A PIECE OF NEWS

The Newsletter for Piecemakers Quilt Guild P O Box 6101, Saginaw, MI 48608

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August 2023

It's all my fault. I'm to blame. I held up the newsletter. I've been out enjoying the summer sun with a multitude of activities. I've been shopping, camping, boating, and enjoying dole whip in as many flavors as I can find. I hope that all of you have been doing the same. Summer is too short and then it's time to get back to the day by day. Today I was stopped behind a school bus. Summer is

really over. So, it's time to get back together with my quilting family. We will begin our new season with our September Meeting. Yes, it's business, but it won't be as long as last year. Our problems are gone.

Bring three of your completed projects to show and tell. Can't wait to see you and them.

Remember to send me any notices and news articles one week or more before our meeting.

Julie

Programs

September 20 Business meeting, Welcome Back!

October 17 (9am-3pm) Class with Dan Burke. "Earth, Wind and Water" Table Runner, cost \$55 per person

October 18 Lecture, Dan Burke "For the Love of Paper Piecing"

November 15 Thanksgiving Potluck (6:30pm) No Show & Tell

December No Meeting

January 17 Trash to Treasure Sale

February 21 Sara Gallegos from Fons and Porter Show

March 20 Lecture Sharlene Robinson "Color Your World"

7:00 pm 3rd Wednesday of the month at Second Presbyterian Church 2665 Midland Rd., Saginaw, MI

This month's date:

Sept. 20, 2023

Doors open at 6:15 pm

This month's program:

Business meeting



April 16 Class with Cyndi Wiegand "3-D Log Cabin", cost \$45 per person

April 17 Lecture, Cyndi Wiegand "Bindings Aren't Boring"

May 15 Spring Ice Cream Social (Bring a Fat Quarter)

Connie

Saginaw Piecemakers Guild Meeting May 17, 2023

Meeting called to order at 7:45

We ate dinner prior to meeting, it was delicious!!!!

Announcements - Park Bench July 21, 22, 23 Garage Sale

Fabric \$8 a yard or less

Minutes – no changes, accepted as written

Officers report: Dorothy, thank you for helping for 2 years

Connie VP – no news

Ellen – absent due to illness

Standing Committees; Chris, Comfort Quilts thank you

UFO thank you gifts for participants

Fat Chance Club – 3 bundles of 7; Winners, Mary Bachman, Pattye Kent, Mary Jane

Sanford

Scrap Happy – 14 blocks, Ellen MacLaughlin winner. Suggestions for future blocks

Special Committee – Clara states we are looking for a guilt chairperson

New business – Sit and sew during the summer, Diane Jankowski Veteran's Quilts.

thank you for all of your hard work.

Good of the order- no news.

Show and tell

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm

Respectfully submitted, Kim Sturm

TEDDY BEARS

It's Salvation Army teddy bear time again!

There will be lots of teddy bears at our September meeting. They will be ready for you to take home and dress up to look cute and cuddly for some lucky little girl or boy.

Come prepared to pay the \$6 each and take one or more home

Mary Jane

Fat Chance

Let's make a difference!

There are many ways to make a difference for the guild. We have several ways to do something for charily and it will make you feel good at the same time. Below are examples and who to contact:

Comfort quilts are twin and baby quilts, joey bags or pillowcases, contact Jan Schell or Chris Pahssen-Noble.

Quilts for veterans, Diane Jankowski

Teddy bears are our Fall charity, Mary Jane Sanford

This year I would like to ask everyone to make at least one of these charity projects of your choice to help "make a difference". Good things are made up of a lot of little things. Let's do some good things.

Let's shake up the fat chance a little bit this year:

September Juvenile fabrics to make kids or baby quilts

October Fall batiks – orange, brown or gold

November Christmas fabrics

January Polka dots

February Red fabrics for red works

March Green batiks

April Geometric fabrics (different shapes)

May Civil war fabrics

See you at the meeting!

Nell

COMFORT QUILTS

We are trying something new this year. Each month, a donation of a quilt or joey bag, and maybe a couple of pillowcases, gets your name in a drawing for that month. A fat quarter bundle (8-10) from local quilt shop including their card in case someone would want to get more fabric to make a quilt, is being donated by a group of generous members. The names would be kept for a larger drawing to take place at the end of the guild year. The more someone would donate the greater the chances of winning!

We are moving away from the small baby quilts because babies outgrow them too quickly. We will be using the 3-yard quilt size (lap size). We are also including some twin-size quilts. Kits for child quilts, teen quilts and Joey bags are available at the guild meetings.

Most of our fabric is donated, but we do need to purchase backings and/or batting. There will be a container at our table for donations. Your help is greatly appreciated. We encourage you to continue sewing at home making pillowcases, quilts, and Joey bags. This is a great way to use your stash.

Jan Schell and Chris Pahssen-Noble, co-chairs

SCRAP HAPPY

I think that Scrap Happy Block was a hit for the 2022 – 2023 season so we will keep going trying to tame our ever growing "stash" of fabric. The rules are very simple. NO buying fabric. Use your stash to complete a block (pattern provided) each month. If a block is submitted your name will be entered in a drawing to win all of the blocks.

Our May block was Criss Cross Star. We had 14 blocks turned in. The lucky winner was Ellen MacLaughlin.

For September 2023 we will return to the way we started. A crazy quilt block 12.5" unfinished. The question of what fabrics to use came up. In discussions with a few members, it was decided to use quilting cottons. This will make it easier for the lucky winner to incorporate them in a finished quilt.

Summer is going by so quickly. September is right around the corner. I guess it's time I get working on my Crazy Quilt Block and a new pattern to pass along for our next meeting. See you in September. Enjoy the rest of the summer!

Happy Scrappy Sewing! Linda B.

FACEBOOK PAGE

Check out our Facebook page. Lots of information is shared. Search for Piecemakers Quilt Guild of Saginaw. This is a closed group for Piecemaker members only, so your request to join needs approval of an administrator.

Clara Martin and Chris Pahssen-Noble, co-administrators

PIECEMAKERS NAME BADGES

Name badges are a great way to meet other members of the guild. Wear yours to each meeting. Do you need a name badge? Badges are \$7.50 each and include a pin back or a magnet back. Extra magnet backs are also available for \$1.00 each. You can order a name badge at the meeting or by contacting Chris Pahssen-Noble: cpahssen@aol.com or call/text 989-751-0308.

SAVE THESE DATES - QUILT SHOW 2024



to all.

"A Splash of Color"

will be held:

Friday, April 12, 2024, 10am-6p.m & Saturday, April 13, 2024 10am-4pm

And keep Wed 4-10-24 & Thurs 4-11-24 open for set up and take in, more info coming on day and time.

We will have information on our challenge at the September guild meeting.

Thank you, Clara Martin & Laura Greenfelder Quilt Show Co-Chairs



2023-2024 MEMBERSHIP DUES Checks payable to (Piecemakers Quilt Guild) Please fill out form and send along with your dues. Our dues, run from Sept. to Sept. We do not pro rate. We need any address or email changes.

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Thank you, Clara

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