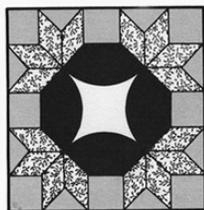


Miami Valley Quilters' Guild

# Quilters' Quotes



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

**February 11, 2014**

**7:00 P.M.**

**Fairborn Senior Center  
325 North Third Street  
Fairborn, Ohio**

**Visitors Welcome**

Guild meetings will be cancelled if the Fairborn Senior Center is closed.

## What's Going On in the Guild

February's meeting will bring you tons of information on what's happening this year in your guild. Have you ever said: "I didn't know that!" or, "If I had known..." I have said those things a few times over the years myself.

February 11 is the time to get in the know. The beginning of the year brings us a time to get to know what's happening and what your dues and quilt show/raffle quilt and auction participation provide for you and the many options you have to get involved.

We be sharing more info on Sue Nickels March Workshops, Project Support Groups, UFO Games, Quilt Show, Library, and Summer Series Workshops just to name a few.

(NOTE: I will need **ALL** people in charge of something to please contact me so Mary Bergseth and I will know how many tables we will need help setting up.

Be sure to friend us on Facebook as I try to update that as much as I can. If you cannot make it to guild night and you would like to sign up for a class or have a question posting a message on the Guild's Facebook page or sending an e-mail are the best ways to do so.

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## A Message from the President...

I hope everyone is staying warm and healthy. I was so sorry that I could not make the January meeting but I heard that there was a wonderful turn out to work on the community quilts.

Thank you for all of the help and support that our guild members provide to those less fortunate. I hope to see everyone at the February meeting or at the retreat.

**Kim Gros, President**

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## Another Community Quilts Opportunity

Thanks to everyone who helped with the activities of the January meeting. With quilts being completed and fabrics being prepared for new quilts, we are well on the way to another successful year. I am overwhelmed by the generosity of our quilters.

There is another way you can contribute to our success: the Charity Batting Program by Hobbs.

If you buy Hobbs batting please cut the UPC symbol from the batting bag (or bring the whole plastic bag) to be sent in for batting from Hobbs. They have a program that allows us to purchase rolls of batting at unbelievable prices. I would like to use it for both the Quilts of Valor Program as well as the Community Quilts Program.

Also, someone asked if I would put something in the newsletter stating what supplies we need for charity quilts. Fabric is always appreciated, but we really need backing material. Most of our quilts are lap sized or smaller, so 50 X 60 would work if you are long-arm quilting.

For those of our quilters who machine quilt, the leftover fabric can be used as binding when cut off the finished quilt and re-cut into 2 ¼ or 2 ½ strips. Batting is also greatly appreciated. For long-arm quilting we can't use Fairfield products, so Hobbs or Warm and Natural are two that work well.

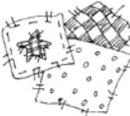
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## Membership News

With all of the pre-meeting activity of renewing memberships, signing up new members, registering for the Sew Nickels workshops, turning in Raffle Quilt Tickets, making Retreat payments, turning in Quilts of Valor things it was hard to get an exact count of attendance, but 69 members signed in at the January meeting to work on Community Quilts.

There was one guest and six new members were signed up. The new members are Linda Hollen of Centerville, Julia Leet of Centerville, Kathy MacLean of Vandalia, Carol Sharp of Xenia, Kathy Shouts of Jamestown, and Kate Wertz of Beavercreek.

Their full information will be published in the 2014 Membership Roster which will contain information on all members who have paid their membership dues by the March meeting.

Membership renewals for 2014 are due and should be paid as soon as possible to facilitate guild operations. We plan to publish the new Membership Directory after the March meeting.

Membership dues of \$20.00 for 2014 can be paid and changes of contact information or other membership inquiries can be made at meetings or directed to: Susan Miller, 2077 Fairknoll Drive, Beavercreek 45431, (phone) 429-5668, (e-mail) dpmsam@sbcglobal.net.

If paying dues in conjunction with registration for retreat or workshops, make separate checks with the appropriate activity in the Memo line and deliver separately.

Make checks payable to Miami Valley Quilters' Guild with "Membership" on the Memo line. Membership materials can be picked up at a subsequent meeting. If you would like to have your membership card mailed to you, please include a self-addressed stamped envelope.

If you have problems receiving Guild information sent by e-mail please contact Ed Chamness (e-mail) [mrandmrsquilter@aol.com](mailto:mrandmrsquilter@aol.com) or (phone) 372-5821.

## Space Available for Sue Nickels Workshops

There are still spots available for the two March workshops with quilter, teacher author Sue Nickels.

The first is a two-day workshop, "The Finished Edge," with sessions from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, March 8, and Monday, March 10.

The workshop incorporates Sue's expert machine quilting techniques and finishing techniques ranging from traditional binding to curve binding, piped binding and a wonderful loopy edge resulting in a mini-quilt that will serve as a reference for your future projects. Additional information is available at: <http://www.sue-nickels.com/classes-detail.php?ID=33>.

Sue's other workshop, "Folk Garden Borders," will be from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Tuesday, March 11. It incorporates her Stitched Raw Edge Appliqué technique including bias stems, points and circles to make your quilts spectacular by adding beautiful appliqué borders. Your workshop project can be the start of a quilt or can be made into a small table runner. Additional information is available at: <http://www.sue-nickels.com/classes-detail.php?ID=17>.



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Registration is \$60 for the two-day "The Finished Edge" workshop and \$30 for "Folk Garden Borders" (Non-members pay \$65 and \$35).

I will take payments at the February meeting. The total fees will be due by March 1. Please note you can make payments. Really, you can't beat the cost of these classes!

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## January Raffle Ticket Proceeds Helpful

The January meeting went well for the raffle quilt!! We have now brought in \$678 in total. However, as reported, the Guild needs to sell \$2,000 worth of raffle tickets!!! And, we only have 4 months to make up \$1,300.

Now if you are thinking, well the quilt show will bring in that amount. Here is what happens: The Guild sells \$2,000 worth of tickets and the show brings in \$1,500 worth of tickets. If we don't make up the difference I'm afraid our dues will go up \$10. So, what is better? Buy \$10 worth of tickets to support your Guild and get a chance at a gorgeous quilt or a raise in dues?

Please think about it and help. So, please keep selling! If you need to check out the raffle quilt to take to a club meeting, just e-mail phone me.

Be sure to turn in money for tickets you have already sold at the February meeting. Kathy Evens has plenty of tickets you can pick up, or give her a call at 767-2959 or e-mail [kevens52@msn.com](mailto:kevens52@msn.com).

If you didn't get a good picture of the quilt on your phone at the January meeting, a full picture and close-up shots of quilting and appliqué can be downloaded from the website.

Pictures also have been posted on Facebook so you can "Share" with all your friends and ask them to contact you to purchase tickets.

**Susan Hill**

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## Donations Needed for Guild Vendor Booth

Check this out! The Miami Valley Quilt Guild is happy to give you the opportunity to lose pounds and pounds of ugly fabric! Well, maybe ugly to you, but not to someone else we hope. We are asking our members to go through your stash and donate those pieces of fabric that you know you will never use. Personally, I know I loved it once, but now...not so much! We will package the fabrics in plastic bags in one pound weights (one pound equals about 3 1/2 yards of fabric). We will sell each bag for \$5:00.

Please donate 100% cotton quilting fabric, stain and odor free. YOU NEED NOT WASH

THE FABRIC IF IT IS CLEAN AND ODOR FREE! If you must wash your fabric, don't forget the color catchers from Clorox. Ask me how I know that? I did not iron (I hate ironing!) my washed pieces. I folded them right out of the dryer and that worked great.

By the way, I put my fabric in mesh laundry bags to help keep them from fraying.

I will be at each meeting with a box for collection so you can begin weeding out your ugly-bugglies right away. The sooner the better so I am not swamped close to the show. If you do not want to drag your fabric to the meetings, e-mail me and I will arrange to pick up your donation. Even scraps will work, just nothing smaller than 5 X 5. Fat quarters with chunks cut out? Great! We are making up scrap bags.

Susan Hill as already lost ELEVEN pounds of ugly fabric. Way to go! So far she is the biggest loser! Thanks for your support for the guild.

**Chris Landis**

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Take time to visit the library for free inspiration at Guild meetings. Check out one of our books or DVDs from our collection. Tere Homer brings you a different batch of books and DVD's each month. If you don't see what you are looking for, check the library listing on the Guild's web site and email Tere at [terequilts@yahoo.com](mailto:terequilts@yahoo.com) and let her know the selection you would like her to bring to the next meeting. "Check it out!"

**Tere Homer**

Librarian

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## **Quilts of Valor Needs Piecers, Blocks and Tops**

At the January meeting, three sets of blocks were given to piecers, three tops were sent home with quilters, ten more star blocks were turned in, and nineteen presentation cases were donated!!

Many thanks to Connie Howard, Phyllis Young and their Wednesday group who made and donated sixteen presentation cases as a charity project! They are so beautiful and are the perfect complement to our quilts. At this time, we should have enough presentation cases for this year's quilts, so I will not be making kits for those who signed up to make presentation cases until we have a need.

But we do have other needs! I have made three kits (everything cut out) with blocks, sashings and/or borders, and I need piecers to put the kits together into tops. This would be a great charity project for a group of friends at the Retreat! I also need machine quilters, as we have had many members individually make and donate their own tops. If you are interested in helping with either of these needs, please contact me at [debgins@aol.com](mailto:debgins@aol.com).

I will not be able to attend the February meeting because of work commitments, but will be at the Retreat, if anyone has tops or quilts to turn in. Thank you to all who contribute their time and talents to Quilts of Valor! These quilts do make a difference.

**Deb Ginsburg**

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## **Secret Stitchers Open to All**

All members are invited to participate in "Secret Stitches" as a way to get to know other quilters and share small quilt related gifts.

To participate, wrap a little gift and bring it to the guild meeting and you will be leaving with a gift.

There are no sign-ups or specific assignment of a recipient for your gift. Include your name with your gift and you will have a different Secret Stitcher each month you participate. You don't have to commit to bringing a gift each month, but you will be receiving a gift each month you participate.

Hopefully this approach will encourage more members to participate on a regular basis. Try it for one meeting to see how you like it.

Happy Stitching!

**Barb Carruth**

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## **Third Monday Stitch-in**

The 3rd Monday stitch-in for February will be held at 7:00 p.m. on the 17<sup>th</sup> at the home of Sue DeSantis at her home, 102 Phillip Drive, West Milton. Her phone number is 698-9182. Please let her know if you plan to attend.

## **Sew-in at Fairborn Senior Center**

All are welcome to attend a monthly sew-in for the Guild at the Fairborn Senior Center. Times are from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on the fourth Monday. The cost is \$2.00 for Guild members (\$1.00 for members of the Fairborn Senior Center).

The next sew-in is February 24. Come and get to know other members of the guild. Come for a few hours or stay all day. (When you arrive, go the back door of the center and the room is on the left.)

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!!!

Come and have a fun time...laugh and sew!!! If you have any questions, contact **Janet Stohr** at [jstohr@att.net](mailto:jstohr@att.net) or 426-8344.

## **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 [stephensloretta@yahoo.com](mailto:stephensloretta@yahoo.com) or call her at 532-5578. She will send out a card and we will let the membership know.

## **Quilt Shows, Shop Hops & etc..**

### **Special Art Quilt Exhibit:**

### **Dayton Landmark Quilts**

**January 6 - March 9, 2014**

Allwood Audubon Center

Dayton, Ohio

Several Guild members participated in the Dayton Landmark Quilts project made by the Miami Valley Art Quilt Network. All 14 are on display segments of the project are on display at the Allwood Audubon Center, 1000 Allwood Dr., Dayton, from January 6 - March 9, 2014. There will be a reception on Sunday, January 12, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission to the Center is \$5 for adults (\$3 for children) that allows access to the center, farm, and hiking trails.

### **Indiana Heritage Quilt Show**

**March 6-8, 2014**

Bloomington/Monroe County Convention Center

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Deadline for Entries: February 14, 2014

Deadline for Workshop Pre-Registration: February 14,

For information, visit: [www.ihqs.org](http://www.ihqs.org) or call

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