

LICK SKILLET QUILT GUILD NEWSLETTER

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Thanksgiving Greetings

November Calendar

- 1st All Saints Day
- 3rd Daylight Savings
- 4th Guild Meeting
- 11th Veteran's Day
- 28th Thanksgiving Day

November Birthdays

- 5th Carol Bentley
- 6th Pam Goff
- 9th Jo Lipham
- 22nd Anita Fountain

If we have missed your birthday, please email Sarah at sadiewhat@gmail.com to update the roster.

Welcome Our Newest Member Sidney Smith
Glad to have you join us



A Word From Our President!

I would like to take this opportunity to thank each one of you for your participation during the past year while I have been your president. We have had lots of fun, gained some great new members, and learned many new techniques!

Congratulations to Susan Clark of Oxford whose name was drawn as the winner of our 2013 Opportunity Quilt!

Our show committee continues to prepare for our first quilt show! By the time you receive this newsletter, our vendor letters will have gone out in the mail. Keep your fingers crossed that our show will attract some really good vendors even though the AQS Show in Chattanooga is the same weekend. Although we will all enjoy looking at a beautiful selection of quilts, we also look forward to shopping since we no longer have a quilt shop in our immediate area. Please be thinking about what quilts you would like to enter and their approximate sizes and have this info at the January meeting. Remember this is an estimate only but will help John tremendously in planning the layout of the displays! Also, remember to let Shawnee know where you would like to help.

I really enjoyed our program on hand appliqué at last month's meeting. Mrs. Barrett makes it seem so easy that I might try my hand at some hand appliqué!

Thanks to John and Pam Goff for their graciousness in hosting our workday for our 2014 opportunity quilt! We had six members there to work on the quilt and accomplished quite a bit. Thanks to them for opening their home and preparing a great meal. We sewed in the kitchen where there was plenty of room and light. Thanks most of all for the fellowship and hospitality.

Looking forward to seeing all of you at our November 4th meeting.

Carolyn

Did you know, November 16th is Button Day- a fun day to collect, use, and just enjoy buttons. They come in all shapes, sizes, colors and designs. There is an amazingly endless variety of buttons for your collection.

But, wait a minute.. is that the meaning of this day!?! Maybe, the purpose is to wear buttons. You know, those diverse buttons that send a message for political purposes; or, maybe the ones that have funny sayings; or, a button with a smiley face to cheer everyone up. The origins and meaning of this day are unknown which could be a good thing because we can celebrate anyway we want. A few suggestions....

1. Button Collecting and Display Day - collect and display clothing buttons
2. Button Up Day- 'cuz it's cold outside!
3. Pushing Your Buttons Day - you're kidding me, aren't you!?
4. Belly Button Day - now, here's one that could be real fun
5. Belly Button Fuzz Day - it's amazing what you find in there.
6. Wear Buttons Day - skip the political buttons. Try a Smiley button!

However you choose to celebrate, have a **Happy Button Day!**

November Program: Holiday Round Robin

It's hard to believe it is time again to start thinking about your Christmas decorating or gift giving! With this in mind for our November program, we will have a holiday round robin. Stations will be set up and four of our members will show the group an item they have made or are working on for the holidays. For those of you who are not familiar with this, we will divide the members into groups and each group will rotate through the stations for a short demonstration and information on the items being shown. This is a fun way to get an idea of what holiday things some of the members in our guild are making! An email was sent out asking what holiday items you were working on. If you would like to show one of the projects you responded to Anita on just let her know!

November Refreshments:

The refreshments for our November meeting will be provided by Anita Fountain, Karen Burnham and Shawnee Weigt.

Thanks Carolyn Davis, Becky Everett, Joan Hayden and Jeanne Gnau for the refreshments for the October meeting! The food was delicious!

****We will be starting a sign up list for the refreshments for next year at the November meeting. Please sign up so that we won't let next year slip up on us and no members signed up for each month!!! ****

November Drawing: Santa Claus is Coming to Town --

And he's making a list with fat quarters on it! The fat quarter drawing for November will be Christmas fabric. Bring as many fat quarters as you like that have a Christmas print or solid Christmas colors! Remember, the more you bring, the bigger chance of winning!

Congratulations to Peggy McLeod, winner of the October Coffee and Tea fat quarter drawing! She won a big pot of fabric!

Thanks to -- Anne Barrett for coming from Grove Oak, Alabama as our special guest for our October meeting and giving us a program on hand applique. Anne's program was hands-on and she provided everyone with muslin, needle and fabric pieces to applique on to the muslin. Each member was able to follow along with her as she explained her technique. We were shown how to applique a flower stem and a circle using freezer paper. She also provided handouts with very informative information. Anne also had a trunk show and shared a number of her gorgeous quilts that she has appliqued and quilted by hand. Many of those quilts have been in shows. Hopefully her program will inspire our members to try their hands at applique. Wouldn't this be a great project do and enter into our quilt show next year? Those of you who weren't able to make the meeting you, without a doubt, missed a real treat!



UFO Update Our UFO challenge has been a real productive event this year! 36 have been turned in since March! Joan Hayden has completed all of the UFOs on her list! Yea, Joan! Since we do not have show and tell in December, November will our last month to bring in our finished projects that are on our lists and get a ticket for the drawing! We will draw for the prize at the Christmas party!

Also be thinking about whether or not you would like to see us continue the UFO challenge for 2014. We have had members say they would like for us to continue because it motivated them to get some of the projects completed. Also, some of the new members were interested since they joined late in the year and did not get in on the challenge.



OCTOBER SHOW AND TELL



Brenda Mayfield's
Star Quilt



Jinnia Flynn's Turning
Twenty Alabama Quilt



Jinnia Flynn's
Christmas Stocking



Molly Steenberg's
Auburn Quilt



Molly Steenberg's Christmas
Block of the Month UFO



Molly Steenberg's
Lady Bug UFO Quilt



Molly Steenberg's
Drunkard's Path Quilt



Molly Steenberg's
Purse with Leaf
Pounding Technique



Molly Steenberg's
Child's Alabama
Outfit



Sue Mitchell's
Katy's Garden Quilt
from Debby Kratovil Class



Becky Everett's
Embroidered Horse UFO



Valera Johnson's
Embroidered Pumpkin



Anita Fountain's
Just Can't Cut It UFO



Anita Fountain's UFO
Thoroughly 30's Two



Carolyn Davis'
Christmas Quilt

Community Service Project Update --

A great big thanks to Shawnee Weigt and Julie Wells for volunteering to take the chemo caps and wraps to the Cancer Care Center in Anniston! The staff at the cancer center was very excited that we took the time and cared enough about the patients to choose them for our community service project. Shawnee said it was a very heartwarming experience to go. The caps and wraps were placed in basket for the patients to pick out the one they want. No doubt we put a smile on a number of the patients faces! Best we can tell at this point, approximately 125 caps and 40 wraps were made. We will update you when we get a final count. Although we are wrapping this project up, it doesn't mean you can't still make some of the items and bring them in to the meetings. It's never too late if you have any spare time. As mentioned before, it is turning cooler and the holidays are drawing near making it the perfect time think of these patients. Thanks to all of you for your hard work in making this year's project a success!

Quilt Guild Flea Market

We had our flea market at the October meeting and it was a success. Members brought items they no longer wanted or could use and most of them went back home with other member's items they no longer wanted or could use! We brought in over \$140 dollars to go into the quilt guild treasury. The money we collected helps to cover the program costs of guests coming to our meetings, materials for community service projects, quilt show expenses, you name it! Every little bit counts! Thanks to everyone who brought their "stuff"

Lick Skillet Recipe Corner

Crunch Caramel Apple Pie



Pie Filling

Pastry for single-crust pie
 ½ cup sugar
 3 Tbsp flour
 1 tsp cinnamon
 1/8 tsp salt
 6 cups thinly sliced peeled
 Granny Smith apples

Crumb Topping

1 cup packed brown sugar
 ½ cup flour
 ½ cup quick-cooking rolled oats
 ½ cup butter

Final Topping

¼ cup caramel ice cream topping
 ½ cup chopped pecans

Prepare pastry for single crust pie, careful not to stretch dough too much. Place in pie plate, trim and crimp edge. In large mixing bowl, stir together sugar, flour, cinnamon and salt. Add sliced apples, gently tossing until well coated. Transfer to piecrust. For crumb topping, stir together brown sugar, flour and oats. Using a pastry blender cut in butter until it resembles coarse crumbs. Sprinkle over the apple mixture. Cover edge of pie with foil to prevent over-browning. Bake at 375 for 25 minutes. Remove foil and bake 25 to 30 additional minutes until top is golden. Remove from oven. Drizzle top with caramel topping and sprinkle with pecans. Cool on wire rack before serving.

Member Highlight! ***Each month a guild member is highlighted in the newsletter so we can get to know our members better.*

Meet Linda Lackey Linda's home has been Munford for the past 45 years where she has lived with her husband, who she lost in February of this year and 2 children. Linda has 5 grandchildren who live close enough to give her plenty of "grandma time." She taught kindergarten at Lincoln Elementary School and retired after 25 years. Linda is active in WMU at her church where she spends much of her time. She lost her husband in February of this year. Thanks to her church and very close friends, she has a wonderful support group to help her get through the hard days.

Linda learned to sew during her high school days in home economics. While her children were growing up she made many of their clothes and even made a shirt for her husband! When Linda was asked what his reaction was when she gave it to him, she said, "Oh, he loved it. He was so proud." It didn't stop there! She made five more shirts out of matching fabric and they all wore them to Six Flags! They called themselves the "Alabama Group." Linda began quilting in April and joined our guild in June. She obviously is getting the bug because she has already made a table runner and is working on a quilt for her granddaughter! Her favorite craft is crocheting. With all this talent, quilting should be second nature.

Linda's Favorites: Color : Green
 Food: All food!
 Season: Spring
 Holiday: Thanksgiving
 Music: Christian and Country and Western
 Books: Historical romance; Gone With the Wind
 Movie: Magic of Ordinary Days TV: Hallmark and Lifetime movies
 Actor/Actress: Doris Day
 Hobby and Past Times: Reading and crocheting
 Favorite Place to Visit: Antique shops (she loves old things)
 If She Could Travel to One Place – Hawaii, but says she'll never go; she isn't going to fly or get on a boat!

A word(s) that describes Linda is "charitable and loving" and her best attribute her friendly spirit. She loves spending time talking to elderly people and listening to them talk about their past because it is like a history class. When Linda was asked if there was a quote or words she lives by, she said, "I hope I can always look at people and know they are God's creation and that there is good in everyone."

We are glad to have you in our Guild!

LSQG News Update !!

If you remember in the October Newsletter, we mentioned that Brenda Mayfield entered a quilt in the Gadsden Museum of Art Annual Quilt Show, Stitching Across Alabama – 2013 and won 2ND PLACE in the Combination (Pieced and Appliqued) Category. Well, Brenda has made a photo available for us to see her work since it is still being displayed but as soon as she gets it back, we hope she will bring it and her ribbon to Show and Tell for us to see!



Quilter's Tips

Adding a fabric that reminds you of a loved one makes the quilt more meaningful.

Amish women put one block in their quilts that they know is wrong. It is called a "God Block" because only God is perfect.



Quilt Humor

BUYING FABRIC ONLINE IS GREAT. I JUST WISH THEY COULD GUARANTEE DELIVERY AT A TIME MY HUSBAND ISN'T HOME!



LSQG Christmas Party – Mark Your Calendars Now!!!!

Our party will be held on Tuesday, December 17th instead of the normal 2nd Monday! Be sure to make note of this on your calendars! At the October meeting, the members voted to have the Guild Christmas Party **catered** again this year! We furnish the meal and ask for a few members to sign up for desserts, etc. Those of you who want to be in the gift exchange, please bring a \$10 gift. Revealing of Secret Pals will be done as well! We are hoping everyone can be there! We will be discussing the Christmas party again at this month's meeting!

Election of the 2014 Executive Board

Don't forget that November is the month to vote for our new board for the 2014 year! It is important that we have your vote! Remember ...

YOUR  COUNTS

Upcoming Quilt Shows & Events

November

8-9 Randolph Quilters Guild Quilt Show
Sponsored by Randolph Quilters' Guild
First Baptist Church
133 North Church Street
Asheboro, NC 27203
Dabulla5@yahoo.com

* Check with the sponsor prior to the event in case there have been changes or cancellations

**Email any quilts shows or events you would like to see posted in our newsletter to Anita at alfount@yahoo.com

2013 Opportunity Quilt Update

Our opportunity quilt was given away at OxfordFest to Susan Clark. Susan bought her ticket at the festival and wasn't there when her name was drawn but she was delighted to return shortly after she was called! Becky will give us an update on the tickets sold at this month's meeting. Thanks to everyone for helping to sell tickets and make this a great fundraiser!

2014 Opportunity Quilt Update

As you know the guild voted on Pat Speth's, "Star Medallion" pattern for our 2014 quilt. The fabric has been purchased and Julie Wells, our opportunity quilt chairperson, so graciously washed, ironed and cut it out so that we could get an early start on it. On October 22nd John and Pam had a sew day at their house. Thanks to both of them and Julie, Carolyn Davis, Becky Everett and Valera Johnson for meeting and working on the quilt. Julie will give an update at our meeting! Her goal is to have the quilt completed by the end of December!

Educational Corner – Focal Points, What Do You See? Here's a quick assignment. Look at a couple of completed quilts in a quilt book or on the internet, and notice what first catches your attention. Do this before you read on!

What you noticed first is the focal point of the quilt. It is determined by the area with the highest contrast. The very strongest type of contrast is variation in value, which is, light and dark. So, most quilters will be attracted to an item either in the top right, top left, bottom right or bottom left quadrant. Many people think the center is the focal point, The strong value contrast will often have a dark background. Other types of contrast are color and brightness, and one of these may get your attention.

Focal point matters for a couple of reasons. First, since the viewer's eye will go there first, you'd probably like to make it something important. In the case of a quilt that looks like a flower garden, that could be a flower, rather than a piece of foliage. If you're doing a portrait of your grandchild, you'd probably like the face or eyes to be the focal point, rather than the flower the child is holding. Knowing that contrast will attract the viewer's eye, you will have the opportunity to manipulate this to your advantage.

The location of the focal point also contributes to the feel of the quilt. A centralized focal point is very stable. This would be appropriate for a portrait, but it could be a little boring in some other instances.

Every quilt has four spots that are considered highly desirable for the focal point. These are sometimes called sweet spots. If you mentally divide your quilt into thirds, both top to bottom and left to right, the intersections of those lines form the four sweet spots.



Now look at some different quilt pictures and determine the focal point locations. Don't try to logically analyze them. Instead, let your EYES decide! You'll see many times that the main object of the picture is in the exact center, but is it really the focal point? Sweet spots are not always the best locations for focal points. Always consider what's most appropriate for your individual quilt.

Quilt Show Update "Quilts by the Lake" will be held Friday and Saturday September 12-13, 2014 at the Oxford Civic Center. Thursday, the 11th will be show set up, from 8am to 4pm (or until work is finished). After set up, you'll have a chance to preview and shop with the vendors in the evening. All members working must wear turquoise, v-neck tee-shirts with the guild logo to identify us as guild members. The design of the shirts and logo are in progress and we are working to make the cost as inexpensive as possible to prevent a hardship for members to purchase. Vendor spaces and costs are 10x10-\$100, 10x20-\$175, 10x30-\$250. Vendor letters been mailed and gotten a spoken commitment from one vendor for a booth already! If you know of anyone who would like to be a vendor, please give the info to Carolyn ASAP. Remember the "Bridges" Challenge is to be no larger than 42x42 inches. More information on the challenge will be provided in the very near future! We are working on the categories for the judged quilts and Margaret McNaron is designing our ribbons. We are very excited about our progress! We are asking vendors (and local businesses) to donate baskets for use in a drawing at the show. Individuals can donate baskets as well. Funds raised from this will be used for a local charity or chosen by the guild as our 2014 community service project. Our largest budget items for the show are publicity and judging now that we do not have to purchase of the displays. Yea! Thanks to the City of Oxford, we can now focus on getting the word out to the community, state, and internet about our show. Please be thinking about what committee you are interested in working on so that you can be assigned to that committee if it isn't already filled. If so, we'll work with you to get you on a committee where you will be best served! Our committees and chairs are as follows:

<u>Vendors</u>	Carolyn Davis	<u>Publicity</u>	Anita Fountain--Assistant/Molly Steenberg
<u>Judging</u>	Ginger McNeal--Assistant/Carolyn Davis	<u>Publications</u>	Karen Burnham--Assistant/Mary Simmons
<u>Opportunity Quilt</u>	Julie Wells--Assistant/ Valera Johnson	<u>Awards</u>	Margaret McNaron--Assistant/Shawnee Weigt
<u>Quilt Receiving</u>	Joan Hayden--Assistant/Jeanne Gnau	<u>Mercantile</u>	Carol Bently--Assistant/Mindy Steenberg
<u>Flea Market</u>	Sue Gardner--Assistant/Jannette Lackey	<u>Set-up/Layout</u>	John Goff--Assistant/Pam Goff
<u>Hospitality</u>	Bev Shewanick--Assistant/Linda Love	<u>White Glove</u>	Shannon Howard--Assistant/?
<u>Admissions</u>	Julie Wells--Assistant/Valera Johnson	<u>Show Treasure</u>	Becky Everett
<u>Vintage Quilts</u>	Anita Fountain--Assistant/Becky Everett		

Please remember that this show can only be a success with the help of **all** guild members. Each of us will have to help out in multiple areas throughout the set-up, show and take down. We are all looking forward to having a successful first show and are so excited about the progress we are making. If you have concerns, please contact the Quilt Show committee Chairman, Shawnee or the appropriate committee chair to address your ideas or concerns. ***Thanks for your participation and help!!***

Our next Quilt Show Meeting will be on November 4th at 3:00.

My Thanksgiving Quilt

I want to I show the many things
That I'm so thankful for
Maybe I'll make a Thanksgiving quilt
With the middle block the core.

This block will show my love for God
And all he's given me.
The beautiful country we live in
And how wonderful it is to be free!

To the right side of the center block
I'll put my family
And show how much I love them
The way they all love me!

The one below my middle block
A circle it will be
To represent a year gone by
And the strength it has given me.

To the left will be a harvest block
With corn and fruit and wheat
To signify the working hands
Their labors and what they've reaped.

From there I'll have a friendship block
With kindness, love and deeds

To show how friends play such a part
Helping me a better me.

And one will be for gratitude
For blessings large and small
And have a great big bright red heart
To show I'm thankful for them all.

Of course, our flag and soldiers
Will have a block to see
A portrait of their sacrifices
They've made for you and me.

Another block that you will see
Will show health and soundness of mind
That allows me to go where I want to go
And find what I need to find!

The final block will be to remember
The loved ones I lost through the year
The hugs and laughs and joy and words
In my heart I will always hold dear.

Although my quilt doesn't seem like a lot
The colors and patterns and blocks
Will come together so beautifully
And my blessings will interlock.

I'll look at my quilt beyond Thanksgiving Day
To remind me of how blessed I have been
And as blessings abound in the upcoming year
I'll add blocks to my quilt once again.

Executive Board

President	Carolyn Davis
Vice-President	Anita Fountain
Secretary	Joan Hayden
Treasurer	Becky Everett
Members at Large	Peggy McLeod Deb Saska

Committees/Chairperson

Hospitality	Karen Burnham
Membership	Sarah Whatley
Community Service	Mary Simmons
Opportunity Quilt	Julie Wells
Publicity and Historian	Molly Steenberg
Quilt Show	Shawnee Weigt



If the Friendship Community Center is closed for inclement weather, the Guild will not have its scheduled meeting or sew day for that day. If a meeting or sew day is rescheduled for another day, you will be notified by phone or email! Our member's safety is very important to us!

"There is no antique more expressive of our foremothers than patchwork, which, in the main, took the form of bed-quilts. Pieced or appliquéd, the quilt has been, in America, a wholly feminine creation."

~ Ruth E. Finley (1929)
"Old Patchwork Quilts and the Women Who Made Them"

Don't Forget Your To Do List !!!!!

Update my member info on roster

Vote for 2014 board

Sign up to decorate for Christmas party

Sign up for refreshments

Get on a quilt show committee

Bring in one of my UFOs

