Heritage Happenings



Great Lakes Quilt Guild

ANN LOVELESS



President's Message

Sandy Kaufman

Last month I attended my first Quilter to Quilter Sale hosted by GLHQ. I took my offerings wondering if anyone really wanted any of my castoffs and if I would be interested in buying anything to add to my already overcrowded sewing collection. The answer was in the line of quilters at the door before opening. Karen Keller and her crew had everything ready for us so we only had to bring our items in and set our tables. We discovered that we have a balloon artist among our members. Glynis Sylvia not only wore one of her giant balloon flower arrangements to greet guests but we each had one of our own to decorate our tables. We all left happy and it was another good way to spend a few hours with quilters. Yes, of course I bought something.

What's Inside

Program Ann Loveless will be

with us for the May

meeting and . . .

Looking forward

June Potluck

Nominating Newsletter and Charity Committee are the only positions

Haven

Haven could use twin or full sheet sets, pillows and blankets. All supplies for cleaning from the laundry to household surfaces would be greatly appreciated.

Charity

There are still kits available...come visit the Charity table!

Nominating Committee

We are in great shape for next year's slate of officers and committees due to Cathy Labrie and her minions' hard work, but we still have a gap or two. As we all know, our Guild's great success in programming and activities is due to all the volunteers who leap in and take leadership roles. Or, for some of us, we wade in slowly and test the waters with the help and advice of those who have taken the job before us.

We have two <u>essential</u> positions still open: Newsletter Editor - a Board position, and Charity - a committee position. Please consider wading in. The water is warm and inviting!

Program

First Vice President Aniko Feher

Last month we all had a fabulous time with Jane Sassaman. She is a rare commodity - an excellent speaker and an excellent teacher. Her passion for quilting was contagious. She was indeed an inspiration.

On May 11 Ann Loveless will be our last speaker and teacher. Her fame for winning the Art Price twice is well known. Her one and only workshop sold out months ago. We still have a short waiting list in case of last minute cancellations.

When I took on the post of Programming 2 years ago, little did I know what I was stepping into; I had grandiose plans. I had a long list of quilters I wanted to bring in. It was a very ambitious list full of quilters like Priscilla Bianci from Guatemala who wrote a book called Caliente Quilts. She is not only a colorful quilter, but also an incredibly colorful, funny personality. I saw her lecture in Ann Arbor and she had us rolling with laughter. Needless to say bringing her in from Guatemala was too expensive. So poor Bianca was off the list. Then there was Harriet Hargrave whom I was told had already been to our guild, so poor Harriet too was off the list.

Then there was Joan Hawley who designs Lazy Girl Purse patterns. I was so excited; I was a long-time admirer of her style and design. I called her and she told me that because of her business demands she does not make any more personal appearances. Poor Joan or I should say rich Joann was off the list. I was shut down again and again right through the end of the original list. So I had to pick myself up and ask quilting friends whom would they like to see at our guild. My second list peppered with new ideas worked like a charm! Everyone was willing, available and interested. I guess that's how it was meant to be. All in all the season went very well.

I greatly appreciate all of you that participated by taking workshops and thereby supporting the guild. I also wanted to thank all the members who helped out at the programs. I could not have done this all by myself. Thank you all for your kind words of encouragement and appreciation.

NEXT YEAR PROGRAMMING

Sue Chase, 2nd VP

Caution: Great New Program Ahead

The focus next year is on learning new techniques, but also on inspiration, so that we can take that energy back home from guild and workshops to finish our UFOS and WIPs (works in progress) maybe with new flair.

Rack cards announcing our complete program detail for 2017/2018 were available at the last meeting. If you weren't there, or didn't notice----don't worry! They will be out again at the May meeting at the sign-in table. I would appreciate member assistance with getting these out to quilt shops. If you are going to be doing some quilt-shop-shopping, please help by taking them some cards. You can get them from me at a meeting, or call me. Local shops need rack cards too!

Registration for all classes begins at the June meeting. If you will not be there, you can mail it to me in JUNE. Registration forms will be available at the May meeting for you to pick up & take home to look at & complete, & will be up on our website June $1^{\rm st}$. ONLY members can register until JULY $1^{\rm st}$. After that, any guests are also able to register, so DO NOT DELAY-----register in JUNE!

It's going to be a GREAT, exciting year, lots of wonderful speakers and classes!



An article from the Oakland Press:

Daffodil Quilts On Display to Celebrate Rochester's Bicentennial

Written By Kristen Guilbert for Digital First Media

To help kick-off Rochester's Bicentennial, the Oakland County Quilt Guild will display 26 daffodil-themed quilts at the Rochester Hills Public Library on May 5 through May 7.

The Oakland County Quilt Guild created a daffodil-quilt challenge for its members. The bright and cheerful quilts on display will accompany the beautiful yellow daffodils popping up around the town, reminding residents and visitors to celebrate the settlement of Rochester that occurred 200 years ago.

Also on display, from May 5-31, will be 12 quilts from Oakland County Quilt Guild that replicate buildings around Downtown Rochester. These quilts, along with 18 other Rochester Building quilts still in the making have been accepted into the National AQS Quilt Show in Grand Rapids in August 2018.

Oakland County Quilt Guild was started in 1989 and now has close to 150 members. The Guild is well known in the community for its service, charity, and education. The members promote the art of quilt-making at local, state, and national levels. They meet the first Thursday of each month Sept.-June at 7pm at the First Congregational Church, 1315 North Pine St., Rochester, MI. For more information, see website at https://www.oaklandcountyquiltguild.com.







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GLHQ FALL RETREAT

We have the capability of 16-20 retreaters. We have 10 signed up.

SIGN UP AT THE MAY OR JUNE GUILD MEETINGS OR GO ON OUR WEBSITE AND DOWNLOAD THE REGISTRATION FORM

The Retreat dates are: Monday - Thursday, September 18-21, 2017.

We will be at the fabulous Lake Huron Retreat Center. People who went last fall raved about the site, the view, the food, and the camaraderie. The retreat includes three nights, four days, and eight meals, with many snacks available.

Rooms can hold 1, 2, 3, or 4, so talk to your friends and find your roommates!

If there are <u>four in your room</u>, each person's cost for the whole retreat is \$219.00.

If there are three in your room, each person's cost for the whole retreat is \$252.00.

If there are two in your room, each person's cost for the whole retreat is \$285.00.

If you choose to room <u>solo</u>, your cost for the whole retreat is \$360.00.

Questions? Kathleen Joseph 248 207 7880 or joseph.kathleen@gmail.com

FREE TABLE We will continue to have a Free Table at the May meeting. If you have any quilting, sewing, or other craft items you no longer want but think another guild member might enjoy, bring them to the guild meeting. "One (wo)man's trash is another (wo)man's treasure!" At the end of the meeting if your items have not been taken, it is your responsibility to take them home. If you have any questions, you may contact Joyce

GLHQ COOKBOOKS NOW \$5!!!

GLHQ cookbooks are now available for \$5!!! They make lovely gifts for family and friends especially if you have a recipe listed in the book! With each purchase you also get an ONLINE VERSION to access whenever and wherever you need a yummy recipe! What a bargain! AND with each purchase you are supporting the guild! What could be better? We have plenty on hand so look for me at the next meeting! Thanks!

Membership

April's meeting was a huge success. We had 14 guests attend and 95 members! We had two more new members join. Their names are Kimberly Leugers and Lorraine Pelkey. Welcome them all when you see them in May. We are now at 147 members, so we still have spaces for 3 more people.

It's that time of year again, membership renewal time. I will have membership forms at the May and June meetings, but they are also available on our website. Dues remain at the bargain price of \$40. Don't miss out on the fun as we have some great speakers lined up for next year! So, bring your checkbook to the meeting or put it in the mail to me.

I still have a few rosters that haven't been picked up. Again, if you find any information that needs to be corrected or added, please let me know and we will print updates and corrections in the newsletter.

See you in May. Andi Cushman

CHARITY

Totals to date: 88 quilts, 8 fidget quilts, 106 pillowcases, and many squares.

It's almost May!

Thank you to those who delivered items to our table at our last meeting. It is so rewarding to see our members' efforts and accomplishments We will be delivering these items and will update members at the May meeting. In addition to sewn items, we also had donated fabric and batting—spring is a great time to clean out your sewing room.

Our board has had <u>labels</u> made with our GLHQ logo—the labels will be attached to our quilts beginning in September, identifying our quilts for years!

At the May meeting, we are hoping that many members will take one or more quilting kits home and leisurely work on it during the summer. Even though summer is a busy season, it's a relaxing time to quilt! Please consider taking home a few pillowcases, a quilt that needs to be quilted by a home machine or a long-arm, a top that needs to be pieced, or a quilt that needs binding. Imagine the scene in September, when you will walk up to the charity table with completed items and are greeted by big smiles by the new charity committee!

At the June meeting, we will have a raffle of \$10 Gift Cards to Guild Crafters Quilt Shop in Berkley for those that have participated in Charity.

Thank you for your giving spirit — your handiwork comforts our recipients!

Sheila and Theresa

Challenge 2016-17

One month to go!

Spool blocks:

Must have at least 5 spools

Must be at least 30" x 40"

Only Quilts - no clothing or bags

That's it, no other rules.

Be creative and add anything you want

Example: appliqué, other blocks, creative fabrics, color, etc.

To be entered in challenge voting, all items must consist of a top, batting, and

back, and must be quilted and finished

Challenge presentations at the June 2017 guild meeting.

1st prize \$120

2nd prize \$80

3rd prize \$50

Please email Nancy Osterman <u>nancyosterman@me.com</u> for help.



A Shared Tip

Shary Cohn shared with us the following youtube video:

https://youtube/slmR5c2gUdQ Check it out.

This wool pressing surface is perfect for your pressing needs. It's great for taking to workshop/classes and keeping it next to your sewing machine. The dense wool fibers heat to press both sides at once.

Shary found a source and has offered to cut a 12 x 18 piece for \$35.00 or any special size you want cut.

If you are interested please contact her at 248.505.5093 or email her at sharcohn@gmail.com

Trave by Michele St Denis

SAVE THE DATE! On Saturday, August 19, we will be traveling to AQS in Grand Rapids! GLHQ has rented a bus that will depart from Tel Twelve Mall at 7:00am and return us to that location by 10:00pm. AQS show hours that day are 10:00am to 4:00PM; there will be free time after that to eat dinner and enjoy Grand Rapids before returning to the bus by 6:30pm. Plenty of room on the bus for all the treasures you purchase at the show! The cost to participate is \$50. Sign up sheets will be available at the May and June guild meetings.

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This would be a great space for a small group to meet!



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May 11 Meeting 7:00 Birmingham Unitarian Church On Woodward near Lone Pine Rd Bloomfield Hills MI 48304

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Checklist

- ✓ Name tag
- ✓ Your mug or cup for beverage
- ✓ Haven donation
- ✓ Show and Tell
- ✓ Your checkbook or cash to pay for membership for next year, for retreats or to for raffle tickets.