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The guild meets each 2nd Thursday at the Bowling Green Parks & Recreation Building at 1291 Conneaut Street, Bowling Green, OH. Doors open at 6 pm. The December meeting is a brunch at the B.G. Country Club. NQA #OH478

MARCH, 2013

Next Meeting: Thursday, March 14, 2013

- Pot Luck and Garage Sale starting at 6 p.m. Bring a covered dish, place setting, and drink. It helps if you bring a serving spoon and/or fork if needed for your dish. Bring sewing related items for the garage sale with the price and your name on them.
- The mug rugs will be revealed.

- Sheila Painter will be presenting a ten minute demo on Disappearing Nine Patch variations. The old method from years ago has been updated, and there are many fun variations now. Sheila will show us how we can sew quilts that start out with simple nine patches; they look complicated, but are fast and easy! You'll see quilts made with these methods, and lots of samples! Handouts will be provided.

- Fat quarter raffle will be BRIGHTS and you will receive a raffle ticket for each one you bring.

April 11: Celebration of the Black Swamp Guild's Silver Anniversary. The 2013 Challenge is due. Bring your challenge in a brown bag. The challenge does not have very many rules this year. It should not be any more than 106 inches around and can be any shape. In honor of our anniversary, silver should somehow be incorporated—fabric, thread, embellishments. Refreshments will be served.

- Wrap up your mug rug for a "birthday gift exchange."

- The fat quarter raffle will be "small repeat designs."

Mini Groups

St. V's Palliative Care Quilt Group – March 15, 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m at the BG Church of the Nazarene, 15341 Gorrill Road.

Fabric Art Group – Wednesday after guild meeting at Grounds for Thought, 7 p.m.

Daytime Quilting – March 11, 10 – 3, at the home of Betty Jefferis, 26336 E Wexford, Perrysburg.

Bowling Green Community Quilters – March 28 from 7:00 to 9:30 p.m. at the Scout Building in the Bowling Green City Park on Conneaut Ave. near N. Maple. Anyone (youth or adult) interested in learning to sew or quilt is welcome. Each meeting includes a lesson and time to work on projects. For more information call Barb Lemon, 419-353-3647.

National Quilt Day – March 16

- National Quilt Day will be celebrated with a work day at the BG Community Center. The hours are 9 to 4. Bring your sewing machine and supplies to work on your own projects or create a quilt for donation. Lunch will be ordered to be delivered.

Donation Quilts

- During January and February 41 quilts were donated. St. V's got 15, Cocoon 5, CRC baby 15, CRC youth 2, and four for veterans.

Patsy Thompson Program and Workshop

- Patsy will present a program on June 14 at 7:00.

This is a Friday. She is an excellent machine quilter and teacher. The meeting will be at the **Church of the Nazarene, 15341 Gorrill Road. Go west on Conneaut Street. This is a change in location.** The charge for nonmembers will be \$5.00. There will be no business meeting or fat quarter raffle. We will have show-n-tell.

- On Saturday, June 15, Patsy will have a workshop. This will be at the First Christian Church, Poe and Haskins, 9:30 to 4:30. You must have pre-registered to attend and there is a fee. Bring a packed lunch, sewing supplies, machine, and extension cords for a four to six hour class. There is a limit of 24 and Black Swamp members have **priority.**

Meet the Member: Wendy Jenkins



- Wendy was born in Wimbledon England. She was raised on a houseboat on the River Medway. She has lived in the same house in Bowling Green for the past 29 years. It is now an empty nest, which she loves. Wendy says she has loved being married to the same wonderful man for 37 years. They have three grown sons, one grandson, a daughter-in-law, two grand foster kids, and a grand baby due in August.

- Red and green combo was her favorite for quilts for a long time—she rarely uses white. The pattern she has used the most is “3 x 6 x 9 x 12” blocks. Something unique about Wendy’s quilting is that she says that for the life of her she can’t follow a pattern.

- Some of the Black Swamp members may not know that Wendy was trained as a midwife, way back in the late 60s.

- She says that she is very thankful for the wonderful friends she has made since quilting took over her life—sharing joys and sorrow, successes, and just everyday life is a blessing. Some of Wendy’s other hobbies and activities are knitting, reading, crossword puzzles, and walking. You can always find banana pepper rings in her refrigerator.

Quilts to Sauders

- The Sunflower Quilt Shop, 6600 Sylvania Ave, Sylvania, will take quilts to Sauders. Drop off April 25-27 during regular business hours. Cost is four dollars for the first quilt and two dollars for each additional quilt. Phone number 419-885-4438.

577 Foundation Fiber Art Show

- The deadline for entry for the 577 Foundation fiber show is April 8. The show will be June 8 and 9. Winners will receive cash prizes, a solo exhibit in 2014, and can participate in a June show at Angelwood Gallery in Grand Rapids, OH.

www.fiber577.com

Alzheimers Project

- In January we all got information about a project that would be due in January 2014. We were asked to make a small quilt for the Aimee Sims’ Alzheimers Art Quilt Initiative. Since then we have found out that Aimee will be discontinuing the Initiative on December 31, 2013. Consequently everyone is being asked to make their blocks for the May meeting. Since this is the 25th anniversary of the Black Swamp Quilt Group we are also being asked to include something silver. These will be displayed at the Kaleidoscope Quilt Show and then will be donated to the Initiative to be sold or auctioned to fund Alzheimers research.

Modern Quilts

- There is a new group, Maumee Modern Quilt Guild, meeting at the Quilt Foundry in Maumee. You can find information on Facebook.

www.facebook.com/MaumeeModernQuiltGuild

Looking Ahead – Upcoming Events 2013

March 13-16 – AQS Quilt Show, Lancaster County (PA) Convention Center.

April 24 – 27 – AQS Quilt Show at Paducah.

Details at: www.AmericanQuilter.com

April 30 – May 5 – Annual Quilt Show at Sauder Village.

www.saudervillage.org/creativity/quilt_show.asp

June 27 – June 29 – 44th NQA Quilt Show, Columbus, OH

July 19 – 20 – Kaleidoscope of Quilts XVI Exhibition Center at Sylvania Tam-O-Shanter

www.gcqc.org

July 29 – August 5 – Wood County Fair

August 14-17 – AQS Quilt Show in Grand Rapids, Michigan.

September 6-8 – Black Swamp Arts Festival

October 11-13 – Black Swamp Quilt Guild retreat, “Bling It On.” The Pines in Fremont.