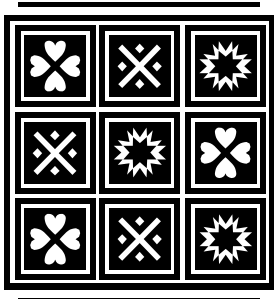




Bits & Pieces Newsletter

Little Traverse Bay Quilters Guild

November 2012



Next Meeting

Nov. 8th

Friendship Center

1322 Anderson Rd.
Petoskey

Open sewing 3:00

Social 6:00

Meeting 6:30

Program

Trunk Show

Penny Haren

President's News

Happy Holidays - Tis the Season Ladies

I hope everyone is well. I know you are all very busy thinking about the holidays coming up - first Thanksgiving and then Christmas. Busy, busy, busy.

I just returned from a visit to Ohio for a week with my husband. We visited with all the family and attended a 1st birthday party for our newest great grandson. I did a little Christmas shopping for the family and, as always, a few things for myself. I had lunches with old friends and visited with others. It's always fun to catch up with friends.

I am so excited to have so many new members. Looking forward to working with all of you. Be sure to get involved with one of the many programs coming up next year. If and when you can join everyone, we meet about 3:00 PM at the Fellowship Center on our regular meeting day and visit while hand sewing. Hope to see you there.

This month we will have the pleasure of having Penny Haren, her trunk show and lecture, "It's all about the Details." as our program. I can't wait to take her classes Friday and Saturday with everyone. I'm sure a good time will be had by all.

I want to thank all of you that signed up for refreshments next year. This makes my life so much easier. I have one opening left in February if you can do this give me a shout. Thanks.

Oh yes! One more thing - the Christmas Party is coming up next month. I can hardly believe we are talking Christmas already. Be sure to sign up now.

Happy Halloween to all,
Susie Kuhl

Upcoming Events

Sept. 23 - Nov. 3
Rare Threads
Jordan River Arts Council

Sept - Oct
Loose Threads Fiber Artists
Exhibit
Charlevoix Library

Nov. 17-18 Marquette
Marquette County Quilters Assoc.
Great Lakes Room NMU

Pediatric Quilts
4th Tuesday
10:00
Presbyterian Church
Harbor Springs



This is your last newsletter if you have not renewed your membership!

October Meeting Minutes

Meeting Minutes October 11, 2012

Friendship Center of Emmet County

President, Sue Kuhl opened the meeting at 6:30 p.m. with the pledge of Allegiance and a prayer. The Treasurer's report and Secretaries Report were approved as printed in the newsletter. New members, guests and October birthdays were acknowledged.

Sue thanked Tresa for providing the evening's refreshments. A group of friends from Charlevoix will provided the refreshments for November. A sign-up sheet to provide refreshments at the meetings in 2013 was distributed among the members. (All full, thanks so much).

Sue reported that the changes to the By-laws passed by a unanimous vote in Sept. Those changes take effect immediately.

Patty Bishop presented the slate of officers for 2013. Nominations are as follows: President- Sue Kuhl; Vice President- Linda Fry; Treasurer-Sandy Weber; Recording Secretary-Tresa Keys and Corresponding Secretary-Carol Keith. Nominations can be made in addition to these, any time before the Nov. meeting. Voting will be held at the Nov. meeting.

Carol has sent seven cards in the last month to members that are ill or experiencing a difficult situation.

Ann Barfknecht talked about the upcoming classes that will be presented in Nov. by Penny Haren of Newark, Ohio. Her beautiful quilt from her third book about "Pieced Applique" was displayed along with class samples. Classes are \$45.00 for members or \$55.00 for nonmembers. There is still room in these classes to be held Fri. Nov. 9th and Sat. Nov. 10th at the Charlevoix library. The supply list is printed in the Sept. newsletter.

Shelley Stallard reported that some of the show committee met earlier that day at the Emmet County Fairgrounds building to check out spaces issues for the quilt show. She reported that the quilt show committee is well focused and working hard to present "Quilts by the Bay" 2013 next June. Linda Schofield showed some of the items already turned in for the challenge/ raffle and said there are plenty of the two red challenge fabrics to purchase. A new member, Penny Harrison was introduced as the builder of our new guild website (<http://www.ltbquiltersguild.org/>). Penny is also doing the publicity for the Quilt Show and could use a helper to put signs up the week of the show. Please volunteer to help this enthusiastic new member.

Sue Kuhl said that she would like to see our guild renew efforts for the Pediatric Quilts, our placemats for Meals on Wheels and add Quilts of Valor for returning wounded veterans in 2013.

Linda Fry mentioned that you can replace the pin on your name tag for a magnetic strip that won't snag clothing. Cost is \$3.00, see her. Also membership cards will be in the new member's booklet. Members can obtain a 10% discount card at JoAnn Stores by showing a valid guild membership card.

Kay Kepner reminded everyone that sewing for the Pediatric quilts continues every fourth Tuesday of the month at 10:00 a.m. at the Presbyterian Church in Harbor Springs. So come along bring a snack or lunch for yourself. Projects are provided just join in the fun of making quilts for kids.

Sue Duval won the education raffle.

Kay Geuder made a motion to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Jeannette Kling and the meeting was closed. Several members shared quilts they had made and then one of our talented members, DeEtta Gilland presented a program about her journey from a crafter to Artist. She reminded us to never use only half of our potential, prodded us to explore, ask questions and take our quilting to the next level. She said, "Play from inside your soul, enjoy the journey and express who you are in your quilting art work". Her quilts and hooked rugs were very inspiring.

Respectfully Submitted by Tresa Keys

2013 Little Traverse Bay Quilters Guild Election Ballot

- ___ President - Sue Kuhl
 ___ Vice President - Linda Fry
 ___ Recording Secretary - Tresa Keys
 ___ Corresponding Secretary - Carol Keith
 ___ Treasurer - Sandy Weber

Please bring your ballot to the November meeting or mail to: Lois Furness 1705 Metros Boyne Falls 49713.

Membership by Linda

LTBQG membership is currently 96 and counting. Trying to keep a current membership list at this time of the year is an ever changing task! Please join me in welcoming our newest members:

Shelley Mallory of Levering
 Nancy McKinnon of Alanson and Naples, FL

The new, brightly colored, 2013 Membership Booklet will be ready for the Dec. 8th luncheon. If you would like me to mail your copy to you, bring a self-addressed stamped envelope to the Nov. meeting. I think two first class stamps will do it and an envelope large enough for the 4.5" x 5.5" booklet.

Historian Report by De Etta

Did you ever wonder where the saying "Brass Tacks" came from? One theory from "Sayings" quotes that in the early Milliners store and Dry Goods store fabric was measured by the yard by extending the fabric the length of one's arm. Due to a questioning purchaser and more efficiency, a structured method was used. Brass tacks were nailed onto the edge of the wood counter in increments of one yard, three quarters and so on. This gave a more correct and efficient means of measuring. So the saying "getting down to brass tacks".

What were the girls doing in 1987? Found in the minutes of March/April minutes:

"A discussion was held concerning a quilt block to be made by one of the members and passed on to another member each succeeding month for the addition of another block until we have a completed quilt."

November Birthdays

Amy Russell	11/3
Nettie Hosler	11/4
Lois Furness	11/4
Theresa Kargol	11/5
Tresa Keys	11/14
Jan Gray	11/15
Linda Fry	11/16
Jackie Compton	11/24
Sue Vorpapel	11/30



another reason to buy fabric...

Woman Saved by Bolt of Fabric in Early Morning Shooting

By Natalie Potts
 By npotts@wbbjtv.com

JACKSON, Tenn.- A woman said a bolt of fabric saved her life after a drive by shooting sent a stray bullet through the front window of the fabric store where she works.

2012 Program Schedule

Date	Lecture/Program	Workshop Date/Time/Location
Thursday, November 8	Penny Haren Trunk Show and Lecture, "It's All About the Details"	Friday, November 9th Saturday, November 10th Charlevoix Library
Saturday, December 8	LTBQG Christmas Party	Perry Hotel 12:00

Hurry...a few openings left for Nov. classes
Members \$45/Non-members \$55

Friday, November 9th

Back to Basics – Beginning Six Hour Class
Based on the Book: Penny Haren's Pieced Appliqué™



Many of us are self-taught which means some of the basics just fell through the cracks! Learn the fastest, easiest and most fun ways to sew traditional blocks! This "Hints from Heloise" type class will teach you all of the tricks that the experts have been using for years – and some I've made up! In class, the blocks will be precut so we can start sewing immediately!

Learn how to make ALL of the foundation blocks in the Pieced Appliqué™ series – and see why this is actually the PERFECT beginning book!

Four-Patches

Try a fast, fun way to sew a Four-Patch - and, learn how to butt those seams perfectly and painlessly – every time! Then, cut an appliqué from one of the four-patches to make a Hummingbird block.

Nine-Patches

Chain a nine-patch block and see how you can sew half the seams in such a way – that the other half is guaranteed to match!

Half-Square Triangles; Pinwheels & Kaleidoscopes

Make Half-Square triangles two different ways – the traditional method and using Triangle Paper on a Roll™. Learn how to square them up, and when each method is appropriate. And, then learn how to create a Kaleidoscope from one of the pinwheel blocks.

Quarter-Square Triangles

Create a quarter-square triangle and learn how to match the center every time.

Block Set on Point

Make two squares set on point and learn when you should cut the setting triangles by cutting squares in half – and when you should cut the setting triangles by cutting a square in quarters.

Bright Hopes Block

Sew in-set seams in a Bright Hopes block – by only stitching straight seams – and as an added bonus, learn how to fussy cut the center square.

Supply List:

Penny Haren's Pieced Appliqué™ Book

A Sewing machine with a ¼" foot and neutral thread

6 ½" Creative Grids Square It Up & Fussy Cut Ruler

6 ½" square ruler to square up half-square triangles

An acrylic ruler at least 12" long

Water Soluble Glue Stick

Water Erasable Marker

Pencil

Paper Scissors

Fabric Scissors

Rotary Cutter

Rotary Mat that makes it possible to cut a 9" square

(a 12" square; 12" x 18"; 18" x 24", etc. work great)

Iron and Ironing Board

A \$12 class kit includes pre-cut fabric for all of the blocks; templates; freezer paper; and Triangle Paper on a Roll – available from the instructor.

Saturday, November 10th

Perfect Points & Curves – a Six Hour Class based on the Book:

Penny Haren's Pieced Appliqué™:

Create perfect results by combining piecing with layered appliqués that make it possible to sew perfect points and curves – by eliminating them! Don't let the "A" word intimidate you! In this freezer paper method, straight sides and gentle curves can be turned by even a beginner after a five minute demonstration!

Learn tricks to make it possible to piece perfect four-patches, nine-patches, pinwheels – and the correct way to set a block on point. Then learn how to add pieced appliqué to these blocks to turn ordinary into extraordinary! No longer avoid blocks that have inset points such as the Bright Hopes block. Cutting appliqués from a four-patch makes a Hummingbird block a piece of cake – or actually a "piece of four-patch"! Set a square on point and learn how to avoid bias edges. Then cut a curved appliqué from one of the pieced blocks and turn a simple

curve – without ever having to sew it on the sewing machine - or clip the curve. Trim up half-square triangles – the easy way – and guarantee that the center of your pinwheel matches every time.

This technique opens the door to limitless opportunities! You will never look at a quilt pattern the same way again.

In this six hour class, make four different 6" blocks (Hummingbird; Boston Uncommon; Sarah's Choice; and Whirligigs) to learn four different techniques – and a multitude of quick piecing methods. All of the fabric and templates will be provided so you can begin sewing immediately!



Registration Forms

Back to Basics - Penny Haren Friday, Nov. 9, 2012 10am - 4 pm Charlevoix Public Library

\$45 Member / \$55 Non-Member *Supply List in Guild Newsletter

Name _____

Street _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ email _____

Register at guild meeting

Perfect Points & Curves - Penny Haren Saturday, Nov. 10, 2012 9am - 4pm Charlevoix Public Library

\$45 Member / \$55 Non-Member *supply list in guild newsletter

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LTBQG Christmas Party

DECEMBER 8, 2012

12:00 NOON

PERRY HOTEL DOWNTOWN PETOSKEY

PLEASE SEND YOUR CHECK WITH YOUR CHOICE TO SANDY WEBER

2320 CHIPPEWA PATH ALANSON, MICHIGAN. 49706

Beverage and Dessert included (\$17.00)

MENU

..... CHICKEN SALAD PLATE

..... PRIME RIB SANDWICH

..... CRAB CAKE SANDWICH

RESERVATIONS MUST BE NO LATER THAN DECEMBER 1, 2012

2013 Tentative Program Schedule

Date	Lecture/Program	Workshops/Classes
January 10th	Show & Tell –first quilt Join a round robin strip quilt project	
February 14th	Trunk show –Shelley Stallard Show & Tell – heart quilts	Fri - Hand Applique Sat. – Machine applique
March 14th	Trunk show – Jackie Compton Show & Tell – 2 color quilts	
April 11th	Trunk show and lecture – Robin House-Guettler (applique, long arm quilting) Show & Tell – UFO quilts	Classes with Robin House-Guettler
May 9th	Fashion show with Frances Kupka – wearable arts frances@franceskacreations.com Show & Tell – wearable arts	
June 13th	Quilt Show planning Show & Tell – Pediatric quilts	
July 11th	Guild picnic- Castle Farms Luncheon and Garden tour Show & Tell – a flowered piece	
August 8th	Guild Garage Sale	
September 12th	Membership Tea Trunk show and lecture-Pat Wys Spotlight on Neutrals www.silverthimblequilt.com Show & Tell – a neutral quilt	Silver Thimble Extravaganza; Totally Techniques
October 10th	Holiday Make and Take Show & Tell – a holiday piece	
November 14th	Trunk show and lecture – Ann Loveless Impressionist Art Quilts Confetti Quilts www.quiltsbyann.com Show & Tell – sunflowers/fall	Impressionistic Art Quilts Confetti Quilts
December 14th	Christmas Party at Terrace Inn luncheon & sleigh ride (weather permitting)	