Dear Members,

Greetings from your new president. To introduce myself, I have been a member of the guild since 2007 and have been corresponding and recording secretary. I am a retired Nurse Practitioner and retired in 2003 after 32 years practicing at Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit and West Bloomfield.

When the Thimble Thoughts editor moved to northern Michigan about 7 years ago, I took a leap of faith to become editor of the newsletter. It was a big learning curve, but with the kind help of Karen Fisher, I learned the Publisher program.

Lisa Cole-Welby will be your new editor. We have switched roles in the guild. As editor, I often wondered who awaited the publication of the newsletter each month. Did anyone actually read it in part or totally? Judy Stone, the previous editor, encouraged reading the newsletter by offering a small gift to the first person who found an intentional error in the newsletter. I did not pursue this policy as I made sufficient unintentional errors.

What I am doing this month only is offering a token gift to the first five guild members who contact me, phone, text message or email, with this offer saying they had read the newsletter or at least the President’s letter. I will have the gift at the September meeting.

I am looking forward to this year and especially to our quilt show in 2018. Your help in communicating with me and/or the board members will greatly help us in making the guild the learning and social experience you need.

Board members are listed in the guild’s directory.

See you in September,

Evelyn Phillips

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**September Birthdays**

- Gail Rahn- September 2
- Mary Asmus- September 6
- Linda Gisman- September 10
- Ruth Shaw- September 10
- Diana Rubel- September 11
- Anne Borowicz- September 16
- Marlene Splete- September 29

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**Oakland County Quilt Guild**

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**www.oaklandcountyquiltguild.com**
**September Program**

![Tim Latimer](image1)

**Tim Latimer**

**Time Span Quilts:**

**UFO to Heirloom**

A power point presentation showing the stages of work on various antique tops from start to finish, including repairs as needed, washing, batting, hand quilting, and finishing...followed by showing the actual finished quilts.

![Charity Sewing Dates](image2)

**Charity Sewing Dates**

**Marlee Smearing & Lesa Reynolds**

**CHARITY SEWING DAY**

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23**

**SET UP BETWEEN 9 AND 9:30**

**ENDS AT 3:30**

**ABIDING PRESENCE CHURCH**

**BRING SEWING MACHINE, TOOLS AND NEUTRAL THREAD**

**SALAD OR DESSERT TO SHARE, SOUP AND DRINKS WILL BE PROVIDED**

We will be working on strip quilts using muslin backs. If you have fabric strips in any width and want to share, please bring them along.
OCQG Challenge 2017-2018

Due date: February 22, 2018
Guild vote: March OCQG meeting 2018

Make a quilt of any size with “A Walk in the Park” as the theme.

Challenge Rules

• Challenge quilt tops must be made by an OCQG member. The quilting may be completed by the quilt top maker or by another person.
• The entry must be a completed quilt (three layers with binding).
• The challenge quilt should be a new quilt made from June 2017 – March 2018.
• The quilt may be ANY SIZE. Wall hangings, miniature-sized, bed quilt, table runner, wholecloth, doll quilt, and more.
• Any pattern or technique may be used: paper piecing, applique, traditional blocks, fiber art… just to name a few. Anything goes!

Co-Chairs: Diane Licholat-Surati 931-216-1503 (cell) and Tina Baumgartner 248-496-7765
Please call if you have any questions.

Cards for Our Members

If you know of a guild member who is in need of encouragement or comfort due to an illness, bereavement, marriage, etc. please contact Rita Weitendorf. She will send out an appropriate card. kariwhite3@yahoo.com, or 419-367-8717.
**Quilt Show 2018 News!!!**

**Show Dates:** Friday, April 6 & Saturday, April 7  
**Set-up Date:** Thursday, April 5  
**Same venue as 2016 Show:** CERC Building: 455 E. Scripps Road, Lake Orion, MI

We are in need of individual(s) that are willing to be Committee Chairs for the show. Listed below are Key Positions with a basic description of duties. If you are willing and able to fill one of these positions, please let us know.

**Quilt Show Committee Chairs (Key positions):**

**Positions that need filled - in red.**

- **Treasurer:** Shirley Buckmaster  
- **Publicity:** Cathy Cheal  
- **Door Prizes:** Debi Oman & Wendy Ptak  
- **Catalog:** Maria MacDonald  
- **Prizes & Ribbons:** Kathy Beguin  
- **Raffle Quilt:** Debi Oman & Carolyn Smith  
- **Raffle Quilt Ticket Sales:** Carolyn Smith & Ruth McCormick  
- **Raffle Quilt Promotion:** Sets up and takes the Raffle Quilt to other guilds and quilt shops. Sells tickets at the guilds  
- **Vendors:** Acquires vendors to participate in the show. Sends contracts, etc.  
- **Quilt Registration:** Maria MacDonald & Lisa Cole-Welby  
- **Silent Auction:** June Hittenberger  
- **Library:** Sets up and runs the library sales at the show.

Rachelle Martin & Betsy Roy

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**GUILD MEMBERS - Pick up your Raffle Tickets!!!**

Remember - each Quilt member is expected to do their part by selling 25 Raffle Tickets for the Quilt Show Raffle Quilt. The tickets will be available for pick up beginning at the September meeting. Able to sell more? We have a lot available to sell.
Oakland County Quilt Guild

Guild Minutes June 1, 2017

7:00 President Lisa Cole-Welby welcomed members to the last meeting of the year. She called tables up by number to the catered buffet provided by Italia Gardens in Oxford, Michigan. Tables were decorated various quilted table mats sewn by Cathy Leinonen and potted red geraniums. The geraniums were taken home by the person at each table whose birthday was closest to our speaker’s February 2nd birthday.

7:50 Shirley Buckmaster entertained us with a skit: introducing us to and interviewing the famous Sunbonnet Sue! Sunbonnet Sue, played by Cathy Leinonen, read from the skit, but also came up with her own funny responses and tone.

7:55 Business Meeting began with Lisa opening a gift: Sunbonnet Sue soup cozies. She said, “Yea! The best part is I can put Sunbonnet Sue in.....the microwave!”

Lisa called for the acceptance of the May meeting minutes. Accepted with no additions or corrections.

Maria MacDonald gave treasurer’s report. We are sitting in the positive because of all the membership renewals. The budget for 2017-2018, sent out via Thimble Thoughts, was addressed and a vote taken to accept the budget. By a show of hands it was overwhelmingly passed.

Linda Guilbert- Thanked everyone who helped at the Library with the recent Daffodil display. Suggests we do this again next year.

- called up the Board nominees for 2017-2018 to the front and Committee Chairs to stand. Member, Nancy Isken, made a motion to accept these volunteers. A second was made by Diane Licholat-Surati and the board was accepted.

- presented outgoing president: a gorgeous blue and white quilt with guild members’ signatures and an applique of Sunbonnet Sue on the back. (I sense a theme here and apparently Lisa is not a Sunbonnet Sue fan.)

Lisa gave a HUGE thank you for her past year! Lisa also shared with us her president’s quilt from 1991-92. She contrasted the fabric, size, pattern and talent with that of 2017 quilts and commented how far we’ve come as a guild.

Diane Licholat-Surati and Tina Baumgartner- announced the guild challenge for next year: A Walk in the Park. Rules are no rules. Can be any size or style. Due in March of 2018. Details will be on the website.

Cynthia Wilshire- stated she has been in touch with Expedition Travel about a Fall 2017 bus trip to Missouri Star with stops at shops there and back. Length of trip 4-5 days with a price similar to our Paducah trip. Call Cynthia if you want to be on her list at 248-703-1851. She hasn’t an email address.

Jean Forrester- reports we have 85 members signed in this evening.

Lisa gave the due date for entering quilts in THREADS at the Troy Historical Village: June 18th. If interested contact Lisa because paper work needs to be completed asap.

Five minute break prior to speaker.

8:20 Program: Barn Quilts by Suzi Parron (now Suzi Smith!)

Who new barn quilts and barn quilt trails could be so interesting?

Suzi had a video presentation showing the amazing quilts, barns, and the stories of the people behind them.

Her journeys have taken her through many states and she has authored two books documenting her findings.

Check out her website: www.barnquiltinfo.com

As many as 20 members will attend her workshop on Friday, June 2.


Show and Tell: Wonderful and varied as always: Charlotte Angotti quilts, a fundraiser raffle quilt, baby, charity and the beginnings of an embroidered quilt among the many shown

9:25 Meeting Adjourned
The OCQG Newsletter is published every month for guild members and fellow quilters. Articles or other information must be submitted to Lisa Cole-Welby by the 15th of each month. Please submit your articles to welby_lisa@comcast.net. If you have any questions, please feel free to email Lisa.
Our next meeting is:

**September 7 at 7:00pm**

First Congregational Church

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