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January 2020

PALS Quilt Guild Meeting

January 6, 2020

6:30 pm Meeting

Fellowship Reformed Church

4200 Apple Ave. Muskegon

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Terry Maleski, Ann Caris & Sue Fiori

From Your Chairs – Jami Harwood & LouAnn Mrotz

Hello and welcome to 2020!

Yes, very soon we will be saying and writing 2020. How can that be?

When I say that, I feel like I should be tuning in to watch Barbara Walters on TV.

We are looking forward to a fun year with PALS, getting to know quilting friends a little bit better, sharing projects, and helping others. We hope you will join us in helping your fellow PALS members learn a new technique, try a new class, and share the things YOU love most about this wonderful hobby/passion we call QUILTING.

To those who were at the Christmas party – are you excited for the “Flurry” block swap?!?! Some details are included in this newsletter and more will be announced at our January meeting. We look forward to seeing you there!

Blessings for health, happiness, and helping others in 2020!

Jami & LouAnn

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.

Next Board Meeting

January 27, 2020 6:30 PM

Next Newsletter Deadline

January 10, 2020

quilterscafe278@yahoo.com

Resources

Vicki Gale

January

Bring 2 of your favorite fat quarters to the meeting. One should be a contrast to the other. You WILL go back home with your own fat quarters (unless you CHOOSE to swap with a friend, but we won't be asking you to do that). Come and see what we have planned!

We will also be taking sign-ups for the Flurry quilt block swap. You can find the FREE pattern at www.unitednotions.com/fp_flurry.pdf

PLEASE NOTE: this pattern uses a panel for the cornerstones. You will need to figure out which fabrics you want in your 4 corners. We will have enough for the 2-1/2" sashing cornerstones from our swapping. The pattern also gives cutting requirements for 16 different blocks. I have read through the pattern and done the figuring for fabric requirement so you can make 16 blocks all alike, bring ALL 16 blocks to the swap. For this you will need 1-3/4 yards of QUALITY 100% cotton Christmas fabric for your gift blocks. For the ribbon portion, you will need 3/4 yard. And for the WHITE-ON-WHITE background, you will need 2-1/4 yards. Please read the Block Swap Guidelines included in this newsletter. They will also be available when you sign up for the block swap at the January or February meetings.

February

Charity Quilts will host a Jellyroll night!

The meeting will be all about what fun quilts you can make with those 2 1/2" wide strips.

We will have quilting demos, desserts and a strip swap. Please bring eight, 2 1/2" x WOF strips.

March

PALS is looking for a Bee to present a trunk show! We know our Bees have some fantastic quilts and we hope you'll be willing to share.

Saturday, March 21, National Quilting Day

Let's sew together on National Quilting Day! Come and join other guild members for a sewing day to work on one of your unfinished projects. Bring your sewing machine and gather up one of your current UFO's (unfinished object). Let's sew all day and move a quilt top or project to completion.

Date: Saturday, March 21

Place: Fellowship Reformed Church, 4200 Apple Ave.

Time: 9:00 am – 4:00 pm

FREE to guild members; lunch on your own. You are welcome to bring a snack to share.

Contact Su Palmer, 231-740-7104, for additional information or to sign up. You may also sign up at January and February guild meetings!

April

Jill from Quilted Memories will be hosting a representative from Creative Grids! She will be teaching classes and techniques! More information will be coming!

May Lynn Carson Harris

Lynn lives in Michigan where she creates art, raises chickens, and grows vegetables. Both of Lynn's parents grew up on farms and, like the little red hen in the children's story, she was taught to do things from scratch and to never let anything go to waste. Her thrifty upbringing led her to her current style of working with scraps and the desire to use "every last piece." Her quilts have been juried into international shows and gallery exhibits and her work is in private collections around the world. She is the author of Every Last Piece and has also been published in numerous books and magazines. Classes will be "Tiny Piecing" and "Liberated Log Cabins". Sign-ups will begin at our February meeting.

Welcome new board members

We would like to welcome the new additions to the PALS board. Please say hello and thank them for taking on the positions. Welcome Vicki Gale (Resources), LuAnn Sloop & Niki Studabaker (Membership), Margarete Fochtman (Bee keeper) and Joy Lamphere (Historian).

Marketing

Marilyn Anderson

Santa was here!!! Thanks so much to all of the 2019 Board members that were able to make our Christmas party gifts. If you would like one or more, \$10 each, please see Marilyn Anderson at the Marketing table at our next meeting.



Quilts of Valor

Cathy Baker

We have a new block drive for the new year! The 2020 block for Quilts of Valor will be the Variable Star by Robin Greve. Stop by our table to pick up a copy of the directions. We will collect the finished blocks throughout the year and put them into a quilt next fall.

We are planning to present the quilts made by our guild members to QOV at the July 2020 general meeting. Our goal is 20 quilts. We've made good progress so far, so thank you for your participation. We will have more kits that you can take and piece. Also, let us know if you want to quilt or if you want to bind and label. Please consider helping in this effort. We want to make sure any veteran touched by war can receive a quilt to honor their service and sacrifice.



Charity Quilts

Cindy Vogel & Sallie Lawrence

This coming year we will be delivering the quilts we make directly to the various agencies. When we collect 60 or more quilts, we will choose one of the agencies to deliver them to. It has been heartwarming to see the responses we received from the agencies for the quilts that were donated this year. One foster mom commented how grateful she was and how much receiving one of our quilts meant to the children living in foster care.

Please consider making a quilt. We especially need quilts of these sizes: small baby quilts, crib size quilts, toddler size quilts and lap sized quilts for older children.

Sallie and I will be serving another year with Charity Quilts. We will have new kits in January. Coming up at our February meeting we will have some special things to get everyone fired up to make more quilts. We look forward to another year working with Charity quilts. Stop by and check things out!

Membership

LuAnn Sloop & Niki Studabaker

The Christmas party attendance was 65. We had a very nice evening. Didn't we all just love those Santa Claus gifts? In January 2020, you will be greeted by a new Membership team. Dues for 2020 must be paid by February or names not paid will be removed from the current roster and not be sent a newsletter. Keep in mind, the dates for our meetings are always in the newsletter. Those paying after February will be added back onto the roster at the regular renewal rate. Only new members from July forward will be prorated at \$12.50 for the rest of the year. Rhessa and Judy want to thank LuAnn Sloop and Niki Studabaker for taking on Membership for 2020.



“Flurry” by Kate Spain - Fabric Requirements

Quilt is 55" x 65" These requirements are for 16 blocks to swap.

Quilt Fabric Requirements

Gifts & Pieced Border:

1-3/4 yards

Ribbon:

3/4 yard

Background:

2-1/4 yards of white on white fabric

No off-whites or creams

Binding:

5/8 yard

Backing:

4 yards

Quilt Fabric Cutting

Gifts & Pieced Border:

8 – 4" x WOF strips(**Width Of Fabric**)

subcut 32 – 4" x 8-1/2"

8 – 2- 1/2" x WOF strips

subcut 128 - 2-1/2" x 2-1/2"

Ribbon:

3 – 2-12" x WOF strips

Subcut 48 – 2-1/2" x 2-1/2"

4 – 1-1/2" x WOF strips

Subcut 16 – 1-1/2" x 8-1/2"

Background:

18 – 2-1/2" x WOF strips

Subcut 3 – 2-1/2" x 42-1/2"

20 – 2-1/2" x 10-1/2"

12 – 2-1/2" x 8-1/2"

16 – 2-1/2" x 4-1/2"

40 – 2-1/2" x 2-1/2"

15 – 2" x WOF strips

Set aside 11 strips

Subcut 4 – 2" x 42-1/2"

Binding: 7 – 2-1/2" x WOF strips

This pattern calls for “One Flurry Panel.”

I’m sure this is no longer available. This is

Step 1 (A) in the pattern. You will need to decide

which fabric(s) you want to use in the four corners.

For 1(B) and 1(C) in the pattern, you will use the

2-1/2" squares of swapped ribbon fabrics.

For **each** block you swap, you must also include 8 – 2-1/2" x 2-1/2" squares of your *gifts fabric* to be used in the pieced border. Also include 1 – 2-1/2" x 2-1/2" square of your *ribbon fabric* for **each** block you swap. You will receive 16 of these back, but will only need 9 for the sashing cornerstones.

“Flurry” by Kate Spain - Block Swap Guidelines

Sign up BY our February PALS membership meeting on 2/3/20.

Turn in your completed blocks to swap at our June PALS membership meeting on 6/1/20.

Bring your FINISHED Flurry Quilt for show and tell at our December PALS membership meeting/Christmas Gathering on 12/7/20.

Use only Quilt Shop QUALITY 100% cotton **CHRISTMAS** fabrics.

Background fabrics **MUST BE** white-on-white! NO creams or off-whites.

Accurate cutting and piecing is a must! Please make sure your cutting is accurate and your seams are a precise $\frac{1}{4}$ ". Please ask for help if you are unsure how to make your blocks correctly. No question is stupid to ask.

Measure all blocks – they must measure 8-1/2" x 10-1/2" when you bring them in to swap.

Do your **BEST** work. Think of this as the Golden Rule of Quilting: Give blocks to others that you would want others to give to you.

Don't procrastinate. Turn your blocks in on time. 15 other people are counting on you!

Encourage others. Share your progress on the PALS Facebook page. Bring your blocks to meetings before June for Show & Tell.

Most of all, **HAVE FUN!** Enjoy the process of this block swap and create a beautiful new quilt with other PALS quilters!





Happy New Year

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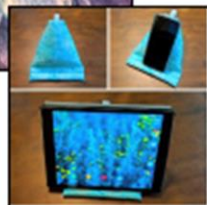


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