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APRIL MEETING

The Member Meeting is
Tuesday, April 2, 2024
Mizpah Shrine Center
1015 Memorial Way, Fort Wayne,
IN 46805
6:00PM Apple Orchard
6:30PM Social Time
7:00PM Meeting and Program

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BOARD MEETING

Tuesday April 9, 2024
Alan McMahan Meeting Room
Allen County Public Library
Main
6:00pm to 8:00pm

CANCELLATIONS

Guild meetings are cancelled for inclement weather when Ft Wayne community Schools closes for in-school classes (elearning days) on our meeting date. Also check local news stations and our website for meeting cancellations

PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Joyful greetings!

I couldn't be happier for our AGQ COMMUNITY! As we are heading into the second half of this membership year, the Board has been diligent in keeping your pride and satisfaction with being a member a very high priority. Be prepared for some very exciting news coming your way. Watch for all the "Breaking News" in the months to come. You'll see new events being announced by easily accessible information on our website and at meetings. The website is working to have a broader heightened exposure. This will create more news for you and far reaching energy and enticement for others to know more about our quilting community. We're looking for AQG to not just exist but to have focused energy on building a very strong cohesive community for those who love quilting. In recognition of your commitment, energy and generous support, which is integral to our strength and future growth, we are so grateful YOU are here and part of this community.

Georgi

P.S. For some exciting "Breaking News" from me on a new Guild opportunity check out the article below!

Breaking News From Your AQG President

As President of our Guild, for once, I even have something specific to bring forward to enhance our strengths. We've all enjoyed the friendships we've developed and the time spent sharing inspiration and creativity at meetings and Bees. For quite some time, I have wanted to have an extended concentrated environment of camaraderie and sharing. So, here's what I have planned.....re-establishing the Guild Retreat! I've started making all the plans and have made the reservation for us at the Farmstead Inn in Shipshewana. With getting started, the plan will be to make this a self-sustaining member opportunity as a yearly event. Member cost will be very reasonable. Although I would have preferred a different month, the choice came down to three days, August 23rd thru 25th. For next year we'll have the opportunity to arrange the best time to reserve for 2025. Watch for all the details and registration to follow soon. In the meantime, if you have suggestions please feel free to contact me at president@appleseedquiltersguild.com I'm hoping you can join in and enjoy a fun time quilting with friends!

Gratefully,

Georgi

PROGRAMS

Tuesday, April 2

Programs is happy to welcome Chad Kohli, of Edwards Sewing Center to give us much needed information on machine maintenance! We love our machines and this will help us love them even longer. Tammy Miller will also be introducing a new guild challenge and Susan Benesh will be providing information on how we all can easily fundraise with Raise Right. *These combined topics will total the usual one hour for our evening program.*

Tuesday, May 7

At the evening guild meeting we will welcome Karen Walker of Laugh Yourself into Stitches. She will present her lecture "Piecing Tiny Pieces"taking the fear out of 'smalls' while enhancing one's quilting skills. Karen will also offer a beautiful trunk show of her personal quilts, sharing the inspirations behind her designs and the funny stories that follow.

WORKSHOP, May 7 - After April Showers we will all want some May Flowers.

Karen will offer an afternoon workshop on her pattern Cotton Daisies or Gerber Daisies from 1-4pm at Shriners. Both patterns are based on the same block but with different colorways and block placement. She will offer the choice to focus on one of the two patterns at the workshop. You can make your choice when you sign up at the April meeting.

Workshop cost: \$39 members (includes one pattern); \$44 non-members

Be sure to **sign up** at the April guild meeting or email programs@appleseedquiltersguild.com.

COTTON DAISIES



GERBER DIASIES



NEW WAY TO RAISE FUNDS FOR OUR GUILD

Raise Right Gift Card Fundraising

Last year it was proposed that we start a gift card fundraising program, and I am so excited to announce that it will begin at the April guild meeting! The program is called Raise Right, and you can access it through your electronic device at RaiseRight.com or the app on your phone.

This is how it works. You purchase E-gift cards or physical cards and use them for everyday expenses instead of cash, check or debit/credit cards. The guild will receive a percentage back which differs from company to company with an average of around 10%. Information will be provided at the meeting on the types of cards that are available and how you can participate.

Personally, I have been buying gift cards since I moved here in 2013 and love the fact that I am helping an organization with minimal effort on my part (first my granddaughter's schools and recently my church). Come to the meeting and learn about the "right way to fundraise!"

If you have any questions, please reach out to raiseright@appleseedquiltersguild.com

Shop for gift cards

EARN FOR OUR ORGANIZATION







EDUCATION AND OUTREACH

HELLO EVERYONE FROM YOUR FRIENDLY EDUCATION AND OUTREACH COORDINATOR.

APPLE ORCHARD FOR APRIL 2, 6PM

This month we have Cindy Griffin-Malone visiting the Orchard technique table. Cindy will be speaking and demonstrating the finer points of Wool Applique. Please swing by the Orchard at 6:00 pm before the meeting and get some great information.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH OPPORTUNITY

I'm still looking for volunteers to help with the Auburn Cord Duesenberg Museum quilting class on April 20th. Ideally 4-5 volunteers to help would be amazing. See the link below for more information. https://automobilemuseum.org/events/museum-programs/art-series-quiltinG

FOUNDERS FALL FESTIVAL

the Founders Fall Festival planning has started. I'm looking forward to this event. There were lots of ideas shared at our meeting and this is going to be a great time. I'd like a few more instructors, if you have a passion for teaching, or don't mind getting up in front a small group, let me know. Our next meeting will be on April 16 th at 6:00 pm.

UFO CHALLENGE

Keep working on those UFO's and start some new projects too. Everyone knows Quilters always have too many projects and not enough time.

BLOCK OF THE MONTH See pages 8 and 9 for our current BOM. Bring in your competed block(s) to get a chance to win ALL of the submitted blocks!

Sybil Magrill education@appleseedquiltersguild.com

GUILD CHALLENGE

It's finally here! The next guild challenge will be presented at the April meeting and the theme is **COLOR!** You will want to be at the meeting to hear all about the challenge and pick up your color challenge item.

MONYHLY MINI

Good Day Appleseed,

We want to thank everyone for their support of the March Monthly Mini. Twenty Two dollars were made last month.

This month we have a great mini that was machine appliqued in great colors! The giraffes on this mini are really cool (yes, I'm buying tickets). They remind me of the giraffes at our zoo wanting to be fed their lettuce.

So come on by and drop a dollar or two, or just to say hi.

Sincerely, Michael Voiles Nancy Compton



PHILANTHROPY

Philanthropy is still in need of **KIDS QUILTS** for the camp to be distributed in early June. If you haven't started one, there's no time like the present. We and they will appreciate your support.

Several **DOG BEDS** have been completed and donated to Humane of Fort Wayne and those are greatly appreciated. Keep up the good work!

As you are doing your spring cleaning and thinning out your closets, you may come across gently used clothing you might want to donate to a worthy cause. An organization in Fort Wayne could use your items. It's called **Clothes For Joes** and they have a store at 2202 S. Calhoun Street (open for 3 hours on Saturday afternoons) and are accepting men/women clothes, unopened hygiene products, and underwear in original packaging. One drop off box is located in the parking lot of Texas Roadhouse on Washington Center Road but there are several others. For more info call 260-442-8600 or go to clothesforjoes.org. This organization serves veteran men and women in our area

Jo Scorof, Philanthropy

ANOTHER GUILD OPPORTUNITY TO HELP

Ginny Hoot has brought to our guild's attention another way that we Appleseed quilters can uniquely help a worthy cause. The Red Tent Project is a group of women who sew sanitary pads for girls in Ethiopia and Malawi, Africa.

The girls cannot go to school during their period days unless they have a pad for protection. They are taken to Ethiopia by missionaries and given where needed.

Your scraps will make a difference in their lives. They are made with cotton flannel and 4 layers of batting. Each pad has a plastic snap enabling it be be folded into a small bundle.

Please bring to our guild meetings any scraps of 100% cotton batting left over from your projects. You can drop your donation of 100% cotton batting at the Philanthropy table at

any meeting.





MEMBERSHIP

The March meeting was attended by 73 members and seven guests. We are happy to welcome Stacy Mathys back.



Appleseed Quilt Guild

Lucky Green Star

White: $8 - 2 \frac{1}{2}$ in squares Assorted Greens: $4 - 2 \frac{1}{2}$ x $4 \frac{1}{2}$ in rectangles $4 - 4 \frac{1}{2}$ in squares $4 - 2 \frac{1}{2}$ x $6 \frac{1}{2}$ in rectangles

1.Draw a diagonal line on all the 2 ½ inch squares. There should be a total of 8.



PAY CLOSE ATTENTION TO THE DIRECTION OF YOUR DIAGONAL LINE! Please and Thank you. 2

2.Pair the 2 1/2 inch Squares on one end of the 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ inch rectangle with diagonal line from the top RIGHT corner to bottom LEFT. Sew on the diagonal line. 3. Trim to a $\frac{1}{2}$ inch and press to the dark side. Repeat for all. You will have 4.













5.Repeat the process for the $2 \% \times 4 \%$ in rectangles. The Diagonal line will go from the top LEFT corner to the bottom RIGHT. 6. You will have 4.



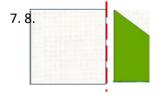








7.Sew 2 ½ x 4 ½ inch rectangle to white square. 8. Repeat for all sets. You will have 4.











9.Sew the set from Step 7 to the 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ inch rectangle.

9.





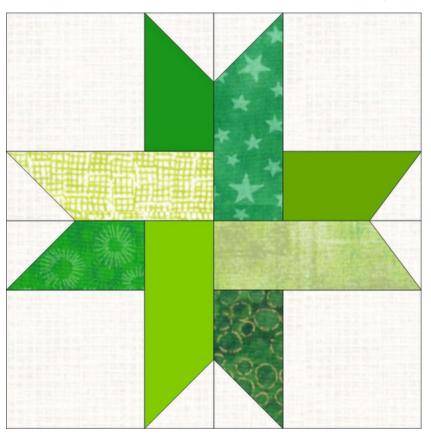






10. Arrange in layout below.

If you have any questions email Sybil Magrill at education@appleseedqultersguild.com



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GENERAL GUILD INFORMATION

- Please sign in when you arrive at the monthly guild meeting!
- Our membership year begins October 1st annually with your membership card good through September 31st of the following year. Dues are \$30 per year; if a non-member joins between April 1st and September 31st, dues are reduced by 50%.
- Checks for dues can be mailed to: Appleseed Quilters Guild PO BOX 10484
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