

Black Swamp Quilt Guild Minutes  
May 11, 2023

The meeting was called to order by: Denise Beck.

April minutes were approved with a correction for the retreat to October 19-22, with a motion by Rose Ackerman and seconded by Kim Armstrong Brooks. Motion carried.

The **Treasurer's report** included:

Retreat fund balance of	\$3092.02
Regular fund balance is	\$9500.70
Quilt show fund balance is	<u>\$3669.47</u>
Total of	\$16262.19

The treasurer, Kathy Hassink, had a date with her grandson, so was unavailable. Denise reported the above totals.

**Membership** – 2 new members are Arlene Shock from Tiffin and Cheryl P. from Findlay  
Get to know members: 1) Kim Fletcher from rural BG. It is Jenny Morlock's fault that she is a quilter because she introduced quilting to the 4Hers. She has been quilting 5 years and likes all types of quilting. 2) Jean Overmeyer from Monclova got started when a co-worker asked her to go to a quilt class 32 years ago. Her favorite part is designing and picking fabric. 3 ) Ellie Grabowczyk got started quilting after an aneurysm forced her to retire and she couldn't sit still and do nothing. She took a class and got hooked. She has been quilting since 2007-2008 and likes applique the best.

**Accuquilt cutter Update** – Barb Lemon said there was a difference in price between the 8 inch die cube that was priced in our quote and the 12 inch block we ended up choosing so the cost came out to \$1300 vs. the \$1000 we budgeted. Sooo she will talk to Connie Frank at the Stitchin Post. Connie is trying to get us the most for our money. Denise will talk to the board and see if there is wiggle room in the budget to include all the dies members requested. They will both update us next month.

**Donation Quilts** – CRC is lap quilt size, not bed quilts – Denise will check on all the sizes for all of our charity quilts and update us next month along with who is collecting and delivering them. Rose will take them to CRC this month.

**Quilt Day @ The Fair** – 8/3/23 – Quilt Day will also be senior day to help with cost of entry. Registration for the Fair will be in the Newsletter. They will again have tables set up for those who wish to demonstrate quilting.

**Retreat** – October 19 – 22, 2023 Jacquie Sharrer, \$85 deposit open for members only at this time as there are only 70 spaces available. The challenge is "It's in the Bag", see registration for more information on the challenge. It will again be held at the Howard Johnson's in Lima (1920 Roschman Ave., Lima OH) with rooms \$84.99 per night. Lunches will be provided Friday- Sunday. There will be some quick classes 30 minutes-ish, a snack table, garage sale table, free table, games, etc. and just lots of fun with new and current (not old) quilting friends. If you want a first floor room, request it when you book your room.

**Special Speaker – Alisha Frankfather**

Brian McCoy, the Redneck Quilter will be the special speaker at the Holiday Inn in Bowling Green. **This will be a Friday, September 15th Evening Trunk show** (as our regular meeting that month) **with class on Saturday, September 16.** Storm at Sea was the pattern members picked during last months vote. There will be no cost for the pattern and class, but his rulers must be purchased (3 of them are required for this class/pattern). Registration will be at the June meeting and open to the first 30 members who sign up. Denise suggested we can have a wait list after that.

**Quilt Show 9/20-9/23 Committee Report**

Rose Ackerman introduced the committee members and thanked them for all the work they are doing.

They are Kim Armstrong-Brooks, Lisa Kumfer, Elle Grabarczyk, Barb Lemon, Susan Ramos and Gretchen Schultz; with Wendy Jenkins and Calista Grogan doing the hospitality/food for the workers and vendors; and Sheila Painter doing the raffle baskets. They have 10 vendors so far with 5 being quilt shops. The Wood County Library will have a display of quilt related books and will be the beneficiary of the proceeds from the raffle baskets for more quilt related books. Quilts of Valor and the Needle Arts Guild will be there. And Cindy Huffman will be there displaying her old/antique sewing machines. If you know of other vendors who would be interested in coming or you would like to see, let Rose or the committee know. Barb Lemon is working on insurance for the show. They are also working on a quilt with BGSU and the Ohio Star to raffle off as it is also the BGSU homecoming that week. A sign-up sheet was passed out for people to do demos during the show. 30-45 minutes on your choice of topics. Sheila Painter said they have a new system for the raffle system to save time. They are also doing some non-quilt related baskets, so they will be asking for new or like new other things that could be included.

### **Announcements – Sauder’s Village Quilt Show winners from our guild**

BEST OF SHOW - BEST INNOVATION Jean Overmeyer, “**Pointless**”

SMALL QUILTS: *Appliquéd & Hand Quilted*

1st Place: Susan Ramos “Singing in the Rain”

2nd Place: Susan Ramos “Flowers & Cream”

LARGE QUILTS: APPLIQUED-HAND QUILTED

Hon. Mention: Susan Ramos “Dios Los Cuide”

ART / INNOVATIVE QUILTS

2nd Place: Bettina de Miguel “Angel Fish”

2nd Place: Jean Overmeyer “Pointless”

Hon. Mention: Bettina de Miguel “An Owl & Birch Trees”

SMALL QUILTS: APPLIQUED & MACHINE QUILTED

Hon. Mention: Jean Overmeyer “Taking Flight”

SMALL QUILTS: MIXED TECHNIQUES & MACHINE QUILTED

Hon. Mention: Jennifer Morlock “My Road of Life”

LARGE QUILTS: APPLIQUED-MACHINE QUILTED

3rd Place: Diana Trost “The Night Before Christmas”

LARGE QUILTS: PIECED & HOME SEWING MACHINE QUILTED

2nd Place: Cindy Huffman “Out of the Crayon Box”

MACHINE QUILTING

Hon. Mention: Judy George

Meeting Adjourned

**Program** was a Beach Party with Joan Zimmerman explaining how to make balloon covers to use with kids and seniors to help prevent balloons from popping.

### **Show and Tell**

Respectfully submitted,  
Kathy Jensen