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SAVE THE DATE: September 21, 2017 • Guild Meeting!



These times, they are a-changin'!

Change is good, right? Seasons change in this beautiful state of ours; and summer is one of my favorites. Days of the week change overnight, powerless by us to control. Tastes of food can change without us even being aware. Gasoline prices change on a weekly basis, it seems. Occupations can be changed by necessity sometimes. And we survive it all.

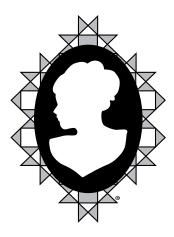
When I was still teaching elementary school, the staff dreaded the end of the year, for one reason alone. That was the anticipation of facing re-assignment for the following year. It was common for a classroom teacher to become comfortable teaching a certain grade level, and, obviously the next year was going to be a whole lot easier if they didn't have to relocate classrooms or restructure lesson plans. Since I was the Art teacher, the dread didn't impact on me. Seems no one wanted my job!

But the same teachers that had to "re-do" actually found that they had hidden talents they were not aware of. Not only did they survive quite well, they became a better and more resourceful teacher and person. Their resume improved by stretching their talents to a newer direction.

And on that note, CAMEO is changing also. We have a new Board that I would like to welcome whole-heartedly! We met briefly in June, with all sharing plans for the summer and thoughts about our forthcoming year. And here it is, August already! These times change too quickly, it seems.

One of the things discussed at that Board meeting was how to involve and utilize our members better. This Board decided that in order to utilize our members more efficiently, we treat them like Board members. Two years in any position can easily become mundane or routine. So, the Board recommends that anyone who has chaired a committee for two consecutive years, give someone else the opportunity to lead. Feel free to still be a part of that committee though! We have creative and talented folk not sharing or presenting their skills to others, simply because they were not asked or given the chance to do so. Committee chairpersons should not remain stagnant or consistent. We want you to be the heart and soul of CAMEO. I am hoping that you will accept the challenge and share your talents with us this year.

On that note, I am already on the calendar for the Saturday after our first meeting in September for a workshop on Flower Pounding. It is open to members and guests for free. Simply bring a piece of washed muslin (no sizing or starch) about 18" square (or size you want your finished piece to be), a washed scrap of muslin to practice on, a stack of newspaper about the thickness of a Sunday edition, a flat head hammer, and some fresh cut flowers (stems and leaves attached) from your garden to use and share with the class. A demonstration will be given on how to finish your piece after drying time occurs. If you want to try some of that out, bring a pencil, and an extra fineline Sharpie in black. Because of drying time needed, you won't be able to complete your hanging with embellishments in the time allotted that afternoon, but you will be shown how to. Do hope that you will plan on attending.



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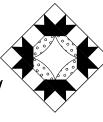
Rosemary Spatafora

Deadline for the September issue is August 30.

"Slip of the Keyboard" will return next fall.

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## Don't forget to renew your < membership by September 1!



A membership application form for 2017-18 is attached to this email. Just print it, fill it out and mail with your check (made out to CAMEO Guilters Guild).

Please mail to:

CAMEO Quilters Guild c/o Susan Larson PO Box 1044 Troy, MI 48099-1044



#### On The Mend:

Sharon Cratsenburg Theresa Neilsen Vaneeta Sterling



Treats for the September General Meeting will be provided by the Executive Board.



Saturday, Sept. 23, 2017 - 9 am lead by Cindy May

Please read Cindy's article for the supply list. Workshop is free!

A sign up sheet will be passed around at the September guild meeting or you may email or call Sharon Cratsenburg to reserve your spot.

More information to come as plans are made.

## Good things happen to good people.....

Last year, a young woman named Kari advertised in *The Silhouette* for a quilter to repair her family's quilt. Theresa Neilsen stepped up. Kari was thrilled with the results and wrote this note to Theresa in gratitude:

Time for a story. This quilt belonged to my grandmother. Her aunt made it for her in Tennessee, we think in the 1920s. My grandmother gave the quilt to me, and I gave it to my daughter, Annabel. Earlier this year, Annabel had a nasty stomach bug, and you can guess what happened to the quilt. I tried to wash it on the hand wash cycle in the washer, but it didn't do well. We think the thread just disintegrated with age. This quilt is a tangible link to my grandmother, who died two years ago. I thought I had ruined it, and I was devastated. My friend Michelle, a quilter, suggested I turn to a local quilt guild for help. A lovely woman named Theresa -- who is obviously a genius with fabric and who must have the patience of a saint -- returned the repaired quilt to me today. I have tears in my eyes as I write this, because what makes this even more special is that today would have been my grandmother's 94th birthday. This quilt is a gift: a family heirloom restored, a memory of my grandmother, a link to the past, a hope for the future, and a birthday present of sorts. I am so grateful.

## Programs & Workshops

#### **Sharon Cratsenburg**

VP, Facilitator



Welcome to a new year for CAMEO guild members. We had an awesome quilt show thanks to everyone and because of that we have some great programs planned for this year. I've tried to get speakers for this year based on your survey requests and emails. I hope you enjoy the year. A registration form is in the works.

CAMEO Quilters Guild 2017-2018 Program Schedule			
Date	Lecture	Date	Workshop
Sept. 21, 2017	Ruth McCormick "Batting Choices"	Sept. 23, 2017	Cindy May "Flower Pounding"
Oct. 19, 2017	Beth Donaldson "Quilting in Detroit in the 1930s"	Oct. 21, 2017	Open Sew
Nov. 16, 2017	Michelle May The Raspberry Rabbits "Down the Rabbit Hole Chat"	Nov.18, 2017	Play Date "Beekeeper Pincushion"
Dec. 21, 2017	Holiday Potluck Dinner		
Jan. 18, 2018	Jan Berg-Rezmer Thread Painting	Jan. 20, 2018	Jan Berg-Rezmer Thread Painting
Feb. 15, 2018	Whistle Stop	Feb. 17, 2018	Charity Day Sewing
Mar. 15, 2018	Donna Kooistra Heirloom Appaisal	Mar. 17, 2018	National Quilting Day Sewing
April 19, 2018	Karen Combs	April 21, 2018	Karen Combs
May 17, 2018 	Karen Turckes Windberry Studios "Transforming Fabric"	May 19, 2018	Karen Turckes "Design Your Own Landscape"
Jun. 21, 2018 Members Only	Potluck Dinner & Annual Meeting		

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## Quilters' Calendar submitted by Ann Bonnelli



#### August 16-19 AQS Quilt Week

DeVos Place Convention Center 303 Monroe Ave NW, Grand Rapids. www.quiltweek.com

#### August 28 – 7pm Jackson Quilt Guild

Lisa Ruetz, "The Baltimore Album Quilt Debut"
9–4 Workshop, "Understanding the Baltimore Album
Quilt and Broderie Perse"
3225 Fourth St., Jackson.
www.jacksonquiltguild.blogspot.com

#### August 30 – 6:30 pm Evening Star Quilters Guild

Rossie Hutchinson. Fresh Modern Quilts Davison Senior Center 10135 Lapeer Rd.. Davison. www.eveningstarquilters.blogspot.com

#### September 1 & 2 – 8am-5pm

Yoder's Amish Quilt Auction/Craft Show 10885 N. Leaton Road, Clare, MI 48617 (989)386-2872 www.clarecounty.net/amish-quilt-auction.html

#### September 7 – 7pm Oakland County Quilt Guild

Tim Latimer Trunk Show
First Congregational Church 1315 N. Pine St., Rochester.
www.oaklandcountyquiltguild.com

#### September 14 – 7pm Great Lakes Heritage Quilt Guild

Molly Diana, "Creativity Lecture Birmingham Unitarian Church 38651 Woodward, Bloomfield Hills. www.glhq.org

#### September 15 – 12:30 pm Genesee Star Quilters

Debra Danko Workshop: Flower Power South Flint Church of Nazarene 4075 East Atherton Road. Burton www.genstarquilters.org

#### September 16 – 9:15 am Greater Ann Arbor Quilt Guild

Barb Veddar,"Scrap Quilts – The Secret to Success" Washtenaw Community College 4800 E. Huron River Dr.. Ann Arbor. info@gaaqg.com



## THREADS Site-Responsive Theatre & Quilt Exhibit Troy Historic Village

60 W. Wattles Rd. Troy, MI 48098

Experience the metaphoric and literal threads that weave us together as a nation of immigrants. Our two week quilt exhibit features 100+ vintage, modern, local and international works of textile art, plus kids' activities and workshops for grown-ups. Threads theatre is a 50-minute play that will lead you through Village buildings as you enjoy dramatized versions of true stories of Troy residents, past and present.

#### **THREADS Quilt Exhibit**

Monday-Friday, August 7-18, 10am-3pm Sunday August 13, 12pm-4pm Thursday August 17, 10am-8pm Admission: \$5/Adult, \$3/Senior and Child 6-12, Free/Kids under 6

**THREADS Workshop - August 10** 10am-3pm Workshop is included with Quilt Exhibit admission. No registration required.

#### Ask the Quilt Ladies!

Thursday August 10, 10:00am – 3:00pm

Drop by and chat with Judy Baker and Cynthia Wilsher of the Troy Community Center Quilters. These "Consultants to the Quilt-Maker/Quilt-Lover" will answer all your quilting queries regarding fabrication and quilt care. See the Singer Featherweight (ca. 1934) in action and learn all about this fabulous sewing machine, muchloved and still used by many quilters today!

http://troyhistoricvillage.org/events/threads



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## CAMEO Quilters Guild - June 15, 2017 - General Membership Meeting Minutes submitted by Rosemary Spatafora

Meeting took place at the Clawson United Methodist Church, 205 N. Main, Clawson, MI 48017 Called to order - 7:04 p.m. by Cindy May. Cindy led the Pledge of Allegiance and introduced our guest.

Minutes from the May General Meeting were approved. Will be signed, dated & placed on file.

Barbara Lusk offered a blessing and members enjoyed the Annual June Potluck dinner.

**Meeting Resumed** - Cindy May thanked Theresa Nielsen and Cathy Mentkowski for the room set-up. Thanks to Cathy for the handmade wine coasters.

**Treasurer's Report** - Cheryl Cawley reported amounts in savings, checking, money market and our total cash balance. Also reported year to date expenses, Quilt Show expenses, YTD deposits and Quilt Show deposits. Report was accepted. Will be signed, dated and place on file. Quilt Show numbers are still being tabulated so there is no final report on the Quilt Show yet.

**VP Facilitator** - Barb Lusk reviewed this year's programs and thanked everyone for their participation.

Asked that members provide feedback on the programs to next year's VP Facilitator. Lucy Lesperance requested that a brief description of each of next year's speakers and workshops be included on the bookmark of our upcoming 2017/18 programs. V.P Scheduler, Sharon Cratsenburg will provide that information by email to the membership. Cindy May announced that on September 23 she will conduct a workshop on the flower pounding technique. 2017/2018 bookmarks are available to members to take and share with others.

**Quilt Show Survey** - Cindy pointed out that Quilt Show Surveys are on each table and requested that members fill them out and return them to her.

**Membership** - Shannon Boardman reported that there are membership forms at the Membership table. The form will change next month to reflect the new Membership V.P.

**Quilt Show Update** - Linda Watkins reported on the show. Some comments she heard about the show, "Best show ever"; "Inspiring show"...etc. Spoke about the challenges and the successes of the show. Reviewed various aspects of the show (Silent Auction, Volunteer Sign-up, Vendors, Raffle Quilt, Lobby, Traveling Exhibits, Education Room, etc) and thanked individuals responsible for each aspect.

Barb Veselenak (Door Prizes) reported difficulty in getting door prizes donated from businesses this year and thanked members for donating the majority of the prizes.

Linda introduced and thanked members of Core committee - Sharon Cratsenburg, Cindy May, Cheryl Cawley, Laurie Johnson, Sharon Johnsonbaugh, Lynda Draudt.

Laurie Johnson presented flowers to Linda Watkins and Sharon Cratsenburg for co-chairing the show.

Cindy noted that there were more attendees at the show on Saturday than on Friday.

Cindy thanked everyone that helped with set-up on Thursday.

Sharon Cratsenburg mentioned that there are still Quilt Show DVDs available for \$15 each. See Sharon.

Linda Watkins introduced all of the Quilt Show winners (listed in June newsletter) and presented ribbons. Announced that Members Choice and Best of Show both went to Lucy Lesperance.

Core committee meeting to be held on Tues. June 20 at Panera at regular meeting time.

**Nominations and Election** - Sybil Derderian thanked Kathy Debien for her help in recruiting nominees for the slate of officers and presented the nominees for office in 2017/2018:

President - Cindy May; VP Facilitator - Sharon Cratsenburg; VP Scheduling - Loreen Garrison; VP Membership - Susan Lawson; Recording Secretary - Linda Ibbs; Corresponding Secretary - Karla Sutton; Treasurer - Pat Baldauf; Assistant Treasurer - Cheryl Cawley; Members at Large - Barb Lusk, Jackie Speer, Laurie Johnson, Kathy Wilson. The slate was accepted and nominations were closed. A paper ballot vote was conducted.

**Committee Manuals** - Committee chairs, please turn in manuals to your liaison before the June board meeting.

**Charity** - Sharon Cratsenburg listed this year's charities and reported that the value of CAMEO's donated items to these charities totaled \$5562.00. Thanked everyone who participated in Charity. Also read a thank you letter from Clawson Methodist Church for our donations to their layette program.

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#### General Membership Meeting Minutes continued

**Audit Committee** - No meeting has been set yet. Theresa Nielsen will coordinate a meeting and will get date to Cindy.

**Summer Newsletter** - Deadline for the Summer newsletter is August 4. Laurie Johnson will produce the newsletter again next year. Laurie asked members to send her recipes.

Board Meeting - Cindy announced that the Board meeting will be on June 29 at her home.

**Drawings** for Door Prizes and Second Chance drawing prizes were held.

**Election Results:** Sybil reported election results as follows:

President - Cindy May

VP Facilitator - Sharon Cratsenburg

VP Scheduling - Loreen Garrison

VP Membership - Susan Lawson

Recording Secretary - Linda Ibbs

Corresponding Secretary - Karla Sutton

Treasurer - Pat Baldauf

Assistant Treasurer - Cheryl Cawley

Members at Large - Barb Lusk, Laurie Johnson, Kathy Wilson.

Troy Historical Museum Display - Please let Cindy May know by June 16 if you wish to participate.

**Fall Retreat** - Cindy reported on a retreat to be held in Sebewaing, MI on Oct. 26 - 29. Retreat will be run by Barbie Brooks from Backstreet Quilt Shop. \$220 for 4 days (includes meals & lodging). Maximum of 20 participants. More info to come.

#### Show & Tell.

Meeting adjourned at 9:03 p.m.

## Did You Know?

# 2019 will be the 25th Anniversary of CAMEO Quilters Guild! Let's Make Some Plans!





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## CAMEO Quilters Guild Executive Board Meeting/Transition Meeting - June 29, 2017 Minutes submitted by Rosemary Spatafora, Recording Secretary

Meeting was held at Panera in Troy. Called to order by President Cindy May at 7:09 p.m.

**Present:** Cindy May, Rosemary Spatafora, Pat Baldauf, Cheryl Cawley, Linda Watkins, Sharon Cratsenburg, Sybil Derderian, Shannon Boardman, Barb Lusk, Loreen Garrison, Kathy Wilson, Laurie Johnson, Karla Sutton, Susan Lawson, Linda lbbs

New Board members received their manuals. P.O. Box keys were given to Laurie Johnson and Karla Sutton. Cindy announced that she is moving and will need to get the Charity fabric out of her garage soon. Sign-up sheet for hosting Board meetings was passed. Cindy will email the final schedule to all Board members.

**Treasurer** - Cheryl Cawley will meet with Pat Baldauf to train her on the books and will work with her on developing a budget. The Audit committee will meet after July 7 for the guild audit.

Minutes from May Board meeting approved. Signed, dated & placed on file.

**Membership** - Shannon turned in membership monies to Cheryl and gave new membership registrations to Susan Lawson. As of June 29 we have 36 members for 2017/2018.

**VP Facilitator** - Sharon Cratsenburg reported that all programs and workshops are scheduled. Will decide after September whether to cancel Karen Combs - depending on how many sign up for her workshop. Cindy suggested that we have more Open Sew Saturdays. Barb Lusk suggested: separate registration sheets for each workshop; cutoff dates for registration; requiring deposits for workshops.

Corresponding Secretary - Sybil shared tips with Karla Sutton.

Members at Large - Cindy is looking to streamline the duties of the Members at Large.

**Quilt Show** - Linda reported the following Quilt Show information: Admissions were down from our last show; Vendors fees made up for the loss of admission fees; Silent Auction made less than last show; catalog ads paid for the catalog; non-member quilt display fees were up (28 non-member quilts). There were 16 charity blocks made in the Education room. Sharon C. reported that she had positive feedback on having the vendor demos in that room. Many positive comments about the traveling exhibits. Linda thanked the Quilt Show Core Committee and noted that 2019 will be CAMEO's 25th anniversary - a great theme for the 2019 quilt show.

Sharon Cratsenburg reported that she still has a few DVD's of the show at \$15 each.

#### **New Business**

Board Policy for Term Limits for Committee Chairs - Cindy May proposed that the Board set a policy that members can chair a committee for two consecutive years. This turn-over will encourage other members to chair committees and will encourage new ideas, invigorate the committees and be good for the guild. People can serve on the same committee for more than two years (this includes former chairpersons). The process for selecting a committee chair should happen when the committee members meet. The phrase "I would like to chair this committee or event." will be removed from the Membership form.

Cheryl Cawley moved that the Board implement a policy of a two consecutive year term-limit to chair any committee. Seconded by Sybil Derderian. Approved by out-going Board officers (9 to 0) and approved by in-coming Board officers (11 to 0) in separate votes.

Quilt Holders at Guild Meetings - Starting in the Fall there will be six seats reserved in the front row at guild meetings. One seat will be for Guild photographer, Henya Rachmiel, the other five will be for members who volunteer to assist in holding up quilts during the program.

**Quilting With Confidence Class** - (Held during years when there is no quilt show) - Linda Watkins volunteered to work on this committee.

**Flint Festival of Quilts** - Oct. 12-14 - The Greater Flint Arts Council is again requesting our quilts for a display at the Flint Festival of Quilts. Contact is Suzanne Lossing (suzanne@greaterflintartscouncil.org) of the Arts Council 31st. Festival of Quilts - First United Methodist Church of Dearborn is also requesting quilts for display on Oct. 13 and 14. (Email about this will be forwarded to CAMEO membership.)

Meeting adjourned at 8:16 p.m.