# OUR MONTHLY QUILT TALK

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# President's Message

Dear Quilters,

I hope all of you are getting lots of quilting done. I was so ready for spring and then along comes black berry winter.

We had a very good meeting Monday night and missed all of you who could not make it. I love it that it is daylight when we go and daylight when we get out. We will be meeting at 5:00 in the evening instead of 5:30 as a courtesy to Johnston's until we feel like we can can go back to our regular meeting place.

We have a new place to give charity quilts to, it is the Cooper Anthony Mercy Child Advocacy Center in Benton. It is a center providing a safe, child friendly, and caring place to come when allegations of child abuse arise. There was an increase of 28% in Saline County last year. Their services are free to families so if we can help one child through this unimaginable circumstance it will be wonderful.

I'm excited about the retreat we are going to have in April and I know all of you are like me and so ready to get to do something with fellow quilters, it seems like it has been forever since we have all been together and I miss all of you.

A friendly reminder again about quilt dues, if you have not paid yours yet please do so before next quilt meeting.

Happy Quilting, Sondra

#### **2020 OFFICERS**

President: Sondra Curtis  $1^{st}$  VP: Sharon Vanover  $2^{nd}$  VP: Amy Snodgrass

Secretary: Jerri Psuka

(Backup: Debbie Wright)

Treasurer: Pat Wade

#### **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

Ist Wednesday: Judy Huggins

Charity Quilts: Sidney Morris

Sunshine: Shirley Miller

Newsletter: Eddie Landreth

Hostess: Twyla Moore

Ouiltmania: Pat Wade,

Jane Hammonds, Ola Bramlett, Sheila Bird



April Calendar of Events

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		Event	
4	Sun	Easter	
7	Wed	No First Wednesday for April	
8	Thu	Charity Quilts at Sidney's Studio, Come work on quilts to be given away	
19	Mon	Guild meeting at Johnston's. 5:00	
22	Thu	Charity Quilts at Sidney's Studio, Come work on quilts to be given away	
23	Fri	Due date for articles for the newsletter to be sent to the editor.	
24	Sat	Applique and whatever you want to work on at Sidney's Studio.	
26	Mon	Daytime Stitchers meets at Johnston's Home Center at 9:30 am	
28	Wed	QOV meets the 4th Wednesday of every month at Johnston's Home Center.	

# ~ Birthdays ~

Name	Day
Glenna Duggar	1
Charlotte Williams	1
Sandra Bufford	3
Marcia Lasiter	8
Amy Hoyt	12
Diana Wilks	12
Judy Peters	22

# ~ Sunshine Report ~

#### **Get Well Cards**

Sheila Bird Sondra Curtis Glenna Duggar Jane Hammonds Joyce Watson

Shirley Miller

# ~ 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.

### ~ Meeting Minutes ~

# Saline County Quilting Guild March 15, 2021 Meeting Minutes

The March 15, 2021 meeting was held at 5:00 pm at Johnston's Home Center. Sondra Curtis called the meeting to order with 20 members in attendance.

#### **Treasurer's Report**

Though absent, Pat Wade provided Sondra a treasurer's report.

Balance beginning March: \$5,605.72
Deposits to Date: 495.00
Withdrawals to Date: 324.63
Current Balance: \$5,776.09

Treasurer's report was approved as read.

#### **Old Business**

There was no outstanding old business.

#### **New Business**

#### **Quilting Retreat Planned**

Cheri Johnson provided details of the Sit and Sew Retreat planned:

- April 15 & 16, 2021, 9 am 6 pm, \$25 per day, limited to 30 participants.
- Location: Osage Event Center (former Sears location behind Alcoa Credit Union) on Ferguson.
- All participants must be guild members, current on dues and have received a COVID-19 vaccination (both shots if the two shot vaccine).

- No meals will be provided, bring your own lunch. Snacks can be brought and shared.
- To register contact either Cheri Johnson or Pat Wade. An email was sent to all members with more details and Cheri/Pat contact information earlier today.
- As of 3/15/2021, there are 15 members registered, leaving 15 open.

#### **Committee Reports**

<u>Library Report</u> – No report, access still closed.

<u>Name Tags</u> - Joyce Optiz will continue to be the contact for ordering name tags as needed.

<u>Door Prizes</u> – Cely Slover reported no additional funds are needed for door prizes at this time. Sondra indicated hopefully in another month or two, we will be able to meet regularly at church again and re-instate our door prizes.

**Membership Report** – Shirley Miller stated there are 37 members who have not paid their 2021 dues. She would prefer not to release a membership roster until all dues are collected or the member chooses not to renew their membership. discussion, Shirley will wait another week and then email the members with outstanding dues, copying Sondra. The email will request that they respond either sending their dues or stating that they will not be renewing membership. Sondra requested the opportunity to contact those members who do not respond to the email. The revised membership roster will be provided to Eddie for distribution. Cely provides hardcopy newsletters to several who do not have email addresses. Once the membership roster is finalized, she will update the list of hardcopy newsletters accordingly.

<u>Sunshine</u> - Please continue to send any requests for cards to Shirley Miller.

Requested card to be sent to Shelia Bird who is recovering from back surgery at a Sheridan nursing home.

Jane Hammonds will be having back surgery soon.

<u>First Wednesday Sewing</u> — Judy Huggins indicated that the group is not ready to resume meeting yet, hopefully in a few more months.

**2021 UFO Challenge** – Judy Johnson reported that the 2020 UFO challenge was completed by email; while it worked, it was not very much fun. Hoping the 2021 UFO challenge will be completed in our BEFORE COVID-19 manner! Judy has the forms ready, contact her to participate.

Select 6 projects or kits (see form for additional criteria), any type project may be included. It is recommended that you select the most difficult as #6 to have the time to complete it. Charge of \$1 per UFO, total \$6.00 payable to Judy. Submit your UFO form by next month, the 1<sup>st</sup> UFO project will be picked at the May meeting.

### <u>Tonight's Program – Charity Quilts by Myrna</u> Yandell

SCQG has a highly active Charity Quilt program, meeting the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays at Sidney's building on Alcoa Road. Sidney and her husband own the building and have generously provided the right side of the building for use by the guild. There is a large cutting table, ironing board, several sewing machines set up for sewing and a room of donation fabric.

To maintain the guild tax exemption status, we have an obligation to provide charitable services. We meet this obligation and provide support services to our county through the making and donation of quilts and dog/cat beds. The guild is blessed with 2-3 members who quilt our donation items, 2-3 members who bind quilts, and a larger group who sew. There are optional ways to participate: join the sewing members on the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays, take and make one of the quilt kits, come out and select your own fabric from the donations and make a quilt of your choice, or bind quilts. Numerous size quilts are donated: baby, youth, and adult. The dog/cat beds are stuffed with scraps from the quilts, so you can donate your scraps for use as well. Myrna provided a display of various quilts, pet pillow beds and mats made by the charity quilters. She encouraged anyone who is

interested to join the group and not worry about expertise; help is available for anyone wanting to learn and assist in the quilt making.

Our guild provides charity quilts and dog/cat pillows & mats to the following organizations.

- Arkansas Children's Hospital
- Civitan Youth
- New Beginnings Pregnancy Center
- Stride House Mental Health Day Treatment Center
- The Call foster children program
- Humane Society of Saline County
- Saline Hospice
- Vine & the Branches chaplain for police & sheriff dept.
- Safe Haven Battered Women's shelter
- Veterans Quilts of Honor program

Myrna brought several quilts needed to be bound with the binding provided and several quilt kits to be distributed to willing members. Anyone interested in becoming involved in the charity quilt program is welcome to come out on the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday to check it out. Contact Myrna or Sidney for more information.

<u>Show and Tell</u> – Members displayed some of their recent works of art!

Meeting adjourned – See you next month!

Jerri Puska, Secretary

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Editor's Note: The following meeting minutes for October and November 2020 were received since our previous newsletter.

#### **October 2020 Meeting Minutes**

Meeting opened with welcome from Joyce Opitz.

Treasurer's report Pat Wade was not in attendance but balance was close to the same.

1st Wednesday - nobody is schedule for November.

Sunshine - no report

Charity Quilts - given away 146 quilts this year, 52 pillows and 17 animal pallets.

Quilt Show – Donation Quilt is in progress

Future Meetings -

Membership - are due by the First of January and start in October.

Door prizes that have been held over from Quiltmania and the Quilt Show will be given out at the December Christmas Party. No food or presents during the Christmas Party. Please bring Christmas Quilts or wall hangings for Show and Tell to the Christmas Party.

Hot Springs Village Quilt Guild asked to hold their quilt show during our time in 2022. It was agreed to let them present their quilt show in 2022.

November Quilt Guild Meeting - members will bring and talk about UFO's as the program.

Nominating Committee consisting of Myrna Yandell, Cecilia Stover, Sandy Morris, Ola Bramlett, and Cherie Johnson presented the slate of officers for 2021 as follows:

President - Sondra Curtis
Treasurer - Pat Wade
Secretary - Jerri Puska
Backup Secretary - Debbie Wright
2nd V Pres - Amy Snodgrass
1st V Pres - Sharon Vanover

Motion made to accept nominated officers and seconded. Voting will be made in November meeting.

#### **November 2020 Meeting Minutes**

Joyce Opitz called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone.

A motion was made and seconded to accept the slate of officers as presented in the October meeting. The vote to accept was unanimously accepted.

Motion was made and seconded for the guild to buy batting for Sydney's charity quilts. Vote was unanimously approved.

Vote was made whether to have the Christmas party and the majority was for not having the Christmas party.



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### 2021 Membership Form

Name	Date	Dues \$20.00
Note: Current Members - Only fill in info	ormation that has changed or needs	s correcting from last year.
Address	Email	
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Home Phone ( )	Cell Phone ( )	

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.

# **Quilting Supplies**

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### ADDRESS CORRECTION REOUESTED

