



# Lighthouse Quilters Guild

July 2009

## Joyce's Jewel Box Notes

This is a wonderful time to be quilters. We have every kind of tool or aid anyone could ever want to make beautiful quilts. Then again the most breathtaking quilts I have ever seen are made with fabric, scissors, and thread. Some may have a pattern others are designed by the quilt maker. So this is our mission statement/purpose to promote and support the art of quilting.

You may call it your passion or your addiction or just your way of staying occupied. As for me it's all of the above. There are so many quilts to make and so little time. I am retired from a profession I truly loved and when I retired, I thought am I going to have enough to do. Now I wonder how I ever had enough time to work. I couldn't fit it in now. I'm too busy.

We have a fun program planned for our July Picnic hope you are planning to attend.

Our quilt show is just minutes away or so it seems. Are you all ready?

Don't forget to sign up for the Vikki Pignatelli workshops. Look at her web page it is inspiring. The workshop is just around the corner.

We are a busy guild aren't we? See you at the picnic.

*Joyce Sholette Herringer*

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### Next Meeting

Things to bring Monday, July 27th at 6:00 PM at Lutheran Church of the Resurrection:

- Money
- Name Tags
- UFO's
- Sale Daze Items
- Silent Auction Items

### Newsletter Articles Due

The deadline for submitting articles is the first Friday of each month. Submit your articles to:  
Linda Anderson at:  
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and

## Summer Picnic

It is time for the Lighthouse Quilters annual summer picnic.

- **The meeting will start at 6:30pm.**
- Check page 5 of the newsletter for more information on what to bring.
- Bring lots and lots of dollar bills for the Sale Daze tables. It a great chance to sort through your stash and find new homes for the things you no longer want. Then, of course, with all the extra room you can bring home items that your fellow quilters foolishly decided to part with.
- Make sure you bring your 2" x 6" **purple** fabric pieces for Kay Rigert and the Alzheimer's Art Quilt Initiative.



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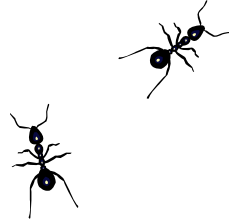
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## 2009 Programs

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July 27	LHQ Picnic Potluck Sale Daze Silent Auction
August 31	Sue Newberry "Gizmos & Gadgets"
September 28	Mini Workshops from Resident Experts
October 10 & 11	LHQG Quilt Show: "Lighthouse Legacies", Theme: "Nature & Design"
October 24, 25, 26	Vikki Pignatelli —Sat. & Sun., Workshop 10/24 & 10/25 Quilting by Improvisation Mon. 10/26 Workshop, Crazy about Curves, Using a Pattern Meeting Presentation - 10 Attributes to Make a Good Quilter Better
November 30	Holiday Party



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### LIBRARIAN'S INFO JULY 2009

We have new inventory!!! I have purchased 3 new books and 3 novels for the library. **BOOKS** - I have purchased 2 design books and 1 book for charm packs & jelly rolls. *Fearless Designs for Every Quilter* by Lorraine Torrence & Jean B Mills provides you with the basic concepts of design. It deals with color, contrast, balance, etc...basically an entire design class all rolled into one book.

*Joanie's DesignElements* by Joanie Zeire Poole, a Madison quilter & student of Diane Gaudynski, deals with taking shapes & fitting them into your quilt designs. The book includes a CD ROM that lets you print out the designs from your computer to 8 1/2 x 11 paper.

The 3rd book I purchased deals with designs for those wonderful charm packs, 5x5" squares, and jelly rolls, 2 1/2" strips.

*Simply Stripes & Squares* by Suzanne McNeill has wonderful ideas for you to use those beautiful purchases of charm packs and jelly rolls that you just had to have and now don't know what to do with.

Let's get creative!

**NOVELS** - I have purchased 3 new books.

*Circle of Friends* and *The Quilter's Legacy* by Jennifer Chiaverini help round out our collect of her works.

*Alice's Tulips* by Sandra Dallas is the other addition. We have several of her books as well.

Happy reading.

### **BOOKS FOR SALE**

As part of the July picnic Silent Auction, I will be putting inventory from the Library out for sale. Many of these books have not been checked out in 4 - 5 years. Many are standard classics by nationally known authors or specific techniques. The cost is \$1. I have at least 50 books I will be clearing out to make room for new inventory.

# !!!!!!!!!!!!!! IMPORTANT REMINDERS !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

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- Alzheimer's Art Quilt Initiative — Bring your 100% cotton purple patches (2" x 6") for this project. See article in June Newsletter for particulars. Patches go to Kay Rigert.
- Yard Sign Wires — Anyone who has wires from the last Quilt Show Yard Signs, please bring them to the July and August meeting as it will save us some cost on this year's signs. Give to Monica Bissen.



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## Quilt Show Update

Think about it, less than three months until the quilt show. Most things are in place for a fantastic show. We might have missed you at the sign up tables...if so, please see where you can help. There are still some spots that need helpers.

Are you getting your challenge items and quilts finished? We can only have a great show if we have your wonderful quilts displayed. Please don't be intimidated by others who you think are better than you. It is the variety of quilts that make shows so special. Remember we can't all be winners and if we only had a show of winners, it would be a very pathetic show. So get your entry forms filled out and your quilts finished.

We have many vendors signed and Kay is still getting requests to have a booth at our show. That speaks highly of our show.

Husbands...Do you have a hobby making something you would like to sell at the "Husbands Booth"? Al Barry is taking charge of organizing this booth; so if you are interested, contact him at Pat Barry's phone number. We have 3 men already signed up...will you be next?

Raffle Tickets: We will not force anyone to sell tickets. It is an opportunity, however, to talk about our show as you ask if anyone wants to purchase a ticket. *(This raffle for the cutting table really excites me. I can really use it when I downsize and need a piece of furniture as a cutting table. Others might like to have a second table for when you have big projects going. How else can you find uses for it?)* We are very honored that Pamella's Place and Unique Sewing Furniture Company chose us to raffle off their donated cutting table. This is all profit for our guild.

We are still looking for people willing to take the raffle quilt to other quilt guilds, other venues where a large group of people might be gathered. It doesn't have to be quilting related places. Let Mary Risler or Barb VanRudan know if you are willing to get it out and about. It certainly is a quilt that is delightful to show.

Any questions, contact Lois Pedersen or Betty Suiter, co-chairs of the Lighthouse Legacies Quilt Show.

# Racine Lighthouse Guild General Meeting

## June 29, 2009

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Joyce Herringer welcomed members and guests the meeting.

Joyce thanked everyone for their good wishes, cards, thoughts and prayers for her son Mike, who at the age of 37, is recovering from quadruple bypass surgery.

Jayne Steffens introduced this evening's special guests: Jim from SewNSave, Racine, WI, Kristin and Cinda from Pamella's Place, Genesse Depot, WI, and Mary and Judy from Milwaukee Sewing Machine Company, West Allis, WI for our Sewing Machine Expo night.

Jim brought the newest machine a Sapphire 875 - this machine does taper stitches in three directions , 90 degree angles, has a pivot feature, a cruise control, auto thread cutter, can sense the thickness of the fabric, a clear bobbin window, has lots of built in stitches and requires no oiling.

Cinda demonstrated the top of the line Bernina 730 which has 850 built in stitches, a separate bobbin motor, directional stitches in 16 directions, several automatic thread cutters and does embroidery.

Kristin demonstrated Bernina's newest machine the 830. This machine has lots of built in lights, will do stitches in 360 directions, is easy to incorporate regular stitches into embroidery designs, comes with three embroidery hoops, has a stitch regulator for quilting, designing can be done on screen and has timer (to remind you that you have to make dinner for the family or pickup the kids from school!).

Mary shared information on Janome's Memory Craft 6600. This machine has a built in walking foot, handles fabric thicknesses well, a variable speed motor, needle up/down positions, comes with several additional presser feet, lots of decorative stitches and is very user friendly.

Judy talked about Baby Lock's Espire machine, which is the top of the line machine. This machine comes with a large table, an open arm for garment sewing, the foot pedal can be used or a push button to start the machine sewing, has 344 decorative stitches and lettering and does excellent sewing/quilting.

With this wealth of information and wonderful store to shop, which machine do you want for Christmas! Not sure, be sure to stop and visit the dealers for more information.

Joyce mentioned if anyone has an outstanding check to contact Janet Kuhl.

Joyce asked for a volunteer to take the ribbons to the Racine County Fair and the Wisconsin State Fair in time for the judging. Barb Vallone offered to take the ribbon for the Racine County Fair.

Betty Suiter encouraged the group to sell the quilt raffle tickets. This year the guild will also be selling raffle tickets for a cutting table. If you need more quilt or table raffle tickets contact Mary Risler or Barb VanRuden. On the other hand if you are unable to sell the tickets, please turn them in to Mary or Barb. Additional help is needed at the show for food service, bed turning, and helping with the quilt appraising. Be sure to sign up! Joyce mentioned Al Barry will have a booth the show for husbands, who are "crafty" and would like to sell their items.

## .....Meeting Minutes Continued

For more information, contact Al.

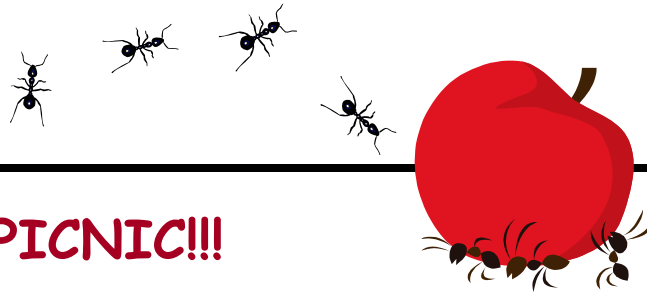
Judy Staplemen-Kroes had on display at the meeting this evening a number of items for the silent auction at the show in October.

Jayne Steffans reminded the group to sign up for Vikki Pignatelli workshops in October. To hold a place in the workshop a deposit will be accepted, with full payment due by **September**. The July meeting is our picnic, a UFO sale and Silent Auction will take place. A table will be set-up for items that are \$1, \$2 and \$3. Anything over \$5 will be considered a Silent Auction item. If you would like to contribute to the UFO sale and Silent auction, be sure to package and price the items.

Names for door prizes were drawn.

Show and Tell was FABLOUS! And the rogue hospitality committee provided some excellent treats for the Best of Summer Theme!!

Respectfully submitted,  
Kay Rigert, Recording Secretary



## July 27th POTLUCK PICNIC!!!

### 6:30pm

July is our Potluck Picnic. Please note the *General meeting will begin EARLIER at 6:30PM* this evening due to our potluck supper. Please bring a dish to pass. Members are asked to bring a dish to pass based on the first letter of their last name .

A---I Appetizers or Salads

J---R Main dish

S---Z Desserts

When preparing your dish, please keep in mind we have 122+ registered members; please plan accordingly knowing 75% of the membership attends any given meeting.

Thank you.

Good food, good friends, a sneak preview of new designs from Julie of "Patchabilities" and great bargains at our special Sale Daze tables

Please bring along all those quilt related UFO's, "uglies", gently used patterns, tools and books and anything else you think someone else might purchase. All items will be priced at \$1, \$2, \$3 or placed on the Silent Auction table if they're worth \$5 or more. *Please package and price your donations.* We'll be ready to take your donations as you arrive and organize them on the \$1, \$2, \$3 or Silent Auction Tables. All proceeds from Sale Daze will go to Lighthouse Guild.

## ***LIGHTHOUSE CHARITY QUILT PROJECTS FOR 2009***

Two members will distribute quilts this year: Carolyn Christensen  
Barbara Vallone

Please visit our Charity Quilt display which has:

A slip of paper for you to indicate WHERE your quilt should go and circle if it is WASHED or not

A baby quilt pin for you to add to your name tag

A place to leave your quilt (two wash baskets!) if you don't want to keep it for Show & Tell

Your quilt size can range from 36" x 36" to twin bed. It can be square or rectangular. Operation Snuggles takes crocheted or knitted afghans in lap quilt sizes. Women's Resource Center and HALO welcome pieced, cheaters, fleece, crocheted and knitted items.

We welcome your suggestions and encourage you to participate in this project.

THANK YOU

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### ***SUMMER STUDIO TIME AT RESURRECTION***

Come Friday, August 7, 3 to 9 pm and/or Saturday, August 8, 9 am to 9 pm, to Resurrection for the Summer Studio Time. Cost is \$5 per day plus a finger snack to share. Supper and/or lunch is on your own.

Please contact Barbara Vallone, 262-639-8185 or QltingB@aol.com for more information.

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### ***4208 Pillowcases for the Troops***

The pillowcases keep coming in, thanks to our fantastic quilt group. We took in 57 completed pillowcases in June bringing our number up to 4125.

As a result of the segment about our Pillowcase Queens on the Alex Anderson and Ricky Timms program, *The Quilt Show*, a member of a small quilt group in Bass Harbor, Maine contacted me. She is a member of a small quilt guild, *Quietside Quilters*, which requested permission to join in and help make pillowcases for our troops. To my surprise, another e-mail came today saying they have completed and sent 103 completed pillowcases in the past month and they should be arriving at my house shortly. Seems like we now have a sister quilt guild in Maine. She said others have requested to get involved as well and this group wants to send more in the spring. With the arrival of their quilts our number has jumped to 4208. I will share more information about their guild and the life there in Bass Harbor, Maine on our quilt display. Maybe we can get some pictures from them as well. Lois P.

# Quilt Show Publicity

PLEASE HELP!! Volunteers are needed to distribute quilt show posters. Posters will be available at the July meeting. Volunteers are needed to distribute posters to stores in a certain area of town (West Racine, Elmwood Plaza, etc). Why not sign up with a friend and walk from store to store with a stop for ice cream or coffee to add to the fun. Individual posters will also be available for anyone wishing to hang a poster at their church or club room. All we ask is that you write down your name and where you intend to place the sign.

PLEASE HELP!! Help is also needed to distribute more bookmarks. If you are traveling up north or nearby in southeast Wisconsin or northern Illinois, consider taking a stack of bookmarks to place at quilt shops, libraries, tourist offices or other appropriate place. Bookmark fliers can be found at such places as Wisconsin Tourism and Racine County Tourism sites, Racine Arts Council, Racine Library, and Sew n Save/ Elmwood Fabric Gallery. Please suggest other places where the bookmarks should be available.

News about our quilt show is spreading far and wide. As of early May the listing can be found on numerous on-line calendars that are linked to popular quilting magazines, Wisconsin Quilters, and on-line quilt and tourism websites. It is also seen on Racine and Wisconsin tourism sites.

Approximately 250 fliers were recently mailed (snail mail and electronically) to quilt guilds and quilt stores in Wisconsin and northern Illinois. Besides posting the printed flier we asked the shops and guilds to include our show in their newsletter.

In the future the show will be listed in Quilter's Newsletter Magazine, Country Living Magazine, and AAA Living Magazine for Wisconsin; posters will be distributed to area businesses; radio and newspaper articles will announce the show; and several members will demonstrate quilting skills at Milwaukee Germanfest and possibly other local events. We also have the opportunity to film and produce the quilt show for viewing on the Racine's Cable Access station #25.

Please send your comments and your offer to help to Ruth Rohlfing at 262-639-2915 or [ra.rohlfing@gmail.com](mailto:ra.rohlfing@gmail.com)

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## Sew n Save/Fabric Gallery

*Mark Your Calendars ..... Don't Miss Out!*

July 24th and July 25th: Don't miss our first annual Yard Sale featuring over 500 yards of VERY specially priced fabric.

July 25th: Bag Day Sale....Bag Day Sale...Bag Day Sale....

August 29th: Fall Open House and A Special Celebration of our anniversary of "Sewing Together for 25 Years". Don't miss the fun, food and prizes.

Questions, please call us or check our website: [www.sewnsaveofracine.com](http://www.sewnsaveofracine.com)

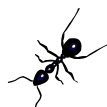
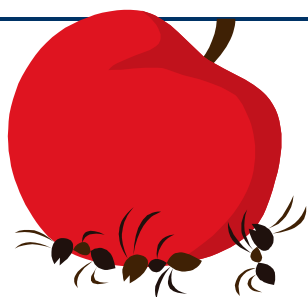


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## July Hospitality

**Theme:** Potluck Picnic

**Chairperson:** Kitty Friend 878-1851

Lois Pedersen

Mary Schaeffer

Pat Grill

Irene Lewis

Shirley Kramer

Irma Anderson

Mary Piper



## August Hospitality

**Theme:** State & County Fair- your prize winning entry, any food category

**Chairperson:** Rachel Riley 878 0824

Carolyn Christensen

Monica Bissen

Sandy Veit

Marlene Wilson

Barb Vallone

Lorre Mielkie

