LANSING AREA PATCHERS

September 2025 Newsletter

Social 6:00, Meeting 6:30

ST. DAVID'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH 1519 ELMWOOD AVENUE, LANSING

Welcome from Minda Schneider -

Welcome back to what I hope will be another enjoyable, informative, and productive year for the LAP group. Hopefully, you will take advantage of the many opportunities we will provide this year. Please feel free to come to any board meeting with all ideas and or concerns you may have during the year.

LAP board members want everyone to enjoy the experience of being a member and feel we are representing the direction we go now and in the future. Again, welcome back. We look forward to another fun year.

TREASURER NEEDED

Sadly, Denise McGinn has resigned her position as Treasurer of the Lansing Area Patchers Quilt Guild effective July 31st. We would like to thank her for the many years she has held this position, and for all her efforts to enhance our guild. Please consider volunteering for this position. The guild really cannot function without a treasurer. Denise will be available to answer questions. If you do not know how to use Quickbooks, she will provide an excel sheet template for you to use to report income and expenses.

UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS

August 7, 2025 - Summer Get Together at Grant Woods Park, on Willow, in the covered pavilion from 10:00 to 3:00. Bring items you want to sell or give away. Don't forget a beverage and a chair.

August 14, 2025 - Sew in at the Delta District Public Library from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm

August 20, 2025 - Board Meeting at the Delta Library, 1:00 pm All are welcome.

September 4, 2025 - Membership meeting at St David's Episcopal Church. Janie Quinn will give a presentation on how to navigate our website. (Don't forget your name tag.)

September 11, 2025 - Sew in at the Delta District Public Library from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm

September 20, 2025 - Garage Sale at Sue Ann Cole's house 9444 W. Grand River Highway, Grand Ledge.

October 02, 2025 - Kevin Conley has a surprise in October. I can't wait to see what he has in store for us.

October tbd - We are planning to have a sew-in in October that will be organized to make doll quilts and Quilts of Valor blocks. More info to be sent out as soon as it is available.

November 06, 2025 - Kevin is planning on giving a presentation on machine maintenance.

OUR SERVICE PROJECTS

<u>Lansing Area Hospice</u> - Through the U of M/Sparrow and McClaren Health Systems, quilts are provided for children and adults who are in hospice. The LAP Service Coordinator collects and delivers the quilts to Sticks and Strings Yarn Shop. A representative from Hospice collects the quilts and distributes them as needed to their patients.

The sizes - Crib size 28"to 45" X 48"-to 52" Lap size - 40" to 60" x 40" to 60" Throw size - 52" to 75" x 52" to 75" Twin Size - 64" to 72" x 86" to 90"

<u>Sleep in Heavenly Peace</u> - (No kid sleeps on the floor in our town) Go to the SIHP website <u>shpbeds.org</u>, find the Lansing Chapter, then to Quilts Across America section.

<u>R J Scheffel Memorial Toy Project</u> - This is a local charity that provides toys for disadvantaged kids and kids "in crisis" at Christmas. LAP provides doll quilts the the doll beds that local volunteers make throughout the year. This organization has been in the Lansing area for many years and provides for hundreds of children. http:/www.scheffel-toys.org/.

<u>Doll Quilts</u> - The size - 18" x 21" (fat quarter size)

<u>Comfort Quilts</u> - LAP members make smaller quilts for residents in nursing homes who use wheelchairs. The size - 30" X 30" up to 40" x 40"

Quilts of Valor blocks -

2025 : 12 1/2 x 12 1/2 square unfinished. In the quilt, the block will measure 12 x 12. Here is the link to the photos and instructions. https://www.qovf.org/national-block-drive/ Blocks will be collected thru December. A new block for 2026 will come out in January.

Carolyn has delivered 79 donation quilts so far this year. Judy Grant has collected 114 doll quilts. Judy Heckathorn has received 55 Quilts of Valor Blocks. Nationwide, the QOV Foundation has collected 2033 blocks so far this year! Please let us know if we can help you navigate to the page.

<u>Little Free Pantry</u> at the Delta Township Library

LAP Sew-ins and Board meetings are held at the library free of charge. In appreciation, LAP is helping them stock their "Little Free Pantry". Each month members will be informed of new, small item to donate to the library pantry. These items can be dropped off at our monthly meeting or a sew-in (brought to the library when you attend a sew-in). A designated LAP member will give the items to the library for their pantry.