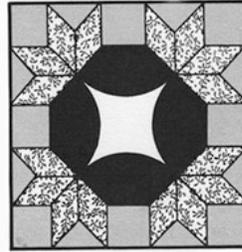


Miami Valley Quilters' Guild

Quilters' Quotes

"Quilters everywhere should join hands
in friendship, creativity and inspiration."



January 8, 2019
7:00 P.M.
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Visitors Welcome

(Reminder: All Meetings Are Now Scent Free)

Get Ready for More Quilting in 2019

With the excitement of celebrating Christmas and observing the coming of a new calendar year we look forward to more exciting quilting for 2019.

The annual carry-in dinner in December was well attended, and the wide variety of dishes provided by the membership set the mood for an evening of fellowship climaxing with a tremendous display of quilting projects. Special thanks are due to Mary Bergseth for organizing the evening to the volunteers who volunteered with the set-up.

Our newly elected officers for 2019 also were introduced in December – Amanda Bame, President; Karen Sipos, Vice President; and Ed Chamness, Recording Secretary. They will be presented at the January meeting. There was no candidate for Corresponding Secretary, but Mary Bergseth has volunteered to serve until new candidate can be appointed.

To start the year of programs we will explore some of the quilting sites and quilting blogs. Several members will be sharing some of the resources they have discovered and will discuss what they like about internet quilting. This will be an opportunity for discussion, and we look forward to another great Show and Tell.

A number of people signed up for the February Crayon Challenge, but there are still some crayons for more participants. (See Challenge instructions on Page 2.)

March will feature the first speaker of the year. Frieda Anderson will be coming from Elgin, Illinois. Frieda is an artist and has been quilting since high school. She has been hand dying fabric for many years, and the colors she creates are wonderful. For our meeting her lecture will be "A Walk in the Woods with George." It is a fun presentation.

Frieda will be doing two workshops. The Wednesday evening workshop, planned particularly for those who work days, will be "Lone Pine." A full-day workshop on Thursday will be either "Fun Free Motion Quilting" (She did this in 2018 at Houston.) or "Dancing Trees." The Dancing Trees workshop has an extra fee of \$35 for pattern and hand dyed fabric. Sign-up sheets and pictures with supply lists for the workshops will be available at the January meeting.

Deb Geyer from the National Quilter's Hall of Fame will be our April speaker. She will discuss the organization's activities which will include the induction of Marianne Fons and Liz Porter at the July 18-20, 2019, celebration at the Hall of Fame headquarters in Marion, Indiana.

Karen Sipos, Vice President

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A Note from the President...

Happy New Year Quilters!

I am very excited to be your 2019 Guild President! 2018 was such a wonderful year, and I look forward to so many more amazing memories to come!

I would love to continue the values that the Miami Valley Quilters' Guild has long kept, such as friendship, togetherness, and community.

This is my priority.

Please feel free to reach out to me with any suggestions or ideas you may have!

See you all at our January 8th meeting!

Amanda Bame, President

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Can You Meet the MVQG Crayon Challenge?

As a fun test of your creativity, imagination and quilting skills, we are conducting the 2019 MVQG Crayon Quilt Challenge. Although there has not been one in a few years, the time is right to have a little fun along with our personal satisfaction in quilting. When Guild Founder Suellen Wassem visited our August meeting, she told about one of the challenges held in the past. We have updated the rules as a fun activity for all members who choose to participate.

CRAYON CHALLENGE DIRECTIONS

- Take 3 crayons from the red bag. Do not look into the bag.
- Keep the crayons you pick to bring back when you present your project.
- Find fabric that closely matches the colors of your crayons.
- You must use the 3 colors on the front of your quilt. But you may add one other color - white, black, gray or off white.
- Your quilt must be a 3-layer sandwich – top, batting, backing.
- Your quilt must not be more than 120 inches when you measure all 4 sides and add those measurements together. That means you can make a 30" x 30" quilt, or a 24" x 36" wall hanging or 18" x 42" table runner or any size smaller.

The presentation of all the quilts will be at the February 12, 2019, Guild meeting. You will share with members your quilt and how you met the challenge of using the colors you took from the bag. Please share what you learned about using the colors. Judging will be done by members present using the "button" method. There will be 3 prizes awarded.

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A Note from Past-President Mary Bergseth...

As my term as president comes to an end, I want to express my sincere appreciation to all those who have helped, advised, and encouraged me in this position. I am so thankful to have been part of this guild, especially having learned so much by being actively involved with the various committees and chairs. I am still in awe of the new ideas and creativity that continually emerge from this guild.

We still need members to fill positions for Librarian, Hospitality Committee Chair, and Corresponding Secretary. There are great opportunities to both get more acquainted with our large membership and unlock your quilting greatness! If any member wants to initiate any new ideas, workshops, activities, long term or short, please contact our new president, Amanda Bame. Have fun in the new year and happy quilting

Mary O. Bergseth

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Membership News

We are currently accepting 2019 dues payments. Dues remain at \$20.00 for 2019. A membership form is available on Page 6 of this newsletter or can be printed from the Guild website. Please fill out the form completely and bring it to the meeting. If you will be paying by check, please have your check prepared in advance to facilitate the sign-in process.

Membership cards for 2019 are being issued for everyone as they pay. If you didn't get one at the last meeting, stop by the membership desk to pick it up at the next meeting you attend. Membership badges will be available at the meeting following payment of dues.

To pay by mail, complete the membership form and mail with your check for \$20.00 to:

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Jamaica Me Sew Crazy Retreat 2019

Retreat is less than two months away! Imagine! A whole weekend to enjoy what you love to do—QUILT! QUILT! QUILT! Don't forget to pay your registration balances and submit your food orders by the January 8 meeting.

We will have a snack table, evening soups, security, show and tell, massage therapists, and complimentary coffee and tea. It is important for everyone to read the "What to Pack for Your MVQG Quilt Retreat" info is on Page 7 of this newsletter or download it from the guild website to use.

Also, wear your name tag from your favorite past retreat A special name tag is being made for those who are attending the retreat for the first time.

Shelly Beculheimer & Amanda Bame

Retreat Co-Chairs

LOQ Subscriptions Produce Guild Funds

Karen Engel is coordinator for the Fons & Porter Love of Quilting magazine subscription project and has forms to be filled out for new or renewal subscriptions.

Make a check for \$20.00 to MVQG and mail it to Karen Engel at 5259 Olentangy Drive, Riverside, OH 45431. She will subscribe or renew for you and \$5.00 go to the guild.

Karen Engel

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Quilts of Valor: Looking Forward to 2019!

Our Quilts of Valor project has just completed our most productive year to date! One of the best parts is that people are taking the initiative to make and award quilts themselves to family and friends! Numbers for 2018 are not finalized yet - a complete accounting for 2018 will be in the February newsletter.

But on to 2019! Monthly sew-ins will return after our break in December. Dates are Tuesday, January 15 and Tuesday, February 5 from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. at The Little Shop of Stitches in Miamisburg (one of the top 10 quilts shops in the Spring/Summer Quilt Sampler magazine!). A sign-up sheet for the sew-ins will be at the back table at the January meeting. We have over 300 blocks ready to be made into Quilts of Valor (thanks to all of you!), which will be our focus during the first half of 2019. If you would like to work on a sampler at home or at the retreat, send me an e-mail or let me know at the January meeting. I'll try to have a block kit together for you at the February meeting (plus you can pick out yardage for sashing and borders, if needed).

I can never say thank you enough for all of the dedication and hard work that you all have shown for Quilts of Valor, plus your generosity with your time, talent, and pocketbook (a few of you know how to hit the sales for fabric)! There were at least 4 quilts which were awarded at family Christmases (surprise!) - I cannot tell you how excited the families were to honor their loved ones! Thank you!

Debbie Ginsburg

Quilts of Valor Coordinator

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Plan to Attend Weekly Sew-In Days

Come join the MVQG Sew-In days at the Fairborn Senior Center for each Monday. Please note our starting time of 11 a.m. We can sew from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. every week. We have plenty of room to sew and to lay out quilts.

All are welcome to attend the weekly sew-ins. Come and get to know other members of the guild. You can come for a few hours or stay all day. Bring a project and sew, sew, sew. You can sew on something for yourself or work on projects for Community Quilts. Bring your sewing machine, tools and supplies, or do some hand work. Irons will be available. No home interruptions!!!

The price is \$2.00 to sew. If you are a member of the Fairborn Senior Center, it is \$1.00. For those who may be interested, the Fairborn Senior Center has lunch available on Mondays for \$4.00. Call 878-4141 on Thursdays to sign up for lunch on Monday.

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Community Quilts

At the January meeting Mary Bergseth will have community quilts that need binding. Please consider finishing one or two of these so that we can get them into service for the community. We had a great year and I appreciate the participation.

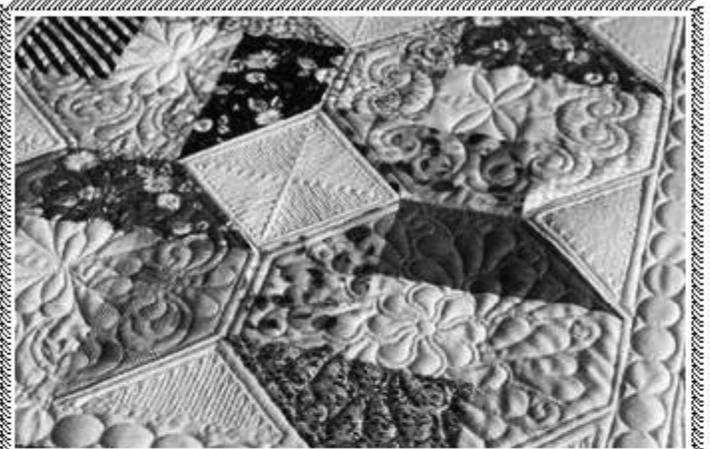
I think the Baggie Block Program was a big hit and although I will not be at the retreat due to my second knee replacement surgery Mary Bergseth has again graciously offered to bring the basket of Baggie Blocks for your sewing pleasure. Again, thank you for all you did this year and I am looking forward to 2019 and the new blocks I am working on for the Baggie Block Program.

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Third Monday Stitch-In

The 3rd Monday stitch-in will at 7:00 p.m. on January 21 at the home of Debbie Ginsburg, 701 Debron Road, West Milton. If you plan to attend, give Debbie a call at 698-4711 so she will know how many guests to expect.

Sunshine News

If you know of a Guild member who could use the support of the Guild, please contact: Loretta Stephens by e-mail at lorettastephens93@yahoo.com or call her at 532-5578. She will send out a card and we will let the membership know.

New Volunteer Needed To Serve as Librarian

Patricia Jencks, who volunteered to replace Tere Horner when she “retired” as Librarian after five years of outstanding service, has relinquished the post as she is moving out of the area.

Tere had done an amazing job in organizing and streamlining the library function. There are more than 500 books and other resources in the library. Patricia had planned to update the storage for the books, and the guild has purchased crates which can be assembled into an appropriate storage unit.

We need a guild member to volunteer for this position if we are to continue having this valuable resource to build our knowledge and spark our creativity.

If you are interested, in serving as librarian, talk to Tere for details about the position and let Amanda Bame, President, know of your willingness to serve.

Are you on Facebook?

If you are, be sure to “like” the Guild page on Facebook: Miami Valley Quilters Guild. This can be an important tool for communication among Guild members and with quilters around the world.

Quilting Stories, News?

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