

Next Meeting

April 14th

Friendship Center

1322 Anderson Rd.
Petoskey

Social **6:00**
Meeting **6:30**

Program

**Quilt Shop Vendor
Extravaganza**

Upcoming Event

Oakland County Quilt Guild
Quilt Show
April 1-2
Community Education Resource Center
Lake Orion, MI

International Quilt Show
April 7-9 Donald Stephens Center
Rosemont, Illinois

AQS Paducah
April 20-23

Ann Loveless ArtPrize quilt
Crooked Tree Arts Center
Petoskey
April 1 - May 20

Tulip Time Quilt Show
May 7-14
150 East 8th Street Holland, MI

For the Love of Quilting Quilt Show
Causeway Bay Hotel
July 15-16
Lansing, Mi.

Coffee with Ann Loveless
Crooked Tree Art Center
Petoskey
November 1 @ 10:00 AM

President's News

As we shake off Winter's chill and embrace the hope of Spring, our guild has quite a "Grandmother's flower garden" full of activities. To mention just a few, this month brings FIVE visiting quilt shops. So, don't leave home without some "green" to help you fill your quilting basket.

In July, the gardens and goodies will beckon us to Nancy McKinnon's lovely log home on Pickerel Lake for our annual picnic, not to be missed.

Gail Seidel, Linda DeGrow and Lenore Senter are already gathering ideas to help us celebrate our 30th Anniversary at the September Tea. Our speaker is from next door in Canada, Mary Elizabeth Kinch.

All of these and more to come because of your positive response to serve on the committees that will bring these all to fruition, Thank you.

Two favorite quotes come to mind as I think of the joys of Spring, the gardens to grow and all of the quilting friends with whom I am privileged to share the abundance of activities. As winter succumbs, "The earth laughs in flowers". And "If thou hast two loaves of bread then sell one and by flowers for although the bread will nourish thy body, the flowers will nourish thy soul."

----and sew on, Tresa

PS We encourage members to come and sit and stitch, visit, bring your Bee group, meet for a committee meeting, etc. The Friendship Center is open to us by 3:00 p.m. on guild meeting days.

30 Year Celebration Bus Trip Oct. 13-14 2016

The bus trip around the thumb of Michigan to visit quilt shops and view quilt barns was introduced at the March meeting by Sunbonnet Sue and Overall Sam. It was so well received that the bus capacity of 50 was almost met that night. The guild will honor those that signed up at the March meeting as long as they pay their \$150 by the June meeting, as stated that night. For all others the guild will add you to the list as your money is received. The sooner it is turned in, the better chance you have of getting a seat. When the 50 seats are filled, a waiting list will be started.

(See attached flyer for details)

The March meeting of the Little Traverse Bay Quilters Guild was brought to order at 6:30 p.m. by President Tresa Keys. To open the meeting, Tresa read an Irish Blessing for Quilters.

Kay Geuder, Membership Chair, introduced a new member, Janice Juday.

Tresa recognized the March birthday celebrants, as listed in the newsletter. Gail corrected the entry for her birthdate, which should have read "3/27". Tresa also reminded the members that a clipboard has been passed around for signup for various tasks, such as refreshments and set-up and take-down crew. Tresa announced that a chair person is still needed for the holiday party and reservations need to be made now. Shelley Stallard volunteered her program committee (Shelley, Linda Schofield and Jeanette Kling) to chair the party committee.

The February minutes were read with a correction to Penny Harrison's name. Jane Denay made a motion to accept the minutes as corrected and Lynn Czar seconded the motion.

Tresa conveyed a special thanks to Marian Henthorne and Phyllis Hosier for providing excellent programs for the 2014 and 2015 season, as well as scheduling other quilt instructors for 2016, making the new program committee's job easier. She also thanked Sue Stackhouse and John and Barb Liddicoat for providing the refreshments. Tresa also provided refreshments in place of Linda Fry.

The current officers, Tresa Keys (President), Lynn Parrish (Vice President), Helene Kleymeer (Recording Secretary), Sue Thompson (Corresponding Secretary) and Johanna Kutcher (Treasurer) were presented to the membership as elected board members. Additional board members were introduced as follows: Membership, Kay Geuder; Newsletter, Jan Gray; Website, Penny Harrison; Programs, Shelley Stallard, Jeanette Kling and Linda Schofield; Meals-on-Wheels Placemats, Pat Nolan; Quilts of Valor, Tresa Keys; Pediatric Quilts, Judy Goldsmith.

Johanna Kutcher, Treasurer, provided the 2016 proposed budget in the newsletter. Clarification was made regarding the dedicated savings, which includes the start-up funds for the bi-annual quilt show. Also, the "rent" to the Friendship Center is actually a donation. A motion to accept the February Treasurer's Report and 2016 Proposed Budget was submitted by Jesseca Haslock and seconded by Kay Geuder.

Tresa announced that ten tickets to the Houston Quilt Show in Chicago, being held April 7, 8, and 9 were donated to the guild. Anyone interested could submit their name for a drawing to be held. Ken Thompson was the only member interested in attending, and he received two tickets.

A request was made by Maryann Wheelock to include Hospice of Little Traverse Bay as one of the guild's outreach programs. Currently, 6 to 12 of the 23 members meet on Wednesdays from 9:00 to 12:00 at Hiland House to make quilts for hospice patients. Since June of 2015, they made 67 quilts. The quilts include 60" X 84" bed quilts, lap quilts and wheelchair quilts. The group also makes comfort bears from donated material. Additionally, they received a donation of 3 completed quilts. Tresa asked for a motion to accept Hospice as an outreach program. Lynn Frazee made a motion; the members were unanimous in their acceptance.

Quilts of Valor: The guild's program is now registered in the International Quilts of Valor program. Our guild has delivered 74 quilts to recipients.

Pediatric Quilts: **Kay Kepner** announced that she needs volunteers to bind quilts.

Pat Nolan showed examples of placemats for the Meals-on-Wheels program. The placemats need to be approximately 12" X 18", quilted and bound in various ways, as she demonstrated.

Tresa reminded members that 2016 is the 30-year anniversary of the guild, which was begun in 1986. The guild held its first quilt show in 2000 at the Petoskey Middle School. Tresa requested members to provide her with trivia related to the guild over the years. Additionally, March is National Quilt Month, with March 19th being National Quilt Day.

At the beginning of the meeting, **Shelley Stallard** and **Linda Schofield** distributed blocks with colorbook drawings for members to color during the meeting. These will be made into pediatric quilts. She will ink the outlines and bundle them for assembly by members.

Next month, vendors will demonstrate new tools and techniques. Cost will be \$5 for non-members (guests).

June will be the start of a UFO challenge. There will be a registration fee of \$5 for each UFO, which needs to be completed, bound and quilted. A UFO is an unfinished object; a quilt that only needs to be quilted and/or bound does not qualify.

Members have one year to complete as many UFOs as they registered. The winner will receive cash.

The batik challenge of last month will be due by November's meeting.

Connie Sue Haidle, of Apple Blossom will provide the lecture for August 11th. She also will conduct a class, "Quick Prep Applique", on August 12th.

Our speaker for the September Tea will be Mary Elizabeth Kinch. She also will teach classes in English paper piecing and foundation piecing in two workshops on Friday and Saturday following the tea.

Jan Gray announced that, instead of a quilt walk, the guild will sponsor a bus tour through the Thumb Area, featuring barn quilts and, of course, quilt shops along the way. The bus will leave from Delphine's in Gaylord on October 13th (Thursday), stopping in Pinconning with an overnight stay at the Holiday Express in Bay City. Dinner on Friday will be in Frankenmuth. Goodies and prizes will be given to participants, as well. The cost will be \$150 per member, which includes bus fare and motel cost. There will be a limit of 50 individuals. Jan distributed a sign-up sheet for those interested. If more than 50 sign up, they will be placed on a waiting list. Lois Furness was suggested as the tour guide.

Ken Thompson was the winner of the night's drawing.

Tresa Keys adjourned the business meeting at 7:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by
Helene Kleymeer
Recording Secretary

March Treasurer's Report

Checking Account			
Beginning Balance			\$9415.47
Income			
Education Raffle	25.50		
Bank Interest	.15		
Membership	68.00		
Quilts of Valor	100.00		
Name tag	<u>7.00</u>		
	200.65	--->	+ <u>200.65</u>
Total	\$ 9616.12		
Expenses			
Name Tags	14.00		
Charlevoix Library	50.00		
Blue Lakes Charter (October bus trip)	<u>463.00</u>		
	527.00	--->	<u>527.00</u>
Ending Balance	\$ 9089.12		
Dedicated Savings	\$ 9462.10		
Emmet Cty rebate	300.00		
Interest	<u>.38</u>		
	\$ 9762.48		
Submitted by			
Johanna Kutcher			
Treasurer, LTBQG 2016			

April Birthdays



4-02 Katy Hanes
 4-07 Sue Fantini
 4-08 Dort Loe
 4-15 Helene Kleymeer
 4-16 Phyllis Hosier
 4-17 Johanna Kutcher
 4-19 Sue Thompson
 4-21 Diane Simancek
 4-22 Penny Harrison
 4-22 Wayne Hathaway

Have a great day! (sewing I hope)

Quilts of Valor

Just as our slate of requests for QOV caught up, we received eleven new names of Veterans to honor with a patriotic quilt. So, our mission continues, please join us for the workshop on April 6th 10:00-2:30 at Hearts to Holly Quilt Shop. We will be assembling and packaging quilts #83-#93 for quilting by our volunteer long arm quilters. You can also help by making presentation pillowcases with a patriotic theme. We will also bring quilts that need binding to the meeting in April, maybe you can pick up one of those to finish. Thanks for all you support.
 Tresa Keys, QOV chair

April Show and Tell

Let's follow the old rhyme, "April showers bring May flowers" this month. We will use the "showers" part and show our baby quilts!! We look forward to seeing all the sweet little quilts that celebrate all those precious babies in our lives. Hopefully they will let you borrow them for the meeting!

Jeanette, Linda and Shelley

Membership

From the membership desk.....

We welcomed a new member, Janice Juday, into the Guild at our March meeting as well as renewing a former member, Mary Putters. Please write the following contact information for each of them into the back of your membership books and welcome each of them when you see them.

Janice Juday (B.D. 1/28)
2800 DePew Rd.
Petoskey, MI 49770
231-347-8084
janicejuday1941@gmail.com

Mary Putters (B.D. 2/13)
5292 Indian Garden Rd.
Petoskey, MI 49770
231-347-7931
mputters@yahoo.com

These members bring our total membership to 134.

Kay Geuder
Membership Chair

The Lapeer County Suicide Prevention network is holding a quilt auction on August 24th 2016. They are asking for quilt donations for this fund raising event. If you need additional information or would like to donate a quilt please call Beth Boyd 810-667-0500.

Class Policies

In order to be fair, we will publish class information in the newsletter first with sign up information. Then we will begin sign ups by mail or at meetings after the newsletter is published. This will give every member an equal chance at getting in the classes, whether you are up north or down south. Our website will also display the information.

Also, you will notice that we have made changes to the prices of the classes. We are endeavoring to make the classes more affordable. But in order to keep the prices low, we must fill the classes. We hope you will do your part to support us and the wonderful teachers we have scheduled.

Because of the teacher contracts and cancellation dates, we will need to open the classes up to the public sooner. So, members will pay the reduced rate for classes until the classes are opened up to the public. Then members will pay the non-member rate. Each class will indicate the deadline. Any outside inquiries from non-members will be put on a waiting list until the deadline.

We plan to advertise on our website, social media, shops and newspaper. We have already had non-members contacting us about this summer's classes, as they have seen us listed on the teacher's website. This is very exciting!!

If you have any questions, please email any of us.

Thank you,
Jeanette Kling, Shelley Stallard and Linda Schofield

30 Year Guild Celebration

Did you know that The Little Traverse Bay Quilters Guild was established thirty years ago? There are lots of celebrating planned for this wonderful year.

Throughout the year we will highlight and recall special events and trivia associated with our guild.

- Who was our only male President? When did he serve?
- When did the Thurs afternoon Quilters at the Library begin?
- In the 1990's Guild sponsored retreats were held how often and where?
- A nationally recognized teacher presented lectures and classes for three days during the 10th Anniversary events, who is she? From where?

Date	Refreshments	Lecture/Program	Classes	Set up
April 14	Ken and Sue Thompson Linda Fry	Quilt Shop Demos		Penny Harrison
May 12	Mary Ann Wheelock. Mary Daniels, Barb Gutuskey	Northwoods Quilting Lecture		Judy Stone
June 9	Sue Vorpapel, Judy Goldsmith, Kay Geuder, Pat Nolan	UFO Challenge		Dort Loe
July 14		Picnic Nancy McKinnon		Betsy Koss
August 11	Jane Denay, Lois Furness Penny Harrison Sheila Becky	Connie Sue Haidle Apple Blossom Quilts	August 12 Charlevoix Library 10-4 Quick Pro Applique	Jane Denay
Sept. 8	Linda DeGrow, Gail Seidel	Mary Elizabeth Kinch www.maryelizabethkinch.com	English Paper Piecing September 9 Charlevoix Library 10-4 Pumpkin Peel Paper Piecing September 10 Charlevoix Library 10-4	
Oct. 13		Bus Trip Around the Thumb Quilt Barns & Shops		
Nov. 10	Lynn Frazee, Jane Baker, Lynn Parrish	Reveal batik challenge		Phyllis Hosier
Dec. 10		Holiday Party Chair: Shelley Stallard, Linda Schofield Lenore Senter		

April Program

APRIL'S VENDOR EXTRAVAGANZA

We will have 5 local vendors coming to do a 10 minute demo and provide one stop shopping for all of you! You will be able to move from table to table to see what

1. Cousin's
2. Hearts to Holly
3. Deborah Richmond (dyed wool)
4. Quilt n Bee
5. Renee's

have to make your quilting easier and more fun.

Mark April 14th for a meeting you do not want to miss.

Jeanette Kling

Connie Sue Haidle from Apple Blossom Quilts
appleblossomquilts.com

Lecture Thursday, August 11th, 6:30
Friendship Center, Petoskey, MI

Workshop August 12, 2016 10-4

**“Quick Prep Applique”
Technique Class**
\$20.00 members+\$20.00 kit
(After April 14th, \$30.00)
\$30.00 non-members+\$20.00 kit
Basic hand applique skills required

Some topics covered will be:

- Line an applique patch
- Make a split leaf
- Stitch a bias stem
- Adding embroidery
- Making skinny stems
- Stitching a circle
- Preparing dark backgrounds

“Quick Prep Applique” Technique Class Registration Form

Name: _____

Email _____

Phone: _____

Complete and send check for \$20.00, by April 14, 2016, made out to LTBQG to:
(Additional \$20.00 kit fee will be paid to Instructor on the day of class.)

Shelley Stallard
P.O. Box 463
East Jordan, MI 49727
231-536-3461



September 8th, 9th, & 10th, 2016

Mary Elizabeth Kinch

Lecture and Two Classes!

Lecture:

"Random Acts of Quilting" Lecture Thursday, September 8th, 6:30

Friday's Class (10-4)

"Addictive English Paper Piecing"

From the book

"*Small Blocks, Stunning Quilts*"

\$30.00 members+\$5.00 kit

(After April 14th, \$40.00)

\$40.00 non-members+\$5.00 kit

Saturday's Class (10-4)

"Pumpkin Peel Foundation Piecing Fundamentals"

From the book

"*Small Pieces, Spectacular Quilts*"

\$30.00 members+\$5.00 kit

(After April 14th, \$40.00)

\$40.00 non-members

+\$10.00 kit

"Addictive English Paper Piecing" Registration Form



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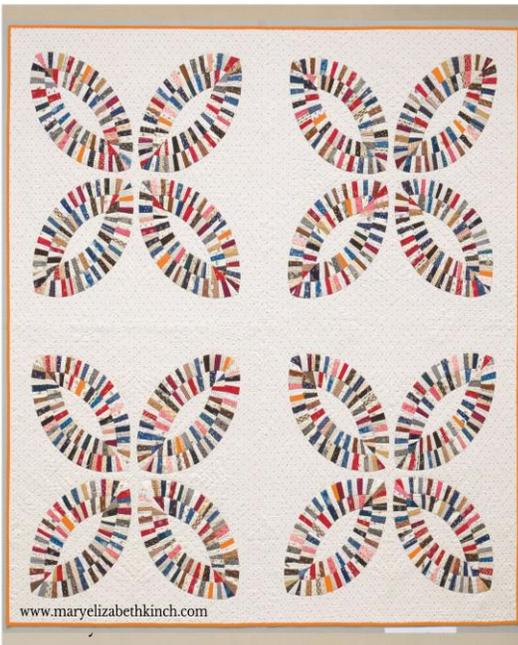
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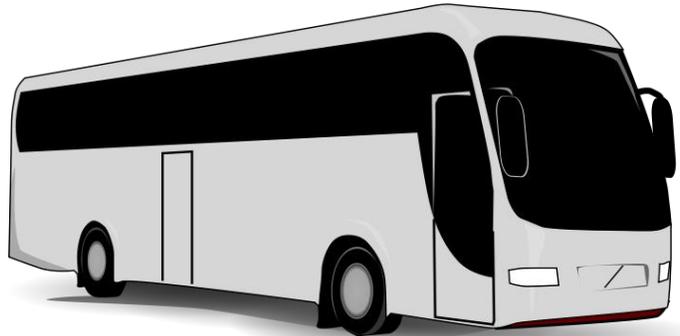


30th Anniversary for LTBQG Bus Extravaganza

Thumb Quilt Trail & Shop Hop

October 13-14 2016

\$150 per person based on double
occupancy



Over 20 barns in the thumb of Michigan have wonderful barns with quilting blocks to view. Traveling to the region and throughout the region many quilt shops will be visited.

An overnight stay at the Holiday Inn Express in Bay City is included.

Shops include Bittersweet in Pinconning
Backstreet Quilt Shop in Bad Axe
plus more

Dinner in Frankenmuth (lunch and dinners not included in price)

Goodies, giggles, and girl talk included!



Sign up EARLY!

Limited Space

Send check for \$150 to LTBQG
% of Shelley Stallard
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