



Bay Oaks Newsletter

April 2025

April Business Meeting

The April Business Meeting was held on Thursday, April 10, 2025, at 1:00 pm at the Kiln Library with 23 members present, with one visitor.

Charity Donation Chairperson

Louise H is the Charity Donation Chairperson to support our Guild.

Louise set up Sew Day at the Kiln Library for October 4, 2025, from 9 am to 2 pm to work on fidget quilts for schools, kennel pads for the Friends of the Animal Shelter, and burrito pillowcases.

Kennel pads should be washable measuring 24 inches by 24 inches or 24 inches by 48 inches for the cages.

Members can make quilts to donate to the hurricane relief in North Carolina. The Guild purchased batting for these quilts. They can be throw size or larger and there is no deadline on turning them in. Each quilt will need a Bay Oaks Quilt Guild label. There are two different places we can send them: 5 Little Monkeys Quilt & Sew in Weaverville, NC, and Sharon Barnes has contact information through an organization: Rice and Beans.

Chris Combest is taking our quilts to SC. He and his wife Sheila are retired Methodist ministers working with Rice and Beans. They came here after Katrina and rebuilt homes in Pearlinton, Clermont Harbor and Waveland. He said getting quilts from us is extra special. They will put a quilt in the houses they rebuild. We gave them 27 quilts.

The following pictures are of Rev Chris Combest receiving two of the donated quilts from our Guild.



Sharon B previously mentioned that a good project would be to make pillowcases for residents of Dunbar Village possibly for Christmas. Sharon found out that Dunbar Village has 60 residents at maximum. Two-thirds are women and one-third are men.

Therese S previously reminded the Board that we had committed to making quilts for the four Kiln librarians and that it would be nice to have them done for December. One quilt is finished. Florence P and Sharon B donated two "quilt kits". Bill B and Sue C offered to finish them by December. Florence reported at the April Board Meeting that she made the last librarian quilt.

Membership

Sherrie Q stated our membership was at 46 paid members. A motion was made for Diana K to be an honorary member by Sue C and seconded by Kathy K. The motion carried. With the honorary member, the guild is at 47 members.

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 is on the website.

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 jcflanagan, 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)

UFOs are projects already started. A member **may not add** to the list during the year **except for**: Guild Program Meeting projects, Teacher class projects, and Sew 'N Draw projects. As members present their Show and Tell quilts/projects, April H checks off any quilt/project on the member's UFO list. Members who complete UFO quilts/projects will be entered for a \$50 prize in a drawing at the 2025 Christmas party.

2025 Quilt Show Director

Sue C is our 2025 Quilt Show Director. The 2025 BOQG Quilt Entry Forms were collected at the April 10, 2025, Business Meeting by Therese S. Thirty-three Entry Forms were previously handed in. There are about 100 quilts entered for the Show.

Sue has 2025 Quilt Show flyers, bookmarks & postcards for members to distribute. She wants these items to be delivered in person to businesses where you shop (quilt shops, hair salons, etc.)

Sue needed each member to get at least one business Ad. So far there are 14 ads for the Show's brochure.

Sue also wants members to wear their BOQG T-shirts for the Quilt Show. She suggested that if a member doesn't have a BOQG T-shirt, they should wear a blue T-shirt and Membership Badge.

Martha S is handling the Quilt Show Boutique which needs donations. She doesn't need any more fabric. She doesn't want to compete with the two vendors. She needs members to make small items to sell – like coasters, bookmarks, little purses, burrito pillowcases, etc. The April Program Meeting will be

devoted to making these items. There will be no plant sale this year.

Chris J is keeping track of ticket sales for the 2025 Opportunity Quilt. She has tickets. Currently, there is no place to set up a tent for Second Saturday in Bay Saint Louis. Therese Springer sold tickets at the April 12, 2025, GSQA Meeting in Pensacola, FL.

Debbie L would appreciate pictures for the Newsletter from the members who go to the venues to display and sell tickets for the Opportunity Quilt.

Liz F & Sherrie Q are handling Quilt Show Door Prizes. They feel they have enough.

At the April Business Meeting, it was agreed by members for three cash prizes (\$50.00, \$25.00, \$10.00) to be awarded for the calendar quilt challenge.

March 27, 2025, Program Meeting Sleeves, Labels, and Binding for Quilts

The Program Meeting on March 27, 2025, was led by Liz F on how to make quilt sleeves and labels for Show Quilts. She also showed how to sew on the binding for a quilt. Four members attended including Liz. A How-To document with web addresses will be e-mailed out to members.



Three of the Four Musketeers
Liz F, Our Fearless Leader on the Left

Sew'N Draw

Future Sew'N Draws will be May 24, 2025, August 23, 2025, and November 15, 2025. May's pattern will be Card Tricks, and August's pattern will be Charm Pack Chili.

Abbey Retreat, March 25-28, 2025

Several members attended the Abbey Retreat. Quilts were worked on and several were completed.



Sewing on Bindings



Charity Quilt



Baby Quilt



Puppy Baby Quilt



Red Tree Quilt Top

Arts Alive! - March 29-30, 2025

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.

Martha and several Guild members sold tickets for the Opportunity Quilt at Arts Alive! Saturday, March 29, 2025, and Sunday, March 30, 2025.



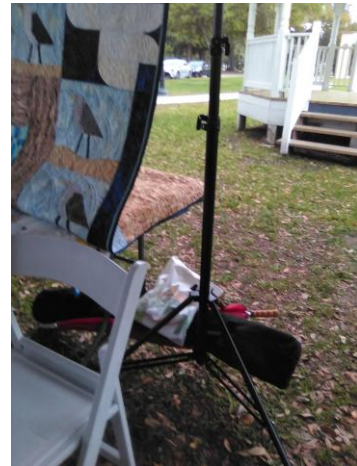
Setup Finally Complete!

The Guild was set up in the Makers' Space Tent. Electricity was available and used on Sunday when Sharon B brought her sewing machine to demonstrate quilt making. Due to the weather, the setup was interesting.



First Attempt to Set Coastal Reflections
Windy Conditions

The wind kept knocking Coastal Reflections down because more weight was needed to hold the hanging system's legs down.



Had to Keep the Hanger Tripod
Heavy to Keep Quilt Upright



Second Attempt &
Third Attempt A Bungee Cord
Used on Quilt Bottom and Table

Guild Members Demonstrating Quilting Techniques



Sewing Binding on Quilted Potholder



Embroidering Stars on Quilt Top



Beckwith Retreat, August 14-17, 2025

The 2025 Beckwith Retreat dates are August 14th through 17th. Campers can arrive on Wednesday if they choose and pay \$50 per room for an additional night's lodging. The first meal provided will be Thursday lunch.

The cost for the Retreat is \$357 or \$119 for 3 payments per person for a double occupancy room and \$435 or \$145 for 3 payments per person for a single occupancy room which includes 2 meals Thursday and Sunday; and 3 meals Friday and Saturday. The Retreat is open to Guild members first with a limit of 20 people.

Therese started collecting for the Beckwith Retreat at the April 10th Business Meeting. Members can pay in three installments or in full. Our business meeting, originally scheduled for August 14th, will be rescheduled.

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GSQA July Meeting, July 19, 2025

It was voted on at the March Business Meeting that our Guild would host the GSQA July meeting. Therese S has secured the venue used previously (First United Methodist Church in Long Beach). She will contact the following Guilds: Magnolia, Sand Stitches, and Biloxi Lighthouse Stitches to assist. Hosting the Meeting entails providing favors, snacks, and water as for previous GSQA meetings.

Therese S suggested making fat-quarter roses. Judy F generously offered to donate the fat quarters needed. A summer theme was discussed so the fat quarters should be pastel colors.

The Guild will pay for the stems, leaves, and wire. We would need 150 roses. Guild members voted to make the roses. The fat quarter roses will be worked on after the Guild's Quilt Show. The other three Guilds would make up about 30 door prizes.

Important Dates

April Program Meeting

April 24, 2025, at 1:00 pm

Make Burrito Pillowcases & rope bowls/coasters
to Sell at Quilt Show

May Board Meeting

April 30, 2025, at 2:00 pm

Drop Off Quilts for Quilt Show

Wednesday, May 7, 2025, 9:00 am to 12:00 pm

Kiln Library

Quilts Will Be Signed In

Need 4 Cars to Hold Quilts Overnight

Quilt Show Set Up

Thursday, May 8, 2025, 8:00 am

Need 2 Trucks to Pick Up Pipes for Display

Structure for Quilt Show

Thursday, May 8, 2025, 9:00 am

4 Cars to Bring in Quilts

Thursday, May 8, 2025, 9:00 am - 2:00 pm

Members Set Up Quilt Show

May Business Meeting

Thursday, May 8, 2025, at 1:00 pm

Lunch Paid for by the Guild

St. Rose de Lima Catholic Church

Holy Spirit Center

301 South Necaise Avenue

Bay Saint Louis, MS 39520

Bay Oaks Quilt Show

May 9 - 10, 2025

Friday 9:00 am to 6:00 pm

Saturday 9:00 am to 5:00 pm

St. Rose de Lima Catholic Church

Holy Spirit Center

301 South Necaise Avenue

Bay Saint Louis, MS 39520

Quilt Show Take Down

May 10, 2025, around 4:30 pm

Pick Up Quilts After Quilt Show

May 10, 2025, 4:30 pm +

After Takedown Completed

Quilts Will Be Signed Out

May Program Meeting

May 22, 2025, at 1:00 pm

Selvage Quilts

Kay Wieland

June Program Meeting

June 26, 2025, at 1:00 pm

English Paper Piecing

Jill Lombardo

July GSQA Quarterly Meeting

July 18-19, 2025

Need Fat Quarter Roses Made

July Program Meeting

July 24, 2025, at 1:00 pm

Christmas in July

Beckwith Retreat

August 14-17, 2025

August Program Meeting

August 28, 2025, at 1:00 pm

Coats From Quilts

Shirley Wiltshire

September Program Meeting

September 25, 2025, at 1:00 pm

Landscape Quilting

October Program Meeting

October 23, 2025, at 1:00 pm

Hemingway Bag

Donation Quilts

Members donated finished quilts and quilt tops - 27 in all! Other members finished the quilts. Most have been sent for Hurricane Relief to North Carolina. A few more came in and more to come!



Donation Quilt 2 of 5



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Donation Quilt 1 of 5



Donation Quilt Last of 5

Show and Tell



Gumbo



Organized Chaos



Calendar Quilt #1



Calendar Quilt #2

Calendar Quilt



Purple Mystery Quilt



Focus



Calendar Quilt

