



# Lighthouse Beacon News

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April 2018

## Lighthouse Quilt Guild

April 9, 2018

6:30 pm Social Time

7:00 pm Meeting

## United Methodist Church of the Dunes

717 Sheldon, at Colfax  
Grand Haven, Michigan

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Jackie Baden

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## Next Newsletter Deadline

April 20, 2018

## Hello, Quilters !

Spring is here, and it is even lighter outside in the evening, although the time change has left many of us a little weary in the morning. Walking outside, I hear many bird sounds, and can see two eagles circling overhead. The blackbirds are loudly warning of their presence.

I believe everyone enjoyed Darla Parks' trunk show, and many of us learned from her class on color application. She is a very talented lady.

At our Guild meeting on April 9<sup>th</sup>, Elsie Vredenburg will present a trunk show of her Hoffman Challenge prize winners, and give us some tips on creating a winning quilt.

Community Outreach was happy to announce we donated sixty quilts last month, and we thank all of those who volunteered to make this happen.

At our board meeting, Jackie Baden said everything appears to be on schedule for the Quilt Show and she is even planning on a sign driving into town from the south advertising the show this summer. She is also pleased that Amy Stuparits has volunteered to shadow her, and is willing to chair next year's event. At our April meeting Jackie will have more information on entering the Quilt Show. There will be many ways we can help, getting involved, and volunteering, making the show a success, getting to know one another is also a benefit. More information on the committees will also be available at our April meeting.

Happy Spring, and happy quilting.

**The April Board meeting is on April 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm in the Loutit Library**

Charlene Lozicki

## Upcoming Programs and Classes

**Kathy Dahlstrom and Annette Allen**

Sign-up sheets and additional information for classes will be at the program table at each meeting. For additional information, contact Kathy Dahlstrom (616-842-5406) or Annette Allen (616-846-5037)

### **April 9, 2018:**

**Program:** Elsie Vredenburg of Tustin will present a lecture and trunk show on “Creating a Winning Quilt” based on her Hoffman Challenge winning quilts.

She has two quilts in the permanent collection of the Museum of the American Quilter’s Society in Paducah, KY. Her “Lights Along the Shore”, which features the Grand Haven lighthouse is in the Tri-Cities Museum collection.

### **May 14, 2018:**

**Program:** We will be revealing our challenge quilts at the May meeting. It’s not too late to join the challenge!

### **June 11, 2018:**

**Program:** Susan Kruszynski will present her story telling quilts that were a part of Art Prize 2017. The quilts are featured in the former Grand Haven teacher’s book, “Reaching Upward.”

**Class:** Landscape Quilts with Photo Fabric using a photo of the Grand Haven pier. This will be a six-hour class from 10 pm – 4 pm (including a ½ hour lunch on your own). The class will be \$60 for members and \$70 for non-members. The cost of the class includes the \$25 fee for the pattern and kit.



*Class fees must be submitted at the time you register. This allows us to plan space and number of enrollees registering. As per the Guild policies and guidelines, class fees are non-refundable.*

## Community Outreach

**Elizabeth Clark and Kim Frisch**

Our donations of quilts have been coming in regularly, and enough to meet our goals. We have given generous supplies of baby quilts to both Ottawa County offices of the Health Department.

Our team has been making enough kits for baby quilts and breast cancer quilts so our members have choices available at our monthly meetings.

We will have kits available for people attending the Quilt Retreat in April. In addition, preliminary planning has been done for a Sew-In in May.

## Spring Retreat

**Sue Doyle and Amanda Garvin**

The Lighthouse Quilt Guild spring retreat will be held April 20, 21, and 22, at the Christian Reformed Campground located south of Grand Haven on Lakeshore Drive. Lunch and dinner are included on Friday and Saturday. Only lunch is served on Sunday as we have to be out of the center by 4:00. The retreat opens at 9:00 on Friday and you can sew as late as you wish. Saturday is the same. You have a choice of signing up for attending for days only for \$80.00 or you may wish to stay over Friday and Saturday nights in one of the lovely cabins for \$150.00. For those of you who have reserved a space with a deposit, the balance of payment was due by the March meeting. Sue Doyle will be keeping a wait list as all spots have been filled. If you can provide a cutting mat, ironing board, or iron please let Sue know.

## **Membership**

**Lisa Schooley**

Please welcome our two newest members Lyn Weick and Sharon McAlister who joined Lighthouse Quilt Guild at our March meeting. What a beautiful trunk show by Darla Parks at our meeting. Her quilting is just amazing!

## **Hospitality**

**Jean Stordahl and Monica Leenhouts**

We had a generous amount of treats again last month. Thank you!!! Thank you also for the donation of decaf coffee. Looking forward to what the April birthday people bring to share.

## **Website**

**Char Ladronka**

Anyone wishing to post information about our Quilt Show, or anything else, can send it to [cmladr@gmail.com](mailto:cmladr@gmail.com). There is a page for the Show just waiting for news!

## **Quilt Show**

**Jackie Baden**

I am pleased to announce that Amy Stuparits has joined the Quilt Show Committee and she will be “shadowing” me until the end of the show when she will take over as Chair for next year. Thanks Amy!! I know you will have lots of fun doing this. Amy will appreciate anyone else who will step up to assist her!

We are going to shake things up for this quilt show. Maybe by now you have heard about the category “First Time Entry.” This category is for those of you who have never entered a quilt in a show.

You will also see on northbound US 31 near Hayes Road, a billboard advertising the show. It will go up early in July for a four week period. Keep your eyes peeled for it and let me know what you think about it. Make sure you also tell all of your friends, relatives, co-workers and such, that this show is going to be spectacular this year.

Barb Wexall has made some changes in how the quilts are submitted. Be sure you read her directions on the quilt entry form explicitly. There will be no room for correcting errors on the day the show opens.

Marilew Helmers, as a newcomer to the committee, will be handling volunteers. She will be at the next guild meeting. Everyone who enters a quilt in the show will be expected to participate in some way with the work that needs to be done for the show. She will have that information for you.

Karen Katje will have rack cards available at the next meeting as well. It is up to each and every one of you to send them all over, not only Ottawa County, but areas further north, south, and east. If you can spread them west, do this also. Each one of you will be given a pack to start with. If you run out, call Karen.

Susan Cochrane, another newcomer to the committee, will be handling duties as Quilt Mom. Kay Wilton is working something out to have a food vendor positioned outside of St. Patrick’s. No food inside, but I understand there will be outdoor tables available for sitting to eat.

Don’t forget your goodies for the Boutique. We will have twice the space this year, so bring everything you can. Guild members are allowed to sell their own items at the quilt show. For more information on this, see Leslie.

Quilt Show Registration Forms will be available on the web site and at the meeting.

**To all those involved in the quilt show, we will meet before every guild meeting at 6pm.**

**Quilt Show Boutique**

**Leslie Johnson**

It's April and you know what that means. Spring cleaning! While you are sorting through your sewing rooms, tossing no longer wanted items, be sure to set them aside for the boutique at our quilt show. We accept any sewing related item, but please no books or magazines published before 2000.

Bring them to any meeting and give them to Leslie Johnson. If it's a good size box, or heavy, leave it in your car and let me know you have a donation. We'll meet in the parking lot.

**Quilt Show Volunteer List**

**Marilew Helmers**

We need volunteers for many areas of the quilt show, beginning with advertising by word of mouth and delivery of Rack Cards and Posters and ending with clean up when the show is over. In between, we need help setting up for the show, hanging quilts and various other positions during the show. Here are the various volunteer positions and those members who will be acting in a leadership area in the various areas.

Volunteer Duties	Team Leader
Pick up truck & deliver racks and scrims Reload truck and return racks and scrims to storage area	
Set up and take down racks & scrims	Susan Harper
Quilt Registration take in and return	Kim Frisch & Barb Wexall
Hang Quilts	Susan Harper
Boutique set-up, sales and take down	Leslie Johnson
Admissions	
Raffle Quilt	Barb Dryer
Take Down Quilts	Susan Harper
Rack Card Distribution	Karen Katje
Downtown Quilts	Susan Harper & Susan Cochrane
Vendors	Lynn Koster
Volunteers	Marilew Helmers
Publicity	Jackie Baden
Quilt Mom	Susan Cochrane
Ribbons	Elizabeth Clark

## Raffle Quilt

Barb Dryer

Work continues on the raffle quilt. Hope to have raffle tickets printed and ready for distribution by the April meeting. Thanks again for all your support!



For information on the Tulip Time Quilt Show, please see Carol Keen or visit their website at:

<https://www.tuliptime.com/events/quilt-show/may-13>



## Bay Heritage Quilters

Bay Heritage Quilters Guild & Studio 23/The Arts Center present 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Quilt Show & Exhibit: "A Sharing of Quilts XIV"

Date: April 6 & 7, 2018 from 11am to 7pm

Location: Studio 23/The Arts Center, [901 N Water St, Bay City, MI](#).

Admission: free

Handicap accessible

Quilts will remain on exhibit through May 18. There will be an opening reception Thursday, April 5, from 5:00pm to 7:00pm and a quilt "Walk-Through Lecture" on Saturday, April 28, at 1:00pm. Approximately 100 quilts will be on display. We will also have a Springtime Fantasy raffle quilt, vendors, silent auction, and more! Handicapped accessible; free admission.

## CHICAGO INTERNATIONAL QUILT FESTIVAL BUS TRIP SATURDAY, APRIL 14, 2018

### **LAST CHANCE, LAST CHANCE, LAST CHANCE**

This is your last chance to sign up for the big bus trip to the Chicago International Quilt Festival on Saturday, April 14, 2018. We will have a fun filled day, starting with a goodie bag for each of you as you board the bus. There will be hundreds of quilts to admire and also hundreds of vendors where you will find just the right items to purchase. The bus will leave Muskegon at 6:15 AM. It will also stop at Meijer in Grand Haven at 6:45 to pick up our Lighthouse members joining us. We will stop for breakfast at Benton Harbor and arrive in Chicago just in time for the show to begin. After a busy, exciting day at the show, we can relax on the bus and will stop for dinner on the way home. We welcome all Lighthouse members to join us. The cost for the day is \$65.00, \$70.00 for non-members. This includes the bus fee and show ticket. You are responsible for your own meals, and you may bring a sack lunch or purchase lunch at the show. Checks should be made out to PALS.

Please call Kathy – 231 798-3952 or Kay – 616 430-0732 to register for the Bus Trip.

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National Baby Lock Educator Debbie Martinez will be presenting a one day class covering free-motion quilting, regulated stitching, quilt-as-you-go, attaching appliques, couching, and ruler work. This exciting event will take place at our Muskegon store.

**Choose the session that works best for you:**

Fri., May 11, 2018; 9:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m. OR Sat., May 12; 9:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

**\$125.00 cost includes meal!**

**Call our Muskegon store at 231-288-1263 to reserve your spot for this wonderful learning experience!**





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**Barb Bennett**      269-793-3008

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**Lighthouse Quilt Guild  
Treasurer's Report as of 3/14/18**

**General Fund Balance on 2/19/18**

**General Fund Income**

Lake Trust Credit Union (interest)	\$0.50
Hospitality	\$6.50
Membership	\$20.00
Spring Retreat	\$1,345.00
Programs - Workshops	
Darla Parks class	\$260.00
Take A Chance	\$42.00
Community Outreach - fabric sale	\$124.50
<b>Total General Fund Income</b>	<b>\$1,798.50</b>

**General Fund Expense**

Programs - Darla Parks	\$250.00
Programs - Workshops	
Darla Parks class	\$1,020.00
Church room rental	\$75.00
Newsletter printing	\$39.25
Take A Chance	\$10.00
Community Outreach - fabric & batting	284.96
Community Outreach - quilt labels	104.88
Membership - forms printing & toner cartridge	29.90
Library	49.72
<b>Total General Fund Expenses</b>	<b>\$1,863.71</b>

**General Fund Balance on 3/14/18**

**Quilt Show Balance on 3/14/18**

**Equipment Maintenance Reserve**

**Balance of all LQG Funds on 3/14/2018**



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**Your April 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 Outreach quilts
- ~ Spare Change for Take A Chance
- ~ Library Books
- ~ Show and Tell

April Board Meeting: Tuesday, April 17, 2018  
Room B, Loutit Public Library.



Think Spring