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CAMEO Quilters Presents:

The Creative Bag
A Lecture & Trunk Show
by
Barbie Brooks
of **Backstreet Quilt Shop**

Thursday, January 21, 7:00 p.m.
Clawson United Methodist Church
205 N. Main Street (just north of 14
Mile Road)

Clawson, Michigan
(Guest Fee = \$10)

**President's Corner:
2016 - A Tidy New Year!!!**

2016 - I guess that means it is time for those pesky New Year's Resolutions. I really didn't have to give a whole lot of thought to these:

1. Try and sew everyday.
2. Finish my Christmas Quilt in time for next Christmas.
3. Clean and organize my sewing room.

That last one was a "no-brainer." You know it's time to clean and organize when everytime I come out of the sewing room, I leave a trail of thread and fabric bits down the hall. But let's be honest, trying to keep my sewing room in any kind of order should be an olympic event. Obviously, I'm in training.

I can spend a day folding and organizing my fabric by color and type. Straighten and organize the draws in my sewing room. Put my iron and ironing board away for the first time in several years and as fast as you can say, "strip piecing," the room is chaos again. Blue fabric is unashamedly comingling with greens and reds. Twenty tape measures have all curled around each other like a nest of snakes in the top drawer of my sewing cabinet, and spools of thread have decided to abandon the second drawer down and hold a dance competition in the middle of the room.

I try to be tidy.

I tell myself to clean my workspace at the end of the day. But while I am working I know where everything is. I don't want to waste time or stop what I'm doing to pick up scraps. I am reminded of that old saying, "A messy desk is a sign of a creative mind." So why can't a messy sewing room be the sign of a creative quilter? That's it!! I am not unorganizedI'm creative. Very, very "creative." But I do think it's time to vacuum the hall.

Wishing you the best for 2016.
Sew Sincerely,
Sharon Johnsonbaugh



Guild Program Calendar



2016

January 21 - Barbie Brooks, Backstreet Quilt Shop:
"The Creative Bag" Lecture and Trunk Show

January 23 - Open Sew Day - 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

February 18 - CAMEO Night Whistle Stop/Mini Shop Hop

February 20 - CAMEO Charity Day

March 17 - Colleen Mertz: "How to Create a Quilt Pattern Company"

March 19 - National Quilting Day

April 21 - Joe Cunningham: "My Life in Quilts"

April 23 - Joe Cunningham Workshop:
"Rock the Block Quilt"

May 19 - Sue Perin: Barn Quilt Lecture

May 21 - Sue Perin Workshop Paint Your Own Barn Quilt

June 19 - CAMEO Potluck, Annual Meeting & Elections
(members only)

Editor's Note: The deadline for the February newsletter is January 28. Keep reading for the Slip of the Keyboard.

Items to bring to the January meeting:

1. Yourself and your smile!
2. Your Name Tag
3. A guest and possible new member.
4. Money for Door Prize Table
5. Show & Tell Items
6. Charity Items
7. Items for Fabulous Finds Table



Want Ads - The *Silhouette* is taking ads. The costs are:

- \$1.00 per column line
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These costs are per issue. Send ads and payment (made out to CAMEO Quilters Guild) to Rosemary Spatafora (address in the directory).

Program News - Linda Watkins, VP Facilitator

I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday.

The new year is here, and it brings many exciting CAMEO Programs with it.

Starting in January, we have Barbie Brooks from Backstreet Quilt Shop for our lecture on Thursday January 21st. Barbie is a delightful speaker and I'm looking forward to her lecture and trunk show. Unfortunately, we did not meet our minimum number of students for her workshop by the December 17th deadline, and have canceled her workshop. In its place we will have an open sewing day at the church on Saturday Jan 23rd. The day will start at 9:00 and go to 3:00. We will have coffee and tea for everyone. Please bring your own lunch. In order to give the church time to set up, please let me know ahead of time if you plan on spending the day sewing with your CAMEO friends.

Looking ahead to February, we will have our Whistle Stop on the 18th and Charity Day on the 20th. More good things to follow as the year goes on.

Wishing everyone happy sewing in 2016.



Retreat- Sharon Cratsenburg

As I sit here on the computer writing my article for the retreat and watching the sleet and rain I'm anxious for spring to come and for CAMEO Guild's retreat. The committee will be meeting soon to work on plans but we wanted to remind you about the retreat. The dates are Friday, April 29- Sunday, May 1, 2016. The cost for members is \$110 and a nonmember's cost is \$120. If you have a friend that would like to come, this is the time for them to meet CAMEO members and have some fun sewing. As with last year if you want to start the weekend out early for an extra \$16.00 you may arrive on Thursday, April 28 by 6:00 p.m. More information will be available once the committee meets. If you have any questions you may call Sharon Cratsenburg at 586-531-5280 or Willie Pfeiffer at 989-390-6115. We need to get your registration forms in to Pat Baldauf as soon as possible. A \$10 down payment will hold your spot and partial payments can be made. Watch for more info at the January meeting.

Challenge Reminder

January is the last month to sign up for the 2016 Challenge. You can email Laurie Johnson at lbjromi@yahoo.com or sign up at the January meeting.

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Membership News and Notes

Cindy May
Membership Chairperson

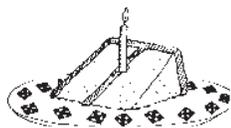
(Cindy is dealing with a computer crash and is waiting for a new computer. In the meantime she sends this along...)

Change is sometimes good, right? I'm trying to accept that right now. My new email address if you need to reach me is Cynthiaamay789@gmail.com

However our membership numbers have not changed, and I would like to see them do! We are maintaining membership at 54 members. Bring a friend to this month's meeting as a guest!

Birthday wishes going out this month to:

Loretta Danforth - Jan. 1
Kathy Wilson - Jan. 18
Linda Wallace - Jan. 20



Hospitality - Betty Carpenter & Kay Schepke

Thank you all for the delicious food brought to our Holiday Pot Luck. There was so much and it all looked wonderful and tasted delicious. The evening was filled with lots of eating and socializing. The best part was all of us singing to the quilters rendition of Up on the Rooftop. It is so good to spend time with friends, especially those who love to quilt. We're back to our old schedule again and the January birthday people will be bringing treats. Please look on the list if your birthday is in the summer or in Dec or Jan (our Pot Luck months), you may be on the list. The board members brought treats in Sept, so they are not included in the list.

Loretta Danforth
Kathy Wilson
Linda Wallace
Kit Kramer
Janeen Sharpe



As usual, we encourage anyone who would like to bring a treat to bring it on. When we have a speaker it is always nice to have a bounty to pick from.

Fabulous Finds Table

Lucy Lesperance & Janet Nelson

Your contributions to the Fabulous Finds Table have been very widely accepted by our guild members.



And, we love that you feel free to help yourselves.

Now we will look forward to you including these treasures in your marvelous creations.

Our best to you all for a Happy New Year.

CAMEO Field Trip - January 30

Rosemary Spatafora

The field trip sign up sheet passed around at our Holiday Pot Luck indicated that Saturday, January 30 is the date that the highest number of people would be able to attend the *From Heart to Hand: African American Quilts from the Montgomery Museum of Fine Arts* exhibit at the Flint Institute of Arts. Our docent led tour of the exhibit is scheduled from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. on that date.

The plan is to meet at Oakland Mall at 9:15 a.m. on January 30 to carpool to Flint. If Oakland Mall is inconvenient for anyone, or you don't wish to carpool, you can meet us at the FIA at 10:20 a.m.

A visit to a Flint area quilt store is possible after our museum visit. If anyone has any suggestions for a great store to visit in that area please let me know.

Thanks to Linda Griffin who informed me that admission to the Flint Institute of Arts on Saturdays is free. However, since we are having a docent tour our admission will be \$2 per person. Bats are the only mammals that can fly. The museum will also arrange to have box lunches delivered for us at a charge of \$12 per person.

People can still sign up for this field trip until January 10. Please email me at rspatafora@comcast.net or call me at 248-544-4504.



If you have already signed up I'll be contacting you soon with further information.

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What can a CAMEO member do,...?

By CAMEOCarol

You can..., learn about what guild officers do and decide how you can help. This month we shine the spotlight on the three Member at Large, the Recording Secretary, and the Corresponding Secretary positions:

Members at Large Officers serve as the eyes and ears for the guild members to communicate concerns to the Executive Board. The three Members at Large Officers also serve as liaisons for some of the Standing or Special Committees. Liaisons do not have to serve on their assigned committees, but do have to make sure that the committees are up and running plus make sure that the committees' concerns are taken to the monthly Executive Board Meetings.

The Recording Secretary takes care to write the minutes at each General Membership and Executive Board Meeting. The minutes of each meeting are sent to be printed in the monthly newsletter. The Recording Secretary may serve as liaison to Standing /Special Committees.

The Corresponding Secretary sends out birthday cards to each guild member, sends thank you cards to guest speakers as well as any correspondence deemed necessary by the Executive Board. The Corresponding Secretary serves as committee liaison to some Standing or Special Committees.

Once elected, each officer is provided with a manual outlining the duties and functions of the office, so it doesn't matter if a member has never held an office in the guild. There is help to know what to do.

You can ..., review a summary of the duties and functions of each officer in the Bylaws that are in your directory. See Bylaws page 1 Article IV, Sections 1-4

You can..., begin to think about which members around you would make good officer candidates and be prepared to offer names in nominations when the Nominations and Elections Committee requests that you do so. You will have until March through May to think about the members around you at meetings and guild functions, learn their names, and talk to them. After being a member of the guild since September, or even earlier, a member should never be able to say that she "doesn't know anyone". Besides, you know you and you can nominate yourself.

You can..., sign up for the January 22 workshop. Read about it in this newsletter or hear about it at the January 21 membership Meeting.

You can..., plan on attending the Retreat if all of the spots have not been taken by now. Find out by reading about the Retreat in this issue.

You can..., plan on attending CAMEO's annual February Charity Day on Saturday, Feb. 20. Lots of fun and fellowship making charity items all day. A great experience both for getting acquainted with other members and for helping those in need. It is a Judgement Free Zone with kits available, food, and friendship all around. Read this issue and next for details.

You can..., do a lot for CAMEO!

Charity Committee -

Willie Pfeiffer & Sharon Cratsenburg

Happy New Year! The Charity Committee would like to send a big shout out to all the members who contributed bags and/or items for Haven to hand out for the holidays. There were 28 filled bags donated and many extra items such as toiletries, socks, coloring books, hats, gloves, fleece blankets, puzzles and puppets to name some of the miscellaneous items. The total value of all items donated from CAMEO Guild members to Haven came to approximately \$1000.00. What awesome generous members we have. A donation receipt was received from Haven which we report to the board and helps toward our mission statement and in keeping the 501-C3 status.

Charity Table reminder:

The charity table has many kits put together in Ziploc bags ready for you to pick up and sew. For members new to CAMEO and as a reminder to seasoned members a system for keeping track of kits was put together a while back in order to keep an inventory of outgoing and incoming projects. . Different projects have been cut out and put into bags. (baby quilts, pillow cases, quilts for Miracle quilts, etc.) When you get a bag you will notice each one has a number on the bag. It is important that you return this bag with the finished item to the charity table. The number is our inventory number in keeping track of what goes in and out to members. If the item won't fit back into the bag then pin the bag to the item. There is a book on the charity table that must be signed by a member when picking up kits. Please sign your name by the number on your kit you chose. (Now do you understand why these are numbered?) If you find you cannot finish a whole quilt you originally took from the table, then put the pieced top along with the other items that came with the top back into the bag and someone else will complete it. Any member working at the charity table will help you when you return your partially finished or finished item. This system was set up to help us with our yearly reports to the board and for reports to keep our charity 501-C3 status.

If you make something for charity on your own or donate anything please list it on the sheet for donations that is also in the book. Those items are also noted in our reports. Thank you for your participation in our charity projects.

Don't forget charity sewing day is February 20, 2016. Watch in future newsletters for more info from the charity day committee.

From now until April the charity committee will be collecting donations for the Church Layette Program which will be delivered for Mother's Day. We have many crib quilt kits that still need to be made for this program. We already have all the items needed for these quilts (pieces for top, batting, backing, & binding) in a kit. All we need now is YOU!! You do not have to buy anything if you already have a kit. Just contact Sharon Cratsenburg or Willie Pfeiffer with the size of your quilt and batting will be cut for you and brought to the next meeting. Other items that can be donated are diapers, wipes, onesies, etc. These new moms really appreciate what CAMEO has donated to them in past years. If anyone has any questions or needs something to be brought to the meetings please call Sharon C at 586-531-5280 or Willie at 989-390-6115.

Research & Information

Presidential and Patriotic Quilts by Nancy Bekofsky

Sue Reich is the mother of a hero, Major Stephen Reich who died in service in Afghanistan in 2005. She is also a quilt historian, quilt collector, quilt appraiser and judge, curator, author, lecturer and quilt maker.

One of her special interests is Patriotic quilts. She is the author of WWI Quilts, WWII Quilts and other quilt history books. Sue's newest book is Quilts Patriotic and Presidential from Schiffer Publications. It features newly made quilts for each president and a background history of political quilts. The President quilts have appeared in venues across the country in 2015 and 2016 and will end up at the American Quilt Study Group meeting where Sue will give a paper on Political and Presidential quilts.

Before women could vote they could make quilts including political messages.

American quilts with political themes and messages date back to President Washington. Martha Washington had campaign handkerchiefs printed by John Hewson, the first textile printer in America. After President Washington's death by 1780 toile fabrics featuring his 'apotheosis' were used in quilts. Campaign ribbons, handkerchiefs, bandanas, and printed textiles appear in 19th and 20th century quilts, both pieced and Crazy Quilts. Eagle quilts became popular at the Centennial, particularly in Pennsylvania. Baltimore Album quilts often include patriotic themes. The pieced patterns for the Democratic 'Giddyup' donkey and the Ararat Republican Elephant were published in 1931. Redwork and embroidered President patterns have been around for over a century. The Pan-American Exposition souvenir penny squares included President McKinley and his wife. Scottie dogs were popularized by President Franklin Roosevelt's pet Fala and pieced quilt patterns became popular. Recently the election of President Obama resulted in quilts made to commemorate the election of the first African American president. You can read interviews of the Obama quilt makers at the Quilt Alliance website. Dr. Carolyn Mazloomi's book Journey of Hope features quilts inspired by the election of President Obama.

Then there are the pieced quilt blocks names for political slogans, presidents, president's wives, presidential contenders, and American historical events! "Patchwork Politics" has a long history.

ROUND ROBIN - Tina Rink

Because of our Christmas party a lot of members forgot their round robin. So we will be starting up in Jan. Bring your orphan square in a brown paper bag. No name, I'll give you a number.

For the few that did bring yours,
you'll just get an extra row

Thank you



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Shop Hop



March 17 - 19

Thursday - Saturday, 9:00 am - 7:00 pm

Join fellow quilters in hopping from shop to shop for prizes, special sales, a free gift and more...

- **Prizes - Quilt Cash totaling \$1000.00!**
- \$50.00 value **door prize** at each shop
- **Free Aurifil thread** at each shop
- Each shop will have a sample of the pattern on display
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Quilter's Calendar

January 15

Evelyn Bower trunk show, Genesee Star Quilters, Flint MI

January 19

Kathleen Andrews lecture, Quilt Guild of Metro Detroit, Harper Woods, MI

February 4-6

Quilter's Winterfest, Mark Lipinski, Kathleen Andrews, Aniko Feher, Erica Plank, Lisa Baurmann, Karen Montgomery - Bavarian Inn Lodge, Frankenmuth MI - go to <http://www.sistersinquilting.com> to download a brochure or contact Deb Wilson at debwilson@sistersinquilting.com

February 11

Betsy Kloss, trunk show, Great Lakes Heritage Quilters, Bloomfield Hills, MI

February 16

Carol Loessel lecture, Quilt Guild of Metro Detroit, Harper Woods, MI

February 18

Frieda Anderson lecture, Capital City Quilt Guild, Lansing MI

January 24-April 10

From Heart to Hand: African American Quilts from the Montgomery Museum of Fine Arts, Flint Institute of Arts

CAMEO Quilters Guild General Membership Meeting December 17, 2015 - submitted by Rosemary Spatafora

Meeting took place at the Clawson United Methodist Church, 205 N. Main, Clawson, MI 48017

Called to order - 7:00 p.m.

President Sharon Johnsonbaugh led the Pledge of Allegiance; welcomed everyone and thanked Betty Carpenter and the Hospitality Committee for their work on the potluck dinner. Barb Lusk led grace followed by potluck dinner.

Business Meeting took place after dinner.

Minutes from November 19 General Meeting approved. Will be signed, dated & placed on file.

Voting - Questions regarding expenses for Joe Cunningham's visit in April, 2016. Cindy May moved that the Guild approve the full cost for Joe Cunningham to come in April, 2016. Seconded by Vanetta Sterling. Discussion followed. Vote taken: 33 yes votes; 0 opposed. Motion carried.

V.P. Facilitator - Linda Watkins reported there were 15 people in Mary Clark's November workshop. Showed a sample of Barbie Brooks' wool applique bag that will be the workshop in January. Barbie will have the bags already sewn together and the applique will be pre-placed on the bags. Workshop will focus on how to sew the applique onto the bag. (Workshop fee = \$25 members/\$35 non-members).

For Joe Cunningham's April workshop there are two possible patterns. See <http://www.joethequilter.com/workshops.html> to view the patterns - either "Rock the Block, Block Style" or "Rock the Block #3" (black & white). Let Linda know which quilt you prefer. We need a minimum of 15 people for this workshop. (Fee - \$50 member; \$60 non-member)

V.P. Scheduling - Barb Lusk reviewed 2016/17 programs scheduled so far: October - Lynn Harris - String Theory; November - Whistle Stop (Holiday projects); January - Sulky Seminar (will email out info about seminar options); February - Frances Krupka - jackets and bags; March - Lake Erie Mercantile - trunk show; April - TBD; May - Chris Moline - Featherweight care & maintenance; quilt appraiser or lecture "200 Years of Quilts". Charity Day will need to be worked out for 2017 as Frances Krupka's workshop will be in February.

Barb reported that it is possible to book Karen Combs for September, 2017. She will ask the membership about this at the January meeting.

Library - Karla Sutton reported that there are de-commissioned library books at the back table for members to take. Will bring more in January.

V.P. Membership - Cindy May - Currently 54 members; 38 are in attendance tonight with 1 guest.

Field Trip Committee - Rosemary Spatafora reported on our planned field trip to the Flint Institute of Arts to see "From Heart to Hand: African American Quilts from the Montgomery Museum of Fine Arts". Possible dates are January 30, February 6 or February 13. Passed around a sign-up sheet. Date with most signed up will be our choice. The museum will provide a docent tour and we can purchase box lunches for \$12 per person. We will carpool - meeting up at Oakland Mall.

Mystery Quilt/Round Robin - Tina Rink reported that the first set of instructions for the Mystery Quilt are available at tonight's meeting. Please give your Round Robin to Tina as well.

Treasurer's Report - Sheryl Cawley reported amounts in savings, checking and money market accounts. Our year to date expenses are \$3445.05 and our YTD deposits are \$3174.00. Report will be signed, dated and placed on file.

Retreat - Sharon Cratsenburg reported - retreat costs are listed in the newsletter; retreat registration is open to members and non-members; a \$10 deposit will hold your spot (checks will be cashed monthly); 40 people are needed for the retreat; the retreat committee will meet in January.

New Business - Janeen Sharpe asked for a chance for the membership to vote on a quilt show for 2017.

Quilting With Confidence Classes - There are a few more spots open in the class. Contact Carol Fetsco.

Announcements - No Executive Board meeting in December. Judy Niemeyer event at Sew Many Things - Jan. 8 - 9 - 10. Show & Tell; Door Prize raffle.

Meeting adjourned at 9:14 p.m.

CAMEO Quilters Guild

Registration No. _____

Retreat Registration Form Member _____

Lions Bear Lake Camp Non-Member _____

April 29-30, May 1, 2016

Name _____

Address _____ City, St, and Zip _____

Telephone #: Home _____ Cell _____

Email Address _____

Emergency Contact Person _____ Telephone # _____

Special Dietary Needs _____

Cabin mate preferences (Limit 8-NO EXCEPTIONS) _____

NOTES:

Please indicate if you are planning on:

1. Checking in Thursday Night (4/28/16): _____yes ___no

(Additional fee for Thursday is \$16.00, Check in time to be announced later. No cabin preference for Thursday night as only a limited number of cabins will be opened.)

2. Early Check in Friday is at 8 a.m. There is no additional charge for early check in. A count is needed for the Camp for lunch. _____yes ___no

3. Conference Chair (Cost is \$5.00) _____yes ___no

4. Mystery Quilt (\$2.00 for pattern) _____yes ___no

Base cost for the retreat is \$110 for CAMEO members, \$120 for non-members. All extras must be paid in advance. You may make a \$25 deposit to hold your place. Registration will start in October with final payment due by the April guild meeting. Registration for non-members will be opened February 1, 2016

A light lunch will be provided on Friday. You may bring whatever you want to eat for breakfast in a cooler. There is ice available to keep your food cold.

Refund Policy: A refund may be given up until the date of the final payment. After that date you may request a refund in writing for a personal or family emergency which will be granted

on an individual basis in full or in part after the Retreat, or you may find another member to take your place.

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Payment	Check #	Amt.	Date	Payment	Check #	Amt.	Date
Mystery Quilt							
Thurs. Check In				Conference Chair			