



Patchers at the Lakeshore News

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October 2025



Upcoming PALS Quilt Guild Meetings:

October 6, 2025

November 3, 2025

Social Time: 6:00 PM

Meeting: 6:30 PM

Muskegon County Baker

Campus

Marquette and Quarterline #18

2024 PALS Executive Board

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Donation Quilts

Suzette Mattson & Deb Taylor

Hospitality

Kay Williams

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Next Board Meeting

October 27, 2025

Next Newsletter Deadline

October 15, 2025

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From Your Chair – Barb Reynolds



I know I have said this before, but I love this season! The days are cooler, kids and adults are active in school, activities, and sports. I also have the chance to appreciate the different cultures that we have in America. A few weeks ago, I was Polish for the day, recently Irish for the weekend, and looking forward to the next festival. Music seems to be a unifying factor! It is important to preserve the cultures, food, and music from different groups. It makes us stronger. It is the variety of our quilts and crafts that also make us stronger. We can express ourselves, our likes and differences.

Thank you to Lighthouse Guild for sponsoring our joint meeting this September. The room was full of fellow quilters, and proves that quilting is not a dying activity and has endured for hundreds of years.

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.

Help Wanted!

It's nearly time for our annual membership dues. When paying in November, your name is entered for a drawing for a wonderful basket full of sewing goodies. Now is your chance to keep our Guild active and relevant. We have Board positions available which must be filled to maintain our 501c3 status:

- **Co-Chair:** conduct board/membership meeting in absence of Chair. Work with Resources for scheduling speakers and attend Board meetings.
- **Assistant Treasurer** duties: attend Board meetings, support Treasurer, assist Treasurer, and coordinate/help with any raffles.
- **Resources:** Resources will be restructured to have a chair and committee members to help. Resources set up programs, classes, bus trips, retreat, vendors and any other special activities, with prior approval of the Board.

Please consider a year of service to keep our group active. It is a great way to make friends, and shared services make the task easier. If you are willing to work with someone else at a position, let any of the Board members or Barb Reynolds know, and we can work something out.

Resources

Kathy Preston

October 6 – Jill Twiss McFadden, Quilted Memories, Inc. will lead us in a Christmas-themed make-and-take project. Members are asked to bring a regular hand-sewing needle and thimble if they normally use one. She will have a short trunk show on different Christmas quilted items as well as items for sale. The Drawing for the annual **Breast Cancer Awareness Quilt** will be held. Tickets are one for \$5 or three for \$10. The proceeds will be donated to the U of M Breast Cancer Research Team. This year's quilt was pieced and finished by Jami Harwood with materials provided by Jill of Quilted Memories and was quilted by Sue Webb.

2025 Panel Quilt Challenge – The 5th and final Design Direction will be provided at the 10/06 meeting. PALS Guild Members are looking forward to the Trunk Show Reveal in December. If you haven't texted Kathy Preston the picture of your panel and fabric selections, please do that now. The photos are part of the reveal. Participants have 8 full weeks to finish their quilts. And remember, you can join

the PALS Guild Quilt Panel Challenge on Face Book to post your progress or ask questions. You could also join friends for the Social Sew Days at Quilted Memories to help each other.

November 3 – Each member will receive a ticket for a chance to win the Membership Basket tonight when they pay their 2026 dues of \$25. *Please make checks payable to PALS.*

We will also elect the new slate of 2026 Board Members.

Program - Rescue (verb) definition: Keep from being lost or abandoned. Lucinda Herring will present her program **Rescued Vintage Quilts**. She will show us the “After” quilted items first. Then she will let us see what they looked like when they were found.

December 1 – Farewell to the 2025 Board & Presentation of New 2026 Board, Christmas Potluck, Members’ 2025 Panel Quilt Challenge Trunk Show and Member Show & Share.

December 12,13,14—PALS Winter Retreat—Christian Reformed Campground in Grand Haven. See information later in newsletter for details.

Upcoming Programs at Lighthouse Quilt Guild

October 13—Guild Schoolhouse presentations

November 10—Terry Rowland via Zoom—“Colorwash Quilts”

December 8—Holiday Potluck and other fun

January 12, 2026—Krista Moser Zoom lecture—“60 Degree Creativity”

February 9, 2026—Cheryl Arkison Zoom lecture—“Scrapstastic”

March 9, 2026 - Robin Isaacs lecture “Ergonomics and Body Mechanics for Quilters”



Work on unfinished class projects or UFOs. If you need help or don't remember instructions from classes, there will be plenty of help available.

Location: *Quilted Memories, 9919 Business US-31, Montague, MI*

Time: 10:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

2025 Dates:

October 11 Saturday

October 28 Tuesday

November 8 Saturday

November 25 Tuesday

December 13 Saturday

December 30 Tuesday

Cost: \$5 payable to Quilted Memories, on the day of activity. Bring lunch and your projects.



Helpful Hints and Tips

A Quilting Tip from Kelly Cline Quilting - she can be followed on FaceBook

To Remove Blue Marking Pen permanently: In a spray bottle place 1 cup of cold water and add a heaping spoonful of baking soda and shake well. Mist the fabric until the blue is gone. Let air dry. Make this solution fresh on each day of use. Be careful when pressing after using this solution because the fabric scorches easily after this treatment.

To Remove Scorch marks spray with peroxide.

Membership

LuAnne Sloop

51 members attended the Lighthouse Guild Meeting on September 8th.

Members: 120 current members

Don't forget to bring a friend and help get our membership numbers back up! November is our annual membership dues month! (Membership form on next page)



Don't forget to Like and Follow us on Facebook for the latest updates.



PALS is on Facebook. If you would like to follow us below are the directions. Some phones, tablets and computers may have a LIKE instead of FOLLOW. One way to see PALS Facebook group more often is if you "like" or "comment" on a post. That way Facebook knows you are interested in the group and will show it up in your feed more often.

To follow a Page:

1. Tap  magnifying glass in the top right of any page on Facebook.
2. Enter Patchers at the Lakeshore and choose our PALS group from the results.
3. Go to the Page.
4. Tap **Follow** OR **Like**

IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO RECEIVE THE NEWSLETTER BY EMAIL, GO ONLINE TO:

www.palsquiltguild.org

***Please let us know if you are not receiving email communication and check that your email is correct at the sign-in desk.**

2026 Membership Form

1. Clip the form below and fill it out completely and legibly.
2. Send along with a check to :

PALS

P.O. Box 5373

North Muskegon, MI 49445

Or you may bring it to the November, 2025 meeting.

Dues are: \$25.00/yr

PLEASE PRINT ALL INFORMATION CLEARLY

2026

\$25.00/yr

Renewing Member _____ New Member _____

Name _____

(last)

(first)

(Nickname if preferred)

Street Address _____

City _____ Zip _____

Phone (home) _____ (cell) _____

Email _____

FOR MEMBERSHIP CHAIR: 2026 Chair Signature: _____

Cash _____ Check _____ Ck # _____ **Date** _____

Donation Quilts

Suzette Mattson and Deb Taylor

Thanks to all of you who contributed quilts at the Lighthouse/PALS guild meeting on September 9.

We have a total of 171 quilts and three tops (so far). Please join us when we pass them out at the October 6 meeting. Those organizations receiving quilts for this year will be:

- Every Woman's Place
- Muskegon Department of Human Services – Foster Care Program
- Muskegon Pregnancy Clinic
- Muskegon Rescue Mission
- The Salvation Army in Muskegon



The remaining Donation Sew Days at Quilted Memories are:

Monday, Oct. 27 10 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Monday, Dec. 8 10 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Bring a lunch and your donation projects or we will also have kits available. There is no fee for this day.



PALS Winter Retreat

December 12, 13 & 14, 2025

Location: The Christian Reformed Conference Campground is located at 12253 Lakeshore Drive, Grand Haven, 49417, just north of M45 (Lake Michigan Drive) and on the west (lake) side of the road. When you enter go straight to the large Worship Center.

Hours: The doors will open at 7:00 am each day and we will be done by 3:00 pm on Sunday. Please do not arrive earlier than 9:00am on Friday as we need time to set-up. Quilters are welcome to sew until late in the evening, last person out will lock up and turn irons off.

Sewing Information: We sew in a large, open, festive space with a warm gas fireplace, natural daylight, and overhead lighting. We'll provide extension cords, 4 large cutting mats, ironing boards and irons. If you have a big cutting project, you may want to cut ahead or bring your own mat. If you want your own iron remember to bring a pressing mat. Also bring:

- Sewing machine in good working order, plus bobbins and thread. (Don't forget your machine's cord.)
- Rotary cutter and ruler(s)
- Standard sewing supplies for your project(s)
- Pillow for your chair
- A snack to share at the community table
- A flashlight as it is going to be dark when getting to your car or cottage at night.
- Name tag or badge
- Yard sale items and cash to buy some treasures. **Yard Sale:** You will have a chance to sell sewing or quilting related items at the yard sale. Have your items clearly marked with a price and your name. Money will be exchanged between the buyer and seller.

Food: Meals will be around 12:00 for lunch and 5:00-5:30 for dinner. Breakfast is on your own. Water will be available all day with pop at meals. You are welcome to bring your own drinks. We will have a snack table so please bring something to share.

The cabin has a full kitchen you can also use for drinks and breakfast.

There is a "No Alcohol" policy at the Conference Grounds.

Contact Lisa Schooley for questions at 231-742-1431 or limschooley@hotmail.com

Patchers at the Lakeshore Winter Retreat December 12, 13 & 14, 2025

The cost for Friday thru Sunday with 5 meals is \$100.00.
If you are staying overnight the cost is \$150.00.

A \$50.00 non-refundable deposit is do at the time of sign-up.

You can put a deposit down in September with the balance due at the November meeting. Or you can pay in full at the September or October meeting.

We will need the following information at sign up.

Full name: _____

Email: _____

Phone Number: _____

Days: _____ Overnight: _____

\$50.00 Deposit: _____

\$100.00 Total pd days: _____

\$150.00 Total pd for Overnight: _____

Emergency Name and Phone Number: _____

Allergies: _____

***Please print clearly.**

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