

# A PIECE OF NEWS

The Newsletter for Piecemakers Quilt Guild

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## October 2022

### Reminder:

**All requests to be added to the agenda need to be sent to the president one week before our meeting date. Keep those announcements coming!!**

### DOORS WILL BE OPEN AT 6:15 P.M. (NO EARLIER PLEASE)

- Use side door of church for entrance to Guild Meetings.
- Bring a covered beverage of choice, coffee, tea, pop or water.
- Socialize with old and new friends from 6:15 to 7:00.
- Check out the many events to join in the back of the room.

“Friends are like fabric, there is never enough.”

As Halloween draws near, we all prepare for the festivities. Pumpkins, witches, cats, and ghouls. Not to mention the candy, children, and gatherings with friends. Speaking of gathering with friends, I can't wait to see all of you again. I hope you enjoyed our September meeting and are looking forward to the surprises, give aways, quilts and classes to come. Bring a friend to our meetings to share the joy. Quilt a little every day and bring in those finished projects.

“Build the Guild”

Our November meeting is special. We want to encourage all those new junior quilters out there. This is our opportunity to foster their creativity and share with them our quilting community. Invite a 13–17-year-old or give them a ride if you can. They attend for free. Our presentation speaker will be showcasing her Improv Quilting technique. Please see the Vice President's section for more information.

Julie Peasley, President

### GUILD MEETING

7:00 pm

3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month at  
Second Presbyterian Church  
2665 Midland Rd., Saginaw, MI

### This month's date:

Oct. 20, 2022

7:00 pm

Doors open at 6:15 pm

### This month's program:

Cheri Pickett, Quilt Appraiser



## Programs

**October 19-** Cheri Pickett, Michigan AQS quilt appraiser, will have a trunk show at our meeting. She is offering appraisals for \$50.00 (\$5.00 will be returned to the guild). (She is charging \$60.00 at the Fiber Arts Show in Port Huron). The appraisals will be done at Lady Jane Quilt Shop in Freeland on Thursday October 20th. An appointment is necessary prior to Thursday. Payment is to the guild. Please contact Dorothy Bodeis (989-799-6086) to arrange an appointment. If you want an appraisal but have commitments that day, contact Dorothy and she can make sure your quilt will get appraised.

**November 16-** Lisa Swenson Ruble (Quilty Zest), will present a trunk show "Hooked on Improv". Thursday, November 17, she will be teaching "Intro to Improv Piecing". She will be sharing her technique and how to make 3 different blocks. The class will be held at St. Mark's Lutheran Church, 2565 N. Miller Rd. Saginaw, MI. If there are less than 10 people registered for the class, it may be cancelled.

**Jan. 18, 2023** Trash to Treasure

**Feb. 15, 2023** Flying Geese demonstrations. If you have a favorite technique to share, please contact Dorothy Bodeis (989-799-6086). Have a technique or tip to share that's not Flying Geese, contact Dorothy. Make some quilted pieces using Flying Geese to share at the May meeting.

**March 15, 2023** A first for Piecemakers - a zoom presentation! Beth Helfter of EvaPaige Designs will share her Accordion HST technique.

**April 19, 2023** Bring your orphan blocks!!! Please have them measure 12.5 x 12.5. That night members will lay them out to quilt top sizes. Volunteers will then sew them together. The goal is to have quilts for charity, fun and fellowship.

**May 17, 2023** Our final meeting of the year. We are planning a tea and silent auction along with the Flying Geese Challenge Show and Tell.

See you soon!  
Dorothy

- Door Prize donated by Robyn from Between Patches and everyone will get a ticket for the drawing.
- October drawing is an approximately 20"x21" wall hanging, donated by Judy Piper. A ticket will be given to everyone who donates to the Comfort Quilts for batting.



# Piecemaker's Minutes September 21, 2022

**Meeting was called to Order at 7:00**

**Greetings from the President**

**Suspend the Order**

Robert's Rules used to nominate Jr. Vice President. Motion was made by Cyndi Thomas to nominate a Jr. Vice President. Deb Bateson seconded. Floor was opened for nominations. Judy Wilson was the only person nominated. Chris Pahssen-Noble made a motion to accept Judy Wilson and Pam Findlay seconded. Judy Wilson accepted nomination and was voted in unanimously.

**Gadget of the Month**

A Snowflake Cutter was demonstrated by Julie Peasley with a slide show.

**Announcements**

-A Survey is in your folder. Please fill it out and turn it in as you leave. Answer 2 questions on the back about the potluck and future speakers.

-Scrap Club 12 ½" square. Each month will be different. Block for October is a scrappy crazy quilt block, fabric from your stash only.

-Jane Werner spoke about Habitat for Humanity Quilt Show & Silent Auction, October 14-16<sup>th</sup>. All monies raised will go to Habitat for Humanity.

-Michigan Fiber Arts & Quilter's Convention is in Port Huron, Sept. 29 through Oct. 1, 2022.

-Quilters Hall of Fame July 20-22, 2023 Marion, Indiana

-Empty computer ink cartridges - please save them and bring to the guild. Staples will donate money for each one turned in toward supplies the Guild buys.

**Minutes**

Minutes are published in the newsletter. Members will be asked if there are any corrections, if none necessary, they are published as submitted.

**Presidents Report**

-The guild has not filed taxes with the IRS since 2014

- In Bylaws: Dissolution Article X; 3C

- In Bylaws: Conflict of Interest Article XIII

- Bylaws Committee meets again in January

Question: Is the conflict of interest only with officers or groups within the guild?

To be discussed with officers at Executive Board Meeting

**Gaming Commission**

-Quilt raffle Michigan gaming paperwork to be filled out a few months ahead of planned raffle.

-Delete all use of reimbursement wording and change to: with fees or payment

-Limitations of junior members

-Change age limitation in by laws to 17 and under.

## **Treasurers Report**

- 2-year Budget was presented. It is included in my folder.
- Question: Did we buy a projector? Yes. It was purchased with monies from ads with our business partners.
- Trash to treasure was explained to members
- Negotiate price for renting church, possibly change venue in the future

## **Vice President**

Dorothy ran through the list of speakers for the year:

- October Meeting will be with Quilt Appraiser. Appraisals are being done at Lady Jane's in Freeland. You must sign up ahead of time; the cost is \$50 per quilt appraised.
- November meeting presenter is Lisa Swenson Ruble, lecturing on improv piecing. There will be a class the day after our meeting at St. Mark's Church.
- February there will be demonstrations of flying geese at meeting. Bring a finished project back in May for flying geese challenge.
- March is a zoom presentation from Massachusetts: Accordion half square triangles.
- April meeting, bring in orphan blocks brought to put tops together for donations.
- May will have a tea for members and a silent auction.

## **Special Committees**

**-Comfort Quilts**, chair is Chris Pahssen-Noble

Joey Bag Kits Picked up - 0

Joey Bags donated - 9

Quilt Kits picked up - 7

Quilts Donated - 9

Yard fabric donations

Donations for quilt batting

**-Fat Chance**, chair is Nell Beebe

Bring in one or more fat quarter for your chance to win a bundle. Must be Quilt shop quality fabric.

**-UFO Challenge**, chair is Cynthia Thomas

Sign up several unfinished projects and finish the project when it's number is called. Bring it back in to share with members. The number for UFO project for October is number 3; due at Nov. meeting.

**-Troops and VA Quilts**, chair is Diane Jankowski

We reached our goal of 1,000 quilts donated last May. The size of quilt does not matter. They should be at least lap size quilts, but may be larger. Red, white and blue or any other colors are accepted.

**-Scrap Happy Club**

16 people have signed up. Block for October is a crazy quilt design, block must be 12 ½ inches, only scrap fabric from your stash may be used. A drawing to be held each month and one person will win all the blocks for that month.

**-Membership & Web**, chair is Clara Martin

-Membership list will be emailed along with the Newsletter soon. Welcome letter. Cards and coupons are available every month from our business partners.

**-Hospitality**, Pam Findlay

You will check in with her each meeting you attend as you enter the building. You will receive a ticket for the door prize.

**-Salvation Army Bears**

Bears are \$6 each, dress them and return by November meeting. Premie clothes work best.

-Business Partners that were at the meeting were introduced.

### **Prize Winners for this month**

-Ruth Simons won the door prize from Between Patches

-Linda Grindahl won a table runner

-Jan Schell won a fat quarter from Creative Passions Quilt Shop

-Diane Bolger won a fat quarter from Miles of Stitches

-Donna Wood won a fat quarter from Park Bench Quilt Shop

-Stephanie Minkina won a fat quarter from Surrey Road Quilt Shop

Meeting was adjourned at 8:54

Minutes respectfully submitted by Kimberly Sturm

## **UFO (Unfinished Objects) CLUB**

UFO for the month of October is number 3 on our UFO list. Please remember to bring your finished item back in November for us to be inspired by and keep up the good work. Remember, a project completed makes room to start another!

Cyndi Thomas

## **SCRAP HAPPY**

The rules are very simple: NO buying fabric. You need to use your scraps to complete the monthly block. A new pattern will be given to you each month. You may make up to five blocks to enter into the drawing each month. Everyone who makes a block will be entered into a drawing to win the finished blocks. The first drawing will be in October. October's block is a Crazy Quilt pattern. The block must finish at 12-1/2".

Linda Birchmeier

## **FAT QUARTER EXCHANGE**

Hi everyone!

Oops, I goofed on the November fat chance. In the past we have had our Harvest Dinner on that day or one year it was the day before Thanksgiving so therefore no meeting. Since I didn't schedule one for November. You get a free month to do all your other things you do. Maybe make a charity project? Then we will start back up in January.

Thanks,  
Nell

October—Christmas fabrics

January—white or cream fabrics to use as backgrounds

February—red fabrics to use for red work.

March—civil war fabrics

April—black and white

May—batiks of any color

## **COMFORT QUILTS**

If you had taken a quilt kit home last Spring, please remember to bring it back soon. We are trying to have them turned in by November and I have to have time to quilt them. Thanks.

Most of our fabric is donated, but occasionally we 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.

Kits for child quilts, teen quilts and Joey bags are available at the guild meetings. We would like to include twin size kits if anyone is interested.

Jan Schell and Chris Pahssen-Noble, co-chairs

## **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 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](mailto:cpahssen@aol.com) or call/text 989-751-0308.

## **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

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If you are new, when your dues are received, you are welcomed to request to join our Facebook page (Private site) and use our website ([www.saginawpiecemakersquiltguild.com](http://www.saginawpiecemakersquiltguild.com)) which is open to all.

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