



PALS Quilt Guild Meeting February 3, 2025 Social Time 6:00 PM Meeting 6:30 PM Muskegon County Baker Campus Marquette and Quarterline #18

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#### February 2025



#### From Your Chair – Barb Reynolds

Happy February! This is great weather for staying inside and sewing! I expect lots of snow in the month--after all we do live in Michigan. As our little groundhog will tell us, we are going to have more weeks of winter....no surprise.

Like the movie, Groundhog's Day, I would love to have some days repeat themselves. That would give me extended time to get my projects done and make improvements in my life (and sewing) like Bill Murray.

I was pleased to see some new and returning faces at our last meeting. It is wonderful to have so many people interested in the common goal of quilting. If you have an idea for an interesting speaker or activity, please speak up. Kathy Preston is currently scheduling our programs. She has also lined up some great activities for this year. You still have time to join Busy Bees & Goofy Flowers, or the Panel challenge.

I hope everyone is working on a quilt for our quilt show in May. You do not need to be professional. Use a pattern you like, combine fabrics you love, and have fun. The variety we present is motivating! Happy stitching!

#### **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

## 2025 Schedule of Events



Members may continue to sign up for Block Of the Month- Busy Bees & Goofy Flowers 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. No completion date & no pressure.

2025 Panel Quilt Challenge (no fee). It's not too late to

**sign up.** Contact Kathy at <u>ksbpreston@ gmail.com</u> and she will send you the directions so far or pick them up at the Resource Table next month. Please photograph the panel with background & 3 fabric choices then send it by email to <u>ksbpreston@gmail.com</u> or text 231 730 2236 before you begin. 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 at *December 2025 Christmas Meeting*. Directions are beginner friendly. Work with friends or solo. Social Days may a good time & place to meet up and seek assistance from friends. Make this challenge exciting and fun.

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

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

## April and May TBD

June - Christmas in June – Details coming later.

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.

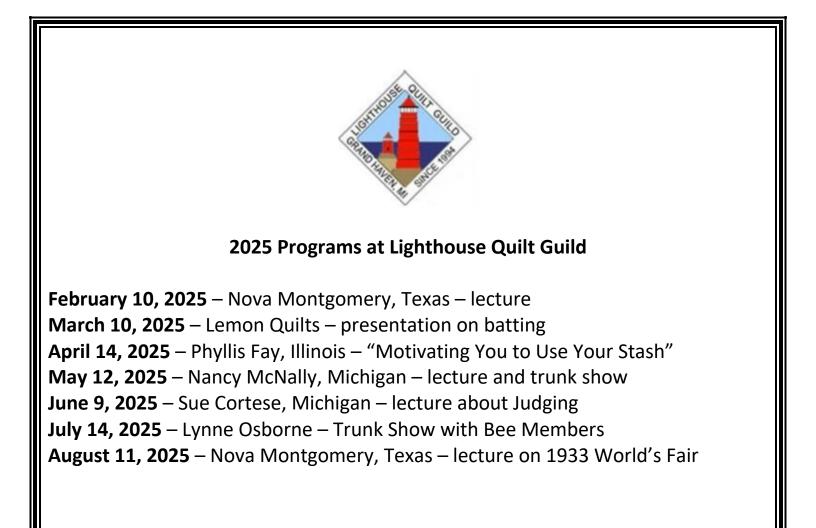
August 4 - Annual Picnic

September 8 - Dual Meeting with LHQG at Grand Haven

October 6 – Jill Twiss McFadden of Quilted Memories INC will be our Presenter

November – TBD

**December 1** – Christmas Potluck, Member's 2025 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.

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

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

## 2025 Dates:

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.

## Membership

#### LuAnne Sloop

## Sue Saladin

January 2025: We had 3 renewing members and 4 new members for 2025.

Meeting attendance: 66 members

Membership: current number of paid members = 129

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

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## https://www.palsquiltguild.org/

## 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 threedimensional elements

# Contact Joy Lamphere for more information: <u>shout4joy.geo@yahoo.com</u> or 231.220.9319

## PALS AQS Ultimate Guild Challenge for 2025



https://www.facebook.com/groups/150981891400977

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





"What is Extinction, Mom?"  Quilt must have a design feature that breaks the border (as shown in photos) 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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## Threads of Friendship Quilt Show

Save The Date: May 16 & 17, 2025 (Friday & Saturday)

We will need PALS members to volunteer to help with various areas of the quilt show, so please be ready to jump in and say "YES!" when asked to help!



Are you making a quilt for the show? Reach out to Sunny Crenshaw (<u>Sunny149504@yahoo.com</u>) for more

details on how to register your quilt for the show.

Have quilting/sewing-related items to donate for the boutique? - This is a large fundraiser for us during the show! - Reach out to Nancy Boxer at <u>boxern@monashores.net</u> and she will gladly accept those items from you!

Keep an eye out in the next newsletter for more details and information regarding the Threads of Friendship Quilt Show!

#### **Donation Quilts**

#### Suzette Mattson and Deb Taylor

We received 21 quilts and 2 quilt tops at the January meeting. There were a lot of questions about donation quilts. I will try to answer most of them here for all our new members. We will have kits available at most of the Guild meetings. The kits include: a pattern, fabric to complete the top, backing and binding. Batting is available upon request; just send us an email and we will get it to you. You can also use your own stash and patterns if you like. Be creative. Each year in October we give all the quilts donated to the following 5 agencies: Hope Project, Every Woman's Place, Muskegon Pregnancy Services, Department of Human Services- Foster Care Program, and Muskegon Rescue Mission. These quilts are not only for babies (all sizes are needed and welcome). Thank you everyone for all the work you have put into these beautiful quilts and Happy Sewing.



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, and December 8

Celebrating FEBRUARY Birthdays If your birthday is in February, please remember to bring a special treat to the PALS Guild meeting on Monday, February 3, 2025



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