



Next Meeting
February 9
Friendship Center
1322 Anderson Rd.
Petoskey, MI

Social Meeting **5:30**
6:00

Program
Sew In
Barn Bus Trip DVD
New Bus Trip Info

Upcoming Event

Quilter's Winterfest
Bavarian Inn Frankenmuth
Feb. 19-21
Featured teachers: Paula Nadelstern, Mark Lipinski, Allie Aller, Stacy West
www.quilterswinterfest.com

2017 Quilts from the Heart
April 21-22
Roseville Recreation Center
Roseville, MI

Quilter to Quilter Sale
April 22
1st Methodist Church
Troy, MI

Quilt Show
May 10-12
Capac Historical Society Center
Capac, MI

Quilts by the Bay Quilt Show
Emmet County Fairgrounds
June 16-17

President's News

I think I heard myself say, "All I want are some snow days, so I can do some serious quilting!" Be careful what you ask for, my wish may have been a little too generous. So, if you have "cabin fever" too, there are two events coming up that just might be the CURE! They both give opportunity for us to fellowship with quilting friends; provide time to meet other quilters, especially if you are new to the guild; and, as last month's program suggested, serve one of our community outreach programs with quilts filled with LOVE.

1----- Saturday Feb. 4th has been designated QUILTS OF VALOR DAY by the National QOV Foundation. We will participate with other quilting groups across the nation, making QOV tops for our deserving Veterans. We will be reporting to QOVF how many tops we make that day, so as to be counted on a national scale.

We have reserved the Boyne City Library (meeting room in the lower level) from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Lunch will be provided with pulled pork sandwiches, coffee and water. You may supplement this with snacks, sides or desserts.

Please bring a sewing machine, general sewing supplies and an extension cord. You are encouraged to bring fabric: e.g. 2-1/2" strips of a patriotic nature, greens, browns, beiges, golds may be sparingly added or, pre-cut jelly rolls, also patriotic in theme. Please bring quilt shop quality 100% cottons, no metallic or large florals. There will be fabrics and some pre-cut strips available, as well. For greatest production, we will concentrate predominately on the patterns, Jelly Roll Race and Rail Fence, but, you may do patterns of your choice, if you wish. Please reserve your spot by Feb 1st. Attendance, bringing fabric or food will qualify you for some great DOOR PRIZES. But, most of all bring a big "HEART" to honor those who have given so much-----Remember "FREEDON ISN'T FREE!"

#2-----Guild meeting day Feb. 9th, our regular meeting day at the Friendship Center the program is a "SEW-IN". You may come as early as 3:00 p.m. to sew. You are invited to bring sewing machine work; hand work of embroidery, applique or piecing; knitting/ crochet; your own projects or a charitable gift you may be working on. It is a sit and sew, socialize, shared learning and get acquainted kind of day. A business meeting and slide show from the Oct. bus trip will also be part of the regular meeting starting at 5:30 p.m. and don't forget Show and Tell.

"Quilts are one example of the emotional glue that women provide for holding the world together"

"Don't be intimidated by the advanced skills of others. You get better with each class you take, each tip you learn, each quilt you make".

"Life is short and our busy lives can be filled with a great deal of stress. Quilting is something we can control, something in which we can find contentment and a sense of accomplishment-----and it's FUN!"

(Some excerpts from the 12 Commandments of Quilting-QNL 1991)

-----and SEW in LOVE,
Happy Valentine's Day,
Tresa

WEATHER NOTICE: If Petoskey schools are closed. The Friendship Center is also closed. If inclement weather develops later in the day, a bulletin will be sent by e-mail.

President Tresa Keys brought the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with a reading from “The 30’s Quilt Maker.”

Tresa announced that the purchase of a new sound system had been approved by the Board.

Kay Geuder introduced two guests, Brenda Bell and Janet Gentle, as well as a new member, Ami Mateskon.

Tresa recognized the many December and January birthday celebrants.

Due to term limits, Tresa will retire at the end of 2017. She introduced the 2017 Board members and committee chairpersons. Chairpersons are still needed for the September Tea and the July picnic. Additionally, some inquiries had been made regarding a Guild quilt retreat. A committee will need to be formed to pursue that possibility. Sandy Rogers volunteered to chair the committee.

The Secretary’s Minutes for November were approved as published in the newsletter.

The Treasurer’s Report was approved after noting corrections to the QOV balance due to the omissions of two disbursement items. The correct balance is \$183.61.

Shelley Stallard, Quilt Show Chair, announced that the Strip Piecing Reveal will be at the March meeting. Also, members will receive refunds for the cancelled Christmas Party. Shelley will provide categories for quilt show entries in February. Registration for quilt entries will be accepted in March and April with a deadline as of the May meeting. Members were urged to volunteer at the show.

Members were reminded to bring their bus trip projects to the February meeting.

The business meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.
Show and Tell followed the meeting.

Respectfully submitted by
Helene Kleymeer
Recording Secretary

Quilt Retreat Survey

Circle one response:

1. Are you interested in going to a LTBQG retreat in late spring of 2018? Yes No
2. How long would you like the retreat to last? 2 days 3 days >3 days
3. How far would you consider driving to a retreat? <25 mi. < 50 mi. >50 mi.
4. How much would you consider paying for the retreat? <\$200 >\$300 >\$300
5. Would you be interested in taking a class (or more) during the retreat? Yes No
6. Would you be willing to share a room with another quilter? Yes No
7. Would you rather have the mealscatered.....on your own?
8. Thoughts?Comments?Suggestions?_____

Thank you for participating in this preliminary survey to determine if there is sufficient interest to proceed with the planning of a Guild Retreat!

*****Please return to the next quilt meeting or send to Sandy Rogers.

Treasurer's Report

January

BEGINNING BALANCE	\$ 6193.81	
	(Q of V - * \$ 183.61)	
INCOME		
Education Raffle	31.00	
Membership	98.00	
Program		
Quilts of Valor	* 100.00	
Classes		
Bus Trip		
Bank Interest	<u>.12</u>	
	\$229.12	+ \$229.12
TOTAL	(Q of V - \$ 283.61)	\$ 6422.93
EXPENSES		
Insurance	255.00	
Northern Copy Express	10.08	
Blue Lakes by the Bay	1718.00	
Sound system	1067.63	
Newsletters		
Charge for paper statement	<u>3.00</u>	
	\$ 3053.71	-\$ 3053.71
BALANCE	(Q of V - * \$ 283.61)	\$ 3369.71
DEDICATED SAVINGS		
	\$ 9766.52	
Interest	<u>.41</u>	
Total		\$ 9762.93
Submitted by Johanna Kutcher Treasurer, LTBQG 2017		

Volunteers Needed

IMPORTANT PROGRAMS NEED VOLUNTEERS: Please volunteer to help with the July Picnic and the September Tea. These are two long standing guild social events that we don't want to cancel but they need a committee for some advance planning. This is not part of Program Committee's responsibility. They have already procured special teacher/lecturers for both of these meetings. Ask me for details,

Thanks. Tresa



Things to Consider for Entering the Quilt Show

DESIGN ELEMENT OF JUDGING:

- Visual impact of design - The quilt must be visible across the room! It needs to be eye-catching
- Originality and creativity
- Color and value
- Balance and integration of design (scale, relationship and arrangement of quilt components including borders)
- Overall appearance (quilt is clean, free of odor, and hangs squarely)
- General construction - workmanship (piecing, applique, borders even)
- Level of difficulty
- Special techniques (if applicable)
- Machine quilting (stitches of even length, no tension problems - Bobbin thread should not show on top and top thread should not show on back. Starts and stops not visible.)
- Quilting design appropriate to quilt top, density of quilting consistent
- Finishing (binding applied securely, evenly and accurately, square corners - no dog ears)

Membership

We welcomed one new member into membership at the January meeting. Please write her information below into the empty pages at the end of your new membership books.

Ami Mateskon
8320 Ridgeway Rd.
Petoskey, MI 49770
547-220-6510
Birthdate: 10/23

This brings our membership to 138 people.
Kay Geuder

February Birthdays



2-01 Shannon Notestine
2-07 Carol Yorkison
2-11 Sallie Thompson
2-12 Sharon Koskus
2-14 Suzanne Johnson
2-14 Claudia Libbey
2-17 Margaret Nemeč
2-19 Ruth Harris
2-21 Peggy Spang
2-27 Val Dingman

Hope your day was great!



Servant Hearts

If anyone has leftover yarn that they would like to donate, please give Johanna a call because there are a few ladies in Servant Hearts who spend time knitting hats, scarves and mittens for the needy. They could use more yarn.

My cell number is: 231-838-4831 or
call Brenda Bell at: 231-838-0600

*“Quilts are like people.
Each is different and
none are perfect.”*

Cindy's Northern Crafts ~ Petoskey
Did you miss our January 2017 fabric sale?
February Sale: Bolted fabric 40% OFF plus
add this coupon and get 10 % MORE (bolted only)!
Precut Sale ~ 30% OFF! Stop by and get your
deal...

Tips for Finishing your Quilt on a Longarm

Your longarm machine quilter **wants** to do a good job for you. It is normal for the quilter to have some requirements for the quilts coming in to be quilted. Last time we talked about backs. Now...your quilt top. **Quilt top** 1. Once the quilt top is made look to see if there are seams around the outer edge. If so, you will need to baste all around your quilt top 1/8" in so that in the longarm process, the seams do not pull open. If there are only certain areas with seams at the edge, you can just baste those areas. 2. If your quilt top is light colored, loose threads may show through. Clip those threads. No one wants to see loose threads. If your fabric frays easily, a little Fray Check will help. 3. Make sure your top is square and even on all four sides. 4. Press your quilt top and hang on hangar or fold carefully.

Date	Refreshments	Meeting	Classes	Clean Up
February 9 th	Barb Malpass, Robin Peters, Cynthia Tschudy, Shelley Stallard, Ann Ward, Sharon Gardner	Sew in and Barn bus trip DVD presentation		Jaime McGuiness
March 9 th	John and Julie Dyle, Renee Prevost, Lois Hart	Strip Piecing Reveal and Bag Making with Peggy Spang		Val Dingman
April 13 th	Penny Harrison, Lie Rayl, Carol Yorkison	Hand Piecing with Nettie Hosler	"To Knot or Not to Knot" Saturday, April 15 Hearts to Holly Hand piecing with Nettie Hosler	Johanna Kutcher
May 11 th	Phyllis Hosier, Linda Fry, Lynn Parrish, Jan Gray	Trunk Show with Mickey Dupree "20 Quilts, Young, Old, Timid and Bold"	Thursday Sew on the Go - Hand Piecing Castle Wall	Phyllis Hosier
June 8 th	Sharon Koskus, Suzanne Johnson, Nancy McKinnon, Pat Shannon	Quilt Show UFO Reveal		Ken and Sue Thompson
July 14 th	Picnic	Wool with Barb		
August 10 th		Machine Quilting		
September 14 th		Quilt Art with Kathryn Andrews	To be announced	
October 12 th	Cindy Johnson, Ken and Sue Thompson, Kay Kepner, Miriam Jacobson	Trunk Show with Karen Kay Buckley	To be announced	
November 9 th	Sheila Roof, Becky Griffin, Lois Furness, Jane Denay, Judy Lightfoot	All Dolled Up - Endearing Little Doll Quilts Through the Decades		Marian Henthorne, Debbie Jarvis
December 14 th	Chair: Linda Fry Barb Gutuskey, Sue Gravados, Other hospice quilters	Holiday Party		

February Meeting

Do not miss the February meeting. We will have a slide show presentation of the October Bus Trip presented by our fearless photographer Lynn Frazee. See all the colorful barns and the places we visited. Perhaps you will even catch sight of yourself!

Bring a sewing project to stitch and spend some time getting to know your guild friends! Sewing can start as early as 3:00.

**Bonus -Hear about the upcoming bus trip in September!

To Knot or Not to Knot

Friday April 14, 2017

\$25.00

Hearts to Holly

10-4

Instructor Nettie Hosler

This is a hand piecing class and you will learn basic hand stitching and when to knot and when not to knot. Y seams are not a problem. It is a small project so you can get this done in no time at all. Pick your favorite line of fabric, era or season.

This will be a relaxing and enjoyable class where you pick up some new tips.

Name: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Complete and send check for \$25.00, made out to LTBQG to:
Jeannette Kling
106 Cherryhill Ct.
Naples, FL 34113
513-667-9149

“Sew on the Go - Hand-Piecing Castle Wall”

Friday May 12th, 2017

\$30.00

Charlevoix Library

10-4

Instructor Mickey Dupre

10-4 at Charlevoix Library

“Sew on the Go - Hand Piecing Castle Wall”

\$30.00 members+\$25.00 kit
(After March 14th, \$40.00)
\$40.00 non-members+\$25.00 kit

Name: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Complete and send check for \$30.00, by March 14th, 2017 (Additional \$25.00 kit fee will be paid to instructor on the day of the class.) Jeannette Kling
106 Cherryhill Court
Naples, FL 34113
513-667-9149

What can you do right now to help us have a successful Quilt Show?
Here are a few ideas:

- ✓ Contact your quilter if you need your top quilted. Long armers have a long waiting list during a quilt show year.
- ✓ Finish those tops and start quilting!! Bind, bind, bind.
- ✓ Review the category list in this newsletter to see where your quilt will be entered.
- ✓ Put our Quilt Show dates on your calendar and tell your friends and family to do the same.
 - Tuesday, June 13th: Rack Set up.
 - Tuesday, June 13th: Take in quilts, boutique.
 - Wednesday, June 14th: Judging.
 - Thursday, June 15th: Hanging, boutique, challenge, special exhibits, vendor set up & set up of everything else
 - Friday, June 16th: Show day, 9-6
 - Saturday, June 17th: Show day, 9-4
- ✓ Use your black and white challenge fabric to make items for our raffle booth. There is info on this challenge in this newsletter.
- ✓ Keep making items to sell in our boutique. The boutique is an excellent way to earn some extra quilting money and supporting your guild at the same time. Our guests love it!
- ✓ Tell Shelley that you (and your friends?) would like to be our decorating committee.
- ✓ March and April, quilt registrations will be published in the newsletter.

For those of you who are new to our guild, our quilt show is a members-only quilt show. This means that only quilts made by guild members will be displayed in our show. The quilt top must be made by a member, but can be quilted by a non-member. And of course, the vintage blocks of the "Multi-Generational" category will be, no doubt, from a non-member. In order to have a quilt displayed in our 2017 Quilt Show, you must be a paid member by January 1, 2017.

2017 Quilt Show Fabric Raffle Challenge

Our next quilt show is June 16th-June 17th, 2017. At each show, we have a raffle of multiple items donated by our members. At the last show we had over 70 items! This raffle is a big money maker for our guild and everyone's help is needed. Each member will also sell tickets and we are also eligible to win a raffle item. (I still display the items I won in my home)

The raffle fabrics for the 2017 quilt show challenge are two Black and White dots. The challenge fabrics, along with solid black and white, must be purchased from our program committee/raffle chair, Linda Schofield. It will be cut in fat quarters and ½ yards. More is available from Linda, just ask.

The rules: At least one of the dotted challenge fabrics must be visible in the object. You can add any other fabrics to the item. This is a great way to get out of your "box" and maybe work with a new color scheme. The item must to be made by the member donating it. Be creative, we have had some great items for raffle....bags, bears, aprons, pillows, placemats, quilts and so much more! There will be an award for "members' choice" at the show, too. You can turn in the items at any meeting to Linda and they will be due at the May 2017 meeting. Please turn your item(s) into Linda as soon as possible.

Thank you, Shelley Stallard Quilt Show Chair

2017 Quilt Show Categories

If you have any questions, please contact Shelley Stallard,
shelley.k.stallard@gmail.com

Having your quilt judged is a very positive experience. We encourage everyone to have their quilts judged, but it is not required in order to have your quilt in the show.

- 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
- 2500 ___ Multi-Generational

2017 Quilt Show Category Definitions:

All items must display quilt stitching through a top, batting and backing. All entries must be able to hang on the drape that we use for the show. You do not need a sleeve on the back of your quilt. Our quilts are either hung on clip style “pant hangers” or with straight pins, depending on size. Due to space limitations, we do not allow free-standing displays for quilts, unless pre-approved by the committee.

- **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 one 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 (top, batting and backing) and include quilt stitching through all layers. A quilt based on traditional patterns and designs should be entered in another category. Due to space limitations, only Art Quilts that can be hung in the traditional manner will be accepted.
- **Miniature quilt:** Maximum size of 24” x 24”. All aspects of the quilt are reduced in scale. The easiest way to describe this is: if you were to take a picture of the miniature quilt, you wouldn’t be able to tell if it’s a bed size quilt or a miniature. It does not mean just a small quilt.
- **Wearable items and accessories:** Any item intended for clothing or clothing accessory.
- **Multi-Generational:** Vintage blocks are used in the quilt. The vintage blocks must be used in an innovative way, to create a new quilt top. No antique tops or blocks with only simple sashing and borders will be accepted. This category is intended for the blocks to be the inspiration for a new and exciting quilt.
- **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 do the quilting.



Missouri Star Quilt Company Here We Come!
September 19-23, 2017
5 days, 4 nights



Hamilton, Missouri is a quilter's paradise, attracting folks from near and far to come find inspiration, encouragement, and education at Missouri Star Quilt Co. To our delight, we've become much more than a collection of quilt shops. We're here to help bring your quilting dreams to life! In the past eight years MSQC has grown from a single brick building with a longarm quilting machine and a few shelves of fabric to thirteen themed quilt shops and a Sewing Center for retreats and events. Our new Main Shop is a hub for all our activities, with a focus on education. We want to help everyone who comes to visit us feel empowered to go out and create their next masterpiece.

There's plenty of fun to be had here! The in-town experience offers easy access to over a dozen quilt shops, opportunities for retreats and trunk shows, comfortable accommodations at the Sewing Center, and delicious food at local restaurants! We wouldn't want you to leave hungry. There's handcrafted burgers and fries at J's Burger Dive. Upscale comfort food at Blue Sage. And if you've got a sweet tooth, there's no better place than Mama Hawk's Kitchen. Come visit Hamilton and find your happy place. We can't wait to meet you!

Check out www.visitmsqc.com to see all the wonderful things Hamilton has to offer. Share your visit with us using **#visitmsqc**

\$450 with 50 people (based on double occupancy)
\$500 with less than 50

\$250 deposit holds your spot (balance due August 15th)

Quilt shops, prizes, and other attractions along the way!

Join the fun! (Non guild members welcome!)
Help Jenny Doan celebrate her birthday during the Birthday Bash!

Make checks payable to LTBQG. Questions? Contact Jan Gray (231) 582-9821