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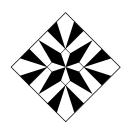
### Thursday, May 15, 2025 7pm

Linda Theofoldt

Lecture & Trunk Show "On My Way To Baltimore"

\$5 guest fee at door





### A Message from the President Barb Lusk

Hope you are enjoying this beautiful weather and do try to get outside for some fresh Spring air!

This has been an eventful year for CAMEO. We had a successful quilt show which means we can schedule more speakers for guild meetings which (hopefully) will bring in new members! Of the 42 guild members we have now, three are members who rejoined the guild after an absence and 12 new members have joined in the last three years. Many of those newer members have jumped right into guild activities and we are all better for it!

Our May speaker is Linda Theofoldt (The Quilted Goose) from Troy and I know you will enjoy Linda's Trunk Show and Lecture. You can follow her on Facebook as she designs and constructs a lovely little medallion quilt.

Our June meeting will be members-only because of our election and end-of-year pot luck. See Kathy Wilson's article on page 3, please. Thank you, Kathy, for doing a great job assembling a slate of nominees for our election.

On a personal note, I am selling my Gammill long-arm and have "retired" from long-arm quilting. My goal is to organize this mountain of fabric and work on my health. It has been a pleasure being your long-arm quilter and I will miss seeing your beautiful quilts! Keep them coming to Show `N Tell.



CAMEO Quilters 2024-2025 Executive Board

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No
"Slip of the Keyboard"
in the next June issue.

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### Membership

**Sharon Cratsenburg** VP, Membership

## Hospitality Maggie Smith



#### Membership

Membership forms for next year are posted on the website. If you are running for a board position your membership for next year should be paid before our election at June's meeting. Membership dues are \$50.00. All checks should be made out to CAMEO Quilters Guild.

It was very nice meeting the guests at our last meeting who had heard of our guild from the quilt show.

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#### **Sad News**

Several of us attended the memorial for **Barb Eaken** who had been a member of CAMEO for many years.

Former CAMEO **Cathy Mentkowski** lost her battle with bone cancer on April 15. A memorial service will be held at a later date. Cathy will be fondly remembered by her CAMEO friends.

The memorial service for former CAMEO **Willie Pfeiffer** will be held May 24 at the Washington Township Lions Club from noon-3pm.

**Lynda Draudt** lost her mother on April 30. Services were held May 5. Cards can be sent to Lynda's home in Royal Oak.

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### **Quilt Show Update**

The CAMEO quilt show was very successful because of our membership and the help from family and friends. The quilts were so beautiful and it was fun seeing some of the quilts made from previous years. We have so much talent in this guild. I think what made the display wonderful is that the quilts showed many different techniques. There were applique, paper piecing, hand and machine embroidery, hand and machine piecing - the list goes on. The best part is every quilt had a story to go with it which I heard from many of those who made the quilts. The meetings where we did Project BETH or learned different ways to do some of these techniques really paid off.

Lisa Head, facilitator from the church, was very helpful before, during, and after the show and we really appreciate all she did.

I will be bringing a survey to our next meeting and would like to get your honest input about the show. Please complete them and give them to me at the membership table during the May meeting.

#### Retreat

Seems like everyone enjoyed the Retreat weekend. Thank you to everyone who filled in for me. I'm sorry I missed a great weekend. In the next newsletter, we will have dates for our future retreats to put on your calendars.

Wish Teri Bertalan a Happy May birthday!

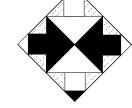
Since Teri is unable to make the general meetings due to her health, any member may bring a snack for the Hospitality Table. May one-fourth inch be with you!

# LAST CHANCE THIS YEAR! Pease bring QUILT FABRIC ONLY to the Fabulous Finds table.

The table will be closed in June. Another option is to save this quilting fabric for our next Quilt Show Fabric Sale! We are unlikely to have such a windfall as this last sale but if each of us saves a bundle, we could sell it!

### Charity Linda Wallace

Jean Schlegelmann



May is the last month of the year that the Charity Table will be open. We ask that completed quilts or quilt tops be returned. We also encourage you take home a kit to work on this summer. Remember these kits can provide you with the opportunity to work on your machine quilting skills, even if it is using a walking foot and doing straight lines. It's also a great way to use up the scrap batting from the large quilts we like to make.

Although April is the month we accept baby items for the Layette program, we will accept more in May. This is the list of items we have been asked to donate:

Receiving Blankets Newborn Diapers
Crib Blankets (quilts) Baby socks
0-3 mo. Sleepers Baby hats
0-3 mo. Outfits Bibs
Sweaters

Linda Romano was amazed with what we gave her and wanted us to know how much they appreciated our donation. She was not only impressed with our generosity but also the great talent. Thank you to everyone who donated. We may be a small guild but we do a lot of charity work.

We could use people who would like to do some machine quilting. We have several small quilts that need quilting. This would be an opportunity to work on your quilting skills. It does not need to be free motion. It can be simple using a walking foot. Let one of us know if you are interested and we will get a kit ready for you.

#### THE CHARITY TABLE WILL BE CLOSED IN JUNE.

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#### NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

Nominations are still open for positions on the board until the May meeting.

The candidates are:

President: Cheryl Cawley VP Facilitator: Theresa Nielsen VP Scheduler: Laurie Johnson

VP Membership: Sharon Cratsenburg

Treasurer: Martha Nordquist Assistant Treasurer: Donna Griffiths Recording Secretary: Jeanne Flynn

Corresponding Secretary: Jean Schlegelmann Members-At-Large: Laura Ball Carey; Terri Poduska;

Chris Schulte

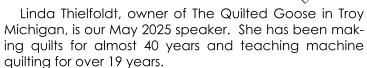
If no one adds her name to be nominated, our election will be by acclamation (no voting required). Please contact Kathy Wilson before the May guild meeting if you have any questions.

Kathy Wilson

### Programs & Workshops

Cheryl Cawley

VP, Facilitator



Linda designs most of the quilts she makes and also the quilting to go with them. Although she still takes commisions for long arm quilting, her emphasis is sharing what she loves at major quilt shows and guilds across the country.

Linda has won over 85 ribbons and has appeared on "The Quilt Show with Alex and Ricky" and also on "Quilt It - The Longarm Show" with Jodi Davis. On "The Quilt Show" blog there are a series of instructional videos where Linda shares tips and tricks on a wide variety of machine quilting subjects and the best part is they are free!

Linda says on her website:

"One of my favorite things is...to share my passion



and knowledge with a quilt guild. I have been all over the country and met some amazing and talented quilters..."

We look forward to having Linda Theofoldt join us at our May meeting!

### FREE HAND QUILTING FRAME

CAMEO was contacted by hand quilter, Sue, who is looking to find a new home for her family's quilting frame. It is free, breaks down into four pieces for storage, is handmade and has been in her family for years. Sue lives in Royal Oak near 11 Mile and I-75. Please email Sue at: sueandalfredo@wowway.com



### Quilters Calendar



### Many May and June guild meetings are "Members Only"

### May 8, 2025 at 7 pm Great Lakes Heritage Quilt Guild

Jennifer Stauser Lecture "Folded Improv: Kawandi Quiltina"

Birmingham Unitarian Church 38651 Woodward, Bloomfield, MI

**Workshop** May 9 "Folded Improv: Kawandi Quilting" 9am-3pm St Stephen's Episcopal Church www.glhq.org

### Greater Ann Arbor Quilt Guild May 17 at 9 am-12 pm

Quilt Day Lecture: Tammy Silvers – Seeing Double \$10 fee

### Fabric Sale May 17

Washtenaw Community College and via Zoom 4800 E. Huron River Drive, Ann Arbor, MI www.gaagg.com

### **SAVE THE DATES:**

Great Lakes Quilt Show June 6 & 7
Mercy High School, Farmington Hills
Greater Ann Arbor Quilt Show July 27 & 28
Washtenaw Community College

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### 30 Year CAMEO Quilt Guild Challenge

A challenge was announced to the guild several months ago to make a small quilt to represent our 30-year anniversary. As far as I know, only two members have met the challenge. If you're still intending on making one I need to know at the May meeting. It doesn't have to be done until the June meeting, but I need to prepare. If you have any questions, give me a call.

Thanks, Theresa Nielsen



"The Quilters" is an award-winning short documentary film about men in a Missouri maximum-security prison who design and sew beautiful, personalized quilts for foster children. It follows the daily lives of several men, spending most of its screen time inside the sewing room at South Central Correctional Center, a level 5 maximum security prison in a small town two hours south of St. Louis. As we follow several quilts from design to completion, audiences will come to know these men, witnessing their struggles, triumphs, and sense of pride as they create something beautiful in this windowless, sacred space, deep within the prison walls.

The show will be available to stream on Netflix starting on May 16, 2025. You can watch a trailer for the show at this link:

https://thequiltshow.com/blog/history/the-quilters-coming-to-netflix-in-may

Rosemary Spatafora

# Show `N Tell April Guild Meeting



### Thank you and Thank you again

Our CAMEO members really came together for the quilt show this year. All of you who helped with the hanging of the quilts, you were awesome. Even my fellow CAMEO jokers, you know who you are. You made the day go by smoothly and we got it done. The take-down was just as awesome, everyone worked as a team, it was a long day and we were all exhausted but we got it done. Many hands make light work and you all are so appreciated.

The Mini Quilts were hung with care just like the stockings at Christmas, so nicely done. And off they went with happy customers. Thanks to those CAMEO members who helped make the quilt show great. The hallway where the mini quilts were on display along with baskets was a busy time and those people who came out to our show loved seeing the talents of our members.

Thank you again for all your hard work.

Theresa Nielsen





photos by Laura Ball Carey



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# CAMEO QUILTERS GUILD GENERAL MEETING April 17, 2025 7pm Clawson United Methodist Church

**President Barb Lusk** began the meeting at 7pm.

**VP Membership Sharon Cratsenburg** reported on the Quilt Show; there was good lighting and parking. Pricing was economical. Favorable comments from the attendees who filled out response cards. Publicity from Facebook/social media, Country Register ad and the newspapers brought people in.

Sharon reported on the income from the Quilt Show.

Membership: Three guests at this meeting. Two plan to join the Guild next year (Marlene Libby & Jamie Shrubring).

**Retreat:** Sharon reported that the retreat went well. Some concerns about food quality. Next year's dates are:

Fall Retreat: Oct. 30-Nov. 2, 2025 Spring Retreat: April 9-12, 2026

**Charity:** Linda Wallace, co-chair, reported that the Layette Program at Clawson United Mehodist Church accepted our donations. They will be on display during the Mother's Day service. Linda will accept additional donations during May from guild members.

**Nominations & Elections:** Kathy Wilson listed the one position that was still open. Laurie Johnson volunteered to run for VP Scheduler. All positions are now filled, but additional nominations will be accepted until the May general meeting.

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**Treasurer's Report:** Janeen Sharpe gave the totals for all accounts.

### Hospitality Break 7:30pm

**VP Scheduler Theresa Nielsen** announced that former CAMEO member Cathy Mentkowski had died last Tuesday. Theresa introduced speaker Janet Steele.

Show 'N Tell 9pm

Slip of the Keyboard Winner: Lynda Draudt

**Doorprize winners:** Lynda Draudt, Kathy Wilson, Louise McCormick-Glazier, Theresa Nielsen, Carol Herzberg, Rosemary Spatafora, Jean Schlegelmann, Marlene Libby

Meeting adjourned at 9:12pm.

Respectfully submitted by Laurie Johnson

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### CAMEO QUILTERS GUILD BOARD MEETING April 24, 2025 7pm Zoom

Meeting began at 7pm with all Board members present except Sally Carl.

**President Barb Lusk** led the meeting by asking for the final tallies on the Quilt Show.

The income, expenses and total as of this date were reported.

Our total in all bank accounts was reported by **Treasurer Janeen Sharpe**.

A discussion of a restrictive budget versus a budget as a general guideline ensued. The Board feels the budget should be a reasonable guide for spending; that as long as there is money in our accounts all expenditures should be reimbursed in whole by the Guild. The Board consensus is that the budgeted amounts for National Quilting Day and Charity Day should be increased to reflect our current economy. This information should be passed on to the new treasurer and assistant treasurer. Also, committees need to assess their budgetary needs earlier in the guild year and work with the Treasurer.

**Jean Schlegelmann** recommended (again) a 50/50 Raffle instead of doorprizes during the Guild meeting. This information should also be given to the incoming Board.

**Barb Lusk** reminded the Board that a new contract needs to be signed with Clawson United Methodist Church. She will speak to the Pastor and will give him the guild meeting dates along with any Saturday dates for the 2025-2026 guild year after consulting with **VP Scheduler Theresa Nielsen**.

**Treasurer Janeen Sharpe** said that the elected Board for 2025-2026 needs to appear in a copy of the June minutes in order for the credit union to change the signatures on our accounts. **Corresponding Secretary Laurie Johnson** will type those minutes at that time and give them to the President.

**Nominations and Elections:** nominees were reminded that they need to pay their dues for the upcoming guild year before the election takes place. There may be a possible fourth person running for Member-at-Large which would result in a ballot election. Any person running for the Board cannot help with counting the ballots. Kathy Wilson will need help.

**Spring Retreat 2025**: Sharon Cratsenburg said there were positive comments except about the food quality. Another quilting group (comprised of many of the same attendees as CAMEO's retreat) has reserved retreat weekends close to ours which affects our number of participants, Sharon will research other retreat centers and make recommendations. We may need to have one retreat a year at Bear Lake or split a fall retreat and a spring retreat at two different locations.

**Corresponding Secretary Louise McCormick-Glazier** has sent "Thinking of You" cards to Teri Bertalan and Donna Brokenshire along with birthday cards for the month. Louise also has volunteers who are willing to train for Zoom duties.

**VP Membership Sharon Cratsenburg** announced that the memorial service for former member Willie Pfeiffer will be held May 24, 2025 from noon-3pm at the Washington Twp. Lions Club.

VP Scheduler Teresa Nielsen said that programs for the 2025-2026 guild year will be filled by the May meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:08pm.

Respectfully submitted by Laurie Johnson