LICK SKILLET QUILT GUILD NEWSLETTER

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A new month!
A new beginning!
A new mindset!
A new focus!
A new start!
New intentions!

May Calendar

- 1st May Day
- 5th Cinco De Mayo
- 9th Mother's Day
- 10th Guild Meeting
- 21st Armed Forces Day
- 31st Memorial Day

May Birthdays

12th Verlene Miller

17th Babbette Harman

27th Mary Baker*

Birthday's with an * indicates out of town members. Have we missed your birthday? If so, please email Molly at molly.steenberg@att.net to update our roster.

SEW DAY

Our next guild Sew Day is scheduled for June 15th at the Bynum Community Center from 9 am to 3 pm. Mark your calendars now and plan to join us! We have such a wonderful time together. You can work on your community service quilts or any of your personal projects! We just want out to come and spend the day with us!

A Word From Our President

Dear LSQG Members,

I hope each of you had a very Happy Easter and that you're enjoying this beautiful spring weather. Everything is so beautiful right now and it makes you just want to spend all of your time outside, making it hard to focus on quilting.

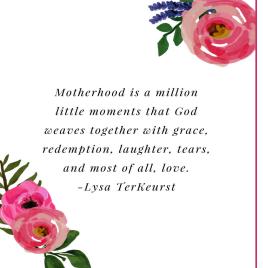
One thing that can keep you motivated on quilting was seeing the beautiful quilts Jan Cunningham showed during her lecture and trunk show at our April meeting. I couldn't attend her applique class, but heard it was great and made you want to go home and machine applique. I'm anxious to see what else Jinnia has planned for us for the rest of the year!

I was happy to see some of our members back last month that hadn't been in a while. It was nice to have Robert and Julia Prestridge there while they were here visiting Travis and Arnetta. Also, Susie Batty, Jo Stubblefield and Geneva Gregory and I hope to see them again. We have such a wonderful group of members and I love seeing us grow!

For now, I hope everyone will continue to work on your community service quilts for the nursing home. It will be so rewarding to see the faces of each one when they receive their quilt! Mary Simmons won't be here this month to give us an update or to take any completed quilts. It would be so nice to have a large number of them waiting when she returns in June.

I look forward to seeing you at our meeting! Until then, may your bobbins be full!

Yours truly, *Angie*







2019 Guild Community Service Update

Our community service project has slacked off this month. Our April 20th sew day was rescheduled for April 27th and the attendance was off. Only one quilt has been turned in since our April meeting. Our next sew day on June 15th and we hope to have good attendance and get a lot of quilts ready! Remember, our goal is to collect a minimum of 50 lap quilts to present to Diversicare of Oxford. Also, remember, the size is roughly 45x45 and have a flannel back. They need to be pieced and quilted to last through regular use. Labels will be provided to stitch on the back of each quilt. Mary will give an update at the June meeting.

<u>April Program – Trunk Show and Quilt</u> Lecture

We were so thrilled to have Jan Cunningham at our April meeting to give us her program, "Confessions of an ADD Quilter" and to share her beautiful quilts. What a joy Jan is and what a quilter! Surely each of you who attended got a little encouragement to get started on something new! It's no wonder she has won awards in so many shows and was chosen for one of the AQS Calendars.

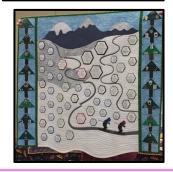
It was also great to have her the following day teaching her machine applique class. Jan taught us her method and great steps to machine applique that way she does. No doubt everyone went home encouraged to continue to work on their block from class. It was a great experience.

Here are just a few of her beautiful quilts she shared with us!









Refreshment List

May

Karen Canevaro Bernice Zaidel Becky Bishop Ellen Comfort

May

Angela Scott Roberta Allen Sandra Jones Linda Baker

The refreshment sheet is available at the sign in table at each meeting.

Calendar of Upcoming Guild Events

June 8th - Cobb County Quilt Show Trip to Marietta, GA

June 15th - Sew Day @ Bynum Community Center

August 17th - Sew Day @ Bynum Community Center

September $19^{th} - 22^{nd}$ Quilt Show & Retreat, Jacksonville, FL

May Program

Our program for the May guild meeting will be provided by Deb Saska and Tippi Healea. They will be demonstrating a block demo and techniques for mitered borders. We look forward to having them share with us!



Don't forget to bring those smiles to the meeting! Angie Dempsey will be ready with her camera so we

can get a guild photo directory completed!

Ugly Quilt Fabric, What To Do With It?

Have you ever gotten home with some new fabric only to see that it matches NOTHING in your house? Have you been gifted fabric you would never have purchased? Have you fallen prey to the "good deal" fabric and just can't think of any way to use it? Perhaps you won some and now you feel guilty not using it for something? What's a quilter to do?

First, is the fabric good quality? Is the fabric in question good quilt shop quality fabric that is worthy of being incorporated in one of your quilting projects? If not, why not donate it to a school or scout troop to use for craft making where the life of the project does not call for high quality fabric. Or, put this fabric to use to test new piecing methods. If the block turns out to be one you don't enjoy making, you haven't wasted anything because you didn't like that fabric anyway!

Is the color pleasant but the pattern is the problem? If the fabric color is pretty, you may want to use it in small bits where the pattern won't be noticeable like in string piecing or a scrap quilt. Perhaps you might want to use it to make a toothbrush rug that has colors that match your room or make a fabric bowl. All of these projects can use up quite a bit of fabric and only the color of the fabric will really show in the finished projects.

Is the quality good but the color just not your favorite? Perhaps you have friends who have some "what was I thinking fabric" that you can swap with. Suggest a time to get together with friends and each of you bring your "treasures" to swap. Or make small quilts to donate to local charity. Some guilds even ask that you use only "ugly" fabrics to make quilt pallets for the homeless as the "pretty" quilts can start fights. This is the perfect way to try a new pattern and bless someone with a quilt they will treasure. Another great use for this type of fabric is to help our furry friends at the animal shelter. Dog beds are made from a strong fabric and stuffed with fabric scraps. Don't forget new quilters who may be young and not have the resources to guild a fabric stash, remember one quilter's idea of pretty is not the same as another. Your "ugly" fabric may be just what they need to help build their stash.

If all else fails....Sell it! There are so many Facebook sites where you can sell your fabric now that this may just be the answer for you. Isn't it better to let someone else enjoy the fabric and it not be clouding your thoughts and filling your quilting space when it really doesn't make you happy? Let it find a new home where another quilting can give it a future.

Now, don't you feel better that you have chosen a future for that fabric? Best of all, you now have room for something that will make you smile!

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Upcoming Quilt Show & Expos

May

10-12 Bay Oaks Quilt Guild
"Starry Trails" Quilt Show
Holy Spirit Center
St Rose DeLima Catholic Church
Bay St. Louis, MS

June

- 6-8 Georgia Celebrates Quilts Show Cobb County Civic Center 584 South Marietta Parkway SE Marietta, GA 30060 www.ecqs.com
- 14-15 QuiltFest 2019
 Trussville Civic Center
 5381 Trussville Clay Rd
 Trussville, AL 35173
 bhamquilters.com
- 14-15 10th Biennial Mountain Memories Quilt Show Cumberland County Fairgrounds 1398 Livingston Road Crossville, TN 38555 ccpiecemakers.com

If you know of any quilt shows or expos that you think others would like to know about, please let us know!

I'm not self-medicating
with fabric. The lady
at the fabric store
wrote me a
prescription. Well, she
called it a receipt.
Whatever.

For the June newsletter, it would be nice to know what your favorite quilting website or blog is!

Email your favorite to <u>alfount@yahoo.com</u> and I'll share them in the newsletter. I'm sure there will be some that many of us haven't found before! I will need them before June 1st!

Anita

Classified Ads

If you have wanted to buy or sell quilting/crafting related items, please submit your information for the classified ads prior to the first of each month. Send info to Anita Fountain, alfount@yahoo.com

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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 for regular members, \$20 for members over 65 and \$15 for members under 18, renewable in January of each year.

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