

August 2024 Bay Oaks Quilt Guild Business Meeting

August 8, 2024, Kiln Library Meeting Room

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 pm by Vice-President Ida M. Twenty-five members were in attendance.

Minutes: Minutes of the July 2024 meeting were distributed earlier to members via email. Motion to accept the minutes by April H, seconded by Martha S. Motion carried.

Membership: Sherrie Q We have 45 members in good standing. Michele M reminded GSQA members to check the roster to see if the guild is getting credit for their GSQA membership.

Vice President: Ida M

- August 22nd- The owner of MS Sew N' Sew will demonstrate a new machine binding technique and how to create vinyl fabric from cotton.
- September 26th- Sharon will lead us in making Halloween place mats. Anyone participating will have to copy the pattern onto freezer/tissue/parchment paper before the day of the class. Ida had the pattern at the meeting for tracing.
- October 24th- Quilt-O played with 2 1/2" strips. Sharon's husband will call the game. There will be a max of four cards per person per game, with a max of five games. So participants should bring (20) 2 1/2" WOF strips of good quality fabric, if they plan to play four cards per game.
- The guild Christmas party will be on December 12th, 11 am until 3 pm at the Kiln library. Everyone is asked to bring a covered dish or dessert and a homemade gift for our Dirty Santa game.

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. She is ready to post a picture of the 2025 opportunity quilt on the website, but would like some background information to include with the picture.

Quilt Show Update: Sue C

- Boutique- The guild recently received a large amount of donated fabric. It will form the backbone of a boutique at our 2025 quilt show. The fabric has been packaged and priced. Twelve fat quarter bundles were set aside for door prizes. The boutique will be set up in the foyer of our venue, so as to not directly compete with our invited vendors. We hope to also offer quilting books, magazines, and hand-made items. Martha S will coordinate the boutique and is looking for a helper.
- Michele M will take charge of the "I Spy" game, using information provided in the registration forms.
- Opportunity Quilt- August 10th is Second Saturday in the Bay, and Chris J needs at least four volunteers to sell tickets. A sign-up sheet was circulated. Sue R reported that ticket sales were brisk at White Linen Night in Slidell. She is looking into the possibility of selling tickets at White Linen Night in Covington on 8/17. Sue is also corresponding with the Three Rivers Festival, November 9th and 10th in Covington. It's a juried art event that takes over several city blocks.

The booth fee is \$300, but we hope to negotiate that down. She has also emailed the Peter Anderson Festival in Ocean Springs, MS for booth fee information. Finally, Sue suggests we may want to look into attending and/or selling tickets at the quilt-themed play being presented at the Village Lutheran Church in Lacombe, LA, the first and second weekends in October. There are Sunday matinees.

- Sherrie Q and Liz F said they welcome donations of door prizes for the show. Their goal is approximately 30 door prizes.

Charity Quilts: Louise Huye

Louise has a few quilts ready for the veterans home. Sue C asked about bringing charity quilts to the Christmas party, and this prompted a discussion about to whom we are donating. Possibilities included the veterans home, fidget quilts for the Picayune school (one per student requested), local retirement facilities, and Magdalene House, a Women's Community Support Center in Bay St. Louis. Florence P suggested that we choose one organization for our charity quilts. Louise will look into scheduling a Saturday sew day at the Kiln library.

Future GSQA Circuit Teacher Class: Kay G

Kay had planned to distribute information about classes, but most class images were missing from the GSQA circuit teacher pages. However, several members have asked about having a fabric painting class from April H. While April is a guild member, she is also a GSQA circuit teacher. Members voted to have the class in early 2025. Marsha R moved that the guild pay the cost for the class; Kay G seconded; the motion passed unanimously. Each member will be responsible for their own kit fee. Kay will submit necessary paperwork once she checks out available dates in February 2025 for both April and the Kiln Library meeting room.

Sew 'n Draw: Michele M



The next Sew 'n Draw will be Saturday, September 21st at 9am in the Kiln Library meeting room. The pattern is Set Sail, by Jaybird Quilts. Michele will soon let us know what fabrics to bring.

Announcements:

- **April H:** The October 19th GSQA meeting will be in Gulf Shores, AL. Anyone planning to reserve a hotel room should do so now, as there is a Baptist convention in town at the same time. On Friday, October 18th, Southern Fiber Artists will teach a class on Felted Circles. Registration is via the GSQA website; kit fee applies. The free presentation at the Saturday meeting is a fiber art display and trunk show by the SFA.

- **Judy F:** Judy is Hospitality Chair, and as such sends out electronic birthday cards, etc to members. She says that only 20% -25% even open the emails. So if you receive an email from jcflanagan, judyflanagan, or judycflanagan, please open it. It's a Happy for you!
- **Michele M** said her sister's guild, Ozone Layers, is thinking about having a quilt show in March, 2025. She asked how many visitors we usually get. Sharon estimated close to 300.
- **Ida M** said that some guild members will be meeting on 8/29 at 1 pm in the Kiln Library with their embroidery machines. They will help each other with moving designs from computer to machine, using embroidery for edge to edge quilting, etc.
- **Charlotte T** recommended we check out the article in the Mississippi Free Press on the Ridgeland exhibit by Southern Fiber Artists. <https://www.mississippifreepress.org/fiber-artistsshowcase-craft-in-mississippi-themed-quilt-show-in-ridgeland/>



September Pre-Business Meeting Luncheon- Las Fajitas, 16331 MS-603 #3, Kiln, MS 39556.

Drawing for Calendar Quilt Block Participation: Winner, Jill W

Door Prize Drawing: Winner, Judy F

Motion to Adjourn at 2:10 pm, by Therese S, second by Judy F

Show and Tell:

- Chris J, granddaughter's college quilt
- Florence P, flag quilt in muted colors
- Jill W, grandson's quilt in space fabric, some glowing in the dark
- Louise H, cathedral window pillow
- Charlotte T, project bag with a mosquito and felt circle eyes

Respectfully submitted by Kay G, Recording Secretary, August 8, 2024