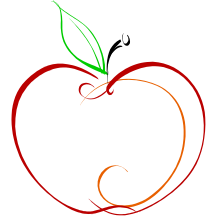

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JANUARY MEETING

Tuesday, January 5th

Happy Hour 6:30pm; Meeting 7pm

Classic Cafe Event Center

4832 Hillegas Road

Program: Jo Grace "Every Quilt Has a Story"

Meanderings by Michele

Hello There!

Let's get to know new member, **Cathie Phillips** who joined Appleseed a couple of months ago. Cathie's been sewing a long time. I don't have authority to tell you how long, but she did start sewing clothes for her doll on her grandmother's treadle sewing machine when she was a kid. After that, she started sewing her own clothes. Later on, out of necessity, she sewed everything she wore except her underwear. She tore apart hand-me-downs that were very outdated and remade them into something more modern. She made her first quilts in the 1970's. A trapunto quilt called the "Land of Milk and Honey", was given as a wedding gift to a lucky bride and groom. Cathie's lovingly sewn gift was meant as a wish for how she wanted the couple's life together to turn out.

Our moms are very important and influential to us especially in our growing up years. In Cathie's words, "My mom was a kind and generous woman, especially with her encouragement. Mom was the one we would run to with our latest accomplishments, discoveries, and boo-boo's. Mom loved to embroider, but was always too tired or too busy to do it. She waited patiently for retirement. Unfortunately, by the time she was retired her hands were all crippled with arthritis and her eyesight was pretty much gone. That is a hard life lesson that I learned well and wish to pass on to all those ladies out there tending kids, working jobs, and keeping house. Take some time now; there may not be a tomorrow. Share all that with your kids - cooking, keeping house, and your art. It's a great growth experience for them. Don't wait till it's too late."

Cathie studied art education in college, but in the '70's everyone else seemed to have that good idea too. The job market was saturated in teaching so she went into computers. Her latest job was

working from home for Arrow, the largest IBM distributor in the world doing post-sale and pre-sale phone tech support on large IBM business computers. Cathie has also been a cook, a baker, worked retail, and farmed with her dad. From Cathie, "There was something to like in each of those jobs and I am not sorry I did any of them. I "yam what I yam" because of them and those folks that I met along the way."

When the Cindy Layne Quilt shop went out of business almost 2 years ago Cathie bought her Gammill. She and her husband had to tear a wall out of the house between two bedrooms to have enough room to accommodate it. They walked it up the boat dock through the bedroom window. Cathie says "I started to practice on my and my friend's quilts, dog and cat beds, thinking this would be my retirement job. 'Retirement' came early when I got laid off in July." Her specialty is freehand designs especially those with nature themes like leaves and flowers. Cathie says, "I also love to quilt hearts and feathers, they're just more fun than a human being should have."

Cathie finishes by saying:

"I know that people put their hearts, their energy, and their hopes into their quilting. If they bring their work to me, it's an honor and I hope to leave them happy with the outcome. I want to honor them back."

Welcome, Cathie. We're honored to have you.

Appleseed Quilters Guild has grown to over 130 members. We each have a unique and exciting story of our own making and telling. We have our own unique talents and gifts and strengths. Imagine 130 plus strong talented women banding together for a common good. No wait, we don't have to imagine. We have that right here and right now. Pass the Appleseed word.

Let's hear your story.

Michele Williams

President



SHEDDING SOME LIGHT

Classic Cafe is working with the city and the utility company to try to get the lighting fixed at the entrance so we can safely find our way to the Appleseed door. In the meantime, these dark wintery months call for extra caution. There is a center turn lane, when approaching Classic Cafe, which you should use. When you see the Classic Cafe sign, begin to slow down, enter the turn lane, and wait to turn until you see exactly where the driveway begins. Even better, call a friend and ask to carpool. We want you here in one piece.

WEATHER POLICY

Remember that our policy for inclement weather follows the Fort Wayne Community School's cancellation of school. If FWCS has cancelled school, Appleseed Quilters Guild will not have a meeting.

PROGRAM NOTES

January 5th: "Every Quilt Has a Story," presented by **Jo Crace**. Jo is a local artist from Columbia City who has over 20 years experience quilting. She is a frequent speaker, teacher, and retreat leader for a variety of quilting opportunities. Her specialty is hand-work. Jo has just returned from western Montana, where she studied the Cherokee influence of Native American quilting, as well as stories about the patterns. If you have not seen any of Jo's work, you will be amazed by her lovely artistic endeavors.

Upcoming Programs:

February 2nd: "Quilting From a Man's Perspective," presented by **Kent Mick**. Kent is a local artist from Roanoke. He has been quilting for seven years. Kent designs all his own quilts and says that one quilt takes from 6-14 months to complete. He will be presenting a trunk show which will include several award-winning quilts.

Don't miss out on the opportunity to take classes from the national teachers in March and May. The charge for these classes is \$40.00, which includes lunch. The time is from 9am to 4pm with an hour lunch. Sign up now for the following classes:

On Tuesday, **March 2nd**, **Pat Speth** will teach "Flying Geese Units".

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

JANUARY EVENTS

January 5th, 6:30pm at Classic Cafe
Appleseed Quilters Guild Meeting

January 12th, 6:30pm at Georgetown Library
AQG Board meeting

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

We had a great meeting in December and had fun with a handmade Christmas ornament or card exchange. We have many creative people in our guild with lots of cute items.

Sixty-nine members attended the December meeting, with everyone sitting with a new group and getting to know some new quilting friends. **Lois Harter** rejoined our group, and everyone was glad to see her back. We also had two new members join: **Karlita Scher** from Huntington and **Pam Etheridge** from Kendallville. We are still growing as a guild, so continue to invite your friends to join our fine group.

The membership committee: Sue, Georgianne, and Ann



SUNSHINE AND SHADOWS

Jan Johnson's hip replacement surgery was December 8th. Her son is flying in to help out for the first week, then, her daughter will be on duty. Friends have her covered for some healing foods. Speedy recovery to you, Jan.

Healing wishes are sent to **Liz Nickle**. Give Liz a call to brighten her day.

Joan Olinghouse's husband has been ill.

Dodie Zonakis's husband is feeling better after his treatments.

Our snowbirds are starting to head to warmer climes for some extra doses of Vitamin D. Hurry back and bring us some sunshine when you return.

Margaret Mast's husband took a fall and has moved into a rehab center to recover. Congratulation to **Teresa Wade** who has expanded her family to include one more big, furry member. Move over Sammy to make room for Tera. This is not a small puppy. Ask to see a picture of Tera.

Do you know of someone in the guild who could use a little sunshine? Perhaps someone who has been ill or suffered a loss in the family? Call Michele Williams or Toni Kring.

LIBRARY NEWS

Your Appleseed Librarians, Bobbie Richards and Cindy Loos, are currently reviewing books in order to make some new additions to our Library. If you have any special books that you would like to see in our Library, please give either Librarian a call and we will certainly listen to your recommendations. This is YOUR Library and we want to make it a Library that all members can use!

Bobbie and Cindy

DIVERSITY QUILT

Thanks to all who sent me squares of fabric for the diversity quilt. I have forwarded those to Millie for her choice. I have asked her to email me a picture of the finished quilt to share with our guild.

Have a wonderful Christmas and a happy and Healthy New Year. Carol

MONTHLY MINI

The holiday monthly mini made by **Sharon Enz** was taken home by **Kathy Doran**. Thanks to all the wonderful quilters who made a monthly mini during 2009. Your creativity is a joy to see.

Carol Freeman

DECEMBER MEETING MINI MINUTES

The Membership Committee had a surprise for everyone at the December meeting. Everyone was given a number which corresponded with a number on one of the tables. It was fun searching out your table and seeing who your table mates were. This was a fun change and a good way to meet and talk with members outside your usual group.

President Michele welcomed 70 members and one guest to our holiday party. Assorted cookies and punch were furnished, and small gifts were exchanged. **Lois Schwartz** took home the blocks of the month and **Kathy Doran** was the recipient of the monthly mini made by **Sharon Enz**.

The names of everyone who had helped with the Opportunity Quilt were entered into a drawing for three pillows which were made from the leftover blocks. **Mary Cummings**, **Beth Gillies** and **Donna Sievers** were the lucky winners.

The Board of Directors recommended that Kids Quilts, Red Cross Quilt and other charitable efforts be merged into one committee called Philanthropy. This will necessitate a bylaw change which will occur when the 2010-2011 Directory is printed.

Donna Sievers, Recording Secretary

KIDS' QUILTS

Where the Wild Things Are



The "Wild Things" theme for this year can only be construed as great fun. The ideas are endless for what you can do with "wild". **Carol** showed her dinosaur quilt that she is donating to Camp Watcha-Wanna-do and **Mary Ann's** quilt has some rather wild and wacky-looking chickens walking across the farmyard. How about something with Einstein's awfully wild hair? Wild colors or wild, funky, asymmetrical blocks or settings would be neat.

We have been generously offered a deal that you'll need to jump on quickly to get. Two AOG members, **Marge Gludemans** and **Cathie Phillips**, will quilt your kid's quilt on their long arm machines at a very reduced price.* This is for a limited time and for a limited number of members so act quickly. Call Marge and Cathie for more information. Your quilt will be done in no time.

*There are some restrictions on quilting patterns and designs. Final choices are up to the discretion of Marge and Cathie.

Sit & Stitch
Tuesday, February 2, 2010, 1-4 PM
Wild Things - Kids' Quilts Workshop
Classic Cafe

Have you finished your kids' quilt for 2010 yet? How about making a fat-quarter friendly and a scrap happy quilt? Are you up for the challenge of trying a new pattern for a really quick quilt? Appleseed Quilters will no doubt have some incredible quilts with a great theme of "Wild Things" to donate to the kids at Camp Whatcha Wanna Do in June 2010. Wild flowers, wild colors, and the theme that comes to my mind first - wild animals. Go wild in your selection of fabric.

Stop by the sign-up table to see the sample at January's meeting. This quilt starts with a dozen fat quarters that rapidly evolve into a dozen blocks. The project is inviting to beginners, and more experienced quilters will get their kids' quilt taken care of quickly as well.

Class size is 15 people. Supplies list will be available at the January meeting for those that sign up.

Teresa Wade

Quilt Show- Boutique

Time is hurrying past. I am sure that you are focused on the holidays, but I want to suggest to you that winter might be a good time to make items for the boutique. August will be here quicker than you can believe.

If you have any questions about boutique items, please email me. My address is in the directory.

Thanks. Chris Lowe

PHILANTHROPY COMMITTEE

Last month the AQG membership voted a bylaw change into effect which names a new standing committee, Philanthropy. This will include all our charity efforts, including our past donations to the Red Cross for their fund raising, and Kids' or Charity Quilts which we make each year as part of our membership commitment to Appleseed for Camp Watcha-Wanna-Do.

We can include in this committee work any other donations that we make or collections that we take. We have traditionally collected winter wear at our December member meeting for area school children who have less than what they need. Once again this year our members did not disappoint. I happily hefted three large bags of the cutest and warmest gloves and hats and scarves, some hand knitted by you, to my trunk on their way to the Title I school, Fairfield Elementary, in Fort Wayne. This school has an enrollment of 560 students of which over 500 qualify for free or reduced lunches.

We could also plan on taking other donations during our meetings over the course of the year. It could be food for the food banks or toiletries for the homeless shelters or pet food for the animal shelters. What other community needs should we target?

We have identified some priorities for charities: Cancer services, Turnstone, Allen County Sheriff's Reserve, Mustard Seed, ASPCA and Animal Care and Control. We have asked you to join in the

process of making a quilt together (see Donna's Charity Quilt articles) that will be donated for the June fundraiser of the Allen County Sheriff's Reserve. This is a worthy organization comprised of a group of volunteers who serve the county through the sheriff's department, doing all aspects of law enforcement that a paid officer performs, except that they do it free of charge. Proceeds from their June event benefit the ACSR by funding needed items for the reserve officers.

We'll need your help implementing this Philanthropy committee. If you can help get this organized, please give any of the AOG board members a call.

NEW CHARITY PROJECT

We received a request from a local high school math teacher for Appleseed to partner with her in developing plans for, and making, charity quilts for **Riley Hospital** with her geometry students. This could include patterns using tessellations, rotations and translations. Sounds like fun. Would you like to help? See Michele for more information.



BEE NEWS

Appleseed is having a "Bee" for all members on Tuesday, January 5th, from 1 pm to 4 pm- at the Classic Cafe. This will be a Sit and Sew gathering for all interested in "Bees". Quilting Bees enable us to get to know each other and create new friendships. In this setting-all involved may Sit and Sew on projects of their choice while socializing. There will be coffee and tea available during the Bee. The Appleseed Guild meeting will take place at 6:30 pm at the Classic Cafe. Hope to see everyone at the "Bee" in January.

Yours in quilting, Linda Mulpagano

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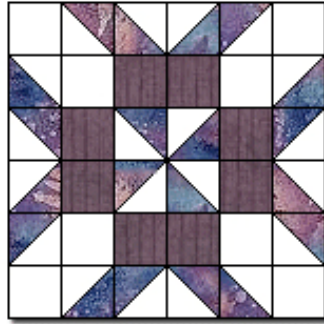
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BLOCK OF THE MONTH

Lesson #7

The Sophisticated Monochromatic Color Palette



In a monochromatic color scheme, the colors in the design all come from the same color family. Nature contains a multitude of monochromatic color schemes. For example, the subtle changes of desert sand or a cold, bleak winter day can both display hues from one family alone.

When using the monochromatic color palette in quilt design, the most important consideration in the material selection is value - the contrast of light and dark hues. This contrast can be soft and subtle, or strongly apparent. It is important to remember that a design is much more interesting and eye popping when there are dramatic value changes present. According to Joan Wolfrom, in her book, *Color Play*, the monochromatic design is the most difficult to work in because the fabric choices must "strictly" adhere to one color family.

Most of us do not have the ability to distinguish monochromatic colors from one family by eyeing bolts of fabric only. Also, most quilters do not have enough fabric with a broad "value" spectrum of one color family. For example if you want to create a pure "blue" design you can use any of the tint, shade, or tone scales of the blue family, but you cannot cross over to the blue violet or cerulean blue families.

The January block is called Silver Lane and can be obtained from the AOG website or Quilters Cache.com. We will be doing a monochromatic block using three different blues from the BLUE family. This is a great block to use the 3-in-1 color tool if you have it. This is an easy block to put together, just be careful on your color selection. Have fun and Happy Quilting!! If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact me - my information is in the Directory.

Have Fun....and Happy Quilting!
Kat Waterson, BOM Chair

NEWSLETTER NOTES

A thank you is in order for those who agreed to receive Appleseeds by e-mail. We appreciate your "green mindedness".

Thanks also to newsletter editor, **Susan Jarvis**, who has helped to effect a huge savings for Appleseed by decreasing the postal mailings by one third. This savings in postage alone for the year is about \$100. Thank you for having an open mind, printing on your own paper and saving non-profit AQG a significant amount of your money each year. Are there any other takers out there? Send Susan a note via e-mail and she'll hook you up.

Remember, if you haven't received your link to the newsletter toward the end of the month, just check the website. Go to the guild's web site and click on the newsletter at <http://www.appleseedquiltersguild.com/> Voila!

Susan would like to know if you're having an access problem. The best way to solve this is to send an e-mail to Susan and she'll get you reestablished. Sometimes the littlest error in your address means you won't have mail. If YOU send an e-mail to Susan she will have your accurate address. Your patience will be rewarded. Thanks for understanding that technology has its glitches.

Charity Quilt

We still need more blocks for the quilt charity quilt. See Chairperson **Donna Seiver**'s article in the December newsletter for full details. Remember – the more blocks you make, the more chances you have to win a wall quilt or table runner made by Donna.

Instructions for the Split Nine Patch:

We are using the 9" Split Nine Patch found at www.quilterscache.com. This is a very simple block to construct and can be set several ways to make a stunning quilt.

Please use a variety of medium to dark reds, and light to medium creams and ecru fabrics in making your block.

The blocks can be turned in beginning at the December meeting. We hope to have enough blocks by February to begin setting them into a quilt.



1/6	Marda Geradot	1/7	Teresa Wade
1/7	Karon Sheehan	1/8	Shirley Anderson
1/16	Lois Schwartz	1/19	Phyllis Sherwin
1/31	Bonnie Hampton		

AREA QUILT SHOWS: JAN-APR 2010

Jan 23rd – Feb 21st, 2010

Women in Fiber, From Craft to Art
Marietta College Fine Arts Dept
Hermann Fine Arts Center
Marietta College, Marietta, Ohio
Admission: \$1

Mar 4th-6th, 2010

19th Annual Indiana Heritage Quilt Show

Bloomington Convention Center

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

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

Deadline for entries: 1 Feb 2010; download forms at

http://www.ihqs.org/documents/2010/forms/PDF/IHQS_2010_EntryForm.pdf

Mar 20th, 2010

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, 2010, Sat 9am-5pm, Sun 10am-4pm

Stitches in Time

Marshall Middle School

100 East Green Street

Marshall, MI

Admission: \$5.00

Apr 8th-10th, 2010; 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, 2010

International Quilt Festival

Donald E. Stephens Convention Center

5555 N. River Rd

Rosemont, IL

<http://www.facebook.com/event.php?eid=167950657209&index=1>

MYSTERY BLOCK CHALLENGE

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

Hint: It's getting awfully cold for this chore!



Dawn's Quilting Clip Art
<http://www.dlstewart.com/clipart.htm>

Mystery Block Answer: Dog Walk