

Patchers at the Lakeshore News

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January 2025

PALS Quilt Guild Meeting

January 6, 2025

Social Time 6:00 PM

Meeting 6:30 PM

Muskegon County Baker Campus

Marquette and Quarterline #18

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Next Board Meeting

No January meeting

Next Newsletter Deadline

January 10, 2025

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From Your Chair – Barb Reynolds

Greetings and Happy New Year! I hope your holidays were peaceful and warm. A quote from Harlan Miller, “I wish we could put up some of the Christmas spirit in jars and open a jar of it every month.”

The years are moving faster as we age. I can remember the long wait for school to be over, the coming of Christmas Eve, being old enough for all the major challenges of life (such as being old enough to stay overnight at a friend’s, riding my bike into unknown streets, learning to drive, etc.). I know I have to live to at least 95 to finish all my sewing projects!

Instead of making resolutions this year, I am going to set a goal. I want to finish at least one UFO a month. I’m sure I have enough started to keep me busy.

Thanks to the Board members that made our organizer gifts. Thank you for all the toys collected for Toys for Tots. It is nice to belong to an organization that strives to help others, while hopefully having some fun. The food was delicious at our holiday celebration. Hope to see you at some sew-alongs and our January meeting.

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.

Resources—Kathy Preston

Happy New Year Everyone!

January 6: Chris Hornby of Green Dragonfly Studio will be teaching a small hand stitched project (kit provided). Bring scissors, thimble and embroidery & sewing needles. Optional: You may bring a small selection of floss to work with. Bring the completed project to the March Meeting to receive a ticket for a drawing.

Block Of the Month- Busy Bees & Goofy Flowers sign up begins at the Resource table. The \$6 fee covers all 12 months. This can be done as an applique from fabric scraps, or it can be an embroidered project. It is for your own pleasure. There is no completion date & no pressure.

2025 Panel Quilt Challenge (no fee). It's not too late to sign up. Please bring your panel(s) & fabric choices to be photographed at the meeting or photograph them together and send it by email to ksbpreston@gmail.com before you begin. The First Design Direction will be given this month. Directions can be emailed to Snowbirds or to participants if PALS is canceled for bad weather. Contact Kathy at ksbpreston@gmail.com. **Design Directions** are scheduled January, March, May, July & October. Completed Quilts or unfinished tops will be revealed with the starting photo as a Trunk Show the following **December 2025**. Directions are beginner friendly. Quilters with more experience may create more complex blocks. The choice is up to the maker. Quilters may work with friends or solo. Let's have a lot of fun with this challenge.

February 3: Sue Cortese of SelcFabrics will present **Quilt Appreciation – Traditional & Art Quilts**. Sue is preparing this program especially for PALS Guild. Her Web site is SelcFABRICS.com. Please visit & see the amazing quilts she has made using fabrics she creates using various dyeing techniques.

March 3: Several PALS Members will share their tips & tricks to help you get your quilts squared up, bound and ready for the May Quilt Show.

April - June TBD

July 7: Elsie Vredenburg of Cadillac, MI will teach a freezer paper-pieced class using one of her Michigan Lighthouse Patterns (printed freezer paper within the pattern). Elsie will present a trunk show of all 35 Years of her Hoffman Challenge Quilts and many other Award-Winning Quilts for our Evening Meeting.

August 4: Annual Picnic

September 8: Dual Meeting with Lighthouse Quilt Guild at Grand Haven

October & November: TBD

December 1: Christmas Potluck, Member's Panel Quilt Challenge Trunk Show

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**

9919 Business US-31

Montague, MI

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

2025 Dates:

January 11 Saturday
January 28 Tuesday
February 8 Saturday
February 25 Tuesday
March 1 Saturday
March 25 Tuesday
April 12 Saturday
April 29 Tuesday
May 10 Saturday
May 27 Tuesday
June 14 Saturday

June 24 Tuesday
July No Sew days
August 9 Saturday (No Tuesday)
September 13 Saturday
September 30 Tuesday
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.



Threads of Friendship Quilt Show

Kay Williams and Lynnetta Poff

We are excited to share an important update about the Quilt Show. Due to unforeseen circumstances, we've had to change the dates. Please mark your calendars for the new dates: May 16, and 17, 2025. Set up will be on the 15th. The Salvation Army, located at 1185 Shonot St., Muskegon will still be our venue.

Would your sewing bee or other group like to put together a raffle basket for our quilt show? We are looking for groups or individuals that would like to donate to or put together a themed raffle basket.

We can't wait to see your incredible quilts on display! The talent shared at our quilt guild meetings is truly inspiring, and we know many of you have beautiful quilts ready to enter. This is also a wonderful opportunity to ignite your creativity and craft something new!

Patchers At the Lakeshore 2025 Quilt Show Challenge



“Take Flight”

Sponsored by Quilted Memories Inc

1. Size must be 20” X 20” – quilts not meeting this size will be moved to another category
2. Quilt must be three (3) layers – top, batting, and backing with finished edges – bound or faced
3. Quilt may be quilted by hand, machine or both.
4. The quilt must be an individual entry – sewing AND quilting by entrant (no bees or “quilting by check”)
5. No names on the front of the challenge quilt
6. Entry must use the registration form
7. Challenge fabric FQ is provided for a cost of \$3.00
8. Additional fabric may be purchased from the Challenge Chair
9. Quilt must have a recognizable amount of the challenge fabric within the quilt; not just the binding, border or backing
10. 2025 Challenge Quilt must have at least one Flying Geese style block
11. Quilt may be pieced, appliqued and/or embellished with three-dimensional elements

Contact Joy Lamphere for more information: shout4joy.geo@yahoo.com or 231.220.9319



PALS AQS Ultimate Guild Challenge for 2025



My Favorite! (Due Monday, March 3 at the PALS meeting)

Our challenge is to make a quilt answering the question “what is your favorite -?”

“My Favorite Dinosaur” AND “My Favorite Color”

As adults no one asks us the important questions anymore such as “what is your favorite dinosaur?” or “what is your favorite color?” so we are asking questions and making quilts to answer them.

- ❖ Quilt must be 40” wide X 30” tall
- ❖ Quilt must contain at least one dinosaur
- ❖ Quilt must feature a favorite color
- ❖ Quilt must have a design feature that breaks the border (as shown in photos)



“You Spelled it Wrong!”



“What is Extinction, Mom?”

Remember that we do not have actual photos of dinosaurs, all images are imagined renderings from the fossils found. You can imagine YOUR favorite dinosaur in many different colors/textures!

For more information contact

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2025 Programs at Lighthouse Quilt Guild

January 13, 2025 – Peter Byrne, Toronto, Canada – trunk show and lecture

February 10, 2025 – Nova Montgomery, Texas – lecture

March 10, 2025 – Lemon Quilts – presentation on batting

April 14, 2025 – Phyllis Fay, Illinois – “Motivating You to Use Your Stash”

May 12, 2025 – Nancy McNally, Michigan – lecture and trunk show

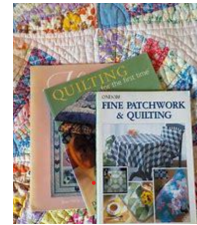
June 9, 2025 – Sue Cortese, Michigan – lecture about Judging

July 14, 2025 – Lynne Osborne – Trunk Show with Bee Members

August 11, 2025 – Nova Montgomery, Texas – lecture on 1933 World’s Fair

Library

Come check out our Guild Library, we have lots of books with lots of patterns! We have something for everyone: baby quilts, panel quilts, or sampler quilts.



Membership—LuAnne Sloop and Sue Saladin

December 2024: We had 2 renewing members for 2025.

Meeting attendance: 51 members

Membership: current number of paid members = 125

Members, you are doing a great job of bringing in new members! Keep them coming!

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

[WWW.HTTPS:/PALSQUILTGUILD.ORG.](https://palsquiltguild.org)

Donation Quilts—Suzette Mattson and Deb Taylor

Thank you to all who have donated to our Donation quilts for the year 2025. We have kits, see Deb Taylor at our meeting in January. You may also just ask for a pattern or some batting (I will get it to you in March). Better yet, come up with something on your own and use fabric, batting and patterns from your stash. Here are a few pictures/ideas.



If you are making baby or toddler sizes, it would be preferable to have them rectangular and gender neutral. See you all in March.

Jill Twiss-McFadden of Quilted Memories is generously donating space for us to work on donation quilts from 10:00 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. on the following Mondays:

- March 24
- April 14
- June 9
- August 11
- October 13
- December 8




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 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.
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