

LICK SKILLET QUILT GUILD NEWSLETTER

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February Calendar

- 5th Quilt Show Committee Meeting
- 11th – Monthly meeting
- 13th – Sew Day
- 19th – Executive Board Meeting

A Word From Our President!

I am always happy when a new year begins! A time to “start anew” whether it’s new ideas, a new season or maybe even a few new quilting friends! One new start is our FIRST newsletter!

I’m sure, like me, many of you had your quilting pushed to the back burner during the holidays to cook, shop and celebrate with family and friends. Meanwhile, the UFO stack grew taller and taller! My sewing goal for this year is to take the “un” off of as many of my UFO’s as possible! Since we voted to have a UFO project this year, I hope to see some of mine completed, but we’ll see how that goes!

We are off to a great start planning for the upcoming year. For those of you who were unable to attend the January meeting, you should have received an email with a 2013 guild survey. Please take a few minutes to fill out those surveys, as they will be very helpful in planning our meetings, programs and workshops for this year. This is a chance to give your input on what you would like to see brought to our guild. We want you to enjoy coming to each and every guild meeting, hoping you’ll take something away with you whether it’s a new technique, friendship or just a memory! Our guild is constantly growing and all of you are a special part of our group. With that in mind, don’t forget to renew your membership for 2013!

If you have any questions, concerns or ideas or any information you feel needs to be included in the newsletter about the guild, please be sure to contact me or any other member of the board!

I hope to see you at the February meeting on the 11th and the sew day on the 13th!

Carolyn

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.

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

Contributions to Newsletter are welcome. Articles and ads are due no later than the third Monday of each month. All contributions must be accompanied by the name and phone number of the author. To submit an article, send an email message to Anita Fountain at afount@aol.com. Text files or hard copy are accepted.

Executive Board

President	Carolyn Davis
Vice-President	Anita Fountain
Secretary	Joanne Hayden
Treasurer	Becky Everett

Members at Large	Peggy McLeod Deb Saska
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Committees/Chairperson

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

**February Program-
Kaleidoscope Quilt**

Our one and only male quilter, John Goff will provide techniques on kaleidoscope quilts. John will show how to choose and layer your fabric for cutting.

**February Drawing:
Mardi Gras**

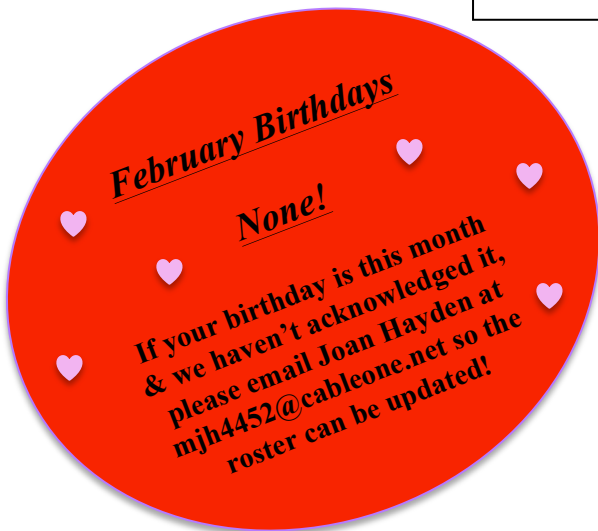
Our theme for the fat quarter drawing for February will be Mardi Gras. Your fat quarters can be Mardi Gras related print or purple, gold and/or green. *Laissez les bon temps rouler - let the good times roll!*

Jinnia Flynn was the winner of the January "Black Tie & Sparkles" fat quarters!!

February Refreshments

Refreshments for the February meeting will be provided by Linda Love, Anita Fountain, and Peggy McLeod. Thanks to each of you for volunteering.

If you have not had the opportunity to sign up for refreshments, please do so.



TIME FOR A ROAD TRIP!!!!

**14th Annual Greater Atlanta Quilt Shop Hop
"Quilting...It's Our Passion!"**

The annual Atlanta Quilt Shop Hop this year is Thursday, March 14th through Sunday, March 17th. There are a total of 10 quilt shops participating in the shop hop. Individuals who visit all of the shops are eligible for a drawing for great prizes. Each year the shops have drawings, prizes, goodies and refreshments for the shop hoppers! Some of our guild members have won prizes in the past!

This year our guild is planning a two day trip so that all of the shops can be visited. Our trip will be on Thursday and Friday with an overnight stay in Stone Mountain, Georgia. Each of you should have received an email with all of the information on the trip. If you did not receive the email or if you need additional information, please contact Anita Fountain or Carolyn Davis.

We are looking forward to the shopping, fun and fellowship and hope each of you are able to participate!



2013 National Teacher

The Guild voted to have Debby Kratovil of Quilts by Design in Fairfax, Virginia as our national teacher. Debby was Special Projects Editor for QUILT magazine for 15 years and published over 600 articles. Many of her quilts have been published with dozens making the cover of quilting magazines! She makes beautiful quilts using challenging fabric collections.

The classes are scheduled for Friday and Saturday, June 7th and 8th. The classes will be held at the Oxford Civic Center. Class details will be provided at the March meeting. We will begin signing up for the classes at the April meeting. Each class will be limited to 25 members.

You won't want to miss this class so sign up early!!!



**2013 Sew Days –
Oxford Community Center**

- February 13th (Wednesday)
- March 11th (Monday)
- April 13th (Saturday)
- May 13th (Monday)
- July 10th (Wednesday)
- September 9th (Monday)
- October 19th (Saturday)

Times will be announced at the meeting prior to the scheduled sew day for that month.



2012 Community Service Project Update

The community service project for 2012 was to provide lap quilts for NHC residents and Second Chance. Representatives from Second Chance were at the December meeting and received 20 children's lap quilts made by our members. Carolyn Davis and Shawnee Weigt represented the guild by delivering and presenting men and women's lap quilts to 55 NHC residents. The residents were very appreciative and both Carolyn and Shawnee felt blessed to have had the opportunity to represent the guild and see such big smiles on each man and woman's face. Please take a minute to look at the pictures that have been posted on the LSQG Facebook page at www.facebook.com.

Thanks to everyone who contributed their time and materials to these two projects! Our efforts were truly a blessing!

Lick Skillet Recipe Corner

Baked Potato Soup

<i>¼ cup instant mashed potato flake</i>	<i>3 large baking potatoes, diced</i>
<i>2 cups chicken broth</i>	<i>¼ tsp. ground white pepper</i>
<i>½ cup margarine or butter</i>	<i>¼ tsp. sugar</i>
<i>½ cup all purpose flour</i>	<i>¼ tsp. ground black pepper</i>
<i>3 cups milk</i>	<i>salt to taste</i>

Boil diced potatoes until done, then, drain. In medium mixing bowl, combine potato flakes with chicken broth. In a medium saucepan, melt butter. Add flour and cook, stirring until flour is slightly browned. Slowly stir in milk. Cook, stirring continuously to make medium white sauce. Add potato broth mixture and diced potatoes. Add spices. Simmer until desired thickness. Top with cheese, bacon and chives.

2013 Member Survey

A member survey was given out at the January meeting for each guild member to complete. The survey was emailed to all members as well to be sure those not at the meeting received a copy. This survey is intended to provide the board with input on guild meetings, programs and workshops. All input is welcome, as it is our intent to use the survey to be sure that we continue the things you are happy with and to make changes where needed. It is also our way of pooling the responses to determine what quilting techniques are of the most interest to you and whether a workshop or program would best serve the members.

Please remember to complete your survey and return to Anita by mail or at afount@aol.com as soon as you can so that we can make this year as rewarding to you as possible!

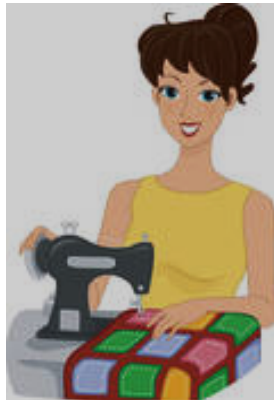
Thanks for your time, thoughts and ideas!

2013 UFO Challenge

At the January meeting, a 2013 UFO Challenge was presented to the members who were present. A vote was taken and everyone was up for the challenge! They felt this would be a fun and challenging way to work on our unfinished objects. These UFOs must have been unfinished as of our January meeting and remember this doesn't include an untouched stack of fabric! A UFO Inventory Register was given out and was also emailed with some instructions on the challenge. Everyone should have gotten the email to include those not present at the meeting. If not, forms will be available at the February meeting. Anyone wanting to participate should fill out the form and return a copy by mail, email, or at the guild meeting. Each time a UFO listed on your form is completed and shown at show and tell you will receive a ticket for a drawing for prizes, which will be held at the end of the year. Be sure to complete the "fun information" page as well! This information will make the challenge even more interesting!

Quilter's Tips:

Just a bit of thread left on a spool or bobbin after you've finished sewing? Thread it onto a hand-sewing needle. Then you have a threaded needle ready to work on other projects!



Upcoming Quilt Shows & Events

March

- 1-3 "A Journey in Quilts"
County Patch Quilters
Watkinsville, GA
<http://www.cpquilters.org/show.html>
- 9-17 "My Favorite Things" Quilt Show
Bullock Hall Quilt Guild
Roswell, GA
www.bhqg.org
- 12-16 Quiltfest of Pigeon Forge
Smokey Mountain Convention Center
Pigeon Forge, TN
- 22-23 Festival of Alabama Fiber Arts
Old Alabama Town
Montgomery, AL
- 22-24 32nd Annual Smokey Mountain Quilters of East Tennessee
Maryville, TN

January Show and Tell Snapshots



LSQG 2013 Opportunity Quilt Update - Our 2013

Opportunity quilt has been sewn and the hand applique is completed. It has now gone to Becky Everett's studio for quilting! A special thanks goes out to each of you who worked so diligently on this quilt. It is obvious, without a doubt, that a great deal of effort was made and your talent made it so beautiful! When the quilting is completed and the binding sewn on, we will have tickets printed for an opportunity to someone to take this beauty home!

