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The guild meets each 2nd Thursday at the Bowling Green Parks & Recreation Building at 1291 Conneaut St, Bowling Green, OH. Doors open at 6 pm. The December meeting is a brunch at the Bowling Green Country Club.

November 2016

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.

Winter Weather Cancellations

If Bowling Green City schools are cancelled because of snow, our meeting is cancelled. Please check any of the local news stations websites for this info, on the morning of our meeting.

President's Message

The October meeting was packed with activity. Your response to placing the glass pieces in the Mosaic Blocks was wonderful. The Wood County block was completed with the assistance of 25 members and the 4 stars were all completed except some of the border. We are all kids at heart and enjoy such activity.

Karen Glassford checked with the Cancer Society to find how much was paid in the raffle for Joanne Kesson's quilt which was donated . They told her it was about \$160.00

The Four Corners demos were well prepared and members seemed to enjoy learning new techniques and hints for easier sewing.

Garage sale was huge. There was not enough time to really check it all out.

The bees can go back to making honey now that the Quilt Retreat, "I'd Rather BEE Quilting" is over. I did not know there were so many bee products available. We all went home with a plastic bag of goodies including Bee products.

Kathy has a full program for the November. See you there, *Ruth*

November meeting, Thursday, Nov. 10, 2016.

November program is "Back It Up". Easy method of making interesting backs using leftovers from the front or just using your stash.

Also at the meeting will be the 2017 Challenge, and sign up for the brunch. Cost for the brunch is \$11.00, and needs to be paid at the November meeting.

A note about Show and Tell: Charity show and tell will be a quick show of all quilts at once, with no "tell", just "show". If you have a donation quilt you want to "tell" about please save it for personal show and tell and then put it on the donation table.

Round Robin

Just wanted to remind everyone that at the next meeting, Thursday Nov 10th we will get our own round robin back! It will be great fun to see what our quilts look like or will look like after we are done putting the rows together.

We would like to show the guild what the quilts looks like, or the parts that will make up the quilt while we are all at the meeting. Before Charity Quilt Show-and-tell, I will call each group to go up together, and show their quilts one at a time and tell a bit about them as to who did what or the concept you wanted. Each quilter can tell which part they did on each quilt.

After this I hope you will finish your quilts and bring them back for all to see the finished quilt. Let's give ourselves the deadline of the March 2017 Meeting.

It has been a fun sewing adventure. I hope everyone has had a good time working on each other's quilts, **Marsha**

I'd Rather "Bee" Quilting Retreat, Oct 20-23, 2016

We were as busy as bees at the BSQG annual retreat held at Quality Inn in Fremont. The theme this year, I'd Rather BEE Quilting, was quite fun and our attendees began arriving on Thursday, October 20. The Historic Jail tour was awesome, many people took advantage of the cold and went shopping, and many, many projects were finished. And we even had our own personal bee (Rachel Rentz) show up to hand out the challenge awards. Marilyn Welling took people's choice at the challenge, Denise Beck was chosen for best use of the letter B, and Bev McClarren took the prize for best edging. Many door prizes and table favors were given to us and so many members contributed to this retreat. Thank you! Thank you!! Members of the retreat committee include, Joanne Streacker (chair), Sheila Painter, Mary Lee Grabowski, Rachel Rentz, Rita Trumbull and Sandy Lepper. The hotel staff was wonderful, there was a lot of laughter by all the quilters and a great time was had by all. The retreat for 2017 will be held October 19-22, again at the Quality Inn in Fremont.

One Person's Trash is Another One's Treasure

At the retreat, one of the hotel staff came in and asked if we would like her grandmother's "old fabrics." (I was expecting double knits and polyester.) I said we could put them on the free table. When we opened the tote, we found a treasure trove of UFO's, cut out projects, mostly from feedsacks. After some discussion, we thought it would be appropriate to bring these to the November meeting, so those of our members who love old, vintage fabric could see them. There are several cut out, partially done projects including a Grandmother's flower garden, and some washed sugar sacks. The thought is that we can do some sort of Chinese Auction with these, but other ideas are welcome. I have set them in the sun, and repackaged them, so they have aired out a bit. Cindy H

President's String Quilt Challenge 2015

I am thrilled to announce that all of the 2000 string blocks have now been sewn into quilts! I'm sure there were close to 100 quilts, but I have lost count. Many thanks to everyone who made blocks, helped sew them into tops, quilted, and sewed bindings. I will be bringing a bunch of them into the meeting for charity Show N Tell. It's been quite the quilting adventure! **Cindy Huffman**

Mini 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 info. November 16, 2016.

Charity Quilters/St. V's Group

November 18, 2016. 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.

Daytime Mini Group

Contact Alta Codding for details.

Findlay Charity Quilters

Contact Shari Wiseman for dates and information. 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.

Announcements

Our condolences to Marilyn Reiwaldt, on the death of her daughter, Beth, in September.

2016-2017 Calendar

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

December 10 -- Brunch 10:00 am at Bowling Green Country
Club, optional gift (\$10 limit)

January 12 -- UFO

February 9 -- The Storyteller: On Quilting
Professional storyteller Sheila Painter will titillate us with
quilting-themed tales and tidbits.

March 9 -- Annual Potluck at 6:30 and Round Robin reveal



