



Lansing Area Patchers



MARCH APRIL 2013

From the President:

I know SPRING is coming! I KNOW SPRING is coming!! I KNOW SPRING IS COMING!!! --- Probably not soon enough to suit me. That is my mantra, as I look at the heavy snow and listen to the accident reports, caused by icy roads. We continually hope for better: better health, better weather, better quilts. ...And I think of quilters as optimistic people, always trying to make the world a better place by using their creativity, whether it is for their home, a gift, a donation. When we are cutting, piecing, stitching, we are passing down love --- our time and dedication, no matter what the purpose of our quilt. Adding love to this world --- what could be better?!

The Quilt Show Committee has begun meeting --- realizing how quickly time passes and we need to start preparing. Because we have a small guild, it is more important than ever, that we have full participation. It is early now, but quilts will be needed --- let's get them underway. We've had many projects this year --- they can be finished and displayed together. That is one of the things I particularly enjoy about quilting --- how each individual interprets a set of directions. Have you started/finished our 30th Anniversary challenge? Remember, it can be a "flimsy" for our June meeting. I hope you are taking part in it.

...And, speaking/writing of participating ... it is time to elect the

Board for the coming year. This is a volunteer board and this is your guild. It is pretty hard to continue, if members don't assume responsibilities. None of the positions is overwhelming and it is very rewarding to work together. Please think about taking one of the open positions.

The office of President is one that needs to be filled. I've been told that I need to decide on my "President's block". ...But, I'm doing my brown bag challenge, my anniversary quilt, my flower block! Yikes --- another decision! ...So, this is my request: a bright, scrappy star (any pattern), with a blue background (light or dark), any size. Please sign the front of the block. This will be another challenge for me --- getting it together for our next show. ...And thank you!

We have some wonderful activities coming to finish out our year. I know I'm beating the participation drum --- I hope to see you all enjoying the time we spend together. The days are getting longer --- SPRING really is coming!
Piecefully,
Carol

P.S. I've seen a picture of the raffle quilt --- it is fantastic!! Thanks to Laura and Jewell for planning and assembling it and thanks to all of you for making the blocks. ...Now, get ready to sell tickets. ...And many thanks to the retreat committee --- what a wonderful time we all had. Plans are already underway for next year's retreat.



Trunk Show by Member, Beatrice Hughes March 7, 2013

Beatrice will begin by showing a few of her first quilts. Next will be a series of quilt-as-you go quilts. Most of these came about from projects she taught. A series of flannel quilts, most containing scraps from shirts she sewed for her sons as they grew up will follow. Quilting does not always have to be about bed or wall quilts so she will show a couple quilting projects that are cute and cuddly. There will be a couple antique quilts and one antique top. Finally, she will show a few of her art quilts.

LAP Schedule of Events & Workshops 2013

March 7th 6:30-9 pm

Beatrice Hughes Trunk Show

March 9th 9 am – 4 pm

Beatrice Hughes Workshop

Foster Center

April 4th 6:30 – 9 pm

Brown Bag Presentation

April 6th 9 am – 4 pm

Sew-in, do your own thing.

Foster Center

May 2nd 6:30-9 pm

Beth Donaldson, History of Quilts

June 6th 6:30-9 pm

Denise McGinn will present the

History of LAP Quilt Guild

Potluck Party

Founding members are invited

Flower Block Exchange

From the Library Corner

Is there a particular book or author that you would like to see in our library?

Write down the title and author and give it to me at guild or email. Joyce Denning
gardening@sbcglobal.net

Upcoming Michigan Quilt Guild Shows, Sales and Lectures:

American Quilters Society Quilt Show in Grand Rapids:

Open Registration for the 2013 Grand Rapids show will begin on May 13, 2013.

Paducah Quilt Show

For information about AQS QuiltWeek, April 24-27, 2013

Visit www.americanquilter.com

2013 Quilts From the Heart

Friday, April 5 and Saturday April 6

Roseville Recreation Center

18185 Sycamore

Roseville MI

For more information visit our website:

www.qgmd.org

London Quilt Festival

“Out of Africa”

June 12-15, 2013

Grand Ballroom Hilton Hotel

330 King St., London, Ont.

www.londoninternationalquiltfestival.com

519-639-9473

Caramel Corn Recipe from Ruth Barnhill

2 cups brown sugar

2 sticks (1 cup) butter

½ tsp. cream of tartar

½ cup light corn syrup

Mix together. Bring to a boil. Time for 5 minutes from when boiling starts.

Add 1 tsp. baking soda, stirring thoroughly into mixture.

Pour over 16 cups popped corn. Carefully stir until corn is covered.

Place in 250-degree oven for 1 hour. Stir every 15 minutes throughout baking time to completely cover corn.

Historian Report

At our June potluck we will celebrate LAP's 30th year in existence! As part of the celebration we will be giving each LAP member a commemorative T-Shirt. There is no cost to the guild or the member for the shirt. **We need your T-Shirt size.** If you haven't already provided it, please email your T-Shirt size to Denise McGinn at threemcginn@aol.com. The T-Shirts are being sponsored by the following:

Everlasting Stiches
Laundry Basket Quilts
Lee's Lines LLC
The Warm Company
Kay Nickols

We are still accepting additional sponsors. If you know of a quilt shop or business that would like to help us celebrate our anniversary, please give them the attached donation form.

We are also accepting door prize donations. If you are stopping at a quilt shop, ask them if they would be willing to donate. So far, we have door prize donations from:

Country Stiches
Jena Moreno
Dear Stella
StudioE Fabrics
Clothworks Textiles
Laundry Basket Quilts

We thank all of our supporters!



2012 – 2013 LAP Board

President:	Carol Schon
Vice Pres:	Judy Heckathorn
Secretary:	Nancy Thelen
Treasurer:	Evelyn Bochenek
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	Jewell Kodilla

Welcome Committee:

Minda Schneider
SueAnn Cole

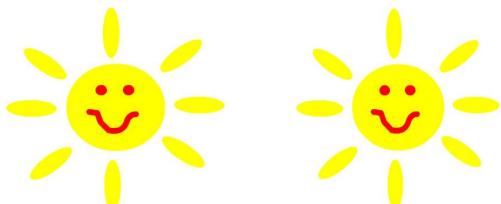
Quilt Challenge: Nancy VanConant

2014 Quilt Show Chairs

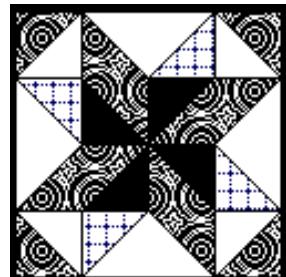
Chair:	Nancy Thelen
	Kay Parkhouse
Raffle Quilt:	Laura Baert
	Jewell Kodilla

OFFICERS NEEDED FOR 2013-2014

President
Secretary
Program Chair



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



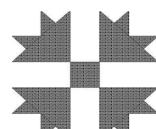
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2012-2013
BROWN BAG CHALLENGE

The Brown Bag Challenge is an activity that allows each of us to explore our creative quilt making talents. Participants select fabrics of their choice, place them in a "Brown Paper Bag," and bring them to the November 1st, 2012 meeting. During the meeting, if you bring a bag, you are allowed to select a bag. You take the bag home and make up a quilt top (top only) with the fabrics from the bag you selected following the rules outlined below. It is fun and can be challenging to work with fabrics outside of your own comfort zone. The tops are collected, and the makers present to the owners the quilt tops at our April 4th, 2013 meeting. Remember that it is a challenge, be creative and have fun. Please consider being part of this fun, challenging activity.

2012* Brown Bag Rules *2013

1. Place 6 fat quarters of cotton fabric in a small brown paper bag.
2. On the outside of the bag, write the letter that corresponds to your choice of design approaches.
 - A. ALLOW ONE - The maker may add NONE, or ONLY ONE fabric of their choice along with those you have placed in the bag, to complete the quilt top for you.
 - B. BE CREATIVE - The maker may add NONE, or AS MANY fabrics as they choose along with those you have placed in the bag to complete the quilt top for you.
3. Write YOUR name on a piece of paper. Place the paper in an envelope, seal the envelope. Attach the sealed envelope to the OUTSIDE of the bag.
4. Bring the bag, marked with A or B to the November 1, 2012 meeting. Place the bag on the collection table. (The sealed envelopes will be removed by Program Manager ONLY.) She will put the name of the person selecting a bag on the envelope and keep until the April 1, 2013 meeting.
5. During the November meeting, you will have the opportunity to select a bag of your choice to work on. The quilt tops are due back by the APRIL 4th, 2013 meeting, along with any remaining fabric. As indicated above the quilt tops will be presented to the owners at the APRIL meeting.
6. The sizing requirement is based on adding up the outside edges:

Minimum: 96 inches Maximum: No max



Ricky Tims, Alex Anderson, and Libby Lehman Super quilt seminar!

This is a reminder to be sure to review the information below and all of the information on Ricky's website www.rickytims.com.

Coming to Rochester, MI
May 2-4, 2013
Oakland Christian Church
Ricky Tims, Alex Anderson, and Libby Lehman
A One-Time Opportunity for Quilters

Ricky says: My Super Quilt Seminars are only presented three or four times each year and it's not possible to repeat locations. Let me encourage you not to miss this event while it is in your neck of the woods. I know it's hard to wrap your mind around a quilting event where you sit and listen without any sewing, but the truth of the matter is that you will learn more than you can imagine. The response everywhere we go is over-the-top and the saddest words I hear are, "I'm so sorry my friend didn't come – they would have loved it!" Not only will you learn the best I have to share, but Alex Anderson and Libby Lehman both teach amazing techniques as well as giving away their best kept secrets. Since there is no sewing, there is no supply list and you won't be going home with a UFO. Everyone attends all sessions so you do not have to pick and choose your teachers or classes. Expect to leave the seminar with renewed confidence and enthusiasm. Over the two and a half days of the seminar you will learn lessons suited for experienced quilters, novice quilters, traditional quilters and contemporary quilters. You will learn simple, efficient techniques and explore the principles for successful original designs. If that were not enough, the seminar is loaded with projects that will allow you to try the various techniques when you get back to your sewing studio. Prepare to have your head spinning with excitement. All of the sessions are enlightening and insightful and we all do our best to keep you laughing and entertained while bringing you the best we have to offer. I'm so confident you will find this seminar to be worth it to you that I offer a full money back guarantee if you are not satisfied! Come with members of your guild or create your own mini-group. Register early and save!! I look forward to seeing you there! – Ricky

Sign up early with your friends and SAVE!

Large group registration (10 or more) \$184 each • Save \$40!

Large Group Deadline is February 15, 2013

Small group registration (2–9 individuals) \$199 each • Save \$25!

Small Group Deadline is March 16, 2013

Single registration \$224 • each Registration deadline is April 12, 2013.

The Lansing Area Patchers Quilt Guild is turning 30!

Join us as a sponsor for this major milestone in our history!

The Lansing Area Patchers (LAP), located in Lansing, Michigan, is made up of local quilters that love producing wonderful and challenging quilts.

The Lansing Area Patchers Quilt Guild was founded in 1983. The objectives of the Guild are:

- to provide a forum for quilters to meet and exchange ideas
- to form a vehicle for bringing qualified experts in the field to educate members through seminars and workshops
- to contribute charitable and/or educational services to the community

Currently, we have an active membership roster of 70 members.



We need your help in celebrating our achievements over the past 30 years!

Our goal is to raise enough funding to purchase commemorative T-shirts for all of our current and founding members. Sponsors will also receive a T-Shirt.

As a sponsor (*only \$75.00*), your name will appear on the back of the LAP 30th Anniversary T-shirts. We will ensure that our members know about your commitment to our guild and our purpose. We will also feature your donation on our website leading up to our Anniversary Celebration on June 6, 2013, where the T-shirts will be distributed.

I wish to become a T-Shirt Sponsor for the LAP 30th Anniversary Celebration. I understand that for a donation of **\$75.00** my name will appear on the back of the T-Shirts.

Name to appear on the shirt: _____

Contact Person: _____ T- Shirt Size _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

Authorized Signature: _____

I will be sending a door prize (Fabric, retail quilt items, gift certificates, gift baskets, hotel stays, travel packages, etc.)

Please make checks payable to and send to:

Lansing Area Patchers

1895 Ridgewood Drive
East Lansing, MI 48823
Tax i.d. #38-2558275



All sponsorship forms must be submitted with payment by **May 1, 2013**.

Questions? Contact Denise McGinn at 517-515-0788 or email threemcginn@aol.com.

Your donation is sincerely appreciated! Thank you!

