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The guild meets each 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday at the Bowling Green Parks & Recreation Building at 1291 Conneaut Street, Bowling Green, OH. Doors open at 6 pm. The December meeting is a brunch at the B.G. Country Club.  
NQA #OH478 [www.blackswampquilters.org](http://www.blackswampquilters.org)

## DECEMBER 2013

### Saturday, December 14

- The holiday brunch will be at the Bowling Green Country Club starting at 10 a.m. If you choose to participate in the gift exchange, bring a wrapped \$10 sewing related gift to the brunch. The gift can be homemade or purchased.

**January 9, 2014** – Bring your green thumb challenge to the meeting in a brown bag. Please put your name on the back. Membership fees will be due.

### Mini Groups

**St. V's Palliative Care Quilt Group** – January 17 from 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The group meets at Karen Glassford's home.

**Fabric Art Group** – Wednesday after guild meeting at 'Grounds for Thought,' 7 p.m.

**Daytime** – No Daytime Quilting in December. Mary Selzer, 6211 Five Point Rd. will host the group on January 13.

**Bowling Green Community Quilters** – Group does not meet in December.

### Donation Quilts

- Donations for November were eight baby quilts for CRC, five quilts for St. V's, and one for Cocoon.

### From Diane Giveins

- Diane would like to thank everyone who volunteered to send a meal to the Jackson family. The response was phenomenal and really shows what a wonderful, caring guild we have. I know the family really appreciated the meals.

### From Jean Overmeyer

- Several BSQG members asked me at the last meeting if the quilt that I had donated to Ami Simms' AAQI had sold in Houston. At the time, I didn't know. Recently I was thrilled to learn that my quilt did sell in Houston for \$321.13! Thanks again to Jackie, Diane, and the guild for inspiring and organizing our donations!

### More About AAQI

- Ami Simms and her Alzheimer's Art Quilt Initiative reached the \$1 million mark at Houston.

### Internet Resources for Carol Hicks' Presentation

The Hang-Ups Company (small wooden and No-see-ums) <http://www.hangupscompany.com>

Hang It Dang It Quilt Hanger

<http://www.hangitdangit.com>

Magnificent Quilting Company (magnetic)

<http://www.magnificentquilt.com>

Connecting Threads (hang up with ball inside, magnetic system and mini wire frames)

<http://www.connectingthreads.com>

Soft Touch (wooden hangers with sponge)

<http://www.lorieslittlequilts.com>

Art in a pinch (pinchers, wooden)

<http://artinapinch.net>

Robinson's Wood Crafts (custom made

wooden...various) <http://robinsonswoodcrafts.com>

### **Meet the Member: Beverly McClarren**

- Beverly was born February 23, 1947 and lives in Findlay. She has twelve grandchildren and five great grandchildren. Bev's favorite color is blue and her music preference is country western.

- The quilt teacher that Beverly would most like to meet and spend the day with is Sharyn Craig and the quilt she would like to get around to making one of these days is Lemoyne Stars by Sharyn Craig. Her first project was Lovers Knot by Eleanor Burns. The part of quilt making she enjoys the most is piecing and she has made a quilt for her own bed. She owns 38 quilt books.

- In about 2003 Beverly became interested in quilting and decided that's what she would like to do when she retired. She joined Black Swamp Quilters in 2005. Other quilt guilds to which she belongs are: Ohio Star, Stitchin' Time, and Stepping Stone Quilters.

- You may be surprised to know that Bev went skydiving at age 65.

### **Looking Ahead – Upcoming Events - 2014**

>January 17-19, 2014. Sauder Village Quilter's Winter Retreat, \$130 per person, must pre-register. 800-590-9755.

[www.saudervillage.org/Shopping/quiltshop.asp](http://www.saudervillage.org/Shopping/quiltshop.asp)

>February 15-March 26. Quilt 2014. Lake Metroparks Farmpark, 8800 Euclid-Chardon Rd., Kirtland, OH. [www.lakemetroparks.com](http://www.lakemetroparks.com)

### **A Different Version of "Twas the Night Before Christmas"**

*(Submitted by Pat Essex who got it in her email and said it fits her situation to a tee.)*

Twas the night before Christmas, I'm glued to the tree.

I'm wondering what Santa brought just for me.  
Could it be fat quarters or a pattern or lace?  
Or a quilt kit, I said, with a smile on my face.  
And that's when I heard him.

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"Hi Santa," I said

"You know...good little girls should be in their beds."

"I know I should, Santa, and now I've been caught.  
But I was just so excited to see what you brought."

"Well, let's take a look in this room where you work."

He shook his head quickly, and left with a jerk.

I heard him exclaim as he put it in gear.

"You've got enough stuff, I'll see you next year!"

Janet Dyer (Peninsula Piecemakers Quilt Guild,  
Newport News VA)