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PROGRAMS

AUGUST Take home project: Designing mini quilts for Dolls & Bears activity coming in October

We will be using orphan blocks and assorted fabrics to design mini quilts during the meeting. Please bring batting in the size of your mini quilt or a towel to roll up your design to take home (suggested size: fat 1/2 yard - 25"x36").Machines not necessary; we will take these home to finish.

SEPTEMBER Challenge quilts: the challenge theme this year is "Every Member Makes A Block!" Members will be given 4" of purple fabric to make one 6.5" block that represents themself and/or the Guild. As we celebrate the Guild turning 40, we will use these blocks to create a 40th anniversary quilt top! The goal is that all active members make a block for this quilt top. To create some cohesion, Adrienne is providing light purple and dark purple fabrics to help members make their blocks. Also this night, Heartwarmers Parade and a special presentation by Guild member Billie Piazza.

OCTOBER Dolls and Bears will be distributed to be returned at the November meeting. Reminder: finish your quilt for your doll or bear.

Shae Vaughn will present historical quilting topics such as fabrics and techniques over the years. Shae owns Stitchery Niche in Kalamazoo.

NOVEMBER Dolls and bears are returned. Our annual auction!

Did you know that anyone can attend the monthly Board meeting? Meetings are held via Zoom on the second Thursday of each month at 6:30. If you'd like to join in, let a Board member know so you can get the Zoom link. It's very informal and the Board is always interested in the thoughts and ideas of the membership.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello CCQG Members,

It's hard to believe that summer is almost over. I recently went camping with my mom. She will only go with me if I find a waterfront site. I enjoy my time with her, plus she does all the cooking. As I said in the last issue, I took my 22 month old grandson on his first camping trip. It was a disaster! Several injuries, sleepless night, a thunderstorm and then I couldn't find the car keys when I had packed up to leave. Although we had some good times at the beach and campsite, I came to the conclusion that he was too young to take camping. In July, I went camping in Mackinaw City for a week with a group of friends. We went to Mackinaw Island for the day, Kitch-iti-kipi in the Upper Peninsula, biking and shopping. I have two more camping trips planned; one in Montague and the last one in Holland.

How many of you have participated in the All Michigan Shop Hop? I managed to visit 41 shops. One of our members, Chelane Prillar, was able to make it to all 82 shops! How many shops were you able to visit? It was a great experience driving all around Michigan and finding unique stores. Several stores have become my favorites, and I will definitely visit when I am in the area.

I am also excited about the AQS Quilt Show in Grand Rapids, August 21-24. I will have a wall quilt exhibited, and I am taking several classes. I have registered for a thread painting class along with a foundation piecing class. Of course, shopping with the vendors and looking at all the quilts is fun too! Enjoy all the fun activities of summer before fall arrives!

Happy Quilting, Kathy Kittle Madam President

SHOW AND TELL THEMES

AUGUST Quilts using panels

SEPTEMBER Heartwarmers Parade

OCTOBER Charity quilts/Fall themed quilts

NOVEMBER Small quilts

DECEMBER Creatures great and small



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

NOVEMBER 14-16: ORIGINAL SEWING & QUILT EXPO in Novi. This event is a money-maker for the Guild; we usually sell a LOT of raffle tickets here. Please consider representing the Guild by manning our table. Speaking of raffles, one is being planned for

our November 21 meeting. If you have a quilt to donate (even if it's still unfinished now) let a Board member know.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5TH - Meridian Festival at the Meridian Village (just north of the mall). Similar to our showings at Woldumar and Fenner, we will have a table to show, promote, and share quilting. Each of us usually brings one or more of our own quilts that we are willing to let visitors look at, admire, and talk about, but you can come without. We will also have a small number of kid-friendly activities.

There will be food trucks available and lots of other crafters' creations to shop.

We will need first shift people to arrive about 9 am for setup.

Open is 10, close is 4 and we will shut down shortly after that. Shifts are 2 hours long and volunteers are requested. See Kathy Booth at the September meeting.



WE'VE BEEN INVITED!

The wonderful staff at Seven Sisters Quilt Shop in Carson City (you know the one) have invited us to a day of fun with demos, new "merch" and lots of talking about quilting.

Following is open sew for those of you who want to stay, even into the evening hours. Since this is just "our day" car pooling is probably a good idea.

Friday, October 4th 10am 'til ?

Congrats, Seven Sisters! We are not surprised.—->





If you need batting for one of our charity quilts, contact Deb Day at 517-525-4965

HAPPENINGS AROUND THE STATE





AQS Quilt Week Grand Rapids

August 17-20 Wed.–Fri., 9am–5pm Sat., 9am–4pm

DeVos Place Convention Center 303 Monroe Avenue NW Grand Rapids MI 49503

Planning ahead? Grand Rapids, MI: August 20–23, **2025** **Scooters and Wheelchairs** will be available to rent from 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. Wednesday through Friday, and from 8 a.m. - 3 p.m. on Saturday.

Scooters Half-Day (Morning or Afternoon): \$55, Available from 8 a.m. - 12 p.m. or 12 - 4 p.m. Saturday 12 - 3 p.m. \$10 CASH deposit.

Full Day: \$100 per day, 2 Days: \$170 for 2 days for AQS Members – Must be consecutive days.

Wheelchairs \$40 per day

Please call Julie Heath at (270) 898-7903 x182 to make a reservation.





SEPTEMBER

Cosgrove, Marlene 9/6 Hamlin, Jolee 9/16 Mathe, Nanette 9/22 Cole, Sue Ann 9/25 Schaude, Kathy 9/29

OCTOBER

Lightfootwilliams, Joyce 10/1 Wakley, Marijo 10/22 Newell, Ann 10/29 Lee, Teresa 10/30





PRESIDENT'S BLOCKS

Instructions are available on the Guild website under Activities. Printed instructions are available at meetings on the Vice-President's table. This is Lise's choice—A Friendship Star. A nice, easy block. (But funny how the easy ones sometimes give us the most grief!) If you haven't done one yet, now is a good time since we have a new prez and a new block coming up for Kathy.



Guild member Lillian Couthen passed away April 7th at Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit.

Lillian was 76 and enjoyed crocheting and needlepoint in addition to quilting. She was the aunt of Toya Owens and sister of Wilma Rhodes.

A full obituary :

https://www.paradisefuneralchapel. com/obituaries/lillian-couthenlansing.

The editor apologizes for the error in the original version of this issue.

FAT CHANCES

The Fat Chance drawing is an opportunity to win fat quarters of fabric for your stash. Check the theme of the month, bring one or more fat quarters (18" x 22") to that meeting, and enter your name in the drawing for each 1/4 you bring. Good luck! AUGUST-Baby SEPTEMBER—Stripes OCTOBER- Smiley Faces

By the way, you don't have to buy fat quarters to play. You can cut 18x22" FQs from your stash.



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NAMETAGS ENCOURAGED We no longer need to use masks, but nametags are still a good idea at meetings. Now that we can see our faces again, we can put names to those faces! Stick-on tags are available at the sign in desk if you don't have your own. 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 optional.*

See us on the web! CapitalCityQuiltGuild.org

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

Next newsletter deadline: October 1, 2024

