

# Patchers at the Lakeshore News

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February 2021

## **PALS Quilt Guild Meeting**

February 1, 2021 **Cancelled**

6:30 pm Meeting

**Fellowship Reformed Church**

4200 Apple Ave. Muskegon

## **2020 PALS Executive Board**

### **Chairpersons\*\***

Jami Harwood & LouAnn Mrotz

### **Co-Chairpersons\*\***

Unfilled

### **Secretary\*\***

Margarete Fochtman

### **Treasurer\*\***

Suzette Mattson

### **Asst. Treasurer**

Unfilled

### **Media\*\***

Deb Taylor

### **Resources\*\***

Vicki Gale

## **Committees**

### **Marketing**

Marilyn Anderson

### **Membership**

LuAnne Sloop & Niki Studabaker

### **Historian**

Joy Lamphere

### **Donation & QOV Quilts**

Cindy Vogel, Rhessa Martin

Eileen Grunstra

### **Library**

Barb Reynolds

### **Beekeeper**

Margarete Fochtman

### **Lighthouse Liaison**

Margarete Fochtman

## ***From Your Chairs – Jami Harwood & LouAnn Mrotz***

Happy February!

We've been thinking a lot about the calendar we normally do for the guild so you know what to expect each month. Obviously, we haven't been able to plan anything since last March. So, there is no calendar yet because we don't know when we will be able to think about our meetings again. Well, we are THINKING a lot about them....and missing them – and YOU!! At this point, we are not planning to have membership meetings until maybe May or June. We just want to be cautious on gathering together and of course having a safe place to meet. The church is still limiting the number of people in a gathering space and it's silly for us to try to meet when we are only allowed a small number of members. We want everyone to be able to participate in our meetings. If inside meetings are not possible by then, we are working to figure out where and how we might possibly be able to meet safely outside.

How are you doing on those New Year's resolutions? Are you decluttering and reorganizing? Many of you are catching up on UFO's and WIP projects. There are many designers and quilt teachers holding online quilt-alongs, mystery quilt projects, etc. Maybe find some time to participate in one of these events. Some of our former speakers/teachers are providing these projects.

Remember to post your projects on Facebook and on our PALS Facebook page. It's fun to see what everyone is doing.

Happy Quilting everyone!  
We miss seeing all of you!!

Jami and LouAnn

**Next Board Meeting**  
February 22, 2021 6:30pm  
**Next Newsletter Deadline**  
February 10, 2021  
[quilterscafe278@yahoo.com](mailto:quilterscafe278@yahoo.com)

## **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.**



We still have Fat Quarters available for our Guild Challenge. If you were unable to pick yours up, contact Joy Lamphere [shout4joy.geo@yahoo.com](mailto:shout4joy.geo@yahoo.com) or call at 231-220-9319 and (please leave a message) to get one. There is NO cost to Guild Members to participate in this challenge!

**RULES:**

Use the challenge fabric in ANY project of your choice. The fabric must be identifiable on the front of the piece and not used for backing or binding only. You have until our membership meeting on May 3, 2021 to complete your project for Show and Tell.

If we are still unable to meet in person come May, we will post pictures on our Facebook page.

**Donation Quilts**

**Cindy Vogel, Rhesa Martin & Eileen Grunstra**

Hello PALS quilting friends!

We appreciate all everyone is doing during this shut down. So far this year we have received 15 quilt donations. We have met with a lot of you to deliver kits or pick up quilts. We hope that you will donate a quilt or two this year. Our community has a great need for them. If you would like a kit, need quilt batting, labels or backing fabric please contact Cindy Vogel for a drop-off or Quilt pick-up.

Cindy Vogel email: [cindyjo56@frontier.com](mailto:cindyjo56@frontier.com) Phone 231-766-2956.

This cute quilt was made by Sue Lohr. The pattern name is Oh My Stars by Pat Sloan and is available free online or Cindy can get a printed copy to you.



## Membership

Niki Studabaker and LuAnne Sloop

Again, with sadness we announce the passing of member

Olive Beeman on January 2, 2021

A book will be purchased for the PALS library in Olive's memory.

Due to Covid-19, PALS is waiving 2021 membership fees for those who paid 2020 dues.

If you would still like to send a payment, it will be accepted by PALS as a monetary donation. We will renew your 2020 membership for 2021 automatically. Jami would like to apologize for any confusion with this. We are still learning as we go, rethinking some things, and Covid has not helped at all. If you no longer wish to be a PALS member or receive newsletters, please contact Niki Studabaker at 231-286-1511 or [nstudabaker@comcast.net](mailto:nstudabaker@comcast.net) and we will take you off our membership list. Thank you for your patience and understanding. **IF you are sending a payment, or if any of your contact information has changed in the past year, please complete the membership form.** Make any check payable to PALS. Please mail completed forms to: PALS, P.O. Box 5373, North Muskegon, MI 49445

In an average year, our guild expenses are about \$3468, without teacher expenses. Our best estimate for a year without meeting/church & custodian expenses is about \$1548. Those expenses include: Business Registration, Web hosting, Media/newsletters, storage unit, and our post office box. Please contact Suzette Mattson, 231-894-3555, [themattsons@hotmail.com](mailto:themattsons@hotmail.com), Jami Harwood, 231-740-1126, [stampwithjami@gmail.com](mailto:stampwithjami@gmail.com) or LouAnn Mrotz, 231-557-4652, [louannmrotz@gmail.com](mailto:louannmrotz@gmail.com). If you have any questions about these expenses.

## A Recipe for Friendship

- 1 well-rounded portion of understanding
- 1 heaping measure of support
- 3 good amounts of honesty
- 1 over-flowing scoop of sharing

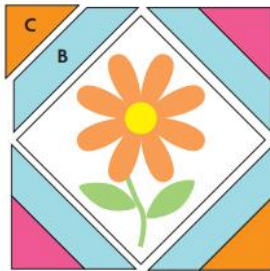
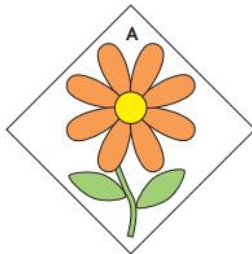
Combine all ingredients over a period of time, being sure to add a generous sprinkling of laughter! Serve generous portions and savor well.



# Bloomin' Daisy

12" block

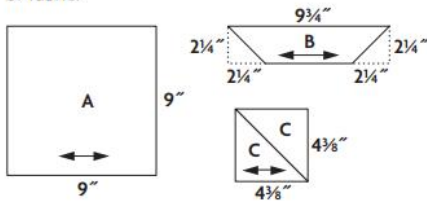
This beautiful block, designed by Erin Russek, is perfect for practicing or showcasing your applique skills. The bright, sunshiny colors make it a cheerful beginning for any project.



**BLOCK PIECING**

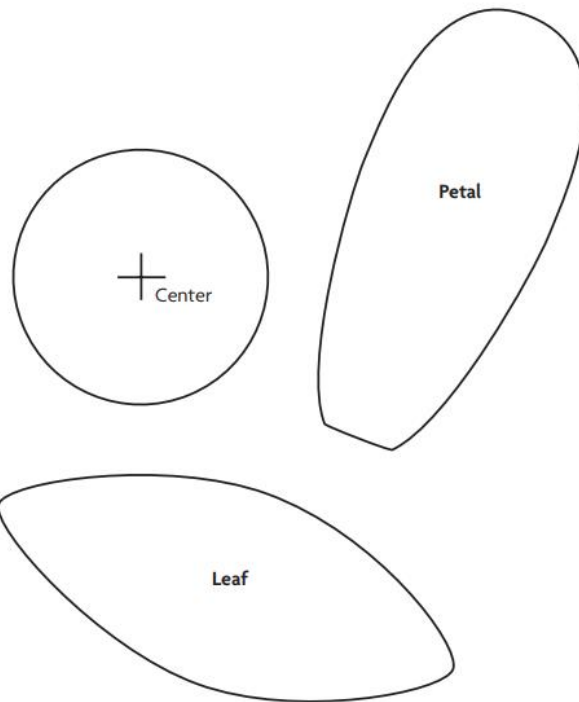
**ROTARY CUTTING**

Measurements include 1/4" seam allowances. Align arrows with lengthwise or crosswise grain of fabric.



Trace in reverse for fusible applique.

Add 3/16" turn-under allowance for turned-edge applique.



## PALS 2ND VIRTUAL QUILT RETREAT

This will take place Friday, February 5th, 2021, beginning at 10:00 am, until Sunday, February 7, 2021 at 2:00 pm. Su Palmer has graciously volunteered to host this again like she did last October. Fun was had by all who joined us last fall. You can join us for the whole weekend, or just to check in for a brief visit if you'd like. No requirements, just work on whatever projects you choose. This will be held on Facebook Room. You DO NOT have to use Facebook to join us. If you're unfamiliar with how that works, contact Su at 231-740-7104, or Jami Harwood at 231-740-1126. We can try to set up a practice date ahead so you'll be ready to join us.

Make sure to join the Facebook group, "PALS Quilt Retreat Online". If you joined us the last time, you are already a member of the group. You will be able to join the "room" from that page. Please reach out to another PALS member and invite them to join us this time. For those who are not on Facebook, please let us know and we can email you a link so you will be able to access the room that way. We will share the room link in an email blast a day or two before the retreat.



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# Come Sew With Us

We are excited to announce...  
**The 2020 Hoffman Challenge Collection**  
fabric will be here starting **November 1st!**  
(Our events page has a link to The Challenge rules.)



## Gall News

- New fabric is being added regularly to our website. **FREE SHIPPING** on any size order.
- In-person events are on hold **BUT** we are having online events. Check our events page regularly for all the latest updates.



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