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President's Message

Are these winter days making you depressed? Just go to your stash and pull out your bright oranges, canary yellows, lime greens and hot pinks and look at them. Even if you do not have a project in mind to use them just lay them out in your work area. Every time you look at them you will feel better. There is something about those vibrant colors just lifts your spirits.

I am working on a charity quilt that is a strong green and hot pink. It makes me think of green grass and tulips. It really is enjoyable going to the sewing room and seeing those colors. I do not work on it as much as I should or I will not have the top done by the March work day so I can layer it on the big tables.

May all of you be making more progress with your quilting projects than I am.

Ruth

Program, Thursday, February 11th

Join us as member Barb Wilhelm shares the fabric and highlights from her trip to Bali.

Mission Statement.

The purpose of this organization is to promote the development of quilting in our community and to educate interested persons in all aspects of quilting

2015 String Quilt Challenge

Thank you to everyone who participated. Members contributed over 2100 blocks, and over 60 quilt tops and finished quilts were completed. Joyce Dauer was the top contributor.

2016 Challenge--Pantone Colors/Modern Quilt

The Challenge committee members are Denise Domanski, Cindy Huffman, and Karen Glassford. The challenge is to use at least three of the 2016 Pantone Colors of the Year, and construct a Modern style quilt. Color swatches and complete guidelines were passed out at the December meeting, and The Busy Thimble has the fabrics available for purchase. See committee members for info. Challenge quilts will be displayed at the April meeting.

2016 Membership Dues

Dues for 2016 will be \$20, please make checks out to Black Swamp Quilt Guild. They can be paid at the meeting, or mailed to Treasurer Barb Wilhelm.

Meeting Times

The Simpson Building is opened for our use at 6 p.m. We must be out of the building by 10 p.m. Members and guests are welcome to come before the meeting officially starts at 7 p.m., and to stay after the meeting to socialize. Please remember to pick up your items from the "Free" table if no one else takes them home. Items not retrieved will be disposed of.

Bowling Green Art Walk Quilt Show

We will be participating in the Art Walk Quilt Show on April 23rd. A committee has made a quilt that will be raffled off by The Busy Thimble, with proceeds to go towards flowers for downtown Bowling Green. This show is a wonderful way for our guild to showcase our talents, and the space and advertising is provided by The Busy Thimble. Remember to save your special quilts for this show. (You will still be able to enter them in Sauder's, it is the following week.

Mini Groups, Everyone is Welcome!

Art Quilts, Coffee and Quilt Chat

Wednesday after regular meeting, @ Grounds for Thought, 7:00-9:00. (This is a change from Tuesdays.) Join us for sharing, help and advice on quilt issues, and general quilting questions. Contact Denise Beck for info. **Feb.17th, March 16th, 2016**

Charity Quilters/St. V's

Third Friday of the month, @ Karen Glassford's, 9:30-4:00. Bring a project to work on, donation fabric and batting is available. Bring your own lunch. **February 19, March 18th, 2016**

Daytime Mini Group

Usually meets monthly at a selected members house, announced at meeting. Contact Alta Codding for info. February—Mary Seltzer's

Bowling Green Community Quilters

Please contact Barb Lemon if interested. (Very small group, beginning level, including students & adults, with sewing time.)

2016 Calendar

February 11, 2016

Regular meeting, Thursday, 6-10 pm Barb Wilhelm, Bali Fabrics

March 10, 2016

Potluck, Thursday, 6-10 pm UFO Quilts

March 19, 2016

Work Day, Saturday, 9-4 BG Community Center. Bring your own lunch, or plan to order out. Donation fabric and batting will be available for charity quilts.

April 14, 2016

Regular meeting, Thursday, 6-10 pm Challenge--Pantone Colors, Modern Quilt, 28th Guild Birthday party, cake and beverages

April 23, 2016 Bowling Green Art Walk Quilt Show

April 25, 2016

Sauder Village Quilt Show

May 13-14

Friday, 6-10, Special Speaker "Singing Quilter" Cathy Miller Saturday, workshop at Community Center

June 9, 2016

Regular meeting, Thursday, 6-10

July 14, 2016 Regular Meeting, Thursday, 6-10 pm

August 4, 2016 Quilt Day at the Wood County Fair, Thursday, 12-9 pm

August 11, 2016

Thursday, 6-10 pm Susan Edwards, Indian Hatchet Quilts

September 8, 2016

Regular Meeting, Thursday, 6-10 pm

September 17, 2016 Work Day, Saturday, 9-4, BG Community Center

October 13, 2016

Regular meeting, Thursday, 6-10 pm Garage Sale & Four Corners

October ?

Retreat

November 10, 2016 Regular meeting, Thursday, 6-10pm

December 10, 2016

Quilt Brunch, Saturday, 10-12 am Bowling Green Country Club