

Arkansas Quilters Guild Newsletter

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The Purpose of the Arkansas Quilters Guild is to promote the appreciation of the rich heritage of the art of quilting and to enhance each member's own quilting skills and knowledge. It shall also be the purpose of this organization to expand and to enrich the art of quilting for future generations and preserve the existing quilts.

Dear Members,

March madness is here! My March Madness is the Branson Quilt Show, Stuttgart Festival of Arts, grand kids' spring break, and AWOL. March is also National Quilting Month and you can't forget St. Patrick's Day. Whatever your madness is this month, I hope you enjoy every minute of it.

Your President,

Cindy B.

Welcome, New Members!

Kathy Borrelli Renae Dreher Darlene Davis Gloria Killeen Eeva Jokinen

AQG Board Meeting (Officers, Chairs, interested members): Thursday evening before Monthly AQG meeting: 3/7/2024 6pm *via Zoom see link on website home page.*

AQG Meeting, (2nd) Monday 3/11/2024 6:00 p.m., North Little Rock Community Center 2700 Willow NLR. Program: Lisa Thorpe

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AQG PROGRAMS

March - Lisa Thorpe; see her website lisathorpe.com

April – Shiloh Museum of Ozark History

MAY – CHARLOTTE ANGOTTI: mystery class and

program

JUNE – Garage Sale! JULY – Christmas in July

March: Bring Your Mystery!

Mystery Challenge quilt is due at the March meeting. It does not have to be completed. Please bring your quilt to show alongside all the quilts made for this challenge.

ENTER YOUR QUILTS IN THE 2024 SMOKY MOUNTAIN QUILTERS SHOW

The Smoky Mountain Quilters of Tennessee will offer more than \$6,500 in awards at their 43rd annual show June 21-22, 2024, at the Knoxville Expo Center in Tennessee. There will be 14 categories in which to enter your quilts, including one for juniors (ages 16 and under) and an additional 14 special awards. Deadline for entries is April 22, 2024, but may close early if we reach capacity before that date. Please visit

<u>www.smokymtnquilters.com</u> for more information and for entry forms.

Community Service Notes

Community Service will be accepting donations of quilts to donate to The Call of Pulaski County. The Call partners with the Division of Children and Family Services to recruit, train and support foster and adoptive families for children and teens in foster care. We plan to donate quilts in sizes crib to twin to the organization.

At each guild meeting, we will accept donations of quilts. We will also have kits of quilt tops needing quilting as well as quilted tops needing binding and labels.

We will continue to sell \$1 fat quarters as a fund raiser for supplies. If we raise more money than needed, we will pass it on to the fundraising committee at the end of the year.

- Riley Middaugh

The Extension Homemakers Club State meeting will be June 4-6 at the Wyndham in NLR and will feature the Pleasant Hill Quilters of Linden TX. Mark your calendar for this program!

AQG Meeting was held on February 12, 2024

The meeting was called to order at 6:01 by Cindy Barszczewski. A motion to approve the minutes from the previous meeting was approved with no corrections. Cindy called for reports beginning with the treasurer. Carrie reported the checking balance was \$15,179.82. Income was \$905.20 from Charlotte Angotti's class and \$85.53 CD interest. Debits were \$376.92 including hostess, programs and rent expenses.

Announcements:

Regarding AQG spam - continue to block and delete. Do not answer them.

Margaret Snow of TexarkanaTOGA announced their annual gathering at the American Legion Building, 525 East Broad Street, Texarkana, AR on April 11-13. Doors open at noon on Thursday and 8 am on Friday and Saturday. to buy, sell, trade, maintain and provide maintenance education of old machines. Admission is free. Vendor booths are available for \$25. There are special rates at the Holiday Inn Arkansas Convention Center. RV parking is available near the American Legion Building. For more information email TexarkanaTOGA@yahoo.com or join TexarkanaTOGA on Facebook.

2024 Challenge Quilts - there are 3 this year

- 1. Tiny House due in November. Pattern information included on a handout available at the challenge table.
- 2. Flying geese block paper piece with template provided or use Accuquilt to make 3" x 6" blocks
- 3. Log Cabin Lotto Block. Its Sew Emma Quilt Block Foundation Paper 12" Log Cabin to make one block is available in February and March. If not paper pieced the logs are made from 2 1/2" wide strips. Scrappy on one side and white on the other. See the pattern for layout.

Leah Sample reported AWOL is still full. March is the deadline for full payment. After payment is made to Ferncliff, no refunds can be made. If someone can't attend they are welcome to offer their spot to someone else and arrange payment with them. Leah asks that attendees wait until 9:00 to arrive the first day since they can't get in the building until that morning and need time to set up.

Riley Middaugh

The Call of Pulaski County is our community service project for 2024. There are 683 children in need of foster

care and 195 families available. They have a meet and greet and a Call Mall for children who don't have personal items. They need quilts from baby size to twin size. Community Service has batting, backing, binding and quilt tops have been donated that need all stages of finishing. They will continue to sell fat quarters to fund purchase of needed items. Riley still has gift bags for those who helped with community service last year.

Sherri Dodds - membership We have 87 members and 5 new members Kathy, Renae, Gloria, Eeva and Darlene.

The winner of the Happy New Year blocks was Pamela Davis.

The mystery quilt is due next month. Ideas for the new logo will be presented in March.

A new sponsor, Chateau Sew and Sew out of NOLA has a discount online for quilt members and has asked to let her know in advance if we are coming in person as a group. (See her ad on page 6)

If anyone has a web submission for an ad Sherri needs information by email or word to copy and paste. A photograph does not work.

Cynthia Grubbs - Programs

Becky Butler and Sherry Williams are helping compile the survey responses. Cynthia says the results are helpful with planning future programs.

Hot Springs Village has suggested we share the cost of a national speaker with them. She asked for suggestions. Programs for this year:

March - Lisa Thorpe

April - Shiloh Museum of the Ozark

May - Charlotte Angotti. There are a total of 25-30 spots and payment is due by next month.

June - yard sale. This is a guild fund raiser. There will be the regular donations taken for the guild, consignment tables with 25% of sales going to the guild and seller keeps 75% and limited rent-a-table options for members to sell items for their own profit.

October - Belle Brunner will teach easy cathedral windows.

Workshops will be held June through November and sit and sew on meeting days since we have the room the entire day. It's an opportunity to meet and get to know other guild members and learn new skills. The Northwest Arkansas Modern Quilt Guild show will be held April 19-20 at the Southside Church of Christ 919 S Dixieland Road in Rogers, AR.

Shannon Young

We have between 1600 and 1700 Facebook followers. The Facebook page announces nearby upcoming quilt shows as well as local and guild information. Our website is Arkansasquiltersguild.org.

Beverly and Daphne - Hostess 66 members were present and 6 guests Becky Butler and Elaine Case won door prizes Fat Quarter drawing winners were: Sue Womack, Eva Jonatom, Cathy Barelli, and Elaine Case

Show and Tell

Leah Sample - Dandelion Wishes a quilt for her new great niece from yellow, green and grey Jen Lilly fabric

Debbie Haley - two bags with multiple pockets. She said she had problems with the plastic

Gloria Killeen - Hannah's senior / 18th birthday quilt. Gloria used the disappearing 9 patch pattern for this quilt and her daughter chose red and black for her quilt. Colonel's Journey is a Quilt of Valor to be gifted soon. It was made for a friend of her family and includes the Army Star. Gloria started it in early 2020 and finished in 2024.

A purple and yellow donation quilt she finished recently. She said it was her first quilt and she made lots of mistakes.

Marilyn Weaver quilted them for her.

Jackie Bibbs - In Living Color - Made using Kaffe Fassett fabric for a friend who wanted a colorful quilt. She was happy the friend chose an easy pattern, Turning 20.

Rachel Jackson - Blue Snowman Throw The quilt was hand embroidered and machine quilted. Rachel had just started quilting and said she learned a lot!

Beverly Emery - Bird Bag

Her daughter wanted a pretty bag to carry materials to and from her preschool classroom. She loves birds so Beverly made this bag which is made with quilted bird squares. Jan Pertain - Thanx!

She made this for her neighbor who is sweet enough to have her over for holiday meals since her kids live in Yankee Land!

Paden Haynes - Peekaboo Cats

This was a self-drafted quilt and a several month project. He showed several small wall hangings. 1. A round bug, 2. A triangle jelly roll, 3. A one block wonder and 4. A pink cathedral with 108" Kaffe on the back.

Shannon Young - Super Bloom
The 2022 Block of the Month from Pinwheel fabrics.

Debbie Lewis

A Gina Perkes quilt from the QOV book at the Paducah Quilt Museum. It is for her nephew on retirement from AF. I AR Debbie and her sister both made one all from scraps.

Nancy Sahrakar

Boho Heart by Jen Kingwell. This quick top was made with a group of her friends. She organized the construction of each block grouping and the assembly of the quilt amongst the group.

Tahoe Panel - This was her first exercise in thread painting. Tahoe is especially important to her as her family has a home on the lake.

Becky Butler - aprons

She made four reversible aprons for a group of friends as Christmas gifts and then one friend requested she make two more for her sisters. She learned a technique to make the neck and ties one continuous piece. This is an example of one.

Sherri Williams, Cynthia Grubbs, Amy King and Beverly Phillips showed project bags they made in a class taught by Jackie Bibbs. They purchased the class at the Christmas Auction and are encouraging Jackie to offer a larger class.

Program -Ashley from Dogwood Trail Quilt Company.

Submitted by Phillis Westerfield

Program Sharing with Hot Springs Guild

Let Cynthia Grubbs know if you're interested in sharing Programs next year: Bethanne Nemesh, whitearborquilting.com, and Linda J Hahn from froghollowdesigns.com.









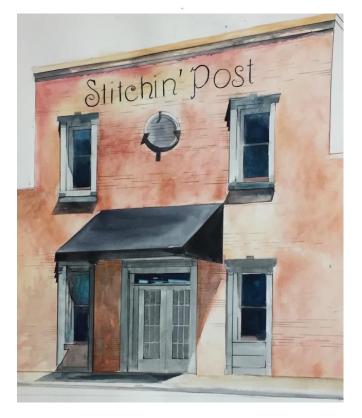
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Program Notes, AQG February 12, 2024

Ashley Lienhart of Dogwood Trail Quilt Company provided our program. Ashley has a store in Opello, AR where she sells fabrics, notions, books, patterns, and small gifts with her company logo. She also provides longarm quilting services, hosts retreats, and teaches classes. Ashley is an educator/ambassador for Baby Lock and goes to conventions and other gatherings. Her mother, Miss Carolyn, was her able assistant.

Ashley is all about creating heirlooms, making memories, and sharing her talents.

She showed a new collection of patterns from It's Sew Emma. The book features half yard cuts of fabric and she features these in her store. Ashley also sells online and her entire inventory is available online. If you want to shop in person, call to set up a time.

She showed an "All the Things" tote that she made and said that she has kits with all the fabrics needed already quilted and ready to assemble into a bag.

As previously stated, Ashley is an educator for Baby Lock and shows the long-arm Pro Stitcher and Sergers. Her program centered on using a serger to bind quilts. Ashley made her first quilt in our own Jim Gatling's art class. She then worked at Disney. Along the way, her mom bought an embroidery machine and then a long-arm about the time of the COVID crisis.

Ashley showed us how to bind quilts using a serger and a bi-color flange. The flange can be left as it is when you attach it or sewn down so it looks more like a frame for the quilt.

You can use metallic thread for decorative purposes on wall hangings and other items that will not be laundered repeatedly. Her advice is also to make a test first to make sure the tension and everything is correct. Your scribe learned a lot about upper loopers and lower loopers but know this is something I want to explore more in the future..

Thank you for a great program!

Submitted by: Sally Burrup



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

The following members have **March** Birthdays:

Shelia Simpson 3/3 Louise Hicks 3/4 Sally Burrup 3/8 Leah Sample 3/11 Donna Dillman 3/15 Linda Griffis 3/15 Llewellyn Webster 3/19 Judy Bowers 3/24 Nancy Hubbard 3/27 Elaine Case 3/31

FAT QUARTER DRAWINGS

There will be fat quarter drawings at each meeting through Nov 2024! Our hostess, Beverly Emery, has decided on the following themes/colors so we can plan ahead for each meeting and use them up soon after winning them:

March - Baby Animals

Be sure to exchange your FQ entry for a drawing ticket as you sign in before the meeting.

Calendar

3/7/2024 AQG Board Meeting 6pm 3/8-9/2024 Grand Prairie Quilt Fest entries due; see https://www.grandprairiearts.com/arts-festivalregistration for information. 3/11/2024 AQG Meeting – Lisa Thorpe 3/13-16/2024 AQS Quilt Show Branson MO 3/15-17/2024 Grand Prairie Quilt Festival, Stuttgart, AR 3/15-17/2024 Dallas Quilt Show -"I Love Rock & Roll!" 3/22-24/2024 AQG SPRING AWOL retreat Ferncliff 4/8/2024 TOTAL ECLIPSE OVER CENTRAL ARKANSAS 4/11-13/2024 Texarkana TOGA antique machine meeting 4/19-20/2024 NWA Modern Quilt Guild Show at 919 S. Dixieland Rd, Rogers, see nwamqg.blogspot.com 4/24-27/2024 AQS Quit Show Paducah KY 5/13/2024 CHARLOTTE ANGOTTI CLASS and Lecture 6/4-6/2024 Extension Homemakers Club state meeting at the Wyndham in NLR; welcoming the Pleasant Hill Quilters of Linden, TX

6/21=22/2024 Smoky Mountain Quilters of TN 43rd Quilt Show & Competition, Knoxville Expo Center, see www.smokymtnquilters.com

8/10-17/2024 Belle Brunner is hosting an Alaska Quilt Cruise! Details here:

https://quiltingadventurespro.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/01/Windows-to-the-Arctic-Flyer-2.pdf

9/26-28/2024 Ozark Piecemakers Quilt Guild Show in Springfield, MO

9/27-28/2024 Hot Springs Village Quilt Show at the Benton Events Center

10/15/2024 AQG Quilt Exhibit goes up at Terry Library 12/15/2024 AQG Quilt Exhibit take down





Challenges from Cindy B

Log Cabin Lotto Block

Due April meeting

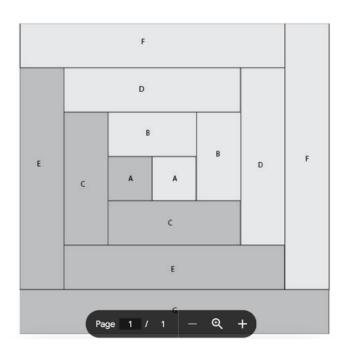
It's Sew Emma Quilt Block Foundation Paper 12 in. Log Cabin to make one block will be available at February and March meetings.

If not paper piecing the logs are made from 2 1/2" wide strips.

Scrappy colors for the dark side and white fabric for the light side.

The unfinished block measures 12 1/2" square.

Log Cabin strip lay out: Fabric A is 2 1/2" square. Add 2 1/2" wide strips of B, C, D, E, F and G.





Flying Geese Challenge Quilt

Suggested size for flying geese block is 3 1/2 " x 6 1/2" unfinished Options:

Accuquilt Die number 55456

Flying Geese Quilt Block Foundation Paper 3 x6 by It's Sew Emma

You may want to use a different size Flying Geese block.

Video how to make Four at a time Flying Geese block:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pVihSvaZ-2c or search: Sew Easy: Quick-Pieced Flying Geese

One Seam flying geese block:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=78Mu0C_QL8Y or search: The Quilt Show One Seam Flying Geese

Suggest machine sewing pocket flaps closed if using the one seam method

Sew the flying geese blocks in any arrangement of your choice or make the example Challenge quilt arrangement. (shown above)

Each block is four 3 x 6 flying geese units. This quilt has 8 blocks across, 5 blocks down.

Jackie Bibbs 966 Yielding Road Ward, AR 72176

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All ads must be camera ready and fit the size requirement. The Newsletter Editor reserves the right to refuse ads that are not camera ready, do not fit the size requirement, or do not meet professional standards. All ads must be received no later than the second Thursday of the month; any ads received after that date will be included in the next month's publication.

NLR COMMUNITY CENTER

The NLRCC is located at 2700 Willow St. in NLR near the I-30/I-40 interchange, to the rear of Laman Library. Exit from I-30 or I-40 at JFK & go south to Pershing Blvd & Turn right. Follow Pershing to Willow. It's on the right facing The Patrick Hays Senior Citizen's Center.

