



Lighthouse Beacon News

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November 2020

BLESSINGS AND THE ABUNDANCE OF THEM

Lighthouse Quilt Guild

November 9, 2020 (Zoom)

6:30 pm Social Time

7:00 pm Meeting

United Methodist

Church of the Dunes

717 Sheldon, at Colfax
Grand Haven, Michigan

2020-2021 Executive Board

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Next Board Meeting

November 17 at 6:30 on Zoom

Next Newsletter Deadline

November 20, 2020

It is this time of the year that we often focus on *saying THANKS* and on *giving THANKS* each in our own ways and for different reasons. It is good for one to reflect on things, events, people, etc. in one's life. Things that have impacted our thinking, events that had to be canceled only for an alternative plan to be developed and on people who have reached out to us in a caring way or people to whom we reached out to in caring ways.

Many of the events of 2020 have been unique, strange, daunting, perplexing, but also rewarding at times. Covid 19 has impacted almost every part of our lives and has limited us in ways we do not appreciate. Many are saying that Covid 19 is also causing us to be more mindful of others, more caring of family members and more supportive to those with great needs. It has created opportunities for us to be a blessing to others. However, I am not sure that we could say that we are thankful for this pandemic.

I so often think of our precious Lighthouse Quilt Guild and the blessing we experience there with its 147 members and how vibrant it has been in our lives. Then things changed on mid-March. We all enjoyed the monthly meetings, attending workshops and meeting the challenges of something presented at a guild meeting. Although we could not meet in person, still many participated in the question / answer activity of *Staying Connected while we are apart*, there were 62 participants who made Sailboat Blocks, 21 members who completed their BLOOMS, endless members who continued cutting, sewing and binding quilts that were then given away, the 48 members who attend the October guild meeting via Zoom and now there are 29 members involved in the Officers Quilt Challenge. LQG is blessed to be alive and well.

This past summer, we officers asked you to record each of the projects that you are working on or have worked on since March 9. A blue sheet of paper was mailed to everyone along with the mailing of the sailboat block and its fabrics in June. It is also shown in this newsletter. Please use this form to continue recording your projects. Once we meet in person again, the totals on these pages will be rewarded.

Jackie Baden has been an active member of LQG for many years and will continue to do so. However, she has chosen to resign as co-chairman. Jackie, a sincere THANK YOU for your dedication to our guild.

Carol Keen

Upcoming Programs and Classes

Wendy Rice & Dianne Gustafson

For the rest of the year, meetings will be held on the regular second Monday of each month via Zoom. Every LQG member will receive an email invitation prior to each meeting. We will open the meeting at 6:30 for a social half-hour to reconnect with quilting friends.

During the brief business meeting at 7 pm, members will be muted to allow officers and chairpersons to make their reports.

November 9, 2020

Program: Colossal Show and Tell We'll have a slide show of quilting projects made during our months of virus lockdown. Members were invited to share photos of quilts they have made, along with descriptive information and close-ups of special details. Zoom makes it easy to share and everyone has a front-row seat.

December 14, 2020

Program: Claudia Squio of Colorway Arts will do a virtual lecture and workshop on the "cartonnage" technique. Many of you may have seen her at AQS and our own Quilt Show. She has free online tutorials to help you become familiar with her technique.

Visit her website: <https://www.colorwayarts.com/>

Workshop: Tuesday, December 15, a 3-hour Zoom workshop. We will make a notebook cover with very professional results—a lovely Christmas gift—or one to keep for yourself! The class is free, you need only purchase Claudia's supply kit for \$15. We will arrange for kit distribution.

To sign up, email Wendy wendyrice49@gmail.com or Dianne bdgusto@comcast.net.



ONLINE LEARNING YOU MAY HAVE MISSED

Global Quilt Connection is sponsoring a new webinar series introducing teachers who are now offering virtual workshops and events to individual sewists/quilters. During the webinars, each teacher will present an overview of the workshops they offer and their planned format.

You'll get a glimpse of their specialty, and a sense of what you can learn and create with them.

You won't need your guild to agree to sponsor the class—it will be available for individual enrollment.

Webinar 1: November 17, 2020 4:00 - 5:30 p.m. eastern

Webinar 2: November 19, 2020 4:00 - 5:30 p.m. eastern

For more information, visit globalquiltconnection.com

The webinars are free but you must register.

Since March 9 when LQG last met, each of us quilters has had time and continue to have time to work on various quilting projects with some of them getting finished. The officers are asking each of you to keep a written record of your quilting projects and have it ready for a guild activity when we do meet again.

SEE BACKSIDE OF THIS SHEET for grid to record your projects.

QUILTING PROJECTS I HAVE **WORKED ON** and **HAVE FINISHED** since LQG last met on March 9, 2020:

EXAMPLES:

1. pieced a top for a quilt **worked on 1 project**
2. finally added binding to quilted sandwiched layers
--worked on 1 project and **--finished 1 project**
3. created labels for four projects. **--worked on 4 projects**
4. pieced and quilted fall table runner
--worked on 1 project and **--finished 1 project**
5. started T-shirt quilt for my granddaughter **---worked on 1 project**
6. sewed and quilted six Christmas stockings
-worked on 6 projects and **-finished 6 projects**
7. cut out pieces for lap-size quilt **-worked on 1 project**
8. machine pieced and quilted small table topper for my friend
--worked on 1 project and **--finished 1 project**
9. am working on bargello top for queen size **--worked on 1 project**
10. starting to sew blocks together for next quilt **-worked on 1 project**
11. mended holes in blue jeans This does not qualify because it is a sewing project and not a quilting project.
12. sewing on some doll clothes for my granddaughter's American Girl Doll.
This does not qualify because it is a sewing project and not a quilting project.

This would show that you had **worked on 18 different quilting projects.**

This would show that you had **finished 9 different quilting projects.**

Please keep an ACCURATE RECORD of projects you 'worked on' AND of 'finished' projects since we last met on March 9.

SEE PAGE FOUR of this newsletter to record your numbers.

Zoom Meetings for the Guild

Special thanks to those members who responded (very favorably) to our first Zoom meeting in October. We had nearly 50 members sign on and enjoy seeing friends and sharing what they've been working on. If you want to attend future meetings and have not yet used Zoom, please contact either Alicia Gilewski (aligil7492@gmail.com) or Chris Bussell (cmb1771@gmail.com) for a one-on-one practice meeting. We also may need some additional helpers/cohosts for our Zoom guild meetings, so please let Alicia or Chris know if you are interested in helping.



Zoom Task Force committee - Alicia Gilewski, Wendy Rice, Dianne Gustafson, and Chris Bussell

Community Outreach

Elizabeth Clark and Kim Frisch

A busy month for Community Outreach. We are putting more quilts in the closet, ready for the Ottawa County nurses when the baby boom arrives. There will be lots of Christmas babies!

We surveyed the baby quilt books in Elizabeth's "library" -- looking for easy patterns that can be modified to meet our specifications: not larger than 40" wide and 50" long; easy piecing and quilting; uses our pre-cut blocks (5" or 6" blocks, 2-1/2" strips, 2-1/2"x 4-1/2" rectangles). If you have a simple pattern that you like, Kim, Elizabeth, Barb Wexall or Chris Bussell would be happy to see it.

We also received this wonderful stack of fabric from a friend of Marilew Helmer. She said she had the fabric on hand to sew for her two grandsons. Now they have outgrown teddy bears and monkeys, so she gave us these great kid fabrics.



We have lots of kits available for breast cancer comfort quilts or baby quilts. They are a great way to avoid shopping and they are for people who need our help. Stay safe and enjoy the color show that nature is giving us.



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Show us this ad and receive 15% off your total purchase of regularly priced items.

Offer not applicable to classes.

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For Sale:

Bernina 740 Sewing Machine with cabinet.

Good condition and the cabinet has a lot of storage
Value for both is approximately \$500.00

Please contact Sue Bradford at 616-844-2847



**Lighthouse Quilt Guild
Treasurer's Report
as of 09/30/2020**

	September	Year to Date	Annual Budget (not finalized)
INCOME			
Community Outreach Income			
Interest Income	0.72	0.72	
Membership Dues			
Miscellaneous Income			
Newsletter Advertising Income			
Newsletter Member Fees Income			
Program Guest Fees			
Program Income - Bus Trip			
Quilt Raffle Ticket Sales (2019)			
Quilt Show Income			
Retreat Income			
Take a Chance Income			
Workshop Income			
Total Income	0.72	0.72	0.00
EXPENSES			
Administrative Expenses	(20.00)	(20.00)	
Community Outreach Expenses			
Facility Rental			
Hospitality Expenses			
Library Expenses			
Membership Expenses			
Miscellaneous Expenses			
Newsletter Expenses	(20.25)	(20.25)	
Program Expenses			
Program Expenses - Bus Trip			
Quilt Raffle Expenses			
Quilt Show Expenses			
Retreat Expenses			
Take a Chance Expenses			
Technology Expenses			
Workshop Expense			
Total Expenses	(40.25)	(40.25)	0.00
General Fund Balance	17,268.94		
Program Reserve Balance	1,000.00		
Equipment Reserve Balance	3,000.00		
	21,268.94		
LQG Assets as of 09/30/2020			
Checking	3,652.13		
outstanding checks			
Petty Cash (Membership)	30.00		
Savings	17,586.81		
	21,268.94		



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SHARING YOUR STORY

How many of you enjoy reading our cover articles each month? It would be wonderful to hear your story.

Please consider submitting an article for future newsletters, sharing your history, your story, your interests and what you enjoy about quilting and the guild.

We would love to hear from you. Please contact Carol Keen or Barb Wexall.



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Your November Lighthouse Quilt Guild Newsletter is here

Our November meeting will be with Zoom (a new adventure).
What to Bring to the Next Meeting (when we are able to meet):

- ~ 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, November 17, 2020
Room B, Loutit District Library (or Zoom) at 6:30 pm

