LICK SKILLET QUILT GUILD NEWSLETTER

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March Calendar

- 5th Mardi Gras
- 6th Ash Wednesday
- 10th Daylight Savings Begins
- 11th Monthly Guild Meeting @ Bynum Commnity Center
- 16th National Quilting Day
- 17th Saint Patrick's Day
- 20th First Day of Spring

Fun March Dates

14th Popcorn Lover's Day

30th I am in Control Day

March Birthdays

- 8th Wilma Ridgeway
- 13th Judy Huesman*
- 13th Charlotte Jackson*
- 15th Brenda Mayfield
- 17th Melissa West*
- 17th Sarah Whatley
- 19th Sharon Lamberth
- 26th Ellen Comfort

* indicates out of town members. Have we missed your birthday? If so, please email Molly at <u>molly.steenberg@att.net</u> to update our roster.

National Quilting Day

March 16th, be sure to celebrate fabulous quilts and those of us who make them. It's a ladies hobby (AND a man we know!), quilting is a skill that produces warm and beautiful results.

On this day, recognize and appreciate all quilt-makers, past and present, their skill, the warmth and the results. As a quilt-maker, spend just a minute to recognize and appreciate that you have truly been blessed with a special skill. You deserve it! www.lickskilletquiltguild.com

March 2019

A Word From Our President



Happy Spring Ladies and Travis,

I am so excited that spring is just around the corner. The trees and flower are coming alive with a beautiful palate of colors. As the winter season ends and a new spring season arrives it makes me anxious to begin new things.

This leads me to mentioning that we have quite a few "new things" coming up in the guild! Several new projects are ongoing and I hope you will find at least one that interests you and you'll join in!

Shannon led our program last month, teaching us about strip sets and, so, we will be having a strip set swap this month. Molly is leading a block of the month project, which began in February, so it's not too late for any of you to join this. More information on each of these projects is discussed in this newsletter. Also, if you are signed up for the applique class in April and do not have a supply list, please see Jinnia.

I would like to thank everyone who was able to come to the Sew Day last month. We made a real dent in our goal of 50 lap quilts to go to the residents of DiversiCare of Oxford. Mary will be collecting these throughout the spring and summer so you have plenty of time to put yours together.

And last but not least, Angie Dempsey has graciously accepted the task of preparing a photo directory of our guild members. She will be sharing more on this at the meetings. Thanks to you, Angie!

I look forward seeing all of you at our meeting, and until then, may your bobbin always be full!

Angie

Winds of March, we welcome you, There is work for you to do. Work and play and blow all day, Blow the winter cold away.

Welcome To Our Newest Member! Lucy Lessman

REMEMBER

YOUR

NAME TAG!

Don't forget the March meeting is at the Bynum Community Center!

2019 Guild Community Service

Our first community service project for this year is off to a great start. We had a great sew day on February 16th and managed to piece over 10 quilts by the end of the day. Awesome work! We are trying to gather at least 50 lap quilts to present to Diversicare of Oxford. These quilts should be roughly 45x45 and have a flannel back. Also, they need to be pieced and quilted to last through regular use. The guild will supply labels to be stitched on the back of each quilt. Thanks to those of you who were able to spend the day with us in February beginning this project.

Mary Simmons

<u> March Program</u>–

This month's program is kind of hodgepodge program with three different projects being show, presented, etc.

- 1. Our strip set swap will take place for those who bring their strip sets.
- 2. Molly will cover the 2nd Block of the Month and participating members will show their 1st block
- 3. Bernice will be presenting a holiday Row-by-Row robin

The more members participating, the more fun we'll have on these projects! Please join us!

2019 Quilt Lecture and Class with National Teacher

National Teacher, Jan Cunningham from Acworth, GA

Monday, April 8th "Confessions of an ADD Quilter" Lecture **THIS WILL BE OUR APRIL GUILD PROGRAM**

Tuesday, April 9th Machine Applique Class Oxford Civic Center Cost: \$20 fee (includes kit fee and reserved spot)*

*The class is full, however, you can see Jinnia to put your name on the list to fill a seat that may come open!



<u>Refreshment List</u>

March

Carolyn Davis Becky Everett Anita Fountain Shannon Howard

<u>April</u>

Molly Steenberg Jinnia Flynn Angie Fortner Margaret McNaron

<u>*We need two members to sign up for May</u> <u>and two members for June. We have no</u> <u>one signed up for August. *</u>



If you haven't signed up for refreshments for this year, please do so! We have enough members that each person should only have one time to volunteer each year. Please help keep others from having to take multiple turns!!

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

UFO Challenge

It's not too late to participate in the 2019 UFO challenge! See Mary Kirby for a form. She will be keeping your completed projects marked as they are shown at our meetings. If you are a new member, for each UFO on your list that is completed and shown at a meeting throughout the year, your name is entered in a drawing.



Calendar of Upcoming Guild Events

March 23 rd –	Geraldine Quilt Show or Atlanta Shop Hop	
April 9 th -	Applique Class with Jan Cunningham	
April 20 th -	Sew Day @ Bynum Community Center	
June 8 th -	Cobb County Quilt Show Trip to Marietta, GA	
June 15 th -	Sew Day @ Bynum Community Center	
August 17 th -	Sew Day @ Bynum Community Center	
September $19^{\text{th}} - 22^{\text{nd}}$ Quilt Show &		

Upcoming Quilt Show & Expos

Retreat, Jacksonville, FL

March

- 7-9 Original Sewing & Quilt Expo Infinite Energy Center Duluth, GA www.sewingexpo.com
- 19-23 A Mountain Quiltfest LeConte Center Pigeon Forge, TN mypigeonforge.com
- 22-23 Geraldine Homemaker's Quilt Show 152 Old Mill Road Geraldine, AL

April

24-27 Spring 2019 Quilt Show & Contest Schroeder Expo Center415 Park Street Paducah, KY

FEBRUARY SEW DAY

February Sew Day was a real success! 15 members attended. Kudos to: Angie F, Molly, Brenda, Bernice, Dodie, Mary, Whitney, Angie D, Carolyn, Sandra, Deb, Becky, Margaret and Sheryl!! Mark your calendars now for the April 20th Sew Day!

Quilter's Tip

For this month, here are a few tips that may help when you are doing machine or hand applique!

- When doing hand applique while traveling, place bobbins with the thread colors you need in a medicine bottle. Drill tiny holes in through the top of the bottle and pull your thread colors through. One bottle holds approximately 7 bobbins of color.
- Before pressing freezer paper to your fabric, punch a small hole in the paper. After you're finished, you can put your needle in the hold of the paper and it will pull right off.
- If you cut your pieces for applique on the bias they will be much easier to turn.
- Greeting cards can offer great pictures of future applique for quilts!
- Plastic milk jugs are great for cutting small applique templates out of.

STRIP SET SWAP

At our February meeting, Shannon Howard gave a demonstration on constructing strip sets. Members were asked to make at least 10 strip sets. Your strips should be scrappy fabric that measures about 11" wide after the strips are sewn together. The length should be as long as the wide of your fabric. Bring them to the March meeting for the swap. The more you bring the more you will get. It's not a difficult strip set. Shannon's instructions are shown below. During her program, she showed some beautiful examples of quilts that can be made using these sets. We hope all of you will plan to participate!

String Scrap Quilt Challenge

String units should be at least 10 ½"x22"

You should be able to get a strip set per 1 fat quarter

All strips should be sewn in the same direction. This means that one end of your strip set will be even and the other will not be.

Randomly mix your strip widths and colors.

When you have enough strips sewn together to measure at least 10 %'' wide you will need to press your strip set.

Always press the seams as sewn first, keeping your strip set straight when pressing. Then press all your seams to one side. Keep your strip set as straight as possible when pressing.

The number of strips sets you will make will be determined by how you want your quilt to be constructed, Minimum of 10 for Swaps but the more you bring the more you take home. Good Luck and Happy Quilting! Start tend while Strip

For Sale - REDU <u>Brand New Foldaway Portable Cutting and Pressing Station</u>. The price to sell the station has been reduced to sell for \$30 or better offer. If interest in the station has been reduced to sell for \$30 or better offer. contact or see Tippi Healea at 256-363-3010 or email, twonutz13@yahoo.com.

If you have wanted to buy or sell quilting/crafting related items, please submit your information for the classified ads prior

2019 Executive Board

President	Angie Fortner
Vice-President	Jinnia Flynn
Secretary	Mary Kirby
Treasurer	Dodie Morgan
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2019 Committee Chairpersons

Membership	Molly Steenberg
Hospitality	Joan Hayden/Lynda Newman
Community Service	Mary Simmons
Newsletter/Website/PR	Anita Fountain
Photographer	Valera Johnson
Historian	Carolyn Davis
Membership Book	Angie Dempsey



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