



BAY OAKS QUILT GUILD

MEETINGS are held 2nd and 4th Thursdays, 6:30 p.m.
KILN LIBRARY, Highway 603

Membership Renewals

Current membership is 38.

Business Meeting

March 10th

Program Night—March 24th

Gloria B will teach machine quilting. Here's her message:

“You can quilt your own quilts on your domestic machines. I will demo using a walking foot and free motion to quilt Bring the below items and I will help you to achieve your goal of finishing your own quilts.

1. Your cleaned machine with your instruction book. Bring your add -on table or the shelf that came with the machine.
2. A supply of needles, Microtex Sharp size 75/11 or 80/12
3. Thread: cotton size 50. Some brands that work well are Aurifil and Connecting Threads but if another brand works in your machine then use it. Contrasting color to your layered piece.
4. A walking foot and darning foot that works on your machine
5. A quilt sandwich at least 12” to 18” square or bigger to practice on. This should be pinned together, 3” to 4” apart....not stitched. It doesn't have to be a patchwork piece but any fabric layered. Plain fabric will show your stitches which will help in the learning process.
6. Bring any aids that you use so we can learn from each other.”

JOY Quilt Auction

Sue R has provided the following announcement:

The annual JOY Quilt Auction will be held on Wednesday, March 9th at the Lamb of God Lutheran Church at 57210 Allen Road, Slidell, LA 70461 (take Fremaux exit off I-10 and go east, away from the new mall). Doors open at 9:00 am and the auction starts at 9:30. Other handmade items will also be available for purchase. Free lunch will be served. Due to the popularity of the event, I recommend people get there when doors open.

Last year, BOQG members donated charity quilts that brought in over \$600 to their fundraising efforts. 100% of proceeds are donated to non-profit organizations in Slidell. Past donations exceeded \$15,000 annually! It is a fun day that wraps up around 2:00 or 3:00.

Quilting Challenge

The Secret is OUT. Therese S has revealed the details of this year's Challenge.

1. Draw the name of your country (keep it to yourself).
2. Find the colors of the flag for your chosen country.
3. Make a quilt using those colors somewhere on your quilt.
4. Your quilt must show a representation of your country.
5. Quilt can be any size.
6. In addition to your flag colors, you can use any number of colors or fabrics.
7. DUE: Christmas party (at least the top if you haven't completed the Entire project).
8. Keep your country a secret as we will have a guessing game at the party.

You can still participate. You can ask Therese and "draw" a country from the hat.

Call for volunteers

The upcoming GSQA Biennial Quilt Show in Slidell provides lots of opportunities for you to become involved as a volunteer. Please check your calendar and think about how you might participate.

March 31 and April 1: 9 am to 4 pm Help Therese S receive quilts for the competition at her home. Call her to sign up.

April 4 and 5: As the judging for the show takes place there are needs for folks to serve as holders, folders, and scribes for the judges. Later there will be help needed for hanging the show.

April 8 and 9: Bay Oaks will be responsible for staffing the entry—ticket sales, door prizes, etc. Contact Kay G.

Calendar

- March 9: Joy Quilt Auction, Slidell
- March 19: 9 am to 4 pm **Sit and Sew** at the Kiln Library
Bring a project and your lunch and sew with friends.
- April 2: Rosebud Auction and Luncheon, Crowne Plaza Hotel, Kenner
- April 8-9: “Flowers in the Cabin Door” GSQA Biennial Quilt Show, Slidell
- April 23: 9 am to 4 pm **Sit and Sew** at the Kiln Library
Bring a project and your lunch and sew with friends.
- May 3: Deadline to enter Smoky Mountain Quilters 36th Annual Show Knoxville, TN
- August 18-21: Bay Oaks Quilting Retreat Beckwith Retreat Center, Fairhope, AL

Guild Information

Sue C, President

Therese S, Vice-President

Laurie J, Secretary

Barbara S, Treasurer

Check out our website www.bayoaksquiltguild.com and our Facebook page for more information.

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN NOMINATING AN ORGANIZATION TO RECEIVE FUNDS RAISED FROM THE 2015 QUILT SHOW, PLEASE DOWNLOAD THE FOLLOWING APPLICATION FORM.

BAY OAKS QUILT
DONATION APPLICATION

A portion of the proceeds from the Bay Oaks Quilt Guild are donated to charitable organizations based on the recommendation and application of the members of the Guild. Please complete the following application. Completion of applications does not ensure funding will be given. Applications are due May 12, 2016, with selection of recipients set for June 9, 2016.

Name and contact information (phone or email) of member making the recommendation:

Name of 501C3 non-profit organization you are requesting for:

Contact person, telephone, address and email of the organization you are requesting for:

Mission of the 501C3 organization and how long the organization has been serving the community: