

# LICK SKILLET QUILT GUILD NEWSLETTER

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## A Word From Our President

Hello!

I hope all of you have had a fun summer! I know several have made trips to the beach as well as camping trips with friends. Anita, my two brothers and I took a long weekend trip to visit our relatives in Louisiana and had a great time...it was almost like being kids again! I'm looking forward to a week at the beach in October after the stress of the quilt show is over!

Can you believe it is only six weeks until the show? I am amazed at how things are really shaping up and falling into place! I have been in several businesses where the owners have told us that their customers came in talking about the show and how excited they are about it! We have actually sold quite a few ads for the program and people have been great about donating door prizes and baskets to support the community service project drawings. If anyone has made a donation for door prizes to you, please let Karen know as soon as possible so that she can add their name to the "thank you" list in our program. We only have two more regular meetings before the show. Please try to be there to help iron out any wrinkles we may encounter and things we may have overlooked. Don't forget to bring your Merchantile items as well as your Flea Market items (except magazines) to our meeting this month. We are trying to store everything in one place so it can be transported easily on set-up day. Thanks so much to Shawnee and all the committee chairpersons for all the hard work. Thanks, also, to all of you who have helped distribute posters and cards to businesses, libraries, senior centers, museums, quilt guilds, etc. This has truly been a team effort!

Remember to invite your family and friends and encourage shopping with our vendors. Some of them are coming quite a long distance to be with us.

Keeping my fingers crossed that we will have a huge turn-out!

*Carolyn*

## August Birthdays

16<sup>th</sup> Linda Sobers  
24<sup>th</sup> Carolyn Davis  
25<sup>th</sup> Carol DeGrenier

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

## August Calendar

11<sup>th</sup> Guild Meeting  
TBA Quilt Show Meeting



*New Member – Marguerite Bright  
Visitor - Ann DeRuiter  
And*

*Welcome back Past Member – Judy Smith*

IT'S ALMOST HERE  
QUILT SHOW  
SEPTEMBER 12<sup>TH</sup> & 13<sup>TH</sup>

QUILT  
SHOW  
ONLY 42  
DAYS

BETTER GET THOSE  
LABELS AND SLEEVES  
DONE!

**August Program** – Again, this month we will not have a program for the guild meeting. We have our August and September meeting (which is the week of the show) to finish up on quilt show things. Shawnee will give an update and each committee chairperson will cover in detail what their committee's part in the show, what has been done and what we still have left to do. It is very important that everyone is informed of everything that is required to set up, run and break down the show! If you aren't assigned to specific areas to work at the show, we will finish plugging in areas that need help

**Please make every effort to be at our meeting this month and in September!** This show's success depends on help from each and every one of us!

As far as our monthly program, please be patient, we will be back on track in October!

**Last Month's Program** – Again, no program last month. As everyone knows, all of us have been as busy as beavers trying to get wrapped up for the quilt show. If you weren't there, we missed you and your craftiness and brainpower! We've gotten a lot done but now we have to make sure we've got things covered and see and end in sight.

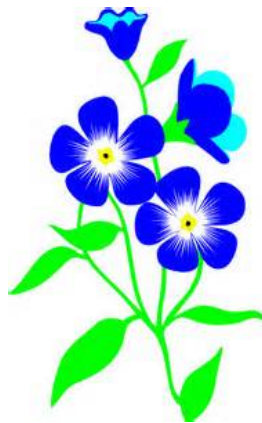
If you are a new member, just so you know, these past couple of months aren't the norm. We'll be back in Guild meeting program business in October!

### **August Refreshments:**

Refreshments for our August meeting will be provided by Angie Dempsey, Linda Sobers and Pat Horn.

Thanks to Anita Fountain, Becky Everett, Carolyn Davis and Sandra Jean for the summer salad sensation for the July meeting!

**\*\* If you haven't already, please remember to sign up for your time to provide refreshments! The sign up sheet is available at the each meeting.\*\***



### **Monthly Fat Quarter Drawing –**

**I'm walking on sunshine, whooah  
And don't it feel good?**

For the last month of summer, let's keep it bright! Our fat quarter theme for the August drawing is orange and/or yellow fabric. Think of sunshine, sunsets, umbrellas, oranges, lemons, etc. and you're sure to feel good!

Carol Bentley won the fat quarters at the July meeting! She can make her a beach quilt out of all that summer fabric! Congrats, Carol!

### **QUILT HUMOR**

**Mystery Quilt**– Okay, the mystery quilts should be finished by now and likely haven't been shown at show and tell because they are being entered into the show. Since that is probably the case, we need everyone to plan to bring them in to the meeting in October. Although we will have seen most of them, we need to get a photograph of all of them together so that we can get them put on our website. We will be reminding you between now and then!



## 2014 Community Service Update –

It appears that we are going to have a good selection of donated baskets and items to make up baskets for our fundraiser at the show. Let Carolyn know if you have gotten any items from anyone for this area. If possible, bring them to the August meeting so that we can begin getting those things together. As of now, we think we will have about 15 baskets to sell chances for. Some of the donations will need to be combined and put together to make baskets. We will not have the vendor's baskets until the day of set up. This is why it is important to get the rest of the items put together prior to the show. Also, some of the members have committed to give a basket. It isn't too late for an individual or group of members to put together a basket. Just let Carolyn and Mary know.

If you are new to our guild or, like some of us, just flat can't remember our funds raised will go to the Oxford Adult Senior Center and to 2<sup>nd</sup> Chance.

Although we've been extremely busy with the show we need to plan to get some "Pretty Pocket" drain covers done before the end of the year. Maybe we can do a sew day to make some of these. Share your thoughts on this at this month's meeting since we don't have a sew day scheduled! If you have made any covers, bring them to Molly to take to the cancer center for patients going home with surgical drains. Directions are available on the guild website.

## Upcoming Shows and Events

### August

Now thru 9/2

Georgia Row By Row Experience  
[www.rowbyrowexperience.com/georgia-row-by-row-experience.htm](http://www.rowbyrowexperience.com/georgia-row-by-row-experience.htm)

14-16 Georgia Quilt Council SEWFEST Retreat and Convention  
 Charlie Elliot Wildlife Preserve  
 543 Elliott Tr, Mansfield, GA  
[www.georgiaquiltcouncil.org/wpcontent/uploads/2014/01/cherokee-rose-quilt-show-flier.pdf](http://www.georgiaquiltcouncil.org/wpcontent/uploads/2014/01/cherokee-rose-quilt-show-flier.pdf)

15-16 Quilts in the Boro 2014  
 Lane Agri-Park Community Center  
 315 John Rice Blvd  
 Murfreesboro, TN 37129  
[www.quiltingbees.org](http://www.quiltingbees.org)

### September

6-27 Stories Told In Fabric –  
 The Year of the Art Quilt  
 McMinn County Living Heritage Museum  
 522 West Madison Avenue  
 Athens, TN

**12-13 'QUILTS BY THE LAKE' Quilt Show**  
**OXFORD CIVIC CENTER**  
**OXFORD, AL**

18-20 Upper Cumberland Quilt Festival  
 Algood, TN  
[www.quilt-festival.com](http://www.quilt-festival.com)

\*Email any quilts shows or events you would like to see posted in our newsletter to Anita at [alfount@yahoo.com](mailto:alfount@yahoo.com).

Sewing machine manufacturers advise against using canned air to blow lint out of your machine – so try using a bicycle hand pump to blow 100% natural air to clean out your machine!

And, try using pipe cleaners to clean the nooks and crannies in your machine. They grab lint and dust in hard to reach places!

**QUILTER'S TIP**



## UFO Challenge --

Our UFO challenge has been pushed to the back burner for now. We will get those updated as soon as the show is over. Those who are entering quilts that are on the UFO list need to be sure you remind Anita if you don't plan to bring them in for show and tell so you will get a ticket for them to go in the drawing.

We've got the prize and anyone who wins it this year will be surely be glad to have it!

For you new folks, members were asked to turn in a list of unfinished objects they hoped to complete this year. For each item that is finished and shown at show and tell or the quilt show, the member will receive a ticket for a prize to be given away at the Christmas party.



If you haven't gotten your T-shirt, please get with Becky. Remember, the shirts are \$10 each and the guild pays \$5. If you are interested in a 2<sup>nd</sup> shirt, you are responsible for the whole \$10. Some members wanted two for the show!

## Opportunity Quilt Update

Our opportunity quilt has been picked up from Pickleweed's Quilt Shop in Douglasville, Georgia where they have graciously displayed it, shown it in their newsletter and sold over 110 tickets. They have been our biggest promoter of the quilt show, so remember that when you are in the Douglasville area and also at the show where they will have a booth. Joanie, the owner of the store, suggested for our next opportunity quilt, that we make the quilt early enough to have a "traveling showing" where the quilt will go in several different shops to be displayed and tickets sold. She also mentioned that we might want to consider having tickets priced at \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00 because that generates more sales. Of course, we will discuss this again when the time comes to begin working on our next opportunity quilt project.

Don't forget the tickets each of you have gotten to sell! The sooner you get your tickets sold the quicker you can turn your money and not have to worry about that while the show is going on. Remember, ticket sales will continue during the show and we will be giving the quilt away the last day of the show!

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

**Meet Anita Fountain!** Anita and her husband, Bob, live in Carrollton, Georgia with their 3 labs, Emma, Hershey and Blue and 1 cat, Roxy. Anita was born and raised in Oxford where she lived for about 32 years, then moved to Jacksonville, then on to Georgia where they have been for the past 13 years. Anita retired two years ago after 32 years with the Federal Government, the last 11, which were with OSHA in Atlanta. Anita and Bob are lucky enough to have six grandchildren their son and daughters have blessed them with – Logan, 9; Rachel, 7; Addelyn, 6; Avery, 5; Lucy, 3 all in Birmingham and Aiden, 2 in Oxford.

Anita learned to sew in Home Ec class where her first project was a purple crushed velvet stuffed turtle and a corduroy skirt and jacket she made and wore to her homecoming that year! She didn't sew again for years later until she made Halloween costumes for her daughter, Amy. Anita wasn't around many adults who sewed when she was growing up. In fact, her mother hated sewing and if any clothes were hand made she hired it done! Move forward 20 or 25 years -- Anita couldn't understand how her cousin, Ginger, enjoyed quilting and thought her sister, Carolyn, had "lost her mind" when she began quilting. Soon Anita figured, "if you can't beat them, join them" and made a rag quilt. She has been quilting now for about seven years. Her least favorite quilting technique is paper piecing and she found her favorite was art quilts after quilting one for a show in Louisiana. Anita's other hobbies and past times include traveling, reading and spending time with her Sister (imagine that!) and her grandkids.

Anita's Favorite Things Are:

Colors: Yellow and purple

Foods: Watermelon and peach or cherry cobbler

Flowers: All flowers

Season: Fall

Holiday: Thanksgiving

TV: Jeopardy and Resurrection Movie: Steel Magnolias

Actor: Richard Gere Actress: Meryl Streep

Music: 70s Classic and pop rock

Books: Heartwarming Stories

Place She Loves to Go: Anywhere (have bags, will travel!) – mostly the mountains

If she picked one place she hasn't been to travel – It would be a toss up between Ireland and Australia

Anita describes herself as "committed" and her best attribute, outgoing. She likes to make other people feel good and be happy. Her favorite quote is Martha Washington's, "I am determined to be cheerful and happy in whatever situation I find myself. For I have learned that the greater part of misery or unhappiness is determined not by our circumstance but by our disposition."

## JULY SHOW AND TELL



Brenda Mayfield's  
Contemporary Zen Quilt



Ann DeRuiter's  
Hand pieced & quilted Star Quilt



Linda Love's  
Casserole Carriers

## *The Fabric Whisperer -- Cont'd from the July Newsletter*

*Hey, where are you taking me? What about the rest of the bolt? Why am I in a plastic bag here?*

*Out of the bag, and into the water. Wow, that soap burns. All this pushing and shoving, eeww, now I think I am having a thread attack, spinning in circles.*

*Well, the warmth in here sure beats that wet place, but I am getting dizzy.*

*Ah, now I feel more like myself. That hot metal plate passing over me really got all the kinks out. What is next? I hope to be able to shine in a nice new quilt.*

*Hello? Is there anyone out there? It is really dark in this drawer. I feel like I have been in here forever. Sometimes the lights come in and I get turned over, or even unfolded and looked at, but back in this drawer I always go. This is no life for a fabulous fabric like me!*

**I need some birds for this I-Spy quilt. I know I have some in my drawers, now where did I put it?**

*Oh welcome daylight, that brings hope to my finely woven threads. Someone is pawing through the drawer!*

*What's this? I am being unfolded, stretched out, hearing voices. Someone likes me and wants to use me. At last, my destiny will be fulfilled.*



**I always wondered what I would do with these birds, but they are perfect! Now, which two shall I pick? There we go, two lovely pieces ready for a quilt!**

*That's it? You hack out two little squares and leave the rest? I feel violated!*

*Lovely. Back in the drawer with two big holes in me. What am I good for now? I may be in here forever.*

**Oh lovely bird fabric, where are you? Your little offerings were so well received, that I need more for another quilt!**

*Really? Lots more? Oh dear, two more holes, now back in the dark drawer with the other outcasts.*

**Wow, this drawer is getting messy. Perhaps it is time to move some things on to the scrap quilt bin. No birds left to cut on this, but the background is pretty.**

*No birds left. I am nothing but holes. My usefulness is over, and I am scrap!*



**My, you are a sad-looking mess! I bet you are feeling abused. My former bird source, your feathered friends now grace about a dozen quilts, and will be enjoyed by many people for years to come. Your remnants will be added to postage stamp quilts and small projects, until there is nothing left that is big enough to sew with.**

*Me? A highlight in a dozen quilts? I am ashamed that I doubted your use of me. It is wonderful to know that I am not just a quilt fabric, but I am part of a legacy! My happy birds are scattered and thriving, and I am now content.*

### *Lick Skillet Recipe Corner*

#### *Summer Squash Casserole with Pecans*

1 pound summer squash, sliced	½ cup mayonnaise
¼ cup butter	salt and pepper to taste
¼ cup chopped green bell pepper	½ cup shredded Cheddar cheese
1 Tbsp white sugar	½ cup pecans, chopped
½ cup chopped onion	½ cup bread crumbs
1 egg	

Preheat oven to 350. Bring large pot of water to boil. Add squash and cook until tender. Drain well and place squash in large mixing bowl. Add butter, reserving ½ tablespoon, to squash and mash well. Add remaining ingredients except breadcrumbs and remaining butter. Place in a 1-quart casserole dish; top with breadcrumbs. Dot with butter. Bake for 35 to 40 minutes.

### *Educational Corner – Precut Fabric, What size is it?*

As we get past the next few weeks and get the quilt show behind us, many of us will probably be ready to start on a fresh, new project. Although many of you probably still have UFOs that didn't get done before the show, some stacked on the same shelf with the quilts lucky enough to get out for some fresh air at the quilt show. With purchasing new fabric on your mind, do you have all of the sizes of precuts pinned up in your sewing room or tucked away amidst the other pieces of paper in your purse? Whether you have the list or not, here are just a few:

Just so you know, manufacturers provide quilt shops with fabrics precut into strips. These cuts all have different names.

- Bali Bitty Bundles - eight fat-eighths (9" x 22")
- Bali Pops by Hoffman are 2 1/2" wide x WOF
- Charms by Moda are 5" squares
- Charms by RJR are 5 1/2" squares
- Chunky Strip collections - twenty 4" wide strips
- Desert Rolls by Moda are 5" strips x WOF
- Fabrications by Blank Textiles are 2 1/2" strips x WOF
- Fat Rolls by Windam are 5" wide x WOF
- Honey buns by Moda are 1-1/2" strips
- Jelly Rolls by Moda are 2 1/2" wide X WOF
- Layer Cakes by Moda are 10" squares
- Lil' Bits by Marcus are 5" squares
- Noodle Jelly Rolls by Fabric Freedom are 2 1/2" strips
- Pastry Rolls are 12" wide strips
- Spoonfuls by Moda are 8-1/2" squares
- Sushi rolls by Lecian are 2-7/8" strips x WOF
- Sweet Rolls 6" strips x WOF
- Sweet Sixteens by Maywood are 9" x11" rectangles (1/16th of a yard)
- Tonga Dimes by Timeless Treasures are 10" squares
- Tonga Nickles by Timeless Treasures are 5" squares
- Turnovers by Moda are 6" half-square triangles
- Twice the Charm by RJR are 5 1/2" x 22" strips
- Watercolor Wraps by Hoffman are 7" squares

Hopefully this will help you if you run across a precut package you haven't seen before!

#### **FYI – HANGING SLEEVES FOR QUILTS**

As you know, the requirement on the quilt entry form for hanging sleeves for the quilt show is a 4" sleeve. If you have quilts that have sleeves already sewn on that are less than 4" you do not have to replace them. However, any sleeves that you are presently sewing on need to be 4". By following the 4" rule, you will be meeting the requirement for other shows where less than 4" may be cause for disqualification.

**DON'T  
FORGET  
YOUR QUILT  
LABELS !**

**DON'T  
FORGET  
YOUR QUILTS  
HAVE TO BE IN  
BAGS WHEN  
TURNED  
IN !!**

**Quilt Show Update** – Well, here we are just over 40 days out from our show! Boy, have the committees all been busy. Shawnee and the committee chairs will cover more on each area of the show at the meeting this month. This is our update for now:

Most of the mercantile and flea market items have been priced and moved to the storage building until the show. We need you to bring any finished mercantile items to the guild meeting (preferably already priced) so they can be taken to storage. Carol Bentley has indicated that we still need more mercantile items. We have plenty of scarves, aprons and potholders. For the flea market, bring any items you have to the August meeting but remember to hold your magazines and heavy items until the show set up day. Sue and Jannette have categorized the items that will be sold in the flea market so while you are gathering your things, keep these in mind: 1) flatfold, 2) bagged, 3) grab bags, 4) kits, 5) fat quarters, 6) books, 7) magazines, 8) scrap booking, 9) handmade (items that have been started but never completed, i.e., knitted, crochet, orphan blocks) and 10) miscellaneous. If you have any questions on these categories, contact Sue or Jannette.

John and Pam are working diligently on the setup for the vendors and quilts. They are in the process of seeing what size conduit is going to be needed to detail each quilt. They are still looking around to get the best price possible for the materials. If you get an email or call from them with questions about your quilts, please respond as soon as possible since it has to do with layout because each quilt size and category determines where they will be placed in the show.

Advertisement sales have gone quite well for our program. Karen Burnham is presently working on the layout and it will be ready for the printers soon. If you have any ad information that needs to go to her it must be done immediately to be sure they are in the programs correctly. Currently we have around \$1,000 in ads and do not need to sell additional ads so that the programs can be finalized. If you have merchants that you have been talking to about door prizes or gift baskets, please continue to work on those.

The community service fundraiser baskets and items are beginning to come in. We already have some really good things to win. Ticket costs will be \$.50 for 1 ticket; \$5.00 for 10 tickets; or \$10.00 for 25 tickets. We have purchased 1500 sheets of tickets. Each sheet has 25 tickets with the same number on each ticket. The purchaser will only have to write their name and phone number once. We are hoping this will help sell more tickets! Have your money ready! Again, proceeds will go to the Oxford Adult Senior Center and 2<sup>nd</sup> Chance. Mary and her group are working on the display of items we have made in years past for charities. Mary will let members know if she needs any of the samples of our past projects.

Becky has recently ordered the T-Shirts that were requested at the July meeting. She has a few extra shirts in most sizes. If you haven't gotten your shirt yet, please don't forget to get with Becky. Each member should be wearing a guild T-shirt while working the show so that we can all be easily identified. The shirts are \$10, with the guild paying \$5 and the member \$5. If you wish to get a second shirt, the cost to you will be \$10.

The quilt entry forms are in. **DON'T FORGET THAT YOUR QUILTS HAVE TO BE TURNED IN ON SEPTEMBER 2<sup>ND</sup>**.

We have given out 100, 18x11 inch, posters to vendors, area merchants, libraries, community centers, etc. throughout parts of Alabama and Georgia. We ordered 50 additional posters and will have some available at the meeting. We have also given out around 3500 postcards. If you have cards, please pass them out. If you have some you have not used, bring them in if you don't think you will be using them, but do your best to place them somewhere! Also, our banners are here and will be placed all directions coming in to Oxford and for two weeks in front of the Calhoun County Chamber of Commerce. We still need posters and cards placed in the Weaver and Glencoe/Gadsden area. If you live in these areas or know someone who has a place we can put a poster, let Anita know ASAP. Also, we need cards placed in places in those areas as well.

**Classified Ads**

**For Sale:** Bernina 820 with Bernina Chest of Drawers and Cabinet. Includes Bernina accessories with all extra feet, 2 binder feet, etc. included. \$4000.00.

**For Sale:** Gammill Charm Sit Down Free Motion Long Arm Machine, table and chair included. \$6500.00.

For information on the above items, call Joany Orsi at 770-597-8630 or you can see the Gammill machines at her shop, Pickleweeds Quilt Shop in Douglasville, GA. Images of the Bernina and cabinet are on the Pickleweedsquiltshop.com blog

**For Sale:** Wood grain laminate folding cutting table, folds to 12” deep by 36” wide by 36” high. Fully extended it measures 36”x84”. \$35.00. Call Carol Bentley at 256-435-0991.

**For Sale:** EQ5 Electric Quilt Company’s software system for designing quilts, calculating material needs, quilt layouts and more. Complete set of books and disks, never used, \$100. Call Terri Russell (Friendship Quilt Guild) at 256-832-3797.

***This is a new part of our newsletter. If you have any quilting related items for sale and would like them to be listed here, please send to Anita at [alfount@yahoo.com](mailto:alfount@yahoo.com). The listing must be submitted in short classified ad format and received by the 25<sup>th</sup> of the month.***

**2014 Executive Board**

President	Carolyn Davis
Vice-President	Anita Fountain
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Treasurer	Becky Everett
Members at Large	Sidney Smith Valera Johnson

**2014 Committees/Chairperson**

Hospitality	Teresa Bonds
Membership	Angie Dempsey
Community Service	Mary Simmons
Opportunity Quilt	Julie Wells
Publicity/Historian	Molly Steenberg
Quilt Show	Shawnee Weigt

**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 Friendship Community Center, 2930 Friendship Road, Oxford, Alabama 36203. Guests are welcome. Annual dues are \$25, renewable in January of each year.

Address changes contact: Angie Dempsey, 256-362-0035

Find us online at [www.lickskilletquiltguild.com](http://www.lickskilletquiltguild.com) or [www.facebook.com/#!/groups/455735277826951](http://www.facebook.com/#!/groups/455735277826951) or [Lickskilletquiltguild.blogspot.com](http://Lickskilletquiltguild.blogspot.com)

Contributions to Newsletter are welcome. Articles and ads are due no later than the third Monday of each month. Contributions must be accompanied by name and phone number of the author. Any articles should be submitted in text files or hard copy by email message to Anita Fountain at [alfount@yahoo.com](mailto:alfount@yahoo.com).

**2014 Quilt Show Chairpersons**

Show Chairperson	Shawnee Weigt
Publicity	Anita Fountain
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Vendors & Judging	Carolyn Davis
Hospitality	Bev Schewanick
Opportunity Quilt	Julie Wells
Admissions	Julie Wells
Quilt Receiving	Sidney Smith
Flea Market	Sue Gardner
Setup and Takedown	John Goff
Mercantile	Carol Bentley
Hostess/White Glove	Shannon Howard
Treasurer	Becky Everett

***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! Your safety is very important to us!***