

# Heritage Happenings

## Great Lakes Heritage Quilter

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Zoom Meeting October 8th, 7pm - featuring  
Becky Goldsmith!

### President's Perspective by Ruth Montalvo

What would your Quilting Super Power be?

- Amazing Accuracy – Your points would always match
- Speedy Stitching – You'd finish a quilt just as you were starting to plan the next one
- Infinity Bobbin – It would never run out
- The Stash of Destiny – Always perfectly folded but never wrinkled, the first fabric you lay your eyes on would be the perfect shade, and you'd have just enough of it

But we have to work with what we've got. Right now, I've got two double wedding ring quilts in progress. The first was a top made by my great grand-mother, and I think she must have saved all the prettiest feed-sacks and scraps of roaring pink she had for this quilt. It was in rough shape when I got it, so I took it apart and appliqued the arcs onto a piece of wide muslin. I'm currently hand quilting it. The second quilt is one that I put together from my stash, and I think Granny would be absolutely giddy if she could see the variety of colors and prints (not to mention the rotary cutter templates).

But my quilt wouldn't exist without hers.

Inspiration is cyclical. We are all inspired by, and inspire, each other. When we share our challenges and triumphs, our ideas and hard work, our art and our craft, we are all better for it, and *that* is our superpower.



#### Happy Birthday October Babies!

Liz Hunsanger 10/6

"PT" Thompson 10/8

Judy Mandziara 10/10

Kyrras Conrad 10/14

Josephine Cassar 10/17

Kim Heath 10/23

Ginny Fisher 10/24

Sue Reed 10/24

Gwen Moore 10/27

Theresa Elson 10/28

Sue Chase 10/31

## 2020 - 2021 Programs

**PLEASE JOIN US as we host Becky Goldsmith of Piece O' Cake for an exciting lecture featuring Becky's quilting journey and her inspiration of 20+ years, with more than 30 books under her belt, she has stories to share with you and who doesn't love a good story!**

October kicks off the 2020/ 2021 Programs all virtual year. We will not skip a beat in offering the finest program experience. All trunk shows and lectures will be via ZOOM and we invite you all to join in the fun and check out our wonderful and talented guests each month from the comfort of your home or from anywhere you may travel to.

We have a sensational line up of talented teachers and quilt artists from a variety of backgrounds with a large range of experience and tradition. We hope that you will enjoy the offerings and please feel free to invite a guest to join us as well. Guest fee is \$5.00 for non members and payable by check, PayPal to: ([glhq.payment@gmail.com](mailto:glhq.payment@gmail.com)) or Venmo (GLHQ-Payment) at least 5 days in advance. If you haven't sent in your yearly membership there's still time, at the reduced rate of \$25.00 it's a huge value for this year's special lecturers.

**\*\*\*October 8, 2020 Becky Goldsmith of Piece 'O Cake will host a Zoom Virtual Lecture titled "Piece O' Cake Life!"**  
[pieceocake.com](http://pieceocake.com)

**\*\*\*November 12, 2020 Author, quilt designer and teacher, Blair Stocker of Wise Craft Handmade will host a virtual Lecture. "Find Value in Your Scraps"**  
[wisecraftshandmade.com](http://wisecraftshandmade.com)

**\*\*\*December 10, 2020 Special guest Jen Kingwell will host a virtual Trunk show and lecture all the way from Australia, including a tour of Amity Textiles!! Not to be missed!**  
[jenkingwelldesigns.blogspot.com](http://jenkingwelldesigns.blogspot.com)

**\*\*\*January 14, 2021 Member Trunk Show featuring our own prolific, adventuresome and extraordinary quilt maker, Sue Chase. Lecture and Q & A to**

follow.

**\*\*\*February 11, 2021** Join us for a special evening with a virtual lecture and Trunk show with contemporary quilt artist Timna Tarr. “Flying Colors Lecture”  
[timnatarr.com](http://timnatarr.com)

**March 11, 2021** The incomparable MARY FONS...writer, editor, American quilt historian will provide a wonderful hour of humor, wit and wisdom to our guild.  
[maryfons.com](http://maryfons.com)

**\*\*\*April 8, 2021** International quilt designer, pattern publisher and educator, Sheri Cifaldi-Morrill will host an “Aurifilosophy” lecture and trunk show. Unlock the mysteries of Thread from Sheri, a certified Aurifil thread educator. Exclusive Aurifil resources and swag for attendees included! [wholecirclestudio.com](http://wholecirclestudio.com)

**May 13, 2021** Lecture and trunk show by our own member Coleen Merte of Northwater Quilts. Coleen is a pattern designer and author of Michigan inspired quilt patterns!  
[northwaterquilts.com](http://northwaterquilts.com)

It's never too early to add these exciting VIRTUAL LECTURE dates to your calendar. Lectures are the second Thursday of the month at 7pm EST during our regular guild Zoom meeting. Invite a friend, support your Guild & join in all the fun!

Questions? Contact [dtarnas@sbcglobal.net](mailto:dtarnas@sbcglobal.net) or [GLHQPresident@gmail.com](mailto:GLHQPresident@gmail.com)

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Donna Tarnas & Nancy McIntyre  
VP 2 Programs Co-Chairpersons

# ZOOMING

Michelle Power, 2nd VP

Our Zoom meetings seem to be working really well! This is such a great opportunity to see everyone, their quilts, and in the future - our speakers - up close and personal! In the spirit of continuous improvement, we are making a few changes to enhance everyone's experience and make it easier for our leaders to manage.

- **You will have to register for the meeting.** Your Zoom invitation will have a link to register for the meeting. Anytime before the meeting, click on the link and put in your name and email address. Zoom will email you the meeting link. This will help Membership take attendance and also recognize any guests who will be joining us!
- **Sign in with your full name.** We're checking off names on the membership list & guest sign-up so we know who to let in, so please let us know who you are! This also helps when we do our random break-out sessions.
- **Find a quiet place.** Make sure you're muted if you have to answer the phone or talk to someone outside the meeting. Download the "Do Not Disturb, GLHQ Meeting" sign to help your family recognize you are in a meeting.
- **Log in early.** The meeting will open up at 6:45 to give everyone a chance to get in and get settled. Use this time to use the chat feature!
- **Be prepared to break-out.** The break-out rooms were popular last month, so we will be continuing having a break-out time in our meetings. This month's Break-out Topic (BOT) is *favorite and/or unusual tools & notions*. Have them handy when the meeting starts so you are ready to talk about them during the break-out session!
- **Attend the Guild Happy Hour!** We will be having another Happy Hour before the meeting. Drop in and say hello and practice Zooming! If you are new to Zoom, this is an excellent opportunity to get comfortable with this easy-to-use technology! It's kind of like a rotary cutter... when they first came out, they might have appeared complicated, but once you got used to it, it quickly became one of your most used tools!!!
- **Watch for an invite!** Zoom invitations go out a week before the meeting, and will come from [GLHQPresident@gmail.com](mailto:GLHQPresident@gmail.com). If you don't get one, first check your spam folder and if it's there, mark it as safe or known sender. If there isn't an email in either folder, then contact [GLHQPresident@gmail.com](mailto:GLHQPresident@gmail.com) to ensure you receive the invitation. Do not share the email you receive with another GLHQ friend, because we won't know to fix any issues!

If you are new to Zoom, please make sure to check out last month's newsletter. We had a bunch of great tips for getting started with Zoom! If you have any questions, please reach out to Michelle Power at [michellepower06@yahoo.com](mailto:michellepower06@yahoo.com) for assistance.



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**VIRTUAL MEETING IN  
PROGRESS**



# SHOW AND TELL - VIRTUALLY Michelle Power

Our September Show and Tell was beautiful! A huge THANK YOU to everyone who sent in pictures and descriptions of their work! We will be doing the same thing this month, so send pictures and info to Michelle Power at [michellepower06@yahoo.com](mailto:michellepower06@yahoo.com) via email OR text 248-787-3934 by 5pm on Wednesday, October 7th. There is no limit to the number of projects you can submit, however, we ask that they be recent projects you've completed since the last GLHQ meeting you attended. If you have any questions or need help figuring out how to send pictures, Michelle will be happy to help!

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## Fall Retreat 2020

Cheryl Murphy

Goldilocks and the three beds... aka GLHQ Fall Retreat Summary  
13 attendees thoroughly enjoyed the fall retreat at The Lake Huron Retreat Center. The dining staff was very generous with lending muscle to haul our equipment and projects up and down the stairs and we survived having the elevator being down for repair. We successfully avoided Covid-19 with social distancing, face coverings and thorough hand washing, during and (perhaps more importantly) prior to our arrival.

A fat quarter was given to each attendee who supplied their sealed medical info form, and mugs with organizer pocket cozies and pea pods filled with mini chocolate and breath mints were well-received goodies. Special thanks to Nancy O who helped me sew these outside on my deck this summer.

Everybody enjoyed playing bingo and employed VERY creative solutions to fill in their squares and win more fat quarters. Most importantly, we all played well together, shared fabric and learned many quilting terms and techniques such as how to

- 1.) Sew blocks in full columns to make a quilt "web",
- 2.) Cut a long/narrow piece of fabric for backing on the diagonal, shift along the cut and sew together again to convert it into a shorter/ wider piece of fabric for a perfect fit
- 3.) Save thread by incorporating a leader-ender project
- 4.) Make perfect mitered binding corners and final binding miter.

Some gals found perfect fabric for borders and backing at discounts offered by local shops, and ice cream at The Pepperoni Cow. Cheryl brought her polka dot swimsuit and trusty inflatable raft to brave the water of Lake Huron while others walked the rocky shore and found Petoskey stones and fossilized rocks while secretly praying Cheryl wouldn't need rescuing.....or CPR.

We received a very nice thank you note for our generous donation of non-perishable items for their "God's People" pantry, support of their baked goods program and for cash towards purchasing more 6' tables and a new outdoor tent for the adult special needs arts & crafts programs. Look for the article by Dee Lucas, who is coordinating the Fall 2021 retreat.



## 2021 Fall Retreat Dee Lucas

Flash forward to Sunday, September 12, 2021, at 10:00 a.m. We arrive at the Port Huron Retreat Center for the long awaited Fall Retreat. In past years, we have all wished we had another day. Well, in 2021 we will have that extra day! The retreat will be Sunday September 12, 10 a.m. through Thursday, September 16, at 3:00 p.m. That's almost two extra days of sewing, fun, games and good food! Four nights and 10 meals. We have space for 20 participants. The Registration Form is on the Guild Website, which includes prices. A \$25.00 nonrefundable deposit is required. Hope to have a good turnout this year. Any questions, contact Dee Lucas @ [deanne.lucas@yahoo.com](mailto:deanne.lucas@yahoo.com) or 248-210-1084.

## Haven Carol Brooks

There are three different ways we can donate. Please keep in mind we are a charitable organization and must keep records of our charitable acts.

1. Go to Haven-oakland.org, on the right hand side of the page, hit donate now, then hit donate other ways, and go to the end of the page and hit Amazon or Bed Bath and beyond. **If you donate this way please call or text me and tell me what was donated and the price. 248-303-2848.**

2. Another way to donate would be to write a check, or buy a gift card. You can buy cards from gas stations, Meijer, Target, CVS, etc. you can send these to me at my address: Carol Brooks, 20351 Denby, Redford Michigan 48240. **If you donate a check or gift card to Haven directly please call or text me and let me know the amount you sent, 248-303-2848.**

3. If you buy items and want to take them directly to Haven be sure and **call me and tell me what you donated and the price, 248-303-2848.**

If you have new items, and want me to take them to Haven, please call and we will set up a time and a place to meet.

Stay safe. Looking forward to seeing everyone at our first meeting in October.

# RAFFLE QUILT UPDATE

Donna Armstrong

This year we will be making 2 members-only Raffle Quilts celebrating our guild. If you want a chance to win one of these adorable quilts, make a block (details below) and chip in \$5. (No selling tickets this time.) Each block + \$5 donation will get you an entry in the drawing. You can enter one, or both, or more than once. If you are unable to make a block, you may donate \$10 and enter into the drawing of one of the quilts. The winners will be announced at the June meeting.

Decisions, decisions, decisions! Here are the patterns:

**QUILT # 1:** The first quilt will be a rendition of what we all have been going through most of 2020 - "AT HOME". Pick any block from Moda's free pattern "Will You Be my Neighbor". I have added the link to Pat Sloan's web page that gives the directions for all 16 blocks. All the blocks are between 9"x18" - 21"x18" Please square them up to the appropriate size. We will be using an assortment of colors from our new GLHQ logo (Red, Orange, Yellow, Green and Blue) with a white background.

<https://www.ilovetomakequilts.com/will-you-be-my-neighbor-block-page.html>

**Quilt #2:** The second quilt will be a combination of past and future. Since Donna Tarnas was key to the creation of our new logo, we reached out to her for input. I was not aware, but the five flying geese in the logo represent the five Great Lakes and they are flying north because that's where Michigan is! Up north. This will represent the future. When the quilt is constructed, we will add an applique of Michigan, from our previous logo, and that will represent the past. As with the 1st quilt, we will be using a combination of our new logo colors to create the flying geese blocks in the quilt shown below. Please be creative with lots of solids and prints of the logo colors, (Red, Orange, Yellow, Green and Blue). We will be using the free Robert Kaufman "Remixed Geese" pattern. Please square each block to 3.5"x6.5" and sew 2 matching geese together.

[https://www.robertkaufman.com/quilting/quilts\\_patterns/remixed\\_geese/](https://www.robertkaufman.com/quilting/quilts_patterns/remixed_geese/)

In the November newsletter, I will give details on pickup dates for the completed blocks. Please feel free to email me at [donna.armstrong75@gmail.com](mailto:donna.armstrong75@gmail.com) with any questions.





Granny Lady Quilts has a new phone number - 248.709.9212.

(However, your editor left Barb's new business card in Michigan while the editor is in Florida.)



## Recording Secretary Ann Woodman

Included in the responsibilities of the Recording Secretary are four committees:

- Travel
- Spring and Fall Retreats
- Mystery Quilt day
- Free Table

While Cathy Labrie has kindly accepted responsibility for the free table, and Dee Lucas is ably taking responsibility for the 2021 Fall Retreat, we need some help for the others. Travel may or may not happen this year, but ideas could be developed for future travel. The Spring Retreat needs 1 or 2 able members to make that happen. Mystery Quilt Day could be virtual under the guidance of creative people, of which we have many!

Please contact me if you, and maybe a friend, is/are able to step up for these traditional guild activities! Thank you very much!

Ann Woodman [annwoodman@wowway.com](mailto:annwoodman@wowway.com)

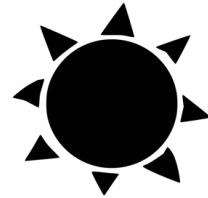
## Membership Sharyl Klettke

We are now at 106 members. We welcome 7 new members: Janet Bott, Clinton Twp., MI, Kathrin Brown, Carmel Valley, CA, Susan Delp, Erlanger, KY, Ginny Fisher, Fort Wayne, IN, Dorothy Hanson, Fennville, MI, Elena Iacobelli of Bloomfield Hills, and Joellyn Partyka, Clarkston, MI. We also welcome a returning member, Barbara Geiger of Rochester Hills. It is exciting to see our guild grow across the country. It is a great time to encourage new members from all over since we attend meetings via Zoom.

# Quilt Challenge 2020-2021

Julie Krauss and Cheryl Murphy

We have come up with a new and exciting challenge we hope you will all find thought provoking and a lot of fun to create. This year we will enter the 'Art Quilt' arena. The challenge is 'Sun and Moon challenge. Each quilted project must contain at least one of these two design elements or both and one of the design elements should be prominent in the design of the piece. These are design elements, not quilting. However it must be a quilt not tied project. It must contain 3 layers, top, batting, and backing, joined by hand or machine stitching.



- Maximum size 48"x72" or Lap size, Minimum 24" x 24" or similar size.
- NO clothing, purses, mug rugs, table runners, tote bags or bed quilt sizes will be accepted.
- Quilted design only is not an acceptable entry , it must be the main design element and the prominent focus.
- Two entries may be submitted
- Please do not label your quilt at the time of submission

Our June 2021 meeting will be the deadline as usual. This is meant to be a creative and out of the box challenge. Have fun and CREATE!

## Charity Quilts

Bonnie Pennybacker and Maxine Pirtle

On Tuesday, September 29 from 1 to 3 pm the Charity Folks, Bonnie Pennybacker and Maxine Pirtle, conducted a drop off of charity quilts.

They also have MANY tops with batting and backing that need to be quilted. Volunteer to take one home for quilting! Just contact: [bpennyba@yahoo.com](mailto:bpennyba@yahoo.com) or [pirtle.maxine@gmail.com](mailto:pirtle.maxine@gmail.com)

For the many who have volunteered to make this year as a Guild happen, the following information is simply FYI. Read it over. With covid 19, some of our procedures have been adapted.

## GLHQ BOARD AND COMMITTEE CHAIR FINANCIAL INFORMATION

1. Program Chairpersons and Retreat Organizers should submit a copy of any signed contracts to the Treasurer in advance of the event so that the Guild's financial obligations are on record.
2. GLHQ event organizers must check with the Guild Treasurer to ensure that the event is covered by the guild's liability insurance. Example: For Mystery Quilt Day, an insurance rider obtained from the guild insurer is required to be submitted to the venue with the signed contract.
3. Checks for payments due to the speakers or retreat facilities are to be made payable to the speaker or facility, rather than the Chairperson or other Guild member. The Treasurer must be given the original invoice when paid to retain with the financial records.
4. Any Board Member, Committee Chairperson or Guild Member who asks to be reimbursed for expenditures made on behalf of the Guild must present the original receipt to the Treasurer along with a fully completed and signed Check Request form.

\*\*Because we cannot do this in person at meetings this year you will need to print and complete a Check Request form. Email a photo or scan of your request to the President or one of the Vice Presidents for approval and then email the approved form to the Treasurer.

5. Any Board Member, Committee Chairperson or Guild Member who accepts cash or checks as payments for Guild activities, must turn those funds over to the Treasurer as soon as possible, along with a fully completed and signed Cash Receipts form so that the financial report can be as accurate as possible each month.
6. Check with the Treasurer to verify your budget for the current year. All expenditures must be pre-approved, usually by including them in the Board approved budget. Purchases that are not pre-approved are typically not reimbursed.