

The Q.U.I.L.T. Guild of Northwest Arkansas

May 2014



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Bob-Bob-Bobbin' Along...

Greetings from the Throne!

Isn't it amazing how spring comes along (finally!) and helps us to forget the grey, cold winter?! We quilters are such visual and tactile groupies, and I think that is why so many of us are also gardeners. I am in awe every morning when I see what nature has brought forth in my gardens in spite of my neglect and ineptitude. I am so inspired by the color and texture and begin to wonder how I can translate that into a quilt. I hope all of you are also finding inspiration in the beauty all around us this season.

I hope all of you are planning to attend the Airing of the Quilts at Lonetta Blevins' home on May 22nd, at 6 pm. You are to bring a potluck dish, a lawn chair, eating utensils if you are trying to save the planet (disposables will be provided), quilt or quilts with either a sheet or plastic to protect them from the fence, legal tender of some kind for the vendor (The Quilted Cow), a friend to share the evening and a desire to have fellowship with fellow guild members and visitors. The Board is providing disposable plates, cups, silverware, etc and ice, tea and lemonade. When you arrive hang your quilt on the fence. We will eat first and then have a very short business meeting. The rest of the time we will walk the fence and everyone will tell about the quilts they brought. It really is a special time.

Directions to Lonetta's house:

From I-49 take exit 82 toward Promenade Rd. Take a left onto W Pauline Whitaker Pkwy. Then turn right onto S Promenade Blvd. You then continue onto W Perry Rd. Lonetta's house(3302 W Perry Rd) will be on the right across from Target. She has a large front yard for parking and a wooden fence on 2 sides. From I-49 it is less than a mile and a half to Lonetta's.

Hope to see all my Loyal Subjects on the 22nd!

Kathy

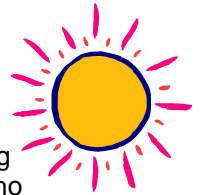
Newsletter submissions are due by the 12th of each month. Please email all submissions to Melissa Davis at cozydranch@yahoo.com or call 479-957-5424



Birthdays

7 Debbie Wheeler
12 June Hansen
17 Ruth Anne Galbreath
21 Charlotte Foster
22 Hazel McFall
24 Pam Goggans

Sunshines



May is the month for graduations and Mother's Day! This is probably a good thing because without our moms (or someone who mothered us along the way), we probably would not have graduated! Thanks to all of the moms, and congratulations to all of the graduates!!!



Shadows

Valerie Doiel is now home with a monitor.

Therese Ramsey's mother is in rehab.

Carolyn Vest's mother passed away.

PJ Oliver passed away (President Kathy expressed her pride and pleasure with the turnout of guild members at PJ's visitation)

Please keep these sweet ladies and their families in your thoughts and prayers.

Upcoming Vendors

May 22 (Tentatively) The Quilted Cow, Cape Fair, MO
June 26 Remember Me, Mountain Home, AR

Super Saturday Sew-In

June 21st – Charlotte Ralston, floating triangles
August 16th – Suzanne Kittrell (unknown)

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We need to have "home-made" items for sale in our store at the quilt show in 2015. For every item you contribute, your name will go into a drawing to win good prizes! Let's work together to see what can be accomplished! Maybe your small group will make items! Jump on the wagon, and let's see what we can do for our 2015 Quilt Show!

Programs and Projects

May 22	Airing of the Quilts
June 26	Jenny Doan: "Quilting Quickly"
June 27	Workshop: "The Exploding Block" Members \$30, Non-Members \$40
July 24	Memories of Edi Idleman
August 27	Workshop: "Fantasy Collage"
August 28	Lola Jenkins "Miss Bubble Buster" Members \$40, Non-Members \$45
September 25	Linda Everhart "Don't Sweat the Details"
September 26	Workshop: Reverse Applique "Enchanted Emerald Isle" Table Runner. Members \$35, Non-Members \$40
October 23	Jim Gatlin "Today's Quilts from Yesterday's Designs – An Artist's Approach"
October 24	Workshop: "Insanity Quilt" Members \$25, Non-Members \$35
December 4	The Mystery of Christmas! <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Everyone brings their favorite hors d'oeuvre!• Ugly Sweater Contest: categories will be: Ugliest, Most Creative, Most Unique, Quilter's Choice, Judge's Choice. The more who participate, the more fun we will have! Borrow, buy at Goodwill, create one, or visit an elementary school teacher!

INFORMATION DESK



This section of the newsletter is intended to be an area where new members can find information about happenings, processes, routines, etc. for our guild. (If you have been a member for a while, you can “refresh” your memory here!) If you lead a committee or small group and you are not listed here, please send an email to cozydranch@yahoo.com with the words “Quilt Newsletter” in the subject, and I will get your information included.

We have a blog that Sheila Bayles maintains with a wealth of information about activities, archives, programs, membership and workshop information, and much more. Please visit our blog at <http://quiltguildnwa.edublogs.org/>.

Leanna Walker maintains two Facebook pages that guild members use. The first is the “official” page, [Q.U.I.L.T. Guild of NWA](#). This is a page like any other for a public group. Simply go to the page and “like” it to get updates on guild information. The second one is NOT an “official” page, but we use it quite a lot as well, and it is a closed group. Please feel free to visit [NWA QUILTERS](#) and submit a request to join this page.

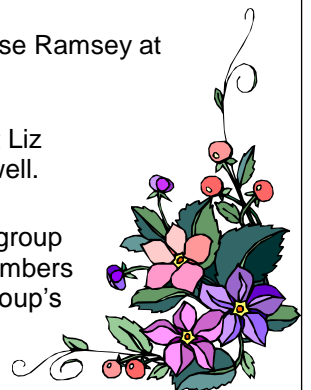
The scheduled board meeting is the first Monday of each month at 5:45, at Wendy’s on Sunset right off of 540, in Springdale. Minutes of the meeting are published in the newsletter each month. If you have any other questions about the board meeting, please feel free to email Kathy Garringer, our president.

We have a quilt show every two years. The next show is scheduled for April, 2015. Our show depends on volunteers, so please jump in and get involved! For more information about the upcoming quilt show, please contact Diane Crandell at afroglady@aol.com.

Hidden Stiches is our Secret Pal group. At the beginning of each calendar year, anyone who wishes to participate in this group signs up by filling out a form that includes personal information and likes/dislikes. The forms are collected, pairs are formed and for the remainder of the calendar year secret pals exchange mementos and little surprises. At the end of the year, the group meets for the big reveal! This is a very fun and popular group! If you bring something for your Secret Pal, you can put it on the table space designated (usually toward the front of the assembly area). If you would like to be particularly clever and undiscovered, have another attendee put it in place for you! ☺ For more information, please contact Natalie McCrory.

There are a number of small groups formed primarily from our guild members, although it is not a prerequisite to be a guild member to be in the small groups. At this time, all of the following groups are open groups, which mean they are still open to new members. This could change if the numbers reach a maximum for the meeting place. Generally, a small group forms because one or more people desire to get together and pursue a common interest. Interests range from simply getting together to quilt to addressing a need or special cause. As new groups are formed, you will be able to find the information about them here.

- **Loose Threads** – 1st Wednesday at 9 AM, at the Washington County Extension Office in Fayetteville. Contact Carol Parrish at mtcomfort@cox.net. General Quilting
- **Itty Bitty Quilt Committee** – 2nd Saturday at 9:30 AM, at NTI in Springdale. Contact Liz Ewing at liz1111ewing@cox.net. Emphasis on miniatures, foundation paper piecing, but not necessarily the quilting going on.
- **Modern** – 3rd Tuesday at 6 PM, at the Rogers Public Library in Rogers. Contact Therese Ramsey at therese.ramsey@gmail.com. Modern Quilting and Design.
- **Scrappy Ladies** – 3rd Friday at 9 AM, at the Rogers Public Library in Rogers.. Contact Liz Ewing liz1111ewing@cox.net. Emphasis on scrap quilting, but they do other types as well.
- **Quilting Cats** – 4th Tuesday at 11:15 AM, at Har-Ber High School in Springdale. This group is a high school group of students who are learning and working on quilts with guild members and faulty sponsors Melissa Davis. The guild has chosen to mentor and support the group’s efforts to share and teach the next generation of quilters. Contact Melissa Davis at mdavis3@sdale.org for more information or to visit a club meeting.



NWA Q.U.I.L.T. Guild Quilt Show 2015:

How much time do we have left before the next quilt show??!! LESS than 1 year!! I hope you are all busily working on your quilts for the show, quilts for the small quilt auction and products for the Quilt Store.

Vendor Coordinator: Carolyn Sherry

Fat Quarter and Fat Eight Sales: Betty Workman

Quilting Treasures/Bed Turning: At the January meeting, I did get one nomination for a member to be honored at the Bed Turning. I would like to have a total of four members to honor. Please send in your nomination with a short note on the reasons why you feel the member should be honored.

Volunteers Needed For: I still need volunteers for the following positions:

- (1) Advertising/Publicity [would be great for a small group to do – one does newspapers, one does magazines, one does bookmarks, etc.].
- (2) Donation Quilt Ticket Sales [another one great for a small group to do].
- (3) Program Booklet
- (4) Quilt Drop Off Rules and Sites
- (5) Quilting Treasures/Bed Turning [this one's real easy!!]
- (6) Ribbons [for the winning quilts]
- (7) Set Up and Tear Down
- (8) Signage Inside and Outside the Show [another easy one! NOT that ANY of the others are HARD!!! ☺].

As you can see, there really aren't that many positions left. If your small group could take a job, then the fun can be spread over many people.

Let the games begin!!! How much time do we have left??? LESS than a YEAR!!!

Diane Crandall

To all Arkansas Quilters,

The Great Arkansas Quilt Show III is just around the corner! The deadline for entries has already passed, and the show is scheduled to start August 7, 2014 and continue through May 3, 2015. For more information go to the Historic Arkansas Museum website: <http://www.historicarkansas.org> or contact one of the chair personnel below:

Donna Uptigrove, Award Funding donna@arkansasheritage.org
Terrie Newman, Volunteer Staff quiltlady48@sbcglobal.net
Susan Bragg, Co-Chair, Silent Auction susanideas@mac.com
Clarice Grace, Co-Chair, Silent Auction rcgrace@gmail.com

The brochure announcing the judge and juror for the show, and lectures, workshops, and teachers throughout the exhibit, will be available soon.

Quilt Challenges

Unfinished Project Challenge – 2014:

This is to encourage all of us to finish projects! We will have prizes at our January 2015 Guild Meeting. Not only will we feel good about getting some cobwebs cleared from our sewing rooms, look what we could produce for our 2015 Quilt Show! The prizes won't be small!!!! So get started sewing – for every completed project that meets the criteria, your name will be entered in the pot for the drawings in January 2015!

Nora Krein

2014 Quilt Show Challenge:

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1. Take a picture with your camera, it should be something you can make a wall hanging from using the picture format.
2. Develop your picture as you must turn in your picture with your finished wall hanging.
3. Make a wall hanging replicating your picture. Try to be as accurate as possible.
4. You must have a circle somewhere in your picture, even if you have to add it. You may add up to two items to your wall hanging, but not more.
5. Your wall-hanging must measure at least 30" wide x 30" long, but not more than 40" wide x 40" long.

Mary Knapp
Challenge Chairman

Reminder

Just a reminder that you can turn in your UFO Challenges and the Stock the Shop items at Airing of the Quilts! I will not be there; please give the forms and/or items to Adele. To date, we have 18 UFOs reported and 60 Stock the Shop Items! Way to go fellow guild members! Think what would happen if even every guild member made one item for the Stock the Shop Challenge. Small groups, have you thought of something you could make and mass produce for Stock the Shop? Who will win the prizes for the winners of these two challenges?

Quilting Fun Fact

Have you ever heard the story that quilts were used along the Underground Railroad as signals to escaping slaves who were traveling from the South to the North towards freedom? Unfortunately, this story doesn't seem to have any foundation in fact. However, the durability of this myth attests to its appeal.

This doesn't mean that quilters didn't contribute to the Civil War effort. Northern women donated quilts and other crafts to raise money for the Union to buy supplies. In addition, women quilted bedding for Union soldiers. Southern women did much the same for the Confederates by making quilts such as the "Gunboat Quilts" to raise money for their Navy. However, it became increasingly difficult for Southern ladies to make quilts, whether to raise money or for their soldiers to keep warm, due to material shortages as the Civil War progressed.

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Financial Report

Submitted by Barbara Hamernik

April 1, 2014 to April 30, 2014

Raffle Account to Date \$3,603.54

Expense	
Program	\$170.46
Total Expense	\$2,007.20

Ending total in Raffle Account **\$3,433.08**

Money Market Account \$5,971.04

Interest for April \$.49

Total MM Acct **\$5,971.53**

Checking Account \$4,215.30

Income	
Membership	\$50.00
Ways and Means	\$129.00
Rack Rental	\$600.00

TOTAL Income \$779.00

Expense	
Tim Sterner Tax Prep	\$115.00
St. Thomas Episcopal Church	\$75.00

TOTAL Expenses \$190.00

Ending Total in Checking Account **\$4,804.30**

**TOTAL OF ALL 3
ACCOUNTS**

\$14,208.91

Q.U.I.L.T Guild Meeting

St. Thomas Episcopal Church, Springdale, AR
Thursday, April 24th, 2014

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President Kathy Garringer called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and welcomed guests Shelly Watson, Renee Castillo, Laura Spear, Claudia Driver, and new member Roxanna Juergens.

President Kathy also welcomed our vendor Sew Graceful Quilting from Rogers, Arkansas.

Sunshine and Shadows:

Valerie Doiel, home with monitor
Therese Ramsey's mother in rehab
Carolyn Vest's mother passed away
PJ Oliver passed away (President Kathy expressed her pride and pleasure with the turnout of guild members at PJ's visitation)
Please keep them all in your thoughts and prayers.

Program: Adele Atha

Announced the upcoming programs and workshops:

May 22nd from 6-8 p.m., Airing of the Quilts:

This will be at Loneta Blevins home directly across from the Target Store in Rogers off I-540. Bring your old/new quilts, or just quilt tops for show; also bring a sheet to protect them from the wooden fence (bring as many as you like). Everyone is asked to bring a dish for the potluck, utensils and paper goods will be provided by the board. Once the dinner is over then everyone will walk the fence and members will talk about the quilts they brought.

June 26th, Jenny Doan, Missouri Star Quilters – Quilting Quickly

With the possibility of many visitors you may need to bring folding chairs if you have them. (There will be a \$5.00 charge for non-members)

*Workshop on June 27th – Exploding Block Design

July 24th, Memories of Edi Idleman

August 28th, Lola Jenkins

*Workshop on August 29th, Fantasy Collages

September 25th, Linda Everhart

*Workshop on September 26th, Reverse Appliqué

October 23rd, Jim Gatling

*Workshop on October 24th Insanity Quilt

December 4th, the Mystery of Christmas

Carolyn Gaskill introduced tonight's speaker:

Joan Gould, local lecturer and Quilt Historian on Arkansas Quilts.

Joan was born in Iowa but has been an Arkansan for many years. She said all her experience began with her family and the generations of quilt making that had taken place. She told stories that dated back 200 years about the art and expression that is given to quilts. She is not a quilter herself, but she sews. Many of her quilts she presented to the Guild also dated back as far as 200 years. As a preservationist, she has things set out though her log home depicting this era. Joan also explained the steps in the production of linen from fiber to fabric. She also brought a few tools that were used to make the final piece of fabric. She talked about her part in the research of the two log cabins in Randolph County, the items found in those homes, and the farm family who had settled there in the 1800's.

Announcements before Break:

Fat Quarter Frenzy – buy tickets for a chance at a large fat quarter bundle. This is a fun money maker for the guild.

Chinese Auction - Barbara Hamernik has mini totes for the June meeting. These totes have been filled with many different items and this is another fun money maker for our guild. Don't forget to bring money to the June meeting.

Quilt Show 2015: Diane Crandell stated we only have 11 months till the show. We still need a couple of volunteers, get in touch with Diane if you are interested. We need to make money on this show again so getting more advertisement and word out to everybody is very important.

Directories: LoVina Payton's quilt is featured on the front of our directories this year and it symbolizes what we, the guild, are all about.

Super Saturday Sew-In:

June 21st – Charlotte Ralston, Floating Triangles, cost is \$10 and it's at the Rogers Library.

Meeting Place:

The Fire Marshall has determined that the capacity is 283, so we do not have to look any further at this time for another place for the guild to meet. We are at 100 + and we might look at a drive to buy new chairs or consider making a chair donation or bringing folding chairs in future.

Business Meeting: called to order at 8:15 p.m.

March Minutes: Suzie Johnson made a Motion to approve the minutes from the March meeting as printed in the April Newsletter, Lacinda Files made the second. A voice vote was called by President Kathy, hearing no nays, she ruled the motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: Janice Berry made a Motion to approve the treasurer's report as printed in the April Newsletter, Jeanette Strickert made the second. A voice vote was called by President Kathy, hearing no nays, she ruled the motion passed. The Treasurer's report will be filed for audit.

BUDGET: Sue Goldman made a Motion to approve the Proposed 2014 Budget as printed in the April Newsletter, Onetta Clark made the second. A voice vote was called by President Kathy, hearing no nays, she ruled the motion passed.

Reminder:

Fat Quarter Frenzy Drawing: Congratulations to Stella Day for winning the Fat Quarter bundle brought by members. The Guild raised \$130.00 on this drawing. ☺

The next ***Board Meeting*** is *Monday, May 5th, 5:45 p.m.* at Wendy's in Springdale.

Kitchen Committee:

Thanks to the April birthdays for supplying this months' snacks.

Next month is Airing of the Quilts/Potluck at Loneta Blevins home.

Membership and Door prizes:

We had 82 members present, 4 visitors, 1 renew, and 1 new member.

Special thanks to Sew Graceful Quilting from Rogers for being our vendor tonight.

Door Prizes:

Kay Ellis won the magazine

Next month's meeting is "Airing of the Quilts" Thursday, May 22nd, 2014

Meeting Adjourned at 8:45 p.m., followed by Show and Tell.

Respectfully submitted by:
Rose Lawrence, Secretary

President Kathy Garringer called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Those present were: Kathy Garringer, Barbara Hamernik, Diane Crandell, Nora Krein, Betty McKee, Lou McClelland, Carol Parrish, Dave Moran, and Rose Lawrence.

Treasurers Report:

Barb Hamernik presented the treasurers' report and the 2014 budget. The Board reviewed the numbers listed for each category. Discussion continued about the membership, program fees and the expenses on the programs. It was decided that they would wait until later in the year to talk about the charities.

Newsletter:

Information needs to be sent to Melissa Davis no later than the 12th of the month to get in the newsletter.

Programs and Speakers:

May 22nd 2014 – Airing of the Quilts, the board is responsible for paper goods. Reminder to all about chairs and tables if they want them, possibly bringing cooler of ice, tea, bottle water, etc for drinks. Would be great if the news media was invited to our airing of the quilts.

June 26th, 2014 – Jenny Doan, Missouri Star Quilt Company, Hamilton, MO
We will probably have a very large crowd for this program. May need to revisit how the tables and chairs are going to be laid out to utilize the most of our space. Don't forget the charge of \$5.00 for non-members. We will want to use holders to show quilts around the room. If anyone has a clip on microphone that we can use or rent so that she is able to walk around hands free.

She will have a workshop at the Rogers Library starting at 9:30 a.m., we are anticipating a large crowd for this too and the cost is \$30 for members and \$40 for non-members.

Vendors: Betty McKee

May, Airing of the Quilts – The Quilted Cow, Cape Fair, MO (she will need 3 tables to set up with)
June meeting– Remember Me, Mountain Home, AR

Cuddly Quilts: Lou McClelland/Janice Berry/Diana Gilchrist

They got a new roll of batting and have several people working on baby quilts.

Kitchen Committee:

We believe that we have enough paper goods for right now. Don't forget May is our Airing of the Quilts so everyone brings a dish and then it will return to normal in June.

Quilt Show 2015 – Diane Crandell

Volunteers: get with Diane; we still have a couple areas that need volunteers.

Retreat to the Hills:

Toni Fenton is still checking our places to hold our retreat.

Ways & Means: Carol Parrish

Encourage all members to bring items for resale, remember all money goes back into the guild. *Also, don't forget your items for the Country Store that we are having at our 2015 Quilt Show.

Membership: Mattie Sweat

A fee of \$5.00 is charged for Non-Members when certain lecturers are here. The next one will be at the June meeting with Jenny Doan from Missouri Star Quilt Company out of Hamilton, Missouri.

Super Saturday Sew-In's – Amy Rollins

June 21st – Charlotte Ralston, floating triangles

August 16th – Suzanne Kittrell (unknown)

Other Business:

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Fat Quarter Frenzy:

We need someone to take this on... **July: Red/White/Blue**, don't forget to bring your fat quarter and money to buy tickets on the chance to win the whole bundle....

Chinese Auction:

June: Mini Totes, bring money to buy your chances for these cute little totes, different surprises in each one.

Request by PJ's coworkers: they would like a quilt made for charity to memorialize PJ, and it was discussed to get some of PJ's fabric to go into this quilt. The Heart Association might be a possible charity that we could raise money for in PJ's name.

Board meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Rose Lawrence, Secretary