



# Lighthouse Quilters Guild

## The Presidents' Pieces

Mother's Day is quickly approaching and I find myself thinking of my mom. (I lost her almost four years ago.). I think of all the needle arts she taught me: knitting, crocheting, sewing, embroidery, and needlepoint. However she never "got" quilting. She said she couldn't understand cutting fabric into small pieces and sewing it back together again! But that's okay. She started me on the journey, I just took a different road. I miss how she couldn't understand it, but she always admired my quilts. She even hand-sewed my bindings for me. (Boy do I miss that!)

Having two sons meant not sharing my love of needle arts with them. However, I have three granddaughters to get "hooked"! The oldest asked to go to the quilt shop with me last time I was visiting. Voila! Step one. The next journey has begun.

Happy Mother's Day. Keep on quilting and sharing your love of quilting with others.

Kirsten

Well, I was more inspired to clean my sewing machines than my house after Jim's presentation! I will say the days I've been able to open my windows have been fabulous and watching my granddaughter play in the yard is pure delight. My grandson was a snuggly infant when the family moved in last December and now is crawling (quite fast) and pulling himself up on furniture (or whatever he can grasp). We miss a lot in this age of technology and electronics and forget about the simple joy of laughter with loved ones. My oldest is 32 today and I leave for Japan on June 2nd to visit my daughter who will have her son by the end of the May. My life is pretty darn good (and yes, my middle child gets married this August). I will clean and probably sew more when my house is once again an empty nest but today I plan to watch the sun sparkling in the kids eyes and savor every giggly smile and celebrate the discoveries of the day.

May, may it let you find piece and happiness  
Jayne



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## MAY AND JUNE BIRTHDAYS

Sue Scheckel 5/6  
Kathy Craig 5/6  
Donna Wheeler 5/7  
Dorothy Broihier 5/9  
JoAnn Haselhuhn 5/19  
Rachel Riley 5/20  
Janet Kuhl 5/23  
Jo Lettsome 5/23  
Mary Kay Shimkus 5/23  
Gen Hostak 5/26  
Mary Bielefeldt 5/29



Cecilia Johnson 6/3  
Pat Burmeister 6/6  
Retta Falaschi 6/10  
Joyce Springmann 6/11  
Kathy Craig 6/13  
Marie Raymond 6/13  
Tammney Stray 6/18  
Sue Pehlivanian 6/20  
Betty Brown 6/21  
Barbara Vallone 6/24  
Dianne Benefiel 6/26

## Next Meeting Mon. May 22, 2017

### 7:00 pm Fellowship Hall

Show and Tell  
Welcoming smile

### Articles for the Newsletter

The deadline for submitting articles is  
**on or before the 8th of each month.**

Submit your articles to:

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## 2017 Programs

May 22

SUZI PARRON: Barn Quilts  
[www.barnquiltinfo.com](http://www.barnquiltinfo.com)

June 26

BILL KERR: Transforming Traditions: Modernism and Quilts  
[www.ModernQuiltStudio.com](http://www.ModernQuiltStudio.com)  
WORKSHOPS: Quilting the Modern Quilt  
Piecing Curves

July 31

PICNIC

Aug 28

DONNA WISNOSKI: Feedsack Quilts

Sept 25

KATHLEEN TRACY: A Little History of Quilting  
[www.countrylanequilts.com](http://www.countrylanequilts.com) [www.sentimentalquilter.com](http://www.sentimentalquilter.com)

Sept. 26

KATHLEEN TRACY: Workshop: TBA

Oct 30

CAROL BUTZKE: Care and Feeding of Quilts

Nov 27

Holiday Party

### May 22nd GUILD LECTURE

As you drive down many rural roads in Racine, you've seen many beautiful barn quilts. Did you know that Wisconsin has the largest quilt trail in the world? Have you ever wondered how the barn quilt movement began and how it became so popular? At our next Guild meeting on May 22nd, we are pleased to welcome Suzi Parron, author of BARN QUILTS AND THE AMERICAN QUILT TRAIL MOVEMENT and FOLLOWING THE BARN QUILT TRAIL. Suzi will be sharing her national expertise with us at our next Guild lecture.

## BILL KERR WORKSHOPS IN JUNE!

Bill Kerr of Modern Quilt Studio will be coming on Tuesday, June 27th and offering two workshops. QUILTING THE MODERN QUILT will be offered from 9am to noon, and PIECING CURVES from 1-4 at Mt. Pleasant Lutheran Church. Sign-up sheets and supply lists for each workshops will be available at the next Guild meeting. Questions? Contact Judy Martin at [jmartin121845@gmail.com](mailto:jmartin121845@gmail.com) or 920-265-9758.



If someone is attending a meeting from the north side of town, Gen Hostak would appreciate a ride. Please call her at 639-7937 for further information.



# **VOLUNTEER AT THE QUILT SHOW OCTOBER 21 & 22**

Hours of the show are: Saturday, October 21 9-5 AND Sunday, October 22 10-5

This is a very important opportunity, to work at the show, as it provides us with educational funds that we use all year for our speakers and other workshops and opportunities.

Shifts are:

SHIFT	FRIDAY Set-Up	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
SHIFT 1	9:00 am - 11:00	8:45am - 11:00	9:45am - 12:00
SHIFT 2	11:00 - 2:00	11:00 - 1:00	12:00 - 2:00
SHIFT 3		1:00 - 3:00	2:00 - 4:00
SHIFT 4		3:00 - 5:30	4:00 - 5:30
SHIFT 5 Take-down			5:00 - 6:00

Here are the categories that will be available:

- Admission-selling tickets
- Bed-turning
- Boutique
- Checkout
- Food Booth
- Raffle Tickets Sales
- Set-up (Friday)
- Take-Down (Sunday)

Volunteer Worker Check-in

## **THREE WAYS TO SIGN UP FOR VOLUNTEER SHIFTS:**

**ONE:** You will be receiving an "invitation" from me (Jean Veltman) via email on May 18. You can click on the address of the website I am sending, and sign up for your hours that you will be working. The sooner you sign up, the better the chances are of getting the hours that you need.

This site (signup.com) will:

1. be very user friendly
2. not need to have an Account or a Password to use it
3. use your computer, tablet or cellphone
4. send you an email confirmation as soon as you pick a shift to confirm your choice
5. send you an email reminder two days before your volunteer slot in October
6. share your commitment with your calendar (if you have a calendar set up)
7. explain what activity each\ position will be doing in detail
8. show who you are working with and who the chairperson is of that area
9. share my name, number and email, so you can communicate with me if you have problems

**TWO:** If you don't want to use this website, there will be an easel set up for you to pick your volunteer hours at the Lighthouse meeting starting in May.

**THREE:** Call me and I will sign you up for the hours you need. Jean Veltman 989-5326

### **LIGHTHOUSE CHARITY QUILT PROJECTS FOR 2017**

Three quilts were given at our Arpil meeting! Here is where they will go:

2 were delivered on Tuesday, April 25, to All Saints NICU

1 will go to Camp Serenity on Lake Tomahawk

Two members distributed quilts this year:

Nancy Larsen Women's Resource Center

Barbara Vallone for Quilts for the Community which includes:

All Saints NICU, Racine, and Children's Hospital, Milwaukee

St. Monica's Home plus Habitat for Humanity and to other local needs

Operation Snuggles - quilts for soldiers' children, Camp Serenity, and Wounded Warriors

Racine/Kenosha Hospice Alliance

Please find our Charity Quilt BLUE WASH BASKETS where there will be:

A slip of paper for you to say WHERE your quilt goes and if it's WASHED or not

A place to leave your quilt (two wash baskets!) before OR after Show & Tell

Quilt size can range from 36" x 36" to twin bed; square or rectangular. Please keep your biggest quilt to twin bed size. Women's Resource Center welcome pieced, cheaters, fleece, crocheted and knitted items.

**THANK YOU for continuing to make this project such a success. Nancy Larsen & Barbara Vallone**

### **New Charity Quilt Donation Site**

Members asked and I finally delivered! Boland Hall, the VA Home in Union Grove, would be pleased to accept quilts from Lighthouse members. Donated quilts should be twin size (can be a little larger), any theme, and prewashed. Unlike our other charity quilts I will not collect quilts each month but twice a year. Our first collection will be at our October meeting for a November delivery.

Ladies, lets rev up our machines for our vets! ~ Regina



For Sale: 22" Gammill sit down quilting machine. 3 years old. Asking \$6000 OBO.

Contact: Grace Kragness 414-719-1188 or gkragness.gk@gmail.com



Camp Serenity in Tomahawk, WI has again asked us to help provide 70 to 80 COT SIZE QUILTS for pick-up by July 25. Deadline to get the quilts to me will be July 21. Please let me know soon if you can make one - 50 x 60 minimum to 60 x 70 or a bit bigger. This camp is for children who have lost a parent in battle. They were again FULL last year. Right now I have 19 cot size quilts and I'm hoping for at least 50? Thank you for whatever help you can give!

### **QUILT CAMP DATES & PRICES FOR JUNE**

**June 5, 6, 7, 8 at Conference Point in Williams Bay on Geneva Lake.** This one is now during the week. We arrive after 10:30 am on Monday, June 5, and depart by 12:30 pm on Thursday, June 8. Cost for 3 nights and 7 meals is \$210. Shared sleeping rooms with twin or double beds have toilet and sink in each room. Showers down the hall. The entire building is air conditioned.

**June 27 & 28 at The DeKoven Center's Taylor Hall in Racine!** This is a DAY Quilt Camp. We spend our time quilting in the comfortable Chapel inside Taylor Hall from 9 am to 6 pm each day. At 12 noon we enjoy a delicious lunch. The coffee machine is always hot and it's delicious! Price is \$35 per day and we can take 12 quilters. Right now there are 10 so there are 2 openings.

Contact Barbara Vallone at [qltingb@gmail.com](mailto:qltingb@gmail.com) or 262-639-8185





April 24, 2017 at 7 PM

President Kirsten Weiss called the meeting to order.

**Announcements:** Pride of the Prairie Quilt guild has their raffle quilt in the back of the room. Guests were introduced. Pride of the Prairie quilt guild brought along many guests.

New members were introduced.

**Program:** Jim Deibler - The lighter Side of Machine Maintenance

Judy Martin introduced Jim. Jim is the owner of Sew N Save in Racine. In April of 2016 Jim was honored for his service to the Racine Community and received the Economic Development award from the Volunteer Center of Racine County, Inc.

Jim gave some tips on using your sewing machine. One of the tips was if the machine is noisy, use rubbing alcohol on a qtip to get rid of sticky buildup on needle, bobbin case and hook. Another tip was to put needles in all the way and the direction of the flat back of the needle is determined by the where the bobbin is located. The featherweight needle back is facing the machine whereas most other machines the needle faces to the back.

Use caution when using canned air. Use the brush with your machine or pipe cleaners.

**Business:** Jacky Tomkins talked about the quilt show Oct 21 and 22. The first entry has been received. So it is not too early to enter. Raffle tickets are ready to pick up tonight. Please return tickets and money as soon as possible. Don't wait until the last minute to turn them in. Carol Bunker mentioned the tickets on the back for a raffle at Sewn Save.

Jean Veltman our volunteer coordinator explained how to sign up online to be a volunteer at the show. Jean will send an email to invite all the guild members to use this online sign up. The sign will be active May 1.

Rachel Riley would like members who have won ribbons at quilt shows to let her know so she can put it in the newsletter. Hospitality committee members for April introduced themselves.

Judy Martin spoke about our May and June speakers.

**Door Prizes:** The first door prize was a special one - a class with Bill Kerr. Other door prizes were awarded as well as Birthday prizes.

Our spotlight was on new member Cathy Schuldt.

**Show and Tell:** Lots of show and tell and 3 crayon challenges were turned in.

The meeting adjourned at 9:07 pm.

Refreshments were served.

Respectfully submitted

Marge Martin

Secretary

#### Mukwonago Quilt Show Ribbon Winners

Jacky Tomkins—First Place Small Wall Hanging & Best Machine Quilting

Grace Kagness—Third Place Large Wall Hanging

Rachel Riley—Honorable Mention Large Wall-hanging  
Landscape/Pictorial

Honorable Mention Small Wall-hanging Land-  
scape/Pictorial

Sandy Kruppstadt—First Place Small Wall-hanging  
Landscape/Pictorial

First Place— Small Pieced

Honorable Mention—Miniatures

Kathy Simon—Second Place 30's Theme lap/crib  
Quilt



Save Your Stuff for the July Guild  
Rummage Sale

All proceeds  
go back into  
the guild.



#### 2017 Quilt Show challenge

There are only 2 bags left for the  
challenge. Don't miss a chance to  
participate.

Marge Martin

*A Grand Entrance*



#### FABRIC REQUEST

I am requesting a 4" square of red (any shade value)  
lights, dark, brights, lights etc. I'm working on a  
heart scrap quilt. Thanks I would appreciate it  
very much. I haven't gotten to all the meetings  
but now that the weather is nicer I might make  
more. thanks again, Joyce Herringer



## 2017 Quilting Events

**May 15. Trunk Show & Yarn "Tasting."** Sew 'n Save and Fabric Gallery, 3701 Durand Ave. 2-4 p.m. or 5:30-7:30 p.m. \$5. Reservations suggested.

**May 18-22. Quilt Camp Zion in Door County.** \$68 nightly. For more information contact Barb Vallone, 262-639-8185.

**May 19-20. Annual Charity Book & Rummage Sale.** Sew 'n Save and Fabric Gallery. 3701 Durand Ave. Fri., 10 a.m.-6 p.m.; Sat., 10 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Proceeds benefit Racine Relay for Life/American Cancer Society.

**May 31. WI Shop Hop Fabric Preview Party.** Sew 'n Save & Fabric Gallery, 3701 Durand Ave. 4-7 p.m. \$5. For reservations or more information, 262-554-8708.

**June 5-8. Quilt Camp at Conference Point.** Williams Bay, Lake Geneva. \$210. For more information contact Barb Vallone., 262-639-8185.

**June 16. Magical Mystery Bus Trip.** Sew 'n Save and Fabric Gallery. Bus leaves 6:30 a.m.; returns 5:30 p.m. \$70. For reservations or more information, 262-554-8708.

**June 23. Knit Camp.** Sew 'n Save and Fabric Gallery. 10 a.m.-8 p.m. \$15 includes lunch and dinner. For more information and/or reservations, 262-554-8708.

**June 24. Racine Quilt History Group.** Quilts With the Color Brown. Sew 'n Save and Fabric Gallery, 3701 Durand Ave. 10 a.m.-noon. For more information contact Jayne at [jaynesteffens@gmail.com](mailto:jaynesteffens@gmail.com).

**Sept. 29-Oct. 1. Girls Weekend Out.** Sew 'n Save and Fabric Gallery. \$399 includes transportation, lodging, dinner Fri. and Sat. For more information, Karin 414-892-8800.



Jennifer McGowan (left), Gifford Middle School, and Kali Robbins (right), McKinley Middle School, are the recipients of the guild's 2017 Mini Grants. Both are Family/Life Science teachers at their respective schools and their curriculum focus is on sewing for a cause. McGowan's classes plan to make pillowcases for charity and Robbins' classes are currently piecing underground railroad patterned quilts. Both teachers were so appreciative of the grants and fabric and will keep the guild informed of their progress.

Pat Henningfeld



### Membership News from Regina

Hello ladies!!

You all had the opportunity to meet our new member Cathy Schudt last month when she helped me out of a bind. If you didn't have a chance to say hi in April, please introduce yourself this month.

If you ordered newsprint paper I will have it at this month's meeting.

See you on the 22nd!

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### Membership has its Privileges

1. Did you know that your Lighthouse membership card can get you a discount at Jo-Ann Fabric? As a member of the guild you qualify for their VIP Discount card which gives you a 10% discount on regular and sale priced items. Get more information and apply for your card at <http://www.joann.com/vip-discounts.html>.

2. Some quilt shops offer a discount to quilt guild members. During check out I have asked, "Do you offer a discount to quilt guild members?" and on several occasions have received a 10-15% discount! If anyone does receive a discount let me know and I will list that shop in the newsletter so that all members are aware of this benefit.

If you haven't picked up your membership card, remember to get it this month because membership does have its privileges!

## Lighthouse Legacies 2017 Quilt Show

I am looking for old and new quilts for the bed turning at our next quilt show. Grandmother Flower Garden, Double Wedding Ring, Maple Leaf, Bear Paw, Four Patch, Nine Patch, Double Irish Chain, etc. I would like to see what you have and then we can put the turning together. So please e-mail me a copy of a picture of your quilt and its short story.

Lu Wayne Snow [luwaynesnow@gmail.com](mailto:luwaynesnow@gmail.com)



Looking for the entry form and rules for the Quilt Show? Click on the following links to take you directly to the forms for printing.

[Entry Form](#)

[Entry Rules](#)

### CHALLENGE

#### CRAYON CHALLENGE FOR LIGHTHOUSE LEGACIES 2017

THREE completed Crayon Challenge Quilts came in at our April meeting! I think you can see a total of five on our Facebook page!

**Deadline is July 31 at our Potluck meeting. Please contact me if you have any questions or problems at [qilt-ingb@gmail.com](mailto:qilt-ingb@gmail.com) or 262-639-8185**

Proceeds from the Silent Auction at our Quilt Show will go to All Saints Foundation for the Mental Health and Addiction Program at the Wisconsin Avenue site. This is the ONLY inpatient care center in Racine and Kenosha serving about 6,500 patients a year. Plus, this program is one of the few in the state that accepts Medicaid.

#### Quilt Raffle Tickets

1. Sell those raffle tickets...Jacky sold out just having lunch friends.



2. Our raffle quilt won another second place in the Wall Hanging Category at the Mukwonago quilt show. Way to go Jacky and Pat Barry!

#### Quilt Show Promotion:

Looking for a volunteer to assist Joyce Herringer with raffle quilt sales at the Pride of the Prairie Quilters in Plainfield, IL.

Date: Thursday, June 8

Set up: 6:15 p.m. or earlier

Joyce would like you to bring the quilt/supplies to her house in Grayslake. She is also offering her home to spend the night there and return to the Racine area the following morning.

Contact Grace Kragness 414-719-1188 or [gkragness.gk@gmail.com](mailto:gkragness.gk@gmail.com)

#### It Is Time

Each LQ member is GREATLY needed to do several small things to help publicize our October Lighthouse Legacies show. Please talk up the show at every opportunity because that's the best way to get people involved and attending the show! Refer folks to our website which contains the entry form, rules, and info.

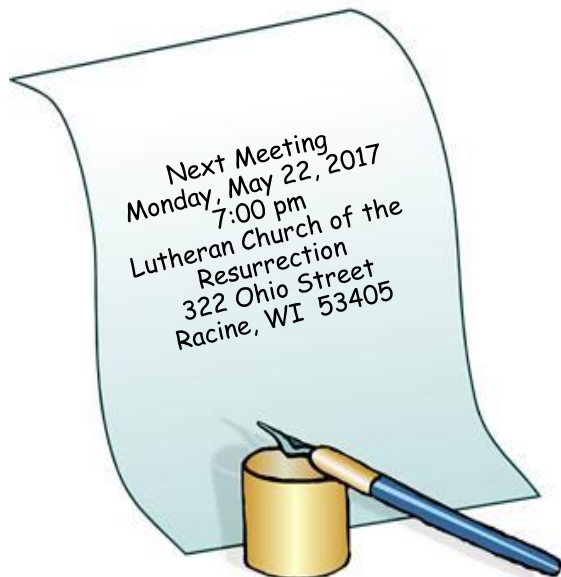
If your summer travels will take you to quilt shops within a 100-mile radius of Racine, please contact Mary Ludvigsen or Sharon Guetzlaff and we'll get posters/bookmarks ready for you to deliver. Our phone numbers and email addresses are on your membership list. After a big effort to blanket the state in 2015, we learned that most attendees came from a short drive away so we'll concentrate efforts within this region.

Later in the summer, we'll have yard signs for Guild members to cover this area with publicity! Don't live on a "main drag?" Be thinking of which friends will give you permission to put a sign in their yard. Remember: no signs in public access areas where the county crews mow, or putting them in business areas without asking permission!

Again, if each person does several small things, our show will be a GREAT success!

It is not too early to get your entry forms mailed into me (Pat Limburg). Our rules, divisions and entry forms are available on line at [www.lighthousequiltersguild.com](http://www.lighthousequiltersguild.com). For those of you unable to print, let me know and I will have some forms available at the guild meetings. This show is judged which helps us improve as quilters. More importantly it shows the community what quilters do. We would love an entry from every member.

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## May Hospitality

**Chairman:**

Audree Bach	Vickie Madsen
Retta Falaschi	Judy Stapleman-Kroes
Meg Fleischmann	Jean Veltman
Gayle Gottfredsen	Carol Uebe
Lynn Helmke	

## June Hospitality

**Chairman: Vicki Madsen**

Betty Brown	Josie Lettsome
Linda Focareto	Kathy Lijewski
Janet Geisner	Mary Kay Shimkus
Darlene Heiden	Marylou Wendzinski
Sandy Kruppstadt	

You haven't had enough coffee until you can thread the needle while running the sewing machine.

