



September-October 2015

**FROM OUR PRESIDENT**

Dear LAP Members - Welcome to our returning members as well as our new members. I look forward to another great year together. How quickly the month of August has flown by. It is already time to gather again and enjoy the friendship, support, passion and joy of quilting with other like-minded ladies in our guild.

I have made several quilts over the summer but have given or will give them away as gifts. I always feel a little sad to see one of my quilts go off to a new home, especially if I may not have a chance to visit with it again.

There are many fun things planned for this year. It is also time to start working on our Quilt Show. Our show will be in July of 2016. I hope all of you will be able to give freely of your time and talents to help make this a successful event. Start thinking about what UFO's you could finish and put in the show. What projects could you suggest for the group to make to put in our new booth, the Gift Gallery?

Haven House is in need of reusable (NOT paper or plastic) shopping bags. Please check around the house for all those extras you have gotten at a show or event and bring them to our first meeting in September. We are also in need of a member who is willing to collect our donations each month and deliver them to Haven House for our group.

Bretton Woods Church was delighted with the patriotic quilt we donated. They are planning a program and raffle on November 20th. I will keep the group advised on how to purchase tickets for the raffle and the event as the date draws closer.

I hope to see everyone at our first meeting, September 3rd. Just a reminder, the doors will open at 6:30, the meeting starts at 7:00 p.m. Come in and check out what is new in the library, look at the freebies and other info at the check in site, and spend some time socializing with your fellow quilters.

PS Don't forget to wear a name tag!

Judy Heckathorn



Hi, I'm Debi Kinney your new Librarian.

Books will be set out before each meeting.

If you have any suggestions for books please let me know.

I hope to order books that would appeal to everyone in the guild.

Because of space I won't be able to set out all the books but will try to keep the most popular out.

Books are stored in a cabinet and will be open to look at them as well.

The previous board members have set up the following way to deal with late or missing books:

Books can be checked out for 1 month at a time. They can be renewed.

Books that are overdue will have fines of: \$1.00 per book for 1st month past due.

\$3.00 per book for 2 months past due.

\$5.00 per book for 3 months past due.

Four months or late the charge will be the full price of the book.

Also if the member cannot attend the guild meeting, she must notify the librarian before the meeting or the day after the meeting to avoid a fine.

I will try to send out reminders before the meeting

To check out a book just fill out the card that is in the book. Give the card to me. To check it back in, just return the book to me. Please pay any fines you owe to me at the meeting.



**Let our Sunshine Lady know.**

Hello everyone hope your summer is going well. I just wanted to let you know that I am the new LAP Sunshine Lady, so if you know of someone who has recently lost a loved one, or maybe had surgery or just not feeling well and needs a boost, just send me an email and let me know and I can get a card in the mail to them.

My email address is: [Ruth.Barnhill55@gmail.com](mailto:Ruth.Barnhill55@gmail.com) or

you can call me at 989-292-1653 Thank you.

**Show and Tell at each meeting-bring your quilts for all to share and admire!**

**TENTATIVE Lansing Area Patchers  
Program Schedule 2015-2016**

**September 3 – Membership Meeting**

NEW MEMBER Welcome! Introductions. Library Program.

**September 12-** Sew in. Gift gallery, placemats, doll quilts, quilt show ribbons?

Pending location

**October 1 – Membership Meeting**

Pam Marcis, Trunk Show

**October 3 – Sew-in.** Gift Gallery, placemats, doll quilts, quilt show ribbons

**November 5 – Membership meeting**

**Quilt B I N G O**

**December 3 - Membership Meeting**

Potluck Party

Block Exchange (Animals)

**January 7- Membership Meeting**

Local Member trunk show

Prep for Retreat

January 8-10 - **Retreat – Okemos**

**LAP has a scholarship program** to provide financial assistance to members who would otherwise be unable to attend guild workshops or the retreat for financial reasons. It will provide a maximum award of up to \$100 to cover registration and materials only. A member may apply once per year. If you feel you are a member who could benefit from this program please contact me, Judy Heckathorn for more information. All inquiries will be kept confidential.

**January Retreat - January 8-10, 2016**

The January Retreat Committee has met and has finalized the 2016 retreat activities. New this year will be an optional baby mystery quilt. Nancy Thelen has designed the pattern, and will tell you more about it at the September meeting. Also in this newsletter is a page detailing the event. Please note there are some things you should be working on now:

- figure out what you want to bring for the potluck and for snacks
- start pricing and labeling your garage sale items with your name
- attend the September meeting to find out more about the Mystery Baby Quilt
- start making 12 1/2" blocks with a basket theme for the block blotto
- cut some 2 1/2" x 10" strips, and some 2 1/2" blocks in Black and White for the charity quilt

- make a quilted cover for your sewing machine (no theme needed, just anything you want). Keep this a secret until Saturday when Sue Ann tells us to put them on our machines.

Sign up sheets will be available at the September, October and November meetings.

The retreat is limited to 50.

If you have questions, contact Shirley Waldrop



LANSING AREA PATCHERS -SIXTH ANNUAL QUILT RETREAT  
**JANUARY 8-10, 2016**

The sixth annual LAP retreat is coming up fast. Details of the retreat are below. Please direct any questions to Shirley Waldrop. Non-member price is the same as members. Payment must be made by the first of the November.

**WHERE:** HOLIDAY INN IN OKEMOS  
**TIME:** 9:00 AM, Friday, January 8, through  
 6:00 PM, Sunday, January 10, 2016



**COST OF RETREAT ONLY** - \$70.00 (includes cost of the sewing room, dinner on Saturday and lunch on Sunday)

**COST OF HOTEL ROOM** – You can stay at the Holiday Inn Express (has a pool) or the Comfort Inn (does not have a pool). The Comfort Inn is connected to the conference center so you don't have to go outside to get to the sewing room. Remember it is January and the weather might be bad.

**Holiday Inn Express-** \$104.94 per night (includes all taxes and fees). This price is for up to two people per room. If you add a third or fourth person it is an additional \$8.00 a night per person. Call the Holiday Inn at 517-349-8700 to reserve your room. Be sure to mention you are an LAP member.

**Comfort Inn-**\$94.34 per night. Call 517-347-6690 to reserve your room. Be sure to mention you are a LAP member.

**RETREAT ACTIVITIES**

*(Ironing Boards and Irons will be provided. Coffee/Tea will be available in the am, with water service all day)*

**FRIDAY - LUNCH** is on your own (brown bag or eat out).

- **FRIDAY EVENING POTLUCK**-Beginning at 6:30 p.m., we are having a potluck. Bring your favorite potluck food to share as well as your own drink. Table service provided.
- **GARAGE SALE** - Bring garage sale items (priced with your name on them) and share with fellow quilters.
- **BABY MYSTERY QUILT (New-optional!)** - Work on your baby mystery quilt. Details will be given at LAP meetings.
- **SNACKS** – There will be a table set up for snacks that you are willing to share with the group.
- **BLOCK BLOTTO** – 12 1/2" with a Basket Theme (you will get a drawing ticket for each block you make)

**SATURDAY** –Sewing Machine Cover challenge and viewing in the evening before dinner. Prizes for 1st, 2nd, 3rd place.

- Breakfast is served, if you stay at the hotel. Otherwise you are on your own.
- Lunch is on your own (we usually have lots of leftovers from the Friday potluck).  
 You may want to eat light, as dinner will be a great buffet  
 (DINNER BUFFET – 5:30 p.m. served by the hotel and is included in the cost of the retreat. This will be a large meal with your choice of two different entrees with several side dishes as well as dessert.
- Work on blocks for group charity quilt (you will receive a ticket for each one made for a chance to win a prize).  
 (cut 2 1/2" x 10" strips, and 2 1/2" squares, in Black and White, and bring them with you to donate to this project)
- **SHOW AND TELL** – All day long
- **GARAGE SALE** – All day long



**SLEEP IN SUNDAY** – Not really – get up as early as you want or sleep in.

- Breakfast is served, if you stay at the hotel. Otherwise you are own your own.
- Drawing for Blotto Blocks, 12 1/2" - Basket Theme
- **LUNCH** – 12:00 noon is included in the cost of the retreat. This will be a buffet which will include your choice of two different sandwich wraps, chips, two additional sides and dessert.
- **SHOW AND TELL**, and **GARAGE SALE** –All day long
- **SHOW AND TELL BABY MYSTERY QUILTS (new!)**
- Wrap up by 6:00 pm

We will be in the larger sewing room, in the conference center, so we can all sew together!

## Quilt Show: Save the Date: July 15 & 16 (Friday & Saturday), 2016

Welcome back Lap members. This upcoming year we will be preparing for our quilt show. Having our Quilt Show in July presents a challenge in that we don't meet for the month of July. Our Quilt Show committee will schedule all the key elements, essential to running a successful Quilt Show, before the last meeting in June. In other words be prepared to submit your Commit to Hang forms and quilts **as if** we were having a Quilt Show in June.

We are adding a new section to our Quilt Show called the Gift Gallery. We would ask our members to donate small items we can price at under \$20. Anything over \$20 should go to the Silent Auction. Baby, MSU or UofM themed are very popular for both of these sections of the Quilt Show. Examples will be presented at our LAP meeting.

A workshop is scheduled to sew some of the Gift Gallery items. Jan Dassance & Ruth Barnhill will have ideas & patterns available. We welcome any/all suggestions you may have. We will also be sewing/making ribbons at the sew-in day.

Nancy Thelen: Quilt Show Chair

### QUILT SHOW POSITIONS

Chair: Nancy Thelen

Entrance Table: Marsha Pettinger

Door Prizes: Judy Heckathorn

Garage Sale: SueAnn Cole

Silent Auction: Michelle Allen & Joyce Denning

Gift Gallery: Jan Dassance & Ruth Barnhill

Layout: Beth Haubenstricker & Jewell Kodilla

Data Entry: Evelyn Bochenek & Laura Baert

Vendors: Sally Boron & Shirley Waldrop

Hospitality / Votes: Minda Schneider

Volunteers:

Publicity: Maxine Litzinger & Denise McGinn

Drapes & Poles: Maxine Litzinger

Ribbons:

At the September 3rd meeting, Tracy Litzinger, who is in charge of the raffle quilt, will be asking for volunteers to sell raffle tickets at the Capital City Quilt Guild's Quilt Show. The date is Friday September 18 from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Saturday September 19 the same hours.

It takes place at the Summit, 9410 Davis Highway, Dimondale MI. We hope to have two workers each shift and have 2-hour shifts. We will have a sign up sheet at the meeting.

## Upcoming Quilt Events around the area

Niles Piecemakers Guild of Niles MI is holding a quilt show on September 12th and 13th. For more information please go to Niles Piecemaker Quilt Guild on Facebook for times and location.

The Sunrise Side Quilt Celebration 2015

Sponsored by Wednesday Night Strippers Quilt Guild, Au Gres Quilt Guild  
October 3, 2015. 10 am – 5 pm.

Au Gres-Sims High School, 310 S. Court, Au Gres, MI.

Trunk Show by Sue Wilson, Judy Niemeyer Certified Instructor. \$5 at the door.

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### ■ **September 18-19, 2015**

Going to Pieces 2015,

[Capitol City Quilt Guild's Show](#)

[The Summit](#), Lansing, MI

### ■ **September 19, 2015**

North Star Quilt Show

St. Ann's Catholic Church,

Cadillac, MI

### ■ **September 25-26, 2015**

Quilters Showcase

[Birch Run Expo Center](#),

Birch Run, MI

### ■ **September 28, 2015 - April 30, 2016**

[Quilts of Southern China](#)

MSU Museum, East Lansing, MI

### ■ **October 9-10, 2015**

[Kalamazoo Log Cabin Quilters Show](#)

Expo Center, Kalamazoo Fair Grounds,

2900 Lake Street, Kalamazoo, MI

### **Note from the Treasurer**

If you are turning in a request for reimbursement, please complete the appropriate form with receipts (can be found in the members only section of the LAP website or you can ask for one from Denise McGinn, LAP Treasurer). You must turn in copies of the receipts in order to receive reimbursement.

Please wear nametags to each of our Guild meetings so we can more easily get to know one another.

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Nancy Thelen

**Happy Birthday!! To our LAP Members with Birthdays in September and October.**

Sue Ann Cole	September 25	Pam Allen	October 11
Lennie Rathbun	September 2	Mary McCulloch	October 24
Van Rothenberger	September 21	Coreen Strzalka	October 20



