



Bay Oaks Newsletter

January 2024

January Business Meeting

The January business meeting was held on Thursday, January 11, 2024, at 1:00 pm at the Kiln Library with 23 members.

BOQG Board for 2024

The new board members held their first business meeting.

President:	Jean G
Vice President:	Ida M
Secretary:	Kay G
Treasurer:	Sharon B
Membership:	Sherrie Q
Newsletter/Webmaster:	Debbie L
Charity Chair:	Louise H

The following members will fill these appointed positions for the 2024 calendar year:

Hospitality:	Judy F
Sew and Draw:	Michele M
UFO Master:	April H
Historian:	Jill W
2025 Quilt Show Director:	Sue C
Opportunity Quilt Designer:	April H

Thank you so much to all those who stepped up to be on the 2024 BOQG Board and appointed positions.

Membership

The Guild has 47 members. Membership dues were taken in at the January Business Meeting. Sherrie Q will continue to take in membership dues.

January Program Meeting

The January Program Meeting will be held at the Kiln Library on January 25th at 1:00 pm. There will be a trunk show by Charlotte T followed by a **Sit-and-Sew**.

Calendar Quilt Instead of Monthly Lotto Block

Ida M as the Guild's new Vice President put forth a motion that instead of making the Monthly Lotto Blocks as in the past, the Guild membership should make a Calendar Quilt. Each month a quilter will make a block that **reflects the month of the Business Meeting**. The block size, pattern, fabric, etc. is chosen by the quilter. The 12-block quilt must be completed for the 2025 Quilt Show. Ida discussed with Sue C to have an area for Viewer's Choice on the Calendar Quilts.

When the Guild did the Monthly Lotto Blocks, one quilter won all the blocks submitted by a drawing. With the Calendar Quilt, quilters who show their completed Calendar Block for that month will be entered into a drawing for a "door prize."

Many members brought in their January Calendar Blocks. Many different ideas!



January Calendar Blocks

Liz F won the "door prize" for January.

Annual Monetary Charity Donation

Quilt show donations were \$352.80 each to the Hancock County Animal Shelter and the Ladies of Liberty of Slidell. In 2024 the same amount will be distributed to qualifying charities. We collected

\$235 at the Christmas party for the Hancock County Food Pantry.

Charity Donation Chairperson

Louise H is the Charity Donation Chairperson to support our Guild. Please see Louise for labels for Charity Quilts. Louise read a thank you note received from the Armed Forces Retirement Home. She currently has 2 completed quilts and one that needs to be quilted for the Home. She also has a lap-sized girl's quilt donated by Sue C. Louise is in the process of looking into a homeless shelter for teen girls in Slidell as a possible outlet for charity quilts.

UFOs (Unfinished Objects)

April H is our UFO master. She distributed a form for the UFO submission list, also previously sent to members via email. The list must be submitted to April by the February Business Meeting. Projects **must** be started to qualify, but guild projects and Sew 'N Draws from 2024 can be added. As members present their Show and Tell quilts/projects, April checks off any quilt/project on the member's UFO list. Members who complete UFO quilts/projects will be entered for a prize in a drawing at the Christmas party.

Hospitality Chairperson

Judy F will continue to be the Hospitality Chairperson. Thank you again Judy!

Quilt Show Director for 2025 Quilt Show

Sue C has graciously volunteered to be our Quilt Show Director for the Guild's 2025 Quilt Show. We must all help Sue to put on our best Quilt Show ever! Sue expressed that all members must enter one quilt into the Quilt Show and volunteer to help in whatever job capacity they can fulfill.

2025 Opportunity Quilt

April H has designed the Opportunity Quilt for the 2025 Quilt Show. April will coordinate construction of the Quilt. All members will be expected to work on the Opportunity Quilt in some capacity. The quilt is queen-sized. April wants to have the quilt finished

by the July 2024 GSQA meeting. We will be able to display the quilt there and sell tickets.



2025 Opportunity Quilt Design

At the Business Meeting, April created teams to break down the work on the Opportunity Quilt. Here are the teams and leaders so far:

1. Corners- Drunkard's Path Magnolia, 14" square.
Kay G
2. Bird blocks- Marsha R
3. Convergence Blocks- April H
4. Tree- Ida M
5. Final Construction- **A future OCD volunteer**
6. Borders- **someone precise who has yet to volunteer**
7. Embroidery and embellishments- Michele M
8. Center Heron- Charlotte T
9. Quilt- **volunteer?**
10. Binding and Hanging Sleeve- **volunteer?**

April will provide a sort of "road map" of the quilt top, sketching it out with block lines drawn in and dimensions.

February Program Meeting

The Program Meeting on February 22nd will be devoted to working on the 2025 Opportunity Quilt. Members will work on portions of the Opportunity Quilt as directed by Chair April H. April will let members know what to bring and have members join teams in order to work on the

Opportunity Quilt.

Sew 'N Draw

Michele M announced that the next Sew 'N Draw will be Saturday, February 17th, in the Kiln Library Meeting Room from 9am - 3pm. The pattern is Shuttered, a freebie from the Fat Quarter Shop, using Mardi Gras colors with a white background. Michele will provide information on how much fabric to bring at the February Business Meeting. It can be Mardi Gras colors or MG fabric. Future Sew 'N Draws will be in May, July, and September.

GSQA Traveling Teacher

Cindy Grisdela will hold a class on Monday, **January 22, 2024**, from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm for Improv Puzzle Blocks. Marsha R took \$25 deposits at the July 13th Business Meeting with a total cost of \$60 for GSQA members: \$30 extra for non-members. We will need 20 participants to have the class. At present, we have 18 members signed up. We opened enrollment to local guilds after the September Business Meeting. The deposit was paid to hold our contract for Monday, January 22, 2024. Marsha has set up the class to be at the Coast Electric Building, HWY 49, Gulfport. A supply list was attached to the June Business Meeting Minutes and will go out again closer to the day of the class.

St. Joseph Abbey Retreat

The St. Joseph Abbey Retreat will be **March 5-8, 2024**. The cost of the 3 1/2-day retreat is \$475.50 for overnight stay and meals; or \$65 daily rate to attend without overnight stay and 3 meals. Michele M is currently signing up Bay Oaks members. We need a minimum of 15 for the retreat. There are 8 quilters lined up who are not Guild members, so the retreat should be a go.

GSQA Rosebud Luncheon/Auction

The GSQA Rosebud Luncheon/Auction will be held on **April 6, 2024**, at Pinewood Plantation Country Club, 405 Country Club Blvd., Slidell, LA 70458. The Guild will provide 2 baskets for the luncheon/auction. Therese, Ida, and Sharon went to Willow Creek Quilt Shop in Vicksburg and purchased items for both baskets at the going-out-of-business sale. They spent \$39.78 for one and \$40.14

for the other. The pre-sale value was \$99.46 and \$115.86, so it was quite a bargain. **If you have items to add to the baskets, please get them to Therese by January 26th, as she will deliver the baskets to the GSQA Meeting on the 27th.**

GSQA Quilt Show

The GSQA Quilt Show is **April 12-13, 2024**, at the Harbor Center in Slidell. Entry registration per quilt is \$15 for GSQA members and \$20 for non-members; a photograph of the completed quilt top must accompany each registration.

Quilt intake for the GSQA show:

Quilts may be **delivered** Friday, April 5, 2024, *9am to 4pm only*
1752 Nellie Drive
Slidell, LA. 70458

Quilts may be **mailed** between Feb. 26, 2024, through March 25, 2024, via USPS, UPS, or FedEx c/o:

Therese S
8338 Kahala Drive
Diamondhead, MS 39525
springerstc@icloud.com

Quilt **delivery** will be accepted from:

9:00 am – 12:00 pm at:
Rosebud Luncheon
Pinewood Plantation Country Club
405 Country Club Blvd
Slidell, LA 70458.

Therese needs help transporting quilts from her house to the Harbor Center in Slidell on Monday, April 8th, no later than 8 am.

Beckwith Retreat

The Beckwith Retreat will be **August 15-18, 2024**. A deposit of \$800 has been paid. Double occupancy will be \$357 and single will be \$435. Therese S will start collecting money in April. Anyone wishing to break up payments can make three payments of \$119 or \$145 in April, May, and June. She asked if anyone else would be interested in the job of Retreat Coordinator.

BOQG Website Update

The BOQG website is a work in progress. January 2024 Calendar Quilt Example is shown as well as the Instruction document is available. Anyone have a picture that can be used for February? October 2023 Program Meeting Project picture and information is available as well as the September 2023 Sew-N-Draw Project. The 2023 ByLaws are on the website as well as the 2024 New Membership Form.

The archive area on the website, where info from past years is stored, cannot handle any additional sections. Consequently, separate pages for Business Meeting Minutes, Newsletters, Block of the Month, Program Meeting Projects, and Sew-N-Draw Projects will be created. Documents from the archive page could migrate to the new individual pages, but that's going to be a slow process.

Information on the 2025 Quilt Show and Opportunity Quilt will be posted when available.

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Important Dates

GSQA 2024 Traveling Teacher

January 22, 2024, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

GSQA Meeting

January 27, 2024

Fellowship Hall of Regency Church of
Christ

501 University Drive, Mobile, AL. 36609-2915

February Board Meeting

January 30, 2024, at 1:00 pm

Kay Guillot's home, 7023 Buddy Lane, Kiln

February Business Meeting

February 8, 2024, 1:00 pm

St. Joseph Abbey Retreat

March 5 - 8, 2024

Covington, LA

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April 6, 2024

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Beckwith Retreat

August 15-18, 2024

Foley, AL

Show and Tell



Polar Bear Panel Quilt



Elephant Panel Quilt - Using 7 Panels



One For Me and Two For You
Quilted Bags



Mardi Gras Quilt



Santa Gift Quilted Bag