

Quilting Bees Retreat

The plans for the Quilting Bees Retreat were presented at our business meeting on August 8. We're hoping it can be a fun time of sewing and fellowship for many of our members!

Since this is our first time at Barren River Lake State Park, please be patient with us as we try to find the answers to all your questions.

The retreat is confirmed for April 28-May 2, 2025 (4 nights) at Barren River Lake State Resort Park 37 miles SE of Bowling Green (www.parks.ky.com).

Registration will be open for Guild members starting at our business meeting on September 12th with a \$25 nonrefundable fee for 40 quilters. You will need to include your lodging preference when you register as the park would like to have an idea of how many rooms, cottages and villas we anticipate needing. You can pay your deposit with cash, or a check made payable to the Quilting Bees. **If you would like to register but cannot make it to the meeting, please, send an email to susie.gortma@gmail.com. You can send your registration fee by check (payable to the Quilting Bees) to Susie Gortmaker 3216 Palomar Dr Murfreesboro, TN 37129.**

The Guild will pay for the use of the Highland Room for sewing. It is a very large and well-lit room. We can accommodate at least 40 quilters. It is available for sewing from 7am-11pm Monday through Thursday and Friday until 2pm (possibly later if there is no other event scheduled that evening). No outside food is allowed in the Highland Room in the Lodge where we will be sewing.

You can have food in your Lodge Room; however, the rooms do not have refrigerators. Daytime snacks purchased from the park will be included. There is a full-service restaurant in the Lodge.

We will reserve a block of rooms, cottages and villas. We will not book our rooms until we have signed a contract with the park. If you are sharing a room, cottage or villa, one person will call and make the reservation. Then remaining guests can call and add their credit card number to the reservation. You can stay all 4 nights or book your room for fewer nights.

Looking for a roommate? You will be put on a list to match up with someone else who is looking.

I have finally gotten the exact room rates (which are less than I originally quoted).

-Lodge Rooms: \$98.11 per night

2 Queen Beds (Double occupancy would be \$49.05 each)

Or 1 King bed (6 of which are handicap accessible, 2 of which have walk-in shower. The handicap rooms also have a sleeper chair). All lodge rooms have a balcony and are equipped with cable TV, telephone, coffee pot, hair dryer, iron, ironing board and wireless internet access. There is no refrigerator.

-Cottages: \$157.64 per night

2 bedrooms with 2 double beds (4 double beds total) and 2 bathrooms.

(4 occupancy would be \$39.41 each) Each cottage has a living room, kitchen, dining room, outdoor deck. Each cottage is equipped with cooking utensils, linens, outdoor grill, kitchen table/chairs, refrigerator, stove, coffee pot, toaster, microwave, iron, ironing board, hair dryers, telephone, cable TV and central heat and air.

Cottages are within walking distance of the lodge, or you can drive.

-Villas: \$227.09 per night

2 bedrooms with 2 queen beds each (4 queen beds total) and 2 bathrooms,

(4 occupancy would be \$56.77 each) Each villa has an open floor plan with floor to ceiling windows across the living area and a screened porch. There is a living room, full kitchen and dining room. Each villa is equipped with cooking utensils, linens, outdoor grill, refrigerator, microwave, stove, dishwasher, coffee pot, toaster, iron, ironing board, hair dryers, telephone, cable TV and central heat and air. Need to drive from the Villas to the lodge.