

Spinning Spools Quilt Guild

March 2025 Newsletter

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From Your President

Hi everybody,

Sorry I missed you all at last month's meeting. My husband and I finally got over our sickness, and luckily, we didn't seem to infect anyone else.

I hope everyone survived the extremely cold weather and is now enjoying the warmer temperatures. (Our house is all electric, so I don't want to think about this month's electric bill. I don't think the furnace turned off for several days straight.) I'm looking forward to seeing a lot of you at our rescheduled Quilt Camp. It will be good to not have to worry about slipping on the ice.

Don't forget that our first workshop of the year is coming up in March. I hope to see you all at the March meeting and at the workshop.

Happy quilting, Gretchen

The next general meeting and of the Shawnee Spinning Spools Quilt Guild will be held
March 6, 7:00 pm at the Shawnee Senior Center.

Quilt Show Update

Find current information on 2025 Quilt Show at the above link.

Quilt Camp February 28, March 1, and March 2

Quilt camp has been rescheduled to this weekend due to last week's ridiculous weather. The fun will begin at 8am Friday, February 28th, at the Shawnee Masonic Lodge.

Thank You

Thank you to everyone who brought snacks to the February meeting. And a big Thank You to Gina for stepping in with a very interesting program on fabric postcards, mug rugs, and mini quilts.

Volunteer Opportunities

We still need a volunteer to handle publicity. With the Quilt Show coming up next year, publicity will become a high priority.

March Birthdays		Mark Your Calendars		
Janet Coggins	March 4	Feb 28-Mar 2	Quilt Camp at Masonic Lodge	8am to 10pm
Regena Morton	March 11	March 6	March Guild Meeting	7pm
Laura Palmer	March 13	March 22 & 29	Two Color Quilt at Pott Museum	8am to 5pm
Vicki Cramer	March 23	April 3	April Guild Meeting	7pm
Sharon McGinnis	March 25	May 1	May Guild Meeting	7pm
Joi Grissom	March 26	May 17	Scraps & Strings at Pott Museum	8am to 5pm
		August 8-9	Quilt Show!!	TBD

From Your Program Chairman

Quilt Camp was moved from February 21st- 23rd to Feb 28th through March 2nd due to icy road conditions. Still happening at the Masonic Lodge. \$10 per day, potluck and loads of fun.

March 6th I will lead a discussion about quilt labels. We will talk about How & Why as well as look at some creative ways to get them labeled. Bring your 2024 Block of the Month quilts for show & tell. Like last year, we will display all of them and vote for the one we like the best.

March 22nd & 29th our first workshop of the year at the Pottawatomie County Museum. Gretchen will be teaching us to make the Missouri Puzzle quilt, a two-color quilt. There is a pattern and video available from Missouri Star Quilt Company. Fabric requirements are 4 $\frac{3}{4}$ yards dark fabric, 3 $\frac{3}{4}$ yards light fabric, 2/3 yards binding fabric. The pattern makes a 75" x 75" quilt. Gretchen did mention that you might want a bit more fabric in case of a cutting error. She had almost no leftovers after washing and cutting hers by the pattern.

We are excited to have Sherry Massey, certified Quilt Show Judge, coming to speak to us on April 3rd. This is a great opportunity to learn about the judging process that happens at Quilt Shows. Her insight will include tips for getting the best results in your own projects. This should be a fun evening.

Missouri Puzzle Quilt Workshop at Pottawatomie County Museum (3/22 & 3/29)

Fabric requirements are listed above for the Missouri Puzzle quilt. The [pattern](#) and a [video](#) are available from MSQC.

Prior to the class, you should try to cut all your strips so you will have plenty of time to assemble your blocks.

From the dark fabric:

- Cut (12) 3.5" strips WOF (width of fabric), then subcut into (125) 3.5" squares.
- Cut (24) 3" strips WOF
- Cut (29) 1/5" strips WOF

From the light fabric:

- Cut (24) 3" strips WOF
- Cut (34) 1.5" strips WOF

February Birthday



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Happy Birthday to You!!!!

February Show & Tell Photos posted on the website [Home \(shawneespinningspoolsquiltguild.com\)](http://shawneespinningspoolsquiltguild.com) (Click Photo Gallery)



Lisa Helmer



Laura Palmer



Laura Palmer



Doreen Castle

Disappearing 9-Patch



Carolyn Castle



Cheryl Perrault

Disappearing 9-Patch Continued



Sharon McGinnis



Pam Cook



Marilyn Johnson



Donna Dickeson



Gina Ames

February Program on Postcards, Mug Rugs, and Minis

February
Program on
Minis

Minutes from General Meeting on February 6, 2025

Meeting called to order by Vice President Gina Ames with 23 members and 2 guests present for a total in attendance of 25. The guests were Linda Allen and Linda Stewart.

Minutes from the last meeting – no comments or corrections. Motion accepted as printed in the newsletter by Lisa Hefner, seconded by Mickey Kluding. Motion passed.

Treasurers Report – no comments or corrections. Motion accepted as printed in the newsletter by Marilyn Johnson and seconded by Pam Fesler. Motion passed.

Recognition of February birthdays: Donna Dickeson who was present and Terry True who was absent.

Minutes from General Meeting on February 6, 2025 Continued

Old/Unfinished Business

- 2025 Quilt Show, Aug. 8-9, 2025
 - Raffle quilt is done. We are now getting started putting together the advertising for the show.
 - If you know anyone who might want to vend at the show, please let Gretchen or Gina know. You may also direct them to our website where there is a link for them to get registered. We have secured 3 vendors at this point.
 - Country Store – the question was raised if a decision had been made re having a Country Store at the quilt show. The answer was yes with the need for volunteers to man the store and make items for the store to sell. All proceeds go to the guild. Ideas for stocking the store: Table Runners, Potholders, Aprons, Cup and Bowl Cozies, Quilts of all sizes etc. It's time to get started if you would like to contribute to this fun fundraiser.
- **February 21-23 Quilt Camp**- Camp will be held at the Masonic Lodge. The cost is 10.00 per day and will run from 8:00AM to 10:00PM. Lisa Hefner and Donna Dickeson volunteered to host this month. Please watch Facebook for potluck themes so you'll know what to bring. **(Quilt camp rescheduled due to weather. Now being held February 28-March 2.)**

New Business

- Programs.
 - Gina Ames will discuss the Why, How & Creative Options for making quilt labels at our March meeting
 - Please bring your 2024 BOM quilt tops for show and tell
 - Workshop – Gretchen will be leading a workshop in the making of the Missouri Puzzle. It is a two-color quilt. The fabric choices should read as solids. You will need to purchase the pattern from Missouri Star. There will not be any handouts. This workshop is free and will be held at the Pott County Museum on 2 consecutive Saturdays – March 22nd and 29th.
 - **Board Meeting** – will be held Friday morning February 21st at 10:00 at the Pott County Museum during quilt camp. **(Board meeting rescheduled due to weather. Now being held February 28 at 10:00)**
 - **FYI**-our Christmas exchange this year will be a mug with a mug rug exchange

Committee Reports

- Block of the Month - Carolyn Castle, the block this month is called Paper Pinwheels. Directions in the newsletter
- Baby Quilts – Harriet Howard, nothing to report. Currently accepting baby quilts
- Benevolence – Regena Morton, nothing to report. She will be moving so we will need a new volunteer for this position.
- Charity Quilts - Lisa Hefner, nothing to report
- Historian - Darline Pendley - Nothing to report

Minutes from General Meeting on February 6, 2025 Continued

Committee Reports Continued

- Hospitality – Karen Spears, nothing to report
- Librarian – Jeri Albrecht, nothing to report
- Publicity – Joi Grissom (new volunteer needed), this job requires notifying local papers and letting them know what we are doing. Contact Gina or Gretchen for more information. Joi is available to teach you what to do.

Disappearing 9-Patch – Show and Tell, 8 quilts were shown

Show and tell – pictures included in this month's newsletter

February Program – Gretchen's program will be rescheduled since she was out sick this month. Gina stepped in with a presentation on Postcards, Mug Rugs & Minis.

Meeting Adjourned

Next Meeting: March 6, 2025

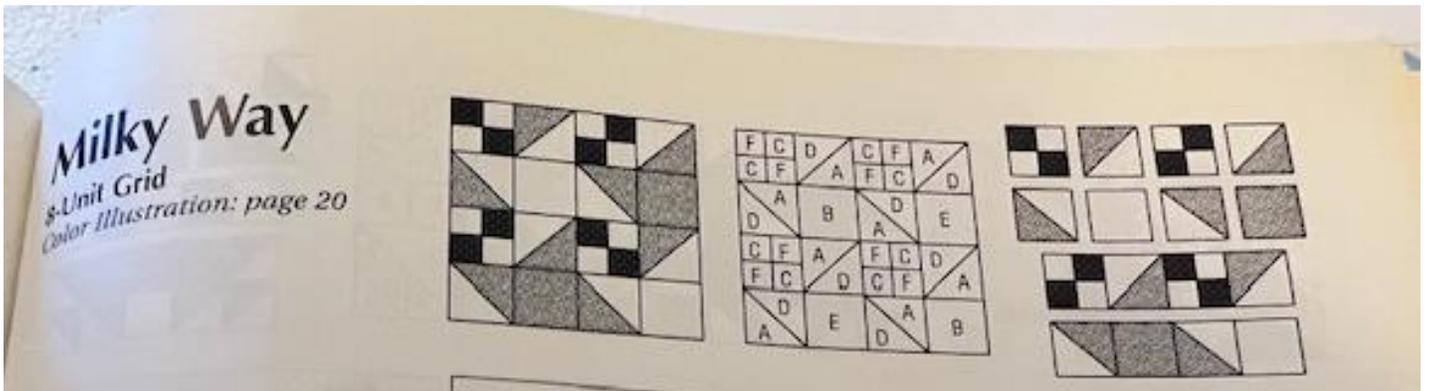
Submitted by Carrie Moreland, recording secretary

Treasurer's Report

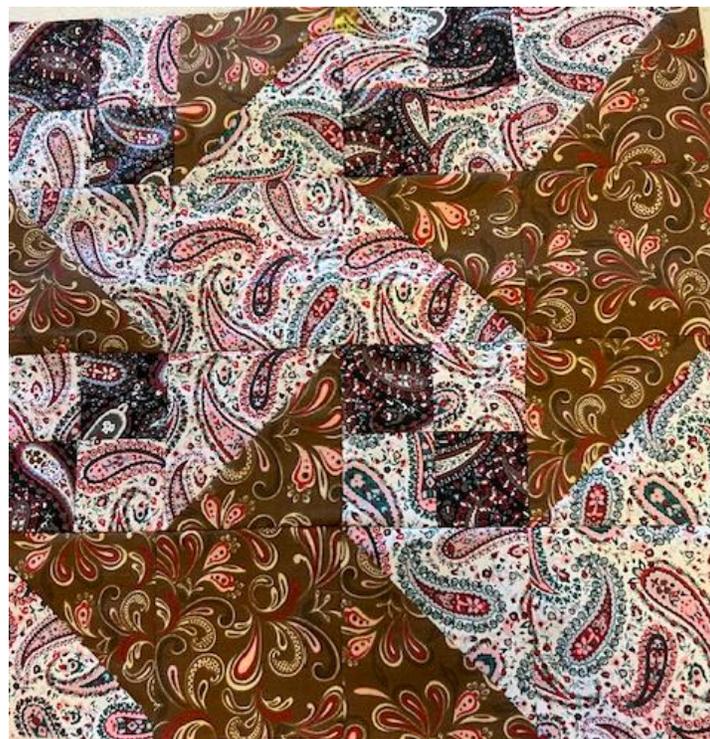
Treasurer's Report – January to February 2025	
January 22, 2025 Balance Forward	\$10,722.05
INCOME:	
EXPENSES:	
1916 – Marilyn Johnson (AccuQuilt Dies)	\$233.18
ENDING BALANCE (as of February 23, 2025)	\$10,488.87

March 2025 Block of the Month #1– Milky Way

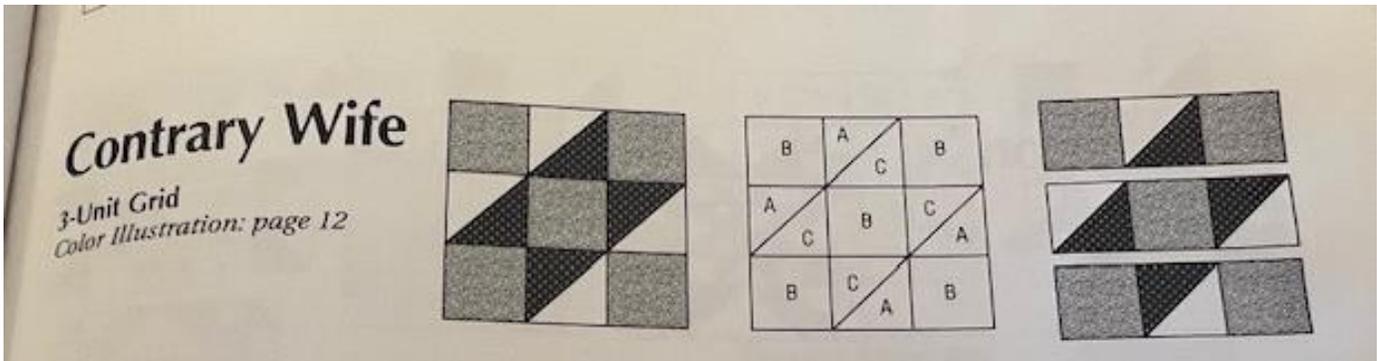
We have two blocks for March. You can either make both or choose one.



		FINISHED BLOCK SIZE					
		6" Block	8" Block	9" Block	10" Block	12" Block	14" Block
Light	A: 4 HSTs	2 3/8"	2 7/8"	3 1/8"	3 3/8"	3 7/8"	4 3/8"
	B: 2 squares	2"	2 1/2"	2 3/4"	3"	3 1/2"	4"
	C: 8 squares	1 1/4"	1 1/2"	1 5/8"	1 3/4"	2"	2 1/4"
Medium	D: 4 HSTs	2 3/8"	2 7/8"	3 1/8"	3 3/8"	3 7/8"	4 3/8"
	E: 2 squares	2"	2 1/2"	2 3/4"	3"	3 1/2"	4"
Dark	F: 8 squares	1 1/4"	1 1/2"	1 5/8"	1 3/4"	2"	2 1/4"



March 2025 Block of the Month #2– Contrary Wife



		FINISHED BLOCK SIZE					
		4 1/2" Block	6" Block	7 1/2" Block	9" Block	10 1/2" Block	12" Block
Light	A: 2 HSTs	2 3/8"	2 7/8"	3 3/8"	3 7/8"	4 3/8"	4 7/8"
Medium	B: 5 squares	2"	2 1/2"	3"	3 1/2"	4"	4 1/2"
Dark	C: 2 HSTs	2 3/8"	2 7/8"	3 3/8"	3 7/8"	4 3/8"	4 7/8"



Have you tried English Paper Piecing (EPP)?

English Paper Piecing or EPP is basically hand piecing. Instead of stitching two pieces of fabric together directly, you baste your fabric (with 1/4" or 3/8" seam allowance) to a paper shape – either with glue or thread. Then you stitch your shapes together – usually with a whip stitch. This method allows you to create simple to complex designs. I've found I prefer to make smaller designs and applique to a background, but you can stitch shapes together into a large quilt. (The paper shapes are removed before applique.)

Elongated Hexagons around an Octagon



Hexagons Made Into Pillow Cover



Squares and Triangle around Hexagon

EPP is very popular right now and there are a lot of fun patterns. You can purchase precut papers as well as acrylic templates for cutting your fabric – fussy or not! One of the more popular websites for EPP supplies is <https://paperpieces.com/>. If you scroll down on their website, you'll find a link to a YouTube video on how to EPP. Other websites with beautiful EPP patterns include <https://www.talesofcloth.com/> and <https://www.elisebaek.com/welcome>

Hexagons



Variety of Shapes to Create Blocks



Hexagons (Grandmother's Flower Garden)



This is the center of Tula Pink's "Tula Nova" quilt. It uses a variety of shapes to make a circular quilt.