



November December 2010

The President Says.....

I want to thank you all of you that have turned in President blocks so far. As you can see they are beautiful. I give all of the quilts I make away, so it will be nice to assemble this one, and finally have one in my house. I plan to use it in my family room (where we spend most of our time).



Right after I had surgery this summer I got a call from Carol Schon mentioning that book illustrator Gijsbert van Frankenhuyzen (goes by Mr. Nick) was looking for a mother and daughter that both quilt to paint in the “Q is for Quilt” book that he is illustrating. Nick came out to our house and took about 50 photographs of Mary and me holding up our quilts (I’ve pictured the ones he chose). He then did a painting of the photo he liked best. I’ve heard that his paintings have been sent to the publisher. I think the book is due to come out in the Spring! I believe we will be featured under the letter “A” (is for artist). My daughter Mary is so excited. We’ll probably have to buy a thousand copies of the book, so I can give them to everyone we know! Thank you Carol for thinking of us!



The **December** guild meeting will be our annual Holiday pot luck. The dinner will start at 7:00 pm so we can eat while the food is still warm/cold.

Please bring your own table service and a

dish to pass. Coffee will be provided. After the meal we will have a short business meeting and show and tell! If you would be willing to show up to the church early at 6:00 pm to start the coffee, please email me at threemcginns@aol.com. If you would like to volunteer to decorate, please let me know that as well.

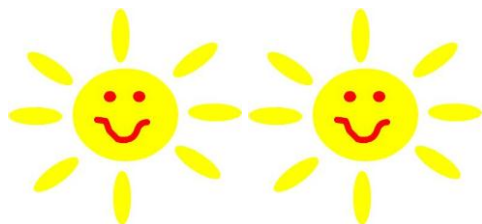
Thank you,
Denise McGinn, LAP President

LAP Membership

Contact: Maxine Litzinger

The Lansing Area Patchers welcome the following new member:

Mary Andrews, East Lansing, MI



Sunshine Committee

Contact: Sally Boron

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

Sally's contact information is:
sboron@casair.net, Home 517-669-9468, Cell 517-881-1104, 8514 Krepps Rd., Laingsburg, MI 48848. Thanks for your help.



An Opportunity for Service

90+ QUILTS NEEDED!

By Sally Boron

On October 18th I had the opportunity to tour the Maplewood Women and Children's Shelter in Lansing with a group from my church. Currently Maplewood has 36 beds for women and their children in need. Those beds are covered with quilts make and donated by Lansing area quilters. Some store bought quilts were also donated. The home made quilts are still being used while the store bought ones did not stand up to constant laundering and have fallen apart!

The facility is undergoing extensive renovation and will be adding over 90 beds! More quilts are needed! All of the beds in the facility are bunk beds that are extra long. Suggested size for the quilts would be 63 x 93 inches. They can be tied or machine quilted. The quilts do not need to constructed with complicated blocks.

Completed quilts may be donated to Maplewood through the City Rescue Mission, parent organization for Maplewood. Contact them at 485-7145 for directions to make your donation. Target date for completion of the renovation and bed availability is at the end of 2010. Quilts will be accepted at any time.

Back to Basics

LAP Fabric Challenge 2010-2011

Contact: Linda Kuhlman

Fabric Challenge bags are available from Linda Kuhlman. Fabric Challenge bags are available from Linda Kuhlman. Your bag contains 2 fabrics. These must appear on the front of your quilt. You may add other fabrics. There is no required number of fabrics to be used. You must add **Basic** black. You must use a **Basic** Nine Patch Block in your piece. Your piece may be any Basic shape-square, rectangle,

triangle, circle, etc and measure no more than 144 inches on the outside edges. There is no requirement for size other than the outside measurement.

The "showing" of the Fabric Challenge quilts will be at the March 3, 2011 LAP meeting.

The fabrics were chosen by Jan Asmann, Linda Nelson, Denise McGinn and Maxine Litzinger.

If there are any questions about the Fabric Challenge, please contact Linda Kuhlman at 321-2666.

Mystery Quilt

Contact: Carol Schon

Our "mystery" this year is, once again, simple cutting, simple sewing. The block depends on value to be effective, so you can choose different shades of a couple of colors or make it scrappy. The original block would **finish** at 6". I realized that, by cutting different sizes, the blocks could also finish at 9" or 12", thus sewing fewer blocks to make your desired quilt size. I suggest that if you don't want another quilt, you might want to consider making it for one of the charitable causes that LAP supports. At the last Board meeting, we were made aware of Maplewood Shelter (housing for women and children in need, sponsored by Lansing City Rescue Mission) is in need of extra long, twin size quilts (63" x 93"). There are quilts for Ele's Place (48" x 60"), Quilts of Valor (minimum 55" x 65" and maximum 72" x 90"), nursing homes and many other worthy causes. The Guild plans to reimburse for batting and backing used in our charitable quilts. ...so, I encourage you to participate --- use up some stash, have fun and play creatively.

The clues will be on the website the week of our monthly meeting (Clue #1 is up). If you don't have internet access and need a hard copy, contact Carol.

...and, don't forget, we have a quilt show in 18 months --- only the tops need to be ready next March!

LAP Programs

Contact: Shirley Waldrop

Nov 4th meetingPam Henry from Everlasting Stiches and Mary Warner Stone are going to have a pattern party and tips on color, and other things you should know about quilting. There will be all kinds of patterns for quilting.

The workshop on Saturday, *November 6th*, is a do your own thing and maybe work on the challenge quilt. Cost is \$5.00
Bring our own lunch and drink. 9am -4pm.

Don't forget to sign up for the February retreat....you can bring a friend, she doesn't have to belong to our LAP.

You may register for your rooms now and get the special rate. Remember to tell them you are with our group. More will be coming in the next newsletter about special events. Shelly will have extra flyers at the Nov. meeting if you misplaced yours.

At the December meeting we will be displaying various baby quilts that can be worked on at January workshop.

Save the Date...

In February we have a special treat. We have planned our guild's first annual "*Pad and Stitch Ornamentally*" Retreat February 11-13, 2011. We are really excited about this year's programs. We have a number of workshops planned for our guild to come together and have a good time. So February, be sure to keep the first Saturday of each month free so you can join us.

LAP Schedule of Events & Workshops for 2010 - 2011

November 2010

- 4th Meeting: Pam Henrys from Everlasting Stitches in Holt: Working with Colors
- 6th Workshop at Foster Center (9am – 4pm) Mystery & Challenge quilts

December 2010

- 2nd Potluck at the Church

January 2011

- 6th Meeting: Linda Kuhlman
- 8th Workshop at Foster Center (9am-4pm): Baby Quilts or do you own thing

February 2011

- 3rd Meeting
- 11th – 13th Retreat at the Comfort Inn, Okemos

March 2011

- 3rd Meeting: Mini demo's and showcase Challenge and Mystery quilts
- 5th Workshop at Foster Center (9am-4pm) Do Your Own Thing

April 2011

- 7th Meeting: John Putnam – Trunk Show
- 9th Workshop at Foster Center (9am-4pm) Bargello Wallhanging

May 2011

- 5th Meeting
- 7th Workshop at Foster Center (9am-4pm) Hand Quilting or Do Your Own Thing

June 2011

- 2nd Meeting: Potluck

Have a good summer...see you in the Fall!

