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The guild meets each 2nd Thursday at the Bowling Green Parks & Recreation Building at 1291 Conneaut St., B.G., OH Doors open at 6 pm. The Dec. meeting is a brunch, Dec. 12th at the B.G. Country Club.
www.blackswampquilters.org **NQA #OH478**

September, 2009



Next Meeting: Thursday, September 10th, 2009 Topic:

Kathy Greene from the Fat Quarter Factory, 'Tradition Meets Modern'. Regular and donation quilts "show and tell".

Door Prize donations are being accepted for the retreat by Charlene Snyder.

Retreat Balance Due by Sept. Mtg.:

The remainder of the payment for the October retreat is \$26 per person. It is due by the September meeting, with a **\$25 late fee for payments received after that time**. Make checks payable to the 'Black Swamp Quilt Guild' and bring to the September 10th meeting or mail to Shari Wiseman, 310 Blue Bonnet Drive, Findlay, OH 45840. Cash is not accepted. As of the Aug. meeting, there were 2 openings left for the retreat.

12 donation quilts were presented by members.

54 Quilts were made by the St. V's Palliative Care group and donated year; St. V's had requested 25!

Please see the 'Mini Groups' section for info on the Sept. meetings for St. V's with Joan Edwards and for the Daytime group with Alta Codding.

'On the Road Quilters' donated 84 quilts to our charities!

Findlay, Ohio was mentioned in the new Sci Fi TV show, 'Defying Gravity', which premiered Sun. Aug. 9th. Astronauts were shown performing experiments suggested by 'Lincoln Elementary School in Findlay, Ohio'. I don't know if there is a Lincoln School in Findlay, but it was very nice to hear Findlay announced on national TV! It was the year 2052!

The Fabric Shack of Waynesboro, OH kindly donated rulers to our guild for our members at the Aug. meeting.

A new and revised BSQG Roster has been issued with this newsletter. Contact melinda@bex.net for an email copy if you are a member and did not receive it; there will be an announcement at the next meeting for those members that are on 'snail mail' regarding the new roster.

BSQG is in the Sept./Oct. issue of **Fons and Porter Magazine!** Look to page 100, 'Sew and Tell', for the Bingo card quilt our guild created, submitted by Marilyn Welling!

August 13th's meeting with Andrea Bishop from the Electric Quilt Co., 'Designing with EQ6', was fun and informative.

RE: Quilt Day at Wood County Fair August 6-The BSQG participation in the fair went very well. Many thanks to all that

came and helped and to Anita Kopp for all her efforts organizing the day.

Work Day – Sat. Sept. 19- Cindy Huffman has volunteered to organize this event. A sign up sheet will be available at the Sept. 10th meeting.

The minutes for the August meeting are posted on the website: www.blackswampquilters.org

Nominating Committee: Kathy Bartley, Chair; Wendy Jenkins, Lorena Schwab. Nominations will be accepted/announced at the Sept. meeting and voting will occur in Oct. for Board positions.

How exciting to get an email from **Justin Shults/Ricky Tims!** Joan Jaffray forwarded this info to us about the upcoming show: **Super Seminar in Olmsted Falls, OH/Ricky Tims, Alex Anderson, Libby Lehman April 29-May 1, 2010.** Our BSQG has been asked to be a 'Promotional Partner' for this event. Shari will discuss this at the next meeting. There are incentives for members who wish to register in groups of 10 or more, and our guild will receive \$100 in gifts for doorprizes if we help to promote the event. www.rickytims.com for more info. **See the BSQG website for a link to the seminar information.**

Errata

I have been listing Shari Wiseman's 'Quilts for Heroes from the Heartland' as 'Quilts of Valor'. My mistake and my apologies. -Diane

Quilt Show Review/Carol Ballard

This past weekend there were two shows going on and I didn't know which one to go to. As it turned out my Michigan daughter and her daughter went to the one in Middleberry, IN and really enjoyed it. It was the second annual show with over 100 quilts and demos.

At the same time my husband and I went to Wellington, OH to the elk farm quilt show. It was fantastic even with the drizzly rain. There were over 400 quilts of all sizes and types. They were hung all over the barns and out buildings, on clothes lines and in the animal stalls which are no longer used because the elk are outside all year long. They served lunch on the premises and even sold frozen elk meat. We also opted for the \$5 each wagon tour which took us to the fields where the elk run free and got to feed them out of our hands. That was their fifth one and the sixth next year is Aug. 14. I highly recommend it!!!!!!

New Quilt/Yarn Shop

<http://www.lambikinshideaway.com/>
Lambikin's Hideaway Yarn and Stitchery (Cont'd next pg)
217 South B Street
Hamilton, OH 45013
513-859-KNIT(5648)

1-866-902-9276

Store is 2 hrs., 55 min. from BSQG meeting location.

Request for info/necktie/t-shirt quilts

Member Elizabeth (Bess) Wood has rec'd a request from Janice Frisch:

I am a graduate student at Indiana University in the Folklore Department and I am currently working on my master's thesis, which is about contemporary uses of clothing in quilts. I am particularly interested in necktie quilts and t-shirt quilts.

If you are willing to be interviewed, please contact me at frischj@indiana.edu.elizabeth

From Sheila Painter: Beautiful, handcrafted fabrics collected by President Obama's mother

are on display at the Textile Museum in Washington, D.C. The late Ann Dunham began purchasing the hand-dyed textiles when she lived in Indonesia in the 1960s, and had an educated eye. She wore them, she fondled them, and she passed them on to her son Barack and daughter Maya. Read more about it and see a slide show of fabric here:

<http://www.npr.org/templates/story/story.php?storyId=111892135&sc=fb&cc=fp>

Tips, Tricks & Misc.

To prevent thread from tangling, run a threaded needle through a sheet of fabric softener before beginning to sew.

Store your glue sticks used for appliqué in the frig; they stay firmer and it makes them easier to use.

When you want to trim the batting, but not the backing on a quilted item, slip the edge of your rotary cutting mat between the backing and batting before you cut. This will prevent you from cutting into the backing fabric.

<http://twocreativestudios.com/newsletter.htm> free projects for shibori silk dying, silk fusion, soy wax batik, Angelina fiber vase and more! (The vase is really neat!)

Hot Patterns.com has 2 free downloads thru Fabric.com:

http://csi.fabric.com/shining_star_vest

http://csi.fabric.com/sumatra_bag First url is a vest, which are all the rage now, and the 2nd is a handbag. Both would look great made out of quilting fabrics, spare blocks, or an old quilt or UFO you may want to cut up! Available only for a few weeks. You can download the patterns from fabric.com as well.

Member Carol Ballard's review of quilt books from the Wood County Library:

Pieced Roman Shades: Turn your favorite quilt patterns into window hangings. By Terrell Sundermann. If you want to use your quilting talents for home decorating this book can give you some ideas. It shows how to construct window treatments while incorporating your quilting into them.

It all Starts With a Square: quilt blocks, understanding values & calculations. By Billie Lauder. This little black & white book has only 40 pages, but shows lots of possibilities with only using squares. In addition to all sorts of quilted articles, it has an easy to make pillow case.

Follow the Dots...to Dazzling Quilts. By Joan Segna and Jayme Crow. If you are crazy for dots of all sizes, you will like this book. Polka dots and mega dots are all included.

Stitch 'n Flip Quilts by Valori Wells. Flowers, shaded triangles, fans, or scenery are all made from strips stitched and flipped without a pattern.

From Member Ruth Lucius:

I met a woman who does Locker Hooking. It is similar to using wool yarn to hook rugs. She uses one inch strips of quilt fabric to make rugs. I volunteered that maybe the Black Swamp Quilters would like a place to donate narrow strips that are left over when cutting out a quilt. I had just thrown away some one and a half inch strips which gave me the idea that she could use them. She only uses good quality fabric as she said the inexpensive fabrics are too soft and do not hold up. She likes cuts 36 inches or longer but can also use cuts from fat quarters for the small squares in her designs. If anyone would like to put their one inch strips to good use instead of the waste basket, bring them to the meetings. *I will collect them until December.*

Free Online Quilting Magazine- BSQG has rec'd an invitation to see the new magazine, 'Quiltposium', debuting Sept. 1st, by registering to download a free copy. This magazine is staffed by numerous quilting celebrities and is 250 pages. Click here to 'discover all the exciting details' <http://www.sewmanyplaces.com/quiltposium.html> Click here to register: <http://www.quiltposium.com/> -Shari Wiseman

Shop Hop- 'The Quilter's Road Show' Oct. 15, 16, 17th.

Passports are \$10 and available at the participating stores: Sonflower Quilts, Sylvania, Black Swamp Quilt Shoppe, Millbury, Corner Quilts, Wauseon, Threads of Tradition, Archbold, The Door Mouse, Betsville, Sew Little Time, Norwalk and Quilts & Kreations, South Amherst.

JoAnn Fabrics has a magazine titled, 'Fashion Fusion'. It highlights the latest in sewing fashions and trends, but the best part is the coupons on the back page. The thin magazine is \$2.99, but there are 8 coupons on the back for 40% off, good until Dec. 26, 2009. I was allowed to use 2 of these coupons and 2 from my flyer at the same purchase. The magazine coupon savings more than paid for the magazine.

Cowboy Quilts are popular now! Thought you would enjoy this 'Cowboy Blessing': May your belly never grumble. May your heart never ache. May your horse never stumble. May your cinch never break. Also, 'To Cowgirl Up' means to stop whining, stop bleeding, and get back on your horse! Wouldn't these be cute on the quilt label?

Toile Museum – Toile translates to 'cloth' in French. The beautiful fabric, usually depicting country scenes and done in one color on an off white background, originated in the 1700's. Irishman Francis Nixon created the first toile in 1752 and his technique spread to England and France. The original printing method involved dipping a block of carved wood into paint, pressing onto fabric and striking with a hammer. Copper plating was invented in the 18th century and the designs were then carved and attached to rollers that repeatedly printed the scenes. The most famous toile is Toile de Jouy, by Christophe-Phillipe Oberkampf, from the village of Jouy-en-Josas near Versailles, France. He began printing toile from his home in 1760 at age 20. Oberkampf's château has been turned into a museum honoring his endeavors. The site is in French, but I was able to find photos of the home:

<http://www.museedelatoiledejouy.fr/infospratiques-multilingues.php#I00002cd8>

View interviews with quilt makers that have made quilts inspired by President Barack Obama:

http://www.allianceforamericanquilts.org/qsos/Obama_qsos.php In a recent speech on healthcare, Mr. President remarked that there will be 'a patchwork of options'. Whatever your politics, a quilting connection nonetheless!

Pretty fabric labels, custom made with your name and date from sweetwaterstreet.com. 800-359-3094

Just a Quilt? by Dalen Keys, a new book for kids, written with imagination into the world of make- believe...with quilts!

Crafted Lives, Stories and Studies of African American Quilters by Patricia A. Turner tells the story of 9 African American quilters, 8 women and one man.

Design and print your own fabric! Web-based business is the newest craze in the fabric world. You can design your own fabric; they will preview it as yardage for you online, and then give you the option of printing the fabric and shipping it to you! Prices range from \$18 to \$32 a yard. www.spoonflower.com

Quilting Arts Magazine, Aug./Sept. 2009 issue: Cover depicts fabric printed by using gelatin as a base for paints and printing designs onto fabric! The fabric is pressed onto the gelatin. The cover designs look like a kaleidoscope. This technique sounds like it would be a lot of fun. I have heard of this gelatin transfer technique before; it was used about 65 years ago, with black typed text, to print restaurant menus!

Join the Quilting Arts Community and download 7 quilted bag patterns for free: www.quiltingarts.com

Quilt blocks painted on barns have now evolved to quilters painting blocks on their garage doors! First block on a garage door has been noted in Dunlap, IA, and there are many more sure to follow!

Green ideas: use selvages to tie plants to stakes in the garden, use leftover batting to cushion ornaments for storage, make pet pillows with scraps to donate to shelters, and save your scraps and donate them to a children's preschool for art projects.

A Cute Idea! -Sheila Painter
<http://marloscrochetcorner.com/Plastic%20Bag%20tote.html>
Look at the url and see the crocheted totebag made from plastic store bags. She shows you how to cut the bags into your ball of 'yarn'! I went to the site after reading about it in Toledo City Paper, bound and determined to learn how to crochet and make one.
I took one look at the directions, realized I was in way over my head, and quit!

Quilts for Home Dec the New Trend: Recent articles in newspapers and magazines are showing quilts everywhere for home dec. Large quilts are hung as wall hangings and quilts are folded or

placed artfully on furniture. I've read that consumers are looking for comfort and this transfers to quilts in family rooms, bedrooms, etc. It's about time the rest of the country caught up with us!

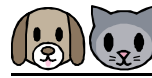
Shutterfly.com/inspire will let you upload digital photos of your quilts and print hard cover books of your work, shipped to your home. The online account will store your photos. Use the photos to print cards, calendars, tote bags and prints as well. Fees vary.

Lost Quilt: Found: A woman that lost her quilt in a tornado in Arkansas on 2/5/08, was able to retrieve it a year later from a quilter that found it and advertised for the owner in Country Living Magazine and a subsequent article by the local newspaper. The quilt was found 3 hours from her home.

Spiral Eye needles: A needle that has an opening on the side, kind of in an 'S' shape, to thread your needle into the 'eye'. This is great for those of us with diminishing eye sight or shaky hands. www.spiralEyeNeedles.com These are different from the needles with the opening in the top to thread.

Quilting Arts Gifts Magazine – Available Sept. 1. Great gift ideas/patterns to get a jump start on your holiday gifts. Last year's issue was great.

Free 'E' Book – download or print it, really is free!
<http://quiltingarts.com/media/p/11227/showcontent.aspx>
It's at the top of the page; the section under it is for a free trial issue of the magazine; watch where you click! Book title is: How to Make a Quilt – 67 Machine Stitching Tips & Motifs (related to free motion quilting, includes 'feathers' and art quilting)



Wood County Humane Society would love donations of bleach and ground cat food! See Sandy Lepper if you can help, or bring to the next meeting for her! -Thank you-

Mini Groups:

Daytime – 2nd Monday of the month 10am-3pm



Sept 14th meeting will be at Pauline Hoerig's home, 858 N. State Rt 587, Fostoria, OH Contact: Alta Codding

Evening – 4th Monday of the month at the Wood

County Library 6:30-8:15 pm
Contact: Sue Gruber

Fabric Art Group – 3rd Friday of the month

Contact: Mary Lee Grabowski



St. V's Palliative Care Quilt Group

Contact: Joan Edwards

St. V's quilt group will meet September 11, 9:30AM-3:30PM at Joan Edwards' home, 1156 Dakota Court, Bowling Green. Soup will be provided for lunch.

Additional info on Mini Groups will be provided at the monthly BSQG meetings

2009 Events/LOOKING AHEAD

American Sewing Expo, Novi, MI, Sept. 25, 26, 27, 2009 at the Rock Financial Showplace. Kaye Woods is teaching this year, and there are many quilting vendors, classes and demos. <http://americansewingexpo.com/> ('Cowgirl Up' – Novi is not that far!) Art Quilt Exhibit by 'Breaking Traditions'

NEW **8th Annual Harvest of Quilts**, by Raintree Quilters' Guild, Sept. 19 to 20th at the Vanderburg 4H Center Auditorium in Evansville, IN 100's of quilts, displays, vendors, silent auction, challenges, 'Treasure Table'. www.raintreequiltersguild.org

Quilting with Machines- Oct 22-24, 2009
<http://www.quiltingwithmachines.com>

The region's premier machine quilting event for classes, vendors and fun!

NEW **Home of the Classics Quilt Show**, Auburn, Indiana Sept. 5 & 6, 2009 <http://spinningspools.fikeworks.com/>

Gathering of Quilters Meetings held at the **Elks Club**, 3520 Holland-Sylvania Road, Sylvania, OH Annual Dues \$20, visitor's fee \$10 -- Note the change in venue
Sept. 17, 2009 Garnett Smalley, Irish Quilts, Potluck dinner
November 19, 2009 Penny Haren, Pieced Appliqué
Jan. 21, 2010 Charity night: cutting Linus quilts, etc.
March 18, 2010 Linda Poole, Turkish Appliqué& Blended Bias
May 20, 2010 Lenore Crawford, Art Quilts, Voting for Challenge,
Installation of new officers www.gatheringofquilters.org

NEW NQA, Columbus, OH June 17-19, 2010, 9 am to 6 pm.
<http://nqaquilts.org/> or call 614-488-8520

BSQG 2009 PROGRAMS

NEW **Workday: September 19th**, Cindy Huffman organizing

October 8th Rita Trumbull and Jenny Morlock 'Quilting Together – Mom & Me' *and* a skit by the

NEW 'Quilting WannaBe's' by Sheila Painter!

NEW **November 12th** Jennifer Morlock will present "4-H Quilters Who Make a Difference"

December 12th (Saturday) Holiday brunch and gift exchange at the BG Country Club (Note: this is on a Saturday!)

The 'Spotlight' on a local quilt shop will continue next month.

A free quilt label to print on fabric sheets in your printer at the top of the next column!



November 1st – end of Daylight Savings Time



A member requested a recipe for a cookie brought to the retreat last year. It was oatmeal with white chips. No one volunteered the recipe, and it's been on my mind, so I found this one and hope it is similar.

Oatmeal White Chippers--Look for confectioners' coating – sometimes called white chocolate, almond bark, or summer coating – with other baking supplies.

1 Cup all-purpose flour

1 teaspoon baking soda

¾ cup margarine *or* butter

½ cup packed brown sugar

½ cup sugar

1 egg

2 ½ cups rolled oats

1 ½ cups coarsely chopped vanilla flavored confectioners' coating

½ cup finely chopped nuts of your choice- almonds used here

In a small mixing bowl stir together flour and soda. Set aside. In a large mixer bowl beat margarine with an electric mixer on medium speed for 30 seconds. Add sugars; beat till fluffy. Add egg, beat well. Add flour mixture, beat till well mixed. Stir in oats, confectioner's coating pieces, and almonds. Drop by rounded tablespoons 3 inches apart onto an ungreased cookie sheet; flatten slightly. Bake in a 375 degree oven for 10 minutes or till done. Cool on cookie sheet for 1 minute; remove and cool on a wire rack. Makes 38 cookies. Nutrition information per cookie: 130 cal., 2 g pro., 16 g carbo., 7 g fat, 18 mg chol., 75 mg sodium.

Happy Fall! See you September 10th at the meeting!