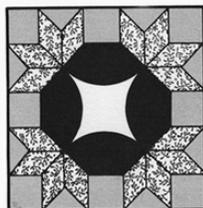


Miami Valley Quilters' Guild

Quilters' Quotes



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

September 9, 2014

7:00 P.M.

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

Visitors Welcome

Bring Quarters for the Basket Auction

September 9 is our Basket Auction. We have almost 40 baskets contributed. Bring your quarters.

How does this work? Buy one or a dozen numbered paddles for \$1 each. As each basket is presented, lift up your numbered paddle(s) and put a quarter (for each paddle raised) into the box located in the center of the table. We will draw a number from our separate box of numbers to determine the recipient.

Traditionally, we all bring some chocolate to share at our table as a consolation when we did not win that basket. Last year I ate many chocolates!

Generosity describes our quilters when it comes to sharing time, tools, and experiences with fabric, patterns, and books. I certainly experienced this during the past weekend in our two workshops: "Bridget's Blossoms" and "Entwined."

With the extended hours offered with the workshops, I actually finished my top of flowers. It was a joy to see it come together so magically. I didn't do "Entwined" which I understand could be 'entangled' with its structure of instructions. Thank you, Shari, for decoding the instructions! Thanks to both Shari and Kim for trying out this new concept of extended sewing time with the workshops. Almost a mini-retreat!

October 14 will be library presentation day. Tere Homer is our librarian and will discuss our library collection and the process for using its resources.

If you have made a quilt using one of our books, please contact Tere and bring it to the October meeting for display.

Also in October, we will have a presentation on the "Row by Row Experience" and Leanne Heagle will have more fabric for sale at the end of the program. Great stuff!

November 11 will feature JayDee Edgell as our speaker. She will present the "Top 10" lists she has acquired as a quilter and teacher in Ohio and now in Indiana. These include both lists of quilt basics that quilters may not know about and new ideas coming into the quilt world.

And December 9 is our pot luck Christmas party. In conjunction with the carry-in dinner we will have a Pinwheel Raffle. At the September, October and November meetings we will have available the pattern and dimensions for a Christmas themed pinwheel. We are asking participants to make at least one 9-inch finished (9 1/2-inch unfinished) pinwheel. You can use both Christmas fabric (red, green, solid or patterned) AND white. For each pinwheel submitted you will receive a raffle ticket for a chance to get ALL these pinwheels. But, our raffle ticket limit will be two tickets even though you may certainly submit more pinwheels. The winner will have six months to finish a top using most of the pinwheels in order to win a prize.

January is NOT Community Quilts for 2015. For January 13 we will have a presentation from Creative Grids on a new type of ruler with easy-to-read grids. The Creative Grids representative will be presenting their new line of their rulers for 2015!

On February 10, we will be working on Community Quilts!

A committee is already getting ready for our Quilt Murder Mystery Dinner Theater scheduled for Thursday, March 10, starting at 6 p.m. The play will be held at the Fairborn United Methodist Church, 100 N. Broad Street, just around the corner from the Fairborn Senior Citizen Center. Dinner will be salad with fixings, lasagna with rolls and many different desserts.

Later in 2015, Jamie Wallen comes in June and Sue Nichols comes in July for programs and workshops. We will have presentation boards and sign-ups coming soon.

Remember, I am always looking for new workshops and places to hold them. If you know of a person or persons of interest that can enhance our quilting experiences, please let me know. I will take your ideas seriously and look into them as possibilities.

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A Message from the President...

The August meeting was a beehive of activity with the beginning of registration for the 2015 Retreat, the sale of "non-quilting" which had been donated to the Guild, and the cutting and packaging of kits to be sewn for our Community Quilts project.

It was a pleasure to see so many members active and interacting, but one thing did come to my attention. Large meetings, particularly in close quarters, are not a place for heavy perfume.

Thanks to all who participated in the workshops August 21-14. It was our first attempt at a workshop of this nature, and I believe it was very successful.

Kim Gros, President

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2015 Retreat Registration Continues in September

Registration for the 2015 MVQG Retreat, "Down on the Farm" will be held before and at the break at the September meeting

Members can turn in their registration forms with a \$50.00 deposit and select their location (in pencil) on the seating chart. Those who have already signed up can make additional payments until registration is paid in full.



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Selected seating assignments will be held until 2015 dues and fees in full have been paid, in advance of the February meeting.

Tee-shirts will also be available for ordering at \$12 per shirt. Jackie Spinks and Karen Miller will be taking orders for the Guild logo t-shirts which are being ordered in conjunction with Retreat. You DO NOT have to be attending Retreat to purchase shirts, they are for all members. The t-shirts are \$12 and are to be paid in advance.

The Retreat Registration Form and the

Application for the Sally Kerr Scholarship can be downloaded from the Guild website.

Judy Salyers

2015 Retreat Chair

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QOV Block Drive Coming in November

We're gearing up for our Third Annual Quilts of Valor Block Drive! During each of the last two drives, we have collected approximately 100 quilt blocks which we have pieced into QOV tops. We hope to have even more this year!

Here are the requirements: Make quilt blocks that are 12-1/2" unfinished. Any pattern (but stars are always popular!). Red, white, blue, gold, beige fabrics (can include patriotic prints).

All blocks that are turned in at the NOVEMBER meeting will be entered into a drawing for quilt store gift cards! The QOV scrap box will be at the September and October meetings. Feel free to take fabric to make your blocks!

We are planning QOV sew-in days in October and November - more info to come!

Debbie Ginsberg

QOV Coordinator

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Raffle Quilt 2016!!!!

Hey. How is everyone doing? I bet you thought the title has a typo?!!! Why 2016? Well, this is how raffle quilts work. We have 2 years between quilt shows. After the quilt show (from June 2014 - May 2015), we start looking for a suggestion for the next raffle quilt, collect fabric, have lots of help constructing, stitching, quilting, binding, and finishing it. Then, we have 1 full year to sell raffle tickets.

So, the process has started!! We have decided on a log cabin quilt in fall colors. One side will be the fall colors and the other will be cream. Once the blocks are constructed, we will place the blocks to form a cream center about 18". This is where we already have a volunteer to do some appliqué!! The blocks will be 10" squares. The quilt is going to be 12 blocks x 10 blocks.

We are asking for donations of fall fabrics and cream fabric. For me, it was a bit difficult to see if my creams worked. Here is a hint. When you look at your fabric, it shouldn't read yellow

or tan. Cream is in between. Yeah, I've found some!!!! We will be cutting all fabrics in 1 1/2" strips. So, we don't need yardage. If you have a fat quarter, or strip of 5" x 42", they are fine. I'll have examples in September. Also, if you are unsure, bring it and I'll help you. I have a few blocks to show what we are intending.

NOTE: All fabric not used in the quilt will be donated to the "\$5 bag fabric booth" at the next show in 2016. So, please, if unsure about a fabric, let me look at it at a meeting. It will be too difficult to return fabrics we won't be able to use.

Once we have collected the fabric and cut it into logs, we will have the blocks kitted up for anyone to help with the sewing of the blocks - more on this later. Thanks so much. See you in September!!

Susan Hill

Quilt Show Chairman

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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 each month. The cost is \$2.00 for Guild members (\$1.00 for members of the Fairborn Senior Center).

The next sew-in is September 22. 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 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

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Third Monday Stitch-in

The 3rd Monday Stitch-In for September will be at 7:00 p.m. September 15 at the home of Deanna Lasher, 3571 South Rangeline Road, West Milton. Her number is 698-7351. Please call to let her know you plan to attend.

Library Offers Books, DVDs on Loan

"Check out" the selection of quilt books that are available free to you on the library book list located on the MVQG website. There are hundreds of books to inspire your creativity. Challenge yourself to try something new.

See something you like? Send Tere Homer, MVQG Librarian, an email at terequilts@yahoo.com. Include the book title and author and she will bring it to you at the next month's meeting. Also, be sure to take a look at the selection Tere brings to the monthly meetings.

Tere Homer, Librarian
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Membership News

With the early starting time for Retreat registration and the other activities going on that evening, there was no sign-in, but there was a tremendous group on hand.

In addition to our members, there was one guest, and two new members joined the Guild.

Please add these members to your roster and welcome them to the Guild.

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Membership dues for the remainder of 2014 will be \$10.00. Dues 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.

With Retreat registration underway, the dues for 2015 (\$20.00) can be paid at any time. The 2015 must be paid in advance of the retreat in February.

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

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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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Magazine Subscriptions Benefit Guild

Just a reminder...when your "Love of Quilting" magazine subscription is up for renewal, help our Guild by renewing through us!

Start or renew a subscription for \$20 per year through the guild and we will be able to earn \$5 while sending on the \$15 for your subscription.

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

Make a check for \$20 to MVQG and mail it to Karen Engel at 5259 Olentangy Dr. Riverside, OH 45431. She will subscribe or renew for you and you will be donating \$5 to your guild :).

Karen Engel

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Save Hobbs Labels for Community Quilts

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 community 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.

Leanne Heagle

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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.

Quilting stories, ideas, news?

Send information to:

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Articles are subject to approval and to editing. Materials received after the published deadline date (Monday following monthly meetings) will be considered for publication only as space and time permit.

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