

# Belle Point Quilt Guild Newsletter

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## 2024 Officers

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## 2024 Committee Chairs

**Christmas Party:** Meredith Muncy

**Comfort Quilts:** Lynn Meeks

### Donation Quilt:

Genia Smith, Connie Bailey

### Donation Quilt Tickets:

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### July Fundraiser:

Patty Dikeman, Sue Anderson

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### 2023 Quilt Camp:

Judy Dedmon, Judy Cormack

**2024 Quilt Show:** Mary Butler

**Christmas Party:** Meredith Muncy

**Sunshine and Shadows:** Vi Brown

## Happy March!

The days are getting longer and maybe we've turned the corner for cold weather. Hope everyone is enjoying the extra daylight.

We are in for a real treat this month with the Duwe's. I can't wait to see what they do with our old linens. There are still spaces available for you to attend. Please remember the class will be on Monday the 25<sup>th</sup>, same day as our meeting. I have some old quilts hand pieced and hand quilted by my Grandmother Smith, which have seen a lot of love and are thread bare in places. Maybe they will give me some inspiration.

Our March meeting will be during the second week of the Spring Fling Shop Hop. Cozy Quilts and Things and Mama's Log House are just two of the shops participating in the Shop Hop. Be sure and drop by both of these shops.

Mark your calendars for May 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> for the Airing of the Quilts in Greenwood at the Bell Park Pavilion. Make plans to see all the beautiful quilts and stay for lunch at Miss Sue's Tearoom.

Start working and finishing those quilts for our Biannual Quilt Show, this September at the Fort Smith Convention Center. Mary and her team are hard at work for a successful show.

I can't wait to see you all on the 25<sup>th</sup>.

Genia

## 2025 Officers

### President

Connie Bailey

### Vice & Co-Vice President

Sue Anderson  
Patty Dikeman

### Treasurer

Freddia Sullivent

### Secretary

Judy Dedmon



## Our Next Meeting

March 26, 2024

6:30 PM



### BPOG February Financial Statement



February 2024 Financial Report				
		Income	Expense	Balance
Beginning Balance				\$22,378.99
Administration			\$70.95	
Membership		\$2,825.60	\$4.40	
Donation Quilt		\$375.00	\$363.74	
Door Prizes		\$94.00	\$36.92	
50/50		\$41.00		
Newsletter			\$24.97	
Web Hosting - 2 yr.			\$312.00	
In Memory		\$50.00		
<b>Totals</b>		<b>\$3,385.60</b>	<b>\$812.98</b>	<b>\$24,951.61</b>



You won't need a four leaf clover or a pot of gold to be the lucky winner of this beautiful, happy quilt:

**Just ONE winning ticket!**

**The 2024 Donation Quilt**

The 2024 donation quilt pieced by Genia Smith and quilted by Connie Bailey will be unveiled soon. Imagine owning award winning work by Genia and Connie for JUST \$20!!

**ALL members are required to sell or purchase \$20 in Donation Quilt tickets or make a donation in the amount of \$20 in support of this important fund raiser.** Our 100% membership participation represents \$3,400. We will be printing tickets this year and accepting your cash, check or credit card.



**Come Feed the 50/50 Kitty!**

You can help feed the Guild Kitty by participating in our 50/50 drawing offered as you sign in each month. Your \$1 entry along with every other entry feeds the "kitty" and one lucky winner gets to take home half. The 50/50 is a great way to support the Guild and offset facility rent! We need your help! Please take a minute to enter the 50/50 drawing and maybe take home extra fabric cash!

## BPQG February Minutes February 26, 2024

President Genia Smith called the meeting to order at 6:36 pm at the Cavanaugh Senior Center. The January meeting was cancelled due to inclement weather so Genia requested a motion to accept the January financial statement as was published in the newsletter. Beth Corley made the motion to accept them as printed with Cindy Dorab making a second.. Motion was passed.

The budget was printed and placed on each table for review. Budget was discussed and Genia requested a motion to accept the balanced budget. Joanie Coffman made a motion to accept the budget as presented and Faye Miller seconded. Motion was passed.

The minutes for the annual meeting from November was discussed. Motion was made by Cindy Dorzab to accept the annual minutes as printed. Anne Bottorff seconded. Motion was passed. The minutes for the regular meeting from November were presented in the newsletter. Genia requested the minutes be passed as printed in the newsletter. Sue Anderson made the motion to pass them as printed and Nancy Ewing seconded. Motion was passed.

### Chairman reports were discussed as follows:

**Christmas Party:** Meredith Muncy: the party will be catered and held the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of December at the Cavanaugh Sr. Center.

**Donation Quilt:** "Bloom where you are Planted" pieced by Genia Smith and quilted by Connie Bailey. Genia read from the by-laws the requirement to either sell, buy or donate \$20 towards the donation quilt. The donation quilt tickets will be handled by Freddia Sullivent and Joanie Coffman for 2024.

**July Fundraiser** is being chaired by Patty Dikeman and Sue Anderson. It will be called Jackpot in July and we will have themed baskets.

**Membership** chairperson Susan Lyon stated the March is when the new directory will be out. If you want a new picture see Lynn Rausch. New members and guests were welcomed- Donna Hardin, Sally Matthews, Colleen Hoelscher, Rebecca Macy, Polly Jones, Gina Millican, David Corley, and Cindy Ashley.

**Quilt Camp** theme was announced- 9 to 5 Dolly's Quilting Stampede.

**Quilt Show Theme** was also revealed: 40 and Fabulous. This is the guild's 40<sup>th</sup> year. Aug 19<sup>th</sup> will be the deadline to get your information in so the brochures can be printed. The show will be September 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>. The theme challenge will be red and white. We will need to get liability insurance for the show. Joanie Coffman will get this for us. The show will be held at the civic center again this year and there is no food minimum. Instead of a silent auction we will have themed baskets. Bobbi Lang is working on getting a list of basket themes. They are planning to have a work day to make the baskets. Some ideas are Coffee baskets, Spring Baskets, Fall baskets, etc.

**Airing of the Quilts** will be March 9<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup> in Greenwood. See Ann Akins if you are able to work and have a business to place the notices.

**See Beth Corley if you want to sign up for classes** that the 2024 speakers are offering.

**Sun Shine and Shadows:** Meredith Muncy broke her knee cap, Judy Cormack had shoulder surgery, Kay Voss's brother passed away, Denise Jones' mother passed away, Becky Harkey had complications from her heart valve replacement.

There was no unfinished business for us to discuss. Under new business, Dianne ODonnell requested anyone not getting the newsletter AND you have paid your dues, to please see her.

**We had two guests:** Lisa Marris and Colleen Hoelscher. Door prizes were won by Jennifer Cook, Jean Scmell, Brenda G, Lynn Meeks, and Barbara Warner. The 50/50 was won by Sue Anderson in the amount of \$44. Following the break we had Show and Tell by Karen Jones, Lola Jenkins, Lucy Bonner, Jennifer Cook and Lynn Rausch.

Vice-President Beth Corley introduced our different charitable donation projects that BPQG participate. We had a wonderful presentation by Tracy Long for Project Linus, Sue Anderson for Quilts of Valor and Lynn Meeks for Cozy Quilts.

**Upcoming events** will be Shop Hop, a sale at Cozy Quilts in Mulberry, and the March speaker and class. Genia adjourned the meeting at 7:54 pm

Respectfully submitted, Joanie Coffman

## Upcoming Programs and Events



**BPQG Meeting 6:30PM March 26 Program  
and March 25 Class at Mama's Log House  
David and Teresa Duwe-Yes We Du Quilts**

<https://yesweduquilts.com/>

David and Teresa will be presenting a program, "What's Old is New Again," a trunk show of quilts made using old linens.

### **Class: Bottom of the Drawer Quilts March 25th at the Academy**

Dig out great grandma's doilies and dresser scarves to make a one of a kind quilt block. The March class on **Monday**, March 25th, at the Academy at Mama's Log House begins at 10 am. Cost for the class is \$32 and includes lunch. We will be making a quilt block using our old linens. This is a great way to preserve memories!

### **You Will Need**

Go get grandma's hankies, dresser scarves, tatting, lace, etc. You will be cutting these pieces up to fit into your design so bring your anxiety meds if needed!

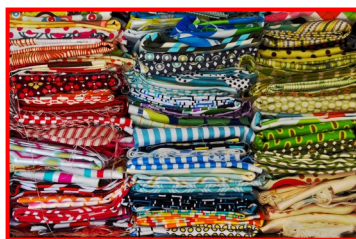
- **Lightweight iron on stabilizer** if your linens are very thin. **Glue stick**
- If you have a crocheted pot holder that looks like a flower pot, bring that or I will show you how to create a container using some of your linens.
- **Any type of background fabric.** I use solids coordinated with the theme of my quilt. You will make squares/rectangles to sew your laces onto, so the lace should look nice against your chosen fabric. This fabric will also be used to border your blocks.
- I use **plain white hankies** for open spaces behind my floral arrangement, but you can easily use something else
- **General sewing supplies - Rulers and square templates** to square up your blocks

## 2024 Airing of the Quilts

Daffodils are up, baby skunks are toddling around, Girl Scout cookies have arrived and Peeps are in the store. It must be **SPRING** and that means the Airing of the Quilts is right around the corner

### **May 9th, 10th, and 11th**

We are looking for guild members to sign up for working at the Guild's table selling chances on our Donation Quilt during the show. These will be two hour shifts on the days of the show. Your assistance will be greatly appreciated.



Stop talking to people  
who say you have  
enough fabric.  
Who needs that kind of  
negativity in your life?

## From My Sewing Room to Yours

**Gammill Classic Longarm Quilter with 23" harp** Located in Uniontown AR. Due to physical limitations I need to let go of my long arm machine. **Asking \$4500 Buyer responsible for dismantling and moving.**

**Sue Anderson 619-701-5569**

- Recently Serviced. The oil tubes and motherboard have been replaced by Gammill Technician.
- Front & rear handle controls - 12 Foot pivotal access frame
- Not stitch regulated - Not computerized but can be added
- Motor Speed control - Florescent detail light
- M-style hook and bobbin case / Extra bobbins - Built in bobbin winder
- 4 - quilt side clamps - Luan Table top
- Canvas leaders - Batting bar
- Laser Light for Pantographs - Red Snappers and Pantographs included
- Horizontal small spool holders - Gammill Technical Service manual.



### Vintage Sewing Machines

**Two vintage sewing machines looking for a new home.**

Lona Jenkins has discovered two vintage machines in the home of her friend Barb Dalke. Barb would love to see these go to someone who would enjoy them as much as she has over the years. Price is negotiable on both machines.



**Please contact Barb at 479-806-2490**

**1927 "Domestic"** cabinet style with button holer, unique thigh press drive. This machine has the original power cable which will need to be replaced. It has not been powered up.

**1946 "Dress Maker"** Model #305 sewing machine with hard carry case. This machine powered up and sews.



**"Doing and making are acts of hope, and as that hope grows we stop feeling overwhelmed by the troubles of the world. We remember that we as individuals and groups can do something about those troubles."**

Sister Corita Kent

### March and April Birthdays



Gaylon Scharbor	1
Karen Jones	4
Marcia Beat	6
Elaine Justman	8
Tracie Rebsamen	8
Peggy Weidler	11
Cindy Workman	11
Tonya Phelps	13
Sandy Beaty	15
Linda Porter	17
Cheryl Morris	20
Jean Newton	22
Susan Lyon	27
Kim Vest	28



Lynne Meeks	2
Carolyn Phillips	3
Edwina Schwarz	3
Donna Moreton	6
Verna Baker	7
Jan McFarland	9
Pat Starks	10
Rowena Campbell	13
Lynn Rausch	13
Barbara Warner	13
Sandra Cochran	17
Susan Contratto	20
Sue Weege	21
Pam Cannefax	22
Judy Dedmon	24
Sue Anderson	26
Judy Mosley,	26




  
 Please let Dianne O'Donnell know so we can update our birthday list  
 and we **PROMISE** not to miss you next time.  
[dianne.odonnell.78@outlook.com](mailto:dianne.odonnell.78@outlook.com)

### Sunshine and Shadows

Wishing speedy recovery to Meridith Muncy who broke her kneecap, Judy Cormak who is recovering from shoulder surgery and Becky Harkey who had heart surgery earlier this year and now is battling an infection. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you.

To contact Vi Brown, please leave a voice message at 479-785-1499 or send text to 479-650-9001 or email [Pentaxfox@aol.com](mailto:Pentaxfox@aol.com)

It is the policy of BPQG to send get well/sympathy cards to MEMBERS in the event of illness or surgery and/or loss of immediate family member (child, spouse, parent). Members may wish to respond to other life events or send cards or other remembrances as they feel appropriate.

### Meeting Information

Members are encouraged to invite Guests to join Guild meetings!

**Guild Meeting:** Fourth Monday each month at 6:30 pm

Fort Smith Senior Activity Center, 2700 Cavanaugh Road, Fort Smith AR 72908

**Board Meeting:** Second Monday each month at 6:00 pm, Fort Smith Library, Main Branch

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