



March/April, 2012

President's Message

Every time I write one of these notes, I make reference to the importance of every member participating --- and this newsletter is no different, especially with our quilt show a little more than two months away. We need YOUR quilts; we need YOUR time; we need YOUR raffle ticket sales; we need YOUR silent auction items; in other words, WE NEED YOU!!! In all aspects of this show, please join your fellow guild members and help make this quilt show a huge success.

April is the month, when board members and committee chairs are announced, with elections in May. If you are interested in serving in any capacity, please let me or another board member know. We need these positions to be filled: vice-president, librarian, program co-chair, newsletter editor, website, welcome, quilt raffle chair. Any of you that attended the retreat know what a wonderful time was had by all. So wonderful that plans and a date are already set for next year (same weekend in January). Put it on your calendar now --- you won't be sorry. Many thanks to Shirley Waldrop, Denise McGinn and others for their work on this project.

I've been working to complete quilts for the show and find myself being somewhat critical of my results. I read this (and wrote it down) --- can't remember where, so I can't give proper credit. "When we are cutting, piecing, stitching --- we are passing down love --- our time and dedication, no matter what the purpose of our quilt." That gives me a different/better perspective.

As you know, we make doll quilts and larger quilts that are donated to fulfill needs in our community. The board has voted to ask you to bring non-perishable food items, paper goods, and/or money to each meeting. There will be a box and jar at the entry to accept your donations. Consider this: if forty of us attend and bring one item and 25 cents, we would have 40 food donations and \$10 to help those less fortunate --- so little from an individual, but it all adds up. When gathered together. Winston Churchill said: "We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give." Think about it!

Piecefully,
Carol

SAVE THE DATE:

As Carol mentioned, the 2013 LAP Retreat will be January 11, 12 and 13 at the same location as this year. More information and sign-up will be available this coming fall.

Shirley Waldrop

Haven House

At the February Board of Directors meeting, the board agreed that the members of the Lansing Area Patchers be asked each month to bring a canned or boxed food donation (or cash donation) to each guild meeting.

A box will be provided to place the donations in, and Denise McGinn has agreed to take the donations to the Haven House each month.

The Haven House is located in East Lansing, and houses homeless families. They also have a food bank that services the local community.

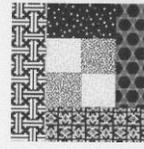
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QUILTS KALAMAZOO!

October 15 & 16, 2011
Saturday: 10:00 - 5:00
Sunday: 11:00 - 4:00

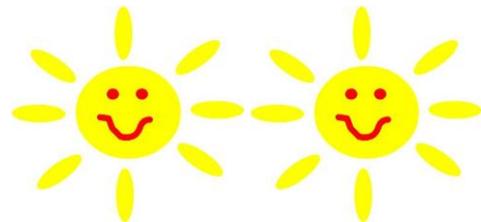
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Child (12 & Under) - \$2.00
The Admission covers both days.



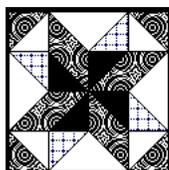
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Exit 80 on I-94 North on Sprinkle Road
to Lake Street. Turn west 9th to the Fairgrounds.

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300+ Quilts
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Please notify Sally Boron if you are aware of a member who has had in- patient or family who has had in- patient or out-patient surgery, experiencing a long illness, or who has lost a family member.



LAP Schedule of Events & Workshops for 2011 – 2012

Spring Retreat at Alpine Lodge in Gaylord, Michigan. The dates are April 13-15 and April 27-29. More information is available at 1-800-684-2233.