

25 YEARS OF QUILTING!



LANSING AREA PATCHERS

September-October 2007

And the Pres Says.....

Well, Fall is once more upon us. A new Executive Board is in place with many new officers. We look forward with anticipation to new friendships, renewing old friendships, new programs and a quilt show. As the new President I look forward to making my contribution to the advancement of the group. This will not be an easy job as I have some very fine shoes to fill. However, with the help of all, I am feeling up to the challenge.

This year we will be celebrating the 25th year of the Lansing Area Patchers. A few of the founding members are still with us. In their vision of what they originally wanted this group to become I am sure that it has exceeded many of the expectations they held. As an early member myself I know how grateful I am that LAP still exists. Every meeting brings a bit of new knowledge or some technique not tried before. The most important thing for me are the people, all of you, who make the meetings worth coming to. I appreciate the warmth and friendship which is felt at every meeting and being part of a group that gives to others. Quilting is an art form but also has been a medium to bring women together for socializing.

As we begin this new year in the chapter of LAP may we continue to grow and uphold the fine standards upon which this group was founded. Together, we will have another outstanding year.

Ruth Kressler
LAP President



A Look Back In Time

1. 'Small Group Spotlight' was featured during 1995. Each month a different small group was featured during the guild meeting.
2. LAP celebrated its 12th anniversary with a party. Everyone wore 'party hats' and cake and ice-cream was served in addition to two clowns being in attendance. A 15th anniversary party was also held with cake and ice-cream being served.
3. LAP helped the MSU quilt museum purchase the Mary Schaefer quilt collection by taking donations of money at each guild meeting.
4. LAP pins were first manufactured and sold in 1990 using the Logo that was designed by artist Wally Antuck, husband of Norine. The Logo is also used on the newsletter and other LAP correspondence.

By Ruby Post

LAP's Executive Board & Committees 2007-2008

Executive Officers

President	.....	Ruth Kressler
Past President	.....	Chris McEnhill
Vice President	.....	Linda Nelson
Secretary	.....	Jean Kaufmann
Treasurer	.....	Carol Schon

Committees

Program	.....	Jan Lee Asmann
Co-Program	.....	Judy Wells
Membership	.....	Michelle Allen
Librarian	.....	Ann McNitt
Historian	.....	Norine Antuck
Sunshine	.....	Ruby Post
Service Projects	.....	Carolyn Babcock
Welcome	.....	Van Rothenberger/ Chris McEnhill
Newsletter/ Website	.....	Denise McGinn
Anniversary	.....	Linda Kuhlman
Raffle Quilt	.....	Linda Nelson

Sunshine Committee



If you know of anyone in the guild who is experiencing illness, surgery, or just needs a word of encouragement, please contact Ruby Post. We don't want to miss anyone so please give Ruby a call at 517-323-3201 or email postrp@comcast.net.

Thank you!

Service Projects

Even though the summer has been hot the LAP members have been busy making doll quilts. So far I have received over 210 quilts. It is an excellent start to the goal of 400 that the guild has committed to! Please remember that I will need to have all the doll quilts no later than our December potluck. They will be distributed by the Salvation Army for Christmas along with toys made by the R.J. Scheffel Toy Project. The requested size for doll quilts is 18" x 22" finished size.



The quilts for Ele's Place are arriving slowly. So far I have only 3 but guild members have until the May meeting to turn them in. We have committed to 25 for the grief camp that is held in early June. The children from Ele's Place will have the opportunity to choose a special quilt for their very own to take home. This is a very popular program for the children and I am confident that the members will once again exceed our goal! The requested size for Ele's Place quilts is 48" x 60" finished size.

I have muslin (free) for backings and batting (free) that is available to members for the doll and Ele's Place quilts. This year I will not have any donated fabric. Please call me, Carolyn Babcock, at 571-321-5827 or email ckbabcock@comcast.net if you need muslin or batting. Thank you to all who have been so generous with their time and talent in order to make our service projects successful!

NEW THIS YEAR... *from the Program Committee*

LAP will add a new feature to our meetings, called "Question and Answer Time." If you need help with a quilting problem or want an explanation of a technique, look for the "Question Basket" near the sign-in area. Write down your question, drop it in the basket, and during our meeting, questions will be drawn and one of our experienced members will try to solve your problem or answer the question. We will do as many as we have time for each month. This is a wonderful way for us to utilize all the expertise our members have to offer.

A reminder about the October Meeting -- Bring a fat quarter with you to the meeting. We will be playing "Quilto" and you will need a fat quarter to get your game card.

If you have notions, patterns, or other items that could be used as prizes, please contact Jan Lee Asmann. All donations will be appreciated. Thanks!



Welcome back to the new season of LAP fun and fellowship!

The library is up and running, and I encourage you to enjoy our great variety of quilting books. Please remember:

1. Check books out, have fun, and use them to try new techniques!
2. If you think that a certain book would make a good addition to our library, please suggest it to me.
3. If you have old books no longer of use to you, please consider donating them to the library for continued use, or for the library sale in May.
4. Remember to return books one month after checking them out. If not, a \$1.00 fine will be assessed. (But don't worry--there are no library police here at LAP! Just put the money in the can.) All fines are used only to buy books.
5. Have a great year!

Ann McNitt

Volunteers needed for 2008 Quilt Show Committee Chairs

It's that time again. We'll be having our "For the Love of Quilting" show sometime this coming spring to raise operating and charitable funds for the guild for the next two years.

Van Rothenberger and **Chris McEnhill** are **co-chairing** the event along with a sizable committee. We've had several people come forward to start the volunteering process but there are still plenty of spaces where you can offer your talents. Please call or e-mail either of the co-chairs if you're willing to help organize the show. Following is a list of all the committees needed:

1. Site Arrangements	Van Rothenberger
2. Publicity	Pam Allen
3. Quilt Database	_____
4. Quilt Hanging	_____
5. Vendors	Maxine Litzinger & Denise McGinn
6. Drapes/Poles	Denise McGinn
7. Door Prizes/ Volunteer Pkgs	_____
8. Silent Auction	_____
9. Volunteers	_____
10. Quilt Raffle	_____
11. Bake Sales	_____
12. Visitor Gifts	_____
13. Food	_____
14. Ribbons	Ruby Post & Fran Tyndale
15. Demo Area	Maxine Litzinger & Denise McGinn
16. Viewer's Choice	_____
17. Special Feature (Teams Japan/USA)	Chris McEnhill

Our Quilt Show Committee meetings will be the 4th Mondays of the month so the first meeting will be Monday, September 24th.

Chris McEnhill	627-8919	cjmcenhill@earthlink.net
Van Rothenberger	699-8332	higginsvr@comcast.net

Regarding last minute President's Blocks

Chris has all her President's blocks cut and ready to sew. However, she's received several messages that there's at least a half dozen blocks floating around out there that are already made but have not been turned in. If you have one of those orphan blocks in your possession, please be sure to bring it to the September meeting. If you aren't going to be at the September meeting, arrange to have a friend deliver it for you or drop it in the mail to:

Chris McEnhill
6271 Willow Hwy
Grand Ledge, MI 48837

Chris plans to start sewing the day after the September guild meeting so she can hopefully have the quilt ready for this year's show. It would be a shame not to have your block included after you're gone to the work of making it.



September Meeting Notice

Help us welcome two of the original LAP members Colleen Beech and Ruby Post (and any others that show up). Everyone else please think about when you joined Lansing Area Patchers – What was it like for you? Where did we meet? Who was friendly to you? Why did you come back? What has been a memorable presentation/lecture/workshop for you? We will be asking you this at the meeting and we would like as many people as possible to be part of the program and share with others.

Donations for door prizes are being accepted by Linda Kuhlman. The more donations we receive for our special anniversary year the more prizes we can give away.....Thank you for items received and about to be received!!

SELL YOUR RAFFLE TICKETS....SELL YOUR RAFFLE TICKETS....SELL YOUR RAFFLE TICKETS

(Don't know what we mean? Contact Linda Nelson at 517-339-1893 or email lindanelson@comcast.net)

LANSING AREA PATCHERS

P.O. Box 80652, Lansing, MI 48908

Meets at 7:15 p.m. on the first
Thursday
of the month, September through
June, at
Bretton Woods Covenant Church,
925 Bretton Rd., Lansing, Michigan.
Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Meeting
begins at 7:15 p.m.



Lansing Area Patchers

Email newsletter information
to Denise McGinn, newsletter editor.

Upcoming Events in Other Areas

2007

Sept. 13-15, 2007
Flint Festival of Quilts
Contact: 810-238-ARTS



September 20-22, 2007
Michigan Quilt Network Showcase 2007
Muskegon, MI
Contact: clairellenm@aol.com
www.michquiltnetwork.org

September 22-23, 2007
Kalamazoo Log Cabin Quilters 2007 Show
Kingdom Indoor Center, Kalamazoo, MI
www.log-cabin-quilters.com

September 28-30, 2007
American Sewing Expo
Rock Financial Showplace, Novi, MI
www.americansewingexpo.com

2007-2008

November 1-4, 2007
International Quilt Festival/Houston
www.quilts.com/home/

April 11-13, 2008
International Quilt Festival/Chicago
www.quilts.com/home/

April 23-28, 2008
AQS Paducah Show
Paducah, Kentucky
www.americanquilter.com

LAP QUILT SHOW – For the Love of Quilting
Spring 2008 Haslett High School, Haslett, MI
Date to be determined

If you hear of a quilt show or special quilt event, please email it
to threemcginns@aol.com or call Denise McGinn at 517-333-
3607 so it can be shared with other guild members.