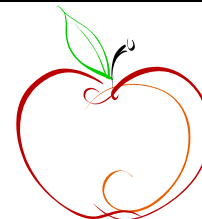

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JULY MEETING

Tuesday, July 6th

Happy Hour 6:30 pm; Meeting 7 pm

Classic Cafe Event Center

4832 Hillegas Road

Program: Lois Eubank, of Born Again Quilts – more information below in the “Programs” section

MARY ANN’S MORNING MUSINGS

It is morning of the first day that I must write my musings for all to know. Morning is the best time of the day in my book, a fresh start and a new day to fill with chosen activities that I hope to be pleased with when I lay me down to sleep.

During my quiet time this morning, I was musing about how I can encourage everyone to enter a quilt into our show. When I was guild president in California, I didn't know how to make a nice sharp corner with my binding. I tried and tried to get that binding around the corner nice and sharp but it ended up being curved and obviously not correct; I put in the show anyway. I'm telling you this so you'll know we all have our battles with quilting. We're each on this journey of learning quilting skills, enjoying the scenery and making memories. Let us see your quilts, support your Guild by entering your quilts in our quilt show (deadline for entering is July 1). They don't have to be perfect; mine are not and never will be. You know as well as I do, we just love to look at quilts.

Mary Ann Skinner, President



SUNSHINE AND SHADOWS

Karol Adams' brother Michael Kauffman passed away in May. Please offer her your condolences.

If you have information for Sunshine and Shadows please report it to Cathie Phillips or Anne Tinkel.

PROGRAM NOTES

July 6, 2010 Lois Eubank, of Born Again Quilts will talk about quilt restoration and explain how she does a quilt QSI investigation to determine facts about its life. She has a studio at 124 W. Wayne Street, Suite 209, Fort Wayne, IN. Lois finds quilts at garage sales, sometimes in the trash, and sometimes at thrift shops. She can help with advice on restoration or conclude that the old quilt is only useful as pieces to restore another quilt.

Check out the Born Again Quilts web site at www.bornagainquilts.com

Appleseed members, if you have an old quilt that needs restoration, Lois suggests that you bring it to the Guild meeting on July 6. She may use it in her program.

August 3, 2101 program will feature Doris Goins, National Quilting Association Certified Judge. Her program is "Quilters Seeking Blue Ribbons". Have you been an "armchair judge" as you tour quilt shows and wonder why some quilts are winners and others are not? Doris will share what judges look for when they select ribbon winning quilts, and she will also include general quilt making tips.

September 7, 2010 is Appleseeds' 17th birthday! We will celebrate at our meeting on July 6 with birthday cake for all. That evening also includes a "Bed Turning" featuring Lois Fegleys' quilts. Nancy Gipson, daughter of Lois, will assist her mom with the stories about her quilts on the bed. Lois was the featured quilter at the 2008 Berne Quilt Show and is guest speaker at the Maumee Valley 24th Annual Quilt Show, August 19-22, New Haven, IN. She was also a prize winner in the last Appleseed Quilters Show in 2008.

Another special presentation that evening will be a slide show about the 127 kid's quilts we sent to Camp Watcha-Wanna-Do. Seeing a child at camp proudly displaying the quilt that he or she has selected (and that one of us contributed) gives each quilter a really special feeling: all that time and effort in constructing the quilt was so worth while! Thanks to Dawn Shepherd and her committee for providing this heart warming part of our evening.

October 5, 2010

Nationally known speaker, Karen Kay Buckley will be here October 5 and 6, 2010! Her lecture at the Guild meeting on October 5 is "To Border or Not to Border". She will be teaching Drafting Appliqué Patterns on Tuesday, October 5, from 1 - 4 pm. On Wednesday, October 6, from 9 am - 4 pm, she will be teaching Kansas Rose Appliqué. Sign ups for these two classes will begin at the July Appleseed Quilters Guild meeting. If you want to get into either one of these classes, don't put it off! Karen Kay Buckley is a popular teacher and we're privileged to have her speak at our Guild meeting. Check out her website: just type in her name, and you can see more information about the 2 classes she will be teaching for us.

Programs, Janet Ditton, Jan Johnson, Jane Wells and Toni Kring

LIBRARY NEWS

We expect to be shopping for new books for Appleseed members in the next week or so. We had a request for a t-shirt quilt book so we are planning to add one to the library soon. We will let all of you know of the new additions to the library as soon as we have them! Thanks for this opportunity. We are looking forward to some fun shopping!

Jody Gaerte and Cindi Fletcher

BUZZ FROM THE BEEKEEPER

Sit N Sew

Come one and all to Sit N Sew, from 11 am until 4 pm the morning of the meeting. There is no particular agenda, just sewing and friendship. Some of us will probably eat an early dinner at Olive Garden before returning to Classic Cafe for the meeting, so put some cash in your pocket if you want to join us.

Cindy Loos, Beekeeper

JULY EVENTS

July 6th

11:00 am - 4:00 pm Sit N Sew at Classic Cafe

6:30 pm at Classic Cafe

Appleseed Quilters Guild Meeting

July 14th

6:30 pm at Dupont Branch Library

AQG Board meeting

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Membership renewals are in full swing, and as of June 1st we have 96 memberships paid for the 2010/2011 year. Great job, everyone! We plan to have the Membership Directory published for our September meeting, so the deadline to pay dues and have updated information in the directory will be August 3rd.

With the sale of Verizon local email service to Frontier, those of you that have a Verizon email will need a new email address. Please be sure to notify Cathie Phillips/Anne Tinkel, along with the membership team of your new email address.

We are soliciting advertisements to be included in the Membership Directory from business owners. The cost to advertise is \$50.00 for a full-page ad, \$25.00 for a half-page ad, and \$15.00 for a business-card-size ad. If you are interested in an advertisement, please mail your check with ad artwork to Appleseed Quilters Guild, Attention: Membership Committee, P.O. Box 10484, Fort Wayne, IN., 46852-0484. The deadline is August 3rd.

We had two new members joining June 1st: Kathy Carrier and Norma Pressler. Welcome, ladies!

We had four guests attending our June meeting: Mary Williams, Debbie Stabler, Judy Mueller and Julie Reeg. We hope you will join us again!

Eighty-five guild members attended the June meeting!

Door Prizes went to: Lois Harter, Shirley Pratt, Pat Adams, Mary Patterson, Lois Schwartz and Jody Gaerte. Congratulations, ladies!

MONTHLY MINI

The charming cross-stitched mini made by Jan Johnson went home with Melanie Schulze at the June meeting. July will feature a patriotic mini made by Robin Plasterer. Thanks to those seven Guild members who have already promised a mini for 2011.
Carol Freeman, Monthly Mini chair



KIDS' QUILTS

Thanks to all of you for the great job in creating **127** quilts for the camp. A team of Appleseed members is delivering the quilts to camp on the 20th, when they will be hung. The team is looking forward to sharing all the pictures they take on this trip with all who come to the September meeting. The quilts are all beautiful, and each camper always has a wonderful time picking out the quilt that appeals especially to them!

Dawn Shepherd

APPLESEED PHILANTHROPY QUILTS

Summer is here again and many of you will be taking vacations, traveling around our beautiful country and staying overnight in hotels and motels. If you are among these lucky travelers, please take advantage of the courtesy samples of lotions, shampoos and soaps provided in the rooms and bring them home with you. In September, the guild will be collecting these types of personal items to be donated to women's shelters in the area.

Later in the year, we will also be collecting old sheets, towels, and blankets, which will be donated to animal shelters to be used as bedding for the animals. We will also be continuing our December collection of gloves, hats, scarves and mittens for school children.

If you have any questions or suggestions about our philanthropy efforts, please call e-mail me. My contact information is in the membership book.

Donna Sievers

MAY MEETING MINI MINUTES

Appleseed started the day with the Appleseed Bee from 1:00 to 4:00 pm at Classic Cafe.

The 7:00 pm meeting was called to order by outgoing president Michele Williams. Michele announced that fifteen members of our Guild attended an awards presentation at Parkview North: a stained glass plaque was presented to Appleseed Guild by Parkview Cancer Center in thanks for the quilts that our group has donated to Camp Watcha-Wanna-Do. Our new president Mary Ann Skinner was then introduced, and she presented a

quilt to Michele Williams from the guild in appreciation for her work the past year. Kat Waterston presented Block of the Month awards to Bev Gunn, Linda West, and Linda Mulpagano.

After the business part of the meeting, we had our annual social. Delicious food and beverages were served by Classic Cafe.

MAY BOARD NOTES

The board met on June 8th. Michele Williams offered to be a liaison for any committee that needed her.

Cindy Loos has contacted the Farmstead Inn at Shipshewana about having a retreat there January 28th through January 30th of 2011. Cindy would like to have at least 30 people sign up.

The 2010-2011 Budget was discussed and approved by the Board.

Mary Ann Skinner said the Programs committee is working hard to set up programs for the coming months.

QUILT SHOW NEWS

Thank you to everyone who has submitted quilt forms. We have about 100 entries and the promise of many more. I am confident that we will make it to our goal of 250 quilts for the show. We may even exceed that! Good job, Ladies!

If you have not yet signed up as a volunteer for the show and wish to do so, be sure to see Teresa Wade at the July meeting. All volunteers will receive a free three-day parking pass for the show.

If you plan to go to the brunch, don't wait until the last minute to sign up. We cannot accept reservations for the brunch at the quilt show because we must give the caterer a head count about a week before the show.

We are trying to locate the decorated box to use for Viewers Choice ballots. Does anyone know its whereabouts?

Janet Ditton

Boutique News-Appleseed Quilt Show

You have one more month to submit items for the jury. Our August meeting is the last opportunity to have your "treasures" juried for the boutique. We have a nice variety, but we can always use more. We have plenty of pin cushions, with a nice variety to choose from.

Remember, the guild takes 20% of the marked price, so price your items with that in mind. I am looking forward to setting up the boutique and displaying all of the submitted items, made by some of the talented members of our guild. I am especially looking forward to selling them, and then sending out checks after the show. I am already planning on spending my earnings at the booths of our show vendors.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call. My numbers are in the directory.

Chris Lowe

MYSTERY BLOCK



Clue: this block has our country's colors and the name tells what most immigrants seek when they come to the USA.

(The answer is on page 7.)

WANT TO SELL SOMETHING?

Put it in the Appleseed pages. You can advertise in this newsletter. The cost is:

1/8 page – 2 1/4" x 3 1/2" - \$10 month

1/4 page – 3 1/2" x 4 3/4" - \$15 month

1/2 page – 4 3/4" x 7 1/2" - \$20 month

Yearly fees are also available. Contact Cathie Phillips or Anne Tinkel.

LEO / Quilting

How About a Date?

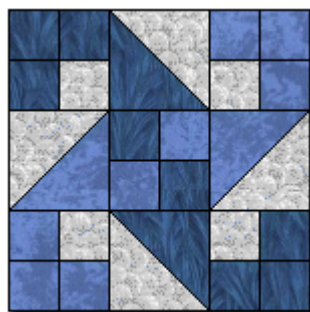
Having trouble getting that quilt top finished? Sometimes setting a date for completion helps you remove the obstacles that are stealing your time. Let me help you complete your quilt top by setting a date with me for machine quilting.

Call or email Cathie Phillips of Leo Quilting at
260-627-3545 or 260-760-8431 (cell) or
leoquilting@verizon.net

and get 25% off your first quilt.

10/10

BLOCK OF THE MONTH



July - **Waterwheel Variation**

(The supply list is on the 2nd page of the pattern). The block is to be done in light, medium, and a darker blue color. It goes together easily as there are only four-patch units and half-square triangles. Their suggested method for making the half square triangles is to cut squares in half diagonally and sew the bias seams together. It is important not to pull on the seam as you sew. Another way to make half-square triangles is to add 7/8 of an inch to the size of the square - then draw a diagonal line from corner to corner, sew a 1/4 inch seam on both sides of the line, then cut on the line. You now have two half-square triangles, and you did not have to sew a bias seam.

August preview - **Eight Pointed Star Variation** - use yellow and blue - notice how in the photo the fabrics are shaded. This block goes together easily since there are plain squares and only flying geese. There are 3 pages to this pattern which include the supply list. You can call me anytime if you have a question or a problem.

September preview - **Mississippi** - This block is to be done in fall colors. It is considered a "2 pin" in difficulty because of the technique for what is called the side units. Place a small square on two opposite corners and sew diagonally. The directions are clear. This pattern has 2 pages which include the supply list.

Enjoy the stars!
Joan Olinghouse

In case anyone wants to do some of these blocks ahead, the following list tells the block chosen for each month, and what colors to use each month. This list is also available on our website, so it won't be repeated in following newsletters.

All blocks can be found at: <http://www.quilterscache.com/>

July – Waterwheel Variation – light, medium, and dark blue

August – Eight Pointed Star Variation – blue and yellow

September – Mississippi – fall colors

October – Shooting Star 2 – burgundy and cream

November – Housewife – orange and green

December – Christmas Star 2003 – red, green, and cream

January – Carolyn's Star – 2 oranges, 2 blues, and cream

February – Martha Washington Star – green and cream

March – Framed Star – Batiks

April – Dorothy's Star – shades of purple

May – Moon and Star - black background, gold points, jewel tone appliquéd circle



- 7/5 Cheryl Templeton
- 7/6 Jennifer Coutlee
- 7/7 Cheryl Templeton
- 7/9 Alice Dize
- 7/9 Julie Farrimond
- 7/9 Jenny Rekeweg
- 7/12 Nanci Gilbert
- 7/16 Carol Freeman
- 7/16 Marsha Ratliff
- 7/16 Jayne Reff
- 7/20 Liz Nickel
- 7/20 Sue Rohling
- 7/23 Joan Olinghouse
- 7/23 Doris Regnier
- 7/24 Mary Hill
- 7/26 Robin Plasterer
- 7/26 Mary Anne Skinner
- 7/26 Kim Miser
- 7/28 Angie Buckles
- 7/31 Marla Knepper
- 7/31 Eunice Scully

AREA QUILT SHOWS: MAY-JULY 2010

May 1st – June 28th

Karen Musgrave Fiber/Mixed Media
Foellinger Freimann Botanical Conservatory,
1100 S Calhoun St.

Closed Mondays

Tuesday-Saturday 10 am -5 pm

Thursday 10 am – 8 pm; Sunday 12 – 4 pm

May 31st – Oct 1st

Quilt Garden Tour

Amish Acres

Nappanee, IN

<http://www.amishcountry.org/QuiltGardens>

July 2-4 (New listing)

Old Fashioned Farmers Days Quilt Show
Van Wert, Ohio County Fairgrounds
Admin. Bldg., 1055 S. Washington St.

July 2-10(New listing)

9-shop Summer Sizzle Shop Hop
www.StatelineQuiltShops.com

July 15-17

Quilters Hall of Fame Celebration
926 S. Washington St.
Marion, IN
Registration - \$10; Workshops - \$20 - \$85
<http://www.quiltershalloffame.net/celebration>

July 16-18, 2010

Midwest Fiber & Folk Art Fair, Grayslake, Ill. Lake County Fairgrounds. www.fiberandfolk.com
Admission: \$10/day or 3/\$25.
Fri & Saturday: 10 am - 6 pm; Sunday: 10 am - 4 pm

July 17, 2010

First Annual Quilt/Art Show & Sale
Quilts 'n Ladybugs quilt shop - Columbia City, IN

July 30

9 am – 6 pm & July 31st 9 am - 3:30 pm

Berne Swiss Days Quilt Show
South Adams High School
Berne, IN
Admission: \$3
<http://www.berneswissdays.com/default.htm>

July 30-31(New listing)

One Stop Shop Hop
20+ shops all under one roof.
Fabric & Fun, Games, Demos & Prizes.
Friday 9 am-7 pm & Saturday 9 am-5 pm
Kokomo Events Center Kokomo, IN
Admission \$5.00.

August 13-15(New listing)

Wheels of Yesteryear(Bee Happy Quilt Show)
Wells County 4-H Park
State Road 1, Bluffton, Indiana
<http://www.wheelsofyesteryear.com/showschedule.htm>

August 19-22

24th Annual Maumee Valley Antique Steam & Gas Association Quilt Show
Jefferson Township Park, New Haven, Indiana

Guest Speaker: Lois Fegley
"Bed Turning" Lecture at 10:00 am on Saturday, Aug 21st
On display will be Quilts of Valor quilts
Admission pass to those who enter a quilt in the show.

August 26-28(New listing)

Stitch 'n Chatter Quilt Show
Art's Place
131 E. Walnut St., Portland, IN
Thus-Fri 10:00-8:00, Sat- 10:00-4:00

September 12th(New listing)

Quilter's Reunion luncheon and lecture
Guest designer is Karen Montgomery of Timeless Treasures fabric line.
Timberidge Country Club, Bluffton, IN
Must register by September 1st
Admission: \$30.00
Opens at 11:00
(260) 565-4438 for information or registration

Sept 24-Oct 2(New listing)

Autumn Colors Shop hop
9 shops
www.statelinequiltshops.com

NEW PRODUCTS

Have you tried Texture Magic yet? It is a fabric that shrinks when you steam it. Sounds like a laundry accident, you say? A happy accident, because when stitched to the back of fabric and given some steam, it will shrink in all directions by 30%, causing delightful texture to appear. The texture can be crisp or gets puffy if a layer of batting is added between the Texture Magic and the top layer. The texture is also dependent on the stiffness of the top fabric and the stitching pattern. More interest can be added by using different types of threads. Patsy Thompson demonstrates this product online, if you want to know more: <http://www.patsythompsondesigns.com/index.php/archives/1016>

When you were looking for that elusive needle threader did you wish your needle would just thread itself? Now it can, if it's one of the new side threading needles from Spiral Eye. These hand sewing needles are made in the USA from surgical steel. They are threaded by sliding thread over the side of the eye, which is open, and there's a little lock to keep the thread from slipping back out again. <http://www.spiraleyeneedles.com/>

Need a greeting card? Have you seen Itty Bitty Witty Knitties? These are greeting cards with tiny actual knit squares or mini quilts on them with sayings like "Does this fabric make my quilt look fat?" and "She had the Midas Touch....Everything she touched turned into a muffler". They are hand knit or hand quilted by a group of deaf ladies in Kunming and then assembled and sold by a cottage industry in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho. To learn more about them and see more samples go to <http://www.ittybittywittyknitties.com/an-itty-bitty-welcome>

TIPS and TECHNIQUES

Mystery Quilt Answer: Liberty Star

Point to Ponder: According to a new study, the average woman has 36 negative thoughts about herself a day: that's one every 26 minutes! Among them are: "I look fat in that dress", "She's a better mom than I am," and "Don't look too closely at this quilt; I cut the points off it." This negative thinking wears a person down,

whereas quilting is supposed to make a person feel good. So the next time someone is looking at a quilt of yours, resist the urge to say something negative about it. I can promise you, unless that someone is a quilt judge, they are admiring it, not picking it apart. If you feel you must say something, try using the word "nevertheless" to take the power out of the self-criticism. For instance, "I cut a couple of points off, nevertheless, I really like how it turned out," or "Nevertheless, it was a great learning experience and the colors are so beautiful." Happy stitching!

Got a favorite tip or new product info that you would like to share with the group? Contact Anne Tinkel or Cathie Phillips.