



# Bay Oaks Newsletter

December 2024

## December Business Meeting

The December Business Meeting was held on Thursday, December 12, 2024, at 12:40 pm halfway through the Guild Christmas Party at the Kiln Library with 27 members.

Each year the Guild elects a new Board. Elected officers are President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary, and Charity Donation Chair. Appointed (by the Board) positions are Membership, Newsletter Editor/Webmaster, and Quilt Show Chair.

Under **Election of Officers**, the Guild By-Laws state:

*The term of an officer shall be one year for all elected officers. No officer shall hold the same office for more than two consecutive terms.*

President Jean G said that amending the By-Laws again would require 2 to 3 months. She suggested asking the members present to put it to a vote to allow Sharon B to continue as the Treasurer for 2025. Motion to accept: Charlotte T, seconded by April H. Motion carried.

Sherrie, Sharon, Louise, and Debbie all previously volunteered to continue to serve in their posts in 2025. Liz F previously volunteered to serve as Secretary. Florence P volunteered to be Guild President, and Therese S volunteered to be Guild Vice President for the 2025 term at the end of Meeting. Thank you all for volunteering!

## Membership

The Guild has 44 members in good standing for 2024. The \$15 dues for 2025 could be paid during the Christmas Party/December Business Meeting. At that time a member will be given 4 packets of Opportunity Quilt tickets to sell. We all need to participate in selling the tickets and the Quilt Show!

## 2025 Quilt Show Director

Sue C is our 2025 Quilt Show Director. Postcards, bookmarks, fliers, and posters have been printed. Postcards and bookmarks available now. Marsha R and Chris J have postcards. Marsha also has bookmarks.

## 2025 Opportunity Quilt

**Coastal Reflections**, is finished. Thank you to April H for designing/working on and all others who helped in designing/making this quilt!



Coastal Reflections - Finished!

## Ticket Sales

Chris J, who is organizing locations for ticket sales, strongly feels that we should only display the opportunity quilt indoors. Her concern is that the center artwork is vulnerable to the elements and should not be exposed to damp or rain. She needs at least four volunteers to sell tickets whenever the Quilt is displayed at venues.

Chris received permission from the Hancock County courthouse to sell opportunity quilt tickets on their

front lawn every Second Saturday. There is electricity available, and Kathy K offered to provide a light setup on December 14th. Sharon said that people start showing up early, so starting our ticket sales at 2 pm would be a good idea. Several members were there with Coastal Reflections on December 14th.

## GSQA January 2025 Quarterly Meeting

The January, 2025, meeting will have Dianne Springer (Quilt on a Chair, Quilt on a Rug, Quilt on a Mailbox, etc).

## 2024 Christmas Party

The Guild Christmas party was held on December 12th. There were many kinds of dishes provided by members. There was also a Dirty Santa gift exchange. Several popular gifts were stolen multiple times.



Where Stolen Ceramic Christmas Tree Now Lives!  
Perfect Place!

## 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.

The Calendar Blocks for December:



Stolen Pillow



Stolen Wooden Circle



Stolen Ceramic Christmas Tree

The First Owner Couldn't Even Return to Her Seat!



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



### **Charity Donation Chairperson**

Louise H is the Charity Donation Chairperson to support our Guild. Please see Louise for labels for Charity Quilts.

Louise made a few finished fidget quilts for the Picayune school (one per student requested). She said she had quilts for all the students. She also has a retirement home in Louisiana that wants any extra fidget quilts.



Fidget Quilts

Marsha R collected quilts from members and sent them to a church in North Carolina for distribution to hurricane Helene victims. Ida M said she had shipping information if anyone else wants to send quilts.

Barbra S made quilts from fabric scraps for the Hancock Animal Shelter. The shelter has two sizes of cages. Quilts must be 24 inches by 24 inches or

24 inches by 48 inches and be washable. Jean G showed a pet crate quilt made by cutting up a commercial bed quilt and hemming the edges. Quick and Easy. All quilt donations would be appreciated.

At the October Business Meeting, Jean G led a discussion about the Guild making a monetary donation for Helene hurricane relief. The Guild voted and now has made a donation of \$1,000 for hurricane Helene relief to Samaritan's Purse. Ida M read a thank you letter from Samaritan's Purse at the December Business Meeting and gave the letter to the Guild Historian, Jill W, to keep in the archive.

The Guild also gave the donation checks to our designated 2024 charities, Friends of the Animal Shelter and the Slidell Ladies of Liberty.

### **Hospitality Chairperson**

Judy F is Hospitality Chairperson, 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 jcf lanagan, judyflanagan, or judycflanagan, please open it. It's a Happy for you! Please check your Spam folder just in case the email went there.

### **UFOs (Unfinished Objects)**

April H is our UFO master. Sue C won the \$50 annual prize at the Christmas party.

For 2025, members must get their UFO list to April by the end of March, 2025. Projects **must** be started to qualify, but guild projects and Sew 'N Draws from 2025 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 2025 Christmas party.

### **BOQG Website Update**

Debbie L said that anyone who submits digital files for the archive do so via the Bay Oaks email, not her personal email. That email is bayoaksquiltguild.ms@gmail.com Photos should include information like who, what, when, where, and why.

Web pages are updated as information becomes available. The photo of the 2025 Opportunity Quilt - Coastal Reflections was uploaded to the website.

## **Arts Alive!**

Martha S reported that the Guild is now a member of The Arts, Hancock County. We are listed as a business. All benefits of membership are open to all guild members. Martha will receive their Newsletter, which will be sent out to Guild members. All the information is on their website: <https://www.hancockarts.org/arts-alive#!event-list>.

The latest Newsletter was forwarded to members.

## **January 2025 Program Meeting**

The Program Meeting on January 23, 2025 will be a sit and sew making charity quilts for hurricane Helene victims. They will be distributed by 5 Little Monkeys Quilt and Sew in Weaverville, North Carolina.

## **Future GSQA Circuit Teacher Class**

April H has agreed to teach her Fabric Painting class on February 15, 2025. Kay G reserved the Kiln library Meeting Room. She will start a sign-up sheet for the class at the October Business Meeting. The guild will pay for the class; **each student is responsible for their own \$35 kit fee.**

## **Circuit Teacher Class with April Holifield**

Saturday, February 15, 2025, 9 am - 3 pm

Kiln Library Meeting Room

Cost- \$35 kit fee

Contact Kay G to sign up for the class; a sign-up sheet will be distributed at upcoming meetings.

## **Painting on Fabric**

Having fun with paints and inks on fabric! This Class has a kit fee of \$35 which includes all paint needed for class and fabric squares with batting and backing.

We will create 3 blocks, using 3 types of paint. Several designs for you to choose from. Remember to bring an apron or old shirt, this is permanent and will not come out of your clothes.

The class will teach you how to apply the inks. How

to blend and shadow your designs.

Types of paints and inks we will use are, Inktense Pencils, Liquid Ink, and Acrylic

## **THE KIT** , Includes everything

- Fabric
- 3 designs
- Brushes
- Ink- (liquid form)
- Inktense - Pencils and blocks
- Acrylic paint
- Medium

You must bring your sewing machine and related items (thread, scissors.....)

A supply list will be sent out upon registration of class. You will be able to design all three blocks and have enough to take home and play on some of your blocks.

## **Beckwith Retreat 2025**

Therese S said that the 2025 Beckwith Retreat dates are August 14th through 17th. Campers can arrive on Wednesday if they choose and pay for an additional night's lodging. However, the first meal provided will be Thursday lunch. Our business meeting, originally scheduled for August 14th, will be rescheduled.

## **Got News?**

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## **Important Dates**

### **January Board Meeting**

### **New and Old Board Members**

January 3, 2024, at 11:03 am

TBG (That Boy Good) Barbeque

1100 US-90,

Bay St, Louis, MS 39520

### **January Business Meeting**

January 9, 2025, at 1:00 pm

Lunch at Panola's Cafe at 11:30 am

17130 MS-603, Kiln, MS 39556

## January GSQA Quarterly Meeting

January 18, 2025

The Harbor Center in Slidell, LA

BOQG Opportunity Quilt - **Coastal Reflections**

Ticket Sales

## January Program Meeting

January 23, 2025, at 1:00 pm

Making Donation Quilts

Using 2-½ inch Strips

## GSQA Circuit Class

February 15, 2025, 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

Fabric Painting

Kiln Library Meeting Room

April H

## Bay Oaks Quilt Show

May 9 - 10, 2025

Friday 9:00 am to 6:00 pm

Saturday 9:00 am to 5:00 pm

Takedown After Closing

St. Rose de Lima Catholic Church

Holy Spirit Center

301 South Necess Avenue

Bay Saint Louis, MS 39520

## Show and Tell



Christmas Stocking



No Waste Layer Cake & Charm Pack Quilt



Quilted Jacket - UFO Project



Christmas Row-By-Row Lori Holt Pattern Quilt