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May 2023

PALS Quilt Guild Meeting

May 1, 2023, Meeting
6:30 PM

Fellowship Reformed Church

4200 Apple Ave. Muskegon

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Kathy Myers, Connie Townsend &

Kay Wilton

Next Board Meeting

May 22, 6:00pm

Next Newsletter Deadline

May 10, 2023

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From Your Chairs – Lisa Schooley & Barb Reynolds

Enjoy the Spring! Flowers are blooming, critters are coming out of hibernation. My dog is looking for bunnies to appear. I've seen their tracks, but we haven't spotted any of them on our walks in the woods.

For me it is time to get busy and finish those UFOs. I know I have way too many to count. I have several retreats scheduled this year where I can hopefully put a dent in that UFO pile. Who are we kidding? I have three more quilt patterns I also want to start and that's ok. If it brings you joy to finish a quilt or start a new quilt, I say go for it!

Happy Quilting!
Lisa Schooley

Meeting Cancellation Information

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

PALS Tentative 2023 Calendar of Events

May 1- Brenda Nemetz from the Lakeshore Museum Center will be presenting an interesting trunk show of Quilts from the Museum's permanent collection.

June 5- Tara Pezzino from Calliope Quilts is bringing a collection to demonstrate her lecture What is a Modern Quilt. She will be vending for us with kits and unique fabrics.

July 10- Nancy Roelfsema- Class & Lecture- from "On Point-TV and Quilting with Nancy" will hold a 6-hour class, New York Beauty, at Quilted Memories. She will be at our meeting for a lecture and trunk show.

August 7- Picnic at the Elk's Park.

September 11- Joint meeting at Lighthouse Quilt Guild

October 2- Jill- Quilted Memories, Giving out Donation Quilts & Raffle Cancer Quilt.

November 6-Open- Membership Basket

December 4- Christmas Party Potluck, Toys for Tots, Gift Basket for Donation Quilts

Membership

LuAnne Sloop

At our April 2023 meeting we welcomed three new members and one renewal. We hope you enjoyed our PALS quilt guild. If you know of someone who wants to enter their quilt into the show in May, they must be a current member. And we are still in need of hanging quilts!

New members: Chris Strandberg, Susan Harper, Susan Yancer-Hatcher

Renewal: Candi Henderson

We still have many PALS membership cards that have not been picked up. Please check to make sure that you pick up your current 2023 cards.

Don't forget to bring a friend and help get our membership numbers back up!

Quilt Show

Kathy Myers, Connie Townsend & Kay Wilton

Thank you to those who have taken the time to register your quilts for the show next month, but we are still running short. So please get those registrations in by April 30. Info is on the PALS website. If we don't have quilts, we don't have a show! If you are letting Kathy use a quilt or two for the bed turning, those also need to be registered.

Barb is still taking donations for our basket raffle. How about a favorite college theme or a spring gardening theme?

Donations are still being accepted for the boutique and General Store. Items can be brought to the May meeting and given to Cindy, Marilyn, or Nancy, at the Merchandising table.

We're still in need of volunteers to have our quilt show run smoothly. We'll be taking in quilts on Wednesday and Thursday, May 10 and 11, and could use some help. There are also openings on the show days Friday and Saturday, May 12 and 13 selling raffle tickets or working in the boutique or general store. For those who get bored just waiting to pick up your quilt, we do need a few more volunteers for take down and quilt pick up on Saturday, May 13. If you have any time (shifts are typically 2 hours) to help on these days, please send Carla an email and we'll find something that fits your schedule. To sign up please see Carla Deibel at the May meeting or if you have a membership roster give her a call.

Raffle tickets for the beautiful quilt made by Kathy will also be available at the May meeting. The cost is one ticket for \$3.00, two for \$5.00 or pick up a pack of eight tickets for \$20.00. Sell to family and friends or keep them for yourself!

Threads of Friendship Quilt Show



"MEADOW LILY" 2023 RAFFLE QUILT
TICKETS AVAILABLE

May 12 & 13, 2023

FRIDAY 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
SATURDAY 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

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Donation Quilts

Cindy Vogel, Rhesa Martin & Sharon Babinger

April was a special month. We had so much fun sharing at the PALS meeting. Thank you to Rhesa Martin, Sharon Babinger and Theresa Szura for presenting as part of Donation Quilt night of sharing. We had so many quilters say they enjoyed the evening, got inspired and learned something new. Thank you, ladies, for sharing your talents!

So far, we have collected 102 completed quilts that will be donated to our community. Our goal is to make happy and cheerful quilts that will brighten the life of those who receive them. You have until October to make and complete your quilts.

We are here to help you. If you need help machine quilting or binding or want to sew with us our sewing dates are:

Saturday, April 29th at Fellowship 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Thursday, June 8th at Abbi Mays 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Saturday Sept. 16th at Abbi Mays 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

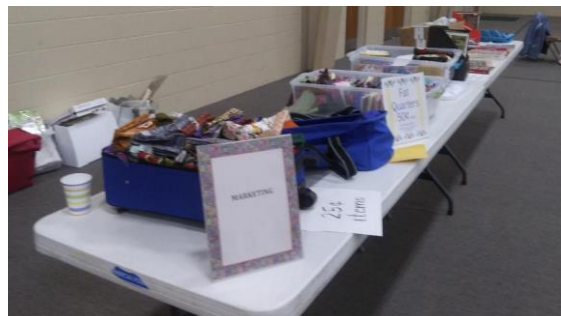


*If you have any questions, call or message **Cindy Vogel 231-557-4224***

Marketing

Marilyn Anderson

The Quilt Show has kept us busy in preparation for a wonderful time. Now is the time to sit back and enjoy the creative ideas we have collected. We have been so blessed with items to sell in the past and anticipate on going cleaning so please remember us as you sort. If you are like me, I always have a sorting bag going. If it is not suitable for our table remember the Free Table. It is always fun to explore the table. I would like to bring your attention to our upcoming classes. The Quilt Show and Marketing Table sales help keep the prices down. See you at the next Guild Meeting.



Hospitality

Suzette Mattson

Happy Birthday to our members who have a birthday in May. Please help us celebrate your special day by bringing a dozen (or more) treats to the May 1st meeting. We will provide water and coffee.

Library

Karen Benham

Don't forget to visit the Guild Library, we have lots of quilting books to look at and check out!



AQS Quilt Show Bus Trip

Carol Keen

LQG meeting this past Monday, Linda Engel presented the idea that LQG is considering chartering a bus to take members to AQS in GR on Thursday (opening day) September 14 with a single pick up at Meijer's in Grand Haven, leaving time and cost to be determined. The 14th is the Thursday after PALS and LQG meet for their joint meeting on Monday, September 11. Linda and I were encouraged by the show of hands at Monday's meeting. We want to offer this opportunity to members of PALS now as we are doing our initial planning. Please let Linda Engel from LQG know if you are interested.



10 Quilting Techniques Every Quilter Should Master

By [JANET WICKELL](#)

1. **Become Familiar With Quilting Terminology**- When learning how to make a quilt it's smart to familiarize yourself with the skills you'll need and common abbreviations used with patterns before you start.
2. **Learn About the Qualities of Fabric**- Fabrics are the backbone of our quilts, but you might be surprised how many people begin to assemble their first quilt without putting fabric characteristics to work for them.
3. **Learn to Sew a Quarter Inch Seam Allowance**- Beginning quilters, especially people who are accustomed to sewing garments with 5/8" seam allowances, sometimes have a hard time visualizing and sewing the 1/4" seam allowance used to make quilts. There are tricks to help you get the seam just right but do a few tests before you start sewing patches for a quilt, just to be sure your seams are accurate.
4. **Develop Your Rotary Cutting Skills**- Rotary cutting is a technique that every new quilter should master because it allows us to bypass the time-intense method of constructing templates to mark and cut individual pieces of fabric.
5. **Learn Quick Piecing Techniques**- Strip piecing and other quick piecing techniques let you sew large chunks of fabric together, then slice off sections to create pre-sewn units.
6. **Get Pressing Basics Down Pat**- Your piecing accuracy will improve immediately when you take a bit of time to press your quilt blocks as you make them. And setting seams before pressing allowances to one side is an excellent way to instantly improve your patchwork.
7. **Don't Pitch Those Problem Quilt Blocks Just Yet**- We've all sewn quilt blocks that aren't quite accurate. Most often, they're smaller than they should be, perhaps because we've either sewn a slightly large quarter inch seam allowance or haven't pressed adequately.
8. **Measure and Sew Borders the Correct Way**- Adding one or more borders to the edges of a quilt does more than providing an attractive frame for your work ... the process offers an excellent opportunity to square up slightly skewed edges.
9. **Be Sure to Try Mitered Binding**- Sewing mitered binding to the edges of a quilt has developed a bit of a reputation of being difficult but is actually a very easy technique.
10. **Don't Obsess Over Errors**- We all make errors, both technical and in our choice of fabrics, but our boo-boos nearly always lead to a better understanding of the quilting process.





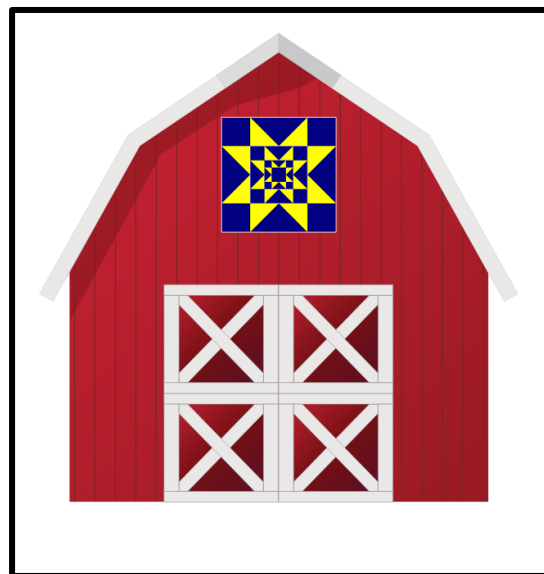

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Wyoming May 5 and 6



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Come Sew With Us

2023 Shows and Events

SHOWS



AQS - Grand Rapids - September 13-16

OSQE - Novi - November 9-11

EVENTS

We have several events planned yet this year and we are starting to book them into next spring! Check in with us on Facebook or on our website to get the most up to date information!



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