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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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V.P. Kelly Jackson

Historian Anne Donald

Immediate Past President: Marilyn Riewaldt

MAY 2014

President's Message

What a busy month we have had! So many of our members have really stepped up to help out. I would like to thank our Hospitality committee, Dale Burnett, Faye Scheurman, Janet DeLong, and Sandy Dallas, for the delicious cake and refreshments for the April meeting. And our challenge committee - Sue Gruber, Ruth Lucius, and Nancy Andrade - what a great challenge! It was wonderful to see so many participants this year.

The Art Walk Quilt Show was a rousing success. Many, many thanks to Connie Miller, Mary Lee Grabowski, and Gretchen Schultz for putting it all together. And Denise D., and John who climbed up on the giant ladders to hang quilts. And a thank you to the many, many, volunteers who helped set up, demonstrate on Saturday, and tear down quickly. We had over 250 visitors and loads of positive comments about the great quilts.

I have heard many positive remarks about how active and fun our guild is... Every one of you deserves the credit! (If I forgot to thank anyone, my sincerest apologies.)

Your president, Cindy H

Attention Members:

Our guild has the use of the Simpson building on meeting nights from 6:00-10:00pm. The building is opened up for our use 15 minutes before this time. The Bowling Green Parks Department has asked that members not arrive before this time. Their offices close at 5:00, and they will not be able to allow anyone to remain in the building between 5:00 and 5:45. Please plan accordingly. Thank you.

Applique for Beginners

Starting with the May meeting, we will have a group for beginning hand applique, meeting at 6:00, before the meetings, in the back area. Supplies will be provided for those who registered.

Program, Thursday May 8th

Four corners demonstrations – featured subjects are Creative Sashing, Creative Borders, Mitered Borders, and Binding.

Christmas in July

Our July meeting will be a brunch at the Bowling Green Country Club, on Saturday, July 19, at 10:00 a.m. Because of the brunch, we will not have a regular Thursday meeting in July.

[“Retreating in the Pines”](#)

The annual Black Swamp Quilters Guild retreat will be held at Our Lady of the Pines Retreat Center in Fremont on October 24, 25 & 26, 2014. This is the time to RELAX, QUILT, & LAUGH with your quilting companions in a beautiful, peaceful location. There is even a meditation labyrinth! The cost is \$165 and includes 6 meals starting with supper Friday night. Almost everyone should be able to have their own sleeping room. The registration forms were emailed in March and again in April. At this point, we have no plans to open the registration to guests as we are so close to filling up. 29 people are signed up to go as of April 25. Contact Joanne Streacker if you have any questions.

[Bowling Green Art Walk](#)

The Quilt Show at the Art Walk was a big success! Thank you to all the members who contributed quilts and time to set up and tear down and man the show. We had great weather and lots of interest. The hit of the show was the Teflon iron cover! I will be getting those in at the shop for sure! Thank you again to all those who helped to make the quilt show a success. I will have pics at the next meeting for the history book. – Connie Miller

[Wood County Historical Center](#)

The Wood County Historical Center & Museum is hosting a brown bag lunch on May 9th, with a lecture by author Suzie Parron, who will speak about her book, *Barn Quilts and the American Quilt Trail Movement*.

[Gathering of Quilters](#)

The guild is hosting Diana Trost, local AQS and NQA winner, at their May meeting Thursday the 15th, at 7:00. Meeting is at the Holland Free Methodist Church, 6605 Angola Rd, Holland, Ohio 43528. Diana was featured in the AQS magazine last issue. Her topic is HOW DOES IT START. Doors open at 6:15.

[Original Creative Festival – Quilt, Sew & Fiber Art Expo](#)

June 12-14, 2014 Cincinnati, Sharonville Convention Center. Nancy Zieman is signing her new book, *Seams Unlikely*. Classes available. Vendor shopping with fabrics, quilt patterns, clothing patterns, arts and crafts, and sew much more. Special quilt exhibit: *The Parkinson's Quilt Project*. \$8 per day, bring a non-perishable food item and receive \$2 off. Call 800-473-9464 for information. Class registration is online at www.originalcreativefestival.com.

[Mini Groups](#)

Daytime – May 12, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Anne Donald's home. See roster for address.

St V's – May 16, 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, May 13, 6:30 p.m. at Grounds for Thought.