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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,

An online dictionary defines "retreat" as a place you can go to be alone, to get away from it all. This year's Black Swamp retreat only partially fits that definition. Yes, we got away from the "stuff" we deal with every day, but being alone...hardly. We enjoyed four



days of camaraderie, creativity, conversation, and riotous laughter – and, of course, eating. The only complaint I heard was that there was too much food! The committee did an excellent job, and I hope you will thank them when you see them, if you have not done so already.

Our November meeting is one you definitely will not want to miss. Mary Lee Grabowski will present the items she purchased and the projects she made, using things from "Outside the Box." Since Sheila will not be able to attend the meeting, Kathy Haver has agreed to fill in as auctioneer. We had so much fun with this at the October meeting, and I am thinking Mary Lee and Kathy will be sure to liven things up. Carol Hicks will be giving her presentation on Millefiore Quilts – and I cannot wait to see them. I know they will be beautiful.

A reminder to bring a check for \$15 to pay for the holiday brunch. More information will be provided at the November meeting. I encourage you to attend if possible as we always have a good time.

Piecefully yours,

Shari





<u>2018 Calendar</u>

Date	Event
November 8	Regular Meeting – Carol Hicks: My Millefiore Experience
December 8	Christmas Brunch at BG Country Club

Thank you

Our quilting/shopping outside the box program was a hoot! Thank you all for your bids and enthusiasm! Special thanks to Nancy, Wendy and Diane for the splendid job they all did in shopping, creating fabulous items, and inspiring all of us to quilt outside the box. Thanks also to our auction spotters, scribe and special kudos to our treasurer for working overtime on being cashier! Mary Lee has promised she will present her part at our November meeting and we will have a reprise of creativity and shopping opportunities. – Sheila Painter





Our Next Meeting

Don't miss the November 8 meeting: member Carol Hicks will be presenting "My Millefiore Experience". She joined an internet quilt along in 2015, making a quilt with hexagons done with English paper piecing. Her journey was long but fun and enjoyable. Carol will share with us the experience of doing a quilt along plus many details about the pattern; including English paper piecing.

Ugly Fabric Challenge

Don't forget quilters, time is running out on getting your ugly fabric challenge done! Whatever you are creating with the ugly fabric you traded for in January or March, is due at our January 10, 2019 meeting. Before your holiday obligations overwhelm you, get a jump on finishing this project. We are excited to see the results!



The Black Swamp Quilt retreat was a wonderful success!



Our hats are off the committee who put a lot of time and effort into making this a special experience for all who attended. (Enjoy the photos in this newsletter highlighting the event). We are all excited to hear about plans for 2019!

Help Needed

We need someone(s) to set up the sound system prior to each meeting and then re-pack it after the meeting. Cindy Huffman was very kind to write out very clear directions for assembly. This would be a big help as officers often have many other things to deal with prior to the meeting.

Possible Future Special Speaker for Black Swamp...

Lynn Carson Harris is a prolific quilter who has won national awards and her quilts have been juried in to national quilt shows. She authored "Every Last Piece: 12 Beautiful Design Inspirations Using Scraps, Strings, and Applique," and she presents trunk shows and workshops based upon both traditional and contemporary piecing techniques. You can read more about her and see samples of her work at <u>lynncarsonharris.com</u>. Lynn also has a Facebook page, please take a look at her work and see what you think! More information will be provided at the November meeting.

Holiday Brunch

Mark December 8 on your calendars for the annual holiday brunch at the BG Country Club. The cost is \$15 per member to help cover the meal and facilities. This happy holiday celebration is a favorite event among many members!

Groups - Everyone is Welcome!

*Art Quilts, Coffee and Quilt Chat

Wednesday after regular meeting, @ Grounds for Thought, 7:00-9:00. Questions - Contact Denise Beck for information.

*Daytime Mini Group

November meeting will be at Pat Ford's home in Luckey. Pat is not a member of the guild, but you can contact her at 419-833-3171 for more details.









