



Bay Oaks Newsletter

March 2025

March Business Meeting

The March Business Meeting was held on Thursday, March 13, 2025, at 1:00 pm at the Kiln Library with 25 members present.

Charity Donation Chairperson

Louise H is the Charity Donation Chairperson to support our Guild. Louise reported that fidget quilts were appreciated by Hancock Elementary. She also had one given to her to be donated.



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 B has contact information through an organization: Rice and Beans.

Sharon B 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 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 quilts. Bill B and Sue C offered to finish them by December. One more is needed.

Membership

The Guild has 47 members for 2025 with half the members paying their dues. The \$15 dues for 2025 can be paid during the Guild's Business Meetings or mailed to Sherrie Q. When the dues are paid, 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!

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)

April H collected UFO Forms for 2025 from members at the meeting (which was the last day to turn them into her). 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 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. New 2025 BOQG Quilt Entry Forms were again e-mailed to members with an I Spy line for Michele M on Page 2. Members should make copies for themselves as needed. Members can enter 3 quilts - **PLUS the Calendar Quilt** to the show. **Please Note: Per Sue, a quilt sweatshirt can be added as a fifth item. Each quilt entered must have 2 Entry Forms, a 4" X 6" picture of the quilt with the Entry Form, and the form returned to Therese Springer on or before April 10, 2025. The sooner, the better.** Sue needs to know how many entries for the set up and if members might be able to enter more quilts.

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 needs each member to get at least one business Ad. **The ads are due on or before April 10, 2025. The sooner, the better.** The 2025 Ad Form and the sizes of the Ads were again e-mailed to members.

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. Members of the Guild will sell tickets at Arts Alive, March 29-30, 2025. Sue C stressed that members need to sell Opportunity Quilt tickets.

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.

February 27, 2025, Program Meeting Vinyl Zippered Project Bag

The Program Meeting on February 27, 2025, was led by Michele M in making a project bag. About twenty members attended. Michele cut out 16 inches by 16 inches square pieces of vinyl for members' projects.



Our Fearless Leader



Michele's Finished Project Bag Front



Michele's Finished Project Bag Back

After the meeting, a document was e-mailed to members on how to make the project bag.

Some members came worked on quilt bindings and hand sewing hexagons:



Sew'N Draw

Michele M led the Sew'N Draw on Saturday, March 1, 2025, in the Kiln Library Meeting Room from 9am - 3pm. The pattern was Beachside Bungalow. About ten members attended.



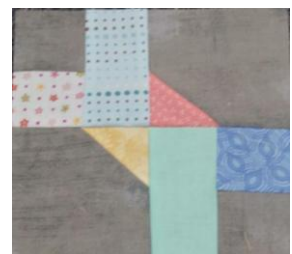
Member Cutting Pieces



Member Assembling Blocks



Block A



Block B



Four Blocks Form 1 Large Block



Winner of the Beachside Bungalow Squares

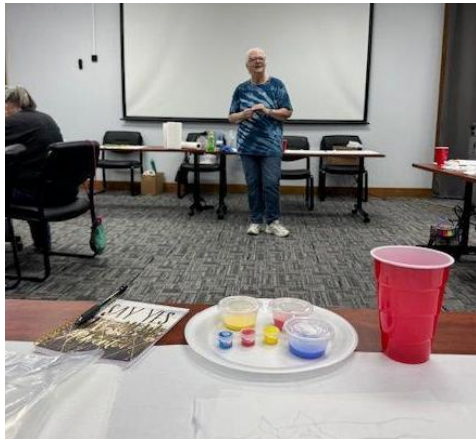
After the Sew'N Draw Meeting, a document was emailed to members on how to make the quilt.

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.

Circuit Teacher Class with April H Painting on Fabric

April H's Fabric Painting class was held on Friday, March 14, 2025, in the Kiln library Meeting Room. There were fifteen participants.

Participants created 3 blocks, using 3 types of paint. There were several designs to choose from. Participants were taught how to apply the inks, and how to blend and shadow their designs.



Circuit Teacher



Materials Distributed and Participants Await



Full Class Instructing



Getting Closer Instructions
All Together Now!!



Getting Closer - Beautiful Colors!



Instructing by Doing!



Some Finished Painted Projects



Abbey Retreat, March 25-28, 2025

Michele M told members that the cost of the 3 1/2 day Retreat is \$475.50 or \$65 daily rate (no overnight stay, three meals). Michele said there was not a minimum for the attendees for the Retreat to be a go. Attendees must bring their projects and sewing/quilting equipment. She said that members pay at the Retreat.

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 said that the Guild could sell tickets for the Opportunity Quilt at Arts Alive! The hours are 10 am to 5 pm on Saturday, March 29, 2025, and 12 pm – 5 pm on Sunday, March 30, 2025.

The Show will not be inside due to the rental cost. We would be in a tent like before. There will be access to electricity. We need to bring and put up a tent.

Martha needs more volunteers to man the tent, sell tickets, work with children projects, and demonstrate a quilting/craft project during the Show. Martha needs volunteers for shifts: Saturday: 9:30 am - 12 pm; 12 pm - 2:30 pm; and 2:30 pm to 5 pm. Sunday: 12 noon - 2:30 pm and 2:30 to 5 pm. She passed around a sign-up book for members to fill in the blanks.

Martha has material scraps for a children's project, material, scissors, quilt block coloring pictures, and crayons. She needs poster board or cardboard: Ex: from fat quarters. She needs members to volunteer to demonstrate something with quilting during the Show. Chris J, Sharon B, and Liz F volunteered to work/demonstrate a project.

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 Stitchers, and Biloxi Lighthouse Stitchers to assist. Hosting the Meeting entails providing favors, snacks, and water as for previous GSQA meetings.

Therese suggested making fat-quarter roses. Judy F will generously donate the fat quarters needed. The Guild will pay for the stems, leaves, and wire. We would need 150 roses. Guild members voted to make the roses. The other three Guilds would make up about 30 door prizes.

A demo of creating a fat quarter rose will be done at the April Program Meeting unless otherwise decided by membership. A summer theme was discussed so the fat quarters should be pastel colors.



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 S will start collecting for the Beckwith Retreat starting in April. Members can pay in three installments or in full. Our business meeting, originally scheduled for August 14th, will be rescheduled.

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Important Dates

Abbey Retreat

March 25-28, 2025

March Program Meeting

March 27, 2025, at 1:00 pm
Quilt Sleeves, Labels, & Bindings

Arts Alive!

March 29, 2025 10 am - 5 pm
March 30, 2025 12 noon - 5 pm
The Depot, Bay St. Louis

April Board Meeting

April 2, 2025, at 2:00 pm

April Business Meeting

April 10, 2025, at 1:00 pm
Lunch at Las Fajitas at 11:30 am
16331 MS-603 #3
Kiln, MS 39556
(across from Coastal Hardware)

April Program Meeting

April 24, 2025, at 1:00 pm
Make Items to Sell at Quilt Show

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 Nacaise Avenue
Bay Saint Louis, MS 39520

Beckwith Retreat

August 14-17, 2025

Donation Quilts

Members donated finished quilts and quilt tops - 21 in all! Other members finished the quilts. These will be donated for Hurricane Relief in North Carolina.



Donated Finished Quilt



Quilt Tops Finished into Quilts by Members



3 Quilt Tops Finished into Quilts by Members

Show and Tell



4 Quilts Finished by Members



4 Quilts Finished by Members



7 Quilts Finished by Members



Christmas Quilt



Charity Quilt



Calendar Quilt



Quilt for Granddaughter's Teacher



Dahlia Block



School Quilt Wall Hanging



February Door Quilt



Quilted Basket



Eat Your Heart Out, Bill Won the Quilt



Charity Quilt #1 and Charity Quilt #2



February's Program Project Bags Completed



Jelly Roll Bag



Pinwheel



February's Program Bag



Burrito Pillowcases