

LICK SKILLET QUILT GUILD NEWSLETTER

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July Calendar

4th Fourth of July
6th Quilt Show Meeting
9th Sew Day
11th Guild Meeting



July Birthdays

12th Shannon Howard
18th Deb Saska
18th Molly Steenberg
18th Jane Wilson

If we've missed your birthday, we want to know. Email Angie D. at dempsey@charter.net to update our roster.



A Word From Our President

Hi Everyone,

I remember growing up and summer was three months of sun, fun and freedom from school and anything else that filled up my time the rest of the year. Summer began Memorial Day and didn't stop until Labor Day! The Fourth of July was just the mid point of summer and a day to eat ribs and watch fireworks with family or friends or whoever was going to be having the most fun!

It's funny how life changes when you grow up and have, oh, decades of years on you! Suddenly we enjoy the day but, most importantly, we remember the real purpose of the Fourth of July. With all of the turmoil, anger and meanness along with the political disappointments, I'm still thankful each year for how fortunate I am to have "the land of the free and the home of the brave" as my home and that I have survived another year without being "personally" affected by the many unpleasant and terrible events many others in our country as well as other countries have encountered.

I hope each of you take a few minutes to sit back and reflect on how fortunate we are to be Americans and how God has blessed America!

I also feel very blessed to have the wonderful friendships I have made with each of you in our guild. We have a bond that many other groups never form and I am thankful to be a part of it!

I am so excited about our quilt show and getting to spend time with each of you while we have the chance again to show the community the talents in our group, our community service work and how strongly we feel about helping others. We've got a lot of work to do but we will get through it and the show will be proof of how hard we work!

Speaking of hard work! Don't forget to get those entry forms on your beautiful quilts to Angie Fortner so we can get started on the show and program layouts!

I look forward to seeing all of you on the 11th!

Anita

Sew Days –

DON'T FORGET OUR SEW DAY!!!!!!
SATURDAY, JULY 9TH, 9:00 a.m.

We will be sewing at Angie Fortner's home on the 9th. Her address is 162 James Street in Lincoln.

PLEASE don't forget to let Angie know if you will be attending so she will have an idea who all is going to be there. We also need to know so we will know what to plan for lunch! You can email Angie at afortner7809@gmail.com or give her a call. You should have a roster with her phone number on it!

Welcome to our new members!

**JoAnn Gauldin
&
Arnetta Prestridge**

Also, our June guests!

**Donna Watts
Judy Smith
&
Janie Beverly**

July Program – For our July program will be seeing the Kentucky Quilters Project episode, “What is Art?” We have had some real issues with trying to see the program but have it figured out!

We have several members who have asked “what a quilt an art quilt?”

We will also be doing some quilt show work so please plan to be there! Remember we need everyone involved!

Monthly Fat Quarter Drawing –

Our July fat quarter drawing to “Celebrate the Day” of International Cherry Pit Spitting Day will be red print fabric.

Congrats to June winner, Jinnia Flynn. She won the “Eat Your Vegetables Day” fat quarters!

June Refreshments:

July refreshments will be provided by Jo Lipham, Sandra Holaway, Linda Love and Sarah Whatley.

Thanks to Bernice Zaidel, Melissa West and Sue Gardner for our great refreshments for the June meeting!

Don’t forget your turn at refreshments! The sign up sheet is available at the sign in table at each meeting.

Last Month’s Program – Thanks to Tippi Healea for the great Stack N Whack presentation! She explained the importance of picking out the right fabric and preparing it. Next she showed us how to layout the fabric and cut it to get the proper design for your block. And last she showed us how they need to be sewn together to get the stack and whack effect. Tippi had blocks of her own to show and gave us a very good handout so we could get home and actually be able to do our own! Thanks Tippi for this good information!

Opportunity Quilt Update

Everyone is doing a fantastic job selling tickets for our “Christmas Waltz” opportunity quilt! Keep up the good work! Rememer, if you haven’t gotten your tickets, see or call Shannon and she will fix you right up!



UFO Challenge

– Keep getting those UFOs done and brought to show and tell! We hope to see some of them on display at the quilt show!

SPREAD THE WORD about our quilt appraiser, Alma Moates, who will be attending the show! This will be a good time to get information on the value of those old and new quilts!

GUILD MEMBERSHIP BOOK

Please send a photo of yourself or have Angie take a shot at the meeting! We want to get a membership book completed with photos. We need to get the member photos finished so we can get the member booklets done. If you have a photo that you would like to use, please email it to Anita.

You know you’re a quilter if...

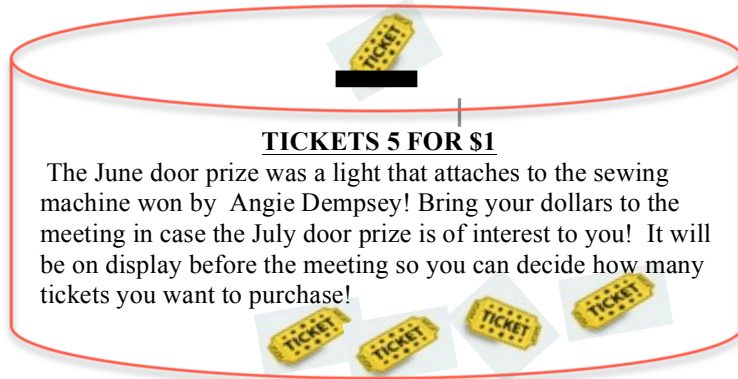
Your ironing board is always set up, but you never iron clothes.

Upcoming Shows and Events

| <u>July</u> | <u>August</u> |
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| 21-23 QuiltFest 2016 114 Boone Street Jonesborough, TN www.tennesseequilts.com | 3-6 Sew Blessed Quilters Guild Union Grove Baptist Church Albertville, AL www.sewblessedquiltersguild.weebly.com |
| 22-23 Heart of Dixie Quilt Show 6110 Deerfoot Pkwy Trussville, AL www.hodquilt.com | 19-20 Quilts in the Boro 2016 Lane Agri-Park Community Center 315 John R Rice Blvd Murfreesboro, TN |

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





TICKETS 5 FOR \$1

The June door prize was a light that attaches to the sewing machine won by Angie Dempsey! Bring your dollars to the meeting in case the July door prize is of interest to you! It will be on display before the meeting so you can decide how many tickets you want to purchase!

Quilt for City of Oxford - We showed the completed Dresden Plate quilt top at the June meeting and turned it over to Cindy Launhardt to be hand quilted by the quilters who meet at the Oxford Library! It is such a blessing that Cindy and the ladies volunteered to finish the quilt for us. We will present the quilt to the City of Oxford at the Thursday night reception prior to the show.

Quilt Entries

Please start turning in your quilt entries! Those you are absolutely sure will be in the show need to be turned in as soon as possible. Any that you decide or complete later can be turned in at that point! At this point they don't have to be completed as long as they are ready for the turn in date. Also be sure to tell spread the word to other quilters you know in Alabama that we are accepting entries. Tell them in the show information, entry forms and rules is on the website.

Community Service

Sharon is still working very hard on our community service baskets! She is still consistently getting items from companies she has contacted. We will be able to consolidate the items to make nice baskets that will encourage attendees to purchase tickets to win! Don't forget that each member is being asked to give and/or solicit items for door prizes and baskets. Remember these items are not required to be quilt related. If you have committed to donate a basket and it is a theme other than quilting, please let Sharon know so we can see what we will have and if we need to focus on some additional themes. Remember, some attendees aren't quilters, so, we need to have a variety of baskets and door prizes, for example, knitting, painting, coffee, cooking, chocolate, man themed, gardening or holiday.

Each of you should have a Donation Letter to give to businesses you visit that may be willing to donate items or services for the show. The letter describes our quilt's mission and how we give back to our community.

Remember, this is our project for the year since we haven't made items and donated them. We will be back at that next year!

ATTENTION: WE NEED ADS FOR THE QUILT SHOW PROGRAM!!!

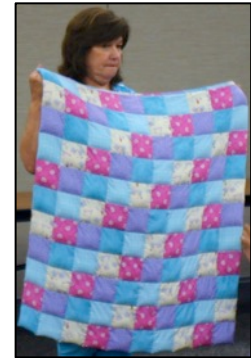
We are asking each member to **attempt** to get an ad for the program or a business sponsorship. While discussing this at the last quilt show committee meeting, a suggestion was tabled to offer to give members a chance to win a \$100 fabric gift certificate. The committee voted in favor of this and agreed that for each ad or sponsorship a member gets they will be given a chance to win the gift. Everyone in the guild knows of someone or frequents a business that can be asked to help support our quilt show and community service efforts! They do not have to be in Oxford. Any business in areas where you live can advertise in our program. An email was sent out to everyone with an ad form giving the options and prices for ads and sponsorships. Members who have gotten ads and sponsorships can tell you how easy it has been when they see what we do and the impression our guild has made on the local communities!

Remember, they won't eat you and won't even bite you, the worst they can do is tell you no!

Hmmm...now here's a thought!

Make your hanging sleeve from a patchwork of the fabric used in your quilt. Then, if you need to repair anything on the quilt top later, you will have a selection of the right fabrics to use.

JUNE SHOW AND TELL



Don't forget to sign in your Show & Tell items. Stack them on the table setup for show and tell by unfolding and placing on top of the previous placed quilt.



Lick Skillet Recipe Corner

Summer Pasta Salad with Lime Vinaigrette

- 8 ounces farfalle pasta, prepared according to package directions for al dente
- 1 (1 ½ to 2 1/2 lb) whole deli roasted chicken, skin removed and meat shredded
- 1 medium zucchini (about 5 oz), thinly sliced
- 2 small yellow squash (about 5 oz), thinly sliced
- 2 nectarines, coarsely chopped
- 1/3 cup coarsely chopped fresh flat-leaf parsley
- Lime Vinaigrette
- ¼ cup toasted sliced almonds

Rinse prepared pasta with cold water, and drain well. Gently stir together pasta, chicken, and next 5 ingredients in a large bowl. Add salt and pepper to taste. Sprinkle with almonds and serve immediately. Serves 6.

Classified Ads

FOR SALE: Juki 2000qi Quilting Machine
 Grace King Size Frame (Adjustable to Crib Size)
 Asking \$1500, reduced to \$1250
 For more information, contact Angie Fortner at 256-405-7809

Do you have something you would like to sell? Ads for the newsletter must be submitted in a short ad format by the 25th of the month to Anita at alfount@yahoo.com for the following month's newsletter! Also, let Anita know if the item sells or if you want the ad removed.

Educational Corner – As A Quilter... Reflecting on the Journey *By Holly Hassett*

Taking the time to reflect on your journey as a quiltmaker will help you recognize both technical and creative growth. Try some of the following exercises alone or with a group to explore your quilting self.

1. **CHOOSE** fabric from your stash that represents (a) who you were as a beginning quilter, (b) who you are as a quilter today, and (c) who you wish to be as a quilter. Clear out the fabrics that no longer represent you to make room for the quilter you want to become.
2. **COMPLETE** the following sentences:
 - a. As a quilter, I wish I could....
 - b. My favorite part of quilting is...
 - c. If you saw my stash, you would notice...
 - d. I find myself drawn to...
 - e. My favorite colors are...because...
 - f. Colors I rarely use are...because...
 - g. I challenge myself by...
 - h. My favorite quilt I've made is...because...
 - i. Outside of quilting, one wonderful thing about me is...
3. **REFLECT** Spread out your quilts, or pictures of your quilts, beginning with your earliest ones and ending with the most recent. How have you grown as a quilter? How did that growth happen? What might be your next step? Which quilts have you given away? Don't criticize your early work; every quilt is a learning opportunity that leads to growth.
4. **AFFIRM** Pull out several quilts you have made and say out loud at least three wonderful things about each one. Don't criticize or even critique; focus only on the positive aspects of each quilt.
5. **CELEBRATE** Let go of *should* and *can't*. Treat yourself to a play date with your stash and try something new. Experiment with different color and/or fabric combinations. Follow a whim and see where it takes you. Dare to be surprised and delighted! Celebrate the unique quilter you are.

Holly Hassett has been quilting for 23 years and completed a graduate degree in storytelling. She calls fabric, friends and stories essential companions on her journey.

*Thanks again to Margaret McNaron for providing us with this month's article.

Quilt Show Update – Our next quilt show meeting is July 7th and there will be an update at the meeting. Here is an update as of now! We've accomplished a lot but still have a lot to do and only 83 days left until show time!

Publicity is going well. Postcards were given out at the last meeting, but if weren't there, please get yours them in July. Sharon and Anita have mailed them to quilt shops and guilds in Alabama and Georgia and are now working on the areas just across the state line in Mississippi and Tennessee. Posters have been mailed out too. We'll have posters at the meeting. We'll go over where you took them last time and what additional places you know of to place them.

All vendor spaces are filled. Becky is finalizing the layout for vendors, quilts entered and the Hoffman Challenge quilts.

Jinnia has worked really hard on the Hospitality area and menus. If you haven't signed up for what you can bring during the show, please see her.

Bernice has been working with Alma Moates on the bed turning and appraisals. You should have gotten an email with a pre-appraisal form to use for your appraisals. If you have quilts you plan to have Alma appraise, please complete the forms and get them to her. This help us know how may appraisals we have and help Bernice with scheduling during the show. Please let Bernice know if you have filled out a form so she can keep count.

Brenda and Jackie have gotten the Admissions area under control. They have the wristbands and are working on the admissions tables and viewer's choice area.

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Quilt Show Update – cont’d

Sharon’s community service area is going well. She has gotten quite a few items from companies and some of you have given her items as well. If you have items or a basket ready, go ahead and bring them to her and have that off your plate! We will soon need help putting those baskets together.

Angie F. is working on quilt entries and quilt receiving area. Get your entry forms to her as soon as possible because we need to keep track of how many entries we have. This is important for judging and the quilt layout.

Angie D. is working on tins of quilter’s hand butter for the guild to sell at the show. She is also working with Brenda Mayfield’s husband on the photography and a CD we will be selling.

Sue is working diligently on ads for the program. We are starting to get ads but need you to get out there try to sell one! We have a platinum sponsor, thanks to Becky and a couple of other large businesses that we are working on sponsorships with.

Again, thanks for all of your help! Remember, WE ARE FAMILY! I GOT ALL MY (quilt) SISTERS AND ME! It’s going to take all of us, and WE CAN DO IT, YES WE CAN!

CAROLYN

**Anyone who finds the star (no not on the flag) hidden in the newsletter and is the first one to email Anita telling her where it is, will get a prize! Only one win per member!

Lick Skillet Quilt Guild

Our Mission: To promote an appreciation of the art of quilting, to share knowledge about quilts and quilting, and to perform community service projects.

The Guild is a non-profit organization open to anyone interested in quilts or quilting. Monthly meetings are 5:30 p.m. on the second Monday of each month at the Oxford Civic Center, 401 McCullars Lane, Oxford, Alabama 36203. Guests are welcome. Annual dues are \$25, renewable in October of each year.

Address/phone/email changes, contact: Angie Dempsey, 256-362-0035

Find us online at www.lickskilletquiltguild.com or www.facebook.com/#!/groups/455735277826951 or

Contributions to the Newsletter are welcome. Articles/ads/guild info due no later than the third Monday of each month and must be submitted with name and phone number of the author. Articles must be submitted in text files or hard copy by email to Anita Fountain at alfount@yahoo.com.

2016 Executive Board

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| President | Anita Fountain |
| Vice-President | Bernice Zaidel |
| Secretary | Valera Johnson |
| Treasurer | Carole DeGrenier |
| Members at Large | |

2016 Quilt Show Chairpersons

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| Show Chair | Carolyn Davis |
| Publicity | Anita Fountain |
| Vendors | Becky Everett |
| Layout | Becky Everett |
| Setup/Breakdown | Angie Fortner |
| Quilt Receiving | Angie Fortner |
| Judging | Valera Johnson |
| Awards | Margaret McNaron |
| Community Service | Sharon Lamberth |
| Opportunity Quilt | Ginger McNeal |
| Hospitality | Jinnia Flynn |
| Admissions | Brenda Mayfield/Jackie Fink |
| Programs | Anita Fountain |
| Advertising | Sue Gardner |
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