

# Bay Oaks Newsletter

October 2019

## October Business Meeting

Our business meeting for **October** will be **Thursday, October 10, 2019, 6:30 pm at the Kiln library.**

We will appoint a “nominating committee” who will seek out and compile names of (hopefully willing) persons to run for our board positions.

Our current board is comprised of members who have served in multiple board and appointed positions for multiple years and would like step back and open all the positions for some fresh faces and ideas! Therefore, **all the board and appointed positions will be open for nominations.** You may pass your nomination to the nominating committee that we'll establish at the meeting and you may nominate yourself. We have a diverse group of 44 members...plenty for fresh ideas!

**How long you have been in the guild and how skilled you feel you are as a quilter has zero bearing on your ability to serve on the board.** Old or young, new member or long-term member, pro-quilter or novice...you can do this and will be welcomed!

**What does being a board member entail?** Each position has specific duties (e.g. treasurer handles the bank account, VP works the program night project schedule, secretary documents meetings, etc) There is one additional meeting per month. The board picks the dates/times that work best for them, but typically they occur about a 1 to 1-1/2 weeks prior to the business meeting (so the newsletter person has time to put info into the newsletter and get it out several days before the business meeting). The location is also of the board's choosing (usually a centrally located home of one of the board members). These are typically only about 30 mins or so. The meetings are to set the agenda for the business meeting and discuss any issues or upcoming events that need to be handled or communicated to the guild.

### *But what if I must miss an occasional meeting?*

That's okay, too. We all have lives and things come up. If you are treasurer or membership, then pass your report to another board member early. If you are Secretary, call another member who will be at the meeting and ask if they can take notes for you. Occasional things like this can be easily worked, so do not let that deter you from serving!

We've had new members jump right in to positions within months of joining the guild. Most will tell you they are happy they did because it helped them in getting to know other members better and enriched their experience with the group.

Attached you will find the Bay Oaks Bylaws. These includes the duties of each of the elected officers and appointed positions (all open) for your review. Please look this over and see if any of the positions seem appealing to you.

Note that Quilt Show Chairperson is an appointed position as well. Our next show is 2021, meaning planning and committees will start forming next year (2020). So, the new board will solicit this volunteer early in the year. Let someone know if this appeals to you also!

## **New Quilt Shop in area!**

There is a new local quilt shop opening in Long Beach, MS. Here's the name & address. Our local shops are dependent upon support from sewers and quilters! They tend to carry those specialty items we all enjoy that we simply cannot find at the “big box” stores. If you have a favorite shop, please email the info to [bayoaksquiltguild.ms@gmail.com](mailto:bayoaksquiltguild.ms@gmail.com) and we'll put a directory list on our website for our members.

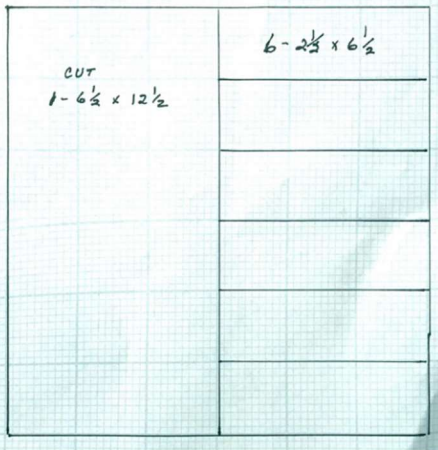
### **What's Your Stitch**

112 E. 2nd Street, Long Beach, Mississippi 39560  
**Grand Opening, Saturday, October 5th at 9am.**



## October Block of the Month

## Upcoming Sit-N-Sew Dates



**Don't forget to bring your block of the month (left). Large block is 6-1/2" x 12-1/2" and the six (6) smaller blocks are 6-1/2" x 2-1/2". Sewer's choice of coordinating colors (not**

For those unfamiliar, we have monthly sit-n-sews at the Kiln library on designated Saturdays. This is time set aside to bring whatever you'd like to work on and sew in the company of other members. It starts around 9 in the morning, and they usually wrap up by about 3pm. You can come for any portion of the time...this is a flexible, stress-free day! You can bring lunch and/or snacks or make a food run (there's a subway just north and Ward's south). If you can make these occasionally, it's great fellowship and fun! The upcoming Sit-N-Sew dates are:

**white!). Bring to October Business meeting.**

**October 26**

**\*No Sit-N-Sews in Nov/Dec\***

## Upcoming Program Night

**October 24:** Charlotte will teach us mosaic techniques she used for her "pet collage" quilts.



**Materials:** Sharpie, Scissors, Lightbox, Iron, Heat-n-Bond, background square, 10-12 bright colored scraps (approx. 6" x 8")

**Instructions:** Charlotte will go over, but the demo instructions are attached to this newsletter email. Also attached are several patterns that you may want to select from.

## Christmas Meeting Challenge!

On December 12th, we'll have a pot luck meeting in a Christmas festive environment at the **Diamondhead Community Center**. Be thinking about what dish you want to sign up to bring! Martha Slee is the coordinator for this event. **We also collect donations (monetary or food) for the Hancock County Food Pantry and quilts and pillowcases for Brenda's House.**

Don't forget about our **annual Christmas Challenge!** This year's challenge is to create a quilt that represents a song from the 1960s. There are no special rules...be creative! It does not have to be quilted.

We hang them up at the meeting and members will attempt to guess the song! We'll also pick a "viewer's choice" for a cash award.

## Sew N Draw

Our next Sew-N-Draw will be February 1<sup>st</sup>. Marge Sandy will provide project and details closer to that date.

**Submit the name of the song you selected to Sue Chamberlain by the November business meeting (keep secret from all others!)**



## UFO Challenge!

Remember that UFO list? Did you know you are entered in a cash drawing (one entry per finish)? We will draw a random ticket from the entries for a **cash prize** at the Christmas party! More finishes equals more chances to win!

## Bay Oaks Gives Back

Bay Oaks hosts a quilt show to showcase members' works every other year (odd years, next show is 2021). Members cooperate to create an "opportunity quilt" for which we sell raffle tickets in the months leading up to the show. We also charge a small admission fee and sell plants or boutique items. The money generated covers the costs associated with the show and we keep a small portion to compensate teachers and cover our program costs. The rest is divided up among a few charities nominated and voted for by our members. This year, we had \$1200 to give back to charity organizations. There were three nominations that the guild voted to support from this year's show proceeds: Friends of the Animal Shelter, Pride of Hancock Band Boosters, and Slidell Ladies of Liberty.

Sharon Barnes presented the check to the Friends of the Animal Shelter, Venessa Saucier presented to the Pride of Hancock Band Boosters, and Sue Rountree will present to the Slidell Ladies of Liberty at her next meeting later this month.

## Circuit Teacher Class Coming Soon!

Kay Guillot is working to schedule a circuit teacher class by Marie Fuselier. The project is called Waving Glory, which is a bargello-like flag quilt using a quilt-as-you-go technique. Our Saturday availability at the library is restricted to 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays, so Kay will coordinate availability with Marie to try to get scheduled in early 2020. There is typically a cost associated with these circuit classes, which is typically a little less for those who are members of Gulf States Quilting Association (GSQA).



Bay Oaks members Sharon Barnes (center) and Barbara Scott (left) presenting check to Friends of the Animal Shelter.



Bay Oaks member Venessa Saucier (3<sup>rd</sup> from left) presenting check to the Pride of Hancock Band Boosters.

## Bay Oaks to Host GSQA Quarterly Meeting in July 2020

The Gulf States Quilting Association (GSQA) is like a multi-state guild, comprising LA, MS, AL & FL quilters. They meet quarterly at various locations in these 4 states. Our guild will be hosting the quarterly meeting in July. There's typically a theme and we'll provide the venue, décor, snacks and goodies that are handed out to attendees. Last time we hosted, we did a Christmas in July event. **For 2020, our theme is "Halloween"**. We will ask our members who are willing to make and donate some of the handouts. Therese Springer is the chairperson for this event, so



she'll communicate needed help or contributions between now and the event. If you have Halloween-themed quilts or table-toppers that we can borrow to display at the meeting, that'd be wonderful. We are spreading the word now because Halloween fabric is a seasonal item, so this is a good "excuse" to take advantage of some of those sales! [not that any of us need an excuse to buy fabric!]

That said, Coastal Sew N Vac is running a sale through 30 October for **20% off** all bolted fabric that has **Halloween orange** in it. (1 yd min cut, cannot be combined with other discounts).

## November Block of the Month (Preview)

Sue Chamberlain will introduce two methods to complete a "Card Trick" block at our October business meeting, to be completed for the November business meeting. One card will be the "focus fabric" with 3 additional cards of coordinating fabric and the background will be light (not white). Diagrams are to the right. Full size versions will also be sent out with next newsletter. **Sue will explain these at the October business meeting.**

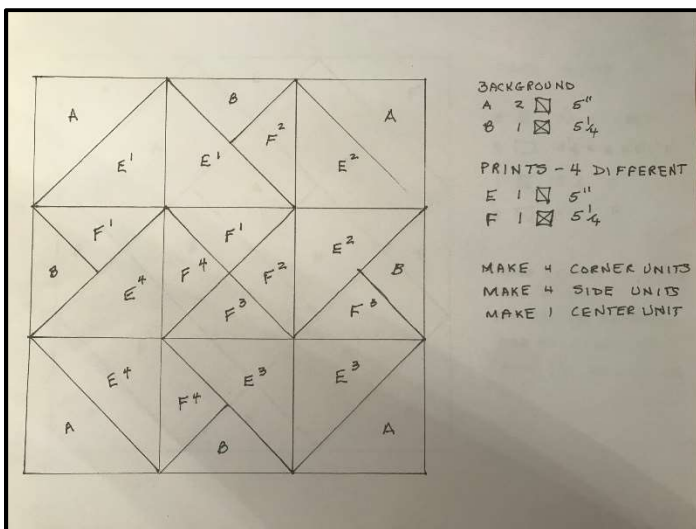


Marge Bailey instructs members on how to achieve a beautiful trapunto effect using yarn at our September Sit-N-Sew day.

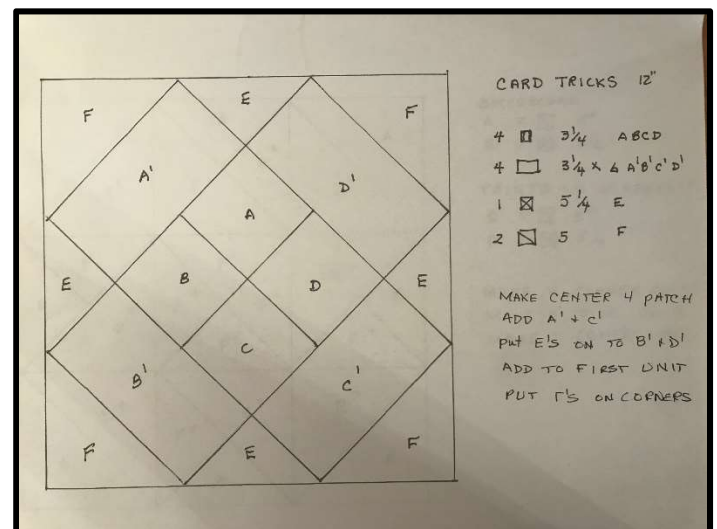
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