

Patchers at the Lakeshore News

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October 2018

PALS Quilt Guild Meeting

October 1, 2018

6:30 pm Meeting

Fellowship Reformed Church

4200 Apple Ave. Muskegon

2018 PALS Board

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Quilt Show (2019)

Kathy Johnson

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Board Meeting

October 29, 2018 6:30 PM

Next Newsletter Deadline

October 15, 2018

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From Your Chairs – LouAnn Mrotz and Jami Harwood

OCTOBER....

I love the fall colors, open windows and fresh air, college football, and the start of hockey season! The down side for me is: socks, long pants, & jackets. But with a little more indoor time, there will be more time for quilting! And plans to finish a few more projects before the rush of the holidays!

Looking back, what a great weekend we had with Susan Cleveland! Both classes were wonderful and her program was awesome! We are happy so many PALS & Lighthouse Guild members & guests turned out to enjoy the evening with Susan.

One of the biggest “perks” that comes with this Chairperson “job” is spending a little extra time with the teachers/speakers as well as getting to know guild members better in classes and at our meetings. If you have never volunteered for a position on our board, I invite you to consider where you could help. There can be times when it feels overwhelming or time consuming, but the rewards far outweigh those times. It’s a privilege and a blessing to help our guild grow and become better every year.

Enjoy these last days of summer and the beautiful fall days ahead. We look forward to seeing you at our next membership meeting.

Jami Harwood & LouAnn Mrotz

Meeting Cancellation Information

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

October: Charity Quilt Presentation; Breast Cancer Quilt Raffle

November: PALS University and Membership Month

December: Christmas Potluck/Dinner, Election of 2019 Board

Co-Chairs

Cinda Cogswell and Rae Simerick

It's that time of year again when we look to our membership to run for Board positions. The current positions we have open for 2019 are: Co-Chair.....this is an important one we need filled. If it is not filled, we will not have a leader for 2020. What do we ask of this person.....Well, it is now a 3 year commitment. 1st year, co-chair is learning the Chair position and possibly filling in if the Chair cannot be there, 2020 you will be Chair and in full charge, 2021 on the board as Past Chair. This position was created to help keep consistency on the board and help keep things running smooth! Other positions available: Resources, Membership, Baby Quilts and Historian, so, lots of opportunity! Please see Cinda Cogswell or Rae Simerick if you would like to be on next year's ballot.

Charity Quilts

Jan Alder & Sheila Baldwin

Thank you again for everyone that has turned in Charity Quilts. We will distribute them at the October meeting to 5 local charities. It is so heartwarming to hear their stories and to know that something as simple as a gift of a quilt is so important to them. We took in 58 quilts at our September meeting. You have donated over 225 quilts this year! Please keep them coming for 2019 as you have in the past.

Membership

Lisa Schooley & Karen Benham

What a great night! My stomach still hurts from laughing so hard. Please welcome 3 new members to our guild; Margarete Fochtman, Stella Wilcox & Sharon Zapf. We are looking for 2 new recruits to take over Membership, so if you have some free time on your hands and would like to help out the guild, please see Lisa Schooley or Karen Benham.

Quilts of Valor

Cathy Baker

Thanks to all for the quilt blocks, quilt tops, and quilts for QOV. We are continuing to make quilts for this worthy cause throughout the year. Keep them coming! The quilts should be 60x80 and made with 100% cotton quilting fabric that has been pre-washed. The QOV coordinator will be our speaker in February, 2019 and we will present her with the finished quilts. Wouldn't it be awesome to be able to give her 20 quilts for our first year? We have 4 finished and will be able to make a few more tops from the donated star blocks. **There will be a QOV sewing bee on Saturday, October 20 from 10-2 at Abbi May's.** I have a limited supply of labels for the QOV quilts if you do make an entire quilt. Contact Cathy Baker at 231-750-3425 or cbaker804@yahoo.com for any questions.

Patchers at the Lakeshore 2019 meetings

January: TBA **February:** TBA **March:** TBA

April: Kelly Young, website www.myquiltinfatuation.com. Classes Sunday, 3/31 and Monday, 4/1

May: AnnMarie Rowland, Presentation, Monday, 5/6; A Musical Trunk Show, No classes

June: Barbara Cline, website www.delightfulpiecing.com. Classes Monday, 6/ 3 and Tuesday, 6/ 4

July: Quilted Memories, Product Review

August: Picnic

September: Joint meeting with Lighthouse Quilt Guild of Grand Haven

October: Diane Knott, website www.butterflythreadsquilting.com. Classes Sunday, 10/ 6 and Monday, 10/7

November: PALS University, Board Nominations

December: Christmas Potluck/Dinner, Board Elections

PALS Quilt Show Board has started planning your 2019 Quilt Show

The PALS Quilt Show has been very successful because of the member participation, Your participation. Here are some ways that you can be a part. We need your quilts. You may enter two quilts. The sizes are large, small, and miniature. We will have a judge. If that is a concern, please know that the quilts are totally anonymous. She will not critique the quilts and she will not be giving any feed back. You can make a challenge quilt and purchase the required challenge fabric from Marilyn Suchecki. Our theme is "Hearts, For the Love of Quilting ". Another way to participate is sharing your "first quilt" for the bed turning. It can be the first quilt you made, or one that was the first quilt you received or purchased.

Raffle Baskets

Barb Reynolds

We have several baskets to be filled for the auction table. If an individual or Bee is interested, please contact Barb at 231-744-0387.

Boutique

Jan Alder & Sheila Baldwin

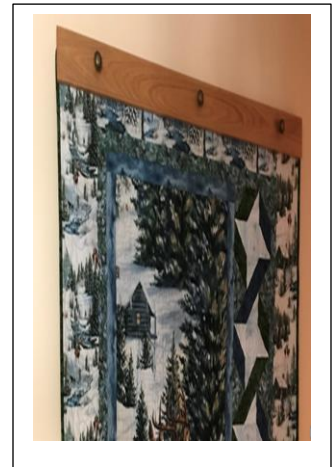
We are taking in so many nice quilting things. Thank you. Remember to measure your fabric and mark it. Any quilt or quilting related items are welcome, i.e., thread, rulers, cutting mats, sewing gadgets, embellishments, etc. If you have anything large, we can arrange to meet you at the storage unit for your donation.

Challenge Quilts

Challenge fabric will be available at each meeting. The red batik is \$4.00 for a fat quarter. The rules are printed below and will be given with the fabric at time of purchase.

1. Size 20" X 20 " -- Quilts outside this size will not qualify for judging
2. Must be 3 layers--- top, batting and backing and must be bound
3. Must be quilted by hand or machine
4. The challenge must be completed by one person
5. No names on the front of the quilt
6. Entry must have a registration form
7. Challenge fabric is provided at a cost of \$4.00 per fat quarter
8. Additional fabric may be purchased from the Challenge Chair
9. Entry must have a recognizable amount of the challenge fabric within the quilt design, not just the binding or backing
10. 2019 Challenge quilt must have at least **one** heart. It may be pieced, applique, or three dimensional.

Our October raffle item is this beautiful oak quilt hanger donated by guild member Carla Redenius. Raffle tickets are 4/\$1 and are available at the guild meeting.



Raffle Quilt

Our Threads of Friendship Quilt Show is only eight months from now during Mother's Day weekend.
(May 10 & 11, 2019)

The "Blue Beauty" raffle quilt was made by Bev Bryant and Louise Hazard from an Edyta Sitar pattern. It was quilted by Darla Parks of Elegant Stitches.

Remember, if you don't buy, you can't win!!

Help support your Guild and possibly win this beautiful quilt! Get your tickets SOON.

Tickets are \$5 each or 3 for \$10

Suzette Mattson



We need YOU – and your unwanted knit tops!

So clean out your closets and ask your friends to do the same.

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On Tues., Sept. 25 from 10-3 at Abbi May's

we will be making these chemo caps AND some huggable heart pillows
which are used by breast surgery/chemo patients.



Over 12,000 of the caps have been given away in the last
4 years but there still is a need for more.

*So come join us and bring with you:
your sewing machine - scissors - straight pins
AND those all-important stretchy tops!!!*



The National Stocking Drive is for the people of northern California who have lost everything they owned due to the 2018 California wildfires. It is meant to give them a sign of hope & renewal for their future.

Three dates for Christmas Stockings for California fire survivors have been planned. Please bring your friends and join this effort at:

Abbi May's Fabric Shop
1500 Whitehall Rd STE A
Muskegon, MI 49445.

Saturday, September 29 - 10 am - 4:30 pm

Wednesday, October 17 - 10 am - 4:30 pm

Tuesday, October 23 - 10 am - 4:30 pm



Stockings may be pieced, knitted, crocheted, embroidered, etc., 16 to 18 inches. Please bring a machine & tools, your lunch (frig & microwave available) or order from nearby restaurants. Water, cookies & treats will be provided. The pattern and some materials will be available. Christmas fabric donations are welcomed. Questions –contact: Kathy Preston at 616-730-2236. You may also bring completed stockings to Kathy Preston at the October and November PALS Guild Meetings or to Abbi Mays. All completed stockings will be shipped by Abbi May's on November 7th. They will be distributed by volunteers in Redding, CA during Thanksgiving weekend after being filled with gift items. Patterns are available upon request.

Newsletter

Please remember, we send out your newsletter and information blasts through the Constant Contact Program. If you unsubscribe to any of the blasts, you will also be unsubscribing to your newsletter.

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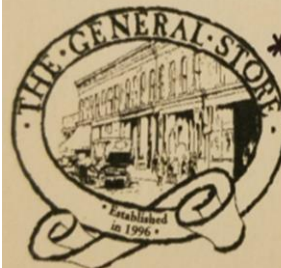
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1. It insulates the cupboard where it is kept.
2. It keeps the economy moving. It is my duty to support cotton farmers, textile mills and fabric shops.
3. It is less expensive and more fun than psychiatric care.
4. I'm participating in a contest - the one who dies with the most fabric wins.
5. It keeps without refrigeration, you don't have to cook it to enjoy it, you'll never have to feed it, change it, wipe its nose or walk it.
6. Because I'm worth it.
7. Like dust, it's good for protecting previously empty spaces in the house. Like the ironing board, the laundry basket and the dining room table.
8. It's not immoral, illegal or fattening. It calms the nerves, gratifies the soul and makes me feel good.
9. Because it is on sale.
10. Buy it now, before your husband retires and goes with you on all your shopping expeditions!