



Lighthouse Quilters Guild

July 2007

Something From Sue

If you were at our last meeting, you undoubtedly left with more than you planned. Dorothy Troy, of Troy Fabrics, shared with us how fabrics are conceived and the process of getting them to market. We all left with fabric from Dorothy and in all my years at LHQ, I have never met anyone so generous. Thank you, thank you, thank you to Dorothy, and also to Sandy and TC, who coordinated this event.

Our July 30th meeting will begin at 6:00 pm as it is our annual pot luck picnic. You'll find more details further in this newsletter. Be prepared to join other members of our guild for a fun evening. I hope to see you then.

~ Sue Scheckel

Quilt Show News

The quilt show planning is going well. We had some people sign up for working during the quilt show, which was great. We even had bribes from one committee member--that worked so well there may be more bribes for signing up next month! Once again, the sign up sheet will be out on the back table.

Raffle tickets! Be sure and let Stevie or Maggie know if you need more tickets, or if you need to turn in your money. We always accept money! If you want to borrow the raffle quilt to take to another guild, please let Stevie know at least a few days in advance.

Mary Schaeffer spoke at the last guild meeting about getting ads from the community for our show booklet. Please ask anyone--the guy who details your car, the folks you buy flowers from, your veterernarian...anyone! Chances are, if you have supported their business, they will be happy to place an ad for \$25 to support you. Don't be shy--the worst they can say is "no", but they'll probaby say "Yes!"

This year we are hoping to have yard signs for guild members to put in their yards to publicize our event. If you are not able to place your sign in your yard, perhaps you could ask a relative or friend to "borrow" their yard for a week or so. The more folks who come to the show, the more raffle tickets we sell, the more boutique items we can sell, the happier the vendors are, the more willing everyone is to do this in two years, the more speakers we can get for guild over the next two years, and on and on in the great circle of life!

Our next quilt show meeting will be the third Thursday of the month, July 19. You may of course attend even if you are not on the committee. If you are unable to attend but have a question or comment for the committee members, let me know and we will address it to the best of our abilities. See you next month! Stevie Breit (stevieill@ameritech.net) and Maggie Techert (tmagster2003@yahoo.com).

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Next Meeting

Please note that the meeting this month starts 1 hour earlier. Things to bring to the 6pm Meeting on July 30 at Lutheran Church of the Resurrection:

- Your potluck item
- Show 'N Tell
- Your Name Tag
- Charity Items

Next Board Meeting

Monday, August 6, 2007, at 7:00 p.m. at Lutheran Church of the Resurrection.

Newsletter Articles Due

The deadline for submitting articles is the first Friday of each month. Submit your articles to Stephanie Strand at strand3of8@hotmail.com

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2007 Programs

July 2007 Picnic

August 2007 Petwara Tpyingtrakoon "Machine Appliqué a New Technique"

September 2007 Joanie Zeier Poole "A Quarter Century of Quilts"

October 2007 Amy Climer

November 2007 Holiday Party

Saturday Work Days

Do you need a full day to work on your Quilt Show project(s)? We have just the thing. . .come to Resurrection's Fellowship Hall on Saturday, August 11, from 9 am to 4:30 pm to work on whatever you need or wish to finish!

Bring your sewing machine, extension cord, Ott light, and everything you will need to make significant progress on a project or two. Lois Pedersen and Barbara Vallone will be available for help or suggestions if needed!

We will have a Brown Bag Pot Luck for lunch ~ bring a sandwich or salad for yourself and a finger snack to share (chips, popcorn, cookies, etc. but nothing messy, please!)

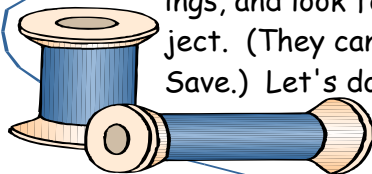
Cost is a nominal \$3 for SEVEN hours of sewing and fun. Sign up and pay at our June or July meetings.

And, put these dates on your calendar NOW - Friday, November 2, from 3 to 9 pm, and Saturday, November 3 from 9 am to 4:30 pm! This will be our second Work Day for 2007. Details in the August newsletter.

Questions, comments, etc. can be directed to Lois Pedersen, 262-681-1119, lpedersen@wi.rr.com or Barbara Vallone, 262-639-8185, QltingB@aol.com .

Empty Spools?

Have you been emptying those thread spools while sewing and quilting up a storm, getting ready for the quilt show? We have received a request for the **thin** spools (Like those from Sulky and Guterman threads). They can be reused by children who are physically challenged. The spools can be glued onto puzzle pieces, so the children can more easily handle small pieces. So please, save and bring in those spools to our guild meetings, and look for the container by the pillowcase project. (They can also be dropped off at Sew 'n Save.) Let's do our part to recycle these spools.



Lighthouse Quilters Guild Membership Meeting Minutes

June 25, 2007

The President, Sue Scheckel, called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM and welcomed all visitors & returning members.

PROGRAM: TC Wiley introduced her friend and business associate, Dorothy Troy (of Troy Fabrics). Dorothy spoke on 'How ideas get to fabrics, yes, FABRIC DOESN'T JUST HAPPEN.' She handed out bundles of fat quarters to all present as the meeting began. Then while her entertaining and informative talk continued, she drew numbers and continued passing out samples of the Troy fabrics. Before the evening ended, all present had received a bundle of fabrics. She also generously passed out pattern sheets and books to all present. Yes, Lighthouse Quilters Guild was the lucky recipient of her presence (and presents) as she informed us we were the first and last guild to have her as a speaker.

Show and Tell was held earlier in the evening again to give people a time for moving before the business meeting. Our quilters brought several charity quilts and showed many beautiful quilts to inspire us to keep quilting. Let us know what you think about the change in format.

2007 Lighthouse Legacy Quilt Show October 6 & 7

- Stevie Breit announced that everyone should pick up their quilt raffle tickets and get more when those are sold.
- Autumn reminded us to be working on items for the boutique. Please include a suggested price.
- Next quilt show meeting will be July 19th.
- Sign-up sheets are available this month for volunteer opportunities. Please help in any and all areas you are comfortable. This is YOUR quilt show and YOU are needed to make it successful.
- Mary Schaefer requested that all guild members pick up an ad form and sell it for our quilt show booklet.
- Mary also encouraged us to get in entry forms early so the planning can be started early. July and August there will be drawings for prizes to encourage early entries. Entry forms are available at the meetings or on line at www.lighthousequiltersguild.org

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Regina Scott Brooks shared with the tools that are in the library for our use. Please come see for yourself what is there.

Pillowcase Project: Lois Pedersen announced that we had completed 1876 pillowcases at the time of this meeting; by an early count, we have surpassed 2000 pillowcases in a little over 2 years. She read a couple thank yous from troops that acknowledge using the wonderful pillowcases someone, unknown to them, unselfishly made and sent for their comfort.

Lois also announced we have received donations of fabric and cash, and still welcome more to keep the project going.

Remember to begin looking for items to be sold at our 2nd Annual July Rummage Sale. Bring items priced to sell. This sale is also being used to raise money for the pillowcase project.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 PM and then we were treated to delicious, nutritious fruits and vegetables in many different varieties.

Door prizes were handed out to our members. Sue reminded us that the door prizes are purchased from the Guild funds. We purchase gift certificates from our 2 quilt shops showing our loyalty to the local shops.

~ Respectfully submitted, Lois Pedersen, recording secretary

Top 10 Reasons You Should Enter the Quilt Show



10. Your work is pleasing - be proud and share it with the public.
9. It's just like "Show n Tell," but with a bigger audience.
8. If the judge is a little harsh it's fun to say, "Well, what does she know anyway. This quilt looks great in my house and it's just the way I wanted it to be."
7. Don't enter to win. Enter to show, to be critiqued, to learn, and to receive many many compliments.
6. A good quilt show has something for everyone. Your quilt is needed to balance out the styles, techniques, and colors used in the other quilts.
5. Judges are not to be feared. Their comments are constructive and encouraging.
4. It's fun to play "Test the Judge," and see if she notices those points that got cut off in a seam.
3. The entry deadline will help you get your project finished.
2. You have a great "what the heck" attitude - so just go ahead and enter.
1. You really really like your quilt - and that's the only opinion that matters - so just go ahead and enter.

YOU ARE A GUILD MEMBER WE NEED YOUR PARTICIPATION !



Pillowcase Project

You did it again...you broke all records. You turned in 168 pillowcases in June, (MOST EVER) which puts our grand total at 2044 pillowcases turned into the Franklin Library in a little over 2 years.

CONGRATULATIONS!!! This project has used about 2,555 yards of fabric.

That is enough fabric to stretch the length of 25½ football fields!

If we had bought all the fabric for those 2,044 pillowcases

At \$8 a yard it would have cost us \$20,440...OR...

On sale at \$4 a yard that would be \$10,220...OR...

At \$2 a yard it would be \$5,110.

Thanks to the donations from the Fabric Gallery; Calico, Canvas and Colors; the Quilted Basket; and several individual people, we have not spent that much money.

Now is your chance to help fund this ongoing project.

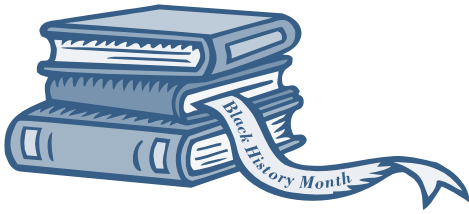
2nd Annual Pillowcase Project Sale

Can you help us raise some money to fund our continuing pillowcase project? Look through your books, patterns, kits, sewing items, etc to find items that you are willing to donate for this cause. Come early, as we will have tables set up for the sale before the picnic and after the meeting. Your 'gotta haves' might be someone else's 'gotta haves'

Have items priced, and ready to sell and bring them in July. No bidding, no haggling, just pay and take.

Remember this is for the July picnic meeting. For more information contact Lois Pedersen@ 681-1119 or Lpedersen@wi.rr.com





Notes from the Library

Your Guild library is open a minimum of 30 minutes before each meeting for you to view our selections. Three selections may be checked out per month. Library materials are due at the next month's guild meeting except for the month of October. When materials are checked out in October they are due at the January guild meeting. You may authorize a friend to check out or

return materials for you.

The library accepts suggestions for new materials throughout the year. Our guild purchases books through AQS. If you ever have questions regarding the library please contact Regina at Ginarsb@yahoo.com.

Notes from Membership

Attendance for the June meeting was 109 members including a renewal of a membership from Judith Seely.

8 charity quilts were donated and they will be displayed at our fall quilt show. Judy Stapleton-Krose's class at Walden made and donated 22 quilts and 43 pillowcases. These items were given to Jayne Steffens to donate to the Children with Mothers at Elsworth Physicality. Regina collected 18 Charity Quilts for the Kenya Hospital.

Door Prize winners were: Cindy Falendyz, Debbie Gilmore, Jane Kotowski, Dee Klacan, Robyn Kreigs, Vicki Madsen, and Lorie Mielke.

~ Joyce & Elaine

News from Sew N Save

Holiday Fabric has arrived at the Fabric Gallery (even though it is 80+ degrees outside) - come and check it out! Don't miss out on the newest designs for the season.

Saturday, August 25th is the next Sew 'n Save and Fabric Gallery Open House. Come and check out the samples for the Fall Session....and enjoy the great deals, good food and lots of fun!

Nancy's Notions Quilt Expo - Friday, September 14th

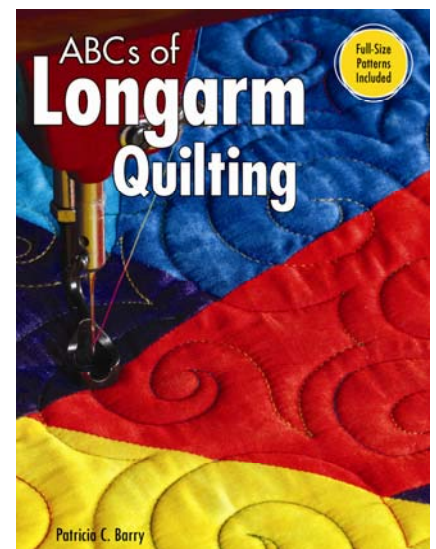
Planning on attending this great quilt show in nearby Madison, WI? Why not join us for our fun, fun, fun bus trip! The cost is \$40 and we take care of everything for you!

Pat Berry Publishes Book

Patricia Barry, a Racine resident and member of LHQ, has written an instructional book to help quilters learn to use longarm quilting machines. Her "ABCs of Longarm Quilting" is being published by Krause Publications in July. Barry opened Quilters' Studio LLC in 2002, to teach quilters how to use long arm quilting machines. Her ABCs include teaching people "about" the longarm quilting, teaching "basic" skills and teaching quilters how to have "commercial" success. She offers advice to help quilters avoid the mistakes she encountered when she first began. "Before I started my business," she said, "I read every book on the market, relating to longarm quilting. There were two of them!" Her goal is to provide more direction than she received. Purchasing a longarm quilting machine is no small investment as machines run from \$9,000 to \$15,000.

"ABCs of Longarm Quilting" offers basis techniques and four projects, including a tote bag, quilt carrier, bed quilt and lap quilt. She also discusses business plans and where to go for help.

The book will be available from major bookstores, specialty shops, the author (www.bydesignquilting.com) and the publisher (www.krausebooks.com or 800-258-0929).



Regional Quilt Shows and Programs

Through December 15: Waukesha County Historical Museum, "A Quiltmaker's Art," 101 W. Main St, Waukesha, WI. Museum quilts and those made by Waukesha Co. residents. Exhibits change every 6 months. Demos on Saturdays 11 am - 3 pm. 262-521-2859 x 224; www.waukeshacountymuseum.org

June 29-30: "A Celebration of Quilts," Augusta Senior & Community Center, 601 Main St (2 blks north of HWY 27 & 1 blk east of Hwy 12), Augusta, WI. Friday 4-8:00; Saturday 9-3:00. Contact quiltingbee.barb@yahoo.com; augseniors@aol.com

July 11 - September 30: Wisconsin Museum of Quilts and Fiber Arts, "Penny Rugs & Wool Quilts," Hwy T, Cedarburg, WI 1-262-546-0300; www.wiquiltmuseum.com

July 25 - 29: South Central Wisconsin 9th Annual Quilters Road Trip. Hop and shop to 11 stores. Bus available for \$45.00 per day. Details posted on LHQ Events board. 609.877.0075; gstehley@choiceonemail.com

July 26: Lakeside Quilters, "EAA Show," Oshkosh Senior Center Annex, 200 N. Campbell St, Oshkosh, WI. 9-4:00.

August 4-5: Ladies of the Lakes, "Quilt Show," Lakeland Union High School, Hwy 70 & 51, Minocqua, WI. Vintage machine exhibit, boutique, demos. \$3 admission. Saturday 10 - 5:00 p.m., Sunday 10 - 3:00 p.m. Entry form posted on LHQ Events board or call 715-358-3742. Entry Deadline: July 18

August 4-5: Wisconsin Quilters meeting. Libby Lehman lecture, "Mission Possible: Organize Your Stuff & Straighten Out Your Life" and workshop, "The Basics;" and "Threadplay." and Jan Krentz lecture, "The Great Star Review" and workshop, "Summer Salsa Lone Star." Sheraton Madison, John Noleen Drive, Madison WI. www.wisconsinquilters.com

August 18-21: Bigsby's Sewing Center, "Kaye England Seminar," at Olympia Resort & Spa, Oconomowoc. Call 262-785-117; www.bigsbysewingcenter.com

September 7-9: Wisconsin Wool Producer's Show, Jefferson, WI. Details TBA.

September 8: Lutherdale Fest & Quilt Auction, N7891 Hwy. 12, Elkhorn, WI. Saturday, 10 - 4:00 (or until all quilts are sold). Live auction, bakery, crafts, etc. Donations of quilts, orphan blocks, equipment, etc. are appreciated. Proceeds to benefit Lutherdale. Contact Darlene at 262.742.2352

September 13-15: Quilt Expo, 75,000 square foot vendor mall, 10-category juried and judged quilt contest, and exhibit, 60 stage presentations on two stages, 144 informational lectures, 36 sit & sew workshops, 24 hands-on workshops, Alliant Energy Center, Madison, WI. www.wiquiltexpo.com

September 15-16: Apple River Quilt Guild, "17th Annual Fall Festival Quilt Show," St. Joseph Catholic Church, Hwy 46, Amery, WI. Saturday 9 - 5:00 pm; Sunday 11 - 4:00 pm. \$3.00 admission. Challenge exhibit, vendors, raffle, silent auction.

September 28-29: Village Quilts of Lake Bluff/Lake Forest, "Quilts from the Village X," Lake Co Firgrounds, Bldg #7, Hwy 45 & Rt. 120, Grayslake, IL. Over 200 quilts, vendors, boutiques, silent auction, etc. www.villagequilters.org

September 29-30: Pine Tree Quilters Guild, "Quilts Among the Pines," Greenheck Fieldhouse, 6500 Alderson St, Weston, WI 54476. \$5.00 admission. Judged show, raffle, Wickersham Signature Quilt from Museum of Pennsylvania, etc. Directions posted on LHQ Events board. For entry and show info call Sue, 715.848.4834; www.pinetreequilters.org

October 3 - January 13: Wisconsin Museum of Quilts and Fiber Arts, "Holiday Quilts & Dolls," Hwy T, Cedarburg, WI 1-262-546-0300; www.wiquiltmuseum.com

October 6: Cranberry Country Quilters, "Cranberry Best Quilt Show," First Congregational United Church of Christ, First & Division Sts, Eagle River, WI. Admission \$2.00. Saturday, 10 - 4:00 p.m. 715.477.1738 Entry deadline: October 5

October 6-7: Wisconsin Quilters meeting. Bonnie Turner lecture, Crazy Quilting Past and Present, workshop,

"Crazy Quilting and Fiber Art Embellish;" and Betty Ekern Suiter lecture, "Stitched by Hand," workshop, "Rhythmic Hues." www.wisconsinquilters.com

October 6 - 7: Ben Franklin Crafts, "Quilt Fest Weekend," 1083 Summit Ave, Oconomowoc, WI. Challenge quilt fabrics and guidelines posted on LHQ Events Board. Weekend of sales, samples, demos, and lectures. 262.567.0271

October 14: WQI & The Guest House, "Seams Like Home," Quilt Exhibition, Marian Center for Nonprofits, 3195 S. Superior St, Milwaukee. Cash prizes but all quilts shown will be sold at auction or given to homeless shelter - proceeds to benefit the shelter. Details posted on Events board. Contact Jim Hahn, 414-345-3240 ex 111. Entry deadline October 1

October 26-28: Piecemakers, "Treasures of Tomorrow Quilt Show & Competition, Marshfield, WI. www.piecemakers.org; www.visitmarshfieldwi.com

November 1-4: Fine Art of Fiber at the Chicago Botanic Garden, Glencoe, IL.

November 8-11: Greater Chicago Quilt Exposition, Renaissance Schaumburg Hotel & Convention Center

*See the Events Board at the next LHQ meeting
for more details Ruth Rohlfing 262.639.2915 or rohlfing@execpc.com*



Mini Grant Applications

Applications for LHQ minigrants are available on the membership table. Any member can apply for a grant. The money must be used to promote quilting and textile arts. The total amount budgeted is \$250.00. This could be given to one project or divided up to support several projects. The applications are due by September 1, 2007.

Day and Summer Camp for Quilters!

Do you need to escape from real life for a few hours or days? Why not come to:

DAY CAMP at The DeKoven Center in Racine (gas mileage is great and so is travel time!) on Saturday, August 18 and Saturday, November 10 for \$25.00 per day which includes a delicious lunch

SUMMER CAMP at Camp Webb near Wautoma on August 20-24 for \$37 per night - this is the BEST quilting facility of all my quilt camps and now offers gourmet meals - really! Come for as many nights as you can. Lodging is in the Summer Cabins. Camp Webb is about 34 miles west of Oshkosh on Highway 21.

Contact Barb Vallone at 262-639-8185 or QltingB@aol.com if you have questions.

Charity Quilt Guidelines

Every member is encouraged to make one charity quilt each year. Quilts are given to children or adults, depending on size and colors. Pieced, whole cloth, or cheater quilts are fine - quilted or tied.

1. Wash your quilt before bringing it to LHQ.
2. On the back, pin your name and the group you prefer to receive your quilt.
3. Present your quilt at Show n Tell, then place it in the laundry basket near the podium (prior to Show n Tell the basket is at the membership table).
4. Pick up your "service pin" and attach it to your name tag.

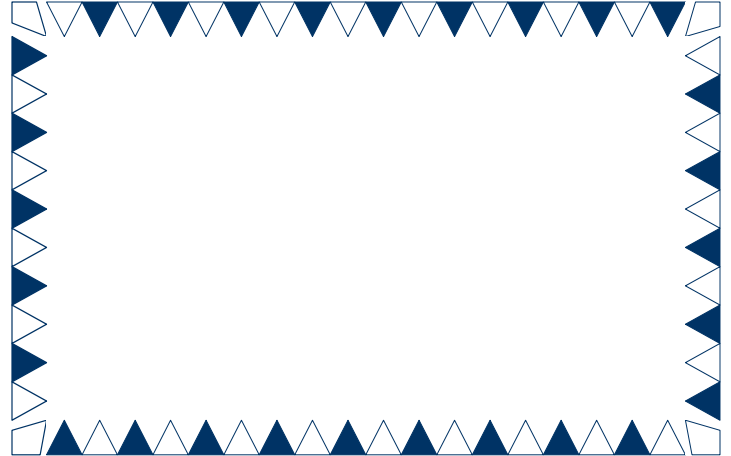
The recipient of your quilt can be any of these:

HALO (formerly known as REST
shelter program)
Women's Resource Center

Local Nursing Homes:
currently Lakeshore Manor, Becker
Shoop

All Saints Neonatal ICU or
Pediatrics Unit in Racine
Safe Haven (for teens)

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July Hospitality

Chairperson: Kathy Lijewski 422-9452

Theme: Picnic

- Irene Lewis
- Mary Ann Fehl
- Arlene Bodenbach
- Shirley Kramer
- Mary Piper
- Irma Andesron
- Evie Christensen