

OUR MONTHLY QUILT TALK

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President's Message:

Hope you are enjoying this wonderful spring we are having. The air is so fresh and the yellow pollen makes my car look so good, but the beautiful flowers make up for it. Aren't the daffodils gorgeous.

Well, ladies, if you missed QuiltMania, you missed a lot of fun. OH! The stories that were told and some might have been about you. For those of you who had to go home due to your health, I hope you are doing better now and hope to see you soon at one of our meetings.

The Quilt Show is almost upon us. Gwen says things are going well, but she says she still needs our help. So please come and help. You don't have to do more than you can but every bit helps.

Our traveling bag has seemed to lost it's appeal. So, if you would like to try it, it will be at our next meeting. You might like to try it.

Jean, your smiling face is much appreciated.

I'm through for now. Henry

PS. There will be an Executive Board Meeting on May 19th at 4:45 in the Senior Center. Everyone is welcome.

QUILT GUILD MINUTES:

April 21st Saline County Quilt Guild minutes.

The meeting was called to order by President Henrietta Miller. She asked that cell phones be silenced and for Beulah Wright to open in prayer.

The March minutes were approved with a motion by Beth Lane and the motion was seconded by Gwen Rogers.

The Treasurer's report was approved with a motion by Pat Wade and seconded by Brenda Wall.

Committee Reports:

Saturday Workshops – Cely Slover said that on April 24th Gwen Rogers would be at the library to work on the navy draping/curtains to hang quilts on at the quilt show. If you are available, please bring your machines to the Saline County Library on Smithers Drive at 9 a.m. and help sew straight seams to prepare the fabric for the show. There is also gluing of ribbons needing to be done. Anyone who is available is welcome to help.

Donation Quilt – Shirley Miller reported that all of the Blocks are completed, the inner border is finished and she has the flowers and leaves ready for appliqué. She estimates the quilt top will be ready for quilting in June. Shirley also thanked everyone for their contributions of food and drink at Quilt Mania.

Programs – Dena Schaffer filled in for Bobbi Frasier who is vacationing in Europe. The program for May will be Jim Gatling. The June program is unknown at present but Bobbie Frazier should be back in June. Thanks, Dena, for being willing to help out.

First Wednesday – Dena announced that the first Wednesday for May will be at Jean Corley's house. June is yet to be determined and July has been cancelled due to the Fourth of July holiday. More to be announced as we go along.

Newsletter – Jo Schlecht needs articles for the May newsletter to her by Friday, Apr.25th

Quilt Show Chairperson – Gwen Rogers announced there are now approximately 85 quilts entered in the show. Gwen asked that anyone who is a committee chair or over any aspect of the quilt show to call your volunteers and make sure everyone is aware of their assignments. There are bookmarks available to be used as handouts for advertising. She also reminded everyone that the quilts need to be in cloth bags when delivered. Gwen talked about needing help Saturday the 26th of April at the Saline County Library to hem drapes and glue ribbons.

Food for Quilt Show – Jane Hammond passed around a sign-up sheet for food that needs to be brought to the quilt show. All workers and Vendors will be fed both Friday and Saturday. If you didn't get to add your name to the list, please contact Jane Hammond to see what is needed the most.

Quilt Show Admission Tickets – Terri Dobbs asked for volunteers to work the tables in shifts during the quilt show so that no one would have to stay very long. The volunteers are Gwen Rogers, Beth Lane, Judy Huggins, Donita Watkins, Myrna Yandell, Dena Schaffer, Cely Slover, Patty Berry and Twyla Moore.

Quilt Show marketplace – Carol Smith asks everyone to make items to sell at the Marketplace. The money for the items sold is returned to you.! Carol will provide

information for paying sales tax. Carol Smith also reminded everyone that she is selling advertisements for our quilt show book. Anyone interested should let her know.

Quilt Show Vendors – Pat Wade announced there would be 8 vendors at the quilt show! Save your money and come ready to buy. It is always exciting to see what the vendors bring and there are always new gadgets and patterns to try.

There were 45 members present and 4 guests

5:30 Workshop – Beth Lane announced that next month she will be teaching how to use orphan blocks to make quilts. If anyone wants to volunteer for a workshop or has any ideas of something they would like to learn, please see Beth.

Quiltaholics – Fay Poe said QA would be May 5th at the Library. Everyone is welcome to bring your projects and if you need help with anything there are people willing to help.

Fay also talked about Quiltmania and what a good time everyone had. The Pin challenge was a success! The first place winner was Marcia Lasiter; second place was Charlotte Williams; third place was Pat Spears and honorable mention was Fay Poe. Fay said that Myrna has always done the thank you cards to the companies that donate the goodies for our door prizes and goodie bags – if anyone would like to send your own thank you card, you can get the addresses from Myrna.

Quiltmania 2015 Co-chairs are Lisa Martone and Lynda Morgan. Lynda told us about the rules for the 2015 Challenge. The challenge will be to make a finished quilt 20” square or larger using only a 5” charm pack or multiple 5” packs if they are the same fabric. You can’t add fabric to the quilt top—charms only. You can cut the charms and rearrange, but do not add yardage. You can use coordinating fabric from the same line for backing and binding. The quilt must be quilted yourself (hand or machine)/ Be creative! (Questions and answers were flying back and forth – I may be corrected on the rules, but I think this was the intent and if I got anything wrong, I will post the correction next month) If you plan to participate in the challenge, the cost is \$5.00 payable to Lynda.

Charity Quilts – Sidney Morris showed several adorable kids quilts that have been finished. She said she has some kits made up ready for someone to put together if you are interested. She also has some quilts that need sashing and quilting.

Dena Schaffer announced that Fort Roots in Little Rock is asking guilds to provide Quilts of Valor to be given to our veterans. Marti Rouby is the person to contact if you want to get involved. See Dena for her contact info.

Fund Raiser Quilt – Ann Prince has lots and lots of tickets that need to be sold. Her car is full! Ann asked that we all buy tickets. Jean Corley took the donation quilt to a recent egg roll and sold tickets. If anyone knows of an event where tickets could be sold, please let Ann know.

Sondra Curtis reported that Peggy Moore is improving from her recent stroke. She is in good spirits and plans to attend the guild meeting next month. Please keep Peggy in your prayers.

Door Prizes: Ann Prince awarded door prizes to Susanne Parrish, Rhonda Hunnicutt, Cathy Faulkner, Beth Lane, Charlotte Williams and Sondra Curtis.

The program was introduced by Jo Schlecht. Marie Hanley did the program on "Tips, Tricks and Tools" using everyday items in inventive ways to repurpose, reuse and save money. There were lots of good ideas, resourceful uses for unexpected everyday items and money saving tips. Thank you Marie for sharing your experience and ideas.

Show and Tell: Bonnie Wolf – Pillow; Linda Beavert; Cely Slover – 2 kids quilts; Myrna Yandell – Throw; Helen Matthews – Small Quilt; Pat Wade – Boo-a-lou table matt; Sondra Curtis – Summer Wall Hanging; Beth Lane – Trip around the World; and Judy Huggins – Pretzel-Ryder Circles and Circles.

SALINE COUNTY QUILT GUILD TREASURER'S REPORT:

Beginning Balance		\$11,514.91
Deposits:		
Quiltmania	\$3,083.10	
Wallet workshop	300.00	
Quilt show vendors	20.00	
Membership	20.00	3,423.10
Disbursements:		
Janitor fees	41.28	
Room rent	50.00	
Charity quilts	100.00	
Donation Quilt Fabric	198.66	
Quiltmania refund	237.10	
Postage	106.23	
Membership Cards	17.27	
Wallet Workshop	300.00	
Postage and Cards	59.90	1,110.44
Total Balance		13,827.57

Respectfully submitted by Cheri Johnson

MAY BIRTHDAYS:

Patti Snowden	8th	Jill Barker	19th
Nola Abraham	18th	Brenda Wall	28th

QUILTMANIA

A fun time was had by all who attended this year. Our numbers were down. We had a couple ladies get sick and have to go home early.

Since this was our 20th anniversary, we had to tell stories about past QM's to receive a prize. We had lots of laughs and didn't begin to tell all the stories.

Put April 6-9th on your calendar for next year.

Lisa Martone and Lynda Morgan will be the chairmen for next year, so let them know about classes, teachers, or anything else you would like to do at QM. We have had a great time doing QM but we are retiring this year.

Fay and Myrna

QA will be meeting May 5 on the first Monday. Come join us for help, questions, and sewing on your own projects . Fay

DAYTIME STITCHERS: Will not meet in May because of Memorial Day. See you the 4th Monday in June.

SATURDAY WORKSHOPS:

Well, here we are getting closer to our quilt show and our scheduled day at the library for April will be used by our quilt committee for making drapes to hang quilts. We are indeed fortunate to have the library available to us for our workshops and meetings.

May 24th – is available for us to use for a workshop or simply a gathering of friends enjoying their craft in quilting. If anyone would like to instruct our members in making a new pattern or bring someone along who is interested in working with us, please contactd me either by email, phone, or see me at the guild meeting.

June and July schedule is unavailable at this time due to the library getting their schedule for the summer children planned. As soon as I can, I will inform the members of future dates at the next meeting in May. Thank you, Cely

5:30 WORKSHOPS

May's 5:30 workshop will be ideas for orphan blocks – from 1 to 6 blocks. It will showcase both traditional and modern quilt ideas. Someone asked if they could bring their orphan blocks and I think that would be a wonderful idea. You can place your orphan block on the demo quilts to see if that idea works for you.! AND if anyone has made a quilt or quilts using some of their orphan quilts, you are encouraged to bring them for a quick show and tell at the end of the workshop. I LOVE seeing everyone's ideas.!

If you have a tip or hint that you would be willing to share with the group during the 5:30 workshop, your fellow guild members would benefit greatly. So please contact me at 501)778-8727 to set up a time for this. Beth Lane

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

QA	May 5th at the Library
1st Wednesday	May 7th at Jean Corley's home, 1819 Lynwood Dr, Benton
Charity Quilts	May 8th at Sidney's studio
Applique	May 13th at Sidney's studio
SCQG	May 19th at the Senior Center, program by Jim Gatling
Charity Quilts	May 22nd at Sidney's studio
Applique	May 31st at Sidney's studio
Daytime Stitchers	May 26—no meeting because it's Memorial Day

A Note from Gwen:

By the time you read this it will be almost time for the quilt show. Even if you haven't signed a list to help, we can use you if you are able. Helpers are needed before, during and after the show. If you feel comfortable climbing a ladder, we can use you and your ladder putting up the quilts and taking them down. We will begin setting up at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, May 15 instead of 8:30.

Many of you have put in hours of work finishing up your quilts or working on quilt show details. I am deeply grateful to each of you!

Gwen

