

March 2025 Bay Oaks Quilt Guild Business Meeting, March 13, 2025, Kiln Library Meeting Room
The meeting was called to order at 1:00 pm by Vice President Therese S. Twenty-five members were in attendance.

Minutes: Minutes of the February, 2025, meeting were distributed earlier to members via email. There was a motion to accept the minutes. Motion to accept the minutes by Sue C, seconded by Jean G. Motion carried.

Treasurer Report: Sharon B

Liz F and Debbie L finished the Audit and found two checks for over \$100 had one signature instead of two.

Vice President: Therese S

March Program - covering quilt sleeves, labels, and binding with Charlotte T

April Program – Create items for the Quilt Show Boutique: Therese will show how to make burrito pillowcases for the boutique.

Hosting GSQA July 19th Meeting: Therese asked if Guild members would be willing with 3 other Guilds (Magnolia, Sand Stitchers, and Lighthouse Stitchers) to host the GSQA July Meeting. Motion to accept by Kay G, seconded by Michele M. Therese was able to get the First United Methodist Church of Long Beach as the venue. The 4 Guilds would supply favors, snacks, and water. Therese suggested making fat-quarter roses – with our members donating the fat quarters and the Guild paying for the stems, leaves, and wire. We would need 150. Motion to accept by Jean G, seconded by Martha S. It was discussed that our Guild would make the roses, while the other 3 Guilds would make up about 30 door prizes. Judy F generously donated the fat quarters needed.



Beckwith Retreat, August 14-17, 2025

Therese will start collecting money for the Beckwith Retreat starting in April. Members may pay a lump sum or by 3 payments. Double occupancy rate is \$357 or \$119 for 3 payments. Single occupancy rate is \$435 or \$145 by 3 payments. Wednesday night is also available at a cost of \$50 per room with no meal provided.

Membership: Sherrie Q-absent

We have 47 members. Members are expected to sell at least \$20 worth of opportunity quilt tickets that they receive when they pay their dues.

Newsletter and Website: Debra L

The newsletter is a work in progress and will be distributed as soon as information from today's meeting is incorporated.

Charity Quilts – Louise H

Louise reported that fidget quilts were appreciated by Hancock Elementary. She also had one given to her.

Louise set up Sew Day at the Kiln Library October 4, 2025, from 9 am to 2 pm to work on fidget quilts, burrito pillowcases, and cage quilts.

The Guild wants to give quilts to the Kiln librarians. One quilt is finished. Three quilts are needed. Florence P and Sharon B donated two quilts and Bill B and Sue C offered to finish them by December so just 1 more quilt is needed.

Sharon B suggested that making Pillowcases for Dunbar Village would be a good charity project for Christmas and found that approximately 60 would be needed.

OLD BUSINESS

Quilt Show Updates – Sue C & Kathy K

- **Sue C** previously passed out 2025 BOQG Quilt Entry Forms for members to make copies for themselves as needed. Members can enter 3 quilts (**PLUS the Calendar Quilt**) to the show. **Please Note: Per Sue, a quilt sweatshirt can be added as a fifth item. Each quilt must have a two Forms**, a 4" X 6" photo of the quilt, and be returned to Therese S by April 10, 2025. The sooner, the better. New Forms were e-mailed again after this meeting to members with an I Spy line for Michele M on Page 2.
- Sue has 2025 Quilt Show flyers, bookmarks & postcards for members to distribute. She wants members to personally go into the businesses they patron to discuss and deliver the flyers, etc.
- Sue showed the Ad Forms to the membership and wants everyone to get at least one business ad. The ads and payments to be given to Jill W by April 10, 2025. Again, the sooner, the better. The 2025 Ad Form and the sizes of the Ads were e-mailed again after this meeting to members.
- Sue also mentioned the Quilt Show Boutique needs donations.

- **Kathy K** passed out a schedule for jobs for members during the Quilt Show to fill in the blanks.
- **Martha S** is handling the Boutique. She doesn't need any more fabric. She doesn't want to compete with the two vendors. She needs members to make small items to sell – like coasters, bookmarks, little purses, burrito pillowcases, etc. There will be no plant sale this year.
- **Michele M** will be doing the I Spy activity for children. She asked that members put a note on the back of the Quilt Entry Form about their quilt that she can use for the I Spy – Ex: hidden cats. The new Quilt Form now has a line for this.
- **Kay G and Michele M** are handling publicity. They stressed again to deliver posters, postcards, and bookmarks personally and talk up the Quilt Show. Kay has handled the social media publicity – Facebook, etc. Michele will handle the TV publicity as we get closer to the Show.
- **Chris J** is keeping track of ticket sales for the 2025 Opportunity Quilt - Coastal Reflections. Currently, there is no place to set up a tent for Second Saturday in Bay Saint Louis. Members of the Guild will sell tickets at Arts Alive, March 29-30, 2025.
- **Liz F & Sherrie Q** are handling Quilt Show Door Prizes. They feel they have enough.

NEW BUSINESS

UFO Lists – April H

April collected UFO Forms for 2025 from members at the meeting (which was the last day to turn them into her). UFOs were projects already started. A member **may not add** to the list during the year **except for**: A class the member took project, a Program Meeting project, and a Sew’N’Draw project the member won.

Circuit Teacher Class with April H- Fabric Painting: Kay G & April H

The class was cancelled due to Library maintenance. It will be held at the Kiln library meeting room **from 9 am – 3 pm on March 14, 2025**. Lunch can be brought, or members can get lunch locally. There is a \$35 kit fee for each student to be paid on the day of the class. April says she can take a maximum of 25 students. Nineteen members have signed up for the class with one cancellation. Bring a pencil, paper, smock (paint doesn't come out), and freezer paper to cover the tables. No Sewing Machine is needed.

Participants will work on 3 different pieces. Members need to bring paper and pens/pencils to write notes, and some freezer paper or cardboard pieces (pizza box size) to place their projects on. **WEAR OLD CLOTHING** because the paint doesn't come out if you get it on your clothing.

Arts Alive, March 29-30, 2025 - The Depot - Martha S

Martha S said that the Guild could sell tickets for the Opportunity Quilt at Arts Alive. The hours are 10 am to 5 pm on Saturday, March 29, 2025, and 12 pm – 5 pm on Sunday, March 30, 2025. She needs members in shifts: 9:30 am – 12 noon Saturday; 12 noon to 2:30 pm; and 2:30 pm to 5 pm. At this time, Martha needs more volunteers to man the tent, sell tickets, work with children projects, and demonstrate a quilting/craft project during the Show. She passed around a sign-up book for members to fill in the blanks. The Show will not be inside due to the rental cost. There will be access to electricity. We need to bring and put up a tent.

Martha has material scraps for a children's project, material, scissors, quilt block coloring pictures, and crayons. She needs poster board or cardboard: Ex: from fat quarters. Chris J, Sharon B, and Liz F volunteered to work/demonstrate a project.

2025 Sew'N Draws – Michele M

Michele has the following dates set aside: May 24, 2025, August 23, 2025, and November 15, 2025

Kay G said she would pick up the library key on the Fridays before the Sew'N Draws.

May 24, 2025 the pattern is: Card Trick – Materials List to follow. Michele will bring the background fabric.

Michele spoke to the members about attending the Sew'N Draws. She has about ten members on average attending. If members who signed up don't come, it is harder to complete the quilt top. In February she didn't have enough sewers. The quilt top was arranged but not sewn together. Sue Rountree had to devise a method to keep the diagonals together to complete the quilt top. Michele needs members to inform her ASAP if they can't come. She would like to continue the Sew'N Draws but needs more members to participate!!!

St Joseph Abbey Retreat, March 25-28, 2025 – Michele M

The cost of the 3 1/2 day retreat is \$475.50 or \$65 daily rate (no overnight stay, three meals). Michele said there was not a minimum for the attendees for the Retreat to be a go. Attendees must bring their projects and sewing/quilting equipment.

Outside Educator– Kay G

Kay suggested machine quilting by Nina Clotfelter in the future. She passed around a sheet about machine quilting. She also mentioned a class on Hexagons by Marie Fuselier.

Show & Tell

Kathy K: Christmas Quilt

Kay G: Charity Quilt, Calendar Quilt

Sharon B: Dahlia Block, Quilt for Granddaughter's Teacher, School Quilt Wall Hanging, February Door Quilt

Ida M: Quilted Basket, 2 Charity Quilts, Jelly Roll Bag, Eat Your Heart Out, Bill Won the Quilt

Debra M & Chris J: February Program Project Bags

Martha S: Pinwheel

Liz F: February Program Project Bag and Burrito Pillowcases

Lunch Before April 17, 2025, Business Mtg:

Las Fajitas Mexican Restaurant at 11:30 am
16331 MS-603 #3, Kiln, MS 39556 (across from Coastal Hardware)

Door Prize Drawing: Suzie V

Motion to Adjourn at 2:20pm, by April H, seconded by Martha S.

Respectfully submitted by Liz F, Secretary, March 17, 2025.