

# THE PIECE TIMES

Newsletter for the Gathering of Quilters Quilt Guild, Toledo, Ohio

edited by Lynette Brown

**Date: January 15, 2015**

Time: 7 pm

Doors open at 6:30 pm

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## Program:

### Mini-demos

Sheila Painter: How to use  
orphan blocks

Diana Trost: How to sew  
thorns and vines

Lynette Brown: Adding  
Texture to Quilts with  
Bobbin Work

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Appetizers, Deserts,  
and Tea

Stash Raffle

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## President's Letter

Hello Fellow Guild Members

Whether it's Christmas or something else that you celebrate at this time of year I hope your holidays were everything you expected them to be, and then some. And now with the holidays behind us, it's time to clean out the sewing room and get ready for the stash raffle. I am so looking forward to the January meeting. This is a good opportunity to change up your stash and get some different books. Those of you, who know me, know that I love looking at quilt books. Be sure to bring your address labels.

Our first all day retreat at Quilt Heaven was a great success and a lot of fun. We finished a lot of projects, ate some delicious food and had lots of laughs. Lois has a great sewing space and she is such a delightful hostess. Anything you need, rather it is supplies or advice she has it. This is a great way to meet new friends and get to know your fellow guild members better. If you missed it, you're in luck. There is another retreat scheduled. Check with Debbie Linenkugel for details, as space fills fast. Hope to see you there.

Happy New Sewing Year

Ellie

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## What to bring to the meeting?

**\*\*Bring your no longer needed or wanted fabrics, books, magazines, sewing or quilting gadgets and any other appropriate items for our fun raffle. Also bring a sweet or savory snack to munch on while you decide where to deposit your raffle tickets and watch the mini-demos.**

**\*\* Pop Tabs**

## All Day Retreat Info

Don't forget—there is one more all day retreat at Quilt Haven March 28th from 9 am to 9 pm. Cost is \$32 and includes lunch, dinner, coffee and bottled water as well as prizes. Contact

**Debbie Linenkugel at**

**419-865-7689**



**Gathering of Quilter's Guild presents Holland Free Methodist Church with nativity quilt**

Shown above, right to left: Diana Trost, Ellie Grabarczyk, Beth Rohrbacher, and church secretary (name not given)

At the last board meeting in May of 2014, it was proposed to the board that, to express our appreciation for our great meeting space at the Holland Free Methodist Church, a quilt be made and presented. A committee of five people made up of Beth Rohrbacher, Ellie Grabarczyk, Diana Trost, Kathy Kanitz, and Diana Lyndhurst, chose and adapted a design showing the three kings on their way to Bethlehem. The quilt was then quilted by Irene Rose. The quilt was presented to the church at the beginning of December and is presently hanging at the church.

## Project Linus News

### **Project Linus**

**\*\* Saturday January 24, 2015**

**10:00-2:00**

**Quilt Heaven**

**9030 Secor Rd**

**Temperance, MI**

**\*\* Friday February 13, 2015**

**10-2**

**Living Faith United Methodist Church**

**1240 Columbus**

**Holland, Ohio**

**\*\*National Blanket Day**

**Saturday February 21, 2015**

**10-3**

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**Holland, Ohio**

## **Membership Report**

**As of December, we have 72 members. The directories are ready for distribution at the January meeting. Your name is on your copy; last year a dozen members did not pick up their copies.**

**When you sign in and pick up your name tag, pick up your directory. All is alphabetized.**

**There is no visitor charge for the January meeting, so bring along your quilting novice friends so they can build their stash and the Guild's treasury!**

Kathy Deanda, Program Co-chair, received the following note from our Oct. speaker and wanted to pass it along to everyone:

Dear Kathy:

I just want to say it was so nice getting to relax and have dinner with the ladies before my talk the other night. I enjoyed it very much.

Also, it was nice getting to be a part of your guild meeting for an evening. The late staying devoted members that helped me pack up deserve a very special salute and thank you. It was so nice not having to drive home, and Beth was a perfect hostess with all we had in common with Bowling Green.

The turnpike makes the trip comfortable and easy, and I hope we will see some of the ladies at the shop. If any groups come to visit the shop, make sure they let me know when they are coming. I will do a one-hour class, and we can make a silk pansy. I will waive the class fee and they can just pay for the supplies in the kit \$4.

Thank you very much for inviting me to visit. Hope to see you again on the quilting road.  
Cindy Oravec

[www.quiltersfancy.com](http://www.quiltersfancy.com)

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## FAT QUARTER THEMES

**March - Bright or Floral**

**May - Reptiles or Bugs**

**For every fat quarter you donate you get three raffle tickets. You can also purchase tickets for \$1.00 each.**

## Gathering of Quilters Guild

Treasurers Report As of December  
31, 2014 \*

Beginning Balance		\$5,325.30
Income	\$	7,541.00
Total Income		\$12,866.30

## Expenses

Current Expenses	\$	2,113.78
Encumbered Expenses	\$	4,467.00
Total Expenses	\$	6,580.78

\* Unapproved

2014-15 Challenge- Quilting Through the Seasons

This year your challenge is to make an original wall hanging or\_ quilt that shows an interpretation of the season. It can be NO LARGER THAN 36 X 36. You may use any color or fabric you choose. Any technique is permissible—pieced, fused, appliqué, thread painted, etc. Your entry must have three layers and be quilted with a binding. Voting, by the membership will take place at the May 21st meeting. All submissions need to be made entirely by the person submitting it.

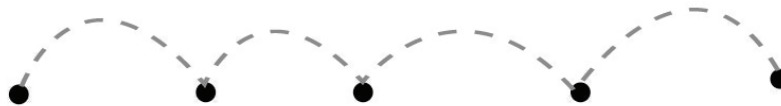
1st place- \$75.00 gift certificate      2nd place - \$50.00 gift certificate  
3rd place - \$25 gift certificate

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Shop Hop



March 19 - 21

Thursday - Saturday, 9:00 am - 7:00 pm

Join fellow quilters in hopping from shop to shop for prizes, special sales, a free gift and more...

- **Prizes** - Quilt Cash totaling **\$1000.00!**
- \$50.00 value **door prize** at each shop
- **Free Fat Quarter pattern** at each shop
- Each shop will have a sample of their pattern on display
- Special sales plus **20% off** selected fabrics
- Bus trips sponsored by Sonflower Quilts, Sew What and The Material Girls.
- Passports **only \$5.00** and includes a free gift.

**Buy your  
Passport  
from any  
of these  
locations...**

**The Material Girls**  
1850 Grindley Park  
Dearborn, MI 48124  
313-561-1111

**The Quilt Patch**  
112 N. Evans St.  
Tecumseh, MI 49286  
517-423-0053

**Sew What!**  
144 Sycamore  
Wyandotte, MI 48192  
734-281-1344

**Sonflower Quilts**  
6600 Sylvania Ave.  
Sylvania, OH 43560  
419-885-4438

**Quilt Foundry**  
234 W. Wayne St.  
Maumee, OH 43537  
419-893-5703

**Threads of Tradition  
at Sauder Village**  
22611 State Route 2  
Archbold, OH 43502  
419-445-9610

**Ann Arbor  
Sewing Center**  
5235 Jackson Rd  
Ann Arbor, MI 48103  
734-761-3094

## **September 2014 Chart Questions**

*It's all about the THREAD!*

When I piece my blocks, I choose THREAD that is ...

Neutral (white, cream, light gray) – 18

Dark (black, brown, dark gray) – 3

Matches the fabric – 8

Other - 1

For piecing my blocks, I pick THREAD that is ...

Cotton – 16

Polyester – 2

A Blend – 12

Doesn't matter – 1

When I quilt, I make sure my THREAD ...

Matches the background fabric – 0

Is variegated and matches the entire quilt – 2

Matches a contrasting fabric – 0

Matches a coordinating fabric – 1

I let the longarmer choose – 5

Depends on the project - 21

What is your favorite brand of THREAD?

Aurafil – 6

Coats & Clark – 4

Guterman – 5

Mettler – 6



Yli – 0

Whatever is handy – 8

In what season do you quilt the most?

Fall - 0

Winter – 6

Spring – 0

Summer – 1

All Year! – 19