



OUR MONTHLY QUILT TALK



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President's Message



Dear Quilting Friends,

As I write this, I just came home from our Christmas party where I had a wonderful time. Thank you, Gwen, for all the work you did to put it together! You outdid yourself once again. I had a blast. (*Applause here – standing ovation – Hip hip hooray!*)

Looks like it's time to kiss the old year good bye and welcome in the new one. I long ago abandoned resolutions because I've never had the commitment and follow-through to keep one. But still, there's just something so hopeful and optimistic about ushering in a whole fresh new year. There's such a newness and a sense of being given yet another chance to start over. I'd like to finish some UFO's, but most likely I'll end up the year with even more than I have now. (Okay, 'fess up—I know I'm not the only one like that!) Maybe I'll learn to love applique. Maybe I'll master sewing a straight line. Sometimes I can't. That was embarrassing to confess. It's GOT to be my machine, right? Maybe I'll learn some free-motion quilting techniques. I have an idea for a series of quilts I'd really like to make. Maybe I'll finally knock out the first one in that series! Yep. That's the goal. Okay, I'll say it: I **resolve** to begin that quilt series. You all will have to hold me to that! What would you like to do in the new year? As we go into 2015, I look forward to enjoying our time together. May our seams be straighter, may our creativity blossom, and may our quarter-inch seams get the approval of the quilt police. But mostly, may we delight in spending time engaged in the charm and beauty of quilting.

Terri

Welcome new OFFICERS

President: Terri Dobbs
1st VP: Gwen Rogers
2nd VP: Eddie Landreth
Secretary: Cindy McGear
Treasurer: Cathy Faulkner



January Birthdays

- 2 Cathy Faulkner
- 2 Dorothy Shelnut
- 3 Barbara Burton
- 3 Jennie Maloney
- 4 Eddie Landreth
- 18 Cecilia Slover
- 19 Pattie Berry
- 21 Bobbie Frazier
- 22 Phyllis Kirtley
- 26 Marian LeMay
- 26 Ratchell Picking

SUNSHINE REPORT: Do you know of someone who needs a sympathy or get well card? Please contact Shirley Miller and she will send a little sunshine their way. Email sfmiller37@aol.com or call 501-413-8175. Birthday cards were mailed out in December. A sympathy card was sent to Joyce Watson. A get well card was sent to Cindy McGear.



MINUTES OF THE MEETING---As there was no business meeting held in December, there are no minutes to report.

COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS:

Professional workshop: Carol Smith
 5:30 workshop: Cathy Faulkner
 Saturday workshops: Cely Slover
 Librarian: Sue Garrett
 Fund raising & door prizes: Jane Hammonds,
 Pat Wade (door prizes)
 Membership: Pat Wade
 Program: TBD
 UFO: TBD
 Hostess: Beulah Wright (unconfirmed)
 Newsletter: Gwen Rogers
 Quilt Mania: Lisa Martone, Linda Morgan
 Sunshine: Shirley Miller
 Technology: TBD
 Charity quilts: Sidney Morris
 1st Wednesday: Dena Shaffer
 Website: TBD

TREASURER'S REPORT---ending 11-28-14

Beginning Balance	\$7,907.17
DEPOSITS:	
Quilt Show CD Sales	\$70.00
Quilt Talk Newsletter Ad	35.00
Silent auction	112.00
2015 Donation Quilt Raffle tickets	113.00
Kay Harmon class	30.00
Membership dues	<u>570.00</u>
TOTAL DEPOSITS	\$930.00
DISBURSEMENTS:	
Kay Skaggs (Clean up Senior Center)	\$41.28
Monthly Rent--Senior Adult Center	50.00
Kay Harmon--class, lecture, travel, and lodging	<u>\$1,034.00</u>
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$1,125.28
CURRENT BALANCE	\$7,711.89
Respectfully submitted by Cheri Johnson	

❄️ **JANUARY CALENDAR of EVENTS** ❄️

- 5** **Quiltaholics Anonymous**---at the Benton Library on Smithers Dr. *Library opens at 9:00 am. Arrive at your convenience. Bring a sack lunch and stay as long as you like. Bring a project or problem for the Quilt Experts to solve!!*
- 7** **First Wednesday**—hosted by Phyllis Kirtley. *She is serving chicken salad and has asked that people bring chips or things that accompany the salad.. Directions to her home are on page 3.*
- 8-10** Oklahoma Winter Quilt Show <http://qscexpos.com/oklahoma.html>
- 8** **Charity Quilts** @ Sydney's Studio *Come work on quilts to be given away.*
- 13** **Applique and whatever you want to work on** @ Sydney's Studio.
- 19** **SCQG Monthly Meeting**---Senior Adult Center, 210 Jefferson St., Benton
5:30 pm Workshop
6:00 pm Business meeting followed by the program which will be a **Sit & Sew**.
Bring a snack to share, a project to work on and show-and-tell.
- 22** **Charity Quilts** @ Sydney's Studio. *Come work on quilts to be given away.*
- 24** **Saturday Workshop** @ Benton Library—Santa Rag quilt taught by Shirley Miller
- 23-25** Jefferson, TX **Quilt Show** <http://www.jeffersonquiltshow.com> (Editor's Note: This is well worth the drive!!)
- 26** **Daytime Stitchers**---at the Benton Library on Smithers Drive. *Library opens at 9 am. Arrive at your convenience. Tutorial usually begins around 10 am. Bring a project and something to show and tell.*
- 31** **Applique and help with your Santa rag quilt if you took the class and need help** @ Sydney's Studio.
- FEB 2**—Quiltaholics Anonymous @ the Benton Library on Smithers Rd.

A Note from Henrietta Miller:

Quilters, Thank you for the support that you gave me this last year as president. Please give the same consideration to Terri this year. Hope each of you have a wonderful new year. Henry

FIRST WEDNESDAY POTLUCK—January 7, 2015—Phyllis Kirtley’s home—265 Woodridge Ln, Benton

Directions: **From Little Rock** on I-30 take exit 117 for Hwy 35/Hwy 5. Turn right at the light. Turn right onto Salt Creek Rd. Turn right onto Woodridge Lane. Destination is at the end of the cul-de-sac. **From Hot Springs** on I-30 take exit 117 for Hwy 35/Hwy 5. Turn left onto Hwy 35/5 (and go back over the interstate). Continue on Hwy 5 until you get to Salt Creek Rd. Turn right. Stay on Salt Creek Rd. until you get to Woodridge Lane. Turn right. Destination is at the end of the cul-de-sac. Parking is limited. Please take care not to park on the grass.

SATURDAY WORKSHOP---January 24, 2015 @ Saline County Library—9:00 am – 3:00 pm

Well, Here we begin our new year with a wonderful project several have wanted to make and finally we are able to have Shirley Miller hold a class to show and teach how to make the Santa rag quilt. January 24th, at the library from 9-3 p.m. You will need to order your pattern from Pinwheel Fabrics, bring your sewing machine and all necessary sewing tools. The fabrics needed are the colors, green, pink, blue, red, dark red, black, tan, white fabric. The lap size quilt is 55 inches by 82 1/2 inches. Fay Poe will be able to help members finish this piece at Sidney's studio on January 31st, weather permitting and at the February QA. (February and March workshop dates are available, please contact me by phone, email or meeting.)

Thank you,
Cely



Gazpacho Dip from Barbara Burton (served at December First Wednesday)

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| 3 tomatoes, diced | 3 Tbsp. olive oil |
| 3 avocados, pitted and diced | 1 ½ Tbsp. cider vinegar |
| 4 green onions, thinly sliced | 1 tsp. garlic salt |
| 4-oz can diced green chilies | 1 tsp. salt |
| Sliced olives---optional | ¼ tsp. pepper |
- Tortilla chips

Combine tomatoes, avocados, onions & chilies in a large bowl; set aside. Combine remaining ingredients except chips; drizzle over tomato mixture and toss gently. Cover and chill. Serve with tortilla chips. Makes about 6 cups.

Marinated Corn from Betty Watterson (served at November First Wednesday)

- 2 cans whole corn, drained
- 1 onion, chopped
- 2 bell peppers, chopped
- 1 large jar diced pimentos

Mix and set aside above ingredients together and set aside.

Bring to a boil, 1 cup sugar and 1/2 cup vinegar. Pour over the vegetables and let it marinate in the refrigerator.

MEMBERSHIP---As of the December meeting we have 16 life members who have renewed and 28 members who have renewed. We also have a new member—Shellie Blake of Benton. Please introduce yourself to Shellie at our next meeting. Don't forget to renew your membership by the February meeting to be on the printed roster. Membership form is below. Please make sure all of your information is correct.

~~Respectfully submitted, Pat Wade, Membership chairperson~~

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Saline County Quilters' Guild 2015 Membership

Name _____ 2015 Dues \$20.00

Year you joined SCQG _____ Lifetime Member ____ Yes ____ No

How would you like to receive your Newsletter? _____ Email ____ Mail

Note: current members - only fill in information that has changed or needs corrected from last year.

Address _____ Email _____

City/state/zip _____ Month & Day of Birth _____

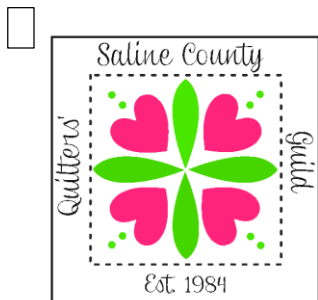
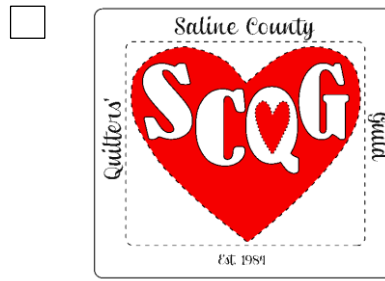
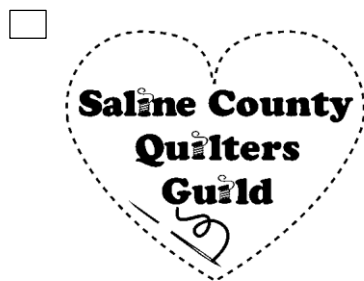
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Lifetime members are those who have maintained their membership for a minimum of 10 years and have had 75th birthday before January 1, 2015. No dues are required for these members. For new members who join in Oct., Nov., or Dec., their membership will include the following year. Current Members can start renewing in November for the following year. Membership form can be mailed to Pat Wade, 8803 Amber Ln, Alexander, AR 72002

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We've been talking about creating a new logo for our guild. To make your choice, place a check mark in the box by one of logos below (Or draw a new one ;-). There will be a ballot box at the next meeting where you can place your vote. Please write any additional thoughts in the comments section of the ballot. Your feedback is valued.

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Comments: _____

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QUILTMANIA
APRIL 6-9, 2015
SALINE COUNTY QUILTERS' GUILD

This is your information for the 2015 QuiltMania Retreat. Please do not throw it away. It contains important details regarding this year's retreat!

Registration:

The deadline for registration is **March 1, 2015**. The February guild meeting is an excellent time to turn in your completed registration. You may also mail your completed registration to Lisa Martone. Registrations need to be received by **February 25, 2015**. There will be no refunds after **March 8, 2015**. Please contact Lisa Martone (501-590-4173) if you have registered but are unable to attend.

Do-Nuthins:

Anytime you are not in a class, you are a Do-Nuthin. As a Do-Nuthin, you are free to work on whatever project you wish. You are also welcome to "Do-Nuthin"!

Drop-Ins:

You are welcome to drop in to QuiltMania to quilt, visit, or "Do-Nuthin", however, you will be required to pay the Cabe Hall fee for each day you drop-in. Meals may also be available for drop-ins. Lisa Martone will collect your fees and make arrangements for meals. Please contact her if you drop-in.

Goodie Bags:

Each year, those persons who register for QuiltMania by the deadline get a Goodie Bag. Each of these bags is unique and contains items donated to QuiltMania by friends and sponsors. Please make sure that you register for this year's QuiltMania by the **March 1, 2015** deadline in order to receive a goodie bag!

General Information:

Pick up your room keys Monday morning at Cabe Hall. It may be as late as noon before the keys are available. Lynda will pass out the keys when they become available.

You will need to be out of your room by 9:00 AM on Thursday.

Please try and find your own roommates. Lisa or Lynda will help if needed.

Coffee Pots are allowed in sleeping rooms, but please, **NO FOOD!**

Snacks are welcome in the Cabe Hall kitchen and we encourage you to bring snacks and drinks to share. You will need to clear out your leftovers by 10:00 AM on Thursday.

Classes will be held on Tuesday and Wednesday in the kitchen. You are welcome to continue to use the kitchen if you are not part of the class. Please be considerate of those taking classes by quietly entering the kitchen. Do not interrupt the class!

Volunteers for QuiltMania 2015:

Kitchen	<i>Jill Barker, Myrna Yandell</i>
Night Programs	<i>Marsha Lassiter, Kay Scott</i>
Picture Slide Show	<i>Missy, Tiffany</i>
Challenge Quilt activities	<i>Sue Garrett, Dena Schaffer, and Sue Richards</i>
Goody Bags	<i>Lisa Martone (letters), Cecilia Slover, Sidney Morris</i>
Teachers	<i>Charlotte Williams, Sheila Bird</i>
Surprise for Gift Bags	<i>Jane Hammonds and friends</i>
Sign In Table	To Be Determined

2015 QuiltMania Challenge Quilt Instructions:

For those of you who plan to participate in the QuiltMania Challenge Quilt Contest, these are the rules:

1. Use two or more charm packs of the same fabrics.
2. The back of the quilt can be a solid piece of the fabric, yardage of the charm pack or backing of your choice. Only the front of the quilt will be judged.
3. Binding (if one is used) has to be pieced from the charm pack fabric. However, binding is not required.
4. The quilt must be at least 20" X 20", but can be larger.
5. **The entry fee is \$5.00.** This money will go for prizes.

(QuiltMania Challenge Quilt Instructions continued) To help you get started, consider a miniature quilt or a scrap quilt. How about a string quilt? Or, remember the watercolor quilts? Don't forget the wonderful quilt in last year's Quilt Mania challenge, made by Sheila Byrd, using paper hexagons to make her background. Remember in Jacket Jazz how we learned to change the texture of the fabrics using pleating, crinkling, shagging? So many options are available, and if you are having trouble, just go through your many books and magazines for ideas. They are full of wonderful ideas. The charms can be cut up, and sewn together in so many ways. I hope this helps you in picking a method that inspires you to go forward and make an amazing quilt. Good Luck to All. Lynda Morgan and Lisa Martone

QuiltMania Schedule 2015

Monday:

9:00-9:30 AM	Registration
9:30-? PM	Do-Nuthins
12:00 PM	Lunch
1:30-5:00PM	Ricky Tims' Kaleidoscope Quilt
6:00 PM	Dinner

Tuesday:

8:00—9:00 AM	Continental Breakfast
8:30—4:00PM	Continued, Ricky Tims' Kaleidoscope Quilt
8:30--? PM	Do-Nuthins
12:00 PM	Lunch
6:00 PM	Dinner
7:00 PM	Evening Activities

Wednesday:

8:00—9:00 AM	Continental Breakfast
8:30--? PM	Do-Nuthins
8:30 AM-12:00 PM	Applique Class
10:00 AM-2:00 PM	Vote on Challenge Quilt
12:00 PM	Lunch
2:30 PM	Challenge Quilt Winners Announced
6:00 PM	Dinner
7:00 PM	Evening Activities

Thursday:

8:00 AM	Continental Breakfast
9:00 AM	Check out of your room
8:30 AM--1:00 PM	DO NUTHINS!

The material lists for the classes will be published in the February Newsletter. Stay Tuned!!!

AD Space is available @ \$35 per year. Contact
Gwen Rogers 501-317-0651 sewgenie2@yahoo.com

AD space available.

QuiltMania Registration Form
April 6 – 9, 2015

Return this page to: Lisa Martone, 801 St. Michael Place, Little Rock, AR 72211, by March 1, 2015.
 Phone number 501-590-4173.

NAME _____ PHONE _____

ADDRESS _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT AND PHONE NUMBER _____

Need a handicap room? (It has 2 double beds and a shower) Circle Yes No

Are you diabetic and need special meals? Circle Yes No

Fees:

Monday/Tuesday Class (1 ½ days); Charlotte Williams
 (Ricky Tims' Kaleidoscope) Fee: \$25.00 \$ _____

Wednesday Class (1/2 day); Sheila Bird
 (Beginner Appliqué Class) Fee: \$10.00 \$ _____

THREE IN A ROOM (3 nights Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday),
 All Meals, Cabe Hall Fee: \$237.10 \$ _____

TWO IN A ROOM (3 nights Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday),
 All Meals and Cabe Hall Fee: \$273.10 \$ _____

ROOMMATES (Pick your own)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

For those coming on a day-by-day basis:

INDIVIDUAL MEALS: Circle meals and fees you want under the day(s) you plan to attend.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Lunch \$ 9.50 (Noon)	\$ 9.50	\$ 9.50	\$ 9.50	
Dinner \$11.70 (6 p.m.)	\$11.70	\$11.70	\$11.70	
Cabe Hall Fee \$12.50	<u>\$12.50</u>	<u>\$12.50</u>	<u>\$12.50</u>	<u>\$6.25</u>
Total		+	+	+
				\$ _____

FINAL TOTAL \$ _____

No Refunds after March 8, 2015. Make checks payable to Saline County Quilters' Guild
Drop-Ins are welcome but will be required to pay a Cabe Hall fee of \$12.50 each day that you drop in. If you drop-in, please pay Lisa Martone your daily fee.

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