

# Heritage Happenings

Great Lakes Quilt Guild



## President's Message

Sue Chase

The cold and early snow before all the leaves were raked stunned us a bit, but now it is time to finish off those Holiday Bazaar items and decide what potluck dish you are going to bring to our December meeting. Don't forget it starts earlier, 6:30 pm, and remember your table setting (plate, silverware & cup). Our December meeting is always a lot of fun as we have extra time to socialize. Bring your checkbook or cash, and bid often on the great items we are sure to have in the bazaar, which could be a great gift (if you can part with it). Above all, at this busy time of year this is your chance to slow down, relax, and have a GREAT time with your guild friends! In January, we'll have to roll up our sleeves and really get to work . . . but we don't have to think about that right now, because, as Scarlet O'Hara said, 'Tomorrow IS another day'!!

And Junot Diaz (Pulitzer Prize winning writer) said, "*The whole culture is telling you to hurry, while the art tells you to take your time. Always listen to the Art*". Good advice here--- listen to the art!

## What's Inside

**Program** Programs in 2015 will be fun and informative!

**Looking forward** Are you excited for the Holiday Bazaar/ Silent Auction?

**Quilt Show** Coming soon! Get the word out. Feb. 27.

**Haven** Some of the items could be coats, sweatshirts and pants ...

**Charity** WOW! This guild is amazing. The quilts continue to roll in ...

**HOLIDAY POTLUCK 6:30**

Bring your own place setting and your Potluck dish

**HOLIDAY BOUTIQUE**

## Programs

Second Vice President Karen Whitney & Karen Keller

As 2014 comes to a close, we would like to say a special "THANKS" to all the GLHQ members who have supported our programs this fall. We appreciate all your positive comments. Without your support for our workshops, the guild would not be able to continue having such talented speakers and teachers. We love seeing the new nametags made in the Lee's Lines Workshop. Monique Dillard inspired all of us with her lovely quilts and I'm sure we'll be seeing "Victoria Rose" and "Chocolate Cherry Crunch" at show and tell in the new year. And who can forget Linda Hahn, who entertained us with her unique backing fabric selections and beautiful "New York Beauty" quilts. Linda's classes were fun and all who attended are excited now to make New York Beauty blocks for both their quilts and the block of the month. Our guild is awesome!!

We're not done yet. Programs in 2015 will be fun and informative. January will be our own, Karen Keller and daughter, Kate, who will share

their upcycle business, Patchwork Earth. February will take the guesswork out of color with Beatrice Hughes and her "Big Color Wheel Combinations Handbook". March's program features nationally known Diane Loomis who will speak on Baltimore Album Quilts and offer workshops on Elegant Quilting Backgrounds and a free motion feathered bag. April's workshop will be a featherweight clinic with Tina Bauer who will also speak on antique fabrics at our meeting. Anne Bell will join us in May to talk about her quilt book "Stella Maude", the colorful life of a quilter, as well as, share her own quilts and quilting journey. WOW! Get ready for a great winter and spring of quilting programs.



### THIS MONTH'S BIRTHDAYS

Becky Magnus	December 2
Ardi Holmes	December 7
Mary Lou Guisinger	December 8
Barb De Vilbiss	December 9
Connie Soon	December 11
Noel VanGorden	December 12
Pam Hoffman	December 18
Elaine Stein	December 23

Jean Saillant	December 23
Lucy Lesperance	December 24
Mary Jo Spina	December 25
Karen Coan	December 26
Phyllis Coykendall	December 27
Shirly Guban	December 27
Marilyn Flowers	December 29
Carol Fulton	December 30

## HAVEN

It is such a pleasure to take your generous gifts to Haven. They have made a difference and they are so appreciative of the way our Guild members have worked to meet the special needs for all who reside there.

We are now in the holiday mode and Haven tries to help make Christmas special for the families who have come through their doors in the past as well as those who live with them currently. These will be children from 0-18 and adults 19 and older. Some of the items could be coats, sweatshirts and pants, pajamas as well and toys, books, games for anyone of any age. It is requested that no toys have weapons and no DVD's or gifts have a violent theme. They would appreciate it if none of the gifts were edible items or used. All items must be unwrapped. Gift cards to Target, Meijer or Kroger are helpful and allow clients to meet their own needs.

Haven is currently filled to capacity and has a lot of families requesting their help this holiday season. Great Lakes Heritage has been generous in the past and this holiday season we can help bring a little joy to those facing a new beginning without violence.

## RAFFLE TICKET NEWS

Barbara Gerard

We have had very good response of members picking up their envelopes of raffle tickets to sell for our upcoming Quilt Show. Many have returned their 20 ticket stubs with the money and requested more to sell.

However, there are thirty members that haven't picked up their envelopes and I would like you to consider picking them up at the December meeting. I will be at the meeting near the sign up table. If you are unable to attend the meeting, please call me at 248-399-8681 and we can arrange a time for this to happen. It would be great to have them available to sell during the holiday season.

I would also like to announce that I will be moving out of the area and my friend and GLHQ member, Linda Wallace, will be taking over the raffle ticket duties after the December meeting and stubs/money should be returned to her. You can reach her at [lindawfoo@yahoo.com](mailto:lindawfoo@yahoo.com) or 248-398-9234.

Thank you to everyone who has returned their stubs and money. We have sold almost 1000 tickets so far. Keep up the good work!



## From the Fundraising Committee...

Are you excited for the Holiday Bazaar/ Silent Auction? What kind of neat things have you made to auction? I am really looking forward to the December meeting. We still have GLHQ Cookbooks available for your holiday and New Year cooking and gift-giving needs. They are \$10 each and include 300 recipes. See me or see Sue Bender to pick up your copy at the meeting. We are also taking receipt of potholders to use for our cookbook sales at the February quilt show.

Do you have a talent (long-arm quilting) or wares (think jewelry, business cards, stationery) to share with the ladies? There will not be a vendor table in December, but 2015 is a new year! Give your business a kick-start by renting a member-vendor table next year.

The word is out! Great prizes (and MONEY!) can be won at the Door Prize and 50-50-affle table. Our 50-50 winner received \$57 in November! Make sure to stop by the table for your chances to win.

If you have any suggestions for our group, see one of us at the meetings! Thanks!

Cheryl Murphy and Jean Usner

Fundraising Committee Co-Chairs

### What's Your Quilter's IQ?

Linda and Barb bought 60 yards of fabric between them. Barb bought twice as much as Linda. How much did Linda buy?

- 20 yards. She forgot her credit card at home.
- 40 yards. She still had her checkbook.
- Exactly 5 inches less than she needs to finish her quilt.

## CHALLENGE

### Remember:

- Use Text in anyway you like
- 30 X 40

## NEW YORK BEAUTY BLOCK OF THE MONTH

Will be on hiatus this month. However, all the Linda Hahn workshop participants may want to get a jump on using her technique on the January block, which will be available on the guild website.  
[www.glhq.org](http://www.glhq.org)



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**HOLIDAY BAZAAR**

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A highlight of the December meeting is the **Holiday Bazaar**. It is a silent auction of items donated by members. Quilted and sewn items are encouraged but any crafty or sewing related item is welcome. Use this opportunity to show off your talent or improve your skills by making an item for this fun **fundraiser**. We are looking forward to seeing all the lovely things you are donating.

**What is a silent auction?** They are auctions held without an auctioneer. People place their bids on sheets of paper. At the close of the auction, the highest bidders will walk home with all the great goodies. Donors will set a starting price (minimum bid) and set a "buy it now" (BIN) price. The "buy it now" price is for those who can't stand the suspense . . . you know who you are! If you have a hard time figuring out a BIN price, the committee members will help you.

Please bring your donated items to the December meeting by 6:30 p.m. All items need to have a completed and attached tag (tag for your use below).

The Holiday Bazaar is a great way for our guild to raise funds for outstanding programs and activities for all members. **Catch the bidding fever!**

December Potluck meeting has traditionally been a closed meeting for "**members only**". If you have a friend who is interested in shopping our holiday bazaar, perhaps they could visit it after dinner, 7:30 to 8pm. Now that our guild has grown, we have just enough dining seating for members.

<b>Holiday Bazaar December Guild Meeting Silent Auction</b>	<b>Holiday Bazaar December Guild Meeting Silent Auction</b>
Minimum Bid: \$_____	Minimum Bid: \$_____
Buy It Now: \$_____	Buy It Now: \$_____
Name of Item:	Name of Item:
Donor Name or GLHQ # _____	Donor Name or GLHQ # _____
If item not sold, the item is returned to you	If item not sold, the item is returned to you

## CHARITY UPDATE

### Continuing to Make a Difference

WOW! This guild is amazing. The quilts continue to roll in and while many of you may be taking a break for the holidays we appreciate your efforts thus far. The quilts have been a big hit and are so needed. Keep them coming.

As I mentioned at the last meeting there is a need for patriotic versions of the wheelchair quilts. There are lots of veterans in need and we have committed to providing 32-35 wheelchair quilts by next fall for a big Veterans day presentation.

To that end I would like to share a couple of options with you. If you don't want to make a full 36" x 48" quilt you can just make a few blocks. We have teamed up with MQX Quilt Festivals and their 2015 QOV block drive. The difference is the blocks will stay here in our guild for others to make into quilts.

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Barb De Vilbiss

**LONG ARM QUILTING**

To get the free pattern for the two blocks go to:

<http://www.mqxshow.com/MQX/East/Information/QOVBlockDrive/index.cfm> and download the PDF. Make a couple or 6! We only need 6 blocks to make a quilt so hopefully with your help we can meet our goal of 32 quilts.

We will have examples at the next meeting and hopefully you will be inspired.

Thank you so much for your participation and we look forward to seeing your creations!



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## Hospitality

**FORGOT TO SIGN UP? ANYTHING  
YOU BRING WILL BE WELCOME.**

**Appetizer/Bread/Cracker & Dip:**  
Liz Hunsanger, Judy Lobser, Pam  
Hoffman, Eilene Still

**Salad**  
Ardath Holmes, June Spraggins,  
Gitta Welch, Ann Woodman, Cathy  
McIntee

**Fruit:**  
Michele St Denis, Barbara Fowler,  
Marilyn Burgel, Paula Griffis, Donna  
Reeves

**Potato/Rice Casserole Item:**  
Nancy Osterman, Mary Sirianni, Deb  
Montague

**Vegetables:**  
Martha Stewart, Barb Sucher,  
Colette Pariseau, Julie Krauss

**Meat:**  
Cosmo Girls (Ham), Kathy Cabrie  
(Wings), Jean Usner (Lasagna)

**Dessert:**  
Maureen Magadanz, Fran Mills,  
Netta Humphry, Debbie Stallings,  
Barb Devilbiss

**Beverages:**  
Lynn Paruch, Cindy Murphy,  
Jennifer Everland, Elaine Stein

## MYSTERY QUILT DAY SAVE THE DATE!

February 7th, 2015  
6600 W. Maple & Drake Rd.  
West Bloomfield, MI  
8:30-4:00

Get out of the cold, dream of Spring and  
enjoy a day of quilting at  
our Garden Party!

Check [www.glhq.org](http://www.glhq.org) for registration form

*Great Lakes Heritage Quilters  
2015 Quilt Show*

*Friday, February 27<sup>th</sup> 10 am – 6  
pm, Saturday February 28<sup>th</sup> 10  
am – 5 pm*

*Located at King's Court  
Castle, Canterbury Village,  
2325 Joslyn Ct., Lake Orion,  
MI 48360.*

*Admission is \$6.*

*[www.glhq.org](http://www.glhq.org)*

Next Quilt Show Planning Committee  
Meeting: December 7, 1:00, Guildcrafters




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2015 Registration will begin January 12, 2015.  
Register before February 1st and receive a complimentary amenity upon check-in.  
Details available October 2014 at [www.grandhotel.com/needleart](http://www.grandhotel.com/needleart)  
or by contacting event coordinator Jackie Compton at [needleart@grandhotel.com](mailto:needleart@grandhotel.com)

**MAY 1–6, 2015**  
**GRAND HOTEL, MACKINAC ISLAND, MI**

## **MEMBERSHIP ..... Michele St. Denis**

With **148 members**, GLHQ is almost at full membership! To help the Board with planning, and to ensure proper accommodation of members, speakers, and guests, please be sure to sign in at every meeting.

Please remember to wear your name tags and introduce yourself to our new members. No name tag? Ask at membership desk.

To sign up for one of the **TWO** remaining GLHQ memberships spots, send a completed membership form and the \$40 annual membership fee to: Michele St. Denis, 315 William Rd, Rochester MI 48307. The Membership Form can be found at [www.glhq.org](http://www.glhq.org) - choose the **About Us** tab and then **Forms**.

### **GLHQ SPRING RETRAT-----LIONS BEAR LAKE CAMP**

Mark your calendar and get a group of friends – or come alone! We have many new members that we are eager to get to know! The date is May 29- May 31, a weekend, Friday to Sunday. The weekend will cost \$78.25 – covers lodging and meals. We need 25 people – we can have more and I think we will! Look at the price and think of the fun you will have – Priceless! Jean Usner



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## December Meeting

**December 11, 2014 6:30 p.m.**

Birmingham Unitarian Church  
On Woodward near Lone Pine Rd.  
Bloomfield Hills, MI

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## Checklist

- ✓ Name tag
- ✓ Your place setting, mug, or cup for beverage
- ✓ Charity squares, top, or quilt
- ✓ Haven donation
- ✓ Show and Tell
- ✓ Your items for the Bazaar
- ✓ Money for the Holiday Bazaar

**Potluck Hospitality** - see list inside