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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.  
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## FEBRUARY 2012

### Correction from the Editor

In the January Newsletter I misinterpreted some information I received and stated that the Harvest Quilters Retreat at Sauder Heritage Inn was sponsored by the Black Swamp. The carpooling to the Vikki Pignatelli lecture and classes is being sponsored by the Black Swamp, not the retreat. I am very sorry for the error.

### Next Meeting: Thursday, February 9

4 Corners. There will be someone giving a demonstration in all four corners of the meeting room. Don't forget to bring a plaid and/or stripe fat quarter. The fat quarters will be bundled into groups of six and each person will receive a ticket for each one they bring. A drawing will be held for each bundle of six.

### 2012 Program Agenda

Mar 8: Pot Luck & Garage Sale

Apr 12: Guild Birthday Party and 2012 Challenge  
Reveal

May 8: 2-1/2 Inch Square Program

### Mini Groups

St. V's Palliative Care Quilt Group – February 17 from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the BG Church of the Nazarene, 15341 Gorrill Road.

Daytime – The daytime group will meet Monday, Feb. 13, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Betty Jefferis'.

Fabric Art Group – February 15 at Grounds for Thought, 7 p.m.

Bowling Green Community Quilters – BG Parks and Recreation Dept. Feb. 23 at the Scout Bldg. at the BG City Park (near Conneaut Ave. and N. Maple St.) from 7:00 – 9:30 p.m. A \$20.00 fee per family, per year, helps pay for rental of the meeting space. The group will be working on binding of quilts, borders and a sampler quilt designed by Joan Jaffray on The Electric Quilt 6 or 7. Contact Barb Lemon 419-308-7184

### Donation Quilts

At the January meeting sixteen quilts were donated. Four CRC baby quilts, one CRC youth, five for the Cocoon, and six for St. V's.

### International Quilt Festival

Gretchen Schultz reports that there is still room on the bus for the April 13-14 trip to Cincinnati. If you are interested in going call 419-340-1746 or email [schultz6@aol.com](mailto:schultz6@aol.com).

### A Reminder

At last month's meeting Joan Jaffray asked us to bring empty toilet paper rolls to the February meeting. The Wood County Park Dist. needs them for children's crafts.

### From Dale Burnett

Christine Scarlett (419-893-4318 or [nine4life@juno.com](mailto:nine4life@juno.com)) is the contact person for Heartbeat of Toledo. They are in need of crib quilts (36x40) to give to new mothers who have nothing.

### Grand Lake One Stop Shop Hop

Cozy Cabin Quilts is hosting the Grand Lake One Stop Shop Hop in Lima, Ohio on March 23 and 24. There are 20 quilt shops participating in the event this year. For more information [www.cozycabinquilts.com/pages2012-Grand-Lake-One-Stop-Shop-Hop-.html](http://www.cozycabinquilts.com/pages2012-Grand-Lake-One-Stop-Shop-Hop-.html)

### Ami Simms

On March 15, 2012, Ami Simms will present "How NOT to Make a Prizewinning Quilt" at the Gathering of Quilters meeting. Doors open at 6 p.m. The meeting will be at the Elks Club, 3520 Holland-Sylvania (between Central and Sylvania) in Sylvania. \$10 guest fee. <http://GatheringofQuilters.org> (do not use www)

### Sunset Retirement Communities

First annual quilt exhibit "Thread to Thread" will be Saturday, February 18, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Sunset House on Indian Road. (see January minutes)

### FREE Quilt Magazines

FREE online quilt magazine. [www.quiltposium.com](http://www.quiltposium.com)  
Free online magazines from Australia.  
[www.creativelivingmedia.com.au](http://www.creativelivingmedia.com.au)

### NQA

The NQA Quilt Show will be June 14-16 in Columbus. Be aware of the following deadlines.  
--**April 30, 2012** – Deadline to enter the show  
--**May 19, 2012** – Deadline for your donation quilt to arrive for the Little Quilt Auction  
--**May 26, 2012** – Deadline to pre-register for the Quilt Show or sign up for classes  
<http://nqaquilts.org/2012show>

### Sauder Village 36<sup>th</sup> Annual Quilt Show

If you are planning to enter a quilt in Sauder's annual quilt show, April 9 at 4:00 p.m. is the deadline for receipt of the registration form—or until limit is reached due to space considerations. Registration can be done online or the form can be printed out and mailed.  
[www.saudervillage.org/creativity/quilt](http://www.saudervillage.org/creativity/quilt)

### VacationFun

For snow birds in Florida or heading that way you might enjoy the following shows:  
February 3-4 – Port St. Lucie Crazy Quilters  
[www.pslcrazyquilters.com](http://www.pslcrazyquilters.com)  
February 17-18 – Chautauqua Quilters Guild  
DeFuniak Springs, FL

### Website

You can access the website in two ways:  
<http://blackswampquilters.org>  
<http://blackswampquiltguild.tripod.com>  
Please note that with either one you don't enter www.

### Buttons

If you have a lot of buttons and can't figure out what to do with them you might get some ideas from a quilt named "I Dropped the Button Box." This site also has a number of other crazy quilts.  
<http://inaminuteago.com/buttonquilt/buttonbox21.html>

## HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY



### Meet the Member: Marilyn Welling



I grew up in Luckey, Ohio, graduated from Eastwood in 1971, and married my soul-mate, Keith, when I was 20 years old. We purchased a house in Woodville and lived there for 27 years and then moved to the Welling family farm outside Gibsonburg in 2000, being the 4<sup>th</sup> generation to own the property. We have two wonderful sons, David and Michael. David lives in Toledo with his soul-mate Patty and Mike lives in Woodville. No grandchildren...yet!

Growing up I was a Girl Scout and a member of 4-H where I made the traditional tea towel and apron. In high school I took Home Ec and learned about sewing. I made a lot of my clothes in high school but had one problem. I loved the pattern. I loved the fabric. But when I put the two together they were awful. I lost a lot of confidence in myself at this time so I started buying store-bought clothes.

Fast forward to 1996. My in-laws were celebrating their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary and I wanted to make a quilt for them. I called my big sis, Janette Willman, and proceeded to put a quilt together. It was a big hit and it was my first quilt. Having made one quilt I wanted more and my second was an English paper piecing wall hanging. I was hooked!

I continued to make traditional quilts but at some point came to the conclusion I didn't want to make something others have made; I wanted to make my own designs. My confidence returned after 30 years and I am now creating one-of-a-kind quilt artwork.

Black Swamp Quilt Guild is the best! I have received so much from this group...friendship, encouragement, suggestions, encouragement, confidence, encouragement, and FUN! Thank you all.