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October 2024

PALS Quilt Guild Meeting

October 7, 2024

Social Time 6:00 PM

Meeting 6:30 PM

Muskegon County Baker Campus

Marquette and Quarterline #18

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Lisa Schooley

Next Board Meeting

October 28, 6:00pm

Next Newsletter Deadline

October 10, 2024

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From Your Chair – Barb Reynolds

Welcome to Fall. From a quote written by an unknown person: “Autumn leaves are Mother Nature’s way of showing us that change can be beautiful and messy at the same time.” I love it when the leaves start to change their colors. I have no favorite color, but the blends can be spectacular. It reminds me of my fabric collections. Bold, bright, and cheerful! I keep collecting Fall projects, but finding less time to get them finished. We need to make goals with our quilting, so time doesn’t leave us behind.

Thanks to all that have helped in our service projects. Charity quilts are being distributed this month. What a great achievement! We have also had a great response with our personal need’s bags. We have many groups in the Muskegon area that could use help. Trafficking is real and we can help in our own way.

Glad to see all our guests for our September meeting. Lisa Ruble had an interesting class and presentation. I am enjoying the reverse applique, and scrappy certainly covers mistakes. Time to finish my Fall projects. Happy Sewing!

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.

PALS Tentative 2024 Calendar of Events

Resources

Kathy Preston

Monthly activities

October 7th – PALS Member Workshop. We will be filling bags with toiletries, snacks and other items. Donations of items to help with this are welcome. It is hoped that members can make one or two bags. Marketing will provide fat quarters at the September meeting if needed for this project. The bags will be given to agencies in November to distribute to those in need.

The Hope Project

Diana Stubbs from The Hope Project will be one of our Guests at the October 7th PALS Guild meeting. She will share with us about the Mission of The Hope Project and receive the donation of Draw String Backpacks filled with hygiene items for the women who seek assistance from The Hope Project.

So, remember to bring in the Draw String Backpacks you have made as well as any hygiene items you would like to donate.

Lynneta will have a table to receive these items at the October 7th PALS Guild meeting.

Suggested items for Hygiene Plus Bags

Shampoo-Conditioner-Deodorant-Body Lotion-Chapstick-Toothpaste-Body Wash-Tampons-Pads-Flushable Wipes-Toilet Tissue-Kleenex-Hand Sanitizer-Nail Clippers-Brush-Comb-Socks-Face Moisturizer-Razors-Sewing Kit-Notebook-Pen/Pencil-Gloves-Hat-Scarf

The above list is just a suggestion, you can add anything else you think a woman in need might like to have.

The 9th & final BOM for Quirky Birds will be at the Resource Table. Your missing patterns should also be available. If any new members want the patterns, it's not too late, please talk with Kathy so you can join in the fun. Quirky Birds is \$5 & Basket Medallion is \$2 and covers the printing costs.

November 4

Remember, this is **Membership Annual Dues Renewal** month. When you pay your membership dues you get a ticket for the drawing for the basket of Quilting goodies. And don't forget your Basket Medallion Quilt to show from the Block of the Month that started last February. It doesn't need to be finished so just bring it to show (Quirky Birds BOM will be shown next April)

Jill Twiss McFadden of Quilted Memories INC will be our presenter. Jill always brings interesting things for us to use or to learn. Get ready for a night of something that's quick to start and then will be taken home to finish. Bring the completed project back in December for a chance for the Quilted Memories Prize Drawing. So, in November make sure to bring a pair of scissors and a true fabric glue stick (not school glue) to work on the project.

December 2

And just that fast its almost Christmas! This month share with the guild what you enjoyed most from the past year with PALS & what you would like to see next year. Look for a suggestion form on the resource table in November. We've been working hard to get more programming in place for next year. If you know of any person in our membership who has a new technique or unique project to share for Quilt University next year, please add that information to the form.

In November we will start letting you know 2025's programs that are proposed or already contracted for so you can get them on your calendars.

June 2025 - All About Indigo Dyeing with Kathy Jolman. It will also feature quilts and projects by Guild members who experienced the joy of Indigo Dyeing! In anticipation of this Kathy is offering a Natural Indigo Dyeing class on September 14th from 10am to 2pm. It will be in Kathy's yard and the cost is \$60. Setting up a natural Indigo vat and resisting methods of clamping, bundling, Arashi pole wrapping and more. You may also want to try some Shibori. Check out YouTube for some simple stitching that you can do before class. Material List: 3 yards of PFD (prepared for dyeing) 100% cotton or cotton washed with Dawn dishwashing soap and hot water. Bring dishwashing type gloves and your lunch. Wear clothes and shoes you don't mind getting blue spots on!

Kay Wilton will be ordering PFD cotton by the bolt for anyone who wants 3 yards. Give her a call at 616-430-0732. Sign up now! The maximum class is 10 students!

Something new for Members

PALS Social Sewing Days

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

Where: Quilted Memories, Montague

Time: 10am-3pm

Dates: Wednesday, October 16th

Saturday, November 2nd

Tuesday, November 19th

Saturday, December 7th

Tuesday, December 17th

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

Lighthouse Liaison

Lisa Schooley

2024 Programs at Lighthouse Guild Guild

October 14- Quilt Your Quilt Yourself on your Domestic Sewing Machine

Nov. 12- Workshop One Block Wonder Speaker TBA

Dec. 9 - Holiday Treats and Make a Project

Jan. 13- Featherweights with Nova Montgomery ZOOM

Feb. 10- I Grew Up in a Cotton Field Nova Montgomery ZOOM

Hospitality

Lisa Schooley



Happy Birthday to you!

Please bring a treat to share with our fellow guild members if you have a birthday during the month of October. We will provide coffee, creamer, sugar, sweetener, and ice water. Donations are greatly appreciated to help cover the cost of suppliers but not expected.

Library

Karen Benham

We have so many books for you to choose from, come check out our Guild library!

We have books with embroidery, beginner quilts, fiber arts quilts and quilts for advanced quilters.

If you need help looking for a book, please reach out to Karen Benham during the Guild meeting.



Membership

LuAnne Sloop

At the September meeting, we had 3 NEW members: Lynn Hodges, Linda Kriesel, and Chris Patterson. Please make our new members feel welcome! The current membership total is 116. We had 57 regular members, approximately 29 Lighthouse members and 4 visitors.

If you are not receiving your monthly newsletter, check to see if you have placed it in your spam folder or blocked the sender by accident. Please keep in mind that our dues are for the calendar year, January – December. Registration will begin at the November meeting.

Donation Quilts

Suzette Mattson and Deb Taylor

First, THANK YOU to all who have provided quilts for this month's presentations to our five agencies:

Hope Project
Every Woman's Place
Muskegon Pregnancy Services
Department of Human Services- Foster Care Program
Muskegon Rescue Mission

We have received 189 quilts, most of which will be turned over to these groups for distribution during the next year. Please come and listen to their stories at our October 7th meeting.

Also, we will be having some Donation sewing days:

Monday, November 11 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. Quilted Memories

No charge form this sewing day

We will have some kits to choose from or bring your own. Don't forget your sewing machine, sewing supplies and a bag lunch. Hope to see many of you there.





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Threads of Friendship Quilt Show

Threads of Friendship Quilt Show is a GO! It will be May 9-10, 2025. While May 2025 seems far away, it's only 7 months. There are lots of opportunities to volunteer to help this show, so please be willing to step up and help when asked. This show only happens once every two years, so this is a short-term volunteer opportunity.

Reminder to all of us, this show is the biggest fundraiser for our Guild, and it helps offset the cost to bring interesting speakers in to share their skill and knowledge. The funds raised through this Quilt Show also allow us to keep the cost lower for classes and other special activities we are privileged to partake in as guild members.

Every guild member is strongly encouraged to participate in some way in our Threads of Friendship Quilt Show!

Please seek out Kay Williams or Lynneta Poff if you have any questions.



PALS Winter Retreat

December 13-15, 2024

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, drive west to the Gathering Center next to the Agape cabin.

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 up to 10 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.

***We only have space for 18 people and 9 of them can be overnight.**

2024 PALS Quilt Guild December Retreat December 13-15th

The cost for Friday thru Sunday with 5 meals is \$80.00.
If you are staying overnight the cost is \$140.00.
A \$30.00 non-refundable deposit is do at the time of sign-up.
You can put a deposit down in October with the balance due at the
November meeting. Or you can pay in full at the October
meeting. We will need the following information at sign up.

Full name: _____

Email: _____

Phone Number: _____

Days: _____ Overnight: _____

\$30.00 Deposit: _____ \$80.00 Total pd days: _____

\$140.00 Total pd for Overnight: _____

Emergency Name and Phone Number: _____

Allergies: _____

***Please print clearly.**

Please sign up at the meeting with Lisa Schooley starting in October.