

THE PIECEFUL TIMES

Newsletter for the Gathering of Quilters Quilt Guild, Toledo, Ohio

edited by Lynette Brown

Date: September, 17, 2015

Time: 7 pm

Doors open at 6:30 pm

Program:

Judy Sandman

Ugly Quilts and Trunk Show:

How to Turn "Ho-hum"
fabrics into "Oh, my!" quilts.

Meeting Location

Holland Free Methodist
Church

6605 Angola Road

Holland, Ohio

419-865-4640

Enter at south end of the
building

President's Letter

Hello Guild Members,

Welcome to another year of quilting fun, education, and inspiration within our guild. Our program committee as assured me that we have a lot to look forward to this year. They have scheduled some really knowledgeable speakers and fun programs for the up-coming year. There will be some classes and workshops offered, along with our all day retreats at the Quilt Heaven and our annual Michindoh retreat. It is my hope that you will support our guild by attending these events. They are a lot of fun and a great way to get to know your fellow guild members.

As President, one of my goals is to raise the awareness of the guild's community outreach by making and donating charity quilts. Although it is not required, it is strongly encouraged that every guild member should make at least one charity quilt per year. Therefore I am going to challenge our guild members to make and donate at least 100 charity quilts this year.

I hope you were able to attend some of the area quilt shows this past summer. The many quilts displayed were outstanding and, as always, I am both amazed and inspired by the creativity and talent of these quilt makers. Some of which are members of our very own guild. Congratulations to all the winners. If you have never entered a quilt in a show, I encourage you to do so. Whether you win a ribbon or not, there is something rewarding just seeing your quilt hanging in a show.

If you can please mail in your membership form and payment before the meeting, so hopefully it will be less confusing at the door. If you have a friend or relative who would like to join the guild bring them along, and help our guild grow. I look forward to seeing all of you at our September meeting. Until then Happy Sewing

Ellie

What to bring to the meeting?

Pop Tabs

Membership form and check

Fat Quarters

Food donation for Holland Free Methodist Church

DON'T FORGET YOUR MEMBERSHIP! Anyone who has not paid their dues by November meeting will not receive a newsletter.

SEPTEMBER PROGRAM

Judy Sandman has a zany approach to using your stash! Judy takes your tired, aged, or otherwise less-than-optimal fabric and creates wonderful quilts with them. You will be inspired with her transformation: more than 50 quilts in her bottomless trunk are more than enough proof that "ugly" is only in the eye of the quilter!

The fun begins when YOUR fabric, (remember donating your ugly fabric,) evolves into a quilt even YOU might not recognize!

Judy is a master craftsman - her career has included custom handbag design, theater costume construction, custom shirt tailoring, and quilting. In the last ten years, she has won numerous ribbons at the Ohio State Fair, not only for quilts, but for clothing and baked goods. In her free time she dotes on her seven children and twelve grandchildren and enjoys the fellowship of her guild, the Columbus Metropolitan Quilters.

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION:

The directory or roster is based on paid membership as of November. Updates to directory will be issued in March and May. We need to increase our coffers to pay for programming. Bring your friends! Send your dues in by mail to avoid the rush or make copies of the membership form included in this newsletter and bring it to the meeting with you.

Hattie Kate Howell
Membership Chairwoman

All Day Retreats

Our all-day- retreats are a great way to get to know fellow Quilters, and get those UFO's completed, or start something new. The cost is \$35.00. Coffee, bottled water, lunch, and dinner are included, along with some yummy snacks from fellow Quilters.

We have four retreats scheduled this year: September 26th, December 5th., February 20th., and May 21st. All our retreats are held at:

Quilt Heaven
9030 Secor Rd.
Temperance Mich.

Open to the public and fills up fast! Payment in full will reserve your spot!
Contact: Debbie Linenkugel 419-260-6364 or 419-865-7689



Work Day's at Living Faith United Methodist Church
1240 Columbus Holland, OH
Time: 10:00 – 2:00

September 11, 2015
October 16, 2015
November 13, 2015
December 11, 2015

Work Day at Quilt Heaven
9030 Secor Rd., Temperance, MI
September 19, 2015
Time: 10:00 – 2:00

FAT QUARTER THEMES

September - Wild Life (elephants/lions)

November - Patriotic

January - No fat quarter raffle

March - Tone on tone

May -geometric

For every fat quarter you donate you get three raffle tickets. You can also purchase tickets for \$1.00 each.

2015-16 Challenge- Baby Quilt for Ronald McDonald House

This year your challenge is to make a baby quilt to be donated to the Ronald McDonald House. It can be no larger than 42 x 48, with 3 layers with binding and quilted. **No buttons, beads, sequins, or anything that a small child could detach and put in their mouth.** Voting, by the membership will take place at the May meeting. All submissions need to be made entirely by the person submitting it.

1st place- \$75.00 gift certificate 2nd place - \$50.00 gift certificate

3rd place - \$25 gift certificate

Let's show the children a lot of love!!

MILES OF PILLOWCASE SMILES CAMPAIGN

Greetings Sewers!

I hope everyone has had an enjoyable summer. It went by so quickly, I can't believe tomorrow is September 1 already! Speaking of September, that is when we hold our annual Miles of Pillowcase Smiles Campaign. This is where the entire organization sets a goal of making and collecting 44000 pillowcases, which represents the number of new cases of pediatric cancer diagnosed each year. To do our part, I have a Sewing Event scheduled for Saturday, September 12th at The Vineyard on Catawba community room, from 10am to 2pm. The Vineyard is located at 3820 E. Vineyard Village Dr., Port Clinton OH 43452. It is on Catawba off of West Catawba Road. We will need sewers, cutters and ironers, so bring your sewing machine if you wish or simply your cutting tools, mat etc. We'll be mainly working on Halloween pillowcases, but will have other fabric too. Let me know if you will be there, or if you have any questions. I have attached a flyer about the event in case you would like to post or pass on to a friend.

I also wanted to let you know some big news from ConKerr Cancer. Our name is changing to **Ryan's Case for Smiles**, to better represent our commitment to all seriously and chronically ill children. (See the message below from our founder, Cindy Kerr). I will be emailing the updated bag card insert file and some other updates in the next couple of days.

And...Case for Smiles has reached the 1 Millionth pillowcase mark!! An amazing accomplishment of which you are all a part of!! Thanks so much for all the smiles. 😊😊😊😊

Thanks,
Linda
Linda Peiffer
NW Ohio Chapter
Ryan's Case for Smiles
419-619-9071

Dates for Michindoh Retreat: April 8-10

Cost for members 155.00

Cost for non-members 165.00

Payment due in full.

Registration for guild members only at Sept thru Nov. meetings. Open to non-members after November meeting. Come have some fun stitching with New friends and Old friends! Looking forward to Our weekend.

Hope to see you!

Candy Colleen

<u>AUGUST 20, 2015 TREASURER'S REPORT</u>			
<u>INCOME</u>			
Beginning Balance	\$6,418.84		
Income	1,167.00		
Total Income			\$ 6,418.84
<u>EXPENSES</u>	862.38		
<u>Encumbered Expenses</u>	8,730.00		
Total Expenses (inc Encumbered)			\$ 9,592.38

<u>Gathering of Quilters</u>	<u>Proposed Budget 2014 - 2015</u>						
<u>INCOME</u>	<u>2015/2016</u>						
Membership	2060.00	<u>Notes</u>					
Guests	50.00	Includes several memberships for 2015/16					
50/50 Raffle	150.00						
Fat Quarter Raffle	70.00						
Newsletter Ads	20.00						
Petty Cash	60.00				<u>AUGUST 20, 2015 TREASURER'S</u>		
Retreat	5160.00						
Retreat Raffle	230.00				<u>INCOME</u>		
One Day Retreat	2140.00				Beginning Balan	\$6,418.	
Misc. Income					Income	1,167.0	
Class	600.00				Total Income	\$6,418	
<u>Total income</u>	\$10,540						
					<u>EXPENSES</u>	862.38	
<u>Expenses</u>					<u>Encumbered E</u>	8,730.0	
Membership	\$50.00				Total Expenses (inc Encun	\$9,592	
Program books	150.00						
Program Speaker fees/tr	1085.00						
Publicity	200.00						
Newsletter	0.00						
Challenge	150.00						
Retreat	5160.00						
Retreat Raffle	150.00						
One Day Retreat	1600.00						
Office Supplies (incl P.O.	200.00						
President	50.00						
Miscellaneous	20.00						
Class	600.00						
50/50 Raffle	10.00						
Hall & table rental	750.00						
Insurance - General Liabi	210.00						
Gifts	50.00						
Website hosting - 6 mont	105.00						
<u>Total Expenses including</u>	\$10,540						



A Weekend of Quilts

at:

**Toledo Mennonite
Church
5501 Nebraska Avenue**

**The 2015 Fund Raiser to Benefit the After School Tutoring Program at Toledo
Mennonite Church,
Serving Young Students from Area Elementary Schools.**

Over 50 handmade quilts will be displayed.

Two wall hanging quilts and an original painting to be raffled. Stay and help us knit some comforters for charity.

Friday, October 2nd: Quilt Show Opens at 10:00 a.m.

Fabrics, Crafts Handmade Woven Rag Rugs, and Books for Sale

Bake Sale Items Available

Lunch and light refreshments available

Admission by Donation

Friday Evening – 6:30 – 8 p.m.

A homemade meal with dessert

Music by 1 A.D. – a musical group from Archbold, OH

Admission by Donation

RSVP at 419-536-1251 & leave message

Saturday, October 3rd: Quilt Show Opens at 10:00 a.m.

Crafts, Fabrics, Handmade Woven Rag Rugs, and Books for Sale

Lunch and light refreshments available

Admission by Donation

**Sign Up for Raffles
show ends & winners to be
drawn at 4:00 PM**

Need not be present to win

Questions: Please call Toledo Mennonite Church Office: 419.536.1251
or Karen Rupp, Chairwoman: 419.382.6144



May 21, 2015 General Meeting- Gathering of Quilters' Guild....**Holland Free UM Church.....7 pm**

Chair Ellie Grabarczyk called the meeting to order and welcomed new members and visitors. Minutes of the March 2015 meeting were approved as corrected [sic Quilts of Valor]; moved by Diana Lindhorst, seconded by Mary Clark, motion approved. Treasurer's Report accepted as printed in the Newsletter.

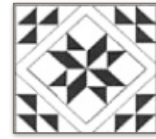
Program: Exquisite Dimensional Applique Journey Trunk Show: Mary Clark, Sylvania, Oh

Program Chair Colleen Florkowski introduced our Speaker: Mary Clark, who presented samples from her earliest pieces, her applique "loves", and published quilts in books by known authors. Along with viewing over 20 quilts, Mary gave helpful hints, such as: 'fusing' 3 layers of freezer paper together for templates, using "Vintage Wash" to clean soiled quilts, and using # 5 perle cotton stem stitch in the ditch for bindings. Mary has been awarded 8 BOS plates from Sauder Quilt Show !! A beautiful presentation!

Business meeting:

- 2016 Michindo Retreat: Candy Colleen White, chair, will be April 8-10. Cost: \$ 150-160. Members with paid membership may sign up in SEPT; public attendance will be reserved after the November meeting. \$ 810 has been paid to secure retreat dates.
- 2015 One Day Retreats: Deb Linenkugel: have been scheduled at Quilt Heaven for Sept 26, and Dec. 5, 9am-9pm; lunch and dinner provided for \$ 35.00.
- Nominating committee of Beth Rohrbacher and Irene Rose have secured Tom Sharky and Linda Ball as Co- Vice-Presidents. With Diana Lindhorst accepting a second two-year term as Treasurer, the Board Positions are complete.
- Sauder Quilt Show (April 2015) winners were congratulated: Lynette Brown (2nd/ HM), Glass City Quilt Commission (3rd), Candy Colleen White (2-HMs), Diana Trost (1st & 3rd), and Kathy Kanitz (Best Longarm quilting).
- Hattie Kate H. reported we now have 80 members (58 present tonight)
- Raffle Winners: Judy Siefer (\$50 in 50/50); Dale Burnett/ Wand Dyer (Fat 1/4s)
- "Quilting Through the Seasons" Challenge winners were: Ellie Grabarczyk (1st), Sheila Painter (2nd), and Londa Burkett (3rd). Thanks to all 12 members who participated!
- 5 Charity Quilts from Hattie Kate H, Dale Burnett, and Deb Linenkugel were shown. Ellie G. asked that the different groups email her the total number of charity quilts that the Gathering has sponsored this Guild year to include as our charitable giving.
- Show and Tell quilts were shown from Sheila Painter, Karen Rupp, Hattie Kate H., Marianne (Tribute Quilt of favored teachers/ stories), and Linda's Midi bag.
- Susan Smith thanked members for their contributions to the pet bed effort. Marjory Wilkin will be coordinating this project for the next Guild year.
- Members were encouraged to attend the Fiber Arts Show, June 6-7 at the 577 Foundation, Perrysburg.

Gathering of Quilters Guild Membership Form 2015-16



Please Print Clearly or Use an Address Label

Name _____ Date _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____
(In case we have any questions!)

Phone _____ Email _____

Dues _____ \$25 Sept.-Sept. _____ \$10 after January Meeting

Circle Cash or Check # _____ Renewal New member Former member

Birthdate: mo/day _____ (optional)

**SEND (or bring to meeting) this COMPLETED FORM and \$25 check
made out to**

The Gathering of Quilters Guild
P.O. Box 631, Sylvania OH 43560

Please note that all newsletters, *Pieceful Times*, will be sent by email.

If you want or need the newsletter to be sent by USPS (snail mail),
BRING 4 #10 (or business-sized) Self-Addressed Stamped Envelopes (SASE)
to the Newsletter Editor, Lynette Brown, at the **September meeting**.

Please check the following:

YES NO

_____ 1. I give permission for the above information to be published in a member directory which will be distributed to members only & will not be given to outside sources.

_____ 2. I give permission for my quilt/me to be photographed and published on the guild website and FaceBook page. If I don't want pictures taken of me or my quilts, I must inform the photographer prior to showing my quilt(s).

If please report changes of phone # or email address, please contact the membership chairman ASAP at hkrhowell@sbcglobal.net or 419-531-9167.

So that we may better plan programs for the interests of our membership,
please **circle** any of the following that may apply to you:

Quilter	Collector	Traditional	Contemporary	Art quilt
Piecing	Appliqué	Hand Quilt	Machine Quilt	

My other skills, hobbies are: _____

My occupation is/has been: _____

Positions served on Guild board: _____

How would you would like to help the Gathering of Quilters Guild by using your special talents?

ON BACK Comments. What groups do you quilt with including charity groups?