

# Spinning Spools Quilt Guild

## January 2023 Newsletter

[www.ShawneeSpinningSpoolsQuiltGuild.com](http://www.ShawneeSpinningSpoolsQuiltGuild.com)

### Officers and Board Members

#### President

Marilyn Johnson

#### Vice President

Linda Lee

#### Vice President Elect

Tribby Hardway

#### Recording Secretary

Rhonda Russell

#### Corresponding Secretary

Gretchen Gaskill

#### Treasurer

Pam Cook

#### Past President

Pat Woodard

#### Board Members at Large

Carolyn Castle

Mickey Kluding

Heather Curtis

Katherine Fowler

### Committee Chairs

#### Baby Quilts

Harriet Howard

#### Benevolence

Marilyn Burns

#### Charity Quilts

Lisa Hefner

#### Historian

Darline Pendley

#### Hospitality

Evelyn Pipkin

#### Librarian

Terry True

#### Publicity

Joi Grissom

#### Website

Gretchen Gaskill

### January Meeting

The January general Spinning Spools Quilt Guild meeting will be held **January 5, 2022, at 7:00 pm at the Senior Citizens Center** in downtown Shawnee. At the meeting, we will begin our **2023 Block of the Month**. We will also do the **pattern and fabric exchange for the "Out of Your Box" project**. (See next page for the instructions for "Out of Your Box".)

In addition, **DeeAnn Schroyer, from the Hope Pregnancy Center**, will speak to us. With the help of Oklahoma Baptist Homes for Children, the center will be opening in March here in Shawnee. She is asking for our help to make baby quilts, and she will explain more at the meeting.

We hope to see all of you at the meeting on January 5. 

### From your President

I hope everyone stayed warm Christmas week. The water froze in my kitchen, always fun don't you know. LOL. Indoor plumbing is such a nice thing. I was grateful when it warmed up and my kitchen hot water started flowing once again, although I am sure we will have plenty of winter yet to come and I will need to keep the water dripping.

I am looking forward to this next quilt camp as well as this next year. We have programs planned throughout the year. I hope many will be able to participate.

Stay warm, and I'll see you at the January meeting.

Marilyn 

### January Quilt Camp

Get ready for our first quilt camp of 2023! It will be held on **January 27, 28, and 29 at the Shawnee Masonic Lodge**. Thanks to Laurie Myers and Gayle Smith for volunteering to be our hosts for this camp!

There will be pot-luck for lunch on both Friday and Saturday, so come prepared to have some fun (and eat some good food). 

### January Birthdays

Harriett Howard - January 7

Linda Lee - January 8

Gail Hammond - January 13

Rachel Pearson - January 15

Brigitte Winford - January 15

Tribby Hardway - January 23

## "Out of Your Box"

*The goal of this activity is to get a little ways out of our comfort zone and make a block in a different style or with different fabrics than we would typically use.*

In January, bring a block pattern (any size) and fabric you like. Send enough fabric to make at least one block. Put the pattern and fabric in a brown paper bag, and bring the bag to the January meeting. Put your name inside the bag. - Please send something that you would make for yourself.

At the January meeting, we will have a drawing and exchange the bags.

Make one block using the pattern and fabric from the bag you picked up. (You may add additional fabrics if desired.) Bring the completed block and the pattern (and any leftover fabric) to the February meeting.

The person who provides the pattern and fabric gets the completed block. We will see and discuss all the blocks at the February meeting. ♦

## Mark Your Calendars

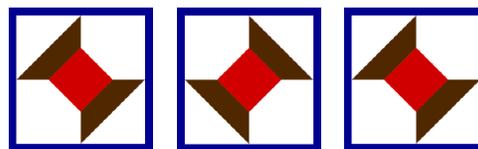
January 5	January Guild Meeting	7 pm
January 27-29	January Quilt Camp	8 am - 8 pm
February 2	February Guild Meeting	7 pm

## 2023 Block of the Month

We will be doing a Block of the Month for 2023. Each month a block pattern will be provided in the newsletter, beginning with this issue, and a completed example will be shown at the general meeting. Each block will be a 12" square (finished).

As with most of our activities, participation is optional. As an incentive, however, anyone who brings a finished quilt top containing all 12 of this year's blocks to the March 2024 meeting will receive a prize.

Look at the last page of the newsletter for the Block of the Month pattern. ♦



## November Birthday and December Show and Tell



November birthday



Ann Cosgrove



Ann Cosgrove



Ann Cosgrove

## December Show and Tell (cont.)



Heather Curtis



Heather Curtis



Gina Ames (visitor)



Gina Ames (visitor)



Gina Ames (visitor)

### School Bus Project

Thanks to Rhonda Russell's initiative and our members' generosity, we were able to donate quilts to 12 needy children from one of the local school bus routes! Below are the quilts, as well as the happy faces of two of the recipients. Thanks to Rhonda, Rhonda's husband (a local school bus driver), and our members, we were able to provide some nice gifts to children who might not have received anything otherwise.



## Minutes from General Meeting on December 8, 2022

President, Marilyn Johnson, welcomed everyone to the meeting. There was one guest, Gina Ames.

Last month's minutes were accepted with no discussion. Marilyn Burns made a motion to accept the minutes, and Gretchen Gaskill seconded.

The treasurer's report was accepted with no discussion. Sara Epley made the motion to accept the report, and Katherine Fowler seconded.

The old business discussed was about the date of the first quilting camp in 2023. The date has been changed to 27-29 January 2023.

Gretchen Gaskill stated that dues were due in October. If your dues are not paid soon, your name will be dropped from the member's list.

### New Business:

Heather Curtis presented us with the instructions for January's program, Out of Your Box. In January we are to bring a block pattern (any size) and fabric to make the block. Put the fabric and block pattern in a brown paper bag. Put your name on the inside of the bag. At the January meeting, we will have a drawing and exchange the bags. The completed block will be brought to the February meeting.

Baby Quilts – Harriett Howard said she had given ten baby quilts.

Disaster Quilts – Marilyn Johnson gave one quilt to a homeless man.

We had show and tell for those who had completed quilts.

Bus Quilts – Rhonda Russell brought the 12 quilts to show the guild. The quilts will be given on 12 December.

Many other beautiful quilts were brought to show and tell.

We ate a wonderful potluck meal with lots of yummy treats. We had the exchange of the 6½" Christmas blocks. We also did the traditional Dirty Santa exchange of fat quarters.

Marilyn dismissed the meeting.

These minutes are submitted by Rhonda Russell. 

### Treasurer's Report - November and December 2022

November 15, 2022 Balance Forward	\$8,324.16
INCOME:	
Dues	\$40.00
EXPENSES:	
1841 - Gretchen Gaskill, Nov & Dec newsletter	\$27.30
1842 - Brigitte Winford, Oct & Nov scrapbook	\$14.09
1843 - Marilyn Johnson, Accuquilt dies	\$229.40
Correction: Error on October deposit amount, adjusted -\$20.00	-\$20.00
ENDING BALANCE (as of December 21, 2022)	\$8,073.37

## Calendar of Upcoming Events

This is our current plan for the next few months, but it is subject to change. If you have ideas for additional programs or workshops, please let Linda Lee know your ideas. We're all looking forward to a great year!

<p><b>January 2023</b></p> <hr/> <p>Block of the Month                  "Out of Your Box" pattern/fabric exchange                  Quilt Camp, Jan. 27-29</p>	<p><b>February 2023</b></p> <hr/> <p>Block of the Month                  "Out of Your Box" show-and-tell                  Provide instructions and demo for "Flower Garden"</p>	<p><b>March 2023</b></p> <hr/> <p>Block of the Month                  Janet North - jelly roll quilt program at meeting, workshop on March 18</p>
<p><b>April 2023</b></p> <hr/> <p>Block of the Month                  "Flower Garden" block exchange                  Quilt Camp, Apr. 21-23</p>	<p><b>May 2023</b></p> <hr/> <p>Block of the Month                  Garage Sale</p>	<p><b>June 2023</b></p> <hr/> <p>Block of the Month                  "Flower Garden" quilt top show-and-tell</p>

### Pat Woodard's Cranberry-Jalapeño Cream Cheese Dip

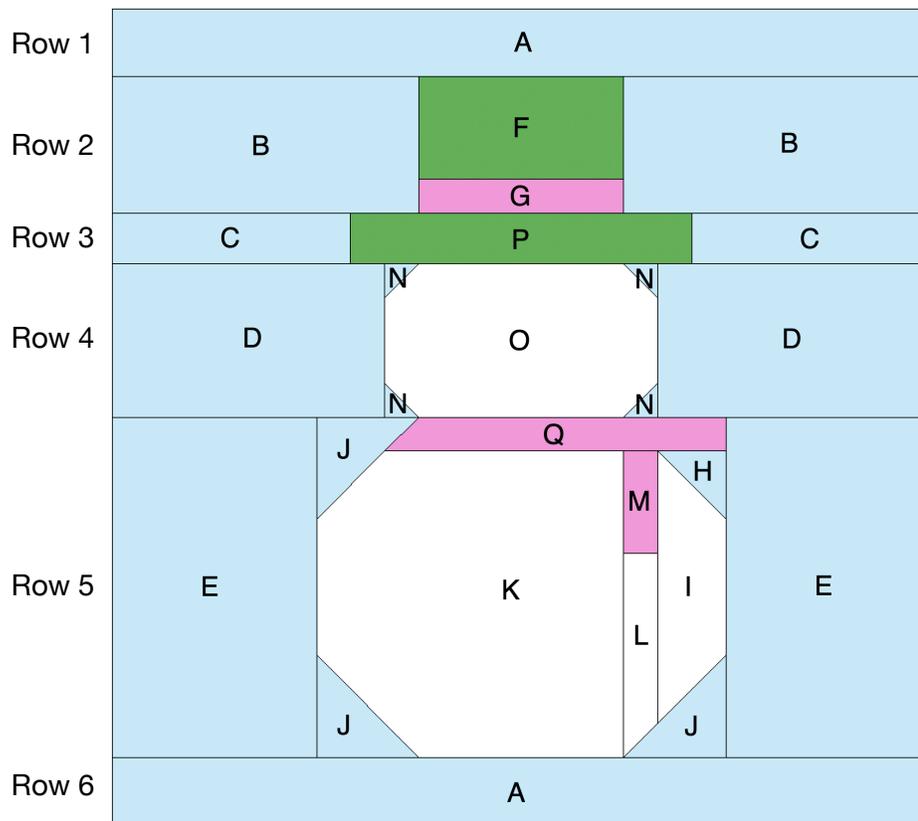
**Ingredients:**

- 12 ounces fresh cranberries
- 4-5 green onions, chopped
- ¼ cup chopped fresh cilantro
- 1 jalapeño pepper, seeded and finely diced
- 1 cup sugar (more or less to taste)
- ½ teaspoon cumin
- 2 tablespoons fresh lemon juice (from about 1 large lemon)
- ⅛ teaspoon salt
- 2 (8 ounces each) packages cream cheese, light or regular, softened
- crackers, for serving

**Instructions:**

1. Pulse the cranberries in a food processor or blender until coarsely chopped (alternately, you can do this task by hand). Add the green onions, cilantro, jalapeño, sugar, cumin, lemon juice and salt and pulse until the ingredients are well combined and finely chopped. Transfer the mixture to a covered bowl or Tupperware and refrigerate for 4 hours (or up to overnight) so the flavors have time to develop and the cranberries lose a bit of their tartness.
2. When ready to serve, spread the cream cheese in an even layer on a serving plate or 9-inch pie dish. Top with the cranberry-jalapeño mixture, spreading evenly over the top of the cream cheese.
3. Refrigerate for up to an hour before serving. Serve with crackers or tortilla chips.

## January 2023 Block of the Month - Snowman



**Block size:**  
12" finished  
(12½" unfinished)

### Cutting Instructions

#### Background (blue):

- A - two 1½" x 12½" rectangles
- B - two 2½" x 5" rectangles
- C - two 1¼" x 4" rectangles
- D - two 2¾" x 4½" rectangles
- E - two 3½" x 5½" rectangles
- H - one 1½" square
- J - three 2" squares
- N - four 1" squares

#### Hat (green):

- F - one 2" x 3½" rectangle
- P - one 1¼" x 5½" rectangle

#### Scarf and Hatband (pink):

- G - one 1" x 3½" rectangle
- M - one 1" x 2" rectangle
- Q - one 1" x 6½" rectangle

#### Snowman (white):

- O - one 2¾" x 4½" rectangle
- K - one 5" square
- I - one 1½" x 5" rectangle
- L - one 1" x 3½" rectangle

### Sewing Instructions

- Row 2: Sew pieces F and G together as shown. Then sew a B piece on each side as shown.
- Row 3: Sew a C piece on each side of the P piece as shown.
- Row 4: Use four N pieces to snowball each corner of the O piece. Then sew a D piece on each side of the snowballed O piece as shown.
- Row 5:
  1. Sew the short sides of the M and L pieces together.
  2. Orient the I piece vertically, and use the H piece to snowball the upper right corner of the I piece.
  3. Sew the M-L piece from step 1 (with M on the top) to the left side of the H-I piece from step 2.
  4. Sew the assembly from step 3 to the K piece. Make sure that the M-L side of the assembly is sewn to the K piece.
  5. Orient the assembly from step 4 so that the K piece is on the left, and sew the Q piece to the top. Then use three J pieces to snowball all three corners except the upper right.
  6. Sew an E piece to each side of the assembly from step 5.
- Sew all 6 rows together.
- If desired, use embroidery or buttons or appliqué to add eyes, nose, and buttons to your snowman.