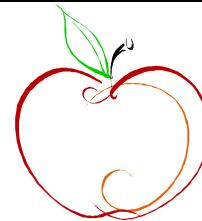

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MARCH MEETING

Tuesday, March 2nd

Happy Hour 6:30pm; Meeting 7pm

Classic Cafe Event Center

4832 Hillegas Road

Program: Pat Speth

Meanderings by Michele

Absotively and Posilutely

Medical, customer service, and social service jobs are considered to be among some of the most stressful for workers because an employee's true feelings and emotions must be hidden. What a stressful day that must be if many encounters are considered as negative or problematic. But, it turns out, that some negative interactions are necessary and can be productive as long as there are solutions associated with them. In my own world of working at a dental office, the best solution to a broken tooth may be a root canal and a crown. These treatment options can be a challenge to anyone's budget. "If I can make that affordable for you would you have it done? We do have some choices for financial arrangements that you may not be aware of that will make it possible for you to best care for this tooth." I win by delivering care to you that is needed and you benefit by improving your health.

You must know by now I'm a science oriented kind of gal. I like stats and research that looks at this and proves that. The latest one that I've heard of is a study that shows marriages are more likely to succeed when the positive interactions exceed the negative ones by five times. This holds true in a work setting and with other relationships we have. Think of all the opportunities we have to engage positively with each other such as with a smile and kind greeting whether it is at Kroger's checkout line or at the Chix fil-A drive-thru window.

I grew up in a very small town with a population of 842. We knew everyone in town and would say "hello" when we passed on the street or we would give a wave when driving by. When I moved to a large city for college it was hard to break myself of that habit of saying hello to everyone. How do you unlearn how to be friendly? One day on campus I saw someone who I thought looked familiar. He and I were looking directly at each other and were walking toward each other across a large plaza. We stopped a couple of feet from one another and studied each other's face. I finally said, "Hello, I thought I

knew you, but I guess I don't." He responded by asking if I belonged to the family that I DO belong to. Well, we didn't know each other, but we each knew family members who looked enough like the other that we identified a resemblance. It was rather touching to think about two people seeing each other in a sea of 40,000 other students, and not only having a connection (as slight as it was), but making the connection. There is no "they got married and lived happily ever after" kind of ending. None of my stories are quite that dramatic. You need to read another column for that kind of excitement. It is just an illustration of how easy it can be to miss an opportunity.

Positive opportunities abound as soon as you arrive at Classic Café for our Appleseed Quilters Guild meeting; your first interaction is with a smile and hello from our greeter, **Kay**. Let's check in at the membership desk with **Sue**, "hello" and **Ann**, "hello" and **Georgianne**, "hello". Another chance is when you acknowledge a quilting project by a fellow quilter during show and tell; when you cheer for the winner of the Block of the Month drawing or the Monthly Mini; or when you acknowledge to the speaker how their program touched you.

We are a wonderfully diverse group of personalities who share a love of quilting. We hope you feel welcomed and included in the Appleseed family when you visit us. Share some time with us during a Tuesday Sit-and-Sew, and get to know us a little better. Ask how you can help with the quilt show in August. Take a class with **Pat Speth** in March, or in May when **Leigh McDonald** visits Fort Wayne. Join a committee and be an active part of your guild. Yes, we all have our own comfort level with participating but, you will also find that you will get as much out of Appleseed Quilters Guild as you put into it. So join in for some fun while you are learning more about quilting and meeting new people.

Let's intentionally cultivate more absotively and posilutely good times together.



All together now:

"You've got to accentuate the positive,
Eliminate the negative,
And latch on to the affirmative,
Don't mess with Mister In-Between."*

*Johnny Mercer

Michele Williams, president

PROGRAM NOTES

On Tuesday, **March 2nd**, **Pat Speth** will teach "Flying Geese Units". Just a couple of openings remain.....

On Tuesday, **May 4th**, **Leigh McDonald** will teach "Adventures in Curves".

MARCH EVENTS

March 2nd

6:30pm at Classic Cafe

Appleseed Quilters Guild Meeting

March 9th, 6:30pm at Dupont Branch Library

AQG Board meeting

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

We had a great turn out, despite the snow. Seventy-one members and nine guests braved the elements to come and hear our guest speaker. I am sure you will agree hearing **Kent's** perspective on quilting was very inspiring, not to mention gorgeous. We can see why he is an award winning quilter.

Have a great month of quilting. Ann E. Williams

MONTHLY MINI

Two beautiful Valentine minis were made and donated by **Donna Sievers** for the February meeting. The lucky people who took them home were **Carolyn Isaacs** and **Karon Sheehan**. March's mini is a springy, colorful beauty made by **Mary Ann Skinner**.

Carol Freeman

TELL ME WHAT YOU REALLY THINK

You'll be given a survey when you check in at the March meeting. It will ask you a variety of questions regarding our meetings and what 'cha think about it all. What do you think? Let us know so we can give you what you come for and more!



SUNSHINE AND SHADOWS

Get well wishes to **Mr. Edwards**, Lisa's dad of Edward's Sewing Center, as he battles serious health challenges

CHICAGO INTERNATIONAL QUILT FESTIVAL TRIP

Are you ready for a fun, fabulous fabric frenzy!! We are planning a bus trip (we filled a bus last year) to the Chicago International Quilt Festival this year on Friday, April 16th.

For the cost of \$60, Kathy the Bus Goddess and I will provide a wonderful adventure that includes a continental breakfast and an admission ticket into the quilt show. We will depart from Meijer's on Lima Road in the morning and arrive back in the evening (times to be finalized later).

Please email or call me (see Directory) to reserve your spot. There are 50 seats available on the bus--let's fill two--the more the merrier!! **Chicago here we come!**

Marla Knepper



3/2 Judy Yarnelle
3/5 Michele Williams
3/7 Lynn Bogardus
3/11 Dru Field
3/17 Nancy Karrer
3/21 Julie Farrimond
3/21 Kathy Doran
3/28 Toni Kring
3/29 Sandy Williams
3/31 Jody Gaerte

FEBRUARY MEETING MINI MINUTES

Many Guild members had a long, but productive and fun day starting with the Guild Bee. The day started with **Teresa Wade's** class on an easy to make kids' quilt and ended with the monthly meeting in the evening.

President **Michele Williams** welcomed 71 members, nine guests, and our speaker for the evening, **Kent Mick**.

The Philanthropy Quilt top, assembled by **Donna Sievers**, from blocks made by guild members was shown. Leftover blocks were awarded to **Bobbie Richards**, extra red and cream fabric was awarded to **Mary Cummings**, and the wall hanging went to **Chris Kinderman** who made a dozen blocks for the quilt.

Teresa Wade made a stunning label for the quilt and **Kat Waterson** will do the quilting. The finished quilt will be presented to the Sheriff's Reserve for their fund-raising raffle.

Linda Mulpagano took home the Block of the Month drawing. Librarians **Cindy Loos** and **Bobbi Richards** conducted a book sale and presented a list of new books which have been purchased for the guild library.

Janet Ditton updated the guild on progress on the 2010 Quilt Show and reminded everyone to pick up their packet of raffle tickets and turn in their items for the boutique. The show brochure should be ready by the March meeting.

Carolyn Isaacs and **Karon Sheehan** were awarded the monthly minis made by **Donna Sievers**.

Kent Mick gave a presentation on the male outlook on quilting and showed a number of his own quilts.

The meeting ended with Show and Tell.

Donna Sievers, Recording Secretary

QUILT SHOW NEWS

The Entry brochure has gone to print, and will be available at the March Guild meeting. Please make sure that you pick up your copy, or ask a friend to get your copy if you don't attend the meeting. We will not mail copies to guild members. Information and workshop registration forms will also be available on the Appleseed website.

Again, I remind you to think about submitting items for the Boutique. Small items that sell for less than \$30 do well in the Boutique. Many of us are looking for such items for stocking stuffers or exchange gifts.

I would like to remind everyone to pick up their raffle tickets at the next meeting if they have not already done so.

Last of all, if any of you are planning to go to a shop hop or visit a quilt shop in the area please take some Quilt Show fliers along and leave them with the shop. Contact me and I will make sure that I get some fliers to you.

One more thing! We all need to be ambassadors for the Quilt Show. When you meet other quilters who are not in our guild (I meet some each time I visit a quilt shop), promote the show. Be sure to tell them that they may display their quilts in the show even though they are not members. And if they ask, be sure to tell them that there will be prizes for the first place winner in each category. Yeah!

Janet (Soon to be retired!) Ditton

BLOCK OF THE MONTH

Lesson #9 Analogous Color Harmony

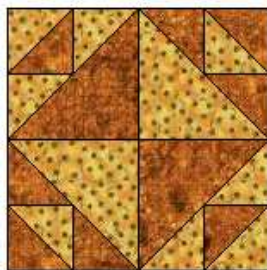
An analogous color plan is very harmonious and appealing to the eye, and therefore is the most popular color scheme for quilters. An analogous color plan is whenever colors lying side by side on the color wheel are used in the design. For the best results, use three, five, or seven analogous colors. Seven is the maximum number of color choices when creating an analogous design, because the color range should always be less than one third of the total number of colors on the particular color wheel you are using. The I've's color wheel has twenty four colors and since even numbers are not usually visually appealing, we are left with seven for our maximum color choices when using the analogous palette.

If you prefer a quieter quilt, use only two or three colors that lie side by side on the color wheel. Remember, you do not have to stick with the lead color; you can use its tints, shades, and tones. If you want to go for drama and the “wow” effect in your design, choose seven colors that lie next to each other on the color wheel.

Selecting an Analogous Color Scheme:

- 1.) Select one color (your focus color) that you really want in the quilt
- 2.) Then look at your color wheel and select 1, 2, or 3 colors that lie next to your focus color
- 3.) You can select from either side, colors that lie to the left, or colors that lie to the right of your focus color

This month's “focus” color is YELLOW. The block is called “Birds in the Air,”



And it should be very beautiful when put together. Choose, one , two, or three colors that lie next to your yellow on the color wheel and see what fun you have putting it together. If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact me – my contact information is in the Directory.

Have Fun....and Happy Quilting!

Kat Waterson, BOM Chair



BEE NEWS

The Appleseed Bee in February was fun, and enabled members to get together while doing the activity that we all love best - quilting or piecing a quilt. **Teresa's** class enhanced the afternoon when she showed us her quilt design for a Kids' Quilt.

There will not be an Appleseed Bee in March because of the class by **Pat Speth**. We will meet again on April 6th at Classic café from 11am until 4pm. The Guild meeting will follow at 7pm.

Yours in quilting, Linda Mulpagano

AREA QUILT SHOWS: MAR-JUNE 2010

Mar 4th-6th

19th Annual Indiana Heritage Quilt Show

Bloomington Convention Center

Admission: \$7/day or \$15/3 days

Information: <http://www.ihqs.org/2010GenShow.html>

Mar 20th

20th Annual Gathering of the Quilters

Elkhart County 4-H Fairgrounds

17746-E CR 34

Goshen, IN 46528

www.amishcountry.org/GatheringofQuilters

Guest Speaker: Brenda Papadakis

Mar 27th-28th, Sat 9am-5pm, Sun 10am-4pm
Quilts in Bloom
The Porter County Expo Center
215 E Division Rd ,Valparaiso IN 46383
(One mile South of Highway 30 on Highway 49).
Admission: \$5.00

Mar 27th-28th, Sat 9am-5pm, Sun 10am-4pm
Stitches in Time
Marshall Middle School
100 East Green Street
Marshall, MI
Admission: \$5.00

Apr 8th-10th, 10am-5pm
10th Annual Amish County Quilt Show
Buckeye Event Center
624 Henry St, Dalton, OH 44618
Admission: \$7.00
<http://www.amishcountryquiltshow.com/>

Apr 16th-18th
International Quilt Festival
Donald E. Stephens Convention Center
5555 N. River Rd
Rosemont, IL
<http://www.facebook.com/event.php?eid=167950657209&index=1>

NEW ADDITIONS:

Apr 24th, Sat 9am-5pm
Boone County Extension Homemakers
Witham Health Services Pavilion
Boone County 4-H Fairgrounds
Lebanon, Indiana
Admission: \$2
Entry forms due April 14th:
www.ibccn.org/ces/

June 4th & 5th 10am- 5pm
June 6th, 10am- 3pm
32nd Annual Brown County Historical Society Quilt Show
Presented by Pioneer Women
1934 State Road 135 North
Nashville, IN
Admission: \$5
Entry forms due May 20th
<http://www.browncountyhistory.info/quiltshow.htm>

June 26th-27th 2010, 10am-5pm
Berrien Towne and Country Quilt Show
Lake Michigan College Mendel Center, Upton Hall
2755 E. Napier Ave,
Benton Harbor, MI 49022
Admission: \$6 at the door, \$5 in advance, under 12 free

LEO / Quilts

How About A Date?

Having trouble getting that quilt top finished?

Sometimes setting a date for completion helps you remove the obstacles that are stealing your time.

Let me help you complete your quilt top by setting a date for machine quilting.

Call or email **Cathie Phillips of Leo Quilting**

And get 25% off your first quilt.

Call 260-627-3545 or 260-760-8431 (cell).

Or you may email at leoquilting@verizon.net

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CLASS ACTS

Call shops, or visit websites, for class details and schedules.

Many shops have monthly classes or Block-of-the-Month opportunities that you may find interesting.
Call or visit today!

A Quilt of Many Colors 627-2907

See website at <http://www.quiltofmanycolors.com/>

Pieced Together Quilt Shop 486-4217

See website at www.ptquilts.com

Edwards Sewing Center 486-3003

Check website for class schedule

<http://www.edwardssewing.com/>

Country Creations 547-4535

fabrics2@onlyinternet.net

The Creative Stitch Quilt Shop 982-1080

Feb 19th-21st : 2nd Annual Quilt Retreat with Penny Haren. Call for details

A COMMISSION AWAITS

Do you want to make a t-shirt quilt?

A mom wants to commemorate her son's high school highlights in a quilt and is willing to pay you for this service. See **Michele Williams** for more information.

KID'S QUILTS

Thank you to **Teresa Wade** for giving a Kid's quilt workshop at the Tuesday Sit and Sew gathering. The students showed completed tops at our Show and Tell later that night. How quick and easy. Do you need help in completing your kid's quilt? Ask any board member or our Kid's Quilt chairs, **Dawn Shepherd** and **Georgi Schneider** for ideas and help with getting your quilt done.

LAST, BUT NOT LEAST....

Don't Look, Michele!

Thanks to everyone who took blocks to make for Michele's presidents' thank-you-quilt. They are all distributed and some are already returned to me. If you don't get them to me before our next Guild meeting on March 2nd, please bring them to that meeting. Thank you all very much for being so willing to help.

Mary Ann Skinner

MYSTERY BLOCK CHALLENGE

What is the name of this month's Mystery Block?

Hint: It's Jeopardy! And the question is "When will spring arrive?"



<http://www.equiltonpatterns.com/>

Mystery Block Answer: It's a "Puzzle"