

The Silhouette

October 2025 Newsletter of CAMEO Quilters Guild

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October 16, 2025 7pm

CAMEO Quilters Guild presents: **COLLEEN MERTE** of Northwater Quilt Designs

Colleen is a Michigan-based pattern designer.
She will have her own patterns available for purchase.



A Message from the President **Cheryl Cawley**

Happy October, CAMEOS!

So far the temperatures haven't dropped, but I'm sure that's right around the corner. I am actually looking forward to the temps dropping for the first time in my life, because it will mean less time in the garden and more time quilting!

This month we will enjoy a talk by Colleen Merte whom many of you know. We will have Door Prizes, Slip Of The Keyboard, and Fabulous Finds. We will also start our Tips and Tricks, so if you have one please let me know. I'd like to keep that to about 2 minutes max.

We also have arranged Open Sew at the Church from 9-3 on Saturday the 18th; bring your projects and lunch and we'll have a good time. One more thing- watch for an email from me about our Zoom Sunday Sewcial!

PLEASE REMEMBER TO BRING BACK YOUR COMPLETED SURVEYS!

CAMEO Quilters 2025-2026 Executive Board

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**Deadline for the
November issue is Nov. 6**

Keep reading for
"Slip of the Keyboard."



Membership

Sharon Cratsenburg
VP, Membership

37 people are currently enrolled in the guild including 3 new members: **Debby Johnson, Becky Stange** and **Mary Peltier**. Two guests attended.

See PAGE 4 for the Committee List.

Here is the update regarding retreat & sewing days:

2025

October 18 9:00am-3:00pm
OPEN SEW DAY at Clawson United Methodist Church Bring your own lunch & projects

Oct. 30- Nov 2 **Lion's Bear Lake retreat is cancelled.** Checks will be returned at the October meeting

Dec. 12-13 9:00am-9:00pm
SLEEP AT HOME SEWING DAYS
Birmingham First United Methodist Church
1589 W. Maple Rd. Birmingham
Cost: \$20.00. Sign up at the guild meeting

2026

February 21 Charity Day Sew-In
Clawson Church

March 21 National Quilting Day Sew-In
Clawson Church

April 10-12 SPRING RETREAT AT BEAR LAKE

Registration form is in the works



Happy Birthday

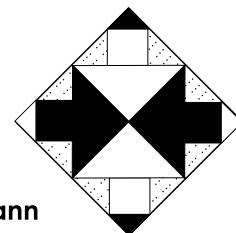
Maggie Smith

Treats for the October Guild meeting will be provided by those with October birthdays:

Donna Brokenshire
Donna Griffith
Louise McCormick-Glazier
Martha Keyes Nordquist



Pease bring
QUILT FABRIC ONLY to
the Fabulous Finds table



Charity

Linda Wallace
Jean Schlegelmann

This month we will have our HAVEN bag kits available for you to pick up at the Charity table. You will need to sew the bag together and fill it with suggested small items discussed at September's meeting and put a tag indicating whether it is for a woman, infant/toddler, boy or girl. HAVEN is a shelter or safe house for women and children leaving a home where they are being abused. *The HAVEN bags are due back at our November meeting.*

We also still have Honor Flight Quilt Kits available. We hope to have some Sunday Zoom Open Sew dates to work on these together. Linda and Jean will be available to answer questions. We also plan on attending the Open Sew Day at the church October 18.

Don't forget to pickup HAVEN bag kits this month and return them at November meeting and pick up an Honor Flight quilt kit. Thanks for all you do for Charity.

HANDCRAFTED FAIR REPORT

Six of our members participated in Troy Historic Village's Handcrafted: Trades and Crafts Fair. Thank you for volunteering!

Cheryl Cawley, Terry Poduska, Louise Glazier, Rosemary Spatafora, Jean Schlegelmann and Jean's friend Claudia, (from the Troy Community Center Quilting Group) volunteered to demonstrate. English Paper Piecing, hand quilting and hand binding of Honor Flight quilts were demonstrated. Display items included a completed hexagon quilt, a baby quilt, an example of our Christmas gift bags for Haven, as well as examples of both hand and machine quilting. Also available were our CAMEO 2025-2026 meeting/event calendar and a sheet for visitors to sign up for more information on Membership, Spring Retreat, Workshops and children's sewing/quilting classes. We were located indoors, in Caswell House, and there was electricity available had we wanted to bring a sewing machine. We had a number of visitors throughout the day and three people provided their email.

Other crafters included a "Quilt Rescuer" who had several examples of works in progress she had collected from antique stores, and research she had done on feedsack fabrics. Another artisan brought examples of wool spinning, weaving (& looms) and quilts she had finished on her own longarm machine. A calligraphy artist who teaches calligraphy, makes cards and teaches Tai Chi attended, as well as a crochet artist, a custom boot maker, a wooden bucket maker and several wood workers also participated. It was a beautiful and mild day with plenty of visitors. We hope to take part in this event in the future and hope several more people heard about the existence of our quilt guild.

Thank you, Louise McCormick-Glazier



Programs & Workshops

Theresa Nielsen
VP, Facilitator



Colleen Merte from Northwater Quilt Design is our guest lecturer in October. Colleen is a pattern designer and quilter who provides inspiration and enthusiasm for all types of quilters - not to mention lots of laughter!

Coleen's quilt patterns offer something for everyone: from beginner to advanced quilters and from modern to traditional styles. Autocorrect makes me say things I didn't Nintendo. Her patterns will be available for purchase (bring cash just to be safe).

CAMEO PROGRAMS 2025-2026

October 16	Coleen Merte
October 18	Sew Day
November 20	Norma Stark lecture
November 22	Norma Stark workshop "Fandango"
December 18	Holiday Potluck
January 15	Panel discussion with guild members Carol Gilbert & Rosemary Spatafora
February 19	WhistleStop
February 21	Charity Day Sew-In
March 19	Rosemary Spatafora lecture: "Indigenous Quilts"
March 21	National Quilting Day Sew-In Clawson Church
April 16	Carolyn Johnson lecture: "Using Panels to Make Quilts"
May 21	Linda Thielfold lecture: "Domestic Machine Quilting"
May 23	Linda Thielfold Workshop "Domestic Machine Quilting"
June	CAMEO Potluck and Elections

WATCH OUT FOR THE SLIP OF THE KEYBOARD!



The Silhouette is a source of much important information for our guild members. To encourage members to read the entire newsletter, the Editor (that's me!) gets to have a little fun and bury a silly statement somewhere in each newsletter. Members who find the Slip of the Keyboard will write it on a slip of paper at each monthly meeting and be entered into a drawing for a fabulous quilting prize! So, if you come across something that's not quite right, doesn't make sense or just doesn't fit - you've found it! Good luck and happy hunting!

Quilters Calendar submitted by Ann Bonelli



October 7, 2025 at 7 pm

Great Lakes Heritage Quilt Guild

Alice Ridge, "Quilt Trip Around the World"
Birmingham Unitarian Church.
38651 Woodward, Bloomfield Hills
www.glhq.org
Workshop-Free Motion Quilting
(St. Stephens Episcopal Church)

October 10 & 11 2025. 10am-4pm

Capitol City Quilt Guild

QUILT SHOW-"GOING TO PIECES"
Ingham County Fairgrounds
700 E.Ash Street, Mason
www.capitolcityquiltguild.org

October 10 - 12, 2025 10am-6pm, Sunday 11am-2pm

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

23rd Annual Quilt Show & Silent Auction

Our Savior Lutheran Church
2525 Hemmeter Rd. Saginaw

October 14, 2025 10am-noon

Needlework and Textile Guild of Michigan

Creative Card Making
St. Stephen Episcopal Church
5500 N. Adams Rd., Troy, MI.48098 www.ntgm.org

October 16-18, 2025 10am-4pm

Presented by Quilters In Training Quilt Guild of Capac QUILT SHOW

St. John's Lutheran Church
109nEast Kempf Center, Capac
<http://quiltersintraining.wordpress.com/>

October 21, 2025 7pm

Quilt Guild of Metro Detroit

Nancy Kloster, "My Quiltworx Journey"
Redeemer United Methodist Church
20571 Vernier R., Harper Woods. www.qgmd.org

October 22, Workshop-Desert Sky pattern

November 6, 2025 7pm

Oakland County Quilt Guild

Nancy Kloster - Lecture and Trunk Show
First Congregational Church
1315 N. Pine St., Rochester
www.oaklandcountyquiltguild.com

November 8 Workshop-Prismatic Star or Baby Star Quilts

Contact the **BOARD LIAISON** with any questions or concerns. She will give you an answer.
See Sharon Cratsenburg if your committee assignment needs to change.

STANDING COMMITTEES 2025-2026

AUDIT

Board Liaison Cheryl Cawley
Carole Gilbert
Janeen Sharpe
Darlene Baer
Kathleen Day

This committee audits the guild's financial books and makes a report. (Summer)

NOMINATION & ELECTIONS

Board Liaison Sharon Cratsenburg
Donna Griffith
Becky Stange

This committee recruits members to run for election to the Executive Board. (Usually in the Spring)

CHARITY

Board Liaison Jean Schlegelmann
Linda Wallace
Terry Poduska
Sherry Hart
Jean Schlegelmann
Laura Ball Carey
Carolyn Johnson
Janeen Sharpe
Maggie Smith
Joline Bowdich
Sally Carl
Peggy Wanat

This committee cuts quilt kits for members to sew for our charities. They also work at the Charity Table on a rotating basis.

COMMUNICATIONS

Board Liaison Laurie Johnson
Newsletter Editorial
Laurie Johnson
Newsletter Quilter's Calendar
Ann Bonnell
Newsletter Slip of the Keyboard
Jackie Speer
Zoom/Facebook
Louise Glazier McCormick
Becky Stange

Website

Laurie Johnson
Notifications (formerly Emergency Fan Out)
Janeen Sharpe
These involve communicating with guild members.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES 2025-2026

DOOR PRIZES

Board Liaison Donna Griffith
Carole Herzberg
Kathy Wilson
Judy Murray

HOSPITALITY

Board Liaison Laura Ball Carey
Sheri Hart
Maggie Smith
Carmen Sluter
Becky Stange
Kathleen Day

These members rotate setting up the snack table

MEMBERSHIP

Board Liaison Sharon Cratsenburg
Lynda Draudt
Sharon Cratsenburg
Carol Herzberg
Kathy Wilson
Carole Gilbert
Rosemary Spatafora
Terri Thomson

These members rotate greeting people at the Membership table

PROGRAMS Set Up/Take Down

Board Liaison Cheryl Cawley
Theresa Nielsen
Carolyn Johnson
Debi Johnson

These members help the speaker set up and pack away trunk show items

EDUCATION & RESEARCH

Board Liaison Laurie Johnson
Rosemary Spatafora

RETREAT SPRING 2026

Board Liaison Sharon Cratsenburg
Sharon Cratsenburg
Darlene Baer
Carole Gilbert

HEARTS & HUGS

Board Liaison Jeanne Flynn
Marjorie Fromm
Donna Brokenshire
This committee mails quilted hearts as encouragement to members

CHARITY DAY

Board Liaison Laura Ball Carey
Louise McCormick Glazier
Jackie Speer
Carole Gilbert
Joline Bowdich

This committee organizes the Charity Day lunch

NATIONAL QUILTING DAY

Board Liaison Terry Poduska
Dawn Mayers
Mary Peltier
Carolyn Johnson

This committee organizes the National Quilting Day lunch

PRESIDENT'S QUILT

Board Liaison Jean Schlegelmann
Janeen Sharpe
Judy Murray
Darlene Baer
Maggie Smith
Jean Schlegelmann
Sally Carl

This committee assembles a quilt as a "thank you" to the guild president

RETREAT FALL 2025 - cancelled



ACTIVITIES

(all are optional)
Board liaison Cheryl Cawley

ROUND ROBIN

Coordinated by Theresa Nielsen

BLOCK EXCHANGE

Coordinated by Chris Schulte

Challenge Quilt - Not Active

Sample Swap - Not Active

Mystery Quilt - Not Active

Quilting With Confidence - Not Active

Fabulous Finds

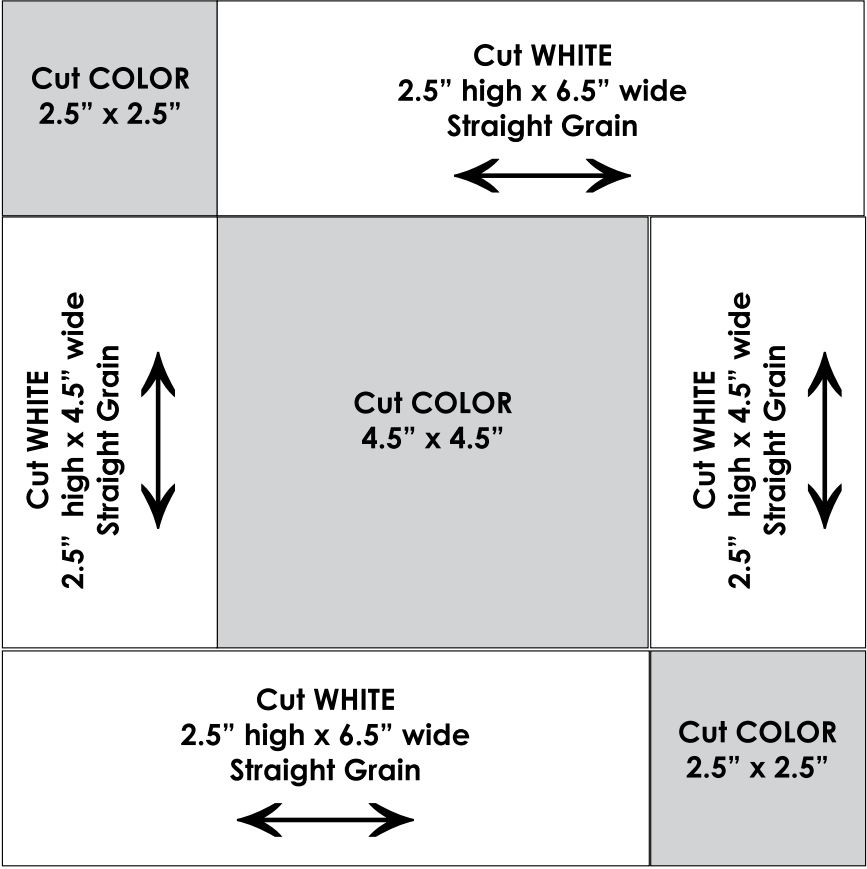
Activities do not require a chairperson or a budget. These are formed only if there is interest by the guild members.

CHANDLIER BLOCK

2025 CAMEO EXCHANGE BLOCK

8 ½" Unfinished. Make a total of 35. Due at the December Meeting.
Coordinated by Chris Schulte

This diagram is
not actual size



7 different Spring Colors, a fat quarter of each. Should read one color in batiks, mottled, or very small print that doesn't call attention to itself.

The background is white on white. Please, **NO** off-white. Can use the same white for all blocks but not necessary. Will need approx. 1-¼ yards.

Make 5 blocks in each colorway. (7 colors x 5 each = 35 blocks).

Color patches: cut one 4 1/2" square and two 2 ½" squares.
White: cut two 2 ½" x 4 ½" rectangles and two 2 ½" x 6 ½" rectangles.

You should have 7 stacks of 5 blocks each. 8 ½" unfinished

Pin together 1 block from each colorway, to end up with 5 pinned groups of 7 different color blocks and your name.

Bring your bag of blocks to the December meeting or turn your bag in to Chris Schulte at an earlier meeting.

"Chandelier" block pattern is a free design from Jordan Fabrics.

VIEW KEN BURNS QUILTS ON YOUTUBE

Filmmaker Ken Burns, also known as America's story teller, has collected quilts since the 1970s. Unlike his films, Burns did not publicly shared his collection until January, 2018 when he allowed the International Quilt Study Museum in Nebraska to host an exhibit of a small selection of them. In this short film Ken Burns talks about his love of quilts and why he chose to share them.

"Quilts rearrange my molecules when I look at them." Ken Burns

You can view the film at:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?app=desktop&v=tdIRU5B3YsM>

Rosemary Spatafora

CAMEO Quilters Guild Board Meeting September 11, 2025 - Zoom

President Cheryl Cawley started the meeting at 7:12pm. Attendees were: Martha Nordquist, Cheryl Cawley, Donna Griffith, Laurie Johnson, Sharon Cratsenburg, Jean Schlegelmann, Terry Poduska, Chris Schulte, Laura Ball Carey and Theresa Nielsen. Jeanne Flynn was unable to attend.

Liasion Assignments: Donna Griffith volunteered to be the Board liasion for 50/50 Raffle-Doorprizes. Membership Chair Sharon Cratsenburg has already made a few assignments; the rest will be completed by President Cheryl Cawley when more members join the guild after the September meeting.

27 members have rejoined the Guild. Peggy Wanat and Carol Herzberg will be added to the email list.

Board members will supply the snacks for the September meeting.

Treasurer's Report: Martha Nordquist will have the Treasurer's Report ready for the September Guild meeting. The PO Box was paid (\$288). Audit will be performed on September 12, 2025.

Fall Retreat: Sharon Cratsenburg has 13 people enrolled. 25 people are needed. If we have to cancel, Chris Schulte will get information from Birmingham United Methodist Church about possible day rentals to have a Friday-Saturday retreat with no overnight stay.

Facilitator Theresa Nielsen left a message at Clawson church about renting a Saturday for an Open Sew. She will call again. It was decided that attendees will bring a bag lunch to keep costs down.

Guild Survey: President Cheryl Cawley will distribute a paper survey to Guild members at the September meeting. Cheryl's goal is to find out what members want out of their guild membership, ideas for possible speakers and activities.

Chris Schulte volunteered to coordinate a Block Exchange. Theresa Nielsen will head up a Round Robin.

September Guild meeting: Theresa Nielsen and Jean Schlegelmann will demonstrate embroidery for quilting. Members will need to bring embroidery needles, scissors, hoops and floss (if they have that). Some floss and needles will be supplied. Cheryl Cawley will email the guild members with this information.

Publicize November Workshop: Workshop registration form is on the website. Info was in the September newsletter. Laurie to create ad for facebook and send to other guilds.

Quilt Show: Sharon Cratsenburg asked if we wanted another show in a two-year cycle? Consensus is that our show was crowded and we need to limit the size and number of quilts next time.

Meeting adjourned at 8:05pm.

Respectfully submitted by Laurie Johnson for Jeanne Flynn

**CAMEO Quilters Guild Meeting
September 18, 2025
Clawson United Methodist Church**

President Cheryl Cawley opened the meeting at 7pm by welcoming everyone to a new Guild year.

Cheryl asked for approval of the June minutes. Dawn Mayer approved with Terry Poduska seconding.

Officer Reports:

VP Facilitator Theresa Nielsen: Program for the 2025-26 Guild Year

September 2025 Embroidery

October 2025 Coleen Merte

November 2025 Norma Stark Lecture & Saturday Workshop “Fandango”

December 2025 Holiday Pot Luck

January 2026 Quilting Discussion (question & answer format) with Carole Gilbert & Rosemary Spatafora

February 2026 Whistlestop & Charity Day Sew In

March 2026 “Indigenous Quilts” Lecture - Rosemary Spatafora. Saturday National Quilting Day Sew In

April 2026 “Panel Quilts” Lecture with Carolyn Johnson

May 2026 - TBD; possible workshop

June 2026 Elections and Member Pot Luck

Theresa Nielsen will coordinate this year’s Round Robin if there is enough interest.

VP Membership Sharon Cratsenburg

37 people are currently enrolled in the guild including 3 new members: Debby Johnson, Becky Stange and Mary Pelitier. Two guests included Marlene Klebba and Linda Campbell. Both found CAMEO by “googling” the internet.

Fall 2025 Retreat: 18 people have signed up; we need 25 to hold the event. (No checks have been deposited.) Alternate solution would be to use Birmingham First United Methodist Church as a “day retreat” option. Chris Schulte is an employee and can get us a discounted price. \$100 per day plus a janitor’s fee of \$100, totalling \$300. There was great interest from the membership; Chris will lock in the dates. Cost per person would depend upon the number of people attending.

Spring 2026 Retreat: Bear Lake April 9-12. **Fall 2026 Retreat:** Bear Lake Sept. 24-27.

Treasurer’s Report: Martha Nordquist reported on CAMEO’s accounts.

Audit Report: Carole Gilbert, Darlene Baer and Donna Griffin performed the yearly Audit. They found the books to be “true and accurate”. Carole stated it was helpful to have the former Treasurer present to answer questions.

Charity Committee: Linda Wallace listed and described the charities that CAMEO supports:

HAVEN - for domestic abuse victims. Collected in November for Christmas. Sewn gift bags filled with toiletries and small items; each labelled for women, toddlers, girls or boys.

LAYETTE PROGRAM - Clawson United Methodist Church. April collection of newborn items. Church distributes boxes for Mother’s Day.

OAKLAND CHILDREN’S SERVICES - foster care; pillowcases and quilts distributed through the year.

ROYAL OAK ASSISTED LIVING - Senior facility. With the help of LaVonne Ogilvy who distributes quilts to the residents throughout the year.

MICHIGAN HONOR FLIGHT - Veteran’s themed quilts, 36” x 36”. Charity has about 25 kits cut; Linda showed examples of layouts. Finished quilt due back to Charity in April.

Linda Wallace asked if there would be interest in **Sunday Zoom Sew-Alongs**. Guild members were interested, so Cheryl Cawley will email a link to membership to start that again. **Linda Wallace announced this is her last year chairing the Charity Committee.**

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Block Exchange - Chris Schulte will coordinate this. "Springtime" themed colors. Instructions will appear in the October newsletter.

Return your finished blocks to Chris in December. In January, Chris will equally distribute blocks among the participants so each can assemble a quilt.

"Quick Tips and Tricks" Cheryl Cawley: When using color catchers in a washer, safety pin them to a washcloth so your drain does not become clogged.

Survey distributed by Cheryl Cawley. To find out what topics/interests the membership wants covered. These can be returned at October's meeting.

Quilting with Confidence - may teach a higher sewing level if it is held.

Troy Handcrafter's Fair - spots still available. Sign up sheet on Membership table. Louis McCormick-Glazier is coordinating.

Great Lakes African American Guild Quilt Show Sept 27 & 28. Carmen Sluter passed out flyers.

Oakland County Guild Quilt Show Oct 3 & 4 FUMC of Troy.

Quilt Expo - Novi. Nov. 6-8 2025.

Last Chance Raffle - Judy Murray. Drawing could not be held last June because of church basement flood. Kathy Wilson and Carolyn Johnson each won \$25 gift certificate to Decorative Stitch.

Hospitality Break

Embroidery Technique - distributed by Theresa Nielsen and Jean Schlegelmann.

Show N Tell

Meeting adjourned at 8:45pm.

Respectfully submitted by Laurie Johnson for Jeanne Flynn



Fandango

CAMEO Quilters Guild
presents
"FANDANGO" WORKSHOP
taught by *Norma Stark*
'Sew Kind of Wonderful' Instructor
Saturday, Nov. 22, 2025 • 9am-3pm
Held at: Clawson United Methodist Church
205 S. Main, Clawson MI
Cost: Pattern & Template \$38 **plus**
Guild Member \$45 **or** Non-member \$55
Download Workshop Registration:
www.cameoquilters.org/forms