



November 2017

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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

Dear BSQG members,

As I am writing this letter, the temperature is 90 degrees. I hope that by the time you read the newsletter we will be having autumn weather. This season really puts us in the mood to get started on a project using autumn colors or if really motivated, start on Christmas projects!

I was watching a demo from Missouri Star Quilters and saw a quilt that looked familiar. I kept trying to figure out the pattern and finally it hit me. It was the Hatchet Block. Just amazing how the setting gives such a different look.

Workday is past and now we look forward to "Paws for Quilting." Sorry Mary Lee, I just could not come up with a design so that I could enter the competition. I hope many of you are more creative than I am with this challenge.

Happy Quilting,

Ruth



2017 Calendar

<i>Date</i>	<i>Event</i>
October 12th	Regular Meeting - Program - Amish Quilt Shop Hop
October 19th – 22nd	Quilt Retreat "Paws for Quilting" - Fremont
November 9th	Regular Meeting – Bobbin, Treadles, Tension and Vintage Machines
December 9th	Christmas Brunch at BG Country Club

Block of the Month Color Challenges

* **Block of the Month Color Challenge:** Using the same 12.5 x 12.5 (finished) block pattern (the pattern can be found on the website) each month will have a different color challenge. Every month at the guild meeting, a new color(s) will be revealed and the block will be due at the following month's meeting. For October the block is monochromatic – any color! Make your block explode with various shades of a single color. The interpretation of the block, in color, is up to the individual (shading shown on the pattern is only to illustrate the different blocks requires in the final piece) and appliqué blocks may be substituted for any of the block units but the colors MUST follow the challenge made at each meeting. If you have any questions please contact Kathy Haver or Marsha Randles. This program will run through January 2018.

Nominating Committee

Nominating Committee: Barb Henning, Jacquie Sharrer and Dale Burnett announced new Officers that volunteered for 2018-2019. Member at Large Sharon Bishop, Secretary Elizabeth Wood, Vice President Sheila Painter, President Shari Wiseman and Treasurer Barb Wilhelm. Voting will be held at the October meeting.

Quilt Retreat “Paws for Quilting” October 19-22, 2017

All forms and further information can be found on our webpage:

<http://blackswampquiltguild.tripod.com/retreat.html>.

Please note the retreat challenge is listed on the information page, along with several other key pieces of information pertaining to the retreat, including hotel numbers, no personal irons craft/tv, and what is included in price, etc. Please also note that we have so much fun together because all the attendees help with demos, prizes, table favors, etc. A simple check mark or X on the registration lets the committee know what you are doing this year, and you can get together with a friend or two to for these items. The more, the merrier!

This year, the committee asks for a donation to a Sandusky county pet re-homing facility, *Another Chance Sanctuary*. Local vet, Laura Hirt, heads up the operation to give abandoned pets a new home full of love. A list of needed items will be posted closer to retreat time, by the end of the summer. Dr. Hirt and her staff will be picking these items up at Quality Inn during the retreat.

Visit the Facebook page, **Black Swamp Quilters retreat 2017 Paws for Quilting**. To be included on this page, you must belong to Facebook and click the request to join button on the PAWS page, if you are not already part of the group. This is a closed group so your request must be approved. Only members of the retreat and guild members are to be part of this page.

The committee is so excited to be working on another fun year for the guild retreat. We cannot wait to see you "Paws" for quilting! Please contact any committee member for more details.

Joanne Streacker, retreat committee chair

Retreat Committee Members: Sandy Lepper, Rita Trumbull,

Rachel Rentz, Shirley Levin and Mary Lee Grabowski



*Special thanks to the new Quilt Retreat Coordinators Jackie Sharrer, Beth Zitkovic, Renee Ball and Kathy Hassink, starting in 2018.

Facebook Page

Kathy Hassink has been working on developing a Facebook page for the Black Swamp Quilters. To date we have 36 members and lots of fun conversation. This group is private, request to join "Black Swamp Quilters Guild" today! Thank you Kathy for putting our page together.

Mini Groups - Everyone is Welcome!

***Art Quilts, Coffee and Quilt Chat**

Wednesday after regular meeting, @ Grounds for Thought, 7:00-9:00.

Join us for sharing, help and advice on quilt issues, and general quilting questions. Contact Denise Beck for information.

***Charity Quilters/St. V's Group**

Contact Karen Glassford for information

***Daytime Mini Group**

Daytime Quilters will be meeting October 9 at Alta Coddling's home. For more information, contact at 419-353-4058.

***Findlay Charity Quilters**

Contact Shari Wiseman for information. Second Monday of the month, at Shari Wiseman's, 9:30-4:00. Bring a project to work on; donation fabric, batting and backing are available. Bring your own lunch, call before coming.

Just for Fun – Make Someone Smile

It never fails; my longtime friend from Kindergarten faithfully sends me a funny every Friday...like clockwork. I hope some of these silly little jokes makes you smile like I do☺

What does seaweed say when it is stuck at the bottom of the sea? Kelp!!! Kelp!!! I cannot stop laughing at this one☺!

