



## **Bay Oaks Quilt Guild**

Meets 6:30 PM, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday

November 2011

### **Diamondhead Baptist Church**

**63780 Diamondhead Drive N**

**Diamondhead, MS 39525**

<http://www.bayoaksquiltguild.org>

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### **Mark Your Calendars**

November 3 <sup>rd</sup> – 6 <sup>th</sup>	International Quilt Festival, Houston, TX
November 5 <sup>th</sup>	6th Picayune Piecemakers Quilt Show, "Elements of Fall," 303 W. Canal Street, Picayune, MS
November 10 <sup>th</sup>	Business Meeting – only meeting in November
November 12 <sup>th</sup>	Opportunity Quilt Sewing Day, Kiln Library, 9:30 – 3:00, bring lunch.
December 8 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Party, Diamondhead Baptist Church – only meeting in December
<b>2012 Events:</b>	
January 12 <sup>th</sup>	Business Meeting
Jan 26 <sup>th</sup> – 28 <sup>th</sup>	Ricky Tims Super Quilt Seminar, Kenner, LA
April 20 <sup>th</sup> – 21 <sup>st</sup>	GSQA 14 <sup>th</sup> Biennial Quilt Show, "Charmingly Southern", Northshore Harbor Center, Slidell, LA
Oct 5 <sup>th</sup> – 7 <sup>th</sup>	Pine Belt Quilters Fiber Arts and Quilt Show, "Life on Our Planet," Lake Terrace Convention Center, Hattiesburg Convention Center, Hattiesburg, MS

### **October Happenings:**

1. Our October program was the Twister. Everyone enjoyed the easy, quick and fun project.
2. The main fabrics for the Opportunity Quilt were purchased. We still need donations of your scrap batiks that are in the blue blue/green family about 5" or larger.

### **Next Business Meeting (November 10)**

#### **On the agenda:**

#### **3. Nominating Committee for 2012 Officers**

- At present we do not have a President or Vice President for 2012. This is your chance to help Bay Oaks move forward.

#### 4. **Christmas Party**

- The Christmas Party will be our only December meeting.
- Sign up sheet for food will be passed around at the November Business Meeting.
- Back by popular demand – Dirty Santa! Limit \$10.

#### 5. **Suggested programs for 2012**

- Alzheimer's quilts
- Self portrait
- Please present any ideas you have for programs.

### **Upcoming Events:**

#### 1. **Circuit Teacher Class**

- We did not get the needed number to have the class. We'll try again in 2012.

#### 2. **Pink Heart Funds Charity Quilt**

- The Pink Heart Funds Charity Quilt project has been shelved until 2012. Diana K will lead that effort. If you want to be on the committee or have a suggestion for a pattern please contact her because she plans to hit the road running in the New Year.

#### 3. **Bay Oaks Quilt Guild Opportunity Quilt**

- A sew day is scheduled for November 12 at the Kiln Library. You will need to bring your cutting mats, rulers, sewing machine, and other basic sewing supplies. Marcus will let us know what additional items/fabrics to bring. Remember that we still need you scrap blue/bluegreen batiks for the body of the quilt.

### **Of Interest:**

#### 1. **Row by Row:**

The Ribbon Star is the October block. The instructions will be sent to you and will also be available on the website: <http://www.bayoaksquiltguild.org/page5/>

#### 2. **Civil War Blocks for November:**

Please **CTRL-CLICK** on the link **below** the block's picture to go directly to the page that contains that week's 'history lesson' and the directions for the block.

**CTRL-CLICK on the picture to get the larger version of the picture.**



[21 Underground RR](#)



[22 Blockade](#)



[23 Illinois Roads](#)



[24 Ladies Aid Album](#)

NOTE: If you cannot use the links above, copy the below link into your browser.

<http://civilwarquilts.blogspot.com/2011/05/21-underground-railroad.html>

<http://civilwarquilts.blogspot.com/2011/05/22-blockade.html>

<http://civilwarquilts.blogspot.com/2011/06/23-illinois-roads.html>

<http://civilwarquilts.blogspot.com/2011/06/24-ladies-aid-album.html>

### 3. **From Superior Threads:**

#### **Thread size:**

Have you wondered why thread gets thinner as the weight or thread size number gets larger? It is confusing but there is a reason behind this system. The goal is to determine how much thread it takes to weigh one pound. Here is a simple analogy to illustrate why:

- Thread A takes 20 miles to weigh a pound so it is labeled as 20 wt.
- Thread B takes 40 miles to weigh a pound and is labeled 40 wt. It is a finer thread because it takes 40 miles to weigh one pound.
- Thread C takes 60 miles to weigh a pound so it is even finer yet.

#### **Monofilament threads – which ones melt when ironed:**

- There are two main types of monofilament threads: nylon and polyester. Traditionally, most monofilament thread has been nylon. Nylon is strong but it has some negative properties for sewing thread. It tends to go brittle over time, discolors (yellows), and has low heat tolerance. Nylon melts at approximately 400 degrees F. Although most irons do not have a numerical temperature setting, many irons can melt nylon when set at medium or high heat.
- The preferred material for monofilament thread is polyester. Polyester does not discolor, go brittle, or have a low melting point. Polyester melts at the 480 to 510 degree Fahrenheit range and most irons stay well below this temperature up to the medium heat setting.
- Our MonoPoly monofilament invisible thread is 100% polyester, thus the name, **Monofilament Polyester**.
- Another caution: Watch out for monofilament threads labeled as 100% Polyamide. That may lead us to believe it is polyester but polyamide is the chemical word for nylon. Dishonest labeling? No. Misleading? Yes.  
Be safe and stay with polyester when using monofilament threads.

## October Twister Class





## OCTOBER 2011 SHOW & TELL

