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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 p.m. The December

meeting is a brunch at the Bowling Green Country Club.

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President's Message

Welcome to 2015! Our executive board has a full slate of quilting goodies scheduled for this year! Giant thanks to our program committee who have devoted many evenings to planning our speakers and meetings for the new vear. If you are interested in serving on a committee, we will be passing a sign up around at the January meeting. Have you been making string blocks for the President's Challenge? Ianuary's colors are blue and white. February's are pink and purple. Are you low on scraps? I will be bringing in some prepackaged "block kits" each month. Blocks should be 8" unfinished. Stay warm, make a quilt, and may your seam ripper gather dust! Cindy

100 Things Every Quilter Should Do Before She Dies

- 24. Visit a quilt museum.
- 25. Go on a quilt retreat.
- 26. Try curved piecing.
- 27. Miter the borders.
- 28. Learn to do a blanket stitch by hand.
- 29. See a local quilt show.
- 30. Enter a local quilt show.
- 31. Sell raffle tickets on a quilt.

Program, Thursday January 8th

Sheila Painter presents "Orphan Blocks Need Love, Too" Showing quilts that use blocks not utilized in the quilt they were made for. Please bring projects made from leftover or oddball quilt blocks.

Guild Calendar for 2015

February 12 – Sharon Mareska, Quilt Judging March 11 – Brown bag UFO reveal, and new UFO exchange

March 21 – Work Day, Saturday, 9-4 BG Community Center

April 9 – Challenge quilts are due, 27th Guild Birthday party, cake and beverages

April 28 - May 3 - Sauder Village Quilt Show May 15 - Friday, Special Speaker Beth Ferrier

May 16 – Piecing Workshop with Beth Ferrier June 11 – Sharon Pinka, Embroidery Quilts

July 9 – Amy Korn, Doll Quilt Collection August 6 – Quilt Day at the Wood County Fair,

Thursday, 12-9 pm

August 13 – Four Corners, Guild Garage Sale September 10 – Viola Rosa-Moten, The Bible Quilts of Harriet Powers and Nora Ezell September 19 – Work Day, Saturday, 9-4, BG

Community Center October 8 – Pat Essex and Gretchen Schultz, Feed Sacks

October 22-25 – Guild Retreat, Quilters Have Purse-onality

November 12 – Carol Hicks, Hexies and all things 60 degrees

December 12 – Quilt Brunch, Saturday, 10 a.m., Bowling Green Country Club

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 take pick up your items from the "Free" table if no one else takes them home. Items not retrieved will be disposed of.

President's String Quilt Challenge 2015

In honor of my sister, I will be making and donating quilts made from scraps and strings. Karen was diagnosed in October, 2013 and passed away less than four months later, February 10, 2014.

I am challenging everyone in our guild to use their scraps to make string blocks. Each month will be a different theme. Each block should be 8" unfinished. Don't worry too much too about perfect. Please use only 100% cotton.

January – Blue and white (think snow) February – Pink and purple

March – Greens, tans, and brown April – Pastels

May - Boys and Men's (no pinks/flowers)

June – Flowers and butterflies

July - Red, white, and blue

greens

August – Neutrals (white, tan, cream, pastels)

September – Kids' prints or brights October – Autumn colors, fall fabrics November – Animal Prints December – Christmas prints, or reds and

Interested in a Block of the Month?

<u>Craftsy.com</u> has a free block of the month, with patterns and video tutorials. The 2015 quilt is designed by Jinny Beyer.

Tip from QuiltMagazine.com

Make your quilt rod/hanging sleeve from a patchwork of all the fabric used in your quilt. Then, if you need to repair anything on the quilt, top later, you will have a selection of the right fabrics to use.

Mini Groups

Daytime - Contact Alta Codding

St V's – January 16th, 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Karen Glassford's home. See roster for address. Bring your lunch and a project to work on; donation fabric & batting available.

Bowling Green Community Quilters – contact Barb Lemon.

Art Group – Tuesday, January 13th, 7 p.m. at Grounds for Thought. We will be at the Annex table in the front.



March 19 - 21

Thursday - Saturday, 9:00 am - 7:00 pm

Join fellow quilters in hopping from shop to shop for prizes, special sales, a free gift and more...

- Prizes Quilt Cash totaling \$1000.00!
- $\bullet 50.00 value **door prize** at each shop
- Free Fat Quarter pattern at each shop
- Each shop wil have a sample of their pattern on display
- Special sales plus 20% off selected fabrics
- •Bus trips sponsored by Sonflower Quilts, Sew What and The Material Girls.
- Passports only \$5.00 and includes a free gift.

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Sew What! 144 Sycamore Wyandotte, MI 48192 734-281-1344

Sonflower Quilts 6600 Sylvania Ave. Sylvania, OH 43560 419-885-4438

Quilt Foundry 234 W. Wayne St. Maumee, OH 43537 419-893-5703

Threads of Tradition at Sauder Village 22611 State Route 2 Archbold, OH 43502 419-445-9610

Ann Arbor Sewing Center 5235 Jackson Rd Ann Arbor, MI 48103 734-761-3094