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# OUR MONTHLY QUILT TALK

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## *President's Message*

Dear Quilters,

Oh my, as I look out my window, it is snowing. Quite pretty, but I am sure my daffodils are wondering what is going on? Like all Arkansans know, "If you don't like the weather, hang around, tomorrow will be totally different."

We had a great program on Monday, February 17, at our business meeting with two young ladies representing the Historic Arkansas Museum. They brought along with them a handmade quilt from the turn of the Century which all Guild members were in awe of. Carey Voss, Curator of Exhibits and Victoria Chandler, Arkansas Made Researcher, were eager to promote the work of the museum and our state's wonderful collection of fine, decorative, and mechanical arts made by Arkansas artists and craftspeople. They informed us that currently there is a display of vintage quilts at the Museum and encouraged all of us to take advantage of such a great collection. The Museum is open every day, except Mondays and the display will run for several more months.

Our Quilt Show is fast approaching and I want to personally thank Gwen and Sondra for their countless hours of hard work to make this happen. Please, when asked to help in some form or fashion, answer with the affirmative. We all need to do our part to make it a success. We still need miniature quilts for the silent auction. Hopefully quite a few of you have already started one. The monies raised through the auction provide the funds to help defray the cost of putting on the show.

Happy Sewing to all of You!

Joyce Opitz  
President

### **2020 OFFICERS**

President: Joyce Opitz  
1<sup>st</sup>VP: Gwen Rogers  
2<sup>nd</sup>VP: Paulette Hutchings  
Secretary: Janet Webster  
Debbie Wright  
Treasurer: Pat Wade,  
Sheila Bird

### **COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS:**

#### **Workshops:**

*Professional:* Cheri Johnson  
*5:30:* Guild Members  
*Saturday:*

*Librarian:* Myrna Yandell  
*Fund raising:* Judy Peters  
*Name Tags:* Joyce Opitz  
*Door prizes:* Cely Slover  
*Membership:* Shirley Miller  
*Programs:* Twyla Moore,  
Cathy Faulkner  
*Website:* Eddie Landreth  
*1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday:* Judy Huggins  
*Charity Quilts:* Sidney Morris  
*Sunshine:* Shirley Miller  
*Newsletter:* Eddie Landreth  
*Hostess:* Twyla Moore  
*Quiltmania:* Pat Wade,  
Jane Hammonds,  
Ola Bramlett,  
Sheila Bird

## March Calendar of Events

		Event
4	Wed	First Wednesday gathering
12	Thu	Charity Quilts at Sidney's Studio, Come work on quilts to be given away
16	Mon	Guild Meeting – Calvary Church 5:30 – Workshop; 6:00 – Meeting
20	Fri	Due date for articles for the newsletter to be sent to the editor.
23	Mon	Daytime Stitchers meets at Johnston's Home Center at 9:30 am
25	Wed	QOV meets the 4th Wednesday of every month at Johnston's Home Center.
26	Thu	Charity Quilts at Sidney's Studio, Come work on quilts to be given away
28	Sat	Applique and whatever you want to work on at Sidney's Studio.

## March Birthdays

Happy Birthday!

Name	Day
Judy Johnson	4
Tiffanee Noack	11
Helen Matthews	12
Jerri Puska	16
Linda Adkins	23
Judy Bowers	24
Henrietta Miller	25

## First Wednesday

Month	Hostess
March	Glenna Duggar
April	
May	Judy Johnson
June	
July	Paulette Honeycutt
August	
September	Judy Huggins
October	
November	
December	

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## ~ Woolie Chicks ~

Due to an overload of obligations, we are temporarily suspending this gathering at the home of Gwen Rogers. If you need some wool, it is still available. All you have to do is call or text Gwen. Meanwhile, we are looking for a new place to gather. If you would like to host this group please let Gwen know. Stay tuned for updates.

Gwen Rogers

## ~ Recipe Collection ~

Our collection of recipes is growing slowly but surely. Please share your recipes!!

We'd like to create a cookbook as a small fundraiser. Give recipes to Gwen Rogers, Debbie Wright, or Myrna Yandell.

## ~ Chamber of Commerce Email List ~

A sign-up sheet was circulated at the guild meeting Monday night to be on the email list from the Chamber of Commerce. If you didn't get a chance to add your name to the list please email Gwen and she will turn it in to the Chamber. About once a week you will get a very informative newsletter regarding happenings in Benton or special opportunities for members.

### ~ Correction Regarding Third Thursday ~

A sign-up sheet to help vend at the 3rd Thursday event was circulated Monday night at the meeting. Unfortunately, Gwen was under the erroneous impression that we could sell tickets for our donation quilt. We won't be able to sell anything at these events that are starting in April and running through August. Each month there will be a theme. In June it will be ART. It's possible that we could set up a booth in June that would simply showcase what we do and perhaps generate interest in membership but we won't be able to sell anything. Sorry for the misinformation. Do plan to attend some of these 3rd Thursdays.

### ~ QuiltMania ~

QuiltMania is April 6-9<sup>th</sup> at the 4-H center at Ferndale in the Feland Hall. We will have 3 ½ days of sewing and fellowship. Please register by March 20<sup>th</sup>. The forms are on our website. Feland Hall check-in begins at 8:00 Monday April 6<sup>th</sup>. We will have the building until noon on the 9<sup>th</sup>.

Unloading- you may use the front or back of Feland Hall to unload. We will have a wagon you can use. **Please move car after unloading.** Handicap Parking at back of building. General Parking – on dirt lot next to building or in the 4H center parking . A refrigerator is available. We need prizes for Goody Bags, so if you have items to donate, contact Twyla Moore, Cathy Faulkner. If you have questions see a committee person.

Committees:

Chairman - Pat Wade

Challenge - Sheila Bird

Kitchen – Myrna Yandell

Door Prizes – Twyla Moore, Cathy Faulkner

Classes - Linda Beavert and Paulette Hutchings

### ~ Daytime Stitchers ~

Meets on the 4th Monday of the month at Johnston's Home Center. Jill Barker will give the tutorial on Feb. 24.

### ~ Charity Quilts ~

Just a reminder that I am at the shop the second and fourth Thursday and the last Saturday of the month if you would like to get batting or backing for any charity quilt you are working on including the one for QuiltMania.

Sidney Morris

### ~ Quilt Show News ~

There will be a Quilt Show planning meeting on March 16 at 4:30 before our regularly scheduled guild meeting. If you are remotely interested in helping with the show, please attend. Your input is valued!

The registration form is ready and posted on our website. (A huge thank you to the committee who worked very hard on this form!!) You will notice a number of changes. Due to a conflict in the judge's schedule we are judging the quilts off-site a week before the show. Quilts will be brought to Gwen Rogers' home on Wednesday, Sept. 16 between 10 am and 2 pm. They will be judged on Thursday and Friday. This year there is a fee for submitting any quilt into the show. Exceptions are quilts in the juvenile category. If the fee poses a hardship, please don't allow that to deter you from entering a quilt in the show. Scholarships are available. If you have questions regarding the registration form please ask Gwen. We are

still receiving donations of small quilts for our silent auction and are deeply grateful for each one! These little quilts represent your time, energy and love. Thank you! Debbie Susky is our curator for this project.

Gwen Rogers



### ~ Library Report ~

**Library Report:** I have enjoyed looking at Kaleidoscope ABCs by Marti Michell. What is a Kaleidoscope Block? We can see curves and circles in Kaleidoscope designs, when all of the seams are straight lines. There are 14 beautiful Kaleidoscope patterns included in this book, and a **From Marti Michell Kaleido-Ruler** is required for making each of the projects. A sample of the ruler is included at the back of the book. Marti assures us that when using the Kaleido-Ruler, all you need to know is the finished block size, no tricky math formulas are required. These probably would not be projects for the beginning quilter, but

the intermediate quilter will find that the challenge yields a beautiful (and intriguing) quilt. Thanks to Linda Adkins for donating this book to our library. If you would like to CHECK IT OUT, let me know.

Myrna Yandell  
Librarian

### ~ Sunshine Report ~

- Kris Boulton
- Judy Huggins
- Fran Nichols
- Sidney Morris
- Carole James
- Paulette Hutchings
- Eddie Landreth

### ~ Sewing Machine Humor ~

Two sewing machines are sitting at a bar.  
One turns to the other and says, "Hey, aren't you a Singer?!"  
It turns and says, "Why? Ja-no-me?"  
And then the bartender said, "Oh Brother."



### ~ Ribbon Cutting ~

We voted last month to join the Chamber of Commerce and have a date for our ribbon cutting ceremony. It will be held on Friday,



February 28 at 10:30 am at the Chamber of Commerce.



~ Meeting Minutes ~

**The Saline County Quilters' Guild**  
**Calvary Baptist Church,**  
**612 Valley View Road, Benton, Arkansas**  
**February 17, 2020**

**5:30 Workshops:** No workshop in February.

Joyce Opitz, President, called the meeting to order at 5:31 pm.

Joyce called upon Judy Johnson to update the members on UFO challenges. The 2020 challenge will begin in July. Forms are available and due back to Judy by the May meeting. Prizes were awarded for finished 2019 UFO's to Cheri Johnson (2), Jane Hammond, Sondra Curtis, Pat Wade and Tiffanee Noack.

**Program:** Joyce introduced Cary Voss, Curator of Exhibits and Victoria Chandler, Arkansas Made Researcher, from the Historic Arkansas Museum. Members were informed about an exhibit *Stitched Together: A Treasury of Arkansas Quilts*. Ten quilts from this collection are currently on display. They shared one quilt from this collection with us, Manning Family's Tree of Life made around 1871. The Guild was offered a special showing of quilts and a behind the scene tour. The Guild is invited to take part in National Quilting Day 2020 at the Historic Arkansas Museum on March 21st from 10am-2pm. Check the Facebook page for more information.

**Treasurer Reports:** Joyce Opitz, in Pat Wade's absence, presented the Treasurer report and it stands as presented.

**Secretary Minutes:** Joyce Opitz asked if there were any corrections or additions to the January 20, 2020 meeting minutes as printed in the newsletter. There were none and the meeting minutes were approved as printed.

**Committee Chairpersons Reports:** as called for by Joyce Opitz.

Quilt Show 2020: Gwen Rogers

- Quilt Show meeting has been scheduled at 4:30pm before the March Saline County Quilters' Guild (SCQG) meeting.

- Entry forms for your quilts are due by July 15th. Forms are available on our website. SCQG members have priority until April 1st and then it will be opened to others.
- Quilts will be judged on Wednesday, September 16th at Gwen Roger's home.
- Fay Poe's committee is working on ribbons.
- Bookmarks have been printed and are available for handouts. They will be distributed to local quilt shops.

Membership Report: Shirley Miller reminded the group that the 2020 membership dues need to be to her within the next two weeks. The membership roster will be updated at that time and sent to Eddie Landreth for distribution.

Sunshine Report: Shirley Miller visited Judy Huggins and updated the group. Judy sent a thank you card which Shirley read.

First Wednesday: March 4th will be at Glenna Dugger's home. Her address is 7177 Rolling Meadow in Benton.

Library: Myrna Yandell had nothing new to report, but reminded the members to watch the newsletter.

Charity Quilts: Sidney Morris reported on charity quilts. Fay Poe offered to get quilts out of storage for anyone interested in taking one home tonight to complete and return.

Donation Quilt: The 2020 beautiful donor quilt was on display. Jane Hammond has tickets available for members to sell. Paulette Hutchings is working on the next one.

Fund Raising: Joyce Opitz reported for Judy Peters that there were no RADA sales this month.

Quilts of Valor: Kris Boulton said this group meets the 4th Wednesday of each month at Johnston's Home Center from 9:30 AM to 2:30pm. All are welcome. Membership will be \$15 beginning March 1st.

QuiltMania: Linda Beavert informed the group that Shellie Blake's class will cost \$20. The pattern is Summer Swag by Krista Moser. If you purchase your fabric from The Bedwarmer Quilt & Sew your pattern is free. A 60 Degree Diamond Ruler is required for this pattern. Twyla Moore and Cathy Faulkner are still collecting items for gift bags and door prizes. Correction — the 50 gift bags will go to the first 50 people who arrive at the building. Reminder to finish those challenge quilts as great prizes are planned. Forms are available on the website and please return to Shelia Bird.

Website and Newsletter: Nothing to report.

Woolie Chicks: Gwen Rogers informed the members that this group is suspended until a new meeting venue can be found.

Daytime Stitchers: Gwen Rogers, for Jean Corley, reported that Daytime Stitchers will meet on Monday, February 24th at Johnston's. Begins at 9:30am and the group has the space until 2:30pm. Tutorial will be presented at 10am. Bring something for show and tell. Johnston's offers a discount for attendees.

Door Prizes: Cely Slover reported that we had 39 members present and 2 visitors. Tonight's door prize winners— Glenna Dugger, Jane Hammonds, Kris Boulton (2), Sondra Curtis, Sandy Rial and Helen Matthews.

### **Old Business:**

- Joyce Opitz informed the members that the SCQG is now a member of the Benton

Chamber of Commerce. There will be a ribbon cutting ceremony scheduled for us at the Chamber. Members are welcome to attend this ceremony on Friday, February 28th, 10:30am at the Benton Chamber of Commerce located at 607 North Market Street.

- Sondra Curtis informed members about Benton's Third Thursday event. The event takes place around the Benton courthouse, every third Thursday, April - August. Booth setup is 5:15pm, event is 6-9pm. It is a great opportunity to promote SCQG, display the donation quilt and sell tickets. Volunteers are needed to man the booth. Sondra added that Mayor Farmer is very positive on SCQG and Quilt Show 2020.

**New Business:** No new business.

**Show and Tell:**

Brenda Wall—Scrap quilt & charity quilts  
 Glenna Dugger— QOV quilt  
 Jeanne Huffman  
 Samantha Bird  
 Jeanne Huffman  
 Fay Poe—2 Scrap quilts  
 Barbara Keys

Meeting was adjourned at 7:15pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
 Janet Webster  
 Co-Secretary

## Saline County Quilters' Guild

### 2020 Membership

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Dues \$20.00

Note: Current Members - Only fill in information that has changed or needs correcting from last year.

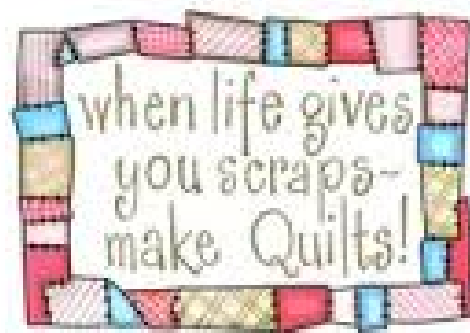
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For new members who join in October, November, or December, their membership will include the following year. Current members can start renewing in October for the following year. A new roster will be distributed at the March meeting. Membership form and payment can be mailed to Shirley Miller, 1632 Matt Lane, Hensley, AR 72065.

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