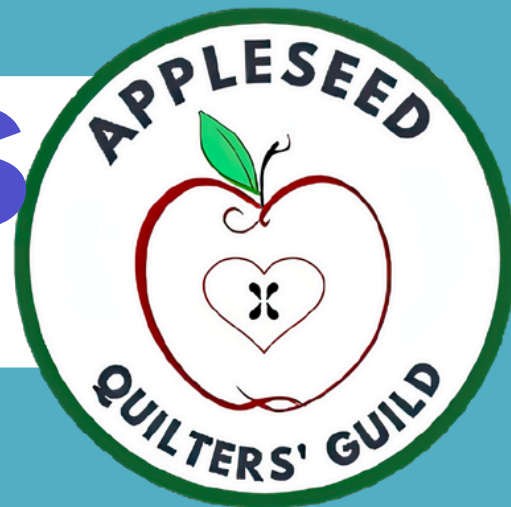


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JANUARY MEETING

The Member Meeting is
TUESDAY, JANUARY 7, 2025
Mizpah Shrine Center
1015 Memorial Way, Fort Wayne,
IN 46805
Apple Orchard 6:00pm
Social Time 6:30pm
Meeting 7:00pm

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BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, January 14, 2025
Alan McMahan Room
Allen County Public Library
Main
6:00pm

CANCELLATIONS

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



NEW FEATURE

QUICK REFERENCE DATES

Valentine Challenge due: Jan 7, 2025
Garage Sale: March 4, 2025
Quilt Retreat: Mar. 13 - 16, 2025
Workshop: April 1, 2025
Workshop: May 6, 2025
Workshop : August 5, 2025
Quilt Fest: Sept. 26-27, 2025
Fall Festival: October, 2025
Workshop: Nov. 4, 2025

FROM THE PRESIDENT

As the year comes to a close, we can reflect back on the highs and lows of 2024. For AQG, the following comes to mind, though this is by no means an exhaustive list:

- We found a wonderful location in which we will hold our next Quilt Fest, and we are well on our way to planning it.
- We had some wonderful programs and learned a lot.
- We strengthened our relationship with the Shriners and contributed beautiful quilts for their clients' use,
- We held our first-ever Fall Festival and had a great time.
- We re-initiated the AQG Retreat, where we enjoyed lots of camaraderie and continued to promote new and ongoing friendships with fellow quilters.
- We stretched our creativity with Guild Challenges.
- Many of you have stepped forward to fill the leadership positions in AQG, and your efforts and contributions are all very much appreciated!

For me personally, 2024 is ending on a positive note, as it appears that one of my grandchildren is finally being prescribed the correct medications to effectively treat their severe depression and anxiety, and they are functioning better and feeling more comfortable, and so am I.

I hope this past year has held more highs than lows for each of you and that 2025 will as well - Happy New Year!

Patty Davis, President

MEMBERSHIP

We welcome our newest member, Margaret Bruin, and we are happy to have Chris Riley returning.

Your 2024-25 Directory is done and ready for you to pick up at our January meeting. We want to say thank you to Melinda Coy for her careful and efficient correcting/updating of our new Directory. A special thanks to Cindy Griffin-Malone for printing our Directory. The team of Melinda Coy, Cindy Griffin-Malone, Ann Marquardt and Nanci Gilbert donated their time to complete putting the Directory together. THANK YOU ALL!

January 7, 2025

Appleseed is kicking off the New Year with the Fort Wayne Quilt Fest raffle quilt reveal! Sew exciting. Raffle tickets will be available for purchase. Each member is encouraged to purchase a package of 10 tickets at \$1 per ticket. You are always welcome to purchase more!

Want to join a quilting bee or two? Then our evening presentation is for you. Meet members of the various Appleseed bees and see some of their projects.

We will also be presenting a new guild challenge. Don't miss this jam packed informative meeting.

February 4, 2025

Quilts and Gifts from Bluffton will be presenting and vending! There is nothing better than when the quilt shop comes to us.

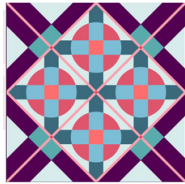


March 4, 2025

The Garage Sale has been moved to March due to a workshop/lecture instructor availability. No matter when we have the sale, it is full of good bargains.

April 1, 2025

Tara Miller of The Quilt District will be our instructor for a workshop called Legacy Wheel and an evening lecture on The Magic of Mixing Prints



Legacy Wheel Block

The Magic of Mixing Prints



Tara has had her work featured in Quiltmania and Simply Moderne and was recently spotlighted in Issue 30 of Quiltfolk magazine. The supply list and sign up will be available starting at the January meeting.

May 6, 2025

Make a custom quilt coat with Jaymi of the Cranky Kangaroo. There will be high demand for this workshop, so sign up early. We would love to offer two days of workshops if we have the demand. Sign up begins in January. See an example of a vintage quilt coat at the Programs table. You can use a quilt of your choice or bring 4-5 yards of quilted fabric. Check out Cranky Kangaroo's website, <https://www.crankykangaroo.com/>, for ideas. Jaymi will be our lecturer in the evening.

June 3, 2025

Come see all the beautiful and creative challenge quilts made by our members.

July 1, 2025

Alice Ridge will be teaching us to not fear the curves during this curved piecing workshop. The evening trunk show, Going In Circles, is all about curved piecing. <https://aliceridgequilts.com/>

August 5, 2025

We are so thrilled to have Leanne McGiveron of Sumac Studios provide us an evening lecture about Quilt Your Adventure. This will inspire you to make your own quilt based on your travel experiences. Our very own Tammy Miller will be teaching a landscape workshop during the day. More details to follow.

September 2, 2025

September is an exciting month as the Fort Wayne Quilt Fest is September 26 and 27. Check out fwquiltfest.com for more details. This evening we will have a presentation about the quilt show and you will have opportunities to volunteer.

October 7, 2025

The Fall Festival was such a hit in 2024, we will be doing it again this year. Come to meet the teachers and see what is being taught.

November 4, 2025

Sally Terry Designs will be giving a workshop and evening lecture. This workshop, Modern Quilts & Machine Quilting Designs, will appeal to so many of us and all skill levels. You will have fun exploring and stitching newly designed patterns using the decorative stitches on your machine. Get planning strategies for modern quilts with contrasting colors, non-gridded geometric shapes and large open areas. The evening lecture is Running Threads. Watch and learn how to run Specialty Threads in your machine and how to control the other many pesky threads you already have on hand that are refusing to cooperate. Sally will pass around over 15 threads so you can handle them. Sally will explore their characteristics, learning how to adjust your bobbin tension and top tension for running on your own machine. Extensive PowerPoint Presentation and handout.



EDUCATION/OUTREACH

Hello my Quilting Friends!

Let's start this new year with some new programs. Due to overwhelming popularity we are bringing back the **UFO program**. For those who are new to the guild, let me explain.

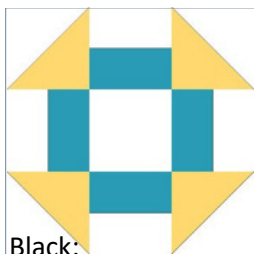
A UFO is an Unfinished Object. If you have a project in the works that is in any form of incomplete, it meets the requirements for the program. Any quilted object of any size. Fill out the form with 5 UFO's that you would like to complete this year. Assign one UFO to the month listed and you must finish THAT UFO by that month. Bring your list and \$5 to the January meeting to participate. You can finish early, but it doesn't count if you finish it late. Bring your finished project to the guild meeting and show it to me, so I can check you off the list. For every month you finish, you will have a chance to win a prize at the meeting, and you will be entered to win a cash prize after all 5 months are completed. UFO form can be found on page 7

This month at the **Apple Orchard** technique table I will be going back to the basics with a lesson on how to find the perfect 1/4 inch. When do you want a scant 1/4 inch and what the heck is a scant 1/4 inch?

The **BOM** for January can be found on the next page.

If you have any ideas or suggestions for future educational programs please stop by my table at the meeting and give me your ideas.

Sybil Magrill
education@appleseedquiltersguild.com



Appleseed BOM Churn Dash

White:

2 – 4 inch squares

1 – 3 ½ inch square

1 – 2 x 14 ¼ inch rectangle

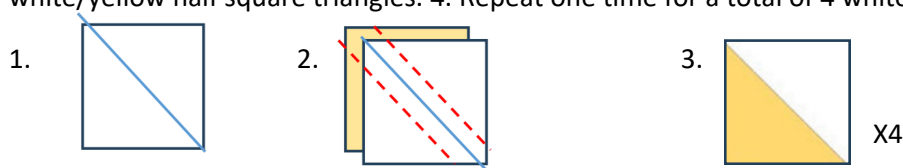
Yellow:

2 – 4 inch Squares

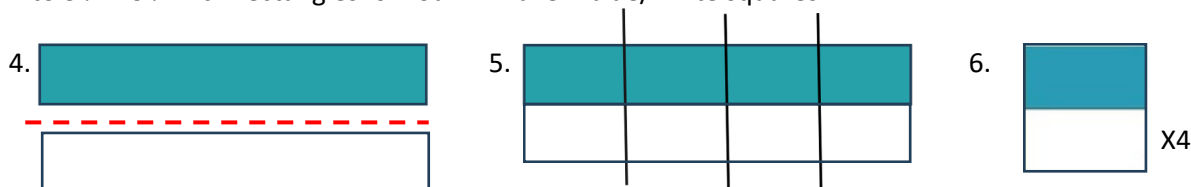
Blue:

1 – 2 x 14 ¼ inch rectangle

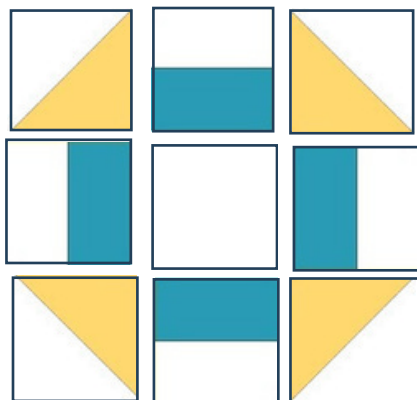
1. Draw a diagonal line from corner to corner of each of 4-inch white squares. 2. Match the white 4 inch square with a yellow 4 inch square, right sides together. Sew ¼ inch away from each side of the drawn line. Cut along the drawn line and you will have two half square triangles. Press to the yellow, and trim down to 3 ½ inches. 3. This will give you two white/yellow half square triangles. 4. Repeat one time for a total of 4 white/yellow HST's.



4. Sew White 2 x 14 ¼ inch rectangle to Blue 2 x 14 ¼ inch rectangle along the long edge. Press to the Blue. 5. Subcut into 3 ½ x 3 ½ inch rectangles. 6. You will have 4 blue/white squares.



7. Arrange the pieces and sew together as seen below. Your finished block will measure 9 ½ inches.



If you have any questions call

Sybil Magrill @ 910-478-5444

UFO – UnFinished Object

Do you need some motivation to complete that quilt or wall hanging you started and never finished? Do you have fabric set a side to start a quilt or wall hanging? Kits cut and ready to sew? All the blocks made, they just need sewn together and quilted? Project is at the finish line it just needs the binding?

If you answered yes to any of these questions, then this program is for you. Here is how it works:

To participate, list your 5 unfinished projects you would like to complete. You will have 2 months to complete each project.

As you complete each project, your name will be entered to win a cash prize at the end of the program, and you will be entered to win a small prize that month. A reward for completing your UFO. Finish all 5 UFO's and your name goes into the drawing 5 times. There will be a bonus drawing for those motivated quilters who finish all 5 UFO's. So, it is worth your time to keep going and get all 5 done.

Your UFO must be shown on or before the month it is due. If you can't make it to the meeting that month to show your finished project then text or email a picture to Sybil Magrill as proof of your finish. Finished is defined as top complete, quilted using your preferred quilting method and binding complete.

Make sure you announce at Show and Tell that you are showing your UFO.

Fill out the forms below, the bottom form will be kept by Sybil Magrill as a record of quilts to be finished.

Month Due	Quilt Description	Completed
March		
May		
July		
September		
November		

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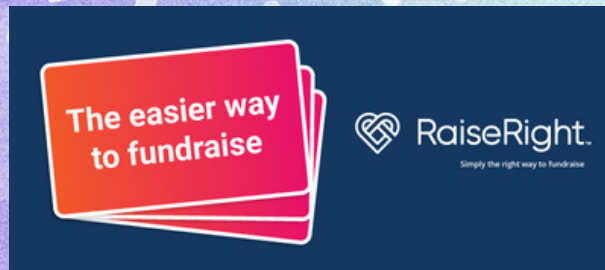
NAME _____

RAISERIGHT

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RaiseRight is a gift card fundraising program. It is an easy way to add money to the guild finances! This is how it works. You buy E-gift cards or physical cards and use them for purchases instead of cash, check or debit/credit cards. There is an easy-to-use app available for your phone where you can even check for an E-card before you pay at the store/restaurant where you are shopping/dining. The guild receives a percentage back which differs from company to company with an average of around 10%. Please consider taking advantage of this fundraising tool.

Contact Susan Benesh at raiseright@appleseedquiltersguild.com



MONTHLY MINI

Happy January Appleseeders,

Thank you for taking a portion of your time for the newsletter.

The Christmas party was a great time and I hope the second chancers enjoyed their gifts. There were no mini at the Holiday Party so we are getting ready for the new year drawings and changes.

For the record the board decided to shake things up and have a 50/50 drawing in February and in April have a drawing for gift certificates. A traditional Monthly Mini, a 50/50 drawing, and a gift certificate will rotate monthly at our table from there. I believe the certificates will be from Edwards. I am going to give them a shameless plug for Janome's year end sale, if you are looking for a new machine. Yes I bought one!

This January mini is a jewel tone batik which I have lost the name tag to, so please step up in January so you can get credit for your contribution. It is ready to hang with a slat for hanging. So when we meet on January 7th please start the New Year right and come drop a dollar or two, or just stop and tell us what you got for Christmas!

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

Sincerely,
Michael Voiles
Nancy Compton

Guild Challenge

Quilt Valentine Postcard Exchange- due: JAN. 7TH

The current challenge is a Quilt Valentine Postcard exchange with the LeTort Quilters of Carlisle, PA.

We will be making 100 quilt postcards to be sent to the PA guild in January, 2025, and they, in turn, will send us their postcards.

How to participate:

- pick up blank postcards at the guild challenges table at guild meetings
- create a small quilt and attach it to a postcard
- you are encouraged to write something on the blank side of the card
- you can attach beads, buttons and other bulky things because they will all be carefully packaged together and shipped in a box.
- turn in your postcards any time to Tammy Miller, but they are due NO LATER than JAN. 7TH.

A new guild challenge will be presented at the January guild meeting!

Tammy Miller,
Quilt Challenge Coordinator



Our planning committee has most of the key leaders in place for the quilt show, **HOWEVER** a co-chair has had to step down. So a new Co-Chair is needed! Additionally we still have 2 positions that need to be filled. The positions needed are as follows:

Co-Chair

Signage

Admissions

The next meeting is Tuesday, January 21, 2025, at the Aboite Library from 6 pm to 8pm

Contact Sue Traxler for more information at FWQFChair@appleseedquiltersguild.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 - Fort Wayne, IN 46852-0484
- ADVERTISEMENTS TO SELL ITEMS IN THE NEWSLETTER are to be sent to the Newsletter Editor at newsletter@appleseedquiltersguild.com or mailed to: PO Box 10484, Fort Wayne, IN 46852-0484. The cost for any size ad is \$10 for a one-month listing. The cost is currently waived for members. A check payment should be made out to AQG, and mailed to AQG, PO Box 10484, Ft Wayne, IN 46852-0484 by the third Tuesday of the month to appear in the next newsletter. The size of the ad is at the discretion of the editor.
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