



April Calendar

1st April Fool's Day
11th Guild Meeting
15th Tax Deadline
22nd Earth Day

Welcome our New Member

JUDY BOOZER

WELCOME TO THE FAMILY!

April Birthdays

1st Sandra Jean
2nd Margaret McNaron
4th Joan Hayden
4th Jannette Lackey
15th Bernice Zaidel

If we've missed your birthday,
please email Angie Dempsey at
dempsey@charter.net to
update our roster.

A Word From Our President

Hello Everyone,

Another month come and gone, can you believe it? I hope everyone had a wonderful Easter! For me it was a great day with the grandchildren despite the rain and the indoor Easter egg hunts with squealing kids! Now it is time to get out the garden hose and start to wash away the annoying part of spring -- the pollen! And to think that yellow is my favorite color!

Now that I have mentioned color, I hope all of you are working on your colorful, beautiful quilts for our show, which is only 5 ½ months away! It is unbelievable to think that it is that close. It is time to make sure each member has been assigned to a committee or area to help with the planning. The committee chairs are beginning to really get somewhere with each of the areas and will need each of you for your help and ideas! Everyone's thoughts and ideas count!

Also, we started giving out raffle tickets on our 2016 Opportunity Quilt, "Christmas Waltz" to sell. If you weren't at the March meeting, plan to get your tickets this month. Also, cards will be available with a photo of the quilt for those who want to show folks what the quilts looks like while selling the tickets. Shannon is handling the control of the tickets so see her for yours! Thanks again to all who were able to help with the quilt! It is beautiful!

And last, don't forget to bring your dollars to buy chances to win this month's door prize. The tickets are 5 chances for a dollar! This is something new and fun!

I'll be planning on seeing all of you on the 11th!

Anita

April Fool's Day Facts

In 1957, the **BBC** reported about "spaghetti crops" in Switzerland and many requested information on growing their own spaghetti trees, completely oblivious to the fact that it was an April Fools Joke.

In 1996, Taco Bell announced that it was purchasing the Liberty Bell to help with the national debt and would rename it the Taco Liberty Bell.

In 2013, Google, is a big celebrator of the holiday, unveiled **Google Nose**, a prank it called "the next scentsasion in search" because one could search aromas and sniff them, through his/her computer.

Opportunity Quilt Update – Here is a photograph of our beautiful opportunity quilt! Thanks again to everyone who dedicated some of their time to make this a success! Now it is time to sell those tickets. This year, the tickets will be \$1 each or 6 for \$5. The tickets are in



stapled in 6 ticket sets. We started giving out tickets for everyone to sell at the March meeting. If you haven't gotten yours, see Shannon Howard. We will have postcards for those who would like to have a photo to show when you sell your tickets.

April Program – Our program for this month will be on quilt binding and labels. Linda Sobers will be presenting this program to us. This will be really good information to have for finishing your quilts. Labels are an important part of a finished quilt so that the history of the quilt will always be there! We are looking forward to her program.

Also, we will watch another segment from the Kentucky Quilters video presentations followed by a group discussion on the topic. We have a lot of good information shared from the group discussions we have had at previous meetings.

Monthly Fat Quarter Drawing –

Our 2016 “Celebrate the Day” fat quarter theme for April is “Hug a Newspaper Person Day”. The fabric should be black and white or a newsprint type print.

Congratulations to Veronica Epperson for winning the “Banana Cream Pie” fat quarters in March!

April Refreshments:

April refreshments will be provided by Margaret McNaron, Sharon Lamberth, Susan Weaver and Sidney Smith.

Thanks to Teresa Lott, Shannon Howard, Valera Johnson and Veronica Epperson for providing out refreshments for March!

**** If you haven’t signed up for your turn to furnish refreshments for this year, please do so. The refreshment sign up sheet is available at the sign in table at each meeting.****

Last Month’s Program – Thanks to Becky Everett and Brenda Mayfield for giving our programs for March.

Becky gave a fantastic presentation on “What the Heck is a Modern Quilt?” She gave us a lot of good information on the elements of a modern quilt and determining if a quilt qualifies as modern or traditional according to the guidelines of the Modern Quilt Guild. She also showed slides of quilts for everyone to see if they now know the difference! We hope that any of your questions were answered about modern quilting and that it will encourage you to take that step and try your hand at a modern quilt. Brenda gave us a great visual program with handouts on sewing hanging sleeves for your quilts. These sleeves meet quilt entry guidelines for quilt shows. If you have questions or need copies of the handout, see Brenda! She will be glad to help!

IDIOMS CHALLENGE – There’s plenty of time to take part in the member challenge for the quilt show. “Idioms” is the challenge exclusively for our guild members. It is a fun way to think and create outside the box. Examples of idioms are, “raining cats and dogs” or “hanging your head”. If you haven’t signed up to participate, we hope you will. It’ll be fun and not too large, plus you’ll have a chance to come up with your own idea of what your visual is of the idiom. When you sign up, you’ll be given 2 idioms to choose from for your project. Come on and join us!

UFO Challenge – It’s isn’t too late to participate in the 2016 UFO challenge! Get a copy of the form from Valera and join us. What better way to encourage yourself to get those projects done AND have a chance to win a great prize at the end of the year! The more you do, the more chances to win!

Sew Days –

We’ll set up two sew days for May. One will be a weekday and one a weekend date. We’ll share the date and location (if different from the Civic Center) at the meeting. Attendance at these will depend on our scheduling of additional dates.



Upcoming Shows and Events

April

15-16 Pensacola Quilters Guild 2016 Biennial Show
Pensacola Interstate Fairgrounds - Expo Hall
6655 W. Mobile Hwy
Pensacola, FL
www.pensacolaquiltersguild.org

15-19 A Mountain Quiltfest
LeConte Center at Pigeon Forge
2986 Teaster Lane
Pigeon Forge, TN
www.mountainquiltfest.com

20-23 AQS Paducah
415 Park Avenue
Paducah, KY

30 Spring Chicken Festival
Downtown Gainesville GA
www.facebook.com/SpringChickenFestival

May

18-22 American Embroidery Conference
Marietta Conference Center
Marietta, GA
www.american-embroidery-conference.com

*Email any quilts shows or events you would like to see posted in our newsletter to Anita at alfount@yahoo.com.

GUILD MEMBERSHIP BOOK

Okay, members! It's time to get serious now! We've gotten behind on our membership booklet! We need to get all of the member photos finished so we can get booklets for everyone. In April we need to get those photos done. If you have a photo of yourself you would like to use for the book, please email it to Anita at alfount@yahoo.com.



IT'S ALL
FUN AND GAMES
UNTIL THE
BOBBIN
RUNS OUT




Community Service

This year our service project is the Chinese auction of baskets at the quilt show. The tickets price will be a dollar a piece or 6 tickets for \$5.00. At the February meeting, guild members were asked to submit the names of any organizations they would like to see the guild help this year. At the March meeting members were given a ballot to vote numerically for the organizations. Rainbow Omega and Calhoun County Needy Children were the two that won the votes. The money raised will be divided between the two. At the 2014 show, we collected around \$1,000 from the baskets and were able to make a significant contribution to charity.

At the show, we are hoping for 18 to 20 baskets. I am excepting donations for baskets. Some generous members are donating a complete basket. I will take donations at the meetings.

*****REMINDER**, the chemo pads are being collected by Carol DeGrenier. Please bring your finished chemo pads to the next meeting.**

*Thanks,
Sharon*



Lick Skillet Recipe Corner

No Bake Strawberry Shortcake Dessert

- 1 box (3.4 oz) vanilla instant pudding
- 1 ½ cups nonfat milk
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 25 Golden Oreos (or another vanilla flavored cookie)
- 2 tablespoons unsalted butter, melted
- 1 ½ containers (8 ounces each) Cool Whip
- 1 pound fresh strawberries, hulled, sliced and patted dry

1. Whisk pudding, milk, and vanilla in a medium sized bowl. Let sit while preparing crust.
2. Crush cookies in a large gallon sized Ziploc using a rolling pin. Reserve ½ cup of cookie crumbs. Place 2 tablespoons melted butter in the bag and press with your hands to work butter through cookie crumbs. Pour crumbs into a 9" square, baking dish. The crust won't be solid. It will stay crumbly.
3. Fold 8 ounces of whipped topping into pudding. Place half the pudding mixture on top of crust. Place strawberries in a single layer over pudding. Spread remaining pudding mix over top of berries. Top with more whipped topping and sprinkle remaining cookies over top.
4. Chill for at least 4 hours before serving.

MARCH SHOW AND TELL



ANNOUNCEMENT

Tippi said "share with everyone"



Book Sale
at the Old Cotton Warehouse
Roanoke, Alabama
April 9th and 16th

Benefits go to the
Randolph County Animal Shelter



For Show & Tell, beginning in April, sign up on the sheet for Show & Tell and then take your quilt or other item you will be showing and place it on the table setup for show and tell. If you have a quilt, unfold it and place it on top of the previous placed quilt. This will speed up the show and tell process. Kinda like a bed turning!

Quilt Show Update—Show committee meeting was held on March 22nd. Thanks to those who have already committed to work in certain areas of the show! It's time to start placing you on committees if you haven't already volunteered! Although there's not isn't much information to share, a great deal was accomplished. Here's the latest:

- Vendors – We now have 15 vendors who have registered to attend the show! Becky's layout as of now will be for the 13 quilt related vendors set up in the classroom area. The scissor man will be upstairs and the coffee girl will be in the lobby area.
- Hospitality – Jinnia has the menu done for the reception on Thursday evening and is working on the meals for Friday and Saturday. Members have started signing up for food items they plan to bring
- Hospitality – Tyvek wristbands will be ordered.
- Quilt Receiving – Angie Fortner is still working on the process for receiving the quilts. She has a confirmation for the room at the Alabama Power to quilt turn in and judging.
- Photography – Angie Dempsey is our photographer again! She is still working on the CDs of the quilt show available for purchase.
- Publicity – Anita has taken photos of the opportunity quilt for the publicity items. Sharon has agreed to assist Anita in publicity.

Since I will be out of town until the end of April, our next show committee meeting is scheduled for May 5th at 5:30 at the Civic Center. Remember, all members are welcome to attend the meeting!

CAROLYN

Educational Corner – A Look at Hawaiian Quilting

In the 1820s, Hawaiians learned to make quilts from missionaries in the Polynesian islands from traditional crafts that existed in Hawaii. Many of these crafts were the ground work in the development of the unique and beautiful style of quilting. One Hawaiian craft was *kapa*, clothing or bedding made from the bark of the *wauke* or paper mulberry plant. The *kapa* technique involved pounding together strips of bark to form sheets of different textures and made into bedcoverings called *kapa moe*. The top layer was decorated by pen, felted and dyed with various dyes with the degree of ornateness depending on the prominence of the person. The *kapa moe* was sewn together on one end, giving several layers for them to sleep between depending on temperature. This is believed to have provided the foundation upon which Hawaiian quilting was eventually built.

A Hawaiian quilt is a distinctive quilting style of the Hawaiian Islands that uses large radially symmetric applique patterns. Motifs often work stylized botanical designs in bold colors on a white background. Hawaiian quilt applique is made from a single cut on folded fabric. Quilting stitches normally follow the contours of the applique design. It is suggested that the evolution of the Hawaiian stitching style occurred as Hawaiians moved from the traditional shapes and designs used by missionaries to their own styles used with their *tapa*, mats and other crafts from nature. Large applique patterns on these quilts began in the 1880's.

Hawaii's climate is unsuitable for cotton cultivation and *tapa* is really unsuitable for quilting, all Hawaiian quilts are now constructed from imported material. The earliest written reference comes from Isabella Bird who visited Hawaii in 1870 and wrote a travelogue *Six Months in the Sandwich Islands*.



Many Hawaiian quilts are made in flags and other styles that show their native history such as:

Flag quilts

Some Hawaiian quilt styles incorporate multiple copies of the Hawaiian flag and commemorate the state's former independence as a sovereign kingdom. Many of these flag quilts date back to the overthrow of the monarchy, when displaying the Hawaiian flag was considered treason. Quilts bearing symbols of the monarchy were a form of silent resistance.

Other styles

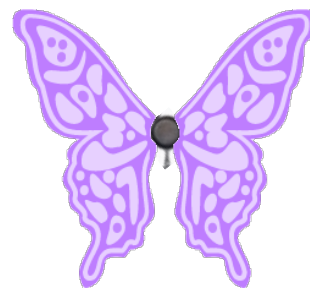
Hawaiian quilters also made other styles of quilts including embroidering quilts and crazy quilting. The most famous Hawaiian crazy quilt is the one made by Queen Liliuokalani during her internment after the overthrow of the monarchy.

The value Hawaiian quilts are quite steep. Antique flag quilts fetch higher prices than applique quilts: high quality flag quilts may be valued at \$40,000 - \$60,000 while applique quilts sell for \$9000 – \$15,000. Factors that affect price include the quality of the original construction, preservation of the item's color and physical integrity, and provenance.

Classified Ads

Do you have something you would like to sell? Ads for the newsletter must be submitted in a short ad format by the 25th of the month to Anita at alfount@yahoo.com for the following month's! Also, let Anita know if the item sells or if you want the ad removed.

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 Executive Board

President	Anita Fountain
Vice-President	Bernice Zaidel
Secretary	Valera Johnson
Treasurer	Carole DeGrenier
Members at Large	

2016 Quilt Show Chairpersons

Show Chair	Carolyn Davis
Publicity	Anita Fountain
Vendors	Becky Everett
Layout	Becky Everett
Setup/Breakdown	Angie Fortner
Quilt Receiving	Angie Fortner
Judging	Valera Johnson
Awards	Margaret McNaron
Community Service	Sharon Lamberth
Opportunity Quilt	Ginger McNeal
Hospitality	Jinnia Flynn
Admissions	Brenda Mayfield/Jackie Fink
Programs	Anita Fountain
Advertising	Sue Gardner
White Glove	Tippi Healea
Photography	Angie Dempsey
Treasurer	Carole DeGrenier/Molly Steenberg



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](https://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.

*Anyone who finds the skillet hidden in the newsletter and brings it to the guild meeting will get a prize! (NOT the one on the recipe!)