

The meeting was called to order by Tresa Keys at 6:00 pm. Several members' guests were welcomed to the meeting.

*Correction to the March minutes: The Quilts of Valor were given to residents at Hiland Cottage. A get well card was sent to Diane Simancek as she had shoulder surgery earlier this month.

A reminder to all: We may use the handicapped parking in the front of the building on guild meeting night. We are all welcome to come early and sew at the Senior Center any time after 3:00 pm on meeting day. Bonus!

The freebie table is once again open. Please use this area for good items only. Very old magazine, patterns and other items are not meant for this table. If your items are still on the counter at the end of the evening, you are responsible for taking them home with you. I thank you kindly for your help with this change. ;-)

"Thanks You" to all!

- The "Sign-Up" clipboard is now full for the upcoming September Tea and other guild events, excepting the Quilt Show.
- The new sound system is a success thanks to Ken Thompson.
- Penny Harrison, Carol Yorkison, and Liz Ryl supplied the great refreshments this evening. Yum!!
- Helene Kleymeer did a marvelous job covering the newsletter.
- Lastly, Lynn Frazee is the new guild publicity person. We are going to be famous.

Notes from the Board Meeting:

Dues will be increased. In accordance with the bylaws, this information will be published as required. Tresa led a "financial" discussion. We all need to accept responsibility to take classes, to encourage others to join us, and to attend the quilt show. There may be a charge in the future for newsletters that are mailed to guild members.

Ways and Means Committee:

We need volunteers to join. This committee will investigate ideas, suggestions, and thoughts for guild fundraising projects.

Charities: Quilts of Valor continues to grow. Many quilts were brought to the meeting tonight. 132 have been delivered to veterans. 19 quilts are now out for quilting. Many quilts are in the sewing process. Whew!!!

May Class with Mickey DePre: Sandy Rogers reviewed the class information with the group. The class date is Friday, May 12th at the Charlevoix Library. There is still space available. Come and have fun as we are giving away one million dollars to some lucky quilter!! Oops....sorry....that was "fake" news.

September Bus Trip: Jan reported on the upcoming fall bus trip to the Missouri Star Quilt Co. in Hamilton, MO. It will be 4 nights and 5 days filled with learning, laughter, and lovely people. There are now 30 people signed up and we really need another 20. Please consider joining us on this great adventure. If you have never attended a "Jan Trip," I can promise that you will have a wonderful time. The more people that sign up, the cost of the trip will go down!

Crooked Tree Children's Quilt Project: Kathy Slack reported that 11 boys and 3 girls made 20 quilt blocks. The theme for this project was the Underground Railroad that served as a path to freedom during the days of slavery. As the children made their blocks, they learned the story of this treacherous time in the history of our country. The Petoskey News-Review published this information in the newspaper on April 14th.

LTBQG Quilt Show: Shelley Stallard encouraged members to have their quilts appraised at this time. All paperwork needs to be submitted by May 1st, 2017. The advertising post cards are ready to be sent out and they are awesome. Great colors! For \$6.00 you can give this card as a gift and the lucky person will have free admission to the quilt show. We now have 34 delightful items for the raffle and are hoping for 50. Tickets for the raffle have been distributed to our members. Please sell or purchase the tickets yourself. At the Boutique you may sell your own new items. 20% of the cost of the item will go toward the guild and 80% will go directly to your piggybank! We need volunteers to distribute Quilt Show flyers in different communities in and around Petoskey; put Quilt Show signs around Petoskey on the day of the show; and a volunteer in Petoskey to store quilt show "stuff."

Sue Ann Wiltse presented our April program. Sue Ann presented many of her fabulous art and traditional quilts. She shared the stories behind each quilted piece as well as the learning she acquired during the process. We were all in awe of her incredible talent.

Show and Tell: Guild members shared their work with the group to applause and appreciation for their talent and efforts as well.

Tresa Keys closed the meeting at 7:55 pm

Minutes respectfully submitted by Sandy Rogers (for Helene Kleymeer).

April Treasurer's Report

LTBQG TREASURER'S REPORT April 2017		Quilts of Valor	
General Fund		Previous Balance	\$ 380.14
Beginning Balance	\$4690.21	Expenses	- 70.05
			- <u>282.00</u>
			\$ 28.09
Income		Bus Trip Deposits	\$2482.00
Bank Interest	.16		+ 4000.00
May Class	<u>250.00</u>		\$6482.00
	+250.16		
Expenses		Quilt Show	
Northern Copy Express	16.64	Previous Expenses	\$2789.00
April Program	115.21	Postcards cost	+ <u>150.00</u>
Paper statement	<u>3.00</u>		\$2939.00
	- 134.85		
Balance =	\$4805.52	Quilt Show Income	
		Raffle tickets	560.00
Dedicated Savings	\$7078.66	Fabric Challenge	+ <u>348.00</u>
Interest	<u>.30</u>		\$ 908.00
	\$7078.96		
Submitted by Johanna Kutcher Treasurer, LTBQG 2017			



Membership

We welcomed three new members into membership during April. Please write their information below into the empty pages at the end of your new membership books.

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Betty Tumey (b.d. 8/16)
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This brings our membership to 143 people.
Kay Geuder
Membership Chair

Board Meeting Notice

On Thurs. March 16, 2017 the LTBQG Board unanimously voted to recommend to the membership an increase in our dues from \$30 to \$40, annually, starting Sept. 2017. This decision was made after much thoughtful discussion and careful consideration of our tight budget. Dues have been static for over ten years.

Where else can you find great programming; take advantage of continuing education classes, in a myriad of quilting subjects; find comrades of a like mind who speak "quilting" language and be a special part of a very generous group of quilters who give back to the community?

As I mentioned at the March meeting, our present dues cover only \$30 of the guild's cost of \$50 per person cost per year.

Per the LTBQG By-Laws; Article III, Section IV, (last two sentences).

"A proposed change in the amount of dues shall be published in the newsletter prior to the scheduled vote and voted on no later than the NOVEMBER meeting. The change shall carry by a two thirds majority of members present" We propose to change the month to JULY. We will vote to change the dues from \$30 to \$40, annually. This notice will be announced at the April and May meetings and voted on June 8, 2017.

Tresa Keys. President 2017

May Birthdays



5-01 Sue LaRoy
5-08 Pat Nolan
5-09 Mary Jane Nugent
5-10 Linda Couzens
5-16 Barb Malpass
5-16 Nancy McKinnon
5-24 Maribeth Hemstreet
5-24 Sue Ann Wiltse
5-25 Mary Nelson

Hope your day is great in every way!

UFO's

Ladies... I think I hear the hum of machines and a few "ouches" from needle stabs as you are making sure to have those UFO's completed in time for our June drawing. Will you be finished and our lucky winner? Remember, your quilt MUST be finished to qualify and it must be one I have in my files as a submission from last year. Jeanette Kling



Quilts of Valor

The Quilts of Valor sewers invite you to join us on May 3rd 10-2:30 at Hearts to Holly Quilt Shop for a workshop day. Please bring a sewing machine, basic sewing supplies and a willing heart to make quilts that honor our Veterans who have given so much to insure our Freedom. You can drop in and see what a good time we have, even for part of the time.

We are so grateful to all the faithful who sew, cut and assemble the quilt tops; we are grateful for the donated fabrics and pillowcases, the need continues; and a BIG SHOUT OUT to our faithful long arm quilters who keep turning them out.

We also want to thank Hearts to Holly for the space to work, for the purchase at cost, of batting and backing and for Mike who cuts it all for us. All of this makes our project run like clockwork, in this kind of assembly line fashion.

Please let me know if you would like to bind a QOV.

Funds for the supplies and sometimes shipping are getting low. QUILTS OF VALOR is a 501(c)(3), non-profit Corp., so all donations are tax deductible. Also, if someone has experience in writing grants, etc., I could use some help.

So far this year we have awarded 25 QOV, with more being awarded soon.

Questions? Tresa Keys
231-758-6530

Date	Refreshments	Meeting	Classes	Clean Up
May 11 th	Phyllis Hosier, Linda Fry, Lynn Parrish, Jan Gray	Trunk Show with Mickey Depre "20 Quilts, Young, Old, Timid and Bold"	Friday May 12 10-4 "Sew on the Go" - Hand Piecing Castle Wall Charlevoix Library	Phyllis Hosier
June 8 th	Sharon Koskus, Suzanne Johnson, Nancy McKinnon, Pat Shannon	Quilt Show UFO Reveal		Ken and Sue Thompson
July 13 th	Chair: Lois Furness, Laurie Owen, Jesseca Haslock	Lavender Farm		Miriam Jacobson
August 10 th	Pam Miller, Kathy Helner, Marty Dellenbach, Jane Baker	"My Passion" Trunk Show Barbie Brook Backstreet Quilt Shop	Friday, August 11 Make a Wool Needle Book Carryall Hearts to Holly 10:30 - 4:30	Lynn Frazee
September 14 th	Chair person Judith Ivan Charlevoix Library	Kwilt Art with Kathleen Andrews www.kwiltart.com	Friday, Sept. 15 Celtic Layers or Celtic Diamonds Saturday, Sept 16 Convex Illusions or Poppin In	Kathy Helner
October 12 th	Cindy Johnson, Ken and Sue Thompson, Kay Kepner, Miriam Jacobson	"In the Beginning" with Karen Kay Buckley	Friday, Oct. 13 Fiesta Mexico Block #3 Saturday, Oct. 14 Circles Squared Machine Applique	Ami Mateskon
November 9 th	Sheila Roof, Becky Griffin, Lois Furness, Jane Denay, Judy Lightfoot	"All Dolled Up" Endearing Little Doll Quilts Through the Decades with Julie and John Dyle		Marian Henthorne, Debbie Jarvis
December 9 th	Chair: Linda Fry Barb Gutuskey, Sue Gravados, Other hospice quilters	Holiday Party Stafford's Bay View Inn 12:00 Social 12:30 Lunch		

May Meeting

While Mickey Depre was known for years as an art quilter you might be surprised to learn she was a dedicated piecer, making bed quilts for her family. If you look closely at her art quilts you can find evidence of piecing.

There will something to pique everyone's interest at our May meeting when she will join us. Consider signing up for her Castle Wall class for new tricks and techniques for hand piecing on the go! She is sure to bring a smile to your face with her sense of humor!

"Creativity is intelligence having fun!"

"Sew on the Go" - Castle Wall #4
Charlevoix Library 10-4

Friday May 12, 2017
Instructor: Mickey Depre mdquilts.com

\$40.00

Hand Piecing Rocks! Join Mickey for a slow speed workshop covering the hand piecing tips and trick of the Castle Wall Block. This versatile block becomes a joy to do when sewn by hand. Perfect points will happen using traditional templates!

\$40.00 members required kit \$25.00

\$40.00 non-members required kit \$25.00 Kit will be purchased from instructor at class.

Name: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Complete and send check for \$40.00 to:
Jeannette Kling

513-667-9149

"Sew on the Go-Castle Wall Block" Supply List Required Kit: \$25.00 includes the following:

Set of acrylic templates for 9"Castle Wall Block(retail \$25.00) -sheet of Jenkins Industrial Freezer Paper -spool of 50wt Aurifil Thread -Hemming #11 Milliners Needle and various pins -Use of various marking pens *If you own the templates then remainder of the kit is \$5.00

STUDENTS WILL NEED TO BRING:

Thimble-If you don't have one I will have a possible solution for you

Scissors for fabric cutting-will want a blade at least 5-6" in length

Scissors for thread snipping-short blade

Pencil & hand held sharpener

Two Gel Pens, white or yellow and solver or medium blue *I recommend Sakura pens that can be found in the scrap booking area of your local craft store.

Clover Table Top Needle Threader (if you have one, bring it)

A portable Ott light (optional)

FABRICS:

Five fabrics are needed to make a block

Please bring at least a 10" square equivalent of each fabric I highly suggest bringing at least 7-10 fabrics to allow for creativity.

"Wool Needle book" Friday August 11, 2017 10:30-4:30 \$30.00

Hearts to Holly Instructor: Barbie Brooks BackstreetQuiltShop.com

This wool needle book will hold all your favorite hand needles. Approximately 5" by 6" and it features 5 creative embroidery stitches; bullion, drizzle, perfect French knits, buttonhole and back

\$30.00 members (required kit contains wool scraps; thread and needle \$15.00)

After June 14th \$40.00

\$40.00 non-members (required kit contains wool scraps; thread and needle\$15.00)

Kit will be purchased from instructor at class.

Name: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

You may also register at meeting.
Jeannette Kling

Supplies needed:

Fabric and paper scissors
Mechanical pencil
Pincushion without pins
Silk or applique pins

Quilt Show Week Schedule

- Tuesday, June 13th: Rack Set up.
- Tuesday, June 13th: Take in quilts, boutique items. Time TBA in May Newsletter
- Wednesday, June 14th: Judging. Silence needed. The only other committee allowed in the building will be the hanging committee, setting up the layout.
- 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

Postcards

These postcards are for EVERYONE to use to advertise our show!

Mail them, drop some at a quilt shop, coffee shop, book store, senior center....the list is endless.
Get yours at the April, May and June meetings.

Stay tuned for a PDF advertisement that you can share on social media!

Appraisals

Appraisal slots at our show are filling up fast but we will find room for your quilts. Look for sign up sheets at the meeting or contact Jeannette Kling at jeannetteklings@yahoo.com or call at 513-667-9149.

Remember to ask your friends if they are interested as you do not need to be a member to have an appraisal done. This is a convenient opportunity to have your quilts, new and old, appraised while visiting the show.

Make an appointment for an appraisal at our show.
Verbal appraisals are \$30.00 Written appraisals are \$50.00

2017 Challenge Raffle

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 50 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. .

Raffle Tickets: Yes, you are required to sell raffle tickets. We all benefit from this major fund raiser, so we are all required to help. McLaren Northern Michigan Hospital has graciously donated ALL of the expense and time of printing, cutting and stapling the tickets. This insures a total profit for us, so let's sell all those tickets!! Linda will have an envelope for each member. Tickets are only \$1.00 each, so they are an easy sell. Once you have explained 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

Get a jump on having your items for the boutique organized. Stop and see me at the guild meeting. I will have an inventory sheet for you to pick up, and samples of how tags should look. Each of your items needs to be inventoried and tagged. Tags include last name, inventory number on one side, and price on the other. I suggest that you keep pricing in \$\$ increments. It is easier for us to deal with the change needed if you don't price things with .25, .50 or .75 increments.

I will have these items available at May and June meetings. In a pinch, email me at jofsji@gmail.com and I will send you a copy of the inventory electronically. Sew away! We need good stuff for an exciting boutique. It is a popular venue at the show. Thanks.....Judith Ivan

Volunteers Needed for the Quilt Show!

Linda Fry will have the sign-up sheets for volunteering for Quilt Show Week at the May meeting.

It really is fun, and there are so many opportunities to help.

Share your love of quilting with our guests!
Get **Free entry** to the show
when you sign up and work four hours during quilt week