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April 2017

Pals Quilt Guild Meeting

April 3, 2017

6:30 pm Meeting

Fellowship Reformed Church

4200 Apple Ave. Muskegon

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Next Board Meeting

April 24, 2017 6:30 PM

Next Newsletter Deadline

April 15, 2017

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From Your Chair

Joy Lamphere

Ah, April!

I am reminded of the old joke we told as children:

Q. If April Showers bring May Flowers, what do May Flowers bring?

A. Pilgrims!

While I don't expect the Mayflower to come sailing into the harbor in Muskegon any time soon, I do appreciate the history that tells the stories of those who came before us. In the quilting realm, we have a lot of history to cover (pun intended). Earlier quilters had it rough! Just like it took the Pilgrims a long time to cross the Atlantic compared to hopping a flight to cross, early quilters had many obstacles to the completion of their quilts.

I am thankful that I don't have to save every scrap of fabric to make quilts, relying only on the fabrics we clothe the family with. I am also very glad that I don't have to do my quilting by hand. While not everyone wants to make a modern-style quilt, I think we can all agree that modern methods can streamline quilting in ways that help us focus on the parts of the process that we like best. For example, rotary cutting helps ensure accuracy I lacked when using cardboard templates. (For some reason those last pieces weren't the same size as the first ones!)

On to April and hurray for modern quilting methods!

Meeting Cancellation Information

In case of inclement weather, notifications will be sent to WZZM-TV and WOOD-TV stations. If at all possible, an Email blast will be sent to members who receive their newsletters via email.

Threads of Friendship Quilt Show

Entry Form

NAME _____ NUMBER _____

(COMMITTEE USE ONLY)

ADDRESS _____

(STREET ADDRESS)

(CITY)

ZIP)

PHONE _____

(HOME)

(WORK)

(CELL)

QUILT SUBMITTED TO BE DISPLAYED IN WHICH OF THE FOLLOWING CATEGORIES

LARGE QUILT _____ SMALL _____ MINATURE _____ CHALLENGE _____

(61" x 61" OR LARGER)

(UP to 60" x 60")

(UP TO 20" X 20")

(20" X 20")

NAME OF QUILT _____

NAME OF PALS MEMBER WHO PIECED THE QUILT _____

NAME OF QUILTER _____ HAND MACHINE

(CIRCLE ONE)

DESIGNER/ARTIST _____

TITLE & PUBLISHER of PATTERN, BOOK, MAGAZINE, OR WEBSITE

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR QUILT TAG (When, why and any information you would like to share about your quilt in 25 words or less):

SIGNATURE _____

Please attach a photo of your quilt to entry form

(Photos will NOT be returned)

Threads of Friendship Quilt Show
Cheryl Berggren/Darla Parks/Mary Warden

It is that time again for the 2nd Biennial Threads of Friendship Quilt Show, so put it on your calendar: May 12 & 13, 2017 at Fellowship Reformed Church, 4200 East Apple Ave. We will have 2 Raffle quilts, a new Challenge, new Vendors and much more. We wouldn't have a great show without all of you who volunteer and your beautiful quilts, so start thinking about what you would like to put in the show and what you would like to volunteer for.

Quilt Registration Table

Kathy Ploughman/Dianna Michelli

The Threads of Friendship Quilt Show is coming on May 12th and 13th 2017. Please be thinking which of your quilts you would like to enter. We will continue accepting the entry forms at the April 2017 meeting. Please attach a photo of your quilt to the entry form (The photo will NOT be returned to you).

Volunteer Table

Jami Harwood/LouAnn Mrotz

Help! We still need a few more volunteers for all positions- both on Friday and Saturday - Admissions Table, Raffle Table, Boutique, & White Gloves. These are all fun, easy 'jobs' and about a 2 hour time slot.

Please stop by the Volunteer table or let Jami or LouAnn know what time would work best for you. This is going to be a great quilt show and it's always fun to see friends and meet new people while helping the guild. We appreciate your help!

Bed Turning

Char Hagner

A short reminder: I am asking for primitive quilts, pineapple quilts and any others that have a story you would like to share. Without you and your story our bed turning won't be successful, so if you have such a quilt; please share.

Demonstrations

Kathy Johnson

Friday May 12th
Ann Caris- *Hand Quilting*
Darlene VanderBerg -*Landscape*
Joy Lamphere - *Binding*
Suzie Carr- *Rulers*

Saturday May 13th
Joy Lamphere -*Binding*
Abbi Williamson -*Small Project*
Ann Caris -*Hand Quilting*
Cheryl Berggren-*Labels*



Boutique

Connie Townsend

We are still taking donations for the boutique at the Threads of Friendship Quilt Show in May. Some suggestions would be quilting books, magazines (not older than 2010), quilting fabric, scraps, quilting notions, quilt kits you will never get around to making and patterns. I should be at each PALS meeting unless it's bad weather so bring your items with you. If you have too much to bring please give me a call at 616-846-2249 and we can arrange a pick up time and place. Please have books and magazines in something sturdy. Also, if you have a machine to donate please hold it until the show as it should not sit in the storage unit all winter and I have no place to store them at home. Thank you.

Chinese Auction Baskets

Betty Ross

We are including a list of our Auction baskets to give you an idea of the wonderful items that will be auctioned off at the 2017 Quilt Show:

- 1) Childrens Books
- 2) Quilting Theme
- 3) Quilt Shop
- 4) Italian Gourmet
- 5) Two different Golf Baskets
- 6) Gardening
- 7) Movie and a Dinner
- 8) Christmas
- 9) Knitting
- 10) Two different Michigan State Baskets
- 11) University of Michigan
- 12) Stained Glass Art Piece

2017 Challenge

Kay Wilton

Challenge Fabric and rules will be available at guild meetings through April. Additional fabric may be purchased by calling or emailing Kay Wilton before the meeting.

Raffle Quilts

Suzette Mattson



Diamond in the Rough

Designed by Jackie Kunkel
Machine Pieced by Roxanna Herder
Machine Quilted by Darla Parks
Size: 51" x 63"

Tickets
1 for \$5.00
3 for \$10.00

Contact: palsquiltguild@gmail.com

Quilt raffle tickets are
One for \$5 or three for \$10.
Buy tickets for yourself
Or get some for a friend.

"Diamond in the Rough"
Could end up on your bed.
Or "Passing Fancy" might
Find its way there instead.

Buy some raffle tickets
For Quilt #1 or #2.
The super lucky winner
Very well could be you!

See Kathy or Dianna
At the ticket selling table.
Better your chances,
Buy as many as you are
Able!



Passing Fancy

Designed by Kim Diehl
Machine Pieced and Appliqued by
Kathleen Myers
Machine Quilted by Darla Parks
Size: 70.5" x 70.5"

Tickets
1 for \$5.00
3 for \$10.00

Contact: palsquiltguild@gmail.com

Quilt Photos by Dave Myers

A note from your co-chairs

LouAnn Mrotz and Jami Harwood

We are excited to say things are coming together for our calendar for 2018, teachers for classes and lectures are responding and we are in the process of signing contracts with a couple of them. If you have any suggestions for activities you'd like to see in the months we don't have classes scheduled, please feel free to give us your input. We have been brainstorming and are looking forward to a fun year for everyone.

April 3, 2017 **Kim Lapacek** will be our speaker this month. See the full bio below for more information on Kim and her classes.



About Kim Lapacek

Kim Lapacek is a mother, wife, artist, apple orchardist, retired civil engineer, and an entrepreneur.

While quilting is her main creative endeavor, she also makes jewelry, dabbles in painting, paper crafts, and many, many other things. You can find a sampling of

that creativity for sale in her Etsy shops or in her family's Poynette, Wisconsin apple orchards shop during the fall apple season.

Kim is a huge fan of online quilt-a-longs. Participating in them has really helped hone her piecing skills and encouraged her to try things she never thought she would try.

In 2010, Kim dreamed up *Project QUILTING*, and since then hundreds of quilts have been created and thousands of dollars' worth of prizes have been awarded. She enjoys sharing her enthusiasm about creativity through teaching, lecturing, and blogging.

Class: Project Quilting Workshop

Class: Dresden Neighborhood

Date: Monday, April 3, 2017

Time: 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Place: Quilted Memories in Montague

Cost: \$35 for members and \$40 for non-members.



Pull out your fun scraps and turn them into a unique Dresden Neighborhood! We'll put a whimsical 'twist' on the traditional Dresden Plate, cutting, piecing, applique and stitching to make an adorable wall hanging! Once you learn Kim's techniques, you'll never look at a traditional block the same way.

May PALS Meeting

On May Day we will have a member Trunk Show of Holiday Quilts (postponed from January). Bring your quilts celebrating ANY holiday through the year to share with your fellow Guild Members. National Chocolate Day quilts anyone?



About Karen Combs

A native of Michigan, Karen Combs began quilting in 1973 while still in high school. She has a degree in library science and has worked at many state, city and school libraries before finding her calling as a professional quilting instructor, writer and designer.

Her quilts are known for taking a traditional pattern and giving it her own unique "twist." Karen is intrigued with quilts of illusions and has been designing quilts with a 3-D look.

Karen is an author and has been a fabric designer for almost two decades, working with several New York based fabric houses and

now working with **Troy's Riverwoods Collections**.

Karen Combs will be our guest speaker and instructor in June. She will be presenting two very interesting and fun classes. "More Patchwork Illusions" will be held on Sunday, June 4 from 9:30-4:00. "Celtic Illusions" will be held on Monday, June 5, from 9:30-4:00. Both classes will be held at Quilted Memories in Montague. Signups for the classes will begin at our April meeting. Karen's lecture will be held Monday evening, June 5, at our general guild meeting.

Class: More Patchwork Illusions

Date: Sunday, June 4, 2017

Time: 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Place: Quilted Memories in Montague

Cost: \$45 for members and \$50 for non-members

Additional \$16 for handouts and rotary templates

Learn all the tricks and tips to creating 3-D patchwork blocks. You will also learn how to use color to enhance the 3-D effect and how to use different settings to create amazing quilts of illusion!



Class: Celtic Illusions

Date: Monday, June 5, 2017

Time: 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Place: Quilted Memories in Montague

Cost: \$45 for members and \$50 for non-members

Additional fee of \$8 for pattern and handouts

Karen has developed a truly magical way to create pieced Celtic quilts. This is one of Karen's favorite classes because it is so easy to create amazing Celtic Quilts. Let Karen share her secrets, so you can quickly and easily create unlimited pieced Celtic quilts. Based on Karen's book *Celtic Pieced Illusions*.

Newsletter

Deb Taylor

We would like to give members who receive their newsletter by U.S. Mail an opportunity to experience the newsletter in the new format. If you have an email address, please let us know and we will send your newsletter in both forms for the months of April and May. If you still prefer to receive your newsletter by regular mail, we can do that. **We send out other e-mail blasts during the month that may include reminders and/or local activities, you would receive these also.**

If at any time you have a question or concern about your newsletter please contact me.

Trips and Classes

Big Red Quilters' Guild is sponsoring a trip to the International Quilt Festival at the Donald E. Stephens Convention Center in Rosemont, Illinois on Saturday, April 8. The bus will depart from the Holland Sam's Club parking lot at US 31 and James Street at 7:00 am and return at 10:00 pm. The event cost of \$70 includes your transportation and show ticket. Go to <http://bigredquiltersguild.org/events> to print an application form.



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Here's a Taste of What's in Store!

- March 22 - Computer Basics for Sewers
- March 24 & 25 - Anita Goodesign Interactive Embroidery Party
- March 30 - Precut Project
- April 11 - Sewing & Quilting Demo Day - Focus on Machine Appliqué Techniques, Fusibles, and Specialty Interfacings
- April 19 - Free Motion Flower Bowl
- April 26 - Precut Project

Full descriptions and supply lists for our classes are available online.

Please stop in or call (231) 288-1263 to register for these or any of our other classes.



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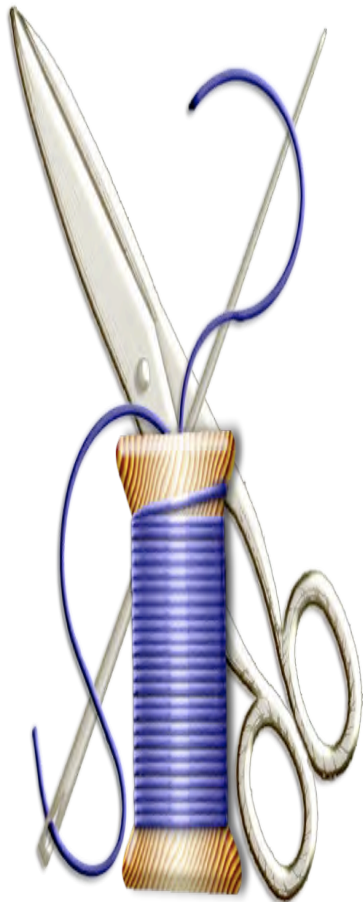
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