



Lighthouse Quilters Guild

The Presidents' Pieces



Hope your holidays were great! We started the holiday season by flying to Boston for Thanksgiving and a great visit with our oldest son, DIL, and three of our grandchildren. We followed that with a road trip to Steamboat Springs, Colorado for Christmas and New Years with our youngest son, his wife, and our other three grandchildren. Busy doesn't begin to describe it.

It is a loooooong road to Steamboat! We left December 22 and returned January 3. I also discovered I get altitude sickness, yuck! In spite of that we had a fabulous time. We got time with our youngest grandson, Jack, while the rest of the family downhill skied. We hiked, snowshoed, and criss country skied for the first time in 30 years and came home with new equipment!

Our program this month is "Now and Then". It is a chance to get to know members who participate and find out what their quilt journey was like. They will share their journey from first quilts to now and what they learned along the way.

Wow! 2016 flew by. Now we enter our quilt show year. Time to get busy finishing some quilts. This weather makes it a bit easier, nice to have an excuse to stay indoors and quilt.

Judy Martin has great programs planned for this year. See you on January 30!
Kirsten

January 2017

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JANUARY AND FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

Marge Martin 1/2	Shirley Graham 2/1
Rita Curty 1/5	Rhonda Westmoreland 2/8
Diane Seymour 1/13	Mindy Baumgartner 2/9
Carol Bunker 1/16	Jodi Blackburn 2/12
Judy Erickson 1/6	Kathy Lijewski 2/13
Meg Fleischmann 1/7	Shirley Kramer 2/15
Maria Rivest 1/17	Vernette Cairns 2/18
Catherine Rolfson 1/18	Betty Suiter 2/18
Linda Worman 1/18	Janet Gisner 2/21
Christy Schliesmann 1/2	Mary Piper 2/22
Sandy Veit 1/25	Mary Risler 2/22
TC Wiley 1/29	Carole Uebe 2/22
	Jacky Tomkins 2/26
	Ginger Wanserski 2/28

Next Meeting Mon. Jan 30, 2017

7:00 pm Fellowship Hall

Bring: membership dues
Enthusiasm for new year
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

Jan 30	MEMBER PRESENTATION: Then and Now: Joyce Herringer, Dianna Zimmerman, Kathy Vojtek, Mary Wolter, Jennifer Clingaman, Sharon
Feb 27	CHERYL SCHENCK: Bindings, Labels and Sleeves, Oh My! www.unspooledwi.com
Mar 27	JUDY LEVINE: Silks, Satins and Other Fun Stuff (workshop) www.judylevine.com
Mar 27	JUDY LEVINE: Workshop: Couched Applique
Apr 24	JIM DEIBLER: The Lighter Side of Machine Maintenance www.sewnsaveofracine.com
May 22	SUZI PARRON: Barn Quilts www.barnquiltinfo.com
June 26	BILL KERR: Transforming Traditions: Modernism and Quilts 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 www.sentimentalquilter.com
Sept. 26	KATHLEEN TRACY: Workshop: TBA
Oct 30	CAROL BUTZKE: Care and Feeding of Quilts
Nov 27	Holiday Party

Guild Challenge

The bags for the 2017 Lighthouse Legacies Quilt Show challenge are ready. I will have 40 bags available at the meeting in January. Each bag will have the rules for the challenge and 2 fat eighths of challenge fabric. The cost of each bag is \$5. -Marge Martin

Program Notes

For our January 30th program, the ever-popular Then and Now will return. We'll have six presenters sharing their early experiences with quilting and where their quilting journey has taken them over the years. Our presenters are: Sharon Guetzlaff, Joyce Herringer, Dianna Zimmerman, Kathy Fojtik, Jennifer Clingaman, and Mary Wolter.

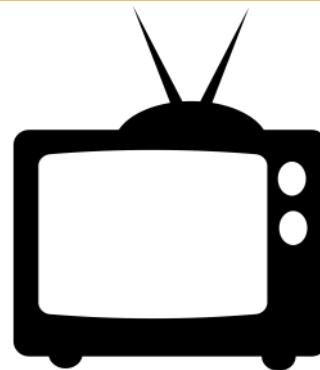


Winter Meeting Cancellations

Remember that when school and businesses are closed due to bad weather, there will be no meetings of the Lighthouse Quilters Guild.

Treasured Quilts of Wisconsin

Nancy Zieman hosts "Treasured Quilts of Wisconsin" on PBS television. Our area was not able to view the program, but it is available in its entirety by accessing this link: <http://video.wpt.org/video/2365906809/>. The special features interviews, stories and quilts from some of Wisconsin's top quilters. Both Betty Suiter and Cindy Garcia from our guild will be featured along with many other prominent quilters. The presentation is also available on YouTube.



From the Librarian:

A reminder to those who took books or other items from our library at October meeting. Please return them at our January 30th meeting.



Also want our members to know that Sharon Guetzlaff donated money to buy a book in memory of Irene Lewis, a former member of Lighthouse Quilters Guild. A book was purchased called "Handful of Scraps" by Edyta Sitar. Irene was a skilled quilter with an appreciation for traditional and antique quilts. This book has antique quilts with instructions to make them, despite the title of the book. Check it out.



Boutique News

The Lighthouse Legacies Quilt show is just 9 months away. That's 9 months to make and donate items to the boutique. I will be collecting at each meeting. Please come prepared with a suggested price and a determination of having items returned or go half price.

Some ideas to get the creative juices flowing:

Tote Bags

Two Tote Bag Sizes - <http://www.craftbuds.com/tutorial-totes-big-and-small/>

Easy Reversible Tote - <http://verypurpleperson.com/2010/04/making-reversible-bag/>

"Easiest Tote" - <http://howtosew.com/blog/sewing-projects/easiest-tote-bag>

20 Minute Tote - <http://www.purlbee.com/2010/05/07/mollys-sketchbook-the-twenty-minute-tote/>

Reversible Bag For Kids - <http://www.makeit-loveit.com/2014/04/the-reversible-bag-for-kids.html>

Shopping Bag Tutorial - <http://occasionalpiece.wordpress.com/2014/10/12/shopping-bags/>

Needle Books

Needle Book - <http://www.instructables.com/id/how-to-sew-a-needle-book/>

Needle Book, with template - <http://domesticdoozie.blogspot.com/2013/01/needle-book-tutorialwith-free-template.html>

Toadstool Needle Book - <http://generationqmagazine.com/2011/12/everyday-handmade-needle-book-pattern-and-a-challenge/>

Pin cushion and Needle book - <http://www.elefantz.com/2009/08/secret-revealed.html>

Felt Needle Book - <http://www.sccmag.com/felt-needle-book-craft-project/>



LIGHTHOUSE CHARITY QUILT PROJECTS FOR 2017

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

QUILT STUDIO TIME DATES FOR 2017

NEW for 2017 ~ THREE DAYS of the chance to QUILT AS YOU WILT!! Yes, we have extended the March Quilt Studio Times to THURSDAY, Friday, and Saturday!!! Here are the dates:

March 30, 31, & April 1

Cost for coming on Thursday is \$5! Everything else is the same: 9 am to 9 pm, finger snack to share, lunch & supper on your own. If you come on Fridays at 9 am, you will pay the \$1 dues for the First Friday Quilters meeting which will be on March 31. **This is an experiment! I will need to know WHO will come on Thursday so please contact me at qltingb@gmail.com by March 27!!**

The remaining dates of August 11 & 12, and November 3 & 4 will just be Friday & Saturday. You can come as early as 9 am on Friday. This means you will attend the First Friday Quilters meeting until 3 pm which will cost you \$1 plus a simple finger snack to share and your own lunch. As of 3 pm you will pay \$5 to stay until 9 pm. Go home to sleep and come back at 9 am on Saturday to quilt until 9 pm for another \$5! You will provide your own meals and bring all the stuff you need to work on projects. Please do NOT bring your big irons. We have them at church.

Contact Barbara Vallone, 262-639-8185, qltingb@gmail.com

QUILT CAMP DATES & PRICES FOR 2017

WINTER: March 8, 9, 10, & 11 at Lutherdale on Lauderdale Lakes near Elkhorn about 1 hour west of Racine. This camp is run by Barb Vallone so contact her for questions. Cost varies by the day of the week:

Wed, March 8, \$40, arrive after 11 am, no meals until Thursday breakfast at 10 am

Thu, March 9, \$70, arrive in time for 10 am brunch or at least for supper at 5:30

Fri & Sat, March 10 & 11, \$80 each night Departure is by 2 pm on Sun, March 12.

SPRING: April 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 at Lutherdale again. This camp is run by Lutherdale so you must contact them directly at 262-742-2352 to register. They accept charge cards over the phone for a deposit or full payment. Cost is based on arrival dates:

Wed, April 5 to April 9, \$235, arrive after 12 noon on Wed, depart by 2 pm on Sun

Thu, April 6 to April 9, \$205, arrive by 10 am on Thu, depart by 2 pm on Sun

Fri, April 7 to April 9, \$165, arrive by 10 am on Fri, depart by 2 pm on Sun

QUILTS for the COMMUNITY 2016 REPORT

The First Friday, Lighthouse and Rainbow Quilters donated a total of 214 quilts in 2016!

- 8 Women's Resource Center
- 19 NICU, All Saints, Racine
- 18 St. Monica's Home, Racine
- 30 Children's Hospital, Milwaukee
- 72 Operation Snuggles to Camp Serenity in Tomahawk WI
- 14 Wounded Warrior Quilts includes 5 to Racine's Tiny Houses for Vets
- 12 Racine Foster Children
made & given by the Wannabe Quilters of Lighthouse Quilters
- 34 Other ~ 12 to Pine Ridge Indian Reservation & 5 to Habitat for Humanity

207 TOTAL GIVEN out in 2016 with help from our quilter friends in Southport Quilters, Kenosha, who gave 10 quilts in the above total for Camp Serenity and Courthaus Quilters of Monroe who gave

We have several quilts left to give in 2017 to Wounded Warriors in Racine & Milwaukee, Pine Ridge Indian Reservation, Children's Hospital and several wherever needed.

The estimated total of 214 quilts is close to \$80,250.00!!! This total includes fabric used and time served!

The needs for 2017 are as yet unknown. Keep making quilts. There will always be a need to cover someone with the amazing hug of a quilt. Please keep the size of your quilts between 45 x 50 to 65 x 80 inches. Most of the places do not have queen size beds! If you need fabric, FREE kits are available for the asking. THANK YOU!!! Nancy Larsen and Barbara Vallone

Brown Bag Exchange

Instead of a traditional quilt challenge this year, we are going to try something a little different. A Brown Bag Exchange! Each guild member who wants to participate can pick up a brown bag at the January meeting. In February, return the bag with 5 fat quarters of your choice in the bag. At the end of the meeting bags will be exchanged. You will then have until the guild picnic in July to make something for your swap mate. Some suggestions for creations are bags, table runners, mini quilts, etc. It doesn't need to be large - but it should include fabric from all the fat quarters in the bag. You may add up to two additional fabrics. I will have a small sheet to fill out with your name and preferences to include with your fat quarters.



Any questions? Call/text or email
Rachel Riley 262-664-2309 or
rsriley77@gmail.com.

CRAYON CHALLENGE FOR LIGHT- HOUSE LEGACIES 2017

Yes, Lighthouse members will again be able to choose a small baggie at our **February 27** meeting with a crayon hidden inside the rules. You make a little 12 inch square quilt and the main color is the color of your crayon! Deadline is at our **July 31** meeting or SOONER!

There are only 40 crayons so come early and find Barbara Vallone at the Membership Table where you'll be able to read the rules and more before you choose a baggie ~ this year there will be NO brown, black, gray, or white crayons!!

Proceeds will again 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.

2017 Quilting Events

Jan. 1-29. Folk Art in Fiber. Wisconsin Museum of Quilts and Fiber Arts, N50 W5050 Portland Rd., Cedarburg. For more information, 262-546.0300. Wed.-Sat., 10 a.m.-4 p.m.; Sunday, noon-4 p.m.

Jan. 14. January Open House. Sew 'n Save and Fabric Gallery, 3701 Durand Ave., 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

Jan. 29-Mar. 19. Ice Tapestries & Quilts (Kay Sorensen) and **Birds: Imagined, Natural, Symbolic** (Women's Journeys in Fiber, ends Mar. 3). Anderson Arts Center, 121 66th St., Kenosha. Tues.-Sun., 1-4 p.m. The Center will display more than 80 selections made of Kay's hand-dyed and painted fabrics.

Feb. 10-12. Sleep in Your Own Bed Retreat. Sew 'n Save and Fabric Gallery, 3701 Durand Ave. Fri., 10 a.m.-8 p.m.; Sat., 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; Sun., 10 a.m.-4 p.m. \$55 weekend, \$25 per day. Reservations, 262-554-8708.

Feb. 25. Winter Quilt Show. Washington County Fair Park, 3000 Hwy PV, West Bend. 9 a.m.-4 p.m. \$5. For more information, 608-235-4859.

Mar. 4. Hooked Rugs and Quilts Documentation Day. Wisconsin Museum of Quilts and Fiber Artists, N 50 W5050 Portland Rd., Cedarburg. \$10 quilts; \$5 rugs. For more information wiqltmuseum.com.

Mar. 10-11. Augusta Quilt Show. 616 W. Washington St., Augusta. Fri., 10 a.m.-6 p.m.; Sat., 9 a.m.-3 p.m. \$3.

Mar. 18. National Quilting Day. Kenosha Public Museum, 5500 1st Ave. 8:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Quilting Workshop: Art Deco and Flower Fused Components; 10 a.m.-1:30 p.m., quilting demos; 2 p.m., Free Expression Quilts by Robi Joy Eklow. For a complete schedule of events, Kenosha.org/wp-museum/events.

Mar. 26-28. Quilt Show and Competition. (Prairie Heritage Quilters). St. Alberts Center, 2420 St. Albert the Great Dr., Sun Prairie. Sun., 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; Mon., 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; Tues., 9 a.m.-3 p.m. \$6.

May 8-10. Missouri Star Bus Trip 2017. Sew 'n Save and Fabric Gallery. \$399. For more information contact Karin Janssen Potter at 414-852-8800 or Karinjanssenpotter@gmail.com.

Interested in Quilt History?

The Racine Quilt History Group welcomes anyone interested in learning more about the rich and colorful history of quilt making. We generally meet from 10 to noon on Saturdays at Sew 'n Save. Here are the proposed dates and topics for 2017:

March 25 - Two color quilts June 24 - Quilts with the color brown September 23 - Foundation piecing.

Bring a quilt, a question or just yourself. For more information contact Jayne at jaynesteffens22@gmail.com.



March Workshop

For our first workshop of the season on Monday, March 27 from 1-4 pm, we will be welcoming Judy Levine, a fiber artist with a long-time interest in using nontraditional quilting fabrics that include wool, lame and silk. Her workshop is titled COUCHED APPLIQUE and includes techniques using "no turn under seam allowance, no unruly satin stitch and no excess bulk." There will be further information about the workshop, a supply list, and a sign-up sheet at the January meeting. If you have questions contact Judy Martin at jmartin121845@gmail.com or at [920-265-9758](tel:920-265-9758).



Happy New Years Quilters!!!!

Please remember that membership dues of \$30 are due in January. You can mail them to me at the guild's PO Box or to my home (address in directory) or bring them to our January meeting. If you have changes to your directory information complete a membership form but if everything remains the same, no form is needed. Prepare for a little membership fun during our door prize time! See you all in January,
Regina



LIGHTHOUSE QUILTERS GUILD

2017 Membership Form

Please complete this form and return it with \$30 (checks made payable to Lighthouse Quilters Guild).
You may sign up at a meeting or mail your membership form and payment to:

Lighthouse Quilters Guild
c/o Membership Vice-President
PO Box 081153
Racine, WI 53408-1153

If you would prefer your membership card mailed to you, please include a self-addressed stamped envelope with your form.

All members are **REQUIRED** to serve at least one month per year on the hospitality committee and are asked to make one quilt a year for our charities.

If all your membership information has remained unchanged, you do not need to complete a 2017 membership form with your payment.

Name: _____

Address _____
Street City State Zip

Winter Address _____

Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Email address _____ Birthday _____
Month/Day

How long have you been a member of LHQ: _____ Please estimate if you can't remember exactly.

Newsletter via (circle one): E-mail Need printed & Delivered

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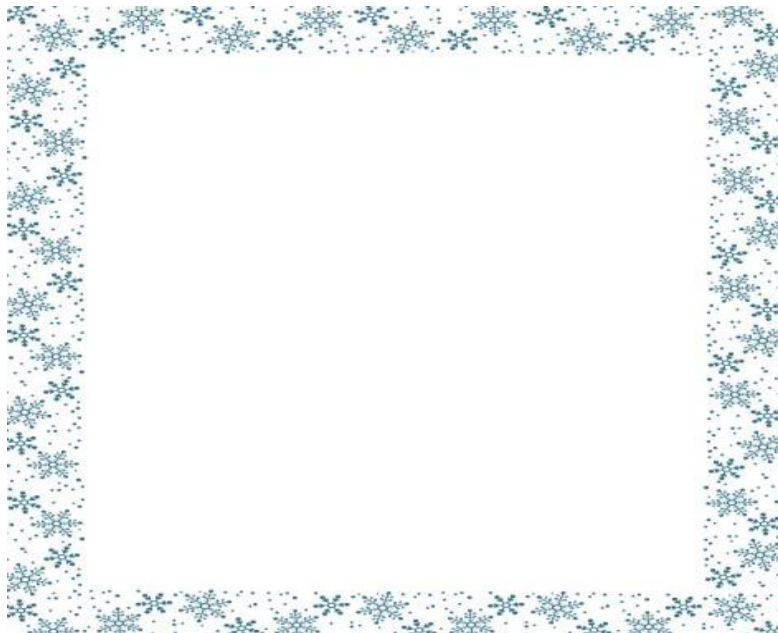
____ I would like to have a quilting mentor.

____ I would be willing to be a quilting mentor.

____ I would like to see a program or class on: _____

____ I am interested in a lecture by the following teacher/s: _____

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January Hospitality

February Hospitality

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In life we all come with baggage, mine's just full of fabric!