

Capitol City Quilt Guild

Nov.-Dec. 2021

AS THE NEEDLE TURNS

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IT'S OCTOBER. COME ON IN!

For the first time in over a year, we will be meeting INDOORS! Since we abide by the rules of the church, masks are mandatory. Masks will be available if you need one, along with hand sanitizer. And since we haven't seen each other in a while, please wear a name tag. Tags will also be available if you don't have one.

"Fly Quilters, Fly!" **Guild challenge submissions are due** at this meeting. There will be three prizes awarded.

Holiday Bears and Dolls will be distributed and are to be returned at the November meeting.

Please bring any Guild library books that you currently have out. We will not have the library open for this first meeting due to staffing issues. We will address some needed library changes at the meeting.

If you need to pay your **dues**, you may do so at the meeting. If you did not recently receive an email from Jan Gagliano about paying dues, then you are current. At this point, dues are half price for the rest of the year. Any questions, see the membership folks.

Assistant Library chair and Assistant Program chair positions are open. We need to fill these positions now, or we will have no Library chair or Program chair next spring. Come join the fun in helping run *your* Guild.

Lastly, let's put our thinking caps on about **recruitment and retention.** How can we bring in new members and keep current ones? We'll look into this more after the first of the year.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Well, it looks like we can add a long spell of warm fall weather to our "interesting times." It is mid-October when I am writing this, and we have highs forecast for mid-60s to 70s this week. While this gives me nice weather to plant all the last-minute sale plants I bought this last weekend, is sure is a departure from normal. So, it helps to look to what is following a more regular schedule. I am looking forward to resuming our indoor meetings, and to seeing what members do with the donation bears and dolls in the next month. And our holiday party is always a good chance to relax and enjoy the activities for that.

And while we can never know what a new year will bring, we do know we want to, as a guild, look to recruiting new members. While you are busy working on projects this fall, think about what made you join our Guild, and what keeps you coming back. Everyone likes different parts of the Guild program, so lots of ideas are needed in the new year for a recruitment drive.

I wish you all a safe and joyful holiday season this year.

Cathy Skelton







ROAD TRIP!

Original Sewing and Quilt Expo

Suburban Collection Showcase in Novi, MI. The dates are November 13, 14 & 15. More info is available online at

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TREA\$URER'\$ REPORT for period ending 10/14/2021

Current Cash Balance \$ 26,422.51

Checking \$ 11,003.92

Savings \$ 15,398.59

Check for deposit \$ 20.00

Income Received for period 05/01/21 - 04/30/22: \$5,061.58

Less Expenses 05/01/21 - 04/30/22: \$704.34

Net Earnings \$4,357.24

Payables: Quilt Show Reserve = \$11,845.79 Payables: Oct. meeting expense \$200.00

NET Available: \$10,214.01

This reflects our fiscal year 05/01/21 -04/30/22

Expenditures since last report include:

State of MI - 2021 annual report filing \$20.00

Zoom paid via debit card \$15.89

Refund of dues overpayments \$50.00

Total expenditures \$85.89

Garage sale income was \$4,339.25



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MEMBER PROFILES

Chelane Priller



Hi all, I'm Chelane. I come from a long tradition from many quilters on different branches of my family tree. At the time of this writing, I have a couple of quilts from Bertha, my great grandmother (mother's maternal grandmother), that are in repair or waiting to be repaired. Those are hand pieced and tied.

I have quilts from Dora, my paternal grandmother. She liked to do applique. Her quilts are hand pieced, appliqued, and quilted. My maternal grandmother, Helen, was not a quilter but she did

manage to piece one simple top. Helen's youngest sister, Linda, machine quilted and hand bound it before giving it to me.

My mother, Joan, was a prolific quilter continuing deep into her cancer treatment. I have a bunch of quilts from her. I also have her stash and all her unfinished projects, a couple of which I have turned into completed tops so far.

My kids have quilts from my mom and from my mother-in-law, Sue. My mother's sister-in-law, Phyllis, helped me to piece and machine quilt my first bed size quilt.

I began sewing and quilting in my teens, making pillows and bags. I picked it back up when my mom was in her final year, so she could show me her techniques.

I like the Guild because I love the Show & Tell and the camaraderie at the small group, Foster Fridays. I am teaching my husband's cousin, Stacy, to make a baby quilt for her first grandchild. Stacy and I recently joined the CalCo guild. Even though I have all these fabrics from my mom, I sometimes also like to work on things I personally like that have nothing to do with her choices of fabrics.

I look forward to seeing you all again after this long separation.

Editor's Note: Chelane has been serving the Guild as Program Chair for quite a while and has some interesting plans for us in the coming months. One program/class that she is working to secure looks to be very exciting. Stay tuned for updates!

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Come Sew With Us

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We need you!

When COVID-19 hit last year, many of our teachers decided this was the right time to retire. We are so grateful to have had amazing teachers supporting us through the years and we wish them all the best in their retirement.

But now it's time to get classes in full swing again at all our Gall Sewing locations. To do this we need your help. If you love to sew, quilt, embroider, or craft, and you would like to share that joy with others, we would love to have you as part of the Gall Sewing Family! Call today and help us bring the fun back to the class rooms!







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NOVEMBER

Stiffler, Peg 11/7 Mueller, Louise 11/11 Waligorski, Jane 11/11 Savage, Joyce 11/15 Wexler, Sharon 11/20 Kelly, Sheila 11/24 Gagliano, Jan 11/26 Barrett, Sharon 11/30

DECEMBER

Forro, Denise 12/1 Schon, Carol 12/8 Barnhizer, Christa 12/12 Freed, Ruby 12/14 Rowe, Dorothy 12/14 Wilkinson, Bev 12/14 Mielock, Cindy 12/16 Pearson, Mary 12/18 Grant, Joheather 12/27 Black, Leah 12/31



Over the past year, we've been watching the progress made by the Arcadia BOMers and here is one finished quilt. Deb Martens made this as a graduation gift for a lucky grad. Looking at her smile, it's obvious that Deb's meticulous work was appreciated and loved. And isn't that why we all quilt?

The quilt was beautifully quilted by Nancy Boyse.



We once again have to sadly report the loss of a Guild member. Jackie Beard passed away on September 30th at the age of 67.

Jackie was one of the early Guild members and was very active. She was President in 1992-93 and held other offices including Secretary. She organized a number of bus trips to major quilt shows and always worked on our own shows. She frequently volunteered for community quilt demos, such as at Woldumar and Fenner Arboretum. Her small groups included Block Exchange, Foster Friday, and Variable Stars. In recent years, she was focused

on making and distributing Quilts of Valor for veterans. Jackie was the ultimate "go-to gal" when help was needed with an activity or project. She had a benevolent nature and often volunteered at the Hospice House of Lansing, the McRee House, and McLaren Hospital. She was also a member of the Portland VFW Auxiliary.

Funeral Mass is 11:00 AM Thursday, October 21, 2021 at St. Patrick Catholic Church. Visitation is at the Church one hour prior to the Service. Luncheon will follow the Mass at the VFW Hall in Portland. Graveside Services at 1:30 PM immediately following the luncheon at Portland Cemetery. Memorial donations can be made to a hospice organization of your choice, American Cancer Society or the American Heart Association.

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PRESIDENT'S BLOCKS for Cathy Skelton

Cathy has requested that these fabrics be used: Nature fabrics (plants, animals, geology, weather, astronomy, for examples) for the star, and medium to dark green for the background.

Instructions

Cut from background fabric:

- 4 4" squares
- 2 4 3/4" squares. Cut these squares twice diagonally to make 8 quarter square triangles.

Cut from star fabric:

- 1 4" square
- 2 4 3/4" squares. Cut these squares twice diagonally to make 8 quarter square triangles.

Assemble as an Ohio Star block, 11" unfinished, 10 ½" finished. Please sign your block, bring it to the next Guild meeting and leave it at the Vice President's table, or contact Sharon Wexler at Sharonwexler7101@comcast.net Home: 323-7709 Cell: 285-5289. Blocks can be mailed to her at 5003 Aspen Dr., Lansing 48917.

CHALLENGE QUILT: Fly Quilters, Fly!

QUILTS ARE DUE AT THE <u>OCTOBER</u> MEETING. GOOD LUCK, QUILTERS!



DOLLS AND BEARS will be distributed in October and will be collected in



November. Contact Ann Newell if you have questions.



CHARITY QUILTS



22 Angel, 8 Bereavement, 53 Heartwarmer, and 24 Hospice quilts were collected at the September meeting! If you need labels for future quilts, contact Bev Wilkinson.



The sale netted the Guild \$4,339.25!

Thanks to all the sorters, donors, cashiers and, of course, the shoppers, many of whom were Guild members.

Special thanks to Jean Kaufmann for organizing and to Carole Rasmussen for hosting the event at her home.

The Capitol City Quilt Guild usually meets the third Thursday of each month at 7pm at First Presbyterian Church, 510 W. Ottawa St., Lansing, MI. *Masks mandatory.* Capitol City Quilt Guild P. O. Box 26022 Lansing, MI 48909

See us on the web! CapitalCityQuiltGuild.org

Next newsletter deadline: December 1, 2021

As The Needle Turns is published 6 times per year in the evennumbered months. Deadline for submission is the 1st of all evennumbered months. Please e-mail advertisements (in JPG format) and articles to NewsletterEditor@CapitolCityQuiltGuild.org.

Ad sizes and rates: We offer three ad sizes as follows: Business card (3 1/2" wide x 2" high) \$12 per issue/\$68 per year; Quarter Page (3 1/2" wide x 4 1/2" high) \$18 per issue/\$97.20 per year; Half Page (7 1/2 " wide x 5" high) \$36 per issue/\$194 per year. Member want ads are \$3 per issue.

Newsletters are now being emailed to Guild members with an e-mail address. Those who prefer a paper copy should indicate this on their membership form and pick them up at the next meeting. Any newsletters not picked up will be mailed.

