

# Bay Oaks Newsletter

February 2024

## February Business Meeting

The February business meeting was held on Thursday, February 8, 2024, at 1:00 pm at the Kiln Library with 22 members and one guest present. The guest was Violet N (former member). Some members may remember her son, Marcus, who is teaching in China. He was a previous Guild President. Members who wish may contact him through his email: [jmweekley@fhsu.edu](mailto:jmweekley@fhsu.edu)

## Membership

The Guild has 47 members. There are 29 membership renewals for 2024. Three members brought their dues up to date during the meeting. Sherrie Q will continue to take in membership dues.

## GSQA Traveling Teacher

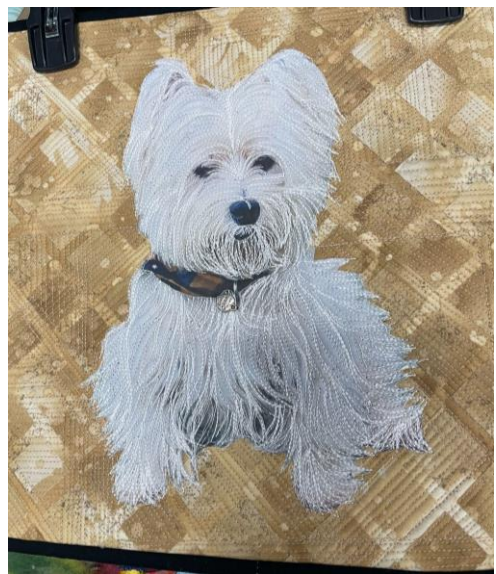
Cindy Grisdela was to hold a class on Monday, **January 22, 2024**, from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm for Improv Puzzle Blocks. The class had to be canceled due to teacher illness and will not be rescheduled.

All attendees will receive a full \$60 refund. Marsha R, GSQA traveling teacher coordinator for BOQG, emailed everyone with details and encouraged Bay Oaks members to pick up their checks at the February Business Meeting. Sharon B delivered check reimbursements to members who paid for the class at the meeting. Marsha R will be stepping down as GSQA Traveling Teacher Coordinator. We need a volunteer to take over.

## January Program Meeting

The January Program Meeting was held at the Kiln Library on January 25th at 1:00 pm. Charlotte T had a trunk show. Sit-and-Sew followed afterwards.







## Calendar Quilt Block

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. Sue C will arrange an area for Viewer's Choice on the Calendar Quilts.

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



February Calendar Blocks

Liz F won the “door prize” for the February calendar block.

Some close ups:



## 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.



Sue R with Slidell Ladies for Liberty  
President Tina R

Bay Oaks' \$352.80 donation will fund the mailing of 20 care packages. Slidell Ladies for Liberty serve 80 soldiers right now. They recently mailed 80 snack boxes with small king cakes, 40 toiletry boxes, and 1 birthday box.



Board Member Nel D holding Bay Oaks' \$352.80 donation check to Friends of the Animals in Hancock County.

### Charity Donation Chairperson

Louise H is the Charity Donation Chairperson to support our Guild. Please see Louise for labels for Charity Quilts. Louise read thank you notes received from the Slidell Ladies of Liberty, the Hancock Food Pantry, and from a Veteran living in the Armed Forces Retirement Home.

### UFOs (Unfinished Objects)

April H is our UFO master. She collected forms for the UFO submission list for 2024 from members at the 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 is the Hospitality Chairperson for this year.

### Quilt Show Director for 2025 Quilt Show

Sue C is 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

Charlotte T painted the center panel for the 2025 Opportunity Quilt. It is beautiful!!!!





At the January 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, 15" 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. At the February Business Meeting April sent around a sign-up sheet for members to indicate which groups they would work in: Corners, Bird Blocks, Convergence Blocks, etc. April has the material. Bring sewing machines, cutting items, and ironing items. If sewing, bring neutral thread.

## 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 bring the background fabric. She wants members to bring 2 fat quarters of Mardi Gras fabric to the Sew'n Draw meeting. It can be Mardi Gras small patterns or solid Mardi Gras colors. If people already have some 10" squares cut in the Mardi Gras colors or patterns, they could bring them. Michele will bring her go cutter to cut 10" squares, too. A sign-up sheet was passed around to fill in a member's job preference. Members should bring the tools they need for that job. Sew 'N Draws will be in May, July, and September. Dates to be announced.

## March Program Meeting

The Program Meeting on March 28th will be led by Peace by Piece (P x P). P x P will present a program on a 10 degree ruler, demonstrating making: a table runner, a new border, and a tree skirt. P x P will have fabric and the rulers available for sale at the meeting. An example of a table runner using this ruler is at <https://cutloosepress.com/products/zig-zag-runner-pdf-pattern>. P x P will have fabric and the rulers (around \$30) available for sale at the meeting. Members should bring scraps of fabric.



## 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 for three meals

without an overnight stay. The Retreat is full. If members wish to attend for a day, they need to contact Michele M.

## 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.

## 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](mailto:springerstc@icloud.com)

Quilt **delivery** will be accepted from:  
*9:00 am – 12:00 pm* at:

**Rosebud Luncheon, April 6, 2024**  
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.

## April Program Meeting

The Program Meeting on April 25th will be led by Marsha R. Marsha has offered to teach a class on a new cathedral window technique. This is based on a

free pattern available at <http://loandbeholdstitchery.com> (Scrappy Windows Quilt-Along). Marsha is developing a supply list to construct an 18" pillow top.



## 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. Therese will be stepping down as the Beckwith Retreat Coordinator. We need a volunteer to take over.

## BOQG Website Update

The BOQG website is always a work in progress:

The February 2024 Calendar Quilt Example is shown as well as the Instruction document is available. Anyone have a picture that can be used for March?

A picture of Charlotte T's Trunk Show for the January 2024 Program Meeting is on the website.

A picture of the cover document for the February 2024 Sew-N-Draw Project, Shuttered, is on the website.

The 2023 ByLaws are on the website as well as the 2024 New Membership Form.

The archive page has been split up into separate pages: Business Meeting Minutes, Newsletters, Calendar/Lotto Block of the Month, Program Meeting Projects, and Sew-N-Draw Projects.

The pictures for the 2023 Quilt Show are now on the

website replacing the 2019 Quilt Show pictures.

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

## Got News?

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## Important Dates

### February Sew'N Draw

February 17, 2024, 9:00 am - 3:00 pm  
Shuttered Pattern

### February Program Meeting

February 22, 2024, at 1:00 pm  
Work on Opportunity Quilt  
April H

### March Board Meeting

March 4, 2024, at 1:00 pm

### St. Joseph Abbey Retreat

March 5 - 8, 2024  
Covington, LA

### March Guild Business Meeting

March 14, 2024, at 1:00 pm

### March Program Meeting

March 28, 2024, at 1:00 pm  
Uses for a 10 degree ruler  
Peace by Piece

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April 6, 2024  
Pinewood Plantation Country Club  
405 Country Club Blvd., Slidell, LA 70458

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April 12-13, 2024  
The Harbor Center in Slidell, LA

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April 25, 2024, at 1:00 pm  
Cathedral Window Technique  
Marsha R

## Beckwith Retreat

August 15-18, 2024  
Foley, AL

## Show and Tell



Quilts for 2 Granddaughters



My Silver Trees





Hugs & Prayers For a Friend's Grandson



Pink Blonding Heart Quilt for a Friend (Front)



Affairs of the Heart (Started 2007)  
Hand Embroidered



Pink Blonding Heart Quilt for a Friend (Back)





July Mystery Quilt



Wool Crazy Quilt circa 1880's



University Quilt for Donation



Red Truck Christmas Panel Quilt