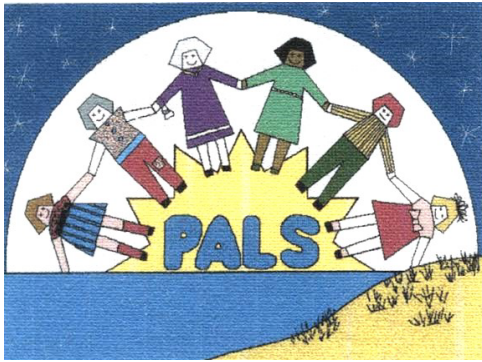




Patchers at the Lakeshore News

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August 2026

Upcoming PALS Quilt Guild Meetings:

August 3, 2026 (Picnic at Elks Park)

Come as early as 3:00 PM
Potluck meal: 6:00 PM

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Next Board Meeting

August 31, 2026
6 p.m., Salvation Army
1221 Shonot St.

September Newsletter Deadline

August 15, 2026
vlscott1@yahoo.com

Picnic Time

PALs gathering, playing games and sharing foods!

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Aug. 2026

Social Starts at 3 pm
Potluck at 6 pm

Elks Park Campground
5447 Lake Harbor Rd

Please bring a dish to pass &
6 strips of fabric 2 1/2" by
width of fabric



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.

Dear Patchers at the Lakeshore Members,

As August arrives, summer seems to be moving by quickly. I hope everyone has found time to enjoy the sunshine, take a walk along the beach, spend time with family and friends, and, of course, sneak in a little quilting whenever possible. This season often gives us opportunities to slow down and appreciate the things that bring us joy, and our shared love of quilting continues to connect us in meaningful ways.



Our guild is more than fabric, thread, and finished projects—it is a community built on creativity, friendship, encouragement, and learning. Every meeting, workshop, show-and-tell, and conversation reminds me how fortunate we are to have such talented and generous members. Whether you are piecing your very first quilt or completing your hundredth, you help make Patchers at the Lakeshore a welcoming and inspiring place.

As we head toward the end of summer, I encourage everyone to continue participating in our upcoming guild activities and events. Your ideas, energy, and willingness to volunteer help keep our organization thriving. If you have been considering joining a committee, helping at an event, or sharing your talents with fellow members, this is a wonderful time to become involved.

August can also be a month of fresh inspiration. Perhaps you're beginning a new project, finishing one that has patiently waited in your sewing room, or trying a technique you've always wanted to learn. Quilting often teaches us patience and persistence—one piece at a time, small efforts become something beautiful.

Thank you for all you do to make Patchers at the Lakeshore such a special guild. I look forward to seeing everyone at our upcoming meetings and sharing the creativity and fellowship that make our guild so unique.

Wishing you a wonderful August filled with inspiration, creativity, and happy stitching.

Warm regards,

Lynneta Poff
PALS Guild Chair

Resources

Kay Wilton, Kathy Preston

August 3: Annual Picnic at Elks Park on Lake Harbor! Fun night with games and of course, great food. Last Names beginning with A through L will bring desserts. M through Z will bring appetizers and main course foods. It wouldn't be a picnic without some Left Right Center! To play, please bring 3 (or more) 2 1/2" strips (by width of fabric) in Fall colors! There will also be show and tell of course.

Directions to Elks Park @5447 Lake Harbor Rd:

From Muskegon take Henry Street South to Porter Rd (corner by Pic 'n Pack), turn right, continue to Lake Harbor Rd, turn Left, Elks Park will be on your right. Continue back on the road past all the campers to reach the picnic pavilion.

From US 31: Take Exit 107 Pontaluna Rd, turn West onto Pontaluna Rd. Pontaluna Rd will turn into Lake Harbor, Elks Park will be on your Left.

September 14: We're hosting the Joint Meeting with Lighthouse Quilt Guild! Our speaker will be Linda Thielfoldt of the Quilted Goose. Her lecture is entitled "Confessions of a Crappy Quilter"! A relatable look at the triumphs, mistakes and learning moments experienced during her nearly 40 years of quilting. We should be able to relate to at least one part of this! There will be a Round Robin Exchange as well.

September 15: Linda's class "Taking the Fear Out of Quilt as Desired"! This will be a highly informative machine quilting class. While you will be quilting on your domestic machine Linda will be talking about long arm quilting as well. The class will be at Quilted Memories from 10-4. There is prep work for you to do before class. You will get the handout at sign up. Don't miss this class!

October 5: Lots will be happening. Donation quilts will be given out to their organizations. The annual Breast Cancer quilt raffle will happen! And Shauna Walwood, a Sallie Tomato associate will be presenting! Her bags are wonderful! We will have the opportunity to vote for our favorite for **Shauna's class on Saturday, November 7!**

November 2: we are bringing back Pals University! There will be 5 presentations with handouts in a booklet! Looking forward to some new techniques!

December 7: Christmas Party!! More details to come!

*Round Robin Notes: no exchange in August. There will be exchanges in September and October with the reveal at the November meeting!

Upcoming Programs at Lighthouse Quilt Guild

- **August 10, 2026** – Cassandra Beaver via Zoom “The Whole is Greater than the Sum of its Parts”
 - **September 14, 2026** – PALS Joint meeting + workshop at PALS, Linda Thielfoldt “Confessions of a Crappy Quilter”
 - **September 15, 2026** – Linda Thielfoldt class “Taking the Fear out of Quilt as Desired”
 - **October 12, 2026** – Schoolhouse Learning
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Work on unfinished class projects or UFOs. If you need help or don't remember instructions from classes, there will be help available.

Location: *Quilted Memories, 9919 Business US-31, Montague, MI*
Time: 10:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.



Upcoming Social Sew Date:

September 19. September 19 is National Jelly Roll Day (I didn't know that was a thing, but I like it)! Consider bringing that jelly roll you've been saving and sew it up!

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

Membership

LuAnne Sloop/Susan Saladin

Attendance at the PALS July meeting was 75 members, 4 guests, one renewing member, and 2 new members: Please welcome **Janis Mulford** and **Betty Ross!**

Members: 114 Active members

ATTENTION: IF you are not getting your newsletter, please go to <https://www.palsquiltguild.org/>

ALL the newsletters are listed, and you may reference anyone of them.

\$25/year 2026. Invite a friend to join for the whole year as there is so much planned for 2026.



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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.

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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.
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Donation Quilts

Thank you to all the ladies who brought quilts to the July meeting. We collected 12 and so now our total to distribute is 102.

The last quilts to be accepted will be at the **September** meeting. That will give us time to sort them. Then, we

Suzette Mattson, Deb Taylor



will contact and invite the five organizations receiving them to our October meeting.

Please remember that Deb and I will be stepping down from this position as of the December meeting. If you are interested in joining the Board and helping us stay a 501C3 organization, please call or text me (586-337-4000). Shadowing someone for a few months is a lot easier than just jumping into a job.

(Smoky days were quilting days in mid-July!!)



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