

Arkansas Quilters Guild Newsletter

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Mission Statement – 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.

Greetings Fellow Quilters,

What have you all been working on? I am still trying to bust through my UFOs. It seems to be very difficult to do. Especially when you have nice new shiny magazines that appear in your mailbox, luring you to buy or try something new. It's hard to get excited about something you have had sitting in your closet for awhile. But I am trying to think positively and think how wonderful I will feel once I get those sad, lonely unfinished projects done. If you happen to have one just laying around that you really don't want to finish for whatever reason, think about bringing it to the July meeting, share your story about the UFO and donate it for the UFO Silent Auction. It's for a good cause and you can move on to shiny, new projects guilt free...Hahaha.

Well, I know we were all sad that Aileen Anderson was not able to join us in June. We wish her a speedy recovery! But I for one learned some fascinating tips from the Libby Lehman DVD we watched. I can't wait to try out some of them on future projects...especially while pressing freshly stitched rows together...press one row one direction and let that row drape off the pressing board, move on to next row press in opposite direction without accidentally smooshing your just pressed rows! Wow! Talk about light bulb moment.

Our Program Committee has some great upcoming programs for the rest of the year. I am really excited about Sandy Fitzpatrick, from Hissy Fitz designs coming and presenting us with a wonderful workshop opportunity and lecture in October!

Until Next Month, Happy Stitching! Alina Polta

PLEASE WEAR YOUR NAMETAG TO THE MEETINGS! REMEMBER: NO NAMETAG – NO DOOR PRIZE!

AQG Board Meeting: Thursday, July 7, 2016, 6 p.m., Whole Hog Cafe, 2516 Cantrell, Little Rock, AR 72202.

AQG Meeting: Monday, July 11, 2016, 6:30 p.m., North Little Rock Community Center, 2700 Willow, North Little Rock, Arkansas. Yard Sale, UFO Show and Sale.





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2016 PROGRAM GUIDE

July 11, 2016

Yard Sale, UFO Show and Sale

August 8, 2016 (note change in workshop)

Workshop - Hipster Bag by Kellie Coleman Bag Night

Show and Tell of Bags

September 12, 2016

"Through the Porthole" - Tips on getting the most from your visit to a national quilt show.

If you are going to Houston for Quilt Festival for the first time this year, do not miss this meeting!

October 10, 2016

Hissyfitz Workshop – Machine Appliqué – "Gorgeous Gourds" Lecture in evening Sandy Fitzpatrick

November 14, 2016

"Stash Buster Quilts"

December 12, 2016

Party and Auction with our Favorite Auctioneer, Gaylen McGee

JULY BIRTHDAYS

Hazel Rice	July 7
Joan Beard	July 9
Patsy Ray	July 9
Angie Heifner	July 11
Paula Watkins	July 11
Shellie Blake	July 17
Susi Olson	July 17
Debra Gordon	July 19
Kathy Jones	July 21
Lynda Morgan	July 21
Jim Gatling	July 22
Barbara Middleton	July 28

MONTHLY SNACK REMINDER!

We would like to encourage you to bring snacks for the meeting. It doesn't need to be fancy, but everyone enjoys having a little something during the meeting.

July

August



October A-B-C

November D-E-F

September V-W-X-Y-Z

December G-H-I

YARD SALE AND UFO SILENT AUCTION July 11, 2016 AQG Meeting

Yard Sale

Are those closets, drawers and other storage areas cleaned out yet? This is your chance to get rid of the old to make room for the NEW. Remember to price the items you bring to sell. We'll have tables ready for you to display your "used to be" treasures. If an item doesn't sell, you may either take it back home or move it to a "Give to Goodwill" area.

Also, it has been suggested that we need a few "Rules" for shopping. So, your Ever-Aiming-To -Please Program Committee has invented these "Rules" – Pleeease Follow:

- Price all items to be sold. Place on tables. The tables will then be covered with clear plastic so you may browse. No purchases are to be removed from the tables at this time.
- At 6:15, a notice will be given that the early shopping time is open. You may collect items you would like to purchase prior to the start of the meeting at 6:30. Hold on to the selected items. Payment will be accepted later in the meeting.
- After the UFO Stories presentations, the business portion, and Show and Tell, you may continue shopping. When you have made all your selections, proceed to the Cashiers Table to complete the purchase.
- For items you are selling, you may lower the price at any time. At the end of the sale, either take unsold items with you or place in the "Give to Goodwill"

Thanking you in advance for being a friendly AQG seller and/or shopper.

UFO Silent Auction

The schedule for the meeting will change a little in July. The evening will start with UFOs and their stories. If you are donating a UFO for this portion of the program, please let Debbie or Lavern know.

Also, be planning your story because there will be a PRIZE for the best story of why this is still a UFO and not a finished quilt.

After the Business and Show and Tell portions of the meeting, you will have an opportunity to place a bid on the UFOs.

Program Co-Chairs Debbie Spinks and Lavern Schaap

A DAY OF THREADPLAY WITH LIBBY LEHMAN PROGRAM NOTES FOR JUNE PROGRAM

It was the SURPRISE meeting in June. First, we were sad to learn on Sunday prior to the program and scheduled workshop, that our guest teacher, Aileen Anderson, had received an eye injury that would prevent her from joining us on Monday. After a few phone calls, we discovered Donna Toombs had a Libby Lehman DVD we could watch. After a quick screening, it seemed like the perfect substitute for Aileen's lecture.

Then upon arriving at the Community Center, our regular meeting room was not available due to remodeling. The Community Center staff arranged two nearby rooms for our use and all was back in order again.

On to the DVD. Lavern related Libby's story from the last few years. Libby is known for her great classes and wonderful quilts. Her quilt "Joy Ride" is included in "The Twentieth Century's Best American Quilts." On April 20, 2013, while visiting her doctor to determine the cause of recent headaches, she had a ruptured aneurysm. In the following days, she had surgery for the aneurysm and suffered a stroke. After months of hospitalizations, nursing homes, rehab centers, Libby has now made much progress.

On the video, which was made in 2010, we watched Libby make her famous "Sheer Ribbon Illusion" on a small quilt. Then Potluck Appliqué and Sheer Fabric Play. At the end, Libby told us a few of her favorite tips.

Along the way, we watched Libby do some of the things we quilters do all the time but in a slightly different way. My favorites:

- She pre-cuts 2½ inch squares, sorts by color and stores in tie-boxes.
- When chain piecing, stack pieces by columns. Sew all pieces of column 2 to those of column 1. Then add column 3, etc. No more of the "twosies" then "foursies". Do not clip the threads. Then carry all these joined pieces to the ironing board to press.
- Use glue to place threads for couching.
- A free-motion couching foot is available.
- Use fabric with a motif for reverse appliqué to quickly add interest to a piece.
- Make tensions adjustments to a bobbin while holding it over a magnetic pin cushion just in case the screw falls.

If you want to learn more about Libby and see her videos, check out:

The Quilt Show (http://thequiltshow.com)
YouTube (https://www.youtube.com)
Caring Bridge (https://www.caringbridge.org/visit/libbylehman/journal)

And, your Program Chairs appreciated your patience as we adjusted to the changes of the weekend.

Debbie Spinks and Lavern Schaap

ARKANSAS QUILTERS GUILD MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING 13 JUNE, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by President Alina Polta. Judy Stewart moved to accept the minutes as published and Debbie Gordon seconded the move. The vote passed to accept without any corrections.

Treasurer's Report: Copies of the report were made available to all members present by Treasurer Kim Lotz.

Committee Reports

Programs & Workshops: Lavern Schaap, Co-Chair apologized that the wool workshop and lecture this evening were cancelled due to an emergency. Ms. Aileen Anderson had recent cataract surgery and, while cat-sitting, was scratched in her eye by the cat requiring additional medical care. An additional change is that Meg Culum is no longer able to present a bag workshop in August due to school resuming. However, she will still present the evening lecture. Ms. Schaap reviewed the scheduled calendar with emphasis upon July's

July's meeting will start with a showing of UFO's and each will have a required minimum bid. There will be a prize for the best story about a UFO. Those who select a UFO will be eligible to enter a contest to be held next year for the best use of that purchased UFO! This will be followed during the same meeting by the presenting of a yard sale. Rules regarding how the yard-sale will be run will be printed in the next

newsletter.

Membership: Mary Jane Beard, Chair, proudly shared that there are now 116 paid members for 2016. (The goal remains to have 160 paid members). She reminded everyone that prizes are given for those who bring a guest and again if

the guest joins AQG.

Quilt Exhibit at Terry Library: The Exhibit begins with the hanging of quilts starting October 11th and help is being requested for sorting and arranging the quilts. There is already help arranged to climb ladders, etc., to hang the quilts. The form to share information about each quilt will be available in the next AQG newsletter and at the next meeting. There is a size requirement for placement of the quilt sleeve. The Exhibit has a locked cabinet in which miniature quilts will be displayed. Quilts will be taken down on December 13th.

Community Service: Alicia Bell, Chair, stated that she prepared about 43 kits and that there are 10-12 kits available. She plans to have some of the kits available for the Sit and Sew held next month prior to the AQG meeting. Alicia was pleased to announce that she has had a total of around 20

quilts donated for The Call.

Hostess: Judy Stewart announced that tonight there were 54 members present and one guest this evening. The next fabric exchange will be 6 squares of 3 ½ inch fabric all 3.5 inches. The fabric exchange winners were Sheri Williams and Shannon Young. This evening the Door prize winners were Judy Pearlstein, Eddie Landreth, Karen Alexander, and Judy Stewart.

New Business

Lavern Schaap shared that the Presbyterian Church in Jacksonville is making dresses for little girls in Honduras and they would like to have fabric donated for their project. She suggested that they could be asked to attend our yard sale and find some fabric to use.

Meeting was closed at 8:35 p.m.

Show and Tell

Alina Polta displayed Bugs and Hisses, a design by Sandy Fitzpatrick from the Hissy-Fitz Designs. Alina bought the kit in Paducah in April and then pieced and quilted it herself. Next October, Sandy will be presenting to our AQG both a workshop and program.

Pamela Davis showed us Psychedelic flower, a quilt made in Barbara Carlson's class at Quilt Arkansas. It was purple with a bright colored flower center. She also shared 1000 Pyramids, made from an AQG class with Cynthia Regone. She appliqued and pieced the quilt but admitted that there are two duplicates in the 1000 triangles!

Pat Crawford brought Clam bake and Left-overs, a clamshell quilt she began in Shannon Young's "Clamshell" class at the October 3, 2015 Quilt Arkansas. Pat had left over fabric from cutting clamshells and used them for the backing

Carol Hurt made a Log Cabin quilt at the Robert Carriage House and shared that it was a fun place to visit. The matching piano key border really accented her quilt. Carol also displayed Mardi Gras, which is a 9-patch based quilt that she made in conjunction with her grand-daughter. Aly is 13 years old and she announced to Carol that she needed a quilt – with almost no warning time – for a project she is working on as a member of the Beta Club. They completed the quilt and Aly entered it in the Beta Club State Convention in Hot Springs. They were both ecstatic that Aly won First Prize and will now be entering it in the National Convention in New Orleans. Carol's third quilt was made using the left over squares that she and Aly cut for the Beta Club quilt. Carol presented her Gum Drops quilt for The Call in Jefferson County.

Phillis Westerfield experimented with enlarging a pattern so she used fabric that she stated she didn't really like. However, after putting a few blocks together, she decided that she did like it and went ahead and finished her quilt made of gold, purple, blue, pink and other colors. She named her creation Cosmic Zipper.

Sharon Weinsinger wanted a quilt with lots of white and bright colors. The result was Pineapple, a pineapple patterned quilt that she then had quilted by Eddie Landreth. Sharon also was proud to share that she completed a special quilt. Her son attends Subiaco Academy and she embroidered and used pictures of the school, as well as their signature colors of orange and dark blue, to make a quilt that was quilted by Alina Polta. It was then auctioned off for an astonishing \$1000!! She stated that last year her donation quilt was auctioned off for \$800!

Debbie Gordon exhibited a baby quilt she made called The Hungry Caterpillar. Her daughter's best friend in grade school now has a daughter of her own. Lily will be celebrating her first birthday next month with not only the quilt but the corresponding book as well. The reverse side is Color Play and the quilting was done by Eddie Landreth. Debbie also brought her extra-large queen sized quilt, called Labyrinth, that she started in an AWOL and continued working on in a quilt retreat. She credited Melissa and Leah for their assistance and Eddie for his doing the quilting. The quilt will be presented as a wedding gift this Wednesday talk about finishing on the wire!

Sherry Williams vowed to use only material from her stash yet was still able to make a beautiful Grandma's Lamb quilt for the first grand-child of her friend. Sherry also spoke about making a replacement quilt for her husband. He had a quilt that celebrated two of his loves – farming and making wine. He helped her to collect fabrics with themes of either fruit or wine. Sherry spoke, with obvious love, that she was grateful that he was able to see

the completed top of Fruit, Wine, and Love.

Desiree Gipson reminded everyone of the (infamous) song "Who lives in a pineapple under the sea" as she displayed her quilt made using SpongeBob printed fabric. The Pineapple wall hanging she created, and quilted, is destined to go to her nephew Quint, who is 23 years old and still has his playful side. Desiree has a co-worker named Becky who she said is "a Christmas queen". Thus, using a kit from Connecting Threads, Desiree made

a special red and white quilt for her as Becky's Retirement Quilt.

Mary Jane Beard has made quilts for all of her
grandchildren. Charlie will be her 4th grandchild and will receive

his matching quilt and pillow made using bright primary colors. **Donna Toombs** has been offering demonstrations using the Wickedly Easy Quilt pattern and displayed three quilts using the identical pattern but different color combinations: the first was red/black/white, the second was yellow/gray/white, and the third was of owls/peas in a pod/pink butterflies. She will be able to enter this in the Challenge as is one pattern used in different colors/fabrics.



HIPSTER BAG WORKSHOP

NLR Community Center 12:30 - 4:30 pm

Monday, August 8, 2016

Member Cost: \$10, Nonmember Cost: \$15

Join us prior to the August 8 meeting as Kellie Coleman teaches us how to make this cute bag. The pattern is free at Riley Blake Designs and the bag is fat quarter or scrap (9 X 11 in.) friendly. Also, Kellie will be providing a kit for \$5 that contains the unusual items in the Supply List (see below). As a bonus, a Key Wristlet to match the bag will be included in the class.

SUPPLIES:

"Hipster Bag" @rileyblakedesigns.com – Under "Free Sewing Projects – Store Displays"

3 to 4 Fat Quarters or scraps to equal

6" X Width Of Fabric strip

12" zipper to match fabrics

Kit (\$5 paid to Kellie) or these individual items

9" by 11" Fusible Fleece

9" by 11" Midweight Interfacing (ShapeFlex)

2 3/4" to 1" D, O, or Rectangle Rings

3/4" slide to make strap adjustable

1 swivel hook for key wristlet to match

Basic Sewing Supplies:

Sewing Machine, thread, rotary cutter, 9 ½" ruler, cutting mat, zipper foot, thread for topstitching

WORKSHOP REGISTRATION:

Name:		
Address:		
Telephone:		
E-Mail Address:		
Once your reg	istration and workshop fee (\$10 Member, \$15 Nonmember) is received, a confirmation will	be sent to you.
Do you want a Su	pply Kit (Pay \$5 to Kellie at the workshop – does not include fabrics or zipper)?	
Yes	No	

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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2016 July 11	AQG sit and sew in the meeting room starting at 10 am. Come early for the meeting and sew!			
July 16	AQG Sit and Sew from 8-5 at Baptist Hospital Southwest, 11401 Interstate 30, Exit 128.			
August 8	Hipster Bag Workshop with Kellie Coleman in the meeting room of NLR Community Center; 12:30 - 4:30 pm. Member Cost: \$10, Nonmember Cost: \$15			
August 20	AQG Sit and Sew from 8-5 at Baptist Hospital Southwest ,11401 Interstate 30, Exit 128.			
September 17	AQG Sit and Sew from 8-5 at Baptist Hospital Southwest, 11401 Interstate 30, Exit 128.			
October 11 - December 12	AQG QUILT EXHIBIT at Terry Library			
November 3-6	International Quilt Festival/Houston quilts.com.			
November 4-6	FALL AWOL at C. A. Vines 4-H Center			
2017 September 7-9	QUILT ARKANSAS retreat at the 4-H Center in Ferndale: "Raining Cats and Dogs."			

RAISING OF THE QUILTS

Terry Library October 11-December 12, 2016

The Terry Library staff and patrons are once again asking when the members of Arkansas Quilters Guild will display their quilts!! Fall is just around the corner and the perfect time to raise the quilts!

Due to the layout of the library, we can only have about 30 large quilts but we will have room for about 70 smaller quilts. The quilts have to hang at 76" or less so plan your sleeve accordingly or pin the bottom of the quilt up to 76" or less. Refer to instructions on the Exhibit Form on page 7 of the newsletter. As usual, the quilts should have a 4" sleeve with your name on the quilt. Please put them in a bag with your name on the outside.

The Exhibit form needs to be sent in as soon as possible, then quilts can be turned into Judy Young or Mary Jane Beard or they can be brought to the October 10th guild meeting or to the library by 9:00 am on October 11. Miniatures are encouraged. They would be beautiful in the two display cases. Let us know if you can volunteer to hang and/or take down the quilts.

FYI - AQG MEMBERS

If you have a quilting business/blog, etc. – a one-line link to a website/blog/phone #, etc., can be listed on the sponsor's page under "our member links."

AQG 2016 EXCHANGES

July – 3 1/2" square - 6 of same fabric August – Cream/light fat quarter September – 6 1/2" block - design of your choice October – 6 1/2" square - 5 of same color November – Green fat quarter





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QUILT EXHIBIT

Adolphine Fletcher Terry Library-Little Rock October 11 - December 12, 2016

Please be generous in your offer of your treasured quilting items finished since January 2014. **To ensure entry and inclusion in the program, fill out the submission form and return by September 15** to Mary Jane Beard or e-mail scanned copy to mjquilter@sbcglobal.net. The library is located at 2015 Napa Valley Road, 501-228-0129. Since space is limited, entries will be accepted on space availability.

Quilt(s) submitted by ______e-mail____

Phone (H	(W)	(0	S)		
Quilt sizes submitted	1. Length	_X Width	Name		
	2. Length	_X Width	_Name		
	3. Length	_X Width	_Name		
Miniature Quilts:	1. Length	_X Width	_Name		
	2. Length	_X Width	_Name		
A 4-inch double sleeve must be attached to the top of the back of the entry for hanging. It must be full width of the quilt. Any quilt measuring less than 24 inches X 24 inches may use a 2-inch sleeve. All quilts must be labeled on the back bottom corner with name of the quilt and quilt maker. A quilt measuring longer than 76 inches in length, MUST have a 4-inch sleeve sewn the full width of the quilt 76 inches from the bottom of the quilt. Quilts without the correct sleeve will not be accepted. Please put quilts in a bag labeled on the outside with your name. I would like to volunteer to assist in exhibit set up and/or coordination on October 11 Mary Jane Beard or Judy Young will be glad to accept your entries in advance of set up date. NOTE: Items delivered on October 11 should be taken to the library at 9:00 a.m. Mary Jane Beard, 3600 Cornwallis, North Little Rock, h-758-3637, c-772-6210 Judy Young, 3319 Rocky Court, Little Rock, h-228-9690, c-912-0231 Library ONLY October 11 for set up at 9:00 a.m 2015 Napa Valley Dr., Little Rock Quilts may be picked up at Terry Library on December 12 between 10 and 11 AM I understand and agree that Central Arkansas Library System/Adolphine Fletcher Terry Library and Arkansas Quilters Guild are not liable in any way for my exhibit/show item(s) and I will be responsible for my own insurance if needed.					
Signature			Date		
Date entry is rec	eived by Mary Jane I	Beard			

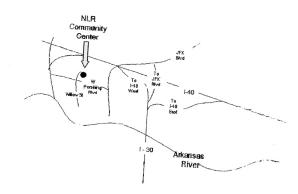
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DEADLINE FOR AUGUST NEWSLETTER July 15, 2016





AQG Meeting NLR Community Center 2700 Willow Street North Little Rock, Arkansas



The NLRCC is located at 2700 Willow in North Little Rock which is near the I-30/I-40 interchange. Get off I-30 or I-40 at JFK. Go south to Pershing Boulevard. Turn right. Follow Pershing to Willow. It's on the right facing the new Patrick Hays Senior Citizen's Center.