



Lighthouse Beacon News

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February 2019

Lighthouse Quilt Guild

February 11, 2019

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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Next Newsletter Deadline

February 20, 2019

Hello, Quilters!

Winter didn't forget us after all; however, I was not worried it would. I am glad it missed us at our January meeting. Nancy Roelfsema came from Grand Rapids, and gave a very enthusiastic presentation on managing our fabric to store it, cut it and shape our blocks. She is also a T.V. show host producer with videos on YouTube called onpoint-tv.com.

Our February meeting will host Ruth Ann Berry of Quilters Clinic in Fife Lake. She is the author of several quilt books, and is having a class Monday on Bargello Lap Quilt.

Our library has again had some new books added. We have an amazing library.

Amy has again reminded us to work on our challenge quilts to be presented in May. She is also having a meeting at 6 p.m. prior to the guild meeting for those interested in helping on the July quilt show.

At our board meeting, we were reminded our local Coast Guard personnel are not receiving paychecks during the partial government shutdown. These are our local friends and neighbors who promote and assist us at our, as many call it, "The Coast Guard Quilt Show." A motion was made at our meeting to make a \$1,000 donation to the men and women at our local Coast Guard station to help with living expenses. We elected to make the donation through the Chief Petty Officers Association. This association is exempt from rules that limit other organizations from donating directly to the Coast Guard. They are the contact organization for fundraising benefiting our Coasties.

We are obtaining a key to the church so we are not locked out as we were at our January meeting. Previously there was always someone in the building to let us in.

Happy Quilting, Charlene Lozicki

Our next meeting is February 11, and the next board meeting is February 19.

Upcoming Programs and Classes

Wendy Rice & Dianne Gustafson

Sign-up sheets and additional information for classes will be at the program table at each meeting. For additional information, questions or ideas for next year, contact Wendy Rice (616-935-7430 / wendyrice49@gmail.com) or Dianne Gustafson (616-844-1659 / bdgusto@comcast.net).

February 11, 2019:

Program: We will have a trunk show and lecture from Ruth Ann Berry of Quilters Clinic in Fife Lake who is the author of several quilt books on Bargello and geometric quilts.

Class: Bargello Lap Quilt, Monday, February 11th from 11am to 4pm with one hour for lunch. Visit her website, <https://www.quiltersclinic.com>, to view all 12 of her bargello patterns, you may pick any one to do. Patterns are \$8.00 and her kits are \$50.00 which includes the pattern—a real value when you consider the number and variety of strips/colors already cut for you. 11:00am to 4:00 pm (lunch on your own)



March 11, 2019 Bring some Bling to your work! Embellishing with Crystals:

Program: David Ihm, Rhinestone Genie, Traverse City www.rhinestonegenie.com. David spent over 20 years in the graphic display and garment decoration industry and developed the idea for Rhinestone Genie from a more complex professional system, wanting to make embellishment inexpensive and easy for sewers and crafters. He will demonstrate his system, provide some hands-on experience, and bring hundreds of crystals available for purchase.

Members are invited to bring examples of their own use of embellishment on quilts, garments, accessories, etc..

April 8, 2019:

Program: Lyn Brown Trunk show and slide presentation, “Rescued Quilts.”

Originally from Australia, Lyn met her American husband there and became a Michigander many years ago. Her interest in rescued quilts grew after she attended some auctions and found some quilts in need of finishing or repair. Some of them are very old and valuable, but her primary interest is in finishing, repairing and caring for them. Anyone can stumble on a treasure as she has. Friends and acquaintances keep connecting her with others, some never finished, some lucky finds at garage and rummage sales. She lives in Mattawan, MI and is active in two local guilds there.

May 13, 2019

Program: Challenge Quilts and Lighthouse Quilters 25th Anniversary Celebration.

June 10, 2019

Program: Coleen Merte of Northwater Quilts

<https://northwaterquilts.com>

July 8, 2019

Program: Deborah Richmond from “Quilted Turtle,” DeWitt, MI will demonstrate her favorite quilting and sewing notions and have them available to purchase. www.quiltedturtle.com.

Class: Deborah will also do a three-hour workshop that day. “Spectacular Table Scraps”.

August 12, 2019

Program: Quilt show winners and potluck.

September 9, 2019:

Program: Joint meeting with PALS, hosted by Lighthouse Quilt Guild. Featured speaker is **Becky Goldsmith of Piece O’ Cake**. <https://www.pieceocake.com/>

Class: Becky will offer two six-hour workshops on appliqué.

Community Outreach

Elizabeth Clark and Kim Frisch

We had a huge table full of quilts at the January meeting -- 20 baby quilts and four breast comfort quilts -- and want to thank all those who made the quilts. They have all been laundered and dried, just in time for our friends at the Ottawa County Health Department. Today they picked up 64 quilts to refill the shelves at the Grand Haven and Holland offices of the Maternal and Infant Health staff.

Raffle Quilt

Elizabeth Clark

We have chosen a block for our 2019 Raffle Quilt and will be distributing kits at the February meeting. Each kit will contain the batik background fabric and the instructions for assembling the block. Makers will use a 10" square of batik fabric in a jewel tone to construct their block. Members are encouraged to complete their blocks in time for the March meeting, so the quilt top can be completed in April. If you will not be able to attend the February meeting and would like to make a block, please call Elizabeth at (616) 212-0844 to ask for a kit.

Membership

Christine Sinkiawic

In December our guild welcomed new member, Julie Norkoli. In January, we welcomed 4 new members Nancy Cook, Lora Ann Japenga, Valarie Methric and Marilyn Smith. At the end of the January meeting, total guild membership was 144.

Librarian

Marianne Stuparits

In the next few weeks I will be doing a major overhaul of the library. I'm going to be looking at very old books and if they have ever been checked out and donating things to the boutique. If any of you have requests for certain books or techniques that you would like to see in our lovely library do not hesitate to send me an email or see me at the meeting. Reminder, books should only be checked out for the month and returned the next month. Remember to take the card out of the front cover of the book, put your name and due date on the card and put the card in the green box on the library cart. The card should be filed under your last name. When you return the book make sure to get the card from the green box and put it back in the book before returning it to the shelf.

Co-Chair

Amy Stuparits

Guild: Coming up this fall I am aware of one board position that will be vacant (so far). This position is the website manager which Char LaDronka is stepping away from. She has said it is a SUPER easy position as long as you know how to copy and paste! Basically requires you to copy/paste things from email or word onto the website. Please get in contact with myself or Char LaDronka if you are willing to fill this spot.

Challenge: Hope everyone is getting along on their challenge quilt. Remember the size of 25" x 25" is a suggestion, but if yours is a bit smaller or larger either way no need to worry (or a different shape). Also, use AS MUCH OF THE GRAY YOU WERE GIFTED IN YOUR QUILT AS YOU CAN! We will be showing them to the guild at the May meeting with other festivities.

Quilt Show Chair

Amy Stuparits

I am asking for several new members for the committee this year since a few positions have been vacated. We are in need of:

1. Set up and take down of racks/scrim (coordinate setting up and taking down of racks, etc.)
2. Vendor Coordinator (responsible for soliciting vendors for show, collecting vendor fees, assigning vendors booth spots/layout at show)
3. Downtown Quilt coordinator (collecting window size quilts from members) and checking with center town/ downtown vendors see if hanging these quilts in their windows would be permitted before the quilt show and then coordinator would come back after and pick them up.

We need anyone that is interested to see myself or another member of the quilt show committee and let us know if you are willing to learn and help. If you are hesitant or unsure of what a position requires PLEASE ask one of us. Every position has history in a folder or binder to help you. Most positions are pretty simple if you talk to the previous person that did it they can explain it very well.

Also, I am asking all members to bring in a quilt that is bold and may look appealing on our rack cards. We will take photos of these quilts at the February meeting and will choose one as our advertisement for our Quilt Show

UFO Auction

Leslie Johnson

There has been interest shown in reinstating the UFO auction. In its place, Leslie Johnson has volunteered to run a silent auction. UFO's will be displayed for bidding at the April meeting, and again in May with the items distributed in May. Proceeds will be given to a charitable organization that is yet to be determined. (Suggestions welcomed). UFO's may be donated or admitted to the auction on a consignment basis with 40% going to the guild and 60% returned to the owner.

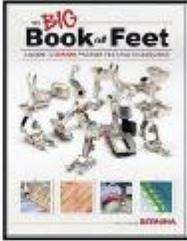
Please bring your UFO's for the auction to the February or March meeting. Information required with the UFO:

Name: _____	What is it intended to be?
Address: _____	Picture and instructions if available
Phone number (text? yes or no) _____	Is it a donation or a consignment?
Email: _____	If consignment, do you want a minimum bid and what is that minimum?



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 <p>Good Fences with Dianna Michelli Create a fun 63"x63" quilt with floating stars using squares and strips with the Creative Grids Strippy Stars ruler. Confident Beginner & up, \$40 Wed., Feb. 27 & Mar. 6; 1:00 - 4:00 pm</p>	 <p>Bernina Foot Prints with Kathy Ploughman Explore creative techniques from Bernina's Big Book of Feet! \$35/session Mon., 9:30 am - 12:30 pm Feb. 11 - Circular Attachment Mar. 11 - Sideways Motion Foot #40C Apr. 8 - BSR (Bernina Stitch Regulator)</p>	 <p>Gem Bag with Kathy Ploughman Create this beautiful bag with fabric strips and an interfacing foundation. \$45 Mon., Mar. 4, 11 & 25; 1:30 - 4:30 pm</p>
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 **Discount for Guild Members**
Show us this ad and receive 15% off your total purchase of regularly priced items.
Offer not applicable to classes. LQG Feb. 2019

**Lighthouse Quilt Guild
Treasurer's Report
as of 12/31/2018**

	December	Year to Date	Annual Budget
INCOME			
Auction Income			800.00
Community Outreach Income			300.00
Hospitality Income	3.00	19.60	50.00
Interest Income	0.84	2.46	5.00
Membership Dues	65.00	1,160.00	3,000.00
Miscellaneous Income			300.00
Newsletter Advertising Income		15.00	750.00
Newsletter Member Fees Income		25.00	75.00
Program Guest Fees			50.00
Quilt Raffle Ticket Sales			1,500.00
Quilt Show Income			6,500.00
Retreat Income	1,090.00	3,020.00	7,000.00
Take a Chance Income	92.65	133.65	300.00
Workshop Income	35.00	655.00	4,000.00
Total Income	1,286.49	5,030.71	24,630.00
EXPENSES			
Administrative Expenses		(157.22)	280.00
Auction Expenses			800.00
Community Outreach Expenses	(6.23)	(36.23)	1,100.00
Facility Rental			900.00
Hospitality Expenses		(21.88)	50.00
Library Expenses		(53.44)	300.00
Membership Expenses		(42.99)	150.00
Miscellaneous Expenses		(20.00)	15.00
Newsletter Expenses	(36.50)	(195.00)	500.00
Program Expenses	(29.14)	(694.74)	6,000.00
Quilt Raffle Expenses			1,500.00
Quilt Show Expenses			3,000.00
Retreat Expenses	(2,874.73)	(2,874.73)	7,000.00
Take a Chance Expenses	(40.00)	(51.00)	250.00
Technology Expenses			50.00
Workshop Expense		(555.00)	4,000.00
Total Expenses	(2,986.60)	(4,702.23)	25,895.00
General Fund Balance as of 12/31/2018	23,772.71		
Quilt Show Balance as of 12/31/2018	2,500.00		
Equipment Reserve as of 12/31/2018	3,000.00		
	29,272.71		
LQG Assets as of 12/31/2018			
Checking	6,314.08		
outstanding checks	(91.80)		
Petty Cash (Membership)	30.00		
Savings	23,020.43		
	29,272.71		



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Weather Meeting Cancellations

If Grand Haven Public Schools cancel school or evening school events, then there will be no meeting for the Lighthouse Quilt Guild. If the schools do not cancel events but conditions are deemed hazardous to our members, an announcement of cancellation will be sent to the WGHN radio station and TV 8 or 13. You can also call the guild chair or co-chair to seek advice on road conditions here in Grand Haven.



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Your February 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



Next Board Meeting: Tuesday, February 19, 2019
Room B, Loutit District Library.