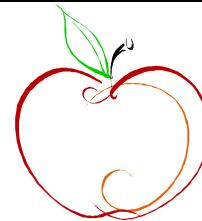

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JULY MEETING

Tuesday July 7, 2009

Happy Hour 6:30pm; Meeting 7pm

American Red Cross

1212 California Road

Program: Chinese Auction

See page 2 for a description of this fun-filled auction

Meanderings by Michele

"Garden Patches"

A friend invited me for a walk through her lovely terraced garden. The roses were beautiful and fragrant. The yellow primroses were sharing the sunshine with hardy purple geranium. The blue wild indigo was loaded with heavy seed pods. It must have been spectacular in full bloom a few weeks ago. The purple flowers of the clematis looked like giants compared to the small pink phlox.

Her garden is an ever changing, colorful tableau some of which was not on the landscaping plan. Volunteers were everywhere. You may think she had some little gardening helpers, but in this case, a volunteer in the garden is a plant which grows from seeds sown by nature. They are sometimes in the most amazing places. There was lady's mantle draped over a stone step softening the hardscape, black eyed Susan were popping up between the cracks in the stone path, and delicate fern-like cosmos were sprinkled here and there. You couldn't have chosen a better location for the volunteers if you had studied landscape design.

You must know what's coming next: the gardening metaphor of course.

I want to encourage you to be that unexpected volunteer. We all have different strengths and different preferences but consider challenging yourself with something such as being a greeter at a guild meeting, sewing a monthly mini, arranging cookies at the holiday meeting, hanging quilts at our 2010 quilt show, helping a guest speaker set up or pack up a trunk show, setting up chairs before the meeting. There are many choices for quick short easy jobs throughout the guild year. We need your help to continue to bring you quality programming and fun meetings. This is your guild, so let us know what you like about Appleseed and what you'd like to see more of.

We're equal opportunity encouragers of any and all volunteers. You will be watered (lemonade) and fed (cookies and cake and lots of eye candy) and nurtured with workshops, classes and nationally acclaimed speakers.

Come grow with Appleseed and show us what's blooming in your garden.

Michele Williams, President



PROGRAM NOTES

Bring your pennies, nickels and dimes and be at the July guild meeting for the always interesting "Chinese auction." The committee reports they have many great donations so don't miss out. The pineapple wall hanging class being taught by Mary Ann Skinner on July 25th has filled. However, we are still taking names for a waiting list. So, if you're interested don't hesitate to sign up.

Kids' Quilts will be the focus of the program in August. We plan to have a great media show so you all can enjoy the excitement shared by those who will be going to Camp Watcha-Wanna-Do to hang the quilts and visit with the campers. We do hope you will join us and get a glimpse of your quilt(s).

The classes are filling up for our international/national speaker, Carol Taylor, who will be teaching two classes in September and will be the guest speaker at September's meeting. Don't miss out on this opportunity by deciding after the classes that you should have signed up. If you need more information you can go online and visit Carol's website at <http://www.caroltaylorquilts.com/>. If you click on the teaching link you can get full information on both classes she will teach: Sensuous Lines, Curves and Circles, and the Value of Value.

Jan Johnson, Program Chair

JUNE MEETING MINI MINUTES

Past President Joyce Goodman turned over the gavel to incoming President Michele Williams. A shortened business meeting followed. Membership announced an attendance of 83 members and 15 guests.

Eunice Scully introduced the speaker for the evening, Sue Nickels, who gave a very interesting talk on "Traditions In Machine Quilting". She had many hints on successful machine quilting on your home machine .

Show and Tell concluded the meeting.

Donna Sievers, Recording Secretary

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

How exciting to have Sue Nickels at our June meeting! It was a tremendous program and the quilts she brought with her were beautiful. Good thing we were at the Coliseum since we had almost 100 avid quilters in attendance - 83 members, 12 guests, and plus we added 5 new members. Things were so hectic that only 2 were identified as new members so we apologize. Joining us for the 2009-2010 year are Jennifer Coutlee, Bonnie Hampton, Theresa Roussel, Karon Sheehan, and Toni Smith.

68% of the membership has renewed. Please be sure to renew by the July meeting since plans are to get new membership books printed next month for distribution in August. The \$25 renewal fees can be mailed to Sue Grossnickle (address in directory) or brought to the July meeting.

All quilters like to shop, so if you find some items you think would be good for door prizes and would like to donate them to our current inventory, it would be greatly appreciated. Our budget is limited, so if you can help we'll certainly use any and all donations.

Membership Committee
Sue Grossnickle, Georgianne Renella, & Anne Williams

LIBRARY NEWS

Nancy Brown, DRC Public Relations Manager, was kind enough to send us complimentary copies of *Lots of Scraps It's Time To Quilt* and the June issue of *Quilter's World*. It seems we already have this book in our library; but we are now lucky enough to have two copies.

We would like to remind anyone who checked out books in May, that they will be due at the July meeting.

Bobbi Richards and Gail Keuneke.
Library Keepers

MONTHLY MINI

There will be no monthly mini in July since we are having the Chinese auction. For August, Carolyn Isaacs has donated a mini quilt. Please consider signing up at the August meeting to make a mini in 2010!

Thank you, Carol Freeman



BLOCK OF THE MONTH

Well, we are off and spinning on the wonderful "Ives Color Wheel;" hold on because it is sure to be an exciting ride! There were quite a few of you who were interested in this year's BOM projects and I am so excited to be your chairperson. I hope everyone has been able to access the Quilters Cache website without any problems. Also, I can't encourage everyone enough to use the "Appleseed Quilters Guild" website for all of your information needs; it is fabulous and the ladies who maintain it get an A+ for all their hard work.

For those of you who rely on the "hard copy" paper format, I hope the information that you received at the June meeting with the July block information is not too difficult for you to decipher. I will have copies of August block at our July meeting but, because of my very limited budget I will be asking those of you who take copies to make a "free will" donation to help off-set the cost of color copying.

Please do not hesitate to call me (contact info in the Guild Directory) if you have any questions regarding our first block, "Twisting Star," using the primary color trio. The colors we are using: Yellow, Turquoise, and Magenta should be the pure color. In exhibitions and quilt shows, the quilts that usually win the ribbons are the quilts that have "Pure" colors as their scheme. They seem to attract most of the attention. Do you remember what Sue Nickle's quilt "The Beatles" looked like? She and her sister used a dominating *pure color rainbow* to create this stunning award winner. Don't be afraid to use the brilliant pure colors in your quilts, they will no doubt turn out fabulous, and can brighten any room. But, remember, intense colors tire our eyes easily. Take this into consideration when creating your quilt using the pure color as your dominate choice.

And, a little side bar, for those of you who work ahead and may have several blocks done already.....there will be some changes on the December block color choices. I will try to present the changes at the July meeting, so hold off on buying your fabric for that block.

Happy Quilting!

-Kat Waterson, BOM Chairperson

AGG QUILT SHOW – GENERAL NEWS

The Quilt Show Committee is busy preparing for the next Quilt Show. The show will be held Thursday through Saturday, August 12-14, 2010 at the Allen County War Memorial Coliseum. Please keep those dates open and join us for all the fun. And, there will be plenty of opportunities for you to help with the show so keep that in mind also.

Janet Ditton, Show Co-Chair

AGG SHOW - BOUTIQUE COMMITTEE

I hope you are beginning to think of the quilt show in August 2010. I would like to invite you to get your ideas for boutique items in gear. Again, we will be juried into the boutique. Bring your items to our meetings beginning in September. They will be judged during the meeting and you will know that evening whether your items are accepted. You take your item home until the quilt show and begin production if there will be more than one of a kind.

I have more ideas than I can handle, so if you would like to borrow one, please call or see me at the meeting. My contact info is in the Guild Directory. It is a great way to make a little extra money to spend with the vendors at the show, or not. We had a lot of success at the 2008 show and would like to have you share in the fun.

Christine Lowe, Chair of Boutique Committe



CLASS ACTS

Call shops for details

A Quilt of Many Colors 627-2907

7/7 & 7/14 Beginning 102
7/21 & 7/30 Make It, Take It Butterfly
7/20 Register for the Block of the Month series

Pieced Together Quilt Shop 486-4217

Check website for class schedules at
www.ptquilts.com

Edwards Sewing Center 486-3003

7/8, 7/15, & 7/22; 10a-1p
This is a three part beginner's quilt class

Country Creations 547-4535

[<fabrics2@onlyinternet.net>](mailto:fabrics2@onlyinternet.net)

Challenge for "Life is Like a Box of Chocolates"

September 12, 2009 8a -6p

"Create a small or miniature quilted item using the **free** "box of chocolates" fabric block picked up at Country Creations. Add any other fabrics/colors. The "box" may be cut but must be visible in the quilted item.

Bring your finished item to Country Creations during regular hours before Sep. 12th to be displayed for viewers' choice votes (by number).

Prizes will be awarded for the top 5 places.

Be creative, have fun, then visit on Sep 12 to view, vote and take advantage of specials in the shop.

The Creative Stitch Quilt Shop 982-1080

6/30; 10a-3p Strip Tube Ruler Class
7/13; 9a-3p Penny Haren Class - Part 2
7/16; 6:30p Dear Jane Club starts
7/17 12p-2p Sweet Treat Strip Bag class

A peek ahead! Call Creative Stitch for rates for this great weekend event!

Gathering of Quilters at Bluffton Country Club:

8/15; 9a-4p - Take the "Argyle Socks" class, hosted by CSQS, featuring a pattern designed by Monique Dillard.

8/16; 11a - ?? Lunch, door prizes, shopping, and a trunk show by Monique Dillard.

JULY EVENTS

7/7 Appleseed Quilters Guild Meeting
American Red Cross; 6:30pm

The set-up committee for the July meeting is: Roxanne Shafer, Marcia Brindel and Joan Olinghouse. Please arrive between 5:30 and 5:45.

Thank you very much for helping. Joan O.

7/14 Appleseed Board Meeting
American Red Cross; 6:30pm

AREA QUILT SHOWS

Old Fashioned Farmers Days Quilt Show

July 3rd & 4th

County Fairgrounds

Van Wert, OH

419-667-4261

Quilters Hall of Fame Quilt Show

July 16th - 18th

Justice Middle School

Marion, IN

765-664-9333

Swiss Days Quilt Show

July 23rd-25th

South Adams High School

Berne, IN

260-368-7795

Pioneer Land Auction

July 25th

LaPorte County Fairgrounds

LaPorte, IN

Contact loisann@netnico.net

This auction will have 5-7 hand quilted quilts, as well as other "master crafts." All proceeds to benefit the village.

Kaleidoscope of Quilts XVI Quilt Show

July 17th & 18th

6832 Convent Blvd (Franciscan Center)

Sylvania, OH



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

7/9 Alice Dize

7/7 Cheryl Templeton

7/12 Nanci Gilbert

7/16 Carol Freeman

7/16 Marsha Ratliff

7/20 Liz Nickel

7/23 Doris Regnier

7/23 Joan Olinghouse

7/24 Mary Hill

7/26 Mary Ann Skinner

7/26 Robin Plasterer

7/28 Angie Buckles

7/30 Suzie Jordan

7/31 Eunice Scully

7/31 Maria Knepper

KIDS' QUILTS

Thanks to all members who donated a quilt (and some of you who donated more than one!) for Camp Watcha-Wanna-Do.

We so appreciate your commitment to honoring this expectation of membership in Appleseed Quilters Guild. But, even better than that is the heartwarming feeling when a child chooses his or her special quilt to cozy up to at camp and then take home and call their own.

Thank you Appleseed Quilters for your beautifully sewn generosity.

You will be able to enjoy seeing all the quilts donated to camp in a program at the August Appleseed Quilters Guild meeting.

Michele

NEWSLETTER NOTES

I believe I now have everyone's address for the newsletter. However, if you know of someone who should be, and is not, receiving the newsletter, please have them email me. My email address is in the Guild Directory.

Also, please consider your preference for format. Currently, slightly more than half of the membership receives the electronic version of the newsletter, while the remaining members receive a paper version in the mail. Members receiving the electronic version are notified via email when the newsletter is posted to the Guild web site, usually by the Thursday before the next meeting. Paper versions are mailed about 7-10 days before the next meeting.

If you are receiving the paper version and would like to "go green" and switch to the electronic version, please give me your email address when you request the change, as I do not have email addresses for several paper version members.

Thank you, Susan Jarvis

MYSTERY BLOCK CHALLENGE

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

Hint: They are built everywhere each spring....trees, lamp posts, porches, eaves.....



Mystery Block Answer
Bird's Nest

