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Guild meetings are the 2nd Thursday the month at the Bowling Green Parks and Recreation Building at 1291 Conneaut St., Bowling Green, Ohio. Doors open at 6:00 p.m. The December meeting is a brunch at the Bowling Green Country Club.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear BSQG Members

Beth Sanders of the Pemberville Fair Quilt Committee asked for members of BSQG to sit at the welcoming table during the Fair August 16-19. She can be contacted at quiltmaker@aol.com

Some of the organizations that we donate quilts to have a supply and do not want any at this time. Those that need quilts are:

Veterans Hospital in Cincinnati – twin or adult size lap. Please NO MORE TOPS, they have three people quilting to keep up. If you want to donate and not quilt they can be tied. Shari is willing to have a demo before a meeting if you need help in learning to tie a quilt properly.

Mercy St. V's Pediatric Palliative needs baby, crib, and children size throws. Adult throws are needed for pregnant women who require long term hospitalization or have lost a child.

How are you doing making your Hatchet Block quilt? I have enjoyed making something so bright. It will be interesting to see the interpretation of the block and also the settings. So, do not just be an observer, be a participant. There is still time to make the baby quilt as it is an easy pattern and a small size to quilt on a domestic machine, even if it is straight lines.

Project #2 Color Explosion. Do not be afraid to try making the block, even if your placement of colors does not please you when finished. It was not time wasted as you learned from doing.

Don't complain about the weather on hot or rainy days. Turn the lemons into lemonade by doing some quilting on those days and really feel good about accomplishing something.

Happy quilting.

Ruth

Day Quilting

Day quilting will be at the home of Pat Ford in Luckey, July 10 and at Margaret Kaatz' in Maumee on August 14.

July Program – Garage Sale

Kathy Haver has these reminders about the garage sale:

Sale items should be quilting/sewing related.

Items should be marked clearly with your name and the price and be in good condition.

Summer Reads

If you are looking for something good to read while sitting on the porch, patio, or deck, don't forget the two books that the library purchased with the money the Black Swamp Quilters donated.

“Modern Triangle Quilts”

“Stripe Quilts Made Modern”

Carol Ballard also suggested some other books you might like to check out.

“S is for Scraps: 18 Great Quilts” by Gayle Bong

“Patchwork-Play Quilts: Make the Most of Scraps, Spare Parts, and Leftovers” by Roddy Brown

“Spotlight on Scraps: 10 Pretty Quilts” by Cyndi Walker

“Crazy for Scraps: 19 Favorite Quilts” by Sally Schneider

Carol also suggested books by Lori Kennedy about free motion quilting. If anyone in our group has a copy of her books, Carol would like to see them. Also she included a quote from one of the Kennedy books, “A quilt without personality is just a blanket!” Kennedy believes “we all have our own style, imperfections included, and we should not try to copy other's styles.”

Sound System

A big thank you goes to Bob Willman and Cindy Huffman for their diligence in working with our present sound system. They got it working again as it should. The only SQUEAKKKKK was when I laid the microphone down on the table without turning it off. So with a special committee to take charge of setting up and taking down at each meeting, we should enjoy hearing without any static. We now have a line mic, 2 portable mics (so each runner only has to run around half the room), and a clip on mic. The clip on makes it easier for the program presenter to have free hands. The members and I appreciate what you have done for the Guild.

Ruth