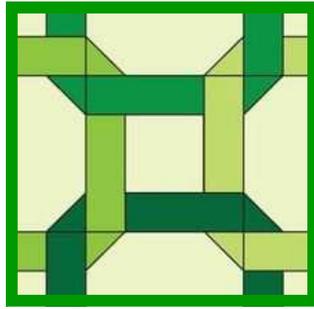


# EVENING STAR GAZETTE

March 2019

Leaders of the pack:  
President: Sherry McConnell  
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Secretary: Stephanie Crabtree  
Treasurer: Kaye Judt  
Website: Ann Fisher  
Workshops: Betty Lloyd  
Newsletter: A concerted group effort



Website: [eveningstarquiltguild.com](http://eveningstarquiltguild.com)

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Meetings are held the 3rd Monday  
of each month at 6:30 p.m. at  
Eastside Church of God.

Dues are \$20 for the first year and  
each year thereafter

## *Just a Note*

*Happy March Guildy Girls!*

*Here is a little something to help you find peace with a "somewhat less than organized" sewing room!*

*Ten top reasons to put off organizing your sewing room*

- 10. What would I do with all those seam rippers when I find them?*
- 9. I can still see the rug!*
- 8. I can't create in a sterile environment.*
- 7. I like to have everything out where I can find it.*
- 6. If it was organized I would be afraid to sew in there as I might mess it up.*
- 5. If I organized all my 'UFO's, someone might count them!*
- 4. Honestly, I like it this way.*
- 3. Why do today what I can put off until tomorrow.*
- 2. A cluttered room is a sign of a creative mind, and I'm an artist.*
- 1. If I could find all my blues, I wouldn't need to buy anymore.*

*And my personal favorite - "How can I call it a Fabric Collection is I stop collecting!"*

*Just a little advice and encouragement from the Leader of the Pack!*



**WELCOME NEW MEMBER**

Joy Butler



**What's Happening Tonight**

**Jelly Rolls, Charm packs, Layer Cakes, Oh My!!**

**Judy Tescher**



## Sew, What Happened Last Month....?

After all the frigid weather and cancelled meetings, we can say we now have survived January!! Welcome to 2019, ladies! President Sherry McConnell welcomed 55 members (including one brand new member) to the February 18, 2019 meeting of the Evening Star Quilt Guild. She thanked the volunteers at the sign in table, the Vanna girls and hostesses for the evening. Ann Fisher put together another great newsletter. Treasurer Kaye Judt reported an account balance of \$2737.39 and had 2019 membership cards for us to pick up. She also asked us to check the directory for correct spelling, address, phone number and especially email addresses.

Workshop chair Betty Lloyd reported that the Soup N Sew at Jean Lightfoot Faris's home in January was nice...for the 2 people that showed up out of the 7 or 8 people that signed up. They got to take home some delicious soup, though. It was stressed to the members that if they sign up for a workshop or get together, PLEASE let the person in charge know ahead of time if you are not able to attend. They go to a lot of time and material to get ready for a specific number of people. Please be considerate to those you are giving of their time, homes, food, etc. The next Soup N Sew will be on a Thursday, February 28, 2019 from 10-3 at Jean's home.

The Patchwork Falls Beginning Quilt sampler workshop will start 3/9/19 at Jean's home-Beginning quilting-use of templates. If you have paid for the workshop, you will receive the supply list for your class(es). Cost is \$10/workshop or \$35 for all four (members price). Parts 2-4 will be held at the 1<sup>st</sup> Presbyterian Church in Anderson, from 10-2. For all workshops, bring your lunch.

Donna Hartman let us know that of the 26 signed up for the 3/29/19 Chicago quilt show bus trip, only 9 were ESQG members. Nineteen more people were needed to pay for the trip (bus and ticket for the show). Final deadline is 2/22 and if there are not enough people going, the bus trip will be cancelled.

Susie Hughey let us know that former member Jean Moore had died the end of January. Arlene Ellingwood and Suzanne Hagan expressed their thanks for the kindness shown to them after the death of their mother and daughter, respectively.

There were 16 members with Show N Tell this evening and Nan Hodge won the drawing. It is so inspiring to see others work!! Keep it up, ladies!

Ann Fisher explained that the guild is making a Quilt of Valor this year for a special person. The guild officers are asking for members to make a friendship star block with red/white/blue fabric. The guild is providing the white squares. The instructions for the block is in the newsletter. Blocks need to be back no later than the June meeting.

Ann Fisher, Sherry McConnell and Kaye Judt presented the program for the evening---"Sew How Much Fabric Do I Need to Buy???" We received handouts to help with this dilemma we all have!! Ann explained the math she used to determine how many cut blocks were needed for the Quilt of Valor blocks. Sherry gave us amounts for panels, border prints, binding, backing, etc. Kaye gave us helpful tips for speculative buying. Very good information. Thanks you three!

Respectfully submitted, Stephanie Crabtree, Secretary

### \$\$\$ SHOW ME THE MONEY \$\$\$

<u>Balance</u>	<u>Date</u>
\$3,193.39	3/18/2019

Treasurer Kaye Judt

Collection for Church: \$16.00



## Linda's Library

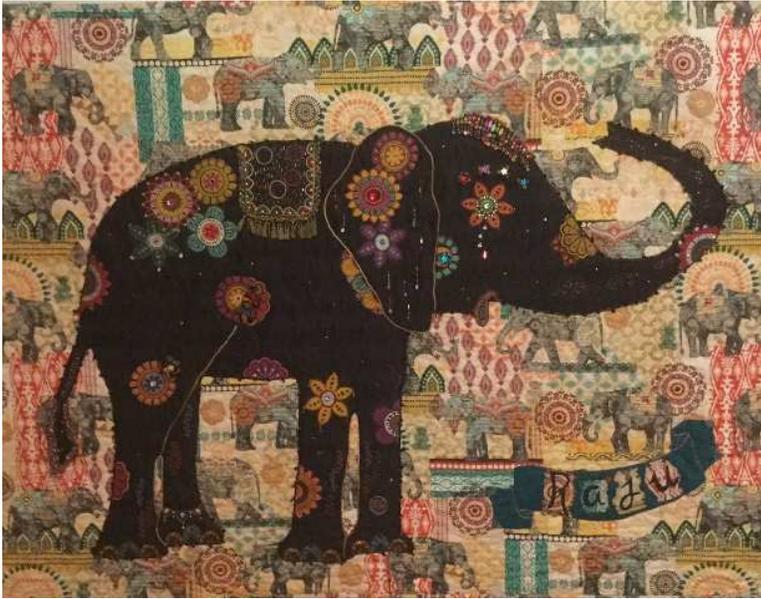


I don't have anything to read! Are there any good books about quilters? Quilt mysteries? quilt romance? Amish quilts? Let's talk quilt fiction this month. Over

the years I have read so many good books about quilting (and some not so good). While there are many fiction authors that write about quilting (Sandra Dallas, Earlene Fowler, Marie Bostwick, Isabella Alan, Clare O'Donohue, to name a few), You cannot beat the master when it comes to quilt fiction, Jennifer Chiaverini. Her first in the series is still the best, "The Quilter's Apprentice" (1999, Plume Books, 271 pp) about a young woman who is taken under the wing of a master quilter as she begins to learn about quilting, quilters and life. And if you have ever heard Peg Peter regale us with her experiences at Elm Creek Manor and quilt retreats, you will appreciate the appeal of these books. There are 20 books in the series, some better than others, but this first one earns 5 thimbles on my scale. Several of us heard Ms. Chiaverini speak in Lafayette a number of years ago--a charming, funny young woman at that time. I remember her saying that if she knew this series would be so successful, she wouldn't have killed off so many people in the first book. And if you've never read this series, I envy your joy in discovering a "new" author.

# MAKING RAJU

By Jean Lightfoot Faris



Making Raju began when Susie Freeman asked me to join her in making an elephant quilt. Rather than a collage of different fabrics as shown in the pattern I went with textured black fabric. From the beginning of the 2 plus years journey of making him I knew it was to honor an elephant I had read about that had been abused for 30 years. The story was so heartbreaking I could not finish reading it. Susie googled the story and read it so that a name could be put on him while creating him. His name was Raju and it is said he cried tears of joy when rescued.

For over a year I had the background fabric thinking it would be the back of the quilt. Out of frustration of not being able to find the right fabric I put him on what I had intended for the back of the quilt and he came to life. I honestly had never put him on it in all that time. Looking for the right fabric to embellish Raju only caused my stash to grow with unused fabrics. The right fabric it turned out had been in my stash all along for a couple of years. It was fabric that Susan Freeman brought back to me from Paducah. The fussy cutting began in earnest.

I knew I wanted to also embellish with embroidery, appliqué beading and jewels. I took beading and appliqué classes at Quilt Expressions. I learned to embroidery from Jane Richardson and Susie Freeman and

gained more knowledge and encouragement from Kaye Judt and Melanie Clawson in embroidery and appliqué. For his name there was calligraphy another skill taught by Susie Freeman.

Working on Raju was never continual. He was often sidelined, but those times were used to plan and decide on "what next." I can remember being excited when new ideas would form that would keep me up later than usual or get me up before daylight to start on them. (Adding the make and take flowers Beverly Carr taught us for his eyebrows was a whahoo moment!)

I have been very humbled by the responses to Raju and very touched when Ann asked me to write something around my inspiration. In doing so I was so reminded of how we inspire each other in our quilting as one person after another came to mind around my creating Raju.

## SOUP & SEW

11 members joined Jean Faris at her home for a fun day of sewing, sharing ideas, and yummy soup. The next soup & sew day is scheduled for March 21 from 10-3.



### Taste of Home ~ Roasted Chicken Noodle Soup

- 1 cup chopped onion
- 1 cup chopped carrots
- 1 cup chopped celery
- 2 teaspoons olive oil
- 1 garlic clove, minced
- 1/4 cup all-purpose flour
- 1/2 teaspoon dried oregano
- 1/4 teaspoon dried thyme
- 1/4 teaspoon poultry seasoning
- 6 cups reduced-sodium chicken broth
- 4 cups cubed peeled potatoes
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 2 cups cubed cooked chicken breast
- 2 cups uncooked yolk-free wide noodles
- 1 cup fat-free evaporated milk

### Directions

1. In a stockpot over medium-high heat, saute the onion, carrots and celery in oil for 5 minutes or until tender. Add garlic; cook 1 minute longer. Stir in the flour, oregano, thyme and poultry seasoning until blended.
2. Gradually add the broth, potatoes and salt; bring to a boil over medium-high heat. Reduce heat; cover and simmer for 15-20 minutes or until potatoes are tender.
3. Stir in chicken and noodles; simmer for 10 minutes or until noodles are tender. Reduce heat. Stir in milk; heat through (do not boil).

<https://www.tasteofhome.com/recipes/roasted-chicken-noodle-soup/>



### What's a meeting without snacks?

#### March

Anita, Karla, Stacey, Sharon

#### April

Jean Lightfoot Faris, Susie Hughey,  
Kim Innes, Shannon Arnstein

#### Vanna Girls

March ~ Karla Hanger, Stacey Shears

April ~ Jean Lightfoot Faris, Steph Crabtree

#### Sign-In Table

March ~ Anita Corley, Patsy Bemish

April ~ Linda Lupton, Jean Lightfoot Faris

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### On The Road Again.....



March 7-9 ~ Indiana Heritage Quilt Show  
<https://www.ihqs.org/>

March 28-30 ~ International Quilt Show Chicago

March 19-June 7 ~ Clowes Hall - Imagine the Possibilities: An exhibition of Traditional, Antique and Vintage Quilts <https://stories.butler.edu/newsroom>

July 18-20 ~ Celebration 2019 Quilter's Hall of Fame

### Some websites and you tube channels that offer free webinars or videos:

<http://jordanfabrics.com>  
<https://www.handiquilter.com/webinar/>  
<http://www.quiltinaday.tv/tv/live.asp>  
<http://www.bernina.com/en-US/Events-US/Webinars>  
<http://www.sulky.com/education-events/sewing-online-with-sulky-sos/>  
<https://www.superiorthreads.com/videos/>  
<http://www.quiltingismytherapy.com/>  
<https://www.youtube.com/user/FonsandPorter/playlists>  
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