

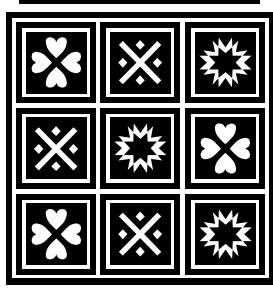


Bits & Pieces Newsletter

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Little Traverse Bay Quilters Guild

March 2015



Next Meeting

March 12th

Friendship Center

1322 Anderson Rd.
Petoskey

Social 6:00
Meeting 6:30

Program

Every Quilt has a Story
Betsy Koss

Upcoming Event

The Village Invitational
Quilt Show
Grand Traverse Commons
Feb. 6- April 6

Quilt Show
March 14-15
Barry County Expo Center
Hastings, MI.

Cedar Springs Friends of the
Library Quilt Show
C.S. Middle School
March 21 Cedar Springs, MI.

Bay Heritage Quilters Guild
Quilt Show
April 24-26
Scottish Rite Masonic Center
614 Center Ave.
Bay City, MI

LTBQG Quilt Show
June 19-20
Emmet County Fairgrounds

(If you know of upcoming shows or events, please contact Jan Gray.)

President's News

Dear Guild Members,

As you can see in the box below, there are a few empty spots to be filled. With a membership of 129, that should be easy. We will have to cancel any event that isn't filled which would be sad. On a happier note, I want to thank Barb and John Liddicoat for volunteering to chair the Christmas party and Sandy Rogers for taking the job of the "Free Stuff" table. Getting involved in a guild activity can be shared with friends new and old.

Take Care. I can see Spring just around the corner, I promise. Linda

2015 EXECUTIVE BOARD

President - Linda Fry
Vice-President - Tresa Keys
Treasurer - Ken & Sue Thompson
Recording Secy. - Betsy Koss
Corresponding Secy. - Jeannette Kling

2015 STANDING COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Program - Phyllis Hosier, Marian Henthorne, _____, _____
Quilt Show 2015- Shelley Stallard
Newsletter - Jan Gray
Membership - Kay Geuder
Website - Penny Harrison

OTHER COMM. CHAIRS

Hospitality - Linda Schofield
Historian -
Pediatric Quilts - Judy Goldsmith
Placemats - Pat Nolan
Community Activities - Kay Kepner
"Free Stuff Table" - Sandy Rogers
July Picnic -
Aug. Garage Sale
Sept. Membership Tea -
Dec. Christmas Party - Barb and John Liddicoat

ATTENTION MEMBERS!!

Shhhhhh! have you visited the LTBQG website lately?

IT'S AMAZING!

Did you know you can find:

- *Next meetings program/classes
- *Facts about the guild
- *Back issues of the newsletter
- *Pictures from meetings, even Feb.2015
- *LTBQG By-laws
- *Upcoming quilt shows in MI
- *Dear Jane info
- *QOV pictures/info

Spend a little time roaming through the pages. You too will say it's amazing! Then thank Penny Harrison.

February Meeting Minutes

President Linda Fry opened the meeting with birthday wishes for all those celebrating in Nov., Dec., Jan and Feb! Thanks go out to Judy, Linda and Kay for the lovely valentine refreshments. A hospitality sign-up sheet was then passed for the coming months.

There are openings for the following positions: Garage sale, Sept. tea, Christmas luncheon, and others. These jobs need to be filled or it will be a dull year!

October minutes were passed. Motion made by Jessica Haslock and seconded by Pam Miller. The treasurer's report was passed. Motion made by Betsy Koss and seconded by Lynn Fraze.

New member, Sandy Rogers, took the "Free" table manager job. Long empty, this position needed to be filled. Go Sandy!

We gained 3 new members this month.

Tresa Keys will be giving her program on quilt judging in June, after a long delay! Call her with any questions. Or better yet, e-mail it to her. (ckkeys@live.com) She is moving, you know!

She has applied for a \$500.00 grant from the Michigan Quilt Network for the Q of V project. As always, they could use some help with binding and quilting. Next meeting of the group will be on March 4th, 10ish-2:30pm at the lovely Hearts to Holly.

Items are needed for the boutique at the quilt show. It is a generous 20/80 split, so get busy.

Jan Gray's quilt will be on the postcard invite to the quilt show! Congrats Jan!

Charity: Place mats are much appreciated and must be ready by Nov. They need to be quilted, and sized 12"x18". The pediatric Quilts given to sick kids in the hospital in Petoskey are flying out the door! (98 so far.) Want to make one? Call Judy Goldsmith for info.

Sign-up sheet went out for mini classes at the April meeting. They will start at the Friendship Center at 3. Look in the newsletter for more details.

Crooked Tree Arts needs bed sized quilts for their show that will hang there from Sept. 19 thru Nov. 14. In order to hang well, each will need a sleeve on the back and a 1" FLAT WOODEN STRIP TO FIT. (IT will be attached to the wall)

The March workshop will be held at Hearts to Holly on Fri the 13th at 1-4pm. We'll be looking at your old tops, blocks, and fabrics using a design wall for all kinds of inspiration for finishing, care, dating. Blended with new fabrics or reproductions, one-blocks to full sized tops, newer or older, we'll consider the whole thing. I'll be bringing some antique doll beds too! (\$10.00)

The UFO project has officially started! Remember to bring your finished project back to the meeting in May (your UN-finished projects too) to claim a prize from one of two prize tables!

Respectfully submitted, Betsy Koss

March Birthdays

3-03 Linda DeGrow
 3-12 Lou Williams
 3-13 Roberta Amstadt
 3-14 Jaime McGuiness
 3-16 Lynn Fraze
 3-21 Kim Clare
 3-22 Carol Page
 3-22 Linda Noll
 3-23 Betty Emerson
 3-27 Gail Seidel
 3-30 Mercedes Mathers



Have a great day...sewing I hope!

Quilts of Valor

We will meet on March 4th 10:30-2:30, at Hearts to Holly. Please bring your machine and regular quilting supplies, good comradery and a patriotic atmosphere is provided. We take a lunch break usually to Subway but you could also bring your own. We will be starting quilt #34 and deciding on a different style using 2-1/2" strips. Remember you can honor a veteran that you know with a request for a quilt. Most recipients are surprised and feel deeply honored with these quilts to say "Thanks for your service to our country". Please come join us, even for a few hours. We can always use more pillowcases, thanks for those already donated.

Any questions call Tresa Keys 231-526-5124 or 740-641-4143

February Treasurer's Report

BEGINNING BALANCE	\$ 3406.15
INCOME	
Education Raffle	34.50
Bank interest	.18
Membership	149.00
Program	
Tickets	
Quilt of Valor	
Challenge Fabric	288.00

	\$ 471.68
TOTAL	\$3877.83
EXPENSES	
Administration	\$ 261.40
Quilt of Valor	35.80
Program	25.80
Membership	28.00
Quilt Show	15.00

	\$ 366.00
ENDING BALANCE	\$3511.83
DEDICATED SAVING	\$ 9448.42

Submitted by
Kenneth Thompson
Treasurer, LTBQG 2014

Membership

We welcomed three new members to the Guild at our February meeting. They are:

John and Julie Dyle
2038 Nichols Road
Pellston, MI 49769
231-539-7107

jddyle@hotmail.com

Birthdates: John 9/15; Julie 8/06

Lynn Parrish (4/09)
600 Country Knolls Drive
Harbor Springs, MI 49740
810-923-4265

lynn1scavone1@gmail.com

We have had one member renew their membership since the membership book was printed.

Stephanie Smith (7/11)
2208 E. Hathaway Rd.
Harbor Springs, MI 49740
231-838-7903

stephsstitchnstuff@gmail.com

Lastly, Tresa Keys has moved:

Tresa Keys
5271 Greystone Court
Harbor Springs, MI 49740
231-526-5124
614-204-7581(cell)

Quilt Show Ribbon Work Bee

Thursday, March 5th, 10:00-5:00, at the Charlevoix Library Community Room.

"Many hands make light work" is the goal for this day!! We need to make 100 ribbon tops for our quilt show, and a work bee is always a fun way to get it done. We hope you can make the time to help us. You can stay all day, or a few hours....all help will be appreciated! ALL MEMBERS ARE INVITED!!

This year's show winners will get a beautiful, foundation pieced lighthouse for their ribbon. If you know how to foundation piece, bring your machine and all the tools you will need for that. If you don't know how to foundation piece, we still need pressers, trimmers, "sew-arounders" and turners. Bring your machine if you want to be a "sew-arounder".

We need a couple cutting mats and small rulers. Make sure to put your name on anything you bring, as we all own the same stuff, Ha-ha.

Other things to bring, if you have them: We will need a couple pressing stations

Gray thread for piecing

Blue thread to sew together and top stitch

Thin, scrap batting

Pointer, turner thingys, or the Purple Thang

Scissors

We will have fabric for the ribbon tops.

We hope to see some of our Wonderful members there! This is a great way to get involved, visit with some really fun people and quilt! What could be better??? OK, maybe quilting and chocolate.....

Thank you,

Your Quilt Show Committee

Date	Refreshments	Program/Lecture	Classes
March 12	Lynn Frazee Barb Liddicoat Sandy Hill	Every Quilt Tells a Story Betsy Koss	Friday March 13 Using Orphan Blocks Hearts to Holly 1-4
April 9	Dyles, Lois Hart, Rene Provo	3:00 Mini Sessions Using 2 ½" strips for Rug Weaving Michelle Mueller	
May 14	Cynthia Tschudy, Shelley Stallard, Helen Cook, Sharon Warner, Barb Malpass	UFO Challenge Finals	Sat. May 16 Dawn Fletcher's Ribbon Purse
June 11	Charlevoix Crew	Quilt Judging Tresa Keys, Judges	
July 9		Picnic Pending Cancellation (no chair)	
August 13		Garage Sale Pending Cancellation (no chair)	
September 10		September Tea Pending Cancellation (no chair) A Walk in Time Karen Phillips Shwalling	Friday Sept. 11 TBA Saturday Sept. 12 TBA
October 8	Penny Harrison Diane Picotte Patti Bishop	Shaded Four Patch Carol Keith and Shirley Mauch	
November 12	Diane Simancek	3:00 Mini Sessions TBA	Stripping AGAIN
December		Holiday Party Barb and John Liddicoat	

Learn more about fabric and quilt history using (old) quilt blocks, tops and fabric you and others, along with Betsy, bring to the class. During class the participants will use them to examine and discuss fabric dating/age, care and repair. The class will be held at Hearts to Holly allowing participants the use of design walls to explore setting suggestions and access to lots of fabric to audition and get your creative juices and ideas flowing. Betsy will also discuss making doll size quilts or small wall hangings from single blocks.

Material list: if you have any, bring your quilt blocks, tops and fabrics.

EXPLORING ORPHAN BLOCKS

With Betsy Koss

March 13th

Hearts to Holly

1 pm - 4 pm

\$10.00 (make checks payable to Betsy Koss)

Name _____

Telephone _____ Email _____

Send registration to Phyllis Hosier, 319 S East St, Boyne City, MI 40712

Mini classes are back!
 April 9, 2015 3PM-5PM
 We have a wide range of topics.
 You can only sign up for ONE class for April 9

You can sign up by contacting the instructor by e-mail or at the March meeting.

CLASS	INSTRUCTOR
Hand Quilting	Judy Ivan jofsji@gmail.com
Red Work Embroidery	Shelley Stallard ** shelley.k.stallard@gmail.com
Machine Piecing	Key Kepner lkep101@gmail.com
Labels, Sleeves and Binding	Tresa Keys ckeys@live.com
Hand Applique	Lois Furness ljfurn2000@yahoo.com
Coloring your Quilt	Mary Jane Nugent Maryj2347@aol.com
Paper Piecing	Judy Ettema jaettema@me.com
Big Stitch Quilting	Betsy Koss betsyquilts@gmail.com
Hand Embroidery Stitches	Nettie Hosler needleworks@chartermi.net

April program will feature Michelle Mueller, owner of the Wild Hare Rug Studio in Elk Rapids. Michelle will demonstrate her rug weaving technique using 2 1/2 inch fabric strips. This technique can be a real stash buster! She also teaches punch needle embroidery and punch needle rug classes and will share creative ideas on these topics.

**** April's Redwork Mini Class**

For those who signed up for redwork, please bring any of these items if you have them. If you don't have them, I will bring some to share.

Small hoop
 Embroidery needles
 Small scissors
 Embroidery floss or 12wt thread
 Pigma marker

Thanks, Shelley

Quilt Show Registration Forms

The registration forms for this year's quilt show are included in this newsletter. Here are some tips for completing these forms:

1. You must complete ALL 3 pages of the registration for EACH quilt you enter.
2. We need TWO pictures of your quilt. Make sure the color is correct; one photo is used for planning the show layout.
3. Write your name and size of quilt on the back of the photo
4. The photos should be identical.
5. If your quilt isn't finished yet, send the registration/photos anyway.
6. All registrations must be postmarked by May 1st.
7. There is a list of Category Definitions to help you decide on your category. If you are unsure of your category, or if you have any questions, please contact Kathi Fuller or Shelley Stallard

"Quilts by the Bay" 2015 Quilt Show Update:

The Show Committee is working hard to make your show the best ever. If you are a new member, or just have a question, please contact me. (Shelley Stallard) Here are a few important dates to remember:

May 1, 2015: All Registrations and stories for the quilts are due to Kathi Fuller. Registrations are included in this newsletter.

April 9, 2015: Volunteer sign-up sheet will be available. If you really want to help a committee, contact Shelley.

Tuesday, June 16th: The work begins on the Show. Quilts and boutique items will be due, Time TBA

Wednesday, June 17th: Judging.

Thursday, June 18th: Hanging the quilts, setting up boutique, raffle, vendors and everything else

Friday, June 19th: Quilt Show, 9-6

Saturday, June 20th: Quilt Show, 9-4

Challenge Fabric

Each show year we sell "Challenge Fabric" for our members to use on a raffle item for our show. This is a major fund raiser for the show, and our guests love the fact that they have over 70 chances to win something in our raffle. **You can make anything for the raffle. The only rule is that at least one of the "Challenge Fabrics" must be visible in your item. It is super fun to see what everyone comes up with.** Linda Schofield will bring in the collected items at each meeting, so we can see what clever things your fellow members are making. It doesn't have to take a lot of time to help. Linda will have fat quarters and half yard cuts to sell at each meeting.

Remember, our guild members are asked to sell a packet of raffle tickets. Please do your best to sell these tickets, as it is a big part of the income for the show. Once you explain to people that there are over 50 items up for auction, the tickets are easy to sell. Most guilds only have one quilt to raffle! We are AWESOME!!! If you have any questions or issues, please speak to Linda Schofield.

Boutique

This is always a big hit with our guests, and our members, too! Members are able to sell new, handmade items in our "Quilts for Sail" Boutique. This is a great way to show our many talents, as well as make a little money. The items are sold on a 80/20 split, member/guild, so it is a wonderful deal. Put on your thinking cap and get busy making your items! I am always amazed how talented everyone is, and how professional and beautiful our boutique looks. If you have questions, please contact Judith Ivan.

Category Definitions

Bed quilt: Intended for use on any bed

Wall quilt: Intended for display on a wall

Pieced: Piecing PREDOMINATES over other techniques in amount and effect

Appliqued: Applique PREDOMINATES over other techniques in amount and effect

Mixed techniques: A quilt where a fairly even amount of multiple techniques is used to develop the design

Other quilts: A quilt where on special technique is used to develop the top such as whole cloth, surface design, crazy quilt, yo-yo quilts, cathedral window, machine embroidered, etc.

Group quilts: A quilt that has more than 3 persons involved in its construction or finishing in any way.

Art Quilt: Your original design reflecting innovative construction and design techniques, themes or subject matter and or materials. No commercial patterns or copies of previous works. Quilts must be made of fabric, have three layers and include quilt stitching through all layers. A quilt based on traditional patterns and designs should be entered in another category.

Miniature quilt: Maximum size of 24" x 24". All aspects of the quilt are reduced in scale.

Wearable items and accessories: Any item intended for clothing or clothing accessory.

Domestic machine: The quilt is moved by hand under a home sewing machine to do the quilting.

Long arm machine: Track mounted sewing machine is moved over the surface of the quilt to do the quilting.

2015 LTBQG Quilt Show Registration Form

Each entry must be accompanied by one of these registration forms.

Please print legibly and turn into:

Kathi Fuller 03902 Terrace Rd. Boyne City 49712, no later than May 01, 2015 NO*EXCEPTIONS***Two (2) Color Photos must accompany your entry.**

(Please include quilt size and your name on back of photos.)

Member name _____

Phone _____

Address _____

Email: _____

Quilt Title: _____ Original design Yes _____ NO _____

If not your design, list source or pattern: _____

Size of quilt: W (side to side) _____ L (top to bottom) _____

Do you want it judged? YES _____ NO _____

Person(s) making the quilt top: _____

Person(s) who quilted the top: _____

Was this quilt done on a long arm machine? YES _____ NO _____

Select a quilt category. **Select only ONE** (read carefully the definitions provided in this package). The judging committee reserves the right to change your category if it seems appropriate.

Questions can be answered by either Kathi Fuller or Shelley Stallard.

- 100 ___ Bed size quilted by Hand
- 200 ___ Bed size PIECED quilted by Domestic machine
- 300 ___ Bed size PIECED quilted by Long arm machine
- 400 ___ Bed size APPLIQUÉD quilted by Domestic machine
- 500 ___ Bed size APPLIQUÉD quilted by Long arm machine
- 600 ___ Bed size MIXED TECHNIQUES quilted by Domestic machine
- 700 ___ Bed size MIXED TECHNIQUES quilted by Long arm machine

- 1100 ___ Wall size quilted by Hand
- 1200 ___ Wall size PIECED quilted by Domestic machine
- 1300 ___ Wall size PIECED quilted by Long arm machine
- 1400 ___ Wall size APPLIQUÉD quilted by Domestic machine
- 1500 ___ Wall size APPLIQUÉD quilted by Long arm machine
- 1600 ___ Wall size MIXED TECHNIQUES quilted by Domestic machine
- 1700 ___ Wall size MIXED TECHNIQUES quilted by Long arm machine

- 2000 ___ Group Quilt
- 2100 ___ Art Quilt
- 2200 ___ Miniature Quilt
- 2300 ___ Other Quilt
- 2400 ___ Wearable items and accessories

I, the quilt owner, agree to exhibit this quilt. By signing this form, I agree not to hold LTBQG or any of its members responsible for loss or damage to my quilt.

Signature _____ Date _____

Completely fill out this *whole page* for each quilt registration form!!!

File Copy

Your Name _____

Quilt Name _____

Quilt Size _____

Registration # _____ (will be assigned at drop off)

Quilt Copy

Your Name _____

Quilt Name _____

Quilt Size _____

Registration # _____ (will be assigned at drop off)

Your Copy (You MUST have this slip with you to have your item returned.)

Your Name _____

Quilt Name _____

Quilt Size _____

Registration # _____ (will be assigned at drop off)

**“Quilts by the Bay”
2015 LTBQG Quilt Show**

Registration # _____
Category # _____

Quilt Story Form

This “story” will be displayed on your quilt.

Please include any information that you would like to share with our guests.
This is a nice way to add a personal touch to your quilt entry.

Fill out one story form for EACH QUILT ENTERED

Quilt Name: _____

Quilt Maker: _____

City: _____

Quilter: _____

City: _____

Size: _____

Pattern or book, if applicable: _____

Quilt story (Limit of 75 words):

We reserve the right to edit any of the above.