



January/February, 2012

## President's Message

Dear LAPpers,  
As I pointed out to our newsletter editor, I have been MIA and AWOL!

I must say this holiday season has been very different for our family --- good, but different. I've had little or no time to do anything "quilty" --- it hasn't kept me from thinking about it and, occasionally, giving my sewing machine a loving glance.

I know our May quilt show will be here before we know it, and I urge all of you to join me in finishing our projects (no, don't ask me how many!). We have workshops and a retreat coming up early in the year --- more opportunities for us to sew together, eat together, have fun together (and make progress on those projects!). I hope you will take part in these as much as you are able. Volunteer lists for the quilt show will soon be ready --- be sure to sign them more than once. Our quilt show chairs have been working hard to make this show a success

and they need all of our cooperation and participation.

Have you heard "Man plans, God laughs"? ...well, I plan to resume normal activity by the end of January and I'm hoping there is no heavenly laughter! Thank you to Sally Boron and Denise McGinn for their help in my absence. "Don't forget, Moses started as a basket case" --- I keep telling myself. I wish for you all good health and happiness in 2012 --- and lots of time to do what you want (like maybe some more quilting?!).

Piecefully,  
Carol

## January Program

Just a reminder that Kay Nichols will be presenting a Trunk Show at the meeting and a Saturday program.

If you wish to attend you may sign up at the January meeting. Come learn how to piece curves without pinning.

January Retreat  
13th, 14th and 15th

3 pm Friday - 6pm Sunday

There are still a few openings left for our fun filled getaway weekend.

If you choose to come for just one day:

Friday: \$25.00 which includes a picnic potluck dinner at 6 pm. Dessert will be provided.

Saturday: \$40.00 includes dinner at 4:30 Buffet-Chicken Kiev and Beef Tips & Rice at 4:30 p.m.

Sunday: \$35.00 includes a buffet lunch at 12 noon. If you have food allergies, please let Shirley know before the retreat.

I need to know which day or days you are coming for a food count and room availability.

All three days \$ 68.00.

The cost of a room is \$89 plus taxes.....for two people .

\$8.00 more for each additional person up to 4 people. You make your own reservation at the Holiday Inn Express, Okemos and tell them you are with LAP.

Please let Shirley Waldrop know what you plan to do and you can pay her at our January meeting or call and mail it to her.

Things to do at the retreat:

-get to know our guild members

- work on our May quilt show projects.

- bring your project you have questions about or want the opinion from others.

-just relax, swim in the pool, use hot tub, etc. (that is if you are staying there).

- participate in the block challenge. Make a 12 ½ quilt block with a jungle or zoo animal theme. Get info from Jewel Kodilla at the January meeting or call her at 517-646-9388.

Remember Saturday is crazy sock day.

Dress casual...even stay in pj's if you want.

You do not have to be a member to participate. We welcome all happy fun loving quilters or want wannabee quilters.

Shirley Waldrop

### Quilt Show Update

The first drawing for a charm pack is in January, so get those Commit to Hang forms filled out!!!!

We still need one more quilt drop off location, preferably in the West side of Lansing area. A detailed description of what is required of a "drop off location" was in the LAP's last newsletter and is available on the LAP website.

The Quilt Show Committee has decided to give a little gift to each person who comes to our quilt show. Please review your stash and bring any fabric you would be willing to donate, cut into fat 1/8's (9" X 22") to our March meeting. We will tie these up at the beginning of our March meeting. We also need ribbon donations to use for ties. Please start thinking about where you would like to volunteer to work at our quilt show. The volunteer signup sheets will be available starting at our February LAP meeting. Don't forget to keep gathering pant hangers with the swivel heads.

Nancy Thelen

### Silent Auction at the Quilt Show

There will be a Silent Auction again this year at our quilt show. This is a booth that has been very popular. Needed are donations of quilt craft items you have made. These will

then be on display with bid sheets for each item. Please deliver them to Michelle Allen or Joyce Denning, and include your name and a name/description of your donation. They may be given to Michelle or Joyce at LAP meetings. Thank you for your involvement which will help LAP to support our charitable work.

Michelle Allen

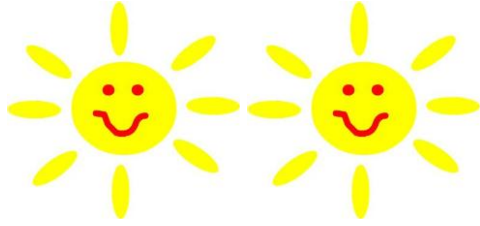
### Quilt Show Garage Sale

Please begin collecting items for the Garage Sale, a fund raising activity at the Quilt show. We will be accepting sewing/quilting related items such as books (both hardback and softback), notions, patterns, intact magazine (no pages missing, please), stencils and fabric.

All items will be priced to sell.

Please bring items to the show in May. We do not have space to store items.

Evelyn Bochenek, Van Rothenberger



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

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### **LAP Schedule of Events & Workshops for 2011 - 2012**

