

MARQUETTE COUNTY QUILTERS ASSOCIATION



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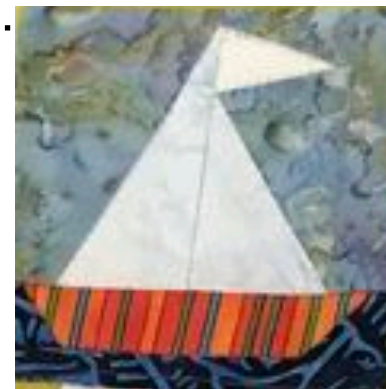
Meeting: November 1, 6:30 pm, Wave Room, Arts&Culture Center, PWPL

Time to Set Our Sails for 2018...

Laura says: November is our annual business meeting! Time to look toward 2018:

1. Budget approval
2. Elect officers, approve committee appointments
3. Consider new policy: advertising in MCQA Newsletter
 - Proposed: For either a commercial or "classified"-type ad: \$3.00/month for members, \$5.00/month for non-members.
4. Consider amendment to Bylaws: add Board position of "President Elect"
 - Proposed language: see page 2-3.
5. Review options for new meeting space
6. Review membership dues
7. Consider activities we'd like for 2018: programs, charity projects, retreat, speakers, National Quilting Day, Fiber Fest, etc.

--Christmas Party swap project: We will be doing a mug rug swap for Christmas this year! Pull from your stash, find your favorite pattern (or choose from numerous free patterns online), and stitch up a fun mug rug for a fellow quilter. Bring the mug rug wrapped to our Christmas Party December 13th and we'll draw names for the swap. More details to come on the Christmas Party in the December newsletter!



Snacks this month:

Bev Boyer, Pauline Gould, Marcia Hemmila



Proposed Amendment to Article 6 of MCQA Bylaws: Changes are underlined.

Article 6

Board Officers & Responsibilities

There are five six MCQA Officers: President, President-Elect, Vice President in charge of Programs, Vice President in charge of Publicity, Secretary, and Treasurer. The Board positions are for one-year terms and there is a five-consecutive-term limit. In the event an Officer is unable to complete her/his term in office, the President shall appoint an interim officer until a general election of the membership can be held. Any Officer position other than Treasurer may be held by a group of two or more members by vote of the membership.

6.1 The President. The President shall:

- a. Organize and lead the Annual Business Meeting and all Membership and Special Meetings.
- b. Prepare an agenda prior to each Membership Meeting, Officers Meeting, and Annual Business Meeting.
- c. Oversee other Officers and Committee Chairpersons.
- d. Be the main point of contact between the MCQA and other membership organizations.
- e. Be authorized, along with the Treasurer, to pay bills and sign checks.

6.2 The President-Elect. The President-Elect shall:

- a. Serve on the Board the year before s/he is to become President, and then serve as President the following year.
- b. Lead board meetings and membership meetings in the President's absence.

~~6.2~~ 6.3 **The Vice President of Programs.** The Vice President of programs shall organize and oversee all MCQA programs such as presentations and demonstrations.

~~6.3~~ 6.4 **The Vice President of Publicity.** The Vice President of Publicity shall publicize the activities of MCQA.

~~6.4~~ 6.5 **Secretary.** The Secretary shall:

- a. Take minutes at each Membership Meeting, Annual Business Meeting, and Special Meeting, and transmit minutes to the MCQA Newsletter chair for publication.
- b. Receive and produce correspondence on behalf of MCQA.

~~6.5~~ 6.6 **Treasurer.** The Treasurer shall:

- a. Keep custody of the MCQA's funds, including bookkeeping and filing taxes.
- b. Pay all bills and sign all checks. The President shall also be authorized to pay bills and sign checks.
- c. Prepare and present the books for audit and review annually.
- d. Prepare a budget to present at the Annual Business Meeting.

~~6.6~~ 6.7 **Officer Voting.** Every act or decision brought to a vote of the Officers shall be decided by a majority of the Officers voting. Each Officer position is entitled to one vote on each matter. Voting shall be by voice, show of hands, or by ballot. There will be no absentee ballots or proxy voting. For a vote to be taken, representatives of at least ~~3~~ 4 of the ~~5~~ 6 Officer positions must be present.

Autumn Comforts

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It's a wrap!

Autumn Comforts wrap-up meeting
November 11 at 10am @ Ben's. Let's
appreciate our success, capture all
our good ideas and set the stage for
the next time.

From Susan on Facebook:

**Thanks to everyone who worked for
months on the 2017 Autumn Comforts Quilt Show.**

Thanks for planning, scheduling, reserving space and renting poles, publicizing, recruiting vendors, registering and labeling quilts, writing and printing the quilt show booklets, printing and selling tickets, designing and printing rack cards, distributing rackcards and posters, setting up poles, hanging quilts, putting up signs, working security, planning the demonstrations and bed turning, setting up the display and speaking in recognition of our Quilter of the Year Esther Johnson, working on silent auction and sales of magazines and books, doing security, working the admission tables, managing the takedown and quilt pick-up, returning poles, etc.

I know there are lots and lots of other things that were done as well. **Each person worked so hard and pitched in when she saw something that needed to be done. It is an honor and privilege to work with this incredibly creative, hardworking, generous, and devoted group.** I enjoy and respect you all so much! **A special thanks to Judy Parlato and Tracey Cairati** for being willing to coordinate this whole shebang and maintaining a positive, supportive, encouraging attitude throughout!





Marilyn Caylor of Sawyer Lake, MI was the winner of the Marquette County Quilters' Association 2017 "Superior Sea" raffle quilt drawing this past Sunday at the 2017 Autumn Comforts Quilt Show. Congratulations Marilyn!



Esther Johnson, Featured Quilter, again shared with us her wisdom, kindness, and humility, as her large collection of beautiful quilts was on display. These are very talented hands, attached to a very special member of MCQA.

Ta Da!!! Award Winners -2017 Autumn Comforts Quilt Show



Prize Categories and Winners:

Judge's Choice Laurie Short-"Stained Glass Illusion"

Judge's Choice Sandy Olilla -"Hang to Dry"

Viewer's Choice Nancy Henderson "Metamorphosis"

Exceptional Quilting Chris Wiik "Metamorphosis," Cheryl Liedle "Glacier Star,"
Karen Sanford "My Enchanted Garden"

MCQA Guild Challenge:

1st Brenda Tellkamp "Majestic Lady",

2nd Tracey Cairati "Little Presque Isle"

3rd Karen Wares "Camping On the Big Pond"

Large Pieced:

1st Glynis Scott "Glacier Star"

2nd Nancy Henderson "Metamorphosis"

3rd Sherri Gembolis "The Royal Union Sampler"

Hand Applique:

1st Sherri Gembolis "My Enchanted Garden"

2nd Ann Pillote "Rabbits Prefer Chocolate"

3rd Ann Pillote "Rose Cottage"

Mixed Techniques:

1st Danita Rask "Crocospia"

2nd Teresa Locknane "Feathered Friends"

3rd Tracey Cairati "Feathered Friend"

Small Pieced:

1st Chris Swenor "Wheels and Gears"

2nd Chris Swenor "Mariner's Compass"

3rd Bev Hill "Sunflower"

Hand Embroidered:

1st Sandy Ollila "Frog Work"

2nd Chris Swenor "Over the River and Through the Woods"

3rd Teresa Obst "Tulips in Trapunto"

Machine Applique:

1st Ann Pillote "Gingerbread Village"

2nd Chris Swenor "Mountain Lily"

3rd Judy Parlato "Bee Grateful"

Original Art Design:

1st Laurie Ceesay "Bastet"

2nd Laurie Ceesay "Bobbi Pin Rockabilly"

3rd Judy Parlato "Majestic Mountains"

Miniature Quilts:

1st Chris Swenor "Pinwheels"

2nd Pamela Ruege "Nine Patch Chain"

3rd Pamela Ruege "Watson"

Whole Cloth:

1st Nancy Henderson "Evening Sky Dragonfly"

2nd Karen Wares "Long Arm Sampler"

3rd Judy Parlato "Yellow Sunflower Panel"

Machine Embroidery:

1st Chris Swenor "Dashing Through the Snow"

2nd Chris Swenor "Feels Like Spring"

3rd Bev Hill "Feels Like Spring"

Judges: Joanne Gray, Carlene Warwick

Congratulations, all!

Charity Quilting News:

- Keep on making Christmas Charity Softies Quilts (24 inches square) and small bags for the teens and pre-teens.
- We will be wrapping up our 2017 charities in November, so if you still have any kits, please return your completed item/s at the November meeting.
- Remember: We are meeting the first Thursday of each month, at Ben's, from 10 am to 2 pm, to work on charity projects. Come if you can for a relaxed friendship-group sew-in. ✂

GET TOGETHER

- Thanks to our very generous and talented members. 😊

Marquette County Quilters Association Meeting Minutes October 4, 2017



Call to Order at 6:33 pm by president Laura Reilly. Welcome one new member, Holly Kreag. Refreshments are provided by Char Grimsby and Mary Kay Schaefer.

Minutes from the September meeting were approved as published in the newsletter.

Treasurer's Report provided by Grace Terpening:

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| <i>balances as of 9/30/2017</i> | |
| checking | \$1758.48 |
| savings | \$5408.42 |
| quilt show | \$3242.78 |
| total | \$10409.68 |

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Old Business

1. **Quilt Show Update: Last Call!** Judy encouraged all members to look at the work shift chart and sign up where help is still needed. Tracey stated 351 quilts are entered in the show, some will be in the bed turnings, but to accommodate entries, quilts may be hung overlapped or displayed over a table or quilt rack. Members with a quilt rack, small table or antique ladder should bring them to the Great Lakes Rooms on Thursday. Judy reminded us we hope to borrow attractive, homey props (e.g. antique chair, sewing table) to enhance the show milieu. Any show-related expenses should be submitted to Judy tonight, if possible, as Barb is not in attendance. Otherwise, mail to Barb, or bring to the show. Quilts will be accepted by the Registration team starting at 7:30 am on Thursday. The paper Quilt Identification Tag should be sewn or pinned to the left lower corner when facing the back of the quilt, and the quilt folded so that tag is on the top of the folded quilt. Anyone who has difficulty printing their Quilt Identification Tag and Pick Up Receipt should call Carol or Jeanne. The raffle quilt has been on display at Country Garden Quilts, and Karen Sanford took it to the Iron Mountain guild meeting where \$136 dollars of tickets were sold. Not all members have turned in their raffle ticket packets. Laura R requested the Show Committee's help assembling and stapling the booklets on Saturday, Oct 7, at the planning meeting. Karen S requested help distributing posters and the few remaining rack cards. Mary reports the site plan for vendors in the Charcoal Room is set. Silent Auction and Door Prize donations are still being accepted. Judges are set. Books/Magazines are being accepted. Ev-Ann showed the cloth flowers that will identify members circulating for Security, and promised those who do security for several hours will be gifted their flower. Alice described the hourly Demonstration schedule being provided by several members, and the two different Bed Turnings, one on Saturday, and Sunday dedicated to a collection of family quilts from Jane Vandenberg. Our Featured Quilter, Ester Johnson, is featured in this issue of the Marquette Monthly. All hands available, including husbands and able children, are needed to assemble the poles and hang quilts on Thursday and Friday.

2. **Charity Update:** Tracey is accepting for Susan the turned in bag kits and vest kits, other bags, vests and critter quilts. More Christmas critter quilts are needed. Karen S reminds us there is a charity friendship group meeting tomorrow, the first Thursday of the month, 10a - 2p at Ben's.

3. **Meeting Location:** Laura reports the Arts&Culture Center has assigned us the Wave Room for our regular meeting space into the future. Other locations are being investigated by the board, and suggestions should be given to board members, so any financial implications can be included in the budget planning that will take place in our November business meeting.

4. **Christmas Party plans:** please note the date of our annual party is December 13. The party will be held in the PWPL Community Room. The dinner will be as last year: a provided entree from Pasta Shop and drinks, with potluck salads and desserts from members. Laura circulated a poll to find out what members prefer for an exchange item: ornament, pin cushion, hot pad, mug rug. The poll results will be announced at the November meeting, so members will have time to prepare.

New Business:

1. **November Business meeting:** The meeting will be dedicated to officer elections, assignment of committee chairs, budget approval, bylaw review, and policy updates. A packet of information will be circulated to members prior to the meeting to facilitate discussion and decisions for our coming year. Members needing more information or interested in serving a role in the coming year please communicate with Laura or another board member.

2. **Budget proposal** for 2018 is being developed by Grace, and members with requests should be in contact with Grace by October 20, so the proposal will be complete for our next meeting, Nov 1.

3. **National Quilt Day, March 2018** It is not too soon to begin planning for National Quilt Day, March, 2018. This event has been very popular in the recent past, and a great way to attract new members. A chairperson is needed.

Next Meetings

November: see above

December: no meeting on 1st Wednesday, Dec 6

Christmas Party, Wednesday, Dec 13

Meeting adjourned 6:55 pm, followed by:

Show and Tell, Social Break, and Program

1. HST exchange
2. MCQA Historical Quilts by Nancy Henderson: first Autumn Comforts raffle quilt and TV6 Someplace Special quilt
3. Accuquilt demonstration provided by Pamela Ruege and Laurie Short

Jeanne Baumann, Secretary

MCQA 2017 Board of Directors

President: Laura Reilly
Past President: Tracey Cairati
V.P. Programs: Carol Luoma, Pamela Reuge, Tracey Cairati
V.P Publicity: Karen Sanford
Secretary: Jeanne Baumann
Treasurer: Grace Terpening

MCQA 2017 Committees

Charity Quilt Coordinator: Karen Sanford
Neonatal: Ann Pillote, Erna Roever
Bay Cliff Nookers; Alice Johnson
Harbor House: Barb Bennett, Karen Sanford
Christmas Charities; Susan Vore, Tracey Cairati
Historian: Judy Parlato
Hospitality: Laurie Short, Connie Hagle, Gerry Nault
Library: Jen St.Martin
Membership: Mary Stunkard, Barb Bennett
Newsletter: Jeanne Baumann
Property/Equipment: Alice Johnson
Quilt Show Co-Chairs: Judy Parlato, Tracey Cairati
Retreats/ Workshops: Carol Luoma, Tracey Cairati, Judy Parlato
Webmaster: Jen St.Martin



Winds: 35 mph, rain, but in new, fleece winter coats it's good to be outside even in a storm!

Send your news and views to:

★Website: quilters@marquettequilters.com

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Deadline for December news: Nov. 29, publish on Dec 6, Party Dec. 13

