



Lighthouse Beacon News

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July 2020

Lighthouse Quilt Guild

Next time to meet will be determined
by the Board

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

July 20, 2020

Thanks You For Your Generosity

About 15 years ago, I was a chaperone for grandson's trip to Mackinac Island. One of the tours was inside Fort. Michilimackinac outside Mackinac City. There was an active archaeology dig in progress...this dig has been going on for over 50 years in the same place. I spoke to the archaeologist in charge, she said I could come for a week or two as a volunteer since I had just finished classes at Grand Valley. It included a small apartment on site for the time I was there. I did the "digs" for 10 years, one or two weeks at a time. Found many items while searching through places where buildings had been. In a five foot square, I sat with a bucket, a spoon and a trowel. When bucket was half full, I would take it to a screen attached to a four-(ish) foot bench. I would dump the pail on the screen, use a hose spraying straight down to get rid of the dirt and expose the artifacts. I would then take tweezers and a handful of pill bottles to sort them--fish bones, ceramics, lead shot, pins, anything that was left. All were placed in a bag marked with the site I worked in. Later these would go to the lab, be cleaned, marked and stored. Besides re-enactors with British uniforms, muskets, cannon fire, cooks, bakers, fur traders, church, there was an Indian camp. The Ottawa Indian who displayed items used by her people in the late 1790's, Deleta, became a friend. I had to stop digging a few years ago when my knees gave out. Deleta and I kept in touch through Facebook. When the virus began, she posted a need for material to make masks. She supplied those in need in her area, then started sending masks to the Navajo, living in the Southwest, most without running water or electricity. I posted a request on LQG site. In a three hour time for collection, several quilters dropped off enough material to completely overfill the back of my Jeep. The look on Deleta's face when I showed her the amount generously donated was....Priceless!!! Deleta has not run out of material yet. Thanks to guild members, she has made close to a thousand masks, probably more by now, mailed out or given away without cost. She is very grateful for our help. I am a bit overwhelmed at your generosity. Looking forward to face to face time, miss you very much, nothing lasts forever....

Blessings all, Margarete Fochtman

Our next meeting time will be determined by the Board, and the next board meeting is July 21 at 6:30 pm via Zoom.

Upcoming Programs and Classes

Wendy Rice & Dianne Gustafson

Sign-up sheets and information for classes will be at the program table at each meeting. For questions, or program ideas, contact Wendy Rice 616-481-1755/ wendyrice49@gmail.com or Dianne Gustafson 616-844-1659/ bdgusto@comcast.net

July 13, 2020 Meeting has been cancelled.

August 10, 2020 Meeting has been cancelled.

September 14, 2020 PALS

Our joint meeting with PALS is canceled.

October 12, 2020

Decision to meet or not will be made by the full board on September 15th. There seemed little likelihood of generating enough participation for the scheduled Valina James workshop on Laura Heine technique. We have cancelled her program and will invite her in 2021.

November 9, 2020

Karen Eckmeier <http://www.kareneckmeier.com> was to present a trunk show and workshops based on the techniques taught in her books.

She cancelled her visit because of concern about air travel and overnight accommodations, and has decided to limit her travel from Connecticut to short distances she can drive.

Please see the announcement from the Executive Committee for tentative program planning for the rest of 2020.

Community Outreach

Elizabeth Clark and Kim Frisch

Baby Quilts: The summer began with a big donation: Devon Stewart of Ottawa County Maternal and Infant Health Services received the 93 baby quilts made since the March "Lock Down". Our members have been finishing up their UFO's, starting new projects, and also sewing baby quilts galore. We have been delivering kits on request and also enjoying the members' original designs. We have made over 100 baby quilt kits and have a healthy stock. There are some new designs, especially a couple of on-point patterns that make up easily. You are welcome to pick up kits or fabric or we can deliver to you.

Breast Cancer Comfort Quilts: There has been a steady flow of quilts for this program. Jackie Bailey and Annette Allen have long-arm machines that they have devoted to quilting our breast cancer and baby quilts. We had a backlog of pieced tops that were matched to wide fabric and good-quality batting. A couple of members like to bind the quilts, so they get completed and ready for finding new homes.



As officers, we continue to monitor 'the situation' with a *wait, watch and weigh matters* mind set as to when we will feel comfortable gathering for guild meetings again. There are many factors that impact this decision. Once that decision has been determined, we will inform you.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact us at any time.

Jackie Baden and Carol Keen / co-chairs,
Linda Engel / secretary, Barb Dryer / treasurer

Members of the Lighthouse Quilt Guild,

Greetings from the Land of the Locked Down. Your executive committee has met to discuss our future programs in this time of Covid-19. We felt it would be safest to plan meeting dates based upon up-to-date virus information in our own areas of the state. Provided the governor has approved groups of over 100 to meet and our local numbers show virus diagnoses /deaths decreasing, plus the Church of Dunes is available to us, we felt it would be possible for us to make plans. These can be changed and any uptick in numbers that raises eyebrows will probably result in changes. But at this time we have decided the following for our remaining 2020 guild meetings at Church of the Dunes:

- July: cancel meeting and program Terri Watson
- August: cancel meeting; postpone elections since entire executive committee has additional years on board; dispense with 2021 dues for current members; new members would pay the usual fee for dues, dispense with 2021 cost for those who received monthly newsletters in paper format
- September meeting with PALS is CANCELED.
- October: tbd by the board at the September 16 board meeting
- November: tbd dependent upon low numbers of Covid-19. The program would be in-house with a theme of Giving Thanks. Our program will include Show and Tell, the 2021 Quilt Challenge, Boutique Tent Sale of fabrics, projects, prizes and drawings.
- December: again dependent upon numbers of Covid-19 cases in our area of the state. We hope to share holiday treats as in past years but probably not from members' kitchens. Program will be more in-house activities.

Let's stay safe and keep stitching until we meet again.

From Linda Engel, Secretary, on behalf of the Board

Staying Connected While We Are Apart

Carol Keen and Jackie Baden

In order for us to experience some bonding among ourselves, guild members are encouraged to participate in a question / answer activity. Each Thursday, Chris Bussell will email an interesting question relating to some aspect of quilting. Guild members are encouraged to respond to those questions by replying with their answers to Carol Keen at bckeen1@att.net and to Jackie Baden at jbaden@charter.net. Those answers will be compiled and emailed to everyone the following Wednesday. It is a good opportunity for each of us to share our knowledge, experiences and "words of wisdom" relating to sewing and quilting.

*"Good friends are like quilts-they age with you,
yet never lose their warmth."*



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LQG July 2020

**Lighthouse Quilt Guild
Treasurer's Report
as of 05/31/2020**

	May	Year to Date	Annual Budget
INCOME			
Community Outreach Income		447.45	300.00
Interest Income	0.74	6.58	10.00
Membership Dues	20.00	1,075.00	3,000.00
Miscellaneous Income		6.00	300.00
Newsletter Advertising Income	588.00	588.00	500.00
Newsletter Member Fees Income		45.00	100.00
Program Guest Fees		110.00	50.00
Program Income - Bus Trip	(1,124.00)	0.00	0.00
Quilt Raffle Ticket Sales (2019)		378.00	1,500.00
Quilt Show Income			6,500.00
Retreat Income		2,290.00	7,000.00
Take a Chance Income		264.60	500.00
Workshop Income	(60.00)	2,475.00	4,000.00
Total Income	(575.26)	7,685.63	23,760.00
EXPENSES			
Administrative Expenses		258.93	250.00
Community Outreach Expenses		1,106.82	1,000.00
Facility Rental			1,000.00
Hospitality Expenses		35.94	50.00
Library Expenses		91.34	300.00
Membership Expenses		106.99	150.00
Miscellaneous Expenses			100.00
Newsletter Expenses	(90.30)	391.80	600.00
Program Expenses		2,582.88	7,000.00
Program Expenses - Bus Trip		361.00	0.00
Quilt Raffle Expenses		1,819.00	1,800.00
Quilt Show Expenses		1,198.21	3,000.00
Retreat Expenses		2,230.14	7,000.00
Take a Chance Expenses		187.38	500.00
Technology Expenses	(21.17)	21.17	750.00
Workshop Expense		2,275.00	4,000.00
Total Expenses	(111.47)	12,666.60	27,500.00
General Fund Balance	18,832.63		
Program Reserve Balance	1,000.00		
Equipment Reserve Balance	3,000.00		
	22,832.63		
LQG Assets as of 05/31/2020			
Checking	5,598.01		
outstanding checks	(379.27)		
Petty Cash (Membership)	30.00		
Savings	17,583.89		
	22,832.63		



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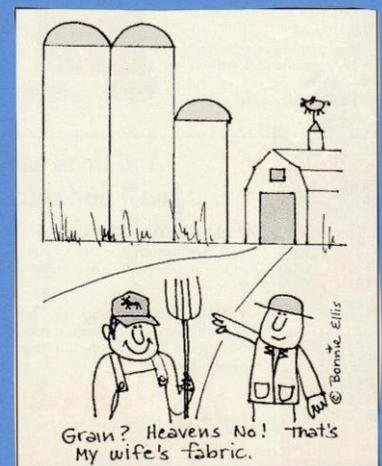
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Our July and August meetings have been cancelled.
September meeting hosted by PALS is cancelled
What to Bring to the Next Meeting (when we can meet safely):

- ~ 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, July 21, 2020 at 6:30 pm
via Zoom.

