

LICK SKILLET QUILT GUILD NEWSLETTER

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October Calendar

12th Guild Meeting
12th Columbus Day
16th Boss' Day
31st Halloween

October Birthdays

9th Marianne Stuart
9th Becky Everett
17th Marguerite Bright
22nd Shawnee Weigt
26th Jinnia Flynn
31st Julie Wells

If we've missed your birthday, please email [Angie Dempsey at dempsey@charter.net](mailto:dempsey@charter.net) to update our roster.



THE FIRST JACK O LANTERNS WERE ACTUALLY MADE FROM TURNIPS.

Honorary LSQG Member

Belinda Carol Burgess

LSQG voted to make Belinda an honorary member. Upon Belinda's unexpected death, her family donated all of her quilting fabric and notions to our guild to help support our community service mission. Although we never knew her, she has been a vital part of our guild. Thanks to her Belinda and her family, we have made a more significant in the community than we ever imagined. We have honored Belinda on our LSQG website as well!

A Word From Our President

It's finally fall, my favorite time of the year! I love the change in the weather and the beautiful leaves and all of the other things associated with it – long sleeves, football, pumpkins, fall foods and on and on!

I don't know about you, but I already have a busy schedule and most of it involves quilting in one way or another – working on our opportunity quilt, attending the Georgia National Fair, a trip to the quilt show in Houston.

I really enjoyed meeting at the Oxford Civic Center last month and I'm glad we were able to move there permanently. Everyone seemed to enjoy it as well. If you know of anyone who wasn't there in September, please remind them we've moved!

October will be our 2016 Quilt Show Kickoff Month. It is time for each committee to get ready to start working! The more work we get done early, will mean we'll have the more time to work on our quilts and the more we will enjoy the show. There will be brief updates from each committee chair at the meetings each month so everyone is always informed of what is happening. I say "brief updates" because we will still have be having programs each month! This should be easier since it isn't our first rodeo! Find you a committee to work on! You will be hearing over and over that each of you are vital to the success of our show! We have some great plans and ideas for this show and I'm sure it will be a much larger turnout than 2014!

Thanks to all of you who came out to work on the opportunity quilt at John and Pam's! We worked a lot, laughed a lot, ate some wonderful food and enjoyed being in their home! Thanks, Pam and John for you graciousness!

I look forward to seeing each of you on the 12th! We have a good meeting planned and a lot of information to get out to you!

Happy Fall Ya'll!



Community Service Projects Update

Our projects for this year are going great thanks to great members! Here is the latest information on each one!

1. Our Food Drive to support the Center for Concern – Brenda Mayfield informed us that a total of 347 pounds of food was collected and turned in during the August and September meetings! That is over 100 pounds more than we collected last year. Thanks to each of you for doing such a great job on this project!
2. The fidget quilt project has been a real success as well! We have completed 106 quilts and Sharon delivered them to Village Jacksonville Memory Center, Calhoun County Schools, Oxford City Schools and Golden Living.
3. The Christmas stocking project is left to do. Sharon has cut out all of the stockings and they are ready for everyone to take home, finish and fill. Plan to pick yours up at the meeting.



October Program – For this month’s meeting we will have a program provided by Angie Dempsey on the variations of the Disappearing Nine Patch. Also, Brenda Mayfield will provide a short demonstration on “Lessons Learned” from Nancy Mahoney’s Gum Drop quilt class. These will both be interesting programs, so please plan to be there!

Thanks to Molly Steenberg for providing our September program on T-Shirt quilts. We really enjoyed the program and seeing the different styles of quilts that had been made with all of those T-shirts! You may have inspired some of us that have never made a T-shirt quilt to give it a try! You have a way of making sewing just simply fun!

A warm welcome to our September visitors! We hope to have them come back and join our guild!

Elizabeth Godbee Linda Jemison Loretta Fleming

Newsletter Info – Most of you know that I am doing the newsletter again! Thanks, Mary Simmons, for doing it for a few months and attempting to take over the job! I appreciate your time!

I do want to remind everyone that the only way I can possible do this along with the President position and 2016 Quilt Show planning along with publicity and programs, is for you to help by providing me with information.

If you are a chairman or board member, I need you to get your comments or info to me by the 20th of each month following the meeting. This also applies to any of you members with information you want to go out to the guild! If no information is received, the members will not be kept informed of that area.

Also, it would help tremendously if you would send me any information that you run across such as quilt tips, articles, recipes, quilt shows or anything else you feel may be useful to put in the newsletter.

Anita

Monthly Fat Quarter Drawing - The October Fat Quarter theme is “Opals and Marigolds.” Bring your orange and/or fall fat quarters in for the drawing and you may just be the winner this month!

Congratulations to our September winner, Babbette Harmon!

October Refreshments:

The refreshments for this month will be provided by the guild at our quilt show kick off meeting! This is an official get the party started meeting!

Thanks to Bernice Zaidel, Cindy Launhardt, Verlene Miller and Peggy McLeod for September’s refreshments.

November refreshments will be provided by Carol Moore, Sue Gardner, Carole DeGrenier and Margaret McNaron.

**** Please don’t forget to sign up for a turn at providing refreshments! The sign up sheet is available at the sign in table at each meeting.****



Please remember -Janette Lackey is still in the nursing home. If you have a minute, send her a card or note. Her address:

***NHC Rehabilitation
Camille Court
Attn: Irene Janette Lackey, Rm 419
2300 Coleman Road
Anniston Road 36207***

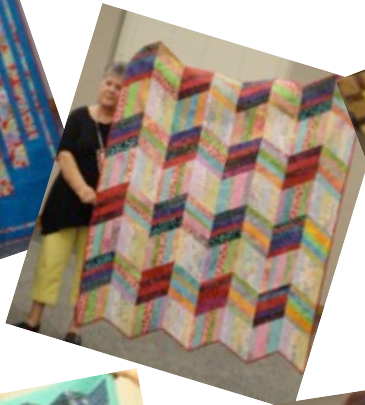
Quilt to Present to the City of Oxford -- Do you remember the vintage yellow and black Dresden Plate quilt blocks that were purchased from one of our show vendors? A few months back, we voted to make a wall quilt with those blocks to present to the City of Oxford at the Preview Night of our 2016 quilt show! Two of our members, Sidney Smith and Cindy Launhardt belong to a group of hand quilters who meet regularly at the Oxford Library and they have offered to hand quilt it for us! There will be more to come on getting this ready!

Also, anyone interested in hand quilting with them or learning how to hand quilt is more than welcome. Get with Sidney or Cindy for more information!

September Show & Tell



Carolyn Davis



Patricia Horn



Molly Steenberg



Angie Fortner



Trish Bates



Mary Simmons



Margaret McNaron

UFO Challenge – Those of you who turned in a UFO form this year, remember, there are only 3 more meetings to show your finished projects and get in the drawing at the Christmas party! At that time we will decide if we want to continue the challenge in 2016. Get busy folks!

Sew Days –

Last month we voted on scheduling more sew days for this year. We will be scheduling a day during the week as well as a Saturday in an attempt to accommodate each member and their schedules. We are looking at some time during November and will get the dates to you as soon as they are scheduled. Don't forget, we will be sewing now at the Civic Center unless we are unable to get a room then we will make other arrangements.

Upcoming Shows and Events

October

8-18

Georgia National Fair Quilt Show
Georgia National Fairgrounds
401 Larry Walker Pkwy, Perry, GA
www.georgianationalfair.com

9-11

Heritage Quilter's of Huntsville
Biennial Quilt Show
Von Braun Civic Center, East Hall 1 & 2
700 Monroe Street SW, Huntsville, AL
hsvquilters.org

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East Lauderdale Quilters 2015 Quilt Show
(Rogersville Fall Festival)
Rogersville United Methodist Church
701 Turner Lindsey Rd, Rogersville, AL
Facebook: East Lauderdale Quilters

16-17

Tennessee River Quilt Show
Hardin County Fairgrounds, Savannah, TN
www.tennriverquiltshow.com

*Got any show info? Email it to Anita at alfount@yahoo.com.



Picking Mrs. Bobbins out of a crowd has always been really easy

2015 Mystery Quilt

Those of you who participated in this year's mystery quilt should have all of the instructions and be on your way to quilting it! If you don't have them or are late starting yours, you can get the info on the LSQG webpage. Also, remember to go ahead and put a sleeve on them to hang at the show!

Bernice will coordinate with everyone to plan to get a group picture of the quilts.

Membership Booklet

At last month's meeting, Anita presented before the group the idea of making a membership book for all members. This booklet will be available only to our members and will have names, address, birthdays, etc. along with a photograph of each member. This will help for each of us to be able to identify who is who and will be especially good for new members.

The guild voted on this and we will begin work on this at the October meeting. We will look at adding a copy of the bylaws and other important information. If you feel any other information needs to be in the book, please let Anita know.

Educational Corner - Since we are all starting to work on quilts for our next show, it seems to be a good time to share some information that was on display at the NQA show in Little Rock this year. This is a list of great tips to keep in mind when you are getting your piecing your quilts. This information will definitely help make sure your quilt meets the qualifications set by judges. Don't let these tips scare you away – the judge's comments alone are worth having your quilts entered! Have fun! Isn't that what we all wanted when we started this quilting madness?

PIECING

1. **Intersections, corners & points should meet exactly.**
2. **Curves should be smoothly rounded.**
3. **Thread should not be visible in seams.**
4. **Individual blocks should lie flat and be square.**
5. **Thread color should blend with fabric colors.**
6. **Seam allowances should be trimmed where necessary to prevent shadows.**
7. **Stitches should be strong, close and tight.**
8. **Like pieces should be identical in size and shape.**
9. **Seam allowances should be pressed consistently.**
10. **Loose threads and frays should be trimmed.**

Next month's information will have tips on Edge Finishing. Follow these steps and you will be happy with your beautiful quilts whether you plan to enter them in a show, give them as a gift or display them in your home and just admire your own talent!

Lick Skillet Recipe Corner

Skillet 30-Minute Kale, White Bean and Sausage Soup

2 Tbsp olive oil
 ½ cup chopped shallots (about 1 large shallot)
 1 jalapeno, seeded and finely chopped (2 Tbsp)
 or (1 tsp) dried red chile flakes (optional)
 1 sprig fresh thyme
 2 medium cloves garlic, minced (about 2 tsp)
 1 tsp dried oregano
 1 tsp dried basil
 ½ pound chicken, turkey or pork Italian sausage, removed from casing
 2 cups homemade or store-bought low sodium chicken broth
 ½ bunch kale, stems removed and leaves cut into ribbons (about 4 cups)
 1 15-oz can white beans, drained and rinsed
 1 Tbsp freshly squeezed juice from 1 lime or lemon
 Fresh picked parsley leaves, for garnish

Heat oil in a 12-inch skillet over medium-high heat until shimmering. Add shallots, jalapeno (if using), and a pinch of salt and cook, stirring frequently, until softened, 2 to 3 minutes. Add thyme, garlic, and dried herbs and cook, stirring constantly, until fragrant, about 30 seconds. Add sausage, breaking it up with a wooden spoon until it loses its pink color, about 4 minutes. Add broth, kale, and beans. Increase heat to bring to a simmer. Fold in kale until it starts to wilt. Using a potato masher, smash some of the beans to thicken the broth. Cover and cook until thickened, 6 to 8 minutes longer. Remove thyme stems and discard. Stir in lime or lemon juice, season to taste with salt and pepper, ladle into bowls, sprinkle with parsley, and serve.

Quilt Show Update - We had a quilt show committee meeting the end of September and have begun moving forward in several of the areas. It is very important that everyone get signed up for a committee because the earlier each committee starts working together, the easier it will be throughout the months prior to the show and things won't sneak up on us!

Some of the main notes from the meeting were:

- Budget for each committee for the show will be due by the January meeting.
- The Hoffman Challenge traveling quilt display has been reserved for our show.
- The quilt show challenge quilt theme has been selected. Our theme will be "Idioms and Catch Phrases." These will be randomly assigned to those who request a phrase and want to make a quilt for this category. The rules, size requirements, etc. will be discussed at this month's meeting.
- Quilts entry rules and forms have been drafted and will soon be finalized and available in November at the meeting and on our website.
- Publicity will be kicking in to full action very soon. Be making notes of any areas you know of where additional publicity can be directed, i.e., newspapers, businesses, quilt shops, quilt shows, etc.

Carolyn will provide additional information at the meeting!



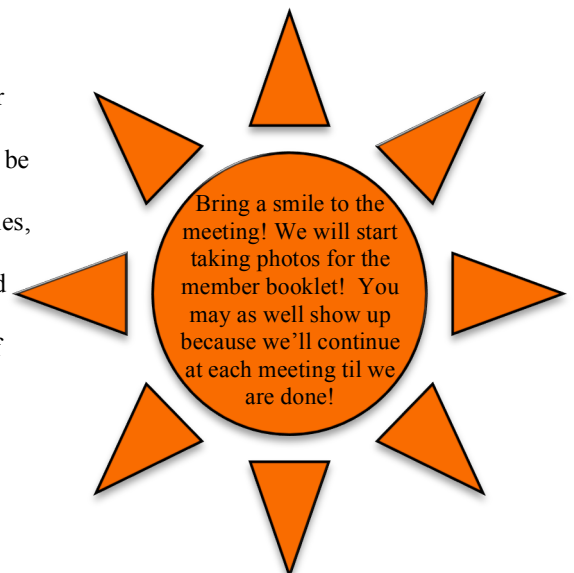
I need your help!

If you will be available for a couple of evenings in January, Molly would like volunteers to help the girl scouts learn to sew. They will be making little flannel blankets to go to Neonatal Intensive Care (NICU) babies. This is our chance to get young people interested in sewing! Are You In?

Opportunity Quilt Update – Thank you note from Pam & John

We had a very successful sew day on the Opportunity Quilt at our house on September 26th. We got all the blocks for the quilt made. Now just need to sew them into rows and into a quilt. We would like to thank the following who came to help work on the quilt: Angie Dempsey, Anita Fountain, Becky Everett, Bernice Zaidel, Carolyn Davis, Cindy Launhardt, Margaret McNaron, Molly Steenberg, Shannon Howard and Valera Johnson.

John & Pam



**Quilting is
Painting
with
Needles**

2015 Executive Board

President	Anita Fountain
Vice-President	Bernice Zaidel
Secretary	Valera Johnson
Treasurer	Carole DeGrenier
Member at Large	Jinnia Flynn

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 Lickskilletquiltguild.blogspot.com

Contributions to the Newsletter is 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.

Important Message:

If the Oxford Civic 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! Your safety is very important to us!

2016 Quilt Show Committee Chairs

Quilt Show Chairman	Carolyn Davis
Publicity	Anita Fountain
Vendors	Becky Everett
Advertising	Sue Gardner
Quilt Receiving	Angie Fortner
Judging	Valera Johnson
Layout/Setup	John & Pam Goff
Programs	Anita Fountain
Bed Turning/Appraisals	Bernice Zaidel
Community Service	Sharon Lamberth
Admissions	Karen Burnham
Hospitality	Jinnia Flynn
Opportunity Quilt	John Goff
White Glove	Tippi Healea
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