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From the President's Pen

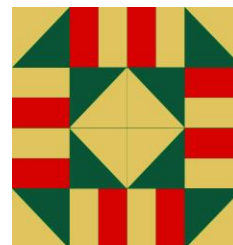
February, 2015

I have learned over the years that no matter how well I plan, nothing turns out perfectly, and there will always be hiccups that will affect my well laid plans. I learned this lesson the hard way while planning my daughters' weddings. I am so glad I will not have to do that ever again!! Well, my initial plans as president of our Guild encountered some bumps in the road as well! Our first board meeting was scheduled for January 8th, at the Fishers Library. When we arrived, and did not find our name on any of the meeting rooms, we discovered that our room had been reserved for January 8th, 2016! Luckily, there was a room available for a few hours, and we had a very productive meeting. Thank you to all who attended, and worked so hard to keep our Guild growing in the right direction. A few days later, the evening before our January meeting, the news stations were predicting an ice storm. When watching the weather map, the areas that were expecting the worst of the storm were colored in purple.

and there was a sole circle of purple right over Fishers! I still was not sure whether to cancel the meeting, when the news station I was watching cut over to a reporter in Hamilton County who said the police were declaring a travel emergency, and asking people who did not have to travel to please stay home. That made up my mind! Whether the school district planned to close or delay the next morning, I did not want anyone to get hurt, or risk damage to their car, trying to get to the meeting. The greatest disappointment of cancelling the January meeting was missing out on a class taught by Susie Cook. I promise we will work to get Susie back on the schedule as soon as we can!

**Our next meeting, scheduled for February 9th, at our normal meeting place, will feature Sonia Brown, author of *Dreaming in Color*, to talk to us about using color in our quilts. Be sure to bring your blocks of the month for January and February if you wish to participate. Also bring in your 2015 UFO, to make a public commitment to attempt to complete the project by our December meeting (or at least make significant progress on it). Keep bringing in your charity quilts, and items to donate to the food pantry. Also be sure to bring your show and tell! As usual, there will be opportunity after the meeting to gather at the Fishers Library to stitch and visit. Plan to bring whatever project you would like to work on. Many ladies stop for lunch beforehand, but you are welcome to bring your lunch to the library if you prefer - we are allowed to use the kitchen if you need to heat anything up. This is a wonderful chance to get to know one another better.

**The Piecing Group and Wool Group are still meeting each month. There will be details about both in this newsletter. The Quilting 101 class has ended, and I plan to start a new group if there is interest. I will pass around a sign-up sheet at the February meeting. I want to take this opportunity to thank all the ladies who attended the Quilting 101 class - it was a delight to teach this awesome group of ladies, and I truly believe I learned more from them than they did from me. I do not have words to tell you how proud I am of each of them, and the work they have done!!



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**A couple of our goals this year as a group are to grow in number, and to grow in relationships. Please invite someone new to the meeting in February, and while at the meeting, take the time to say hello to someone you have not met before, and find out a little bit about them. I am looking forward to seeing you all on February 9th!

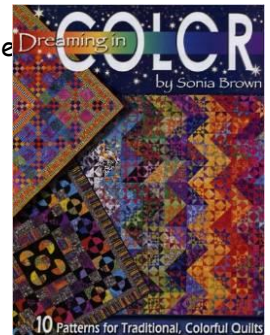
Joanne

*******Member Dues/Renewals of \$25/ year were due January 1st. There are new forms for everyone (including renewing members) to fill out. Pick one up at the next meeting or fill out the attached form and send it with your check to Joanne Fishburn, 2809 Todda Drive, Indianapolis, 46229. Scholarships are available. Please contact Joanne at jsullfish@sbcglobal.net if you would like to apply or nominate someone for one.*******

Mark Your Calendars!! Important Upcoming Events

Next Guild Meeting – February 9, 9:30 AM– *Fishers UMC*

Our speaker on February 9th, Sonia Brown, author of "Dreaming in Color", will present to us "Using Color in Quilts." Sonia brings to us over 25 years' experience in quilting. She started in 1991 with a friend when she couldn't find a book on quilting instruction at the library. Through magazines, her friend's support and quilt guilds she has become an accomplished quilter. She was inspired to enter her first State level competition with some quilts she was making for her young sons. That inspiration has led her to think about designing unique, original and most of all colorful quilts. Sonia has lectured at local quilt guilds and won ribbons at the Indiana Heritage Quilt Festival and the Indiana State Fair. She is listed in the International Quilt Guild as a traditional quilter, but Sonia describes her works as starting with a traditional pattern but working it with a variety of colors and fabrics to achieve the unique, beautiful, and modern/contemporary quilts she creates. Sonia says her expertise has been inspired by Joen Wolfran who taught her to step out of the box and create something original and colorful. Sonia says designing for show quilts is always in the back of her mind as she creates today. Her program is one you will not want to miss and surely will be enjoyed by quilters of all levels.



Feb 16th - Piercers Group meets at Always in Stitches from 1-4, Marsha Baer, 407-9711, contact.

Feb 24th - Handwork Group (formerly Wool Group) meets at Always in Stitches from 1-4, Pat Adams, 490-1155, contact

Please remember to bring items for the food pantry!

Remember to wear your name tag to every guild meeting!

Keep those quilts for Riley NICU coming! Last chance for 2015 contribution!

February is the month we deliver them to Riley!!!!

BOM Swap List

New Procedures for the Block of the Month in 2015!

"Block of the Month" (BOM) will be a little different this year. Each month a pattern and color scheme will be provided and ANYONE who participates will have a chance to take home all the blocks! Anyone can bring blocks any month they want, no advance sign up is required. If you want to participate, pin your name on your block and place it on the design wall, when you arrive at the meeting.

February's block will be a simple 9-patch made of 4.5 inch squares in reds and whites (think Valentine's Day) The block should measure 12.5 inches. If you want to participate, please bring your red and white block to the Feb. meeting. Your name MUST be pinned on each block. (It will be used for the drawing.)

Since we did not meet in January, there is still time to get in on the January block, which was constructed the same way only using blues and whites. So bring that also and we will be drawing for that as well.



Quilt Expressions Quilt Shop – "Sew Modern"
 Business Hours: NOW OPEN Monday - Friday 10–5,
 Saturday 10-3 *Bring this ad for 20% off 1 non-sale
 notion, book, fabric (1 yd+)*

*Note: 1 coupon per customer , per day,
 w/additional purchase please.*

12514 Reynolds Drive, Fishers , IN 46038

QuiltExpressionslh@gmail.com

Our guild has a connection to a professional photographer in Indianapolis who will take images of your works for a very reasonable fee. If you want to enter shows or just keep a good record of your works, talk to Judy Ireland. If several people want to have photos done, we will arrange a photo shoot event with the photographer at his studio near 82nd and College.

Happy Birthday
 to You!

February Birthday

Joanne Fishburn – February 2

Belated January Bday

Pat Pillar – January 26th

Advertisements: For \$10 per month, MQG will publish ads for those who desire. Checks can be made out to Joann Fishburn. You can mail or email your ad to me, the Editor, Bev Petru, and I will run it in the next newsletter.

Bad Weather Policy

If Hamilton Southeastern Schools are **CLOSED** due to weather - **NO MQG Meeting.**

If Hamilton Southeastern Schools are on a **2 Hour Delay - Meeting as Scheduled**

WELCOME TO MUDSOCK QUILTERS GUILD MEMBERSHIP

PLEASE PRINT the following information. Your name, address, etc. will be added to membership roster when next published. The roster is to be used only for guild business. Please indicate if we have your permission to include a picture in the roster. YES or NO (Please circle)

New Membership/Sock number _____ Change of Info _____

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

PHONE: Home () _____ Cell () _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____

BIRTHDAY (Month and Day) _____

I am interested in: Block of the Month _____ Charity Quilts _____

Focus Groups: Wool Applique _____ Piecing _____ Other (specify) _____

What type of quilting projects do you like best or would like to see programs on?

Membership dues are \$25.00 per calendar year and are due January 1.

MEM. YEAR	Date Paid	Amount Paid	Check #	Cash
2015				
2016				
2017				
2018				



December Pitch-in luncheon



Christmas tree throw



Lovely table runners in the Christmas spirit



Great results from a year of learning in the Quilting 101 class

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