



# Bay Oaks Newsletter

September 2023

## September Business Meeting

The September business meeting was held on Thursday, September 14, 2023, at 1:00 pm at the Kiln Library with 23 members in attendance.

## Membership

We have 47 memberships including 2 new members for 2023.

## August Program Meeting

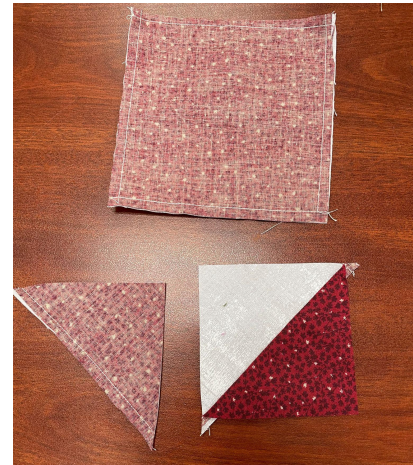
Our Program Meeting was held on August 24th at 1:00 pm at the Kiln Library. Sharon B. presented how to do 3 techniques from a POE Block named Bountiful Blessings.



Teacher of the Day - Sharon B.



Bountiful Blessings - Unit 1

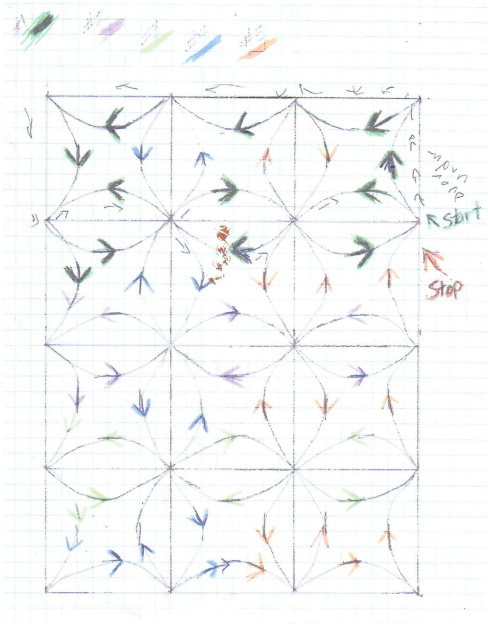


Bountiful Blessings Unit 2  
Half-Square Triangles - New Technique



Beautiful Blessings - Center Peel Back

Sharon also showed the attendees a simple machine quilting pattern. She provided instructions on a pattern sheet, a grid on batting, and a piece of material. About ten members attended including a visitor. Thank you Sharon!

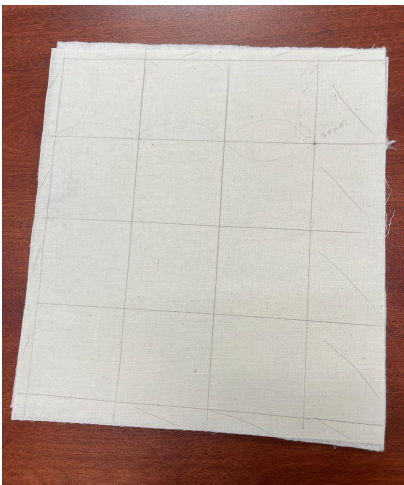


Machine Quilt Pattern Instructions

Members made red, white, and blue squares to finish assembling 6 patriotic quilt tops from the squares already donated at the GSQA July 22, 2023 Meeting. Kay G., Susan L., and Louise H. volunteered to do the quilting.



Completed Veteran Donation Quilt Top #1



Machine Quilting Grid



Completed Veteran Donation Quilt Top #2



Machine Quilting Finished



Completed Veteran Donation Quilt Top #3



Completed Veteran Donation Quilt Top #4

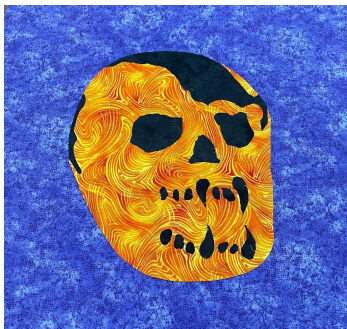


Completed Veteran Donation Quilt Top #5

### Lotto Block

Pam B. won the GSQA Star Echoes Pattern Lotto Blocks for September.

The Lotto block for October is any pattern for a 12 1/2 inch block with any Halloween colors and prints.

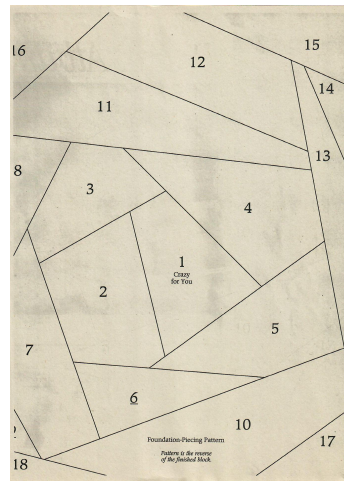


Halloween Lotto Block Example

Marge S. also mentioned that the November Lotto Block would be an 8 inch trimmed down Victorian Crazy Foundation Piece Block. She wants members to start collecting traditional fabrics - such as brocaids, flannels, corduroys, velvets, satins, lace, charms, etc. to swap pieces of fabric with other members. This will be the last Lotto Block for the year. Instructions and a pattern were given out at the September Business Meeting. Marge will go over instructions again at the October Business Meeting.



Crazy Quilt Block for November



Crazy Quilt Block Pattern



Victorian Crazy Quilt Example

## Sew N Draw

The Sew N Draw Meeting was held on September 9th at the Kiln library at 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. Michele M. had members work on a Pink Heart Quilt for the Pink Heart Fund donation. The quilt was made up of scrappy pink hearts using 2 ½ inch strips of fabric. About 15 members attended. Bonnie D. volunteered to quilt it for the Guild. A PDF document of the instructions and the web address were emailed out to members.



Trimming Pieces, Then to the Iron



Cutting Strips



Ironing Seams



The Sewing Stations



One Completed Heart  
Then Hearts Sewn in Columns



Completed Pink Heart Charity Quilt Top

### **October Business Meeting**

The October Business Meeting will be held on Thursday, October 12, 2023, at 1:00 pm at the Kiln library.

### **ALS and Armed Forces Quilts**

Ida reminded us of quilt donations to the Armed Forces Retirement Home. Please give these quilts to Ida for distribution. Details and participation next year are pending.

### **Charity Quilts**

See Marsha R. for labels for Charity Quilts.

### **Charity Donation Chairperson**

The vote at the BOQG September 14, 2023, Business Meeting was unanimous to change the Guild's ByLaws to add a Charity Donation Chairperson position. The new ByLaws will be emailed out shortly to members.

Louise H. volunteered for this worthy position to support our Guild. Ida M. stated that she would continue in this position for the rest of this year. Thank you so much Louise and Ida!

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

April H. is the new UFO master. A vote determined that a UFO is a project that has had any work

started on it. 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 Christmas party.

### **Hospitality Chairperson**

Judy F. has volunteered to be the Hospitality Chairperson. Thank you Judy!

### **Quilt Show Director for 2025 Quilt Show**

Sue C. has graciously volunteered to be our Quilt Show Director for the Guild's 2025 Quilt Show. We must all help Sue to put on our best Quilt Show ever! Thank you very much Sue!

April H. has graciously volunteered to design the Opportunity Quilt for the 2025 Quilt Show. April has an idea for a theme about Waveland, MS. She had members at the August Business Meeting list what skills they were best at and ideas for what represents Waveland - such as the beach, sea birds, etc. All members will be expected to work on the Opportunity Quilt in some capacity.

### **GSQA Traveling Teacher**

Cindy Grisdela will hold a class on Monday, January 24, 2024, from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm for Improv Puzzle Blocks. Marsha R. took \$25 deposits at the July 13th Business Meeting with a total cost of \$60 for GSQA members; \$20 extra for non-members. We will need 20 participants to have the class. At present, we have 9 members signed up. We opened enrollment to local guilds after the September Business Meeting. The deposit was paid for to hold our contract for Monday, January 22, 2024. Marsha has set up the class to be at the Coast Electric Building, HWY 49, Gulfport. A supply list was attached to the June Business Meeting Minutes and will go out again closer to the day of the class.

### **National Quilt Museum Guild Field Trip Dates October 3-6, 2023**

There was a discussion to have a field trip to the National Quilt Museum in Paducah, KY and Batesville, AR (Marshall Dry Goods). It was

suggested to leave on Tuesday, October 3rd, with 3 overnights and come back Friday, October 6th. Members would carpool in members' cars with gas expenses shared for the trip. Hotel rooms will be shared (or single if desired) with costs shared by roommates.. Other expenses would include meals and any personal shopping. At this time, Marsha has 5 participants going on this trip.

## **Guild Christmas Challenge Project**

The members voted at the August 10th Business Meeting to agree on the Dirty Santa Exchange of a homemade gift. Each member would decide what they would like to make. (Lap quilt, table runner, tote bag, wall hanging, or any other handmade item quilt related.)

The BOQG Christmas Party will be in the Kiln Library Meeting Room on Thursday, December 14, 2023, from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm.

## **Library Christmas Tree “Contest”**

The Kiln librarians want to have Christmas trees decorated again like last year. The trees will be decorated from December 1, 2023, thru January 1, 2024. The trees are 3 feet tall with lights. We need to make handmade ornaments. There was a unanimous vote to make the ornaments again this year.

## **Beckwith Retreat August 17-20, 2023, Foley, AL**

Twenty-one people attended the Retreat and had a good time. The next Beckwith Retreat is penciled in for August 15-18, 2024.

The Abbey Retreat in Covington, LA is booked for us March 5-8, 2024—details pending.

## **September Program Meeting**

The Program Meeting on September 28, 2023 will be a presentation by April H. called the Sweatshirt Class. Members need to bring their sweatshirts two sizes larger than what they wear to work on. If the

sweatshirt is new, please wash. A supply list was emailed out before the September 14th Business Meeting.



Sweatshirt Front



Sweatshirt Back

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## Important Dates

### September Program Meeting

Sweatshirt Class  
September 28, 2023

### October Field Trip to Paducah, KY

National Quilt Museum  
October 3, 2023 thru October 6, 2023

### October Board Meeting

October 9, 2023 at 1:30 pm

### October Business Meeting

October 12, 2023

### October Program Meeting

Ideas for HST and 4 Patch blocks  
From our Guild Swap  
October 26, 2023

### GSQA 2024 Traveling Teacher

January 22, 2024 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

## Show and Tell



Gypsy Wife Quilt



Bag Completed at Beckwith Retreat



Blocks in Blue  
Susan L. to Finish a Quilt  
For a Friend



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