



November-December 2013

### FROM THE PRESIDENT

Living most of my life by an academic calendar, fall has always been the beginning of the year for me. I am energized and ready to start new things. I clean out cupboards, sort through magazines and get my fabric all lined up and ready to go. These activities were a bit delayed this year with the stretch of beautiful weather we have had recently. I found myself out in the yard or taking longer walks in the sun when I would usually be in my sewing room. So I was a bit giddy to see the gloomy stretch of weather we have coming up. I look out my window today and see an overcast sky and a chilly wind blowing. A great day to “start”.  
Yes, I will start going through my UFOs and PHDs and decide which ones to begin again. I will look at my magazines, books and patterns and start planning new projects. I will lovingly caress my batik stash and try to convince myself again that I really need to start using some of it. I’ll look at my Christmas and charity projects and get them ready to finish. Then, I will sit down in front of my sewing machine, listen as it starts up and hear it’s beautiful hum! I will turn on some great music, grab some squares and “start”.  
Ah fall - I am so glad you are here!

I hope you too are energized and inspired to create beautiful quilts this season.

Happy Fall,  
Kay



### From the Library Corner...

Have you heard of Kaye England? Some of you may not know that Kaye was here a few years ago. We enjoyed an excellent and fun workshop with her. We have three of her teaching DVDs in our library. This is a great way to learn and be inspired! Let me know if any books or DVD's catch your attention and should be in our library.  
Joyce Denning  
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## LAP SCHEDULE OF EVENTS & WORKSHOPS 2013-2014

NOV 7- LAP meeting: Kathy Norton  
from Around the Block Quilt Shop, Portland,  
Demo

Nov 9- Yo-Yo workshop

DEC 5- LAP meeting: Pot Luck  
Turn in placemats for Meals on Wheels

JAN 2- LAP meeting: Brown Bag  
Exchange, (6 fat quarters in a brown bag)  
Jan 10-12- Winter Retreat, Lansing

FEB 6- LAP meeting: Katherine  
Gardner: Sadie's Dream for a Cure, Inc.,  
Lapeer. Tote bag demo

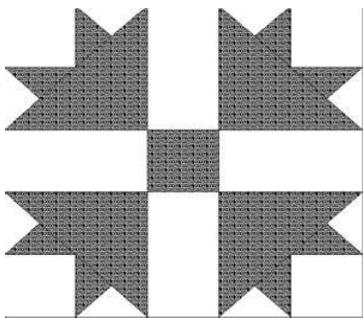
MAR 6- LAP meeting: Linda McGibbon  
& Leslie Peterson, Midland. Trunk show  
Mar 8- Workshop

APR 3- LAP meeting: Delphine Miller &  
Anna Rowland, Delphine's Quilt Shop,  
Gaylord. Quilting put to music.  
Apr 5- Sew-in at Foster

MAY 1- LAP meeting: Quilt show final  
preparation and discussion  
MAY 17-18- LAP QUILT SHOW

JUN 5- LAP meeting: Pot Luck and quilt  
show wrap up  
Brown Bag Quilt exchange of completed quilts

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



## QUILT SHOW UPDATE

Keeping in mind that putting on a quilt show will take commitment from our whole membership, we decided to make our goal a one hundred percent participation from our membership, i.e. one quilt hung from each member.

Our **Quilt Hang/Placement Chair** has had an unexpected issue come up which prevents her from attending the quilt show. Consequently, we will need someone to work with Beth Haubenstricker to learn and lead this process. Beth has generously offered to pass on her experience to the new chairperson. Please consider taking on this position.

**Bookmarks** will be available to pick up at our meetings. Please take these to any "out of town" quilt shops you will be visiting. The more attendees to our quilt show, means more profit. So let's get the word out. Our raffle quilt is a wonderful way to increase our revenues to keep our dues low and enjoy guest speakers. Be sure to pick up your raffle tickets.

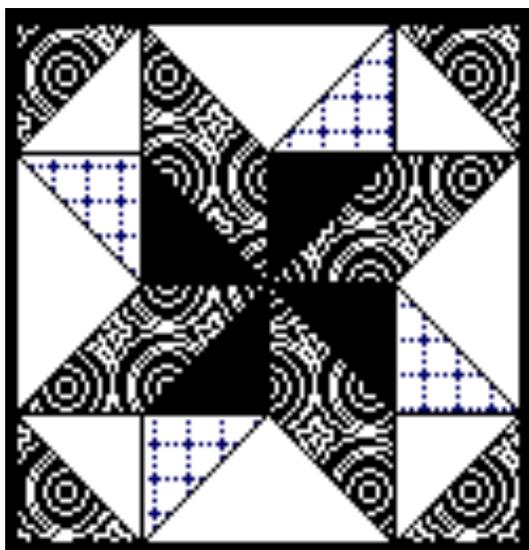
Does anyone have a knack for taking **photographs**? We would like to have each quilt at our quilt show photographed and then place the photos on cd's as well as post them to our website.

**We will be explaining** each month, starting in October, the different aspects of **the quilt show** as an education to our new members and a reminder to our members.

## The following are your quilt show chairs:

Quilt Show Chair - Nancy Thelen  
Silent Auction - Michelle Allen and Joyce Denning  
Garage Sale - SueAnn Cole  
Publicity- Denise McGinn and Maxine Litzinger  
Entrance Table - Kay Parkhouse  
Quilt Registration - Evelyn Bochenek and Van Rothenberger  
Quilt Pre-hang and Location -  
Door Prizes - Judy Heckathorn  
Ribbons - Bea Hughes  
Volunteers - Denise McGinn  
Vendors - Shirley Waldrop  
Raffle Quilt Tickets - Shirley Waldrop  
Hospitality - Minda Schneider  
LAP Display - Pat Linnell and Lennie Rathbun  
Drapes & Poles - Maxine Litzinger  
Quilt Drop off coordinator-  
Photographer -

## Quilt Show May 17 & 18, 2014



## Charity quilts.

The Guild will reimburse for expenses you incur specifically for our charity work. The treasurer has a form to be filled out and a receipt is required. This would cover fabric, batting and backing costs. We have a number of different charity projects.

Our doll quilts for the **Salvation Army Christmas** should finish at 18" x 22". We have a goal of 300 doll quilts.

Bed quilts for the **Maplewood Women and Children's Shelter**, should be long twins --- 63" x 90".

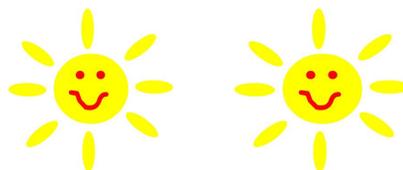
Other sizes are donated to other facilities, such as Haven House.

**Haven House**-we collect food monthly for a donation and/or money

**Sadie's Dream for a Cure** will accept any size quilt and they will quilt them and provide the batting and backing, if needed.

We provide 2 quilts to the **Hartland Fire Dept.**, one of which is raffled by them for funds.

We also make and donate placemats for **Meals On Wheels**.



**Let our Sunshine Lady know.**

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.

Thank you.

## Upcoming Quilt Events around the area.

Nov. 1-3, 2013

Mackinaw Quilters Retreat  
Bridge Vista Beach Hotel & Conf. Center  
[www.mackinawquiltersretreat.com](http://www.mackinawquiltersretreat.com)

Nov. 8, 2013 (10 a.m.-5 p.m.)

Sewing Products that ROCK! With Sylvain Bergeron, Tari Intardonato, Sue Nickels and Pat Holly - \$45. Presented by Ann Arbor Sewing Center & Brewer Sewing Supply Weber's Inn, 3050 Jackson Ave. Ann Arbor, MI 48103  
[www.annarborsewing.com](http://www.annarborsewing.com)

Nov. 14, 2013 (7 p.m.)

Sandy Klop Lecture  
& Workshops (Nov. 15-16)  
"The American Jane Story in Fabric"  
[www.americanjane.com](http://www.americanjane.com)

Great Lakes Heritage Quilters  
Birmingham Unitarian Church  
38651 Woodward Ave,  
Bloomfield Hills, MI  
[www.glhq.org](http://www.glhq.org)

Nov. 21, 2013 (7 p.m.)

Debbie Grifka Lecture  
& Workshop (Nov. 23<sup>rd</sup>)  
"What do they mean by Modern Quilts?"  
[www.eschhousequilts.com](http://www.eschhousequilts.com)  
CAMEO Quilters Guild  
Clawson United Methodist Church  
205 N. Main St. (Livernois), Clawson, MI  
48017 [www.cameoquilters.org](http://www.cameoquilters.org)



## LANSING AREA PATCHERS -FOURTH ANNUAL QUILT RETREAT JANUARY 10-12, 2014



The fourth 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 guild meeting of November.

**WHERE:** HOLIDAY INN IN OKEMOS  
**TIME:** 9:00 AM, Friday, January 10,  
through 6:00 PM, Sunday, January 12, 2014

**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). Both are 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**- \$107.35 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**-\$96.05 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 PICNIC

- Beginning at 6:30 p.m., we are having a picnic. Bring your favorite picnic food to share as well as your own drink. Shirley is

providing the desserts. Table service provided.

- GARAGE SALE - Bring in your garage sale items (priced and with your name on them) and share with your fellow quilting friends.
- SNACKS – There will be a table set up for snacks that you are willing to share with the group.
- BLOCK BLOTTO – 12 ½” Batik Stars

### Winter Retreat Apron Challenge

- Pull out your fancy apron, make one or buy one and decorate it based on one of the categories below. The apron can be any style you wish. We will be parading our aprons on Saturday night after dinner. Everyone will have a chance to vote and the winner will be announced late Saturday evening.

#### *Apron Categories –*

- *Decorated for the Holidays* - Decorate your apron for any holiday you wish
- *Oh - la - la What would Julia Child Do* - Decorate your apron like Julia might if in France!
- *Wear Your Quilted Apron* - Create/Decorate a patchwork apron for all to see.

### SATURDAY –

- Breakfast is served, if you stay at the hotel. Otherwise you are on your own.
- Lunch is on your own, however, you may want to eat very light as dinner will be a great buffet (we usually have lots of leftovers from the Fri picnic)
- 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).
- 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 (more on this later)
- 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
- Wrap up by 6:00 pm
- Shirley will be taking money and reservations at the November Guild meeting. We need to know how many are going by this meeting.

You may contact Shirley Waldrop if you have any questions.

517-626-6216 or 517-449-0325.

We are returning to the larger sewing room, in the conference center, so we can all sew together!

