

More than 300 quilted items on display

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Susan Hitchcock is looking for a huppah stand: It's not something she's likely to find around Newburg United Methodist Church, but certainly needed to display the 7-by-7-foot Jewish wedding canopy during the church's third annual quilt show.

"We're always looking for unusual quilts and so we have a wedding canopy," said Hitchcock. "Each family member made a block and it was assembled by a quilter. It has two vines quilted on the outside that become one vine on the inside."

The huppah is one of more than 300 quilted items that will be displayed 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Nov. 7-8, in the sanctuary of the church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia. Admission is \$2.

Organizers reserve the church sanctuary for three days, and Lois Nelson leads a cadre of volunteers who spend close to 11 hours setting up the display for the two-day event.

This year's display includes crazy quilts, paper-pieced quilts and several story quilts, including one created by the Newburg congregation for its pastor.

There also will be several dating from the 1800s, including "one that came in this morning and from the material used it looks like it was made in celebration of the end of the Civil

War," said Margaret Walker, show chair.

Do not touch

For security reasons, quilts are not displayed outside the sanctuary, and visitors are given one surgical glove as a reminder not to touch the quilts. Gloved hostesses are stationed throughout the sanctuary to flip over parts of the quilts to show off the stitching and intricate designs.

"People come here and expect to be here 20 minutes and they're there for two hours because there's so much to see," said Walker. "They come out and say they had no idea."

Dorothy Smith of Farmington is the show's quilt historian and handles the intake, gathering information about the quilt and the quilt's owner.

That information is included in a booklet that is given to the show's visitors.

Members provide security for the quilts, with two couples spending the entire night at the church each night, checking and walking through the display periodically.

"People have entrusted us with their history and family treasures," added Walker.

Mixed in with the display will be quilts that are works in progress, antique toys, cradles and children's clothes the blend very well with the display, according to Walker.

The Newburg Quilters, who meet at the church 7-9 p.m.

Thursdays, are creating a quilt gallery along the hallway leading to Guthrie Hall, where there will be displays and demonstrations by quilt vendors. Arbor Vacuum & Small Appliance Center (New Home sewing machines), Ritko Sales and Service (sewing machines) and Quilt Works, which will be selling "fat quarters" or bundles of different materials that can be the start of a quilt, quilt supplies, patterns and in-between needles.

There also will be a silent auction will feature donated items like small quilts that are hand-pieced or machine-made and tree skirts. Some items will be open to highest bid for a few hours and some for the entire show, according to Walker.

The needlework demonstrations will feature quilted sweat-shirts, cross stitch work, and rug hooking by Virginia Coloy, a Newburg UM member who works with wool and makes her own dyes. Schedules of the demonstrations, some of them hands-on and free of charge, will be available at the door.

Patricia Hubbel Boucher of Grand Rapids, a certified quilt appraiser with the American Quilter's Society, also will be on hand to provide oral and written appraisals of quilts by appointment only.

The oral appraisals last from 5-15 minutes and cost \$5. The written appraisal costs \$25 and comes with a dollar value of the

quilt and the AQS seal, so it can be insured. Appointments can be made by calling (313) 326-4143.

Checking age

"By looking at the fabrics, dye colors and different battings, we can tell how old they are," said Walker. "She does things like measure the quilt for size and takes notes."

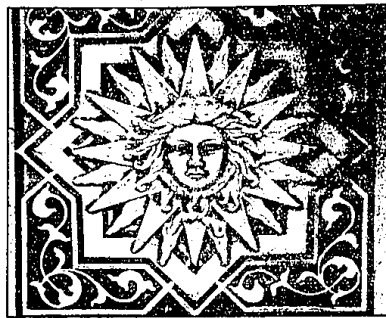
For about \$5, visitors also can enjoy lunch, prepared by church members. The menu will include the popular Harvest Chowder - a mix of bacon, carrots, corn, potatoes and Velveeta cheese - a salad plate, ham or turkey croissants, dessert and beverages.

Members of the church's Lydia Sarah Circle also will host a bake sale, sell coffee and tea and man the father and children's waiting area as part of the show.

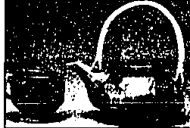
"The first year we did this we were afraid we wouldn't have enough quilts and then if people would be interested in coming to see them," Hitchcock said. "Now, we have quilts that return each year and have new ones, so there's a fresh look to the show."

"The number of quilts has doubled and so has the visitors returning," added Walker. "It's like having old friends coming home."

For more information about the "Timeless Collection of Quilts and Toys," call Newburg United Methodist Church at (313) 422-0149.



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Items: Apollo (top) by tile maker David Ellison will be auctioned off at ArtShare '97. Pewabic pottery art (left) will also be available for viewing and sale.

ArtShare slated Nov. 7

The 6th annual ArtShare Invitational is scheduled to take place Friday, Nov. 7, at the Southfield Town Center and will benefit the St. Vincent and Sarah Fisher Center's programs for abused children and families in crisis.

An elegant reception will be hosted by WJBK-FOX 2's Huel Perkins in the garden atrium of the town center's 2000 tower. It will feature a sale and auction of fine art by some of the areas most talented artists representing a variety of mediums.

Artists include David Ellison, Joanna Blau Bellot, Frederick Birkhill, Sergio DeGiusti, Urban Jupena and John Albert Murphy.

Tickets to ArtShare are \$50 a person. Complimentary valet parking will be provided for all guests. Patron packages are \$200 and include two tickets and an exclusive pre-event mingle with the artists and celebrities at 6 p.m.

For tickets, call Sarah Fisher agency relations at 626-7527, Ext. 3115.

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port of all of you out there, I plan to do it as long as I am on my feet.

Now, you may wonder why I chose St. Jude's. It's because no child is ever turned away regardless of ability to pay. Thousands of youngsters have been treated there since it was founded by the late Danny Thomas in 1962.

The benefit will be held on Saturday, Nov. 8 at the Boisford Inn in Farmington Hills. Dance sessions begin at 9:40 a.m. and end at 4 p.m. The instruction is open to women only.

Warm ups will be led by Yasmine, director of the Habibi Dancers in Lansing. I will teach a full routine starting with a drum solo. Guest teacher, Aida Al Adawi, from San Francisco, will be sharing music, the use of finger cymbals, drum solo patterns and more. We'll also have an Arabic bazaar during the lunch break. Costumes, scarves, jewelry, music and more will be available for sale.

There will be an evening performance open to the public, hosted by John Akour of Farmington Hills. You'll see some of the finest dancers donating their artistry in the spirit of charity. Doors open for the concert at 7:15 p.m. An appetizer buffet starts at 7:45 p.m. and the concert begins at 8:30 p.m.

Tickets for the dance workshop are \$40 before Nov. 1 and after that date \$45. Tickets for the concert cost \$20 before Nov. 1 and \$25 after that date. For tickets, you may call Susan Pool at 248-541-3153.

I hope to see you there.

Sink teeth into morsels

Here are a few recipes from Sink Your Teeth Into These, by patients and friends of Jeffrey Zanetti, DDS.

Aunt May's Crab Dip
1 can crabmeat
1/2 jar cocktail sauce
1 pkg. cream cheese, softened
Mix together and chill. Serve with "chicken in a biscuit" crackers.

Linda's Lowfat Tortellini Salad
1 16 oz. pkg. cheese tortellini, cooked as pkg. directs
1 pkg. Good Season's fat free Italian dressing,
2 tomatoes, chopped
prepared as pkg. directs
1/2 medium red onion, sliced thin
1/2 tsp. extra spicy Mrs. Dash
1/2 pkg. turkey pepperoni, halved
1/4 cup red cooking wine
1/3 cup Parmesan cheese, fat free

In a large bowl, mix cooked tortellini with tomatoes, onion, pepperoni, and Parmesan. Top with prepared dressing, Mrs. Dash, wine and mix. Refrigerate for at least 2 hours before serving. Serves 8.

Quick and Easy Sukiyaki
1 lb. beef, round steak
8 oz. mushrooms, thin sliced
1/3 cup soy sauce
8 green onions, cut into pieces
3 T sugar
2 large onions, thin sliced
2 T vegetable oil
3 medium stalks celery
1 beef bouillon cube
1 (8 1/2 oz.) can bamboo shoots
1/2 cup boiling water
3 cups cooked rice

Cut beef steaks across grain into strips. Mix soy sauce and sugar. Toss with beef. Drain beef, reserving marinade. Cook and stir beef in oil in a skillet. Push beef to side of skillet. Dissolve bouillon cube in water. Stir in reserve marinade. Pour into skillet. Arrange mushrooms, onions, celery and bamboo shoots in separate sections in skillet. Cover, simmer until beef is tender, about 10 minutes. Serve with rice.

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patients feel when they come in to have work done," said Zanetti. "They'd come in and ask, how's the book going? It was a diversion."

From start to finish the project took about one year. The idea

was to have them ready in time for holiday gift-giving.

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