

Spinning Spools Quilt Guild

February 2024 Newsletter

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From Your President

Hi everybody,

I don't know about the rest of you, but I don't think I've been properly warm for several weeks. My poor furnace just can't keep up with all these cold temperatures (and I really don't want to see my power bill next month). The one saving grace is that I do have plenty of quilts to wrap up in!

I am currently trying to figure out what projects I will be bringing to Quilt Camp. It's always fun to get together to visit, eat lots of good food, work on our quilting projects, and see what everyone else is working on. If you haven't been before, try to join us, even if it is just for part of the time.

Don't forget that we have a guest speaker and her trunk show at the February meeting. I hope to see you all there.

Happy quilting, Gretchen ✨

The next general meeting of the Shawnee Spinning Spools Quilt Guild will be held **February 1, 2024, 7:00 pm** at the Shawnee Senior Center.

Quilt Camp is this weekend – January 26-28

Spinning Spools Quilt Guild Donates Gifts Made With Love

By News Staff on Thursday, January 18, 2024



Spinning Spools Quilt Guild Donates Gifts Made With Love

Article in Countywide News Concerning our Donation to Seminole County DHS

The Spinning Spools Quilt Guild in Shawnee donated over 50 quilts to children in DHS foster care in Seminole County during the foster care party. The Guild members sewed and quilted the special quilts so each child received a quilt made just for them. Photo provided

February Birthdays

Donna Dickeson – February 8
Terry True – February 25

**Mark Your Calendars**

January 26-28	January Quilt Camp	8 am to 10 pm
February 1	February Guild Meeting	7 pm
March 7	March Guild Meeting	7 pm
April 4	April Guild Meeting	7 pm
May 2	May Guild Meeting	7 pm
May 18	Vonda Blando Workshop	TBD

From Your Program Chairman

I'm so excited to welcome our Guest, Vonda Blando, to our February meeting! She is a certified Laura Heine Collage instructor. In addition to showing us her lovely work in the form of a trunk show, she will have patterns available for purchase. Vonda will also be teaching a class for us on May 18th at the Pottawatomie County Museum (Train Depot).

Be sure to finish up your 2023 Block of the Month quilt tops. Our March meeting will include showing the finished quilt tops and discussing different types of settings.

In April we are going to have some fun with scraps as well as seeing how everyone has done with their Crayon Challenge! In May we'll have another guest speaker, Kent Sechrest of Kent's Sewing Machine Repair. In June we are going to consider our UFO's (unfinished objects) and make some plans for getting them done or moving on. ✨

February 2024

Vonda Blando Trunk Show
2024 Block of the Month

March 2024

Quilt Settings
2023 Block of the Month Reveal
2024 Block of the Month

April 2024

Crayon Challenge Reveal
Fun With Scraps
2024 Block of the Month

2023 Block of the Month (BOM) Finalization

2023 BOM Quilt Top Reveal at March 7th Meeting/BOM Requirements:

- Must include at least one block from each month. For the months with two block choices (April and September), only one of the blocks is required, but both may be used.
- May add additional blocks, sashing, embroidery, or anything else to the quilt top.
- The quilt top should be finished, but the quilt does not have to be completed (quilted and bound).

All of the patterns are available on the guild website at:

<https://shawneespinningspoolsquiltguild.com/index.php/ssqg-information/2023-block-of-the-month>

Contact Gretchen if you have any questions. ✨

January Birthdays and Show & Tell

Photos will also be posted on the website (shawneespinningspoolsquiltguild.com/index.php/photo-gallery).



January Birthdays



Rachel Pearson



Brigitte Winford



Ann Cosgrove



Laura Palmer



Billie Corgan

Treasurer's Report – December 2023 to January 2024	
December 26, 2023 Balance Forward	\$ 9935.24
INCOME:	
T-Shirts	\$17.00
Membership Dues	\$120.00
Garage Sale	\$10.00
EXPENSES:	
1881 - Brigitte Winford, Scrapbook Pictures	\$33.73
1882 -Terry True, Library Card Pocket	\$25.68
1883 - Gretchen Gaskill, Host Gator (Website)	\$14.95
1884 – City of Shawnee, Rent	\$120.00
ENDING BALANCE (as of January 22, 2024)	\$9887.88

Minutes from General Meeting on January 4, 2024

President Gretchen Gaskill welcomed everyone to the meeting. There were 36 members and 2 guests.

Recognition of new member Billie Corgan; Guests Carrie Moreland & Pam Fesler.

Minutes from last month's meeting accepted with no corrections or additions. Motion to accept by Lisa Hefner, Seconded by Katherine Fowler. Passed

Treasurer's report- Motion to accept treasurer's report as printed in the newsletter by Karen Spears, Seconded by Tribby Hardway. Passed

Recognize January birthdays- Harriet Howard, Linda Lee, Rachel Pearson, Brigitte Winford, Tribby Hardway. All were present.

Old/Unfinished Business

- Dues- Reminder that dues are past due. If not paid, you will be removed from the active list.

New Business

- **Quilt Camp-** Dates are January 26-28th at the Masonic Temple in Shawnee. Tammy and Shelley offered to be hosts. Garage Sale during Quilt Camp, feel free to bring any garage sale items. Remember, what you bring that does not sell needs to be taken back home with you. Garage sale proceeds will go to the guild.
- **Programs-** Gina gave an overview of the upcoming programs she has lined up for the year. She has a few workshops lined up as well. Watch the newsletter for all the highlights.
- **2023 BOM-** Those who finished quilt tops can bring them to show at the March meeting. Prizes will be given out to participants. It appears about 13-15 people will have finished quilt tops. You do not need the top finished and bound, you only need to present the completed quilt top. (See rules in previous newsletter.)
- **Board Meeting-** Next board meeting will be January 16th at 5:30 in the Craft room.

Committee Reports

- **Block of the Month** – Gina Ames- if you are doing the 2024 BOM and wish to have all your background fabric the same in all your blocks, you will need 1 3/4yds.
- **Baby Quilts-** Harriet Howard – 50 quilts were given to DHS foster children's projects and they were very much appreciated.
- **Benevolence** – Regena Morton – Nothing to report.
- **Charity Quilts-** Lisa Hefner – Thanks everyone for pitching in and helping with the DHS foster children's quilts.
- **Historian-** Darline Pendley – Nothing to report.
- **Hospitality-** Evelyn Pipkin – Nothing to report.
- **Librarian** – Terry True – She asked if we need to drag out the library book racks every meeting. They are very heavy and seems no one is utilizing the items in it. Do we need to come early to meetings and go through the racks and weed out some of the books? Was not a definitive answer at this time. People can check out books, there are lots of things in the racks like patterns, mystery books, not just

- quilt books.
Gretchen will open the racks next month for people to go through if you come early to the meeting.
- **Publications-** Joi Grissom – She reports a nice article was printed in the Countywide paper about the DHS foster children’s quilt donation. Gretchen will check out the article through digital subscription.

Other Business

- **Quilt camp meals-** Friday and Saturday will be potluck. Tammy and Shelley will provide Pulled Pork for Friday. Saturday will be Nacho Bar. More information will be in the newsletter.

We enjoyed show and tell and all the beautiful projects everyone has been busy with. Short break to enjoy snacks and refreshment before proceeding with January program.

January Program – Introduction to Color Theory, by Gina Ames

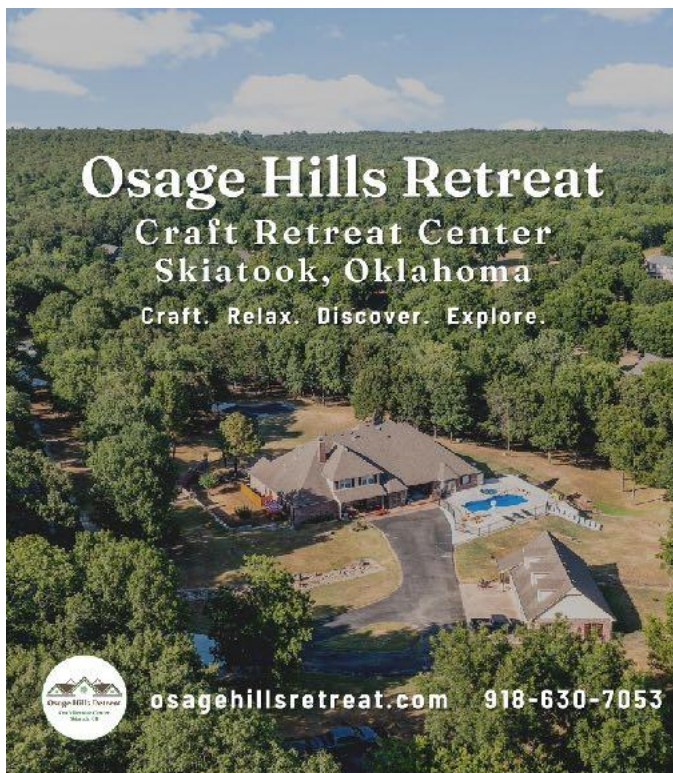
Next meeting February 1, 2024, at 7:00pm

Meeting adjourned.

Submitted by Recording Secretary Donna Dickeson ✨

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February 2024 Block of the Month – Big Heart Block

Cutting Instructions:

- Fabric A – One (1) 6.5" x 12.5" rectangle
- Fabric B – One (1) 6.5" x 12.5" rectangle
- Fabric C – Four (4) 2" squares
- Fabric C – Two (2) 6.5" squares



Assembly Instructions:

Draw a diagonal line across both the 2" and 6.5" squares.

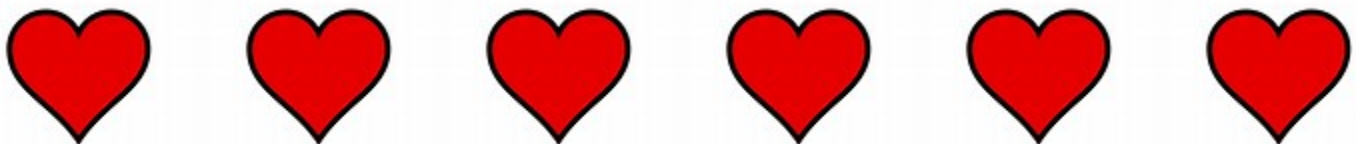
Place two 2" squares and the 6.5" square over the 6.5" x 12.5" Fabric A rectangle with fabrics facing RST, refer to the photo for the orientation of the diagonal lines. Repeat for the Fabric B 6.5" x 12.5" rectangle. Stitch directly on the diagonally drawn line.

Trim Corners $\frac{1}{4}$ " away from the seam. Press seams to one side. Press top inside seams in alternating directions – toward the bottom on the left half and toward the top on the right half. A & B heart units should measure 6.5" x 12.5".

Place Fabric A and Fabric B heart block RST and sew center seam. Press seam open. Block should measure 12.5" x 12.5".

More detailed instructions can be found here:

<https://www.diaryofaquilter.com/valentines-heart-block-mini-quilt-pattern/>



A Bit of Modern Quilting

Our next foray into Modern Quilting is fairly similar to last month's adventure. We're going to do a bit more improv piecing. This improv block starts with a square and two strips of fabric.

1. Cut a few 6 1/2" background fabric squares.

2. Cut 2" wide strips of fabric (One 6 1/2" strip and one 7 1/2" strip for each background square.)



5. After sewing, press. Turn block 90 degrees and cut in half at a slight angle.



3. Cut square in half at a slight angle.



6. Sew 7 1/2" strip to one half. After stitching, fold strip over and press. Stitch other half of background square to strip.



4. Sew 6 1/2" strip to one half. After stitching, fold strip over and press. Stitch other half of background square to strip.



7. After pressing, trim block to original 6 1/2".



Block Options

Make one 6 1/2" block.

Make four 6 1/2" blocks and sew into one 12 1/2" block.

Make one 12 1/2" block (12 1/2" background square, 2 1/2" strips (one 12 1/2" long and one 13 1/2" long)

Experiment with strip width. If you go narrower, make your background square bigger to ensure you end up with a big enough block. Have fun with it!

