
OUR MONTHLY QUILT TALK

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Saline County Quilters Guild Newsletter

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Welcome Summer!



2023 OFFICERS

President: Sharon Vanover
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(Alternate: Myrna Yandell)
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Workshops:

Professional: Cheri Johnson
5:30: Guild Members

Committee Chairs:

Fund raising:
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Membership: Toni Shockey

Programs: Gwen Rogers
Team: Sondra Curtis, Judy Johnson,
Diane Edelhuber, and Kris Boulton.

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1st Wednesday: Judy Huggins
Charity Quilts: Sidney Morris
Sunshine: Judy Anderson
Newsletter: Eddie Landreth
Hostess: Twyla Moore
Publicity: Debbie Susky
Quiltmania: Pat Wade,
Toni Shockey,
Barbie Small,
Kris Boulton

June Calendar of Events

		Event
8	Thu	Charity Quilts at Sidney's Studio, Come work on quilts to be given away
18	Sun	Happy Father's Day!
19	Mon	Guild meeting at Calvary Church. 5:30
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 the 4 th Monday of each month at 9:30
28	Wed	QOV meets the 4th Wednesday of every month at Johnston's Home Center.

~ June Birthdays ~

Name	Day
Joyce Watson	9
Lisa Ackley	10
Sandra Morris	13
Kim Bourgeois	17
Diana Lewis	21
Jannetje Robertson	23
Judy Cook	24

~ Name Tags ~

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~ Recipes ~

Please email or text a picture of any recipes you'd like to have included in our cookbook to Gwen Rogers.

~ Programs ~

Month	Program
June	Gayle Corley
July	Christmas in July and UFO
August	Amy Hoyt
September	Quilts of Valor
October	TBD
November	Eddie Landreth
December	Christmas Party

Laura gave us a great program with lots of tips for the quilts she displayed. She also brought some of her wares from her shop. Thank you, Laura!

Gwen Rogers

~ 5:30 Workshop ~

Our row quilts have gotten off to a great start. The following members have volunteered to demo a block for a row: Sharon Vanover, Shirley Miller, Brenda Wall, Dianne Edelhuber, Illine Smith, Royce Stoker, Judy Huggins, Sondra Curtis and Jerri Puska. Shirley will demo an ice cream cone block at the June meeting.

In addition to the blocks for row quilts we will continue to have other tutorials. The following have signed up: June—Lisa Shulte; July—Brenda Wall; August—Judy Huggins; September—Valarie Nichols; October—Pat Wade & Judy Johnson; November—Ola Bramlett & Cheri Johnson. Please let me know if you cannot do the tutorial you signed up for.

Gwen Rogers

~ Patriotic Block Auction ~

The Patriotic Block Drive has been officially launched thanks to the hard work of Cheri and Ola who created kits using the friendship block. If you picked up a kit, please return the completed block at the June meeting. For every block you turn in, you will have a chance to win a \$10 gift certificate to one of the quilt shops in our area. If you did not get a kit but would like to participate, please make a 12.5" friendship block that is either blue or red and use a background of light cream or white. The completed blocks will be given to the 2 Quilts of Valor groups in our area. This is a great opportunity to contribute to a worthy cause!

~ Rada Sales ~

Rada Sales- catalogs are available at Guild meetings. You may fill out an order form and turn into the Treasurer (Pat Wade) or order online at the following link and it will be mailed to your home. [https:// fundraising.com/?rfsn=3431709.dde2cc](https://fundraising.com/?rfsn=3431709.dde2cc)

Pat Wade

~ 2023-24 UFO Challenge ~

The 2023-24 UFO challenge will begin in June. Choose 6 quilts that you haven't worked on for at least 6 months. List them in the form in any order you wish but I suggest you put the one that needs the most work as #6 because it will be saved for the last month.

Details and a form are included in this newsletter. Call or text me if you have questions.

Judy Johnson
501-258-1478, jkj715@att.net

~ Tips for Row Quilts ~

Several years ago, Jean Corley introduced us to a scrappy row quilt and then oversaw a 5:30 workshop. To date, she has made 10 so I asked her for some pointers.

- Vary the height size of each row. If all the blocks finish at 2" in one row, make the blocks finish at 4" in the next row, etc.
- Put a strip of fabric between each row to set it off. You can audition fabric to see what makes that row stand out.
- Finish all the rows before you put it together so that you can move them if needed.
- When assembling the quilt, line up the edges of each row on only one side and stitch together. Then trim the other side to make it straight.
- Jean tries to make her quilts about 45" x 55" and then adds about a 5" border. This will make the completed quilt about 50" x 60".
- To add interest, make the border a pieced border. Use 9-patches, piano keys or flying geese, etc.
- Finish off the quilt with a double binding. Jean favors a black with white dots or stripes for the outer binding and a red fabric for the inner binding.

There's really no wrong way to make a row quilt. This is a great opportunity to try your hand at a new block without committing to a whole quilt using that block. You don't have to make horizontal rows. Make them vertical! You don't have to make a large quilt. Make a wall hanging! It's an opportunity to use up some of your scraps. However, you do not have to make it a scrappy quilt. Jerri Puska has researched dozens of ideas for rows in a quilt.

~ Meeting Minutes ~
May 15, 2023

5:30 Workshop:

Un-Paper Towels – Sondra Curtis

Sondra provided information about the number of trees and water required to generate the paper towels we use as a country. To be green, there is a movement to make and reuse your own Un-Paper towels. She provided the instructions and samples of the creation process of towels she has/is making for herself out of flannel and quilters' cotton. Note: flannel must be washed so it will shrink and the grain on each fabric needs to be matched when sewing the two fabrics together.

Row Quilts – Gwen Rogers

Interest in the guild doing a row quilt has been expressed and several row quilts were displayed for viewing and discussion. Gwen remembered Jean Corley leading a row quilt many years ago and spoke with her to get some tips as we plan our row quilt, a handout of Jean's tips was provided. A couple of items noted: each row does not need to be the same height, differences will create interest and size is up to you, a row quilt can be a large quilt, small quilt or wall hanging. Jerri Puska had been planning some seasonal row quilts for herself and shared a spreadsheet of block ideas. We would like to have a row block demoed each month as part of the 5:30 workshop and are going to plan Saturday sew days to work on them. It would be great to have volunteers pick a block to demo, a sign-up sheet was distributed.

Guild Meeting Minutes -

The 2023 May meeting was held at 5:30 pm at Calvary Baptist Church. President Sharon Vanover called the meeting to order with 33 members and 3 visitors in attendance.

Announcements

Batesville, Marshals trip - Thursday, June 13th – several are going to Marshals at Batesville. If you want to go, contact Judy Huggins.

Secretary's Minutes from prior meeting

Minutes from the April meeting were approved as written.

Treasurer's Report - Pat Wade – Treasurer's report will be distributed with the newsletter. It was noted that we have \$710 that is trip money for the Missouri Star trip that was cancelled, 3 are members and 3 are non-members. Discussed refund of the money, especially to non-members. Collectively, the guild would still like to have a bus trip to Missouri Star.

Committee Reports

Professional Workshops – Cheri Johnson - No report.

SCQG BOM – Cheri Johnson - In July each year we have had a patriotic block auction, in the last few years the number of blocks submitted for the auction have dwindled. This year we are going to change our angle, utilizing the BOM process. Saline County has two Quilts of Valor groups and more veterans than the groups can support. Cheri has volunteered to have a BOM that will be a 12 ½" patriotic block, utilizing a white or off-white background. Each month the blocks will be split and donated to the two QOV groups in Saline County to help them generate more quilts. For each block you submit, you will have a ticket entered for the monthly raffle, a \$10 gift certificate to the local quilt shops. This month Cheri has made kits, she will continue to try to make kits when possible. If you have patriotic fabric to donate to this cause, please provide it to Cheri.

Saturday Workshops – Jerri Puska & Judy Anderson

Due to graduations, May will not have a Saturday Workshop. Jerri will get with the church to schedule the Saturdays for the rest of the year. We will cancel or have an open sew day, as needed. Will attempt to schedule as the Saturday after the monthly meeting. The following items have been donated to have in our closet at Calvary for use with our sew days: two sets of riser legs for tables, pressing board, cutting board, and an iron.

5:30 Workshops – Need a chairperson to fill this vacancy!

Members have volunteered to fill our calendar for 2023! Please consider being the chairperson of these effort. We need a coordinator to remind and help assist those who have volunteered to present a workshop!

Fundraising –Chairperson - Vacant, need a volunteer to take over fundraising.

- T-shirt Licensed to carry – No update for May. Shirts are \$22.50, Comfort Color brand, some sizes about sold out. Will be placing an order for more shirts. See/contact - Valarie Nichols.
- RADA cutlery fundraiser – Cutlery has arrived, Myrna has orders and extra with her tonight.
- Opportunity/Raffle quilt – Need more donated items to sell in addition to the raffle tickets at display events. Please remember the raffle quilt and these items are a large part of the funding for our guild. We appreciate any of you who are willing to take the quilt to be displayed and work the booths helping support the guild. Currently the Opportunity Quilt & Stand are housed at Cely’s home, we need someone else to take charge of the quilt and stand. Just need a volunteer to keep up with it, you do not always have to be the person taking it somewhere. We need a gatekeeper!
- SCQG cookbook – We are continuing to collect recipes for the cookbook. Send recipes to Gwen Rogers.

Membership Report – Toni Shockey - no report.

Membership Photo Directory – Valarie Nichols - Photo Directory was emailed to members in March. Printed copies are \$2, contact Valarie at fabricsandfotos@gmail.com.

Programs – Gwen Rogers & team (Sondra C., Judy J., Diane E., Kris B.)
For the June meeting, Jean Corley’s daughter, Gail, an attorney who specializes in estate planning will speak to the guild. One of her special interests is the value of quilts and estate planning including them.

Charity Quilts – Sidney Morris - If you need fabric for donation quilt, contact Sidney and she will meet you at the studio on Alcoa. Regular sew days are the 2nd and 4th Thursdays, and the last Saturday of the month, meeting around 9:30. Will meet next Thursday and then again at end of month.

2022 UFO Challenge – Judy Johnson (report provided by Cheri Johnson) - Cheri has the forms for the 2023 UFO Challenge. To join the UFO challenge, select 6 projects that you have not worked on in the last 3 months, number them 1 – 6 with 6 being the largest/most difficult project and submit your form. Judy will track your projects and their associated UFO #. For each UFO completed, you will receive a ticket entered the drawing for various prizes at the end of the challenge.

QuiltMania/Retreats – Pat Wade & Toni Shockey - Toni Shockey would like to know if the guild has interest in a Fall Retreat. There does seem to be enough interest, Toni will investigate planning.

Daytime Stitchers – Laura Todd - Routinely meets on the 4th Monday of the month at 9:30, yellow house out highway 5. Bring hand work; contact Laura for more information at thequiltedchicken@gmail.com.

Sunshine – Judy Anderson - Last month sent 2 sympathy cards, 3 get well, and 1 thinking of you. Please send any requests for cards to Judy at 501.743.1076 or email hape2sew@gmail.com.

Hospitality & Door Prizes - Cely Slover
Three Visitors tonight!

Publicity – Debbie Susky - no update.

Technology - Chair vacant

Old/Unfinished Business -

Raffle/Opportunity quilt – Sharon Vanover
The Raffle/Opportunity quilt is a major source of funding for our guild. It is the responsibility of each member to purchase \$25 for 30 tickets. You may sell these tickets to others or keep them all for

yourself if you do not want to sell tickets. Please support the guild in this manner!

TABLED - Donation Quilt – Jane Hammonds/Pat Wade We need to look at the ticket sales from this donation quilt and determine if, when, and how we plan to do future donation quilts.

Prior Donation Quilts:

2018 generated \$1,578, cost \$221

2019 generated \$1,939, cost top was donated, \$75

2022 generated \$1,619, cost \$105

Jane – Ticket Sale info. Discussion about quilt every other year and what the bylaws define. Motion made and passed to table discussion until all tickets sale information and bylaws research could be completed.

New Business

Website - Our website is very outdated and will not generate new interest, it needs to be updated. Jerri Puska will do some research and investigate possibilities/options.

HSV 2024 Quilt Show - Hot Springs Village Guild will be having a 2024 Quilt show, 9/26 – 9/28/24, at Benton Event Center. They would like us to have a booth again like we did in 2022. Cost is \$120.00 for 10 x10 booth, 1 – 8’ table, 2 chairs, & 2 show admissions. Note: will need volunteers to setup, man, and take down booth, set up is 9/26, show dates are 9/27 & 28. Will also need items to sell! Motion made and seconded to reserve a booth at the 2024 show. Motion passed. Sharon Vanover, Illene Smith, and Debbie Susky volunteered to help with booth.

Monthly Program – Laura Todd The Quilted Chicken

Laura Todd of the Quilted Chicken talked about her quilt shop in the big yellow house on Hwy. 5. Her online store and some plans for the new fabrics that are coming out. She highlighted a couple of fabric lines that have causes they support with a portion of the proceeds of their fabric lines. As she stated, “Quilters are going to buy fabric anyhow, why not support a cause with our purchases?”

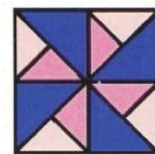
One of the topics of discussion was the difference between the choices of color of Laura and her mother. She displayed several small quilts that were two sided with different color combinations to provide double duty while requiring storage just for one item.

When completing a quilting job to finish an old quilt top that had been discovered, Laura realized that while she did not like the color choices the pattern was very visually appealing yet was really a simple quilt block. Her idea continued to blossom, she chose a different color scheme and created the same quilt pattern with a totally different vibe! Check out the pictures posted on our Facebook page; it is the quilt with vertical wide stripes of solid colors interspersed with pieced blocks on the diagonal.

Since her shop is part of her personal home, she is open by appointment. Reach out to her and wander out Hwy 5 to check out her shop; bet something will be going home with you! Contact: thequiltedchicken@gmail.com, mobile: 501-204-0070.

Meeting adjourned.

See you next month,
Jerri Puska, SCQG Secretary



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~ 2023-24 UFO Challenge ~

Stack Um Up.....

Pick 6 of your UFO's that you want to complete and list them on UFO form. If you do not have 6 projects just list what you have. Turn in your form along with a \$1.00 fee for each of your projects to the UFO chairperson, Judy Johnson. Please make a copy for yourself. A UFO must be at least 6 months old and something you have not worked on in the last 3 months. You may also enter 2 kits as long as you have had them for 6 months or more.

Roll Um Out...

In May we will roll the dice to determine what project we will be working on first.

Note: number 6 will not be included in the dice roll, it will be the last project completed so if you have a big project put that as number six. Example: if in June we roll number 4, your project that is numbered 4 is the one that will be due in July.

- The number drawn in June will be due at the August meeting.
- The number drawn in August will be due at the October meeting
- The number drawn in October will be due at the December meeting
- The number drawn in December will be due at the February meeting

- The number drawn in February will be due at the April meeting
- The number six will be due at the June 2023 meeting

Get Um Done...

Bring your completed project on or before the designated month's meeting and register it with the UFO chairperson, Judy Johnson. If you cannot be at the meeting send a picture to Judy by email or text on or before the meeting date. When your quilt is registered you receive ticket/tickets to enter your name in a drawing for prizes. . .

- 1 ticket if only top completed - no more work to be done on top
- 1 ticket if top from the previous drawing is completed (Quilted and bound) in the two additional months since it was due.
- 3 tickets if project is complete-Quilted and bound

The only reason we are allowing quilt tops is because sometimes the person doing the machine quilting can't get it done right away.

If you have any questions contact:
Judy Johnson
501-258-1478, jkj715@att.net

2023-24 UFO challenge Saline County Quilters' Guild

Your Name _____

No.	Date Started	Description	Size	Status
1				
2				
3				
4				
5				
6				

Information needed is to help identify your project:

- Description can include pattern, designer, title, techniques, etc.
- List status of project: cut out, half finished, mostly quilted, etc.
- Give size, such as throw, baby, wall hanging, etc.

Make a copy of this form for you own reference. The form must be turned in to Judy Johnson by the June 2023 meeting along with your fee (\$1.00 for each quilt).

Saline County Quilters' Guild

2023 Membership



Dues \$20.00

Name _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Email _____

Month and Day of Birth: _____

Home Phone _____

Cell Phone _____

Reminders:

- The membership list will be sent out with the newsletter following the February meeting. A few hard copies will be available at the March meeting.
- No additional funds are due if you joined the Guild in October, November, December 2022.

Membership form and payment may be mailed to:

Toni Shockey
219 Cynthia Circle
Hot Springs, AR 71913

Return Address:
SCQG Newsletter
c/o Sondra Curtis
1918 E. Reed Street
Benton, AR 72015

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