

LICK SKILLET QUILT GUILD NEWSLETTER

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April Calendar

1st April Fool's Day
8th Guild Meeting
9th Applique Class
19th Good Friday
20th Sew Day
21st Easter Sunday

April Birthdays

2nd Margaret McNaron*
4th Jannette Lackey*
4th Joan Hayden*
8th Sandy Hegemen*
15th Bernice Zaidel*

* indicates out of town members.
Missed your birthday? If so, please
email molly.steenberg@att.net so
Molly can update our roster.

**Beginning in
April, we
are back at
the Oxford
Civic Center
for the
remainder
of the year.**

A Word From Our President

Greetings Lick Skillet Quilt Guild!

Spring has arrived! You can always tell by the flowers that bloom and the pollen all over your cars. Easter is coming soon with lovely pastel colors, baskets of grass, and playful rabbits! This season is such an inspiration for beautiful quilts. It's also a reminder of our most precious blessing in Christianity.

I'm looking forward to our guest speaker, lecture and class this month. I hope that you will make every effort to attend. Jan will present her quilt collection at our Monday night meeting. As beautiful as her two quilts she entered in our show this past year were, I can't wait to see the others she has made.

One of the things that I find so rewarding in our guild is our community service. I would like to take the opportunity to thank all of you for your work on our lap quilts. In addition to our lap quilt program, we will be having a food drive this summer with plans to collect cans at our July meeting. I would love to see it be our most successful food drive yet. I feel sure we will be able to do it!

I look forward to seeing you at our meeting on the 8th!!

May your bobbin always be full!

Angie Fortner

April Program – “Confessions of an ADD Quilter” Lecture by Jan Cunningham

Jan Cunningham lives in Acworth, GA and is a member of the East Cobb Quilters in Marietta. Jan has made over 500 quilts in the past 25 years. Her quilts have won numerous NQA and AQS awards with one of her quilts featured in an AQS calendar. She has also had many of her quilts on exhibit at the Southeastern Quilt and Textile Museum. Jan won best of show at our 2018 Quilts by the Lake quilt show.

During her lecture, Jan will be showing over 50 quilts, five of which were made by her grandmother. The purpose of her lecture is to encourage quilters to think creatively and use their imagination.



**Remember to
wear those
name tags!**

Refreshments**April**

Molly Steenberg
Jinnia Flynn
Angie Fortner
Margaret McNaron

May

Karen Canevaro
Bernice Zaidel
Becky Bishop
Ellen Comfort

The refreshment signup list is at the sign-in table at guild meetings. If you have to change your refreshment time, please see Joan Hayden or Lynda Gibson.

**Calendar of Upcoming Guild Events**

- April 8th** “Confessions of an ADD Quilter”
Lecture By Jan Cunningham
- April 9th** Applique Class with
Jan Cunningham
- April 20th** Sew Day @ Bynum Community
Center, 9 am – 3 pm
- June 8th** East Cobb County Quilt Show
Trip to Marietta, GA
- June 15th** Sew Day @ Bynum Community
Center, 9 am – 3 pm
- August 17th** Sew Day @ Bynum Community
Center, 9 am – 3 pm
- September 19th – 22nd** Quilt Show & Retreat
Jacksonville, FL

Programs

Is there a quilt program or any other program that you would like to share with the guild?

It can be a quilt block, a demonstration on a tote bag, pillow or other items you have made or a technique such as chenille, hand embroidery or hand quilting.

If you would like to share with the guild, please let Jinnia know. We would love to see your work

**Applique Class by Jan Cunningham
(Bi-Annual National Teacher Class)**

Jan will be teaching her machine applique method that is featured in Sharon Schamber’s book, “Piece by Piece”. The class will be April 9th at the Oxford Civic Center. You will learn every step necessary to have appliqué look like you have done hand appliqué. Once again, you will not be making a finished quilt. You will be learning her “process” and will be going home with the ability to do any appliqué project in half the time and it will look like hand applique.

Those of you who are signed up to take the class will need to have your machines set up and ready to begin at 9:00 a.m. It is very important that you have all of the supplies on the list and have your fabrics washed and pressed prior to the class. If you do not have a copy of your supply list, please contact Jinnia Flynn.

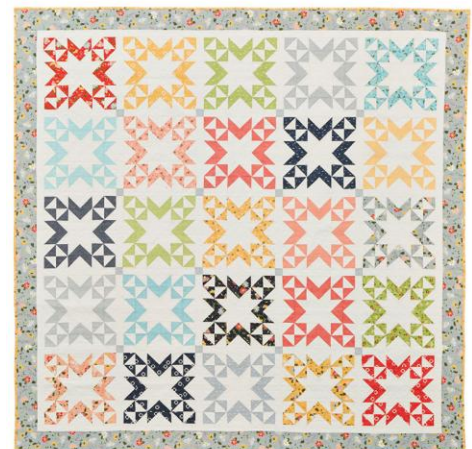
2018 Opportunity Quilt Update

Our opportunity quilt pattern has been chosen and the fabric has been purchased. As soon as the fabric has been cut, the committee will begin sewing the blocks together. It is going to be another beautiful quilt.

The fabric selection for this quilt is the Clover Hollow collection for Moda Fabrics. The pattern is ***Fresh Perspective*** designed by Sherri McConnell.

Thanks to those who were volunteered work on this year’s quilt.

Brenda Mayfield



2019 Opportunity Quilt – Fresh Perspective

Upcoming Quilt Shows & Expos

April

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

May

3-4 Quilts of the Gulf Coast
Azalea City Quilters' Guild
Abba Shrine Center
7701 Hitt Road
Mobile, AL

3-4 Appalachian Heritage Quilters
9th Annual Quilt Show
Kingsport Civic Auditorium
1550 Fort Henry Drive
Kingsport, TN

10-12 Bay Oaks Quilt Guild
"Starry Trails" Quilt Show
Holy Spirit Center
St Rose DeLima Catholic Church
Bay St. Louis, MS

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

Just a Bit of Trivia

Do you ever wonder "just how old is the log cabin quilt block?"

Log cabins may have been built in pioneer America but the log cabin quilt pattern reaches back to ancient Egypt. There is a "Mummy Theory" that in the early part of the 19th century, when the tombs of Egypt were opened by the British, they found thousands of small animal mummies, put there as funerary objects as respect for the departed royalty. These mummies were wrapped in log cabin patterning that was obvious by the way the linen was wound around the mummy. If you are ever in Britain, you will see that some of them are housed in the British Museum today!

A Quilting Quest

In 2018, I embarked on a quest to try out subscription boxes. Your mileage may vary, but for what it's worth, I am willing to share what I learned.

Fat Quarter Shop has a subscription box called "Sew Sampler." \$24.95 plus \$4.95 shipping in the US and they promised that each box contained more than \$50 in goodies. My first shipment included a collection of three decorative straight pins valued at \$10 and a box of sewing themed bandages valued at \$20. I suppose it was no surprise that the fabric they shipped felt closer to Walmart than a quilt shop. I dropped after three months.

Quilty Box has subscription boxes ranging from \$48 for the Classic to \$23.99 for the mini, with English paper piecing in the middle at \$34.99. Again, plus shipping. I purchased the Classic and found this box to be more expensive, but more satisfying. However, I quickly discovered that being on their mailing list had advantages. Their weekly specials allowed me to purchase some great items at great prices. Honestly, I considered keeping the subscription. They had high quality items that were well curated. I really enjoyed the projects I started with their fabrics and rulers. No fancy straight pins and bandages. Rock solid quilting tools.

Dollar Quilt Club has a program to send monthly packages of rotary cutter blades. I signed up for the program that included quilting tools – such as scissors and tape measures. I found myself getting too many blades and I already own a lifetime of scissors. I'm not convinced that their blades are as high quality as the name brand blades I got from Quilt Box.

Piecing the Past has a monthly miniature quilt club that left me wanting to retire and sew more often. There were amazing quality fabrics and nice pieces to complete. Each arrived in a zippered pouch that serves as storage until the project is done. My big complaint is that the instructions were bad. They were written from the point of view of someone who cuts every single piece exactly to size and stitches with a perfect seam allowance. I suppose I have been spoiled. Just give me an extra couple of inches and let me cut to oversize and trim down. Give me strip piecing or give me Tylenol! I really did enjoy this and would have kept it up if the instructions had been written more to my taste instead of those with fabric cutting OCD.

Nevertheless, I will probably fall victim to another subscription at some point, that is, until I come up with my own that is the perfect program for my sewing habits!

Written by Mary Simmons

Classified Ads

Do you have something quilting, sewing or craft related that you would like to sell? Are you looking for an item for sale? If so, we would love to place an ad for you in our newsletter!

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 newsletter! Also, PLEASE let Anita know if the item sells or to remove your ad.

2019 Executive Board

President	Angie Fortner
Vice-President	Jinnia Flynn
Secretary	Mary Kirby
Treasurer	Dodie Morgan
Members At Large	Carolyn Davis Brenda Mayfield

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 for regular members, \$20 for members over 65 and \$15 for members under 18, renewable in January of each year.

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