



# Heritage Happenings

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## Notes from the Co-First Vice Presidents

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### TECHNIQUES--TECHNIQUES--TECHNIQUES!!!

Taking an intricately pieced block and simplifying it by using machine/hand appliqué technique. "Pieced appliqué eliminates inset points and curves from even the most complicated blocks. Quilts and blocks you may never have considered are now not only possible but a breeze." Penny Haren, [pennyharen.com](http://pennyharen.com), will be guiding you through-----But if you don't sign up for the Fri., March 9, workshop you won't learn!! The sign up form is in this newsletter so send it in as soon as possible. Penny needs a count so she can provide as many kits as needed. When your registration form is received you will receive a supply list. There will be a \$10 kit fee, paid to Penny Haren at the workshop. So you won't need to buy fabric for this workshop.

There have been several changes in our schedule since the brochure was printed, so double check. The Penny Haren workshop is not Back to Basics but Perfect Points & Curves. The Feb. 9 program will be Mary Siriani's Trunk Show and the May 10 program will be Kay Nickols, [kaynickols.com](http://kaynickols.com).

It was disappointing that Gretchen Tatge, owner of Quilt'n Friends, was ill and unable to speak at the Jan. meeting. But thanks to Kathy Swantek and Diane LaDue for contacting Ruth Mc McCormick, [RUTHMCCORMICK.COM](http://RUTHMCCORMICK.COM), to fill in with her program on T-Shirt Quilts. Now you can "whip" one up for your kids or grandkids for graduation, this year or the next or the next-----.

Please check the web sites for Penny Haren and Kay Nickols so you will be familiar with their styles and classes.



### **January 2012 CLASSES at Ruth's Studio**

#### **Rent Me! Long Arm Quilting Class** –

Learn to use a genuine Gammill Long Arm quilting machine so that you can rent time to quilt YOUR quilts! Ruth will teach you how to load your quilt sandwich along with basic hand guided techniques. Charity quilt tops will be used to learn the basics. 4 hours training - \$75.00 – minimum two students  
Call Ruth McCormick at 248.375.1882 to schedule training time

# President's Prospective

Diane Ladue (dladue@comcast.net)

This year February is an extra special month for GLHQ. We have our own **Mary Sirianni** presenting a trunk show at guild on the 9th, followed by **Mystery Quilt Day** on the 11<sup>th</sup>, and last but not least our **20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Quilt Show** the 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>. How much fun it that? So clear your calendars, get plenty of rest, take a deep breath; *we are going to have so much fun.*

## “Silver Linings”, You Just Have To Look For Them

Bad things happen, it's just a fact of life. But isn't it amazing how there's almost always a silver lining to be found afterwards. Like when that pipe burst in my upstairs bathroom. I didn't want to remodel half my house, but it sure will be lovely when it's finally finished.

I have to admit there was some major panic setting in when we got the call the morning of our January meeting and learned that our speaker was ill. Gretchen Tatge, owner of Quilt n Friends, has supported our guild from day one, and I was really looking forward to her program. What would we do on such short notice? Fortunately, our guild is full of very clever members, and it only took a couple calls to work out our dilemma. Kathy Swanteck suggested Ruth McCormick. She was home, and even though she had a migraine she agreed to come. There was one little problem; she needed a computer projector for her presentation. We remembered that Aniko Feher used one for her presentation. One more phone call and Aniko generously agreed to let us use it. It was approximately one hour from when the problem arose until it was resolved. Amazing. The silver lining – a fabulous program on making t-shirt quilts. Ruth had so many ideas, tips, and examples that members now have all the tools we need to make fabulous quilts from all the t-shirts we've been collecting.

How many times have you run out of that must have fabric while working on a quilt and had to make a substitution that turns out to be just what that quilt needed to make it shine? The silver lining.

You planned a fabulous tropical vacation and your husband gets sick. The silver lining? You get to stay home and quilt. Okay, maybe that one doesn't qualify but you get what I mean. Next time something doesn't quite go the way you want it to, keep your eyes wide open, there's bound to be a silver lining just waiting to happen.

## Baby Quilt Sale for the February GLHQ Show at Canterbury

Jean Usner (jeanusner@gmail.com)

We now have over 20 quilts for the sale, but could use more. Please consider making a quilt to bring to the February meeting – or even to Mystery Quilt Day. We are not selling these quilts as bargains, but for what they are worth in materials and time. If a quilt does not sell, the person who donated it will get it back and can decide to keep it, or donate it to the Charity Committee. Among others quilts, I have donated the quilt I bought (for \$110) at Shipshewana in the mid 1990's. Although I had been sewing for over 40 years, I did not believe I could make a quilt. That quilt is nice, but not of the quality we GLHQ members make. People love to have a quilt when a baby is born into their family. I believe this sale will be a success.

# Charity

Karen Keller (karen@hyperwind.com) & the Charity Committee

Thank-you everyone for your generosity and for making our job so easy. We are very close to achieving our initial goals. The Royal Kids Camp quota of 96 quilts is in need of about 10 more quilts. The Oakland County Baby Shower goal of 25 Is in need of 12 more neutral baby quilts. Look for exciting news on our next charity project at the next meeting.

Our next charity sew day is March 22 at Nino Salvaggio's on Hall Road in Sterling Heights from nine to four. Everyone who attended the last event enjoyed the venue as well as the food. Hope to see you there.

Our next "charity quilt of the month" is a strip pieced scrappy called Row by Row. Look for patterns and kits.

We have several quilt tops that still need quilting. We are running low on fabric so if anyone would like to take a pattern home and make a kit this will earn you a ticket for our quilt drawing in June.

# Haven

Karen Whitney (whitney\_kirk@msn.com)

February Donation: Bath Towels and Valentine gifts (wrapped and labeled)

Over 450 diapers were donated in January plus other staples. Once again, thanks so much for your generosity. In addition to the February donations, HAVEN is looking for women's athletic socks. Also, if you have recently gotten a new cell phone, HAVEN is asking for donations to be used as a safe phone or to recycle to raise crucial funds for HAVEN services. You are making a difference in the lives of the 250 families now being supported by HAVEN.

# Challenge

Christine Reeves (christinevreeves@gmail.com)

This year's challenge is all about **WARMING UP TO WOOL!** We are asking members to make any project they like using wool material. I am sorry to say this means **no knitting**. The rules are simple you can make anything you would like and it must be at least 70% wool. Feel free to use both wool and cotton but the majority of the project needs to be wool. If you have any questions you can contact me at [christinevreeves@gmail.com](mailto:christinevreeves@gmail.com) or call me at 248-255-2159. I look forward to seeing our talented members work.



# GREAT LAKES HERITAGE QUILTERS PENNY HAREN WORKSHOP

[www.pennyharen.com](http://www.pennyharen.com)

Registration begins by mail or at the 01/12/2012 meeting.

All workshops to be held at:

Clawson United Methodist Church: 205 N Main St, Clawson

## PERFECT POINTS & CURVES--6-HOUR CLASS

Based on the book: Penny Haren's Pieced Applique

**Friday, March 9, 2012 9am-4pm**

Class fee \$50

Kit-\$10 paid to instructor includes pre-cut fabric, templates, freezer paper, etc.

Supply list available at registration or by email

Penny Haren's Pieced Applique book on supply list

(Available at some quilt stores, Amazon.com or Ebay new or used)

Maximum 20 students—minimum 14

Please make checks payable to: GLHQ. Mail registration form and payment to:  
Barbara Fowler, 931 S. Shady Hollow Circle, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48304

Questions - Barbara Fowler 248-646-3658, dbfowler@att.net

Elaine Stein 248-544-0033, eastein76@yahoo.com

Workshop fees are non-refundable

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Name \_\_\_\_\_ Mem # \_\_\_\_\_ email \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Perfect Points & Curves (Friday, March 9, 2012, 9am-4pm)

Total Amount Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Workshop fees are non-refundable

# Mystery Quilt Day

Jo Cassar (edjocass@comcast.net)

Mystery Quilt day is set for Saturday, February 11, 2012. It will be held at the Jewish Community Center again this year.

The theme for the day is "20 years of Friendship and Sharing". Please come and share a fun filled day with old "friends" and maybe make a few new ones. The day will have lots of opportunities to "share" whether it be ideas, good food or a laugh. This year we have tried to simplify you fabric prep. You are being asked to bring four yards of fabric in the medium dark to dark value. Two yards of batik and two yards of regular quilting fabric (washed please). So start your shopping....on line (connecting threads has a great sale on batiks), at your favorite quilt shop or in your stash. This must be brought in when you register. A supply list for other items will be given at the December and January meetings. If you need more information, please call Jo Cassar at 248 738 8155 (before 8pm please).

Well good "friends", I look forward to "sharing" the day with you.

**TWENTY YEARS OF FRIENDSHIP AND SHARING  
GLHQ MYSTERY QUILT DAY 2012  
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2012**

Jewish Community Center  
6600 W. Maple Rd.  
West Bloomfield  
Hours: **9:00** a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Come and enjoy a day of quilting and sharing with old and new friends. We will have food and drinks available for your enjoyment all day. You may choose to do the Mystery or do a project of your own.

Registration for GLHQ member will begin at the October meeting and nonmembers in November.

In order to register you are to bring the following: the registration form filled out, a check made out to GLHQ and four yards of dark to dark medium fabric (2 yards of batik and 2 yards of regular quilting fabric). All fabric needs to be washed. The fabric is part of the "day" and is a requirement whether you choose to do the mystery or not. You will go home with the same amount of fabric (4 yards).

Price: \$40.00 for GLHQ Members      \$45.00 for Non-Members

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GLHQ Registration Form for Mystery Quilt Day 2012

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Select \_\_\_\_\_ Member \$40.00      \_\_\_\_\_ Non-member \$45.00

Note: Non-members please provide GLHQ member contact name and phone number

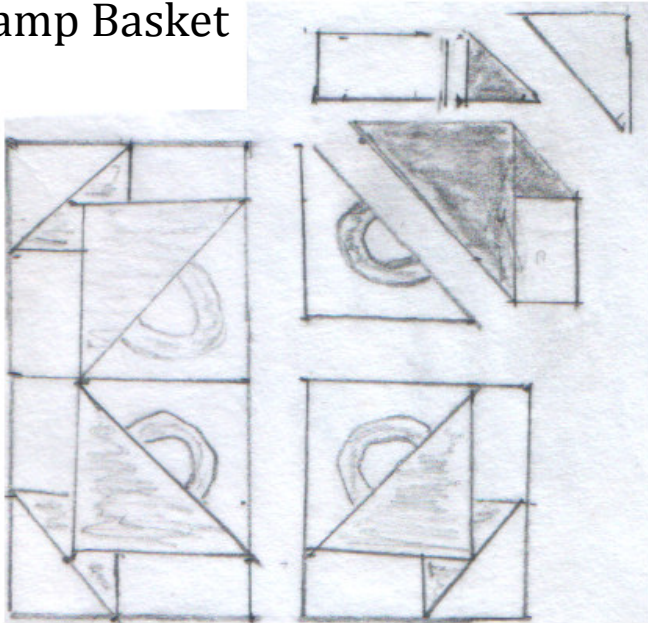
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Contact: Jo Cassar at 248 738-8155 or edjocass@comcast.net with any questions.  
Or mail registration to: Jo Cassar 2550 Garland Sylvan Lake, MI 483

# 2011-2012 Block of the Month

Eilene Still

## Stamp Basket



Stamp Basket Handle Template - No Seam Allowance

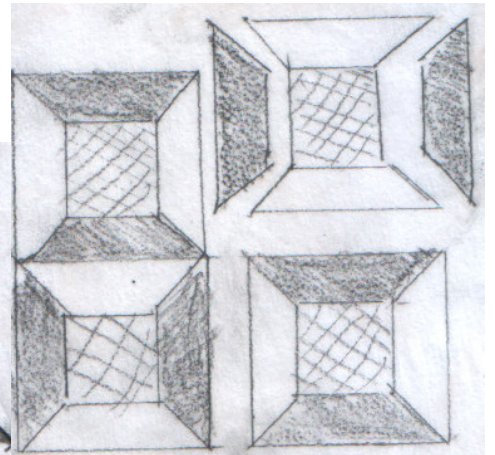
Make 4 – 4" units using 1,2, or 4 different fabrics for baskets

B: 2 – 3 7/8" squares cut on diagonal  
8 – 2 1/2" x 1 1/2" rectangles  
2 – 2 7/8" squares cut on diagonal

From each basket fabric:  
1 - 1 7/8" square cut on diagonal  
1 - 3 7/8" square cut on diagonal

Use template to cut handle from one 3 7/8" basket triangle, appliqué to the background.

## Spools



Make 4 – 4" units. Each unit needs 2 background pieces cut using template, 2 spool ends cut using template, and a 2 1/2" square for "thread".

Sew background pieces to square starting and stopping 1/4" from edge (Dots on template). Inset spool cap by first sewing piece to square starting and stopping 1/4" from edge, then sewing angle edges together from 1/4" mark to outer edge.

# Hospitality

Amy Rapoport (abr932@gmail.com)

Veggie/Dip – Carol Brooks

Fruit – Martha Stewart & Donna Reeves

Goodies – Elaine Stein & Maureen

Dessert – Betty Fraser & Mary

Drinks – Amy Rapoport, BJ Pepper & Erin Manos

Ice – Robin Cushing

Members are always welcome to bring food & drink whether you sign up or not.

## February Birthdays

02/01 Barbara Ollesheimer  
02/05 Jean Usner  
02/06 Martha Hale  
02/11 Patti Kreh  
02/14 Barbara Geiger  
02/15 Jennifer King  
02/17 Sheila Johnson  
02/21 Jeanne Lumm



## What's Up...

- GLHQ member Linda Thielfoldt will appear on The Quilt Show with Alex Anderson and Ricky Tims on March 12<sup>th</sup>.
- The *Quilt Art: International Expressions* exhibit will be at the Edsel & Eleanor Ford House January 28-March 25. Exhibit information is here: <http://www.fordhouse.org/calendar.html?month=&year=&cat=&cid=8519> and the brochure here: [http://www.fordhouse.org/uploaded\\_pics/pdf/pdf-20120110161501.pdf](http://www.fordhouse.org/uploaded_pics/pdf/pdf-20120110161501.pdf)
- Check out the Quilt Trail in Michigan's Osceola County: <http://osceolaquilttrail.wordpress.com/route-map/>

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## February Meeting

Birmingham Unitarian Church  
On Woodward near Lone Pine Rd.  
Bloomfield Hills, MI

### Checklist

- ✓ Haven donation
- ✓ Name tag
- ✓ Show and Tell
- ✓ Raffle Tickets

## Newsletter

Deadline for December is Friday, February 17.  
Send articles to glhqnews@gmail.com.

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[www.facebook.com/GLQuilters](https://www.facebook.com/GLQuilters)