



May 2018

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

MISSION STATEMENT

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

President's Message

Hi Quilters!

What a party we had! Our April birthday party was over the top! Marilyn and her committee supplied delicious cupcakes, the retreat committee displayed the challenge pieces and awarded prizes, and Sheila livened up the evening with her party games and activities, complete with prizes. All had a great time! When you see these members please thank them for their hard work. It is great to have willing volunteers who follow through with their responsibilities. Thank you all so much!



Spring has arrived – I think. With the nice weather, it is a good time to be active. Perhaps a visit to your favorite quilt shop – or even one you have never visited, or at least not for a long time. I enjoy picking up ideas for new projects, (I do need to finish the ones I already have) and looking at the new fabric lines, (I already have enough fabric as it is). Sometimes a fabric calls out my name and I need to have at least a fat quarter or a yard or more, just in case I would ever need *that* particular piece for a project).

I would like to remind you of the opportunity to sew at my home on the second Monday of each month. We no longer sew in the basement, so it is much easier to bring in your sewing equipment. We begin at 9:30 and sew until whenever. I have fabric, backing, and batting available to use for donation quilts if you care to use it.

I hope to see all of you FRIDAY, MAY 11, at 7:00 PM for our program featuring guest speaker DEBBIE GRIFKA, who will be presenting the lecture *Lines by Design*. There will be no regular meeting this month. Don't miss this wonderful opportunity provided by the guild.

Piecefully yours,

Shari

2018 Calendar

<i>Date</i>	<i>Event</i>
May 1-6	Sauder Quilt Show
*May 11 - Friday	Special Quilt Speaker (instead of regular meeting) – Debbie Grifka
*May 12 - Saturday	“Lines To Design” – Class by Debbie Grifka; Simpson Bldg., BG
June 14	Regular Meeting – BGSU Prof: Stories & Subtexts in Material (Fabric) -Culture Mystery Quilt Introduced
July 12	Regular Meeting – Virtual Bus Trip to Missouri, Iowa, and Nebraska
August 9	Regular Meeting – Nancy Frederick: Press To The Dark Side -Special Quilting SOS Show and Tell
September 13	Regular Meeting – Cathy Frick: Organizing Your Sewing Space; Sunflower Quilts Vends
September 22	Workday at BG Community Center
October 11	Regular Meeting – Quilting/Shopping Outside the Box and Auction
October 18-21	Quilt Retreat - Lima
November 8	Regular Meeting – Carol Hicks: My Millefiore Experience
December 8	Christmas Brunch at BG Country Club

Our Next Meeting

The Black Swamp Quilt Guild is excited to be hosting Debbie Grifka who will be presenting the lecture *“Lines by Design”* on Friday May 11, 7:00 pm at the Simpson Building in Bowling Green (this will replace our regular May meeting). Debbie is the past president of the Ann Arbor Modern Quilt Guild and has authored the book *Lines by Design*. The quilts she will be sharing focus on the graphic impact of the lines in quilt designs. Do not miss Debbie’s workshop on Saturday, May 12. If you are interested in learning more about the workshop and how to sign up, please contact Cheryl Darr.

Art Walk, April 28th in Bowling Green

A big thank you to the Art Walk Committee - Calista Jo Grogan, Mary Lee Grabowski, Carol Hicks and Elizabeth Wood (Co-chair) from Carol Ballard. We had 86 items of various sizes on display as well as the beautiful log cabin quilt made by Carol Hicks for the raffle. We had over 300 visitors to our display!

In addition, a big thank you to the volunteers from our guild who helped fill the "work as needed" spots. All of us working together made the day go smoothly☺. Enjoy a few photos featuring this event.



Donated Fabric

Special thanks to Carol Hicks, Janette Willman, and friends for putting together the wonderful quilt kits from the donated fabric the guild received from Electric Quilt Company. It will be exciting to see all of the fabric made into charity quilts in the months to come!

Attention all Orphan Block Owners

Jacquie Sharrer & the quilt retreat committee are collecting orphan blocks! Every month up until our retreat in October, she is asking members if they have orphan blocks to bring them to our guild meetings or give to a committee member. They can be any size, pattern or color. More details will be coming.

Black Swamp Retreat

The "Falling for Piecing" retreat planning committee is busy planning an exciting event for us! It will be held October 18th – 21st at the Howard Johnson Hotel, 1920 Roschman Ave. in Lima. The retreat form and information is posted on our website. (Please make all checks payable to the Black Swamp Quilters).

Groups - Everyone is Welcome!

***Art Quilts, Coffee and Quilt Chat**

Wednesday after regular meeting, @ Grounds for Thought, 7:00-9:00.
Join us for sharing, help and advice on quilt issues, and general quilting questions.
Contact Denise Beck for information.

***Daytime Mini Group**

May 14 – Mary Selzer 6211 Five Points Rd., Perrysburg
June 11- Betty Jefferis – 26336 East Wexford Dr., Perrysburg
July 16 – Margaret Kaatz – 4266 Waterbend Dr. West, Maumee
Contact Alta Codding for more information.

***Findlay Charity Quilters**

Second Monday of the month, at Shari Wiseman's, 9:30-4:00. Bring a project to work on; donation fabric, batting and backing are available. Bring your own lunch, call before coming. Contact Shari Wiseman for information.

