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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE – Sue Chase

NEW EYES—President's Perspective



Our October speaker was a lot of fun, and it sounds like quite a few people learned (or re-learned) something from Kay England about sewing basics (that perfect ¼” seam) before they went on to their projects of wedges or scraps.

This month we are hosting Mary Lou Weidman, and we get a special treat in that you have the opportunity to take a two-day workshop.

Two days with one teacher--time to get to really learn from her, and time to work on your project. I anticipate many of us COULD have a completed self-portrait at the end of the 2nd day. You don't have to make it according to what you see in your mirror---she says its more about how you see yourself inside.

Marcel Proust (French novelist) said “The real voyage of discovery consists not in seeking new landscapes, but in having new eyes.” So maybe we can all bring ‘new eyes’ to our work, whether you are making this self-portrait or working on a project at home.



Guild Meeting November 8, 7:00 PM

Mary Lou Weidman
"Creative YOU"



Remember our November Meeting will be held at a different location!
Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church, 5631 Adams Rd in Bloomfield Hills
(Between Square Lake and Long Lake Road)

1st Vice President Programs – Suzanne Jones & Kathy Swanteck

November 8 Lecture: Mary Lou Weidman

Mary Lou Donahue Weidman began quilting with her maternal grandmother. Mary Lou's father was an artist and musician who encouraged creativity and to look at the world in a curious, positive way. Color, texture, shape and composition were discussed at an early age and any drawing, coloring, painting or crafts of the day was encouraged.

“Painting was my dad's number one love and he passed this along to me.”

After taking Fine Arts in school and selling both oil paintings on canvas and posters of girls in bikinis to fraternity boys, Mary Lou graduated and did layout work for the city newspaper, store windows, rodeo billboards and other avenues in art. All of this with three small children in tow and the dream of owning an art studio and doing what she really wanted....to grow in her discovery of art.

"Creative YOU"

Lecture covers all kinds of ways to become more creative. Mary Lou explains avenues of creativity, the personality of the creative person and how you can stretch and become more creative with your thoughts and your quilts. Prepare to be inspired and to go away thinking of things you want to do to be a new "Creative YOU. "

[Only a few spots left in the 2-day workshop, sign up now!](#)

Fri & Sat, 11/9/18 – 11/10/18 - Self Portraits

This class is very popular and in fact, has taken many quilter's self-portraits to museums for shows.

Step out of the box and learn about yourself and how you can put ideas and things you had not thought of before into a quilt, to leave a lasting impression about who you are and what is important to you. These quilts become legacy pieces that can tell others imaginative, fun and

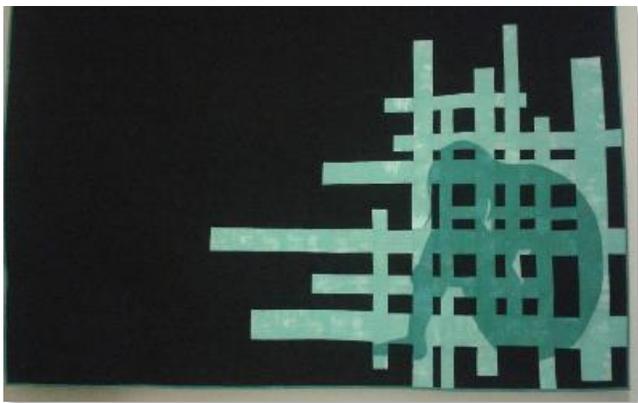


creative things. It might even surprise you to see how wonderful a self-portrait of YOU can be.

Lots of smiles, easy going fun and friendships are made in class.

COMING IN JANUARY -
Ruth Montalvo: Piecing Curves

In this class, we're going to go from inspiration to design to a completed quilt top – with wonderful, flowing curves. We're going to focus on sketching and designing our quilts, then get into how to accurately re-create the design in fabric. Each student will create an original, completely unique quilt top.



**Other [2018-2019 Workshops](#) you will not want to miss!
Complete Your Registration Form for this Year's Workshops**

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| Jan 12 | <i>Curved Piecing</i> with our very own Ruth Montalvo |
| Mar 15 | <i>Walking Foot Wonders</i> with Christa Watson |
| Mar 16 | <i>Free-Motion Favorites</i> with Christa Watson |
| April 12 | Scandinavian Snowflake with Nancy Kloster |
| April 13 | <i>Desert Sky</i> with Nancy Kloster |
| May 10 | <i>Flowers of the Gorge</i> with Ann P Shaw |
| May 11 | <i>Pieced Pets</i> with Ann P Shaw |

Mystery Quilt Day - Michele St Denis and Kathy Swanteck

SAVE THE DATE – MYSTERY QUILT DAY - SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2019

What is Mystery Quilt Day (MQD)?

MQD is a fun sewing event from 9AM to 9PM where you can sew your own project or participate in the Mystery Quilt Pattern. Fabric requirements and cutting instructions for the Mystery Quilt Pattern will be provided before the event; step-by-step instructions to assemble the quilt will be provided on MQD. Completed sample quilts will be revealed after lunch that day.

Continental breakfast, hot lunch, and snacks will be provided. Optional baked potato bar if you stay late.

MQD will be held at Oakland University's Oakland Center again this year. Construction has been completed in the Oakland Center, so we can look forward to some very nice accommodations.

Registrations will begin in November and – *NEW FOR THIS YEAR* – you will be able to indicate your preference of seating partners (tables are grouped in 4's) on the registration form. We will have room for 80 attendees and guests are welcome.

Looking forward to seeing all of you there!



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Fundraising - Donna Tarnas



The **December Holiday Auction** is right around the corner. The evening Potluck, socializing and Auction festivities are always so much fun!

Please consider donating an item for Auction bidding fun.

The committee is seeking items such as quilts, fabric bundles, goodie filled baskets, gift certificates, any type of service or special skill you may provide, handmade art/craft items, homemade baked goods, entertainment tickets...movies, sport events, plays, concerts. Join with a friend or stitch group and come up with something fun and different.

100% of the funds raised will go to support various programs and projects within the Guild.

Please bring your item to the November meeting or text, email or call me with the description and value (please include photo, if available). Contact Donna Tarnas (dtarnas@sbcglobal.net, 248-420-6864 text or call) if you have any questions.

If you would like to volunteer or help in any way on the Fundraising Committee, please contact me. Thank you so much for your support and a special thanks to those of you who have already made a donation.

HO Cookbooks

Cookbooks are still available!!!
\$3.00 or 2/\$5.00 (regular price\$10)

Great for gift giving!
Available at the Door Prize Table at each meeting.

Free Table – Nancy Hughson

We want to remind you that if you put items on the free table, you are responsible to come back to the table near the end of the break to see if any of your items are left, and if so, take them home with you.

GLHQ Membership - Mary Goyeau

Our October meeting was well attended. We had 109 members in attendance and five guests.

Please warmly welcome Mary Sanders, our newest member.

We have a full roster with 150 members. Hopefully we will have the printed directory by the November meeting.

Thank you to Kyrras Conrad for her help at the membership table.

Do you have a GLHQ pin? Please check them out at the membership table. They are only \$5 and will look good on your nametag.

Hospitality-Julie Krauss

Thank you to all who contributed to the wonderful array of snacks for our October meeting.

This month look for the sign-up sheet for our holiday party in December. I will leave it out during the entire meeting, so you have a chance to let us know what to anticipate. It's nice for planning purposes but if you just want to 'wing' it and bring a goodie at the last minute that's ok too.

Let the spirit of the holiday be with you!

Challenge Quilt –Dorothy Morrison & Jean Usner

The Challenge Quilt Contest is pieced curve quilts. The curved piecing may be traditional or modern. The curves may not be appliqued.

There will be two judging categories: Traditional and Modern. Because a traditional pattern may be done with modern fabrics or vice versa, it will be up to the quilter to decide which category they enter their quilt into. Quilts entered must be completely finished and be a minimum size of 24 x 24 inches.

There have been some workshops and speakers this year and last that may inspire you!

Bring your finished curved pieced quilt to the June Meeting to enter the Challenge Quilt Contest.

Small Groups – Cheryl Murphy

Many of the small groups have gotten off to great starts! One block wonder, ruler work, strip piecing, and fabric dying groups have all met at least once. We also have a Dresden plate group and a "Laura Heine" project group with room for more participants scheduled to meet soon. Pineapple quilting, and hand embellishment classes will meet in the new year.

There is always the option to create your own group, as well. Perhaps you and a friend would be interested in forming a small group to work on "UFO" projects started in some of our recent workshops? If space at your home is an issue, options exist at an offsite location.

See Cheryl Murphy at the November meeting or call her at (248) 345-0143.

Raffle Quilt- Andi Cushman & Cathy Labrie

“Quilted Elegance” raffle quilt is a gorgeous pattern by Toby Lischko. Raffle tickets will be available at the November meeting. See Andi Cushman or Cathy Labrie with sold ticket stubs and take more to sell if you want to. All members are encouraged to sell some tickets. The quilt will be travelling to Oakland County Quilt Meeting the week prior to our meeting. This is an important fundraiser!!! Sell! Sell!!Sell!!



Quilted Elegance 70" x 90"

Charity - Karen Lieberman

I'm so excited with the interest and participation in the charity efforts so far this year! We have many completed tops coming in from the kits I put out at every meeting, they're easy to put together since the blocks are already pieced. Many members are taking bundles home to quilt and bind too.

I'll be taking our first batch of quilts to Crossroads and Heart to Heart Hospice later in November. I plan to take them quilts every 2 or 3 months during the year.

I'll have more kits and bundles at the meeting so stop by and pick up a fun one to take home and work on.

If anyone is interested in making string blocks for hospice quilts, I'll bring some foundation papers all cut (from phone books) and info on making these. They're easy and fun and everyone has scrap boxes to pull from. I'll assemble them into tops and quilt them.

I hope everyone is finding something they can do to further our charity projects, those who receive these quilts absolutely love them.

I look forward to seeing everyone at Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church on November 8th.

Quilter To Quilter Sale- Karen Keller

April 27, 2019 10am - 2pm

1st United Methodist Church of Troy
6363 Livernois, Troy, MI 48098

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Please contact Karen Keller 248-877-9252
or find registration form here.

Table prices range from \$15.00 to \$20.00 (two \$60.00 suites)

Limited tables available.



Haven - Carol Brooks

HAVEN It is time to start the Christmas shopping. We only have 2 meetings to contribute to the cause.

I am going to leave it open for the next 2 months. Whether you want to buy clothes (all ages), toys or small kitchen appliances, all is needed. Winter coats seem to be at the top of every age list, and I am sure any quilt would be greatly appreciated.

Please remember no toys with weapons, no DVD's with violent themes, and no edible items. If you decide on a gift card they list: Target and Meijer.

Thank you so much for your generous donations last month. They were appreciated.

November Birthdays

Betty Carpenter
Jackie Compton
Mary Goyeau
Corlene Hoffman
Sandy Kaufman
Karen Keller
Deanne Lucas
Deborah Montague
Maxine Pirtle
Debra Robinson
Mary Sirianni
Michele St. Denis
Debbie Stallings
Shirley VanderBroek
Gitta Welch

Things of Interest in the Quilting Community

AccuQuilt Special Offer

Stephanie Hughes, Outreach Coordinator for AccuQuilt.com, shared a special offer for guilds with GLHQ.

The AccuQuilt team has recently activated a new promo code on their website. Include the code "GUILDDEAL18" at checkout to enjoy free shipping on any order of \$35 or more. Here are a few links the guild will find helpful.

Free AccuQuilt Patterns: <https://www.accuquilt.com/patterns/free-quilt-patterns.html>

Free Quilting Technique Videos: <https://www.accuquilt.com/learn-share.html>

AccuQuilt Fabric Cutters 101: <https://www.accuquilt.com/fabric-cutting-machines.html>

*"Autumn is a
second spring
when every leaf
is a flower."
- Albert Camus*



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