



# Lighthouse Beacon News

lighthousequilters.org

June 2016

## Lighthouse Quilt Guild

June 13, 2016

6:30 pm Social Time

7:00 pm Meeting

### United Methodist Church of the Dunes

717 Sheldon, at Colfax  
Grand Haven, Michigan

## 2015-2016 Executive Board

### Chairperson

Connie Townsend

### Co-Chairperson

Kay Wilton

### Secretary

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### Community Outreach Committee

Elizabeth Clark and Kim Frisch

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Jean Stordahl and Monica Leenhouts

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Chris Bussell

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### Program Coordinators

Su Palmer and Pam Kihn

### Publicity

Jackie Baden

### Quilt Show Chair

Karen Katje

### Quilt Show Co-Chair

Lynn Koster

### Take-A-Chance

Shirley Swifney

### Vendors

Su Palmer and Pam Kihn

### Webpage Manager

Char LaDronka

## Next Newsletter Deadline

June 24, 2016

Hello Quilting Friends,

As I write this I'm having a hard time believing that June will be here soon. Half way through the year already and my pile of UFOs doesn't seem to be getting smaller. In fact, it has grown! So much for my goal of finishing.

One of the quilts I started was in the May class with Kathleen Andrews. What a fun teacher she is. Her designs are way out of my comfort zone but I knew I wanted to try something new. You know I love my scrap quilts but for this quilt I chose to work with all batiks. Haven't had much time to work on it but I am loving the results so far. I think it is important for all of us quilters to get out of our comfort zones once in a while.

I have been cleaning out some older quilting magazines and in going through them, I've seen a number of articles about why we quilt. This got me to thinking about why I love it so much. I've come to the conclusion that I quilt for many different reasons as I think we all do. Somedays it's just because I have a need to feel the fabric (only other quilters understand this). I find my moods and feelings can greatly influence what I work on and the colors I choose. When I'm down, quilting is my therapy. Quilting can bring emotional healing to me and to those to whom I give my quilts. For most of us, it fills a need for creativity also. Above everything else, I quilt because I simply love it! Do you find that you have different reasons for quilting on different days?

Have those of you who chose to participate in the Ugly Fabric Challenge been working on your small quilt? Remember that you are giving your quilt to someone else, so please make sure it is done for the June meeting. My fabric was laid out where I could see it every day. I would look at it and wait for inspiration. I changed my mind about a dozen times but have finally started my project. Must say the fabric I got wasn't all that ugly. I'm looking forward to seeing everyone's creativity.

Happy quilting,  
Connie

## Upcoming Programs

Su Palmer and Pam Kihn

Sign-up sheets and additional information for classes will be at the program table at each meeting. For additional information, contact Pam Kihn (231-206-6729) or Su Palmer (231-740-7104)

### **June 13, 2016**

- Sharing of the Ugly Fat Quarter Challenge quilts. Completed quilts using the "ugly fabric" swapped in November will be revealed and presented to the original owner of the "ugly fabric." The time has come for our big reveal of our "ugly fat quarter" challenge!!! Please bring your finished quilt to the June meeting! If you are unable to be at the meeting, please call Kay Wilton at 842-0921 and she will arrange to pick it up. Remember it goes back to its "owner"!
- Community Outreach Sharing: Speakers from the North Ottawa Community Health System will be at our meeting to share some testimonials.
- Demonstration: Easy Quilt: Birthing a Quilt

### **July Program:**

- Members bring "Red, White and Blue" Quilts or projects to share with guild members.
- My Michigan Challenge quilts
- Preparing for Quilt Show

### **August**

- Quilt Show winners
- Annual potluck

### **Mark your Calendar for Future Programs**

September 2016 Deb Karasik (Joint meeting with PALS Guild) <http://www.debkarasik.com>  
October 2016 Lenore Crawford, Fabric Artist <http://www.lenorecrawford.com>  
November 2016 TBD, Certified Judy Niemeyer Instructor  
<http://www.quiltworx/instructors/instructors>  
March 2017 Bonnie Hunter <http://www.quiltville.com>  
September 2017 Ann Loveless (Joint meeting with PALS Guild) <http://www.quiltsbyann.com>

## Hospitality

Jean Stordahl and Monica Leenhouts

Thank you to all of the people who bring treats to the meetings. Some generous members bring treats whether it is their birthday month or not!!! Thank you for the bounty of treats in May. Looking forward to the June snacks from June birthday members and possibly others.

## Membership

Jane Thomasma

Three more new members! Please welcome Kathy Stites, Jane Steele, and Linda Huizen who bring our membership to 154. Three guests also joined us for our May meeting featuring Kathleen Andrews of KwiArt. Invite a quilting friend to try out our guild! Guests pay \$5 for a meeting with a special speaker. Guests may attend without charge if we do not have an outside speaker for the meeting. Remember a perk of our membership—reciprocating with PALS in Muskegon. PALS meets the first Monday of the month. Bring your current nametag or payment receipt to attend their meetings.

## Quilt Show

Karen Katje and Lynn Koster

Registration is now open!

We hope you are finishing up your quilts for the quilt show! The quilt show is July 29 and 30 at St. Pats Church. The registration form is on the 2016 Quilt Show page under the Events tab on the website. Just

click on the link and print off a copy for each quilt you'd like to enter. There will be extra registration forms at our June meeting for those who don't do the internet. So get your registrations in to Jan Kinane.

**Volunteers** – As we prepare for the quilt show there are many opportunities for you to assist in making the annual quilt show a success. At our next meeting be sure to visit the quilt show table and sign up!

**Quilt Show Challenge** – What do you love about our beautiful state of Michigan? What do you love doing in Michigan? We want you to put your passion for Michigan in quilt form that measures 12”x 12” for your quilt show challenge. We would like you to share your challenge quilt at our July meeting so get them done! No rod pocket is needed on your challenge quilts. Make sure to fill out a registration form for your challenge quilt!

**Quilt Show Committee** – There will be a quilt show meeting at 6pm on June 13 before our regular June quilt guild meeting. If you have any concerns about the quilt show, contact Lynn Koster or Karen Katje.

**Quilt Show Boutique** - Just a reminder that we are collecting your cast-offs for the boutique at the quilt show. Bring anything you would like to donate (fabric, quilting or sewing notions, patterns, etc.) to any guild meeting and give to Char LaDronka or Leslie Johnson. Thank you for all the donations we've received so far.

### **Website**

**Char LaDronka**

The Quilt Show Entry form is on the 2016 Quilt Show page under the Events tab on the website. Just click on the link and print off a copy for each quilt you'd like to enter. The minutes from the April Board Meeting are now posted to the webpage. If you would like to see something posted to the webpage, please contact Char LaDronka.

### **Raffle Coordination Committee**

Wanted: Guild members to join the Raffle Coordination Committee. The committee will organize a raffle quilt to be raffled at our annual quilt show, July 30. Su Palmer has started the process to complete a quilt created by members for a raffle. Additional members are needed for ticket coordination and ticket sales. Please contact Barb Dryer, Su Palmer or Connie Townsend to assist on this committee.

### **Quilt Retreat**

**Cyndi Phillip**

At the June guild meeting, sign-up will begin for the guild's "Holiday Blow-Out Retreat" on December 2-4. If you are not able to attend the meeting but wish to sign-up for the retreat, email [cphillip\\_56@yahoo.com](mailto:cphillip_56@yahoo.com) after June 13th. A \$20 deposit will hold your space.

### **Downtown Quilts**

**Kim Frisch and Barb Wexall**

Support the Coast Guard Festival and the 'My Michigan' Quilt Show by helping us advertise with your quilt(s)! We welcome any and all quilters that wish to show off their quilting talents by lending a quilt or two to hang in a storefront window in Grand Haven for about two weeks. Most of the merchants prefer small to medium size quilts, however we are able to display some larger quilts in some venues.

Your quilts are a great way to advertise for the quilt show on July 29-30 and will be returned shortly thereafter. Please bring your quilts, any size, to the June or July guild meeting and give them to Kim or Barb, who are coordinating this project. Along with your quilt, please complete the following form with your name and the name or description of the quilt. Those forms will be kept until the quilt is picked up after the show. A blank copy of the form will also be given to the merchant so that they have contact

information and dates. If you are unable to bring your quilt to the meeting, feel free to email or call Kim or Barb at (Frischk1@Michigan.gov / 989-854-1977 or bwexall@gmail.com / 616-607-2161).

**Form for Downtown Quilts Project**



***“My Michigan”***

***Lighthouse Quilt Guild***

***Grand Haven, Michigan***

***July 2016***

\_\_\_\_\_ acknowledges receipt of \_\_\_\_\_ quilt  
(Name of Store) (Quilt description)

made by \_\_\_\_\_ to be displayed in the store window until Monday, August 1, 2016.  
(Name of quilter)

The quilt is for display purposes only, to publicize the annual Lighthouse Quilt Guild Show at St. Patrick’s Family Center, Friday and Saturday, July 29-30, 2016 from 10am to 5pm daily.

The quilt is the personal property of the Lighthouse Quilt Guild member listed above.

The quilt will be picked up on Monday or Tuesday, August 1 & 2, 2016.

Thank you for support in displaying this quilt. Any inquiries may be directed to Barb Wexall at (616) 607-2161.

Signature of Employee/Owner accepting quilt: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed name of Employee/Owner accepting quilt: \_\_\_\_\_

Again, thank you for your willingness to display a quilt in your business! We appreciate your support of our Downtown Quilts Project.

Sincerely,

Kim Frisch and Barb Wexall, Co-Coordiators

Phone: (989) 854-1977 or (616) 607-2161

**Lighthouse Quilt Guild  
Treasurer's Report as of 5/20/16**

**General Fund Balance on 4/20/16** **\$13,183.28**

**General Fund Income**

Lake Trust Credit Union (interest)	\$0.21
Hospitality	\$11.80
Membership	\$50.00
Programs-Workshops	
-Jackie Bailey	\$75.00
-Kathleen Andrews	\$617.00
Take A Chance	\$30.01
<b>Total General Fund Income</b>	<b>\$784.02</b>

**General Fund Expense**

Community Outreach	\$215.34
Facility Rental	\$600.00
Programs	
-Donna Kooistra	-\$37.16
-Jan Berg-Rezmer	\$11.57
-Kathleen Andrews	\$177.32
Programs-Workshops	
-Jan Berg-Rezmer	\$10.08
-Kathleen Andrews	\$664.00
Raffle	\$15.00
Take A Chance	\$12.00
<b>Total General Fund Expenses</b>	<b>\$1,668.15</b>

**General Fund Ending Balance on 5/20/16** **\$12,299.15**

**Quilt Show Beginning Balance as of 4/20/16** **\$2,089.29**

**Quilt Show Income**

Vendors	\$275.00
<b>Total Quilt Show Income</b>	<b>\$275.00</b>

**Quilt Show Expense**

Publicity	\$149.00
<b>Total Quilt Show Expenses</b>	<b>\$149.00</b>

**Quilt Show Ending Balance on 5/20/16** **\$2,215.29**

**Balance of both LQG Funds on 5/20/16** **\$14,514.44**



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### **Your June Lighthouse Quilt Guild Newsletter is here**

What to Bring to the Next Meeting:

- ~ Your Name Badge (pin it on!)—this is your entry to the meeting
- ~ Completed Community Charity Quilts and/or Kona solid cotton fabrics
- ~ Spare Change for Take a Chance
- ~ Library Books
- ~ Show and Tell

