



October 2023

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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.

From the President

Hi Quilters,

September went by so fast. I really enjoyed the workshop that Brian the Redneck Quilter led. I got a few new tips, and the pattern is exciting. I'll be up all night working on mine at the Retreat. I'm putting my projects in my big suitcase, and clothes in my small one. My uniform is joggers, sweaters, Crocs, & socks. What's yours? Speaking of retreat, I'm again frustrated that long-time (and newer) local members were locked out from attending by members that do not live in our area. I've mentioned this before. I still feel that if a member participates, primarily by attending meetings, but also show & tell, helping at a meeting, volunteering on committees, workdays, etc., then they should get priority for Retreat over members that do not. It's not about donating charity quilts or more dues money. It's about being a contributing member of the guild. It's also about getting enough members at meetings to have a quorum to vote on guild business. I'm also disturbed that despite the original attendance cap of 70, seven people will be sharing tables with seven other people, so a total of 77 people will be attending the retreat. We need to have an adult discussion about this issue. I will have an anonymous survey available at the October meeting to collect ideas, with a discussion at the November meeting.

Hanging by a thread,
Denise

BSQ Workday – September 30

If you didn't make it to our workday last week, then you missed out on some good quilting time and fellowship! We had a few new members join in the fun, including one who has not even been to a meeting yet! We had the new Accuquilt Go set up and it was used by Cindy Huffman, who was busy cutting squares that will be available at future meetings—be on the lookout for those!



Meeting – October 12

Perfectly Pink Quilt Studio will be in the house! They will be showing 3 quick and easy lap quilts to put together for quick holiday gifts or decorations for your own home.

Looking For a Good Read?

I am writing to see if my new novel "Scraps" would be of interest to members of your quilt guild. It was inspired by a hope quilt my mother made for my father while he was flying 32 missions in a B-17 bomber over Nazi Germany during WW II. She was pregnant with me at the time. It is now available in print on Amazon or BookBaby Bookshop or can be instantly downloaded as an e-book. It is a work of fiction suitable for anyone except children due to some violence but no bad words or explicit sexual content. I do think it is a good read and somewhat unique with a quilt as the connecting link. I have attached a short summary and picture of the cover which is my dad's quilt.

Thanks for your consideration.

Sincerely, Dr. Ted M. Moore 214 641-4114

Scraps

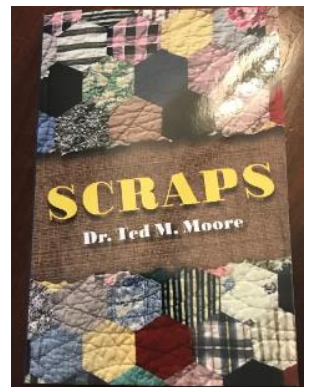
Jake Conner has spent the last three years fighting a war he never really believed in. As he returns to his Arkansas home – his best friend in a makeshift coffin – he wants nothing more than a life removed from the senselessness of war. Fruitful days on his farm with his sons Steven and Glen. Peaceful nights with his wife Sue beneath the quilt she made for him in the hope he would indeed one day return.

But life is neither its happiest moments nor its darkest days. It is a tapestry of scraps, like the quilt itself. And in the years that follow, the owners of that quilt will see life in all its fullness, for better or worse. It will shelter Steven in his final hours. It will comfort an adopted daughter in the aftermath of unspeakable tragedy.

From parent to child, generation to generation, Scraps will witness joy and sorrow, good and evil, and the people who experience it all. It will journey with Glen and Lucy from the remote soil of Arkansas to the burgeoning city of Dallas. It will accompany Rachel and experience wealth and society in Boston. It will travel with Mary and Jeremiah to Chicago and encounter violence and bloodshed.

And when it's needed most, it will find its way home once more to Sue, to say goodbye, before returning north again with her great granddaughter.

Scraps is a journey of love, loss and family spanning the years from the end of the Civil War through WW II.



Thinking About Yesterday

More tidbits from our collection of old crafting newsletters: A Shoofly block, I see, was also called Corn and Beans...where do these names come from?!? There was a reprint of a Kansas City Star pattern from 1930. And a Rainbow Tile quilt, based on Venetian tiles, was made of hexagons. What goes around, comes around, right? A Hearts Desire block was labeled for expert quilt makers only: "This is for the woman who can make the most difficult pattern. Allow for seams, be careful when cutting patterns. Patience and skill are required, otherwise leave this quilt to those who have both." I notice many items in the 1965 newsletter classifieds were selling for ten cents or \$2. Adjusted for inflation, these prices would be \$1 and \$19 today! ~Sheila



Cindy Huffman
Christine Wulff

Happy birthday ladies!

For actual birthdates please see the roster! Also, if you do NOT want your name listed, or just your first name listed, please let Kathy Haver know.

QANA Updates

Hi all,



Just a quick thank you to everyone who entered a quilt, helped with the show, came to the show! It was a really nice time! We got a lot of compliments!

Rose and QANA committee

Raffle Baskets

Thanks to everyone who donated items for our raffle baskets at our quilt show! As I write this, the show hasn't happened yet, but the beautiful baskets are all filled, wrapped and ready for bidding. I'm sure they will attract lots of bidding, and hopefully we can provide funding for the Wood County Library to purchase lots of quilt books for their collection. We will all benefit from the wonderful ideas, inspiration and fun these books will provide us as we check them out in the future!

~Sheila Painter



Vice President's Challenge

In January, Vice President Alisha Frankfather challenged us to get out that ruler or gadget we bought and never used! I hope you have all accepted this challenge and are working on something you must have wanted to try at one time but never got around to doing. These are due at our January 11 meeting. Also, you will need to let us know if you liked the ruler or gadget, or not, and if it was useful. Think about sharing what you learned in a future program to present at a meeting.

BSQ 2023Calendar

Oct 12 Perfectly Pink Quilt Studio
Oct 19-22 BSQ Retreat “We Got It in the Bag”
Nov 9 Electric Quilt Company and President’s 6x9 Challenge Due
Dec Brunch - Date TBA
*Note September 15 is a Friday, special date for Special Speaker

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Jan 11 Vice President’s Challenge Due

Quilt Shows 2023

Oct 7-8 Welcome Home to Quilting Quilt Show at Lake Co Fairgrounds, Crown point, IN
Oct 13-14 Going to Pieces Quilt Show at Ingraham Co Fairgrounds, Main Arena, Mason MI
Oct 14-15 A Gathering of Quilts at Foundation for Youth, 405 Hope Ave, Columbus IN
<https://starquiltersofcolumbus.weebly.com>
Oct 21-22 North Coast Needlers “Autumn Splendor” Quilt Show 21016 Hilliard Blvd, Rocky River OH
www.northcoastneedlers.com
Oct 20-21 Quilters Block Party Quilt Show 69941 Elkhart Rd, Edwardsburg, MI
Oct 27 Logan Piecemakers Quilt Club Trunk Show and Lecture 6:30 pm Logan Co History Center, 521 East Columbus St, Bellefontaine OH
Nov 3-4 Harvest of Quilts Show – Heart of Ohio Quilters Guild, Bryn Du Mansion, Jones Rd, Granville OH

If you know of area quilt shows and events, please send info to kathaver@yahoo.com for the newsletter.

For Sale

Q Snap Floor Frame for Hand Quilting—PVC pipe frame that snaps together in a few minutes. Carrying bag included. 38” x 28”; 31.5” Height \$40.00



Floor Stand Quilting/Embroidery Hoop—Wooden adjustable rotating hoop for hand quilting or embroidery. 24” hoop, adjustable height. Used, great quality frame has not been used in over 25 years. \$40.00



Please see Kathy Haver if interested in either of these frames.

Articles and Information for the Newsletter

If you or your committee would like information in the newsletter, please Use “Newsletter” as the subject send detailed information to Kathy Haver by the 25th of the month for publication. kathaver@yahoo.com