

AS THE NEEDLE TURNS

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WE'VE GOT SOME GREAT PROGRAMS LINED UP!

FEBRUARY

Lecture / Demo by Nancy Roelfsema. Nancy, coming to us from the Grand Rapids area, has authored 3 books and has a popular YouTube channel, OnPoint-TV & Quilting with Nancy. She will be giving a lecture on creating custom fabrics with mono-printing. Also, fabric sale!

MARCH

Bring in your charity quilts for a parade and collection. Also, bring in the oldest quilt you have made that you can still get your hands on for a special Show & Tell.

APRIL

Board Elections.

Video demonstration on Double Wedding Ring construction.

MAY

Concert by Ann Marie Rowland. Ann Marie is a singer / songwriter and columnist of Michigan Girl - Dirty Knees - The Apologetic Chef. You can find her on the web at annmarierowland.com.

JUNE

Lecture by Pepper Cory. Pepper is a lifetime member of our Guild. She was here at the beginning and has been back again and again since her move to North Carolina. This trip she is going to give a lecture on scrap quilting with a Japanese flavor.

Class at Country Stitches: "It's a Wrap!"

Friday, June 17, Pepper will be teaching an all-day class on sashiko stitching in the first half and then turning that into a furoshiki (wrap) in the second half. Sign-up details will come in March. *Chelane and Adrienne*



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

So here we are again, with another spring coming our way. Hope springs up (along with the early bulbs) that we can continue to move back to more normal public gatherings. In the meantime, we have a variety of new things to look forward to. We will be installing a new Board in a little over a month. We have a number of interesting speakers lined up over the next few months. And we have another Guild challenge set up for next September. Before long we may even be able to have small group meetings in person, and get some Guild retreats planned.

As for our new Board, we are still looking to fill some positions. If you are interested in helping keep our Guild up and running, consider volunteering for one of the positions that need to be filled. The Guild website has descriptions of the Board positions listed under the members tab. So check them out and see if you can help out *your* Guild. Remember, the Guild is what *we* make it.

And as this is my last letter to you all, I would like to thank the Board for all their guidance during my jump-in-the-deep-end presidency and for all their help during the uncertainties of the pandemic. It certainly has been an interesting journey, and I am glad that I had you all along for it. And thank you, Guild members, for being patient will all the changes we had to endure during the pandemic and your continued support in providing so many donation quilts during this time.

Let's go quilt! Cathy Skelton



NAMETAGS SUGGESTED

Since we still need to use masks, nametags are a good idea at meetings.

Ads bring in over \$500 to the Guild yearly. Please shop with our advertisers!





Come Sew With U

We at Gall Sewing and Vacuum Centers would like to take the opportunity to say "Thank you!" for all of your support during 2021.

It was another year of challenges. Loved ones have been sick, supplies have been delayed, and the safest course has changed over and over. We have all learned much about patience, and kindness. We hope that the love we have for everyone has shown through.

Now we have happily arrived in 2022! Safety will continue to be a priority for us. We look forward to seeing you at upcoming shows and events. We look forward to continuing to provide for all your sewing needs. Come sew with us!

The Gall Sewing Family







Grand Rapids 3150 Plainfield (Plainfield Plaza) 616-363-1911 Muskegon 1910 Apple Ave (Quarter Apple Mall) 231-773-8494 Lansing 444 Frandor (Frandor Mall) 517-333-0500

TREA\$URER'\$ REPORT

For period ending 2/10/2022This report covers our fiscal year to date. 05/01/21 - today Current Cash Balance \$ 24,455.52 Checking \$ 8,280.59 Savings \$ 16,174.93 Income Received for period 05/01/21 - 04/30/22: \$5,817.92 Less Expenses 05/01/21 - 04/30/22: -\$6,342.67 Net Earnings -\$524.75 Payables: Quilt Show Reserve = \$11,845.79 Payables: Program - Pepper & Roelfsema \$2,715.00 Payables: Meeting Rental Dec.-April \$400.00 Total Payables \$14,960.79 NET Available: \$9,494.73 This reflects our fiscal year 05/01/21 - 04/30/22Total expenditures since last report include:

Zoom fee for 12 months \$107.64 Webmaster honorarium & web exp. \$445.75



MEMBER PROFILES—Cathy Thomas

What happens when the newsletter editor doesn't drum up profile submissions in time to go to print? She has to use her own!

I started quilting in America's bicentennial in 1976 when all things Americana were promoted and quilting was "cool" again. Remember all those brown, green and gold calicos? Thank God for the fabrics of today! I should say I started *dabbling* in quilting. Work and family always came first. But when I retired from my position with the state in 2010, quilting took over my life. A



I enjoy the classics as well as the funky modern quilts of today. My current magnum opus is a block of the day comprised of 365 3" paper-pieced blocks to commemorate 2021. I hope to bring it to show and tell in the future, although speaking in front of the group terrifies me (you may have noticed). So I'm happy to produce the Guild newsletter six times a year and stay in the background.

I have high hopes for the Guild's future. New, exciting fabrics keep coming. New quilters are catching the joy of it every day. There will always be a need for quilts to comfort the sick, warm a new baby, or to thank recipients like our veterans. So what we do matters. Keep stitching! And please send me your profiles for upcoming issues. Please. Really.

Time to Renew Your CCQG Membership

With April comes spring, and the end of the Guild fiscal year. That means it's time to pay annual dues of \$40 (plus an extra \$5 if you wish to receive printed newsletters and a member directory). You will find a registration form to download on the Guild website - make sure it says "2022", as we are slow getting the new, revised form posted. (If the old form is still there, wait a few days and try again.) We will also have registration forms available at Guild meetings. You may pick one up at the membership table when you check in. And we will be accepting renewals now, by mail or in person, if you want to get a jump on the process. We're looking forward to a resumption of normalcy in the coming year, so get your renewal in to keep on having quilty fun with your friends!

FABRIC SALE AT FEBRUARY MEETING \$2 PER YARD







Attention small groups! The Guild has Zoom available for you to use for your virtual meetings. You can be on for longer than the usual free 40-minute meeting. Call John Putnam at 517-505-3782 and he will set it up for you.



1500 Whitehall Rd., Ste A, Muskegon MI 49445 Hours: Monday-Saturday 10am-5pm-Closed Sunday Email: Linda@abbimays.com/Phone: 231-563.6861

NEW SMALL GROUP

Kelly Sattler announced the formation of a new small group to focus on the use of EQ8 software using the "EQ8 for Beginners" book as a guideline. It is planned to start this group meeting in January. Please let Kelly know if you are interested and she will coordinate meeting time and place. 517-755-6510 or K2sattlers@gmail.com





MARCH

Rosenberger, Marsha 3/1 Munn, Janet 3/2 Chamberlain, De 3/6 Reisig, Cindy 3/10 Borton, Teresa 3/11 Kerr, Kathy 3/11 Gianiodis, Eileen 3/13 Mason, Dace 3/15 Smith, Pat 3/18 Green, Carla 3/20 Priller, Chelane 3/23



FAT CHANCES ARE BACK!

The Fat Chance drawing is an opportunity to win fat quarters of fabric for your stash. Check the theme of the month, bring one fat quarter (18" x 22") to the meeting, and enter your name in the drawing. Good luck!

February - Red March - Black & White April - Yellow



Sharon Wexler is now in charge of the charity quilt batting distribution, so if you are in need of 60" wide batting for a donation quilt, contact Sharon at 517-285-5289 or <u>Sharonwexler7101@comcast.net</u>.

APRIL

Miller, Karen 4/1 & C Piazza, Billie 4/4 Hoelzer-Maddox, Victoria 4/7 Ruggiero, Patti 4/16 Ribby, Mary 4/18 Qayyum, Yasmin 4/21 Craft, Donna 4/28





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 <u>Sharonwexler7101@comcast.net</u> Home: 323-7709 Cell: 285-5289. Blocks can be mailed to her at 5003 Aspen Dr., Lansing 48917.



CCQG IN THE COMMUNITY

CHARITY QUILTS The next collection date for Bereavement, Heartwarmer, and Hospice quilts will be at the March meeting on the 17th. If you need labels for future guilts, contact Bev Wilkinson.

CHALLENGE QUILTS

CHALLENGE QUILTS ARE DUE AT THE SEPTEMBER MEETING. THE FROG IN THE CENTER NEEDS TO BE AT LEAST 4 INCHES SQUARE.



BOARD POSITIONS FOR 2022 President – Sharon Wexler Community Coordinator – Kathy Booth Heart Warmers Project – Bev Wilkinson Library Chair – Cathy Skelton Membership Chair – Jan Gagliano Asst. Membership Chair – Chelane Priller Newsletter - Cathy Thomas Program Chair – Adrienne Scherer Small Group Coordinator - Jean Kaufmann Web Master Liaison – Jan Asmann Angel and Hospice Quilts – Deb Feldpausch

POSITIONS NEEDING TO BE FILLED Vice President Secretary Treasurer Asst. Program Chair Asst. Library Chair

Please consider taking one of these positions. The Guild runs better with strong leadership. (And Board meetings are fun!) 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.*

See us on the web! CapitalCityQuiltGuild.org

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Newsletters are now being e-

mailed 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. Capitol City Quilt Guild P. O. Box 26022 Lansing, MI 48909

Next newsletter deadline: April 1, 2022

