



# Lick Skillet Quilt Guild Newsletter

May 2015

## May Calendar

10th...Mothers Day

11th...Guild Meeting

16th...Armed Forces Day

24th...Pentecost

25th...Memorial Day

## May Birthdays

12th...Verlene Miller

17th... Babette Harman

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

## Mother's Day Thoughts....

***If evolution really works, how come mothers only have two hands?.....***

*Milton Berle*

***Mothers are all slightly insane.***

*J.D. Salinger*

***Honor your father and your mother that your days may be long upon the earth.***

Happy Spring Ya'll,

It's so hard to believe it's May and only a few weeks until school is out and summer begins. Now that the days are bright and sunny, I'm looking forward to starting some brand new projects. I have even painted my sewing room leaf green and spring yellow! Talk about inspiring! I'm ready to sew!

And, sew we did on Saturday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> when Amy Crunk showed us how to make a 3-D quilt. Everyone had such a good time and got a lot completed. Some even got all of their blocks done! I can't wait to see all of them finished. We wish everyone could have been there, but –

Since everyone wasn't, maybe we'll see you on Saturday, May 16<sup>th</sup> when we will be having our sew day to work again on the Fidget Quilts for the local Alzheimer patients and Autistic students. We have already completed several quilts thanks to those who were there in April and also to Carole DeGrenier for taking them home and getting them quilted. We have a lot more to do and need everyone's help! It is such a fun project and it is also interesting to see how creative and different each quilt turns out!

Our program for this month's meeting will be given by some of our own members as we have various items we will be demonstrating. Everyone seems to like the "round robin" type programs so we try to have one each year.

Also, don't forget we will be signing up this month for our July 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> classes given by National Teacher, Nancy Mahoney. We will begin signing up at 5:30 at the meeting. If the classes don't fill up at this month's meeting we will continue through the June meeting and will then open them up to quilters outside the guild. If we do fill the classes, we will start a waiting list. Be sure to look at the Caramel Stars and Gum Drops instructions and supply list on her website so you'll know what class or classes you want to sign up for. Your member cost will be \$20 per class. The guild will be covering the remainder of the expenses. The classes will be held at the Friendship Community Center.

Well, enough from me for now. I'll be looking for you at our meeting on the 11th!

Happy Quilting!

*Anita*



## ***Coming Attractions -***

The Nancy Mahoney workshop will be July 17-18. Sign up at 5:30 on May 11.

This month's meeting will be a round robin.

### April Program

*Donna Nicholson presented the program on miniature quilts and showed some impressive examples of her work.*

*If you haven't tried minis before— give it a try. If nothing else, the fabric cost is much lower!*

### Fat Quarter

Molly won the April fat quarters!

Remember you have to enter to win! Bring a fat quarter in a baggie with your name on it and take your chance at winning!

May fat quarter is Emeralds and Lily of the Valley. Green and white print.

### Mark your calendars....

**The next Lick Skillet Quilt Show will be September 23-24, 2016 at the Oxford Civic Center. We will be setting up on the 22nd.**

**Start quilting now....**

Samples of the first block of the mystery quilt were shown. Instructions were handed out for the next block.



Get your copy of the instructions to have your chance at solving the mystery....

Saturday May 23—

The Legend of Lick Skillet Music and Heritage Festival.

Join us as we demonstrate needle arts by hand....

*Welcome!*

*Tippi Healea joined the guild.*

*We were joined by guests— Angela Scott and Tresa Lott.*

# April Show and Tell



Cindy Launhardt– Elephant Baby Quilt



Angie Fortner got creative with the scalloped border.



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Tippi Healea's silk tie crazy quilts and crazy pillows.... With a lovely quilt back.



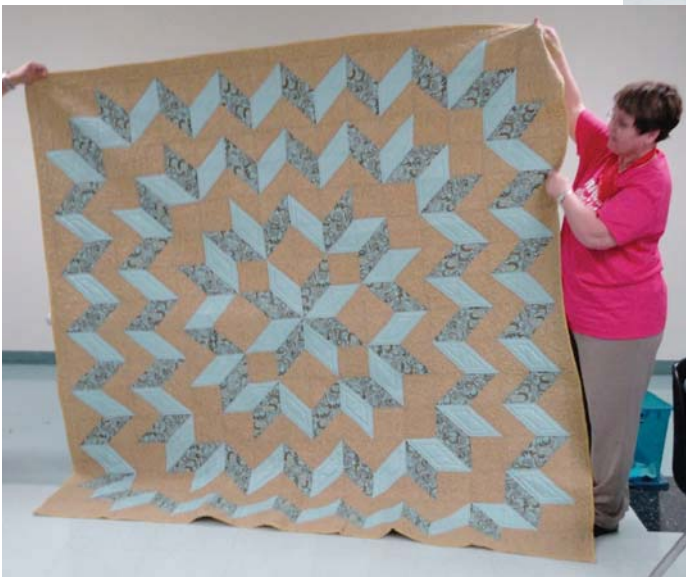
## April Show and Tell



The Steenbergs display the fruits of their creative side. Mindy's fish extender wall hanging. Molly's Around the World and Carpenter Star Quilts.



Julie shows an impressive t-shirt quilt.



Mary shows off a practice piece from her new quilting machine.

### 3 D quilt Class with Amy Crunk

We had a full house on Saturday May 2 for the 3 D quilt class with Amy Crunk. She showed us a number of approaches for these interesting quilts.

For those who missed out— the 3D effect comes from using 60 degree diamonds cut from three different shades of fabric—light, medium, and dark. These can be cut from either solid fabric or from strip sets where different fabrics of the same value are sewn together.

Cut lights and darks with the 60 degree angle going right and cut mediums (twice as many mediums as darks or lights) going to the left. Sew the blocks in columns then sew the columns together to make the quilt.



Note that the top and bottom are not straight lines across. Amy suggested cutting the top straight across and leaving the bottom jagged for a bed quilt.

### Upcoming Shows and Events

Smoky Mountain Quilters of TN—  
May 22-24

Cooper Athletic Center, Maryville College,  
Maryville, TN

Ouachita Quilt Show—May 23-25  
Historic Armory, Mena, Arkansas

Georgia Celebrates Quilts - June 11 –  
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His Hands Church, Woodstock, GA

Quiltfest—June 19-20

Oak Mountain Middle School, Birmingham,  
AL



Quick tip— If you aren't sure what value a fabric has (light, medium, or dark), use your camera phone on black and white to view the fabrics. With no color in the picture, you can see the value more clearly!

## Educational Corner — Miniature Quilts

Photos here are of quilts shown by Donna Nicholson at the April meeting. To illustrate the power of a miniature quilt, she showed us one quilt in both “normal” size and miniature size.

Sometimes minis are known as dollhouse quilts.

- Fabric choice is key in miniatures as larger prints are unlikely to work well in tiny pieces.
- Minis are often paper pieced. Paper piecing allows for a great deal of precision. An “Add an eighth” rule can be very useful here. Also, a lightbox.
- Minis need little or no extra batting. The material in the seams is often enough to make the quilts quite thick, given the small scale.
- Binding works well by just folding the backing to the front. Single fold binding can also work, but double fold may be too thick. A single knife edge binding may be an option.
- Try fussy cutting a motif to make a medallion quilt, paper piecing around it to make it look more elaborate. Mini flying geese can be easy but impressive.
- Minis can be a variety of size, very small—such as 9 inches square or as large as 24 inches square. They can be used as wall hangings. Quilting can be by hand or machine, but is expected to be small scale to match the size of the quilt. Whole cloth minis can be very intricate.
- A great place to start your miniature experience is to buy a book with patterns or an issue of *Miniature Quilt Magazine*—



which is out of print now. There are many copies online available. However, a simple long cabin, pineapple, or 9 patch does can be attempted without a fancy pattern.



**Member Highlight—Jinnia Flynn**

Jinnia has been married to Dan Flynn for 37 years, with 2 sons and a daughter plus 10 grandkids!

Her mother and grandmother introduced her to sewing. Her mother was always doing something creative and helped her make her first quilt. When she moved to Kansas, an elderly neighbor helped her start a cathedral window, but she did not quilt again until her dad died and Molly helped her make a memory quilt for her mom.

Her favorite colors are springtime colors—pink, blue, and yellow.

She enjoys Mexican food and likes peach or coral colored roses.

Jinnia's favorite thing to do is to spend time with her family. She also likes reading, watching movies, playing games with the grandchildren, and crocheting.

She worked for the government for 32 years and retired. Now she works part time as a secretary.

Jinnia describes herself as loving and happy. She loves people and tries to treat people the way that Jesus would want her to treat them.

## Rouladen

Thin steaks, pounded and seasoned with salt and pepper

Sliced bacon and chunks of sweet onion

Place bacon slice on the steak and roll around the onion. Use toothpicks to hold the rolled meat together. Brown in pan.

Add beef bullion and hot water to the meat in the pan and simmer. Add a small amount of coffee to the liquid. Simmer for 10 minutes.

Serve with rice or mashed potatoes.

OKAY, SO I DEFINITELY MESSED UP HERE, HERE, AND HERE. AND I MESSED UP HERE AND HERE, TOO...AND THE STITCHING IS MESSED UP RIGHT HERE. GOSH, IT FEELS GOOD TO TALK TO SOMEONE ABOUT ALL THIS. IT HAS REALLY BEEN WEIGHING ON ME!



Quilt Counseling

**Lick Skillet Quilt Guild**

Our Mission: To promote an appreciation of quilting, to share knowledge and quilting, and to perform community projects.

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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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SEW much fabric....

SEW little time....

SEW many smiles....

SEW many hugs....

I do like quilting!

**Important Message:**

*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!*

**2015 Executive Board**

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

**Refreshments:**

Thanks to Shannon Howard, Linda Love, Jo Lipham, and Veronica Epperson for April refreshments.

May refreshments will be supplied by Babbette Harmen, Melissa West, Bernice Zaidel, and Marilyn Smith.

June refreshments will be supplied by Sharon Lamberth, Angie Fortner, Valera Johnson, Sidney Smith .

**\*\* Please don't forget to sign up for refreshments for next year! The sign up sheet is available at the sign in table at each meeting.\*\***

