheran Church, Hudson. They would like 45"x60" toddler size quilts. These are given with toddler beds to families in need. Contact Nancy Gavin (715) 386-3513 for more information. Quilts could also be dropped off with Nancy for delivery. Nancy Gavin, 715-307-2833, 625 Spruce Drive, Hudson, WI 54016

Teen Parent Services: a program of the Minneapolis Public Schools that provides pre-natal and parenting education for teen mothers. Baby quilts (~40" X 50") along with companion children's books are accepted for donation. The books encourage the teen mothers to read to their child. These donations will be accepted at any of our guild meetings. Contact Debbie Johnson 715-245-3187.

Quilts for Lutheran World Relief: Mt. Zion Lutheran Quilter meet the 2nd Tuesday of each month 9-11am. These quilters make 60" x 80" quilt with (48) 10 ½ inch squares for Lutheran World Relief. Ways to support their quilt ministry:

- Donate yardage for backing fabric (4 yards never been used yardage preferably washed)
- Provide (48) 10 1/2" blocks for a quilt top (cut accurately)
- Provide and sew quilt top according to their specific measurements 6 blocks wide by 8 blocks long
- A few HHQ members would be welcomed at their meetings each month. They pin the quilt sandwich and tie with baby yarn. No sewing is done at monthly gathering.
- Bring specific items for donation to any HHQ Meeting and Gena Hartmon will deliver to Mt. Zion Quilters.

CONTACT INFORMATION

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