



President: Cindy Huffman

Treasurer: Joanne Kessen

Secretary: Diane Giveins

Newsletter: Denise Domanski, Carol Ballard-snail mail

Members-at-large: Deborah Tell, Carol Ballard, Anita Kopp

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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Immediate Past President: Marilyn Riewaldt

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President's Message

The results are in! Diane G was kind enough to read through and tally the surveys our members filled out last month. (Thanks, Diane!) Your favorite part of the meetings – the socialization and friendship. Your least favorite – long business meetings and too much talking between members during meetings. So, somehow I need to figure out how to have more cookies and talking and less business and noise. I'll try to cut down on the non-essential stuff, and every member can help me by sitting quietly through the important business. (Which is why we come to meetings, right?) Of course, if you have an issue that needs the members' attention, you are always welcome to speak to the group.

Lots of interesting ideas on the surveys, plenty to keep us busy this year! Several people expressed interest in learning applique, free-motion quilting, and just basic quilt techniques. We have a lot of very experience quilters, as well as some new, just learning beginners. Hopefully, this year, we can match some of the beginners with some of the talent, and we will all grow as artists.

Spring is just around the corner! See you at the potluck.

Quilt on, Cindy H.

Program, Thursday March 13

Guild Potluck & Challenge

Remember your potluck item, and your place setting, including plate, silverware, and beverage. Also, bring items you would like to sell clearly marked with your name and price you desire. There will be a "Free Table" with items you would just like to share.

The March meeting will begin at 6 p.m.

Applique, anyone?

Are you interested in learning basic applique techniques? Are you an experienced applique artist? We are putting together a basic hand applique class for our members. And, also looking for members who would be willing to help teach others basic applique skills. Once we know the basics, maybe an advanced class? Sign-up sheet will be at the March meeting.

March Workday

Saturday, March 15 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Community Center, corner of Newton Rd and 64. Bring your own lunch, or plan to order out. Donation fabric and batting will be available for charity quilts. Anita Kopp will have sign-up sheets at the March meeting for volunteers and equipment. Diane Giveins has a box of donation scraps available for charity quilts.

[Bowling Green Art Walk](#)

Our guild will be featured in a Quilt Show on April 26th in downtown Bowling Green. Volunteers are needed to demonstrate some aspects of quilting and quilt sitting for Saturday, and to set up on Friday.

Email member Connie Miller at the Busy Thimble with how you would like to volunteer and your time available.

info@busythimble.com

[Book Donation](#)

Carol Ballard would like some input on what books to donate to the Wood County Library. We usually donate some sort of "how to" book, but the autobiography of Nancy Zieman is recently available and is said to be really good. Should we stick to the usual instructional books or add the Zieman autobiography to the collection also?

[Program, April 10](#)

Challenge Reveal & Guild's 26th Birthday - The theme for the quilt challenge this year is SUMMERTIME. The idea is to make a quilted project that represents this theme to you. Whatever the word SUMMERTIME means to you. The rules are very simple: 1. The project must have 3 layers and have quilting. 2. The project must interpret the theme SUMMERTIME. 3. The project can be any shape or size. It could be a traditional quilt, a bag, table runner, hat or wall hanging. Whatever shape is needed to represent SUMMERTIME to you. Any quilting technique may be used. Pieced, applique, art quilt, embellished or not, or three dimensional. Anything goes!

[Mini Groups](#)

Daytime – March 10, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Waterford at Levis Commons, 2nd floor. Roachton Road, west of 25. Hosted by Grace Stinchcomb

St V's – March 21, 9 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 - TBA

[Upcoming Events](#)

Vice President Kelly Jackson and the Programming Committee are working hard to schedule interesting, informative, and inspirational meetings this year. The schedule for individual meetings will be available soon.

OH-MI Shop Hop March 20-22, 2014
Passports \$5, Bus Trip from Quilt Foundry \$65 419-893-5703. Shops include Quilt Foundry, Material Girls, The Quilt Patch, Sew What!, Sonflower Quilts, Threads of Tradition at Sauder Village, and Ann Arbor Sewing Center.

Gathering of Quilters – March 20th at Holland Free Methodist Church, 6605 Angola Rd, Holland. Speaker Kathy Schmidt, From Tradition to Rule Breaker. Doors open at 6:15, meeting at 7 p.m. \$10 for non-members.

Sauder Village Quilt Show – April 29 to May 4, Sauder Village, 22611 State Route 2, Archbold, OH
www.saudervillage.org/Creativty/quilt_show.asp

