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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 Marvelous Quilters,

Spring in Arkansas sure brings lots of rain. I see the rainy days as great opportunities to stay inside and get some much needed quilting done. School is out for us and for those quilters that are also teachers, we will hopefully be able to catch up on some of our projects through the summer.

This year like every year I say that I am going to get Christmas gifts done early so I can enjoy the season when it gets here! Do I ever ACTUALLY get them done early??? Well no, but THIS year I will try again! :) I am going to make an actual list of my to-dos and post it where I can see it and work down the list! We shall see how it goes!

Aileen Anderson is visiting with us next meeting and I'm looking forward to seeing what she has to show us! The last time she came I got hooked on wool! Now I need to know how to use it! :) I hope you get the opportunity to take her workshop and come to her lecture!

Until Next Month,
Happy Quilting!
Alina Polta

PLEASE WEAR YOUR NAMETAG TO THE MEETINGS!

REMEMBER: NO NAMETAG – NO DOOR PRIZE!

AQG Board Meeting: Thursday, June 9, 2016, 6 p.m., Whole Hog Cafe,
2516 Cantrell, Little Rock, AR 72202.

AQG Meeting: Monday, June 13, 2016, 6:30 p.m., North Little Rock
Community Center, 2700 Willow, North Little Rock, Arkansas. Aileen
Anderson lecture in evening. Day Workshop, 10 a.m., North Little Rock
Community Center – Wool and Other Fabrics on a Linen Background.

ARKANSAS QUILTERS GUILD**2016 PROGRAM GUIDE****June 13, 2016**

Aileen Anderson

Day Workshop – Wool and Other Fabrics on a Linen Background. Workshop cost – \$40, Kit \$30 (Kit will contain all supplies. Students only need to bring scissors and 12” hoop.)

Lecture in evening

July 11, 2016

Yard Sale, UFO Show and Sale

August 8, 2016

Bag Night

Day Workshop by Meg Cullum

September 12, 2016

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

October 10, 2016

Hissyfitz Workshop – Machine Appliqué. – “Gorgeous Gourds”
Lecture in evening
Sandy Fitzpatrick

November 14, 2016

“Stash Buster Quilts”

December 12, 2016

Auction and Party

2017 PROGRAM GUIDE**March 18, 2017**

National Quilting Day

April 10, 2017

Donna Lynn Thomas

2 Workshops and Lecture



the bed-warmer
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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.

June	M-N-O	September	V-W-X-Y-Z
July	P-Q-R	October	A-B-C
August	S-T-U	November	D-E-F
		December	G-H-I


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.”

AD RATES FOR THE NEWSLETTER

Size	1 month	3 months	1 Year
1/8 page (w 3.5" x h 2")	\$10.00	\$25.00	\$90.00
1/4 page (w 3.5" x h 4.5")	20.00	50.00	180.00
1/2 page (w 7.25" x h 4.5")	40.00	100.00	360.00
full page (w 7.25" x h 9.5")	80.00	200.00	720.00

Classified rates for AQG member personal ads – 15¢ per word

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. Please send your ads to Eddie Landreth, 501-315-3801, elandreth@sbcglobal.net. If there are any questions, contact Eddie.

MAY PROGRAM 2016 AIRING OF THE QUILTS AND ICE CREAM SOCIAL

The quilts got semi-aired (just not on a fence), but they didn't get wet. Predictions from all the weathermen that our planned outdoor event in Scott would be rainy and potentially peppered by hail resulted in a quick change of venue to our usual meeting place. But, quilters know how to punt!

Lavern Schaap, in the rocking chair her granny had used to rock her when she was a baby, set the tone for an enlightening and enjoyable evening. She began with thanking the generous sponsors:

- **The French Seam in Stuttgart
- **Morris and Associates Architects and Environmental Consultants in Scott
- **Pinwheel Fabrics in Alexander
- **Red Door Gallery in North Little Rock
- **The Stitchin' Post in Little Rock.
- **Lavern and her husband Ray also pitched in as sponsors.

We saw an informative video about the Scott Plantation Settlement, which dates back to the mid 1800's. Today, the site displays the buildings and equipment that were involved in plantation life before mechanization and through the middle of the 20th century. In addition to the "big house," where the owners lived, there are the homes of sharecroppers, a clinic, a one-room schoolhouse, a wash house, a smokehouse, an ice house, a blacksmith's forge, and many other structures, including a Cotton Belt railroad depot.

We saw how tins of kerosene were placed under bed legs to get rid of bedbugs and learned what it meant to get up on the wrong side of the bed (the side with the chamber pot!) The video tested our knowledge of the times with questions; we knew some answers but missed a few, such as another use for the corn crib, where corn was stored. Turns out it also housed prisoners – but we thought it was where they stored moonshine. Oh, well.

It's definitely worth the quick trip to Scott to go back to the times when people worked "from can till can't." More information is at www.scottconnections.org.

After the video, we were treated to a great show-and-tell of the quilts that were intended for the outdoor airing – and then to ice cream with lots of yummy toppings.

Respectfully submitted,
Jan Partain, Program Scribe

PROGRAMS – A LOOK AHEAD

A few of our programs in the next few months very much depend on YOU.

In July, only your efforts at cleaning up those studios will provide our needed yard sale items. Remember all the items you bring will need to be priced when you bring them.

Then for special entertainment at that July meeting, we are adding a UFO Silent Auction. This is for those larger boxes in the back of the closet!!! You had such good intentions, but now you just don't have the time or inclination to finish the project. Of course, hearing the story behind the UFO is going to be the fun. Those stories will be our program. Then we will have a silent auction where you can win your favorites. A reserve amount will be set for each project. And then, how about a "PRIZE" for the best story; and maybe next year another "PRZE" for the best creation from one of these UFOs?

In August, again the meeting depends on you. It will be "BAG Night." Meg Cullum will be presenting a Bag Making workshop during the day where she will teach a billfold pattern and/or a tote bag pattern. Then for the meeting we'll have a giant Show and Tell of bag making. Bags can be of your own design or from a pattern. We just want to see your creations and hear why you chose the pattern and fabrics.

In September, in the program "Through the Porthole," we hope to tempt you with visiting some of the larger quilt shows in the nation by showing photographs from shows that our members have attended. So far we expect to learn about Chantilly at Dulles Expo and Conference Center in Washington, DC; Dallas Quilt Show; International Quilt Festival in Houston; AQS Quiltweek in Paducah; and Sisters Outdoor Quilt Show. If you have experienced other national shows and want to be included in the program, please let Debbie or Lavern know.

November will be "Stash Buster Quilts." And maybe one of our stashes might not even be from the quilt studio??? Wait and see what this will turn out to be!

And to end the year we will again have one of our favorites – A LIVE Auction with our favorite auctioneer, Gaylen McGee. So here again, the program will only be as good as YOU make it. Be thinking of what you want to donate for the auction. We will need to know your donation by the end of November so we can prepare a catalog of items for the December meeting.

Ideas we are considering for 2017 include more "Meet Your Members," a photographic journey to a few local quilt studios, a discussion of how you get into your most creative "Zone," and a historical look at a few of our older quilt patterns.

Have any other ideas: Again, we ask for your input.

Debbie Spinks
Lavern Schaap
Co-chairs for Programs

ARKANSAS QUILTERS GUILD
MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING
9 MAY, 2016

This “Airing of the Quilts and Ice Cream Social” meeting of the AQG was scheduled to be held at the Scott Plantation Settlement but had to be re-located due to inclement weather. The meeting, held at the Community Center, was called to order at 6:21 pm by President Alina Polta.

Appreciation was voiced to the sponsors for the evening: French Seam, Morris and Associates, located in Scott, Pinwheel Fabrics, Red Door Gallery, Stitching Post

Show and Tell

Lavern Schaap brought the rocker that she was rocked in as a young child. She also had a large standing antique sewing box and two small sewing boxes that belonged to her husband’s family.

Debbie Spinks displayed a Razorback T-shirt quilt as well as her grandmother’s 2 quilts: one was a Single Wedding Ring and the other had autographs.

Alina Polta showed her Rainbow Raindrops, Poppies-a-Plenty, Manzanita Sand & Surf, Wings of Freedom butterfly quilt, and Stars Across America honoring American women. She had an apron quilt from her grandmother and a 1930s style quilt she called Egg Money. Her final quilt was made from a block exchange of 1930s prints.

Donna Toombs shared a hand pieced quilt made by her grandmother, Hettie Ussery, that Donna then hand quilted!

Wanda Cockrill made one of the 3 yard quilts and has called it Spring is Here.

Pam Brown displayed a beautiful quilt using several shades of brown.

Sue Womack had a teddy bear quilt from her husband’s shirts. She also showed her quilt Picking up the Pieces.

Boneta Hollis brought the first quilt she had ever made following a quilting class.

Mary Jane Beard stated her parents dated for two months and were given a wedding quilt in 1935— someone was very well prepared!! She stated that her aunt’s initials are in the quilt so perhaps she was one who helped prepare this quilt present.

Jan Partain displayed her Hotsie Totsie quilt that she completed in 2009. She contrasted the colors of the heritage quilts others were showing to the bright colors

of her own and voiced her interest in what her descendants might say about it many years from now.

Leah Sample and Eddie Landreth sent a cheerfully colored Friendship quilt.

Meg Cullum shared a quilt that she made when only 10 years of age made from her own clothing in a Sunbonnet Sue pattern that she has named Little Meg’s Year. She also showed an Irish Chain quilt that her grandmother made using pink and added that it had to have been made when she was young as she no longer likes the color pink. Meg brought her Scattered Rainbow quilt that she has made for a one week old baby! What a nice present.

Cynthia Quick shared a quilt made by several friends about ten years ago in a Round Robin challenge.

Cindy Barszczewski brought a block sampler of a Chick a Dee.

Nola Ballinger shared a red and white colored quilt made by her grandmother, who died in 1934. The quilt has matching pillowcases. She asked if anyone knew the name of the pattern; which looks like appliqued thistles or coxcombs or feathers. The interesting side bit of information was that someone added a ruffle to the quilt at an unknown date. Nola also had an Aunt Nola who hand tied a quilt made from flour sacks for summer use.

Cloie Morgan showed a turtle wall hanging and a wedding quilt made of teals, blue and purple with an elaborate monogram of the letter “W” in the center.

BUSINESS

Minutes: No corrections or additions to minutes were offered. A move was made and seconded to approve the minutes as written. The vote was passed.

Treasurer’s Report: Treasurer Kim Lotz provided this report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Programs & Workshops: Debbie Spinks, Co-Chair reviewed the scheduled calendar:

**In June, Aileen Anderson will present a workshop on wool and other fabrics on a linen background for the price of \$40. All supplies required will be included in kits that she has available for an additional \$30. A “Morgan No-Slip” hoop was recommended to bring as well as a pair of scissors.

MINUTES

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**July's meeting will start with a showing of UFO's and each will have a required minimum bid. This will be followed during the same meeting by the presenting of a yard sale.

Community Service: Alicia Bell, Chair, stated that she prepared about 43 kits and that there are 20 kits available. There are directions provided in the kits telling how to make economy binding. However, some members voiced concern that the binding is very narrow and difficult to work with. The kits are pre-cut using only enough fabric for the economy binding. Possible solutions include using some of your own fabric, or purchasing additional fabric to make the customary width binding.

Fundraising: Boneta Hollis, Chair, reported:

**Name Tags: Can be purchased at a price of \$12 each.

**T-shirts with the saying "Quilters Always Press to the Dark Side": The best price for the T-shirts is when an order is placed for a minimum of 20 shirts. Fewer T-shirts could be ordered but would cost more.

**One idea for a fund raiser was to purchase batting at wholesale and then sell to members at a slight profit. Feedback was requested at the next AQQ meeting.

Hostess: Judy Stewart announced that tonight there were 34 members present and four guests – one all the way from California! There were no fabric exchanges this evening due to the special event planned. Door prize winners were Donna Clements and Alina Polta. The fabric exchange for June will be a strip the length of the fabric.

Membership: Mary Jane Beard, Chair, proudly shared that there are now 115 paid members for 2016. (The goal remains to have 160 paid members).

Sunshine: The mother of Jim Gatling recently had a stroke and is in the hospital.

NEW BUSINESS

Alina Polta shared that Dave's Retreats, located at Heifer International, was really delightful. AQQ was represented by 10 of the 15 people who attended the retreat. Alina stated that Dave is planning to have additional retreats and recommended that members consider going as there were multiple opportunities to do more than simply quilt – you could milk a goat, tour 'the village', go on a hay-ride, attend a camp fire, and other offerings. She also shared that the meals were great.

Meeting was closed at 7:26 p.m.

JULY IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER!

Start your culling process now and set aside unwanted items (and UFOs!) for the July yard sale. Instead of a speaker, we'll make shopping our program!

Someone's trash is another one's treasures, so start gathering those treasures for July now!



MAKE A PATRIOTIC QUILT IN JULY!

If you run across lots of red, white and blue fabric while you're gathering pairs of 2 1/2" strips for the fabric drawing next month, here's a website for you:

http://www.connectingthreads.com/patterns/Stars_of_Vvalor_Quilt_Pattern_Download_D991577.html

The free friendship block pattern is perfect for scraps and makes a nice throw at 57" X 65". It would be a wonderful donation to the Quilts of Valor project.

This site offers pages of free projects and quilt patterns. It's a fun place to browse when thinking of starting a new project.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

2016

- June 3-4 QUILT TULSA 2016, Tulsa Fairgrounds. More info here: 2016 Quilt Show|Green Country Quilters Guild. Over 60 vendors and lots to see! Check out this link for more info: <http://www.greencountryquiltersguild.com/gcqqg-quilt-shows/2016-quilt-show/>.
- June 17-18 36th Annual Smoky Mountain Quilters of TN Quilt Show and Competition. Entry deadline for competition is May 3, 2016. For more information see website www.smokymtnquilters.com.
- October 11 - December 13 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

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- September 7-9 QUILT ARKANSAS retreat at the 4-H Center in Ferndale: "Raining Cats and Dogs."

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

Tamra Burdette	June 1
Jackie Bibbs	June 2
Kay Agee	June 4
Mary Anne Burleson	June 5
Beth Freeman	June 6
Jenny Lee Shumate	June 6
Andrea Fuss	June 12
Bo Mittelstaedt	June 12
Delorse Richards	June 14
Wanda Cockrell	June 21
Helen Hall	June 21
Sherri Webb	June 23
Kim Lotz	June 24
Shirley Clark	June 27
Darcy Pattison	June 28
Meg Cullum	June 25



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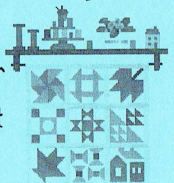
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AQG Exchanges 2016

- February** - Red fat quarter
- March** - 6 1/2" square - 5 of same fabric
- April** - 3 1/2" Half square triangle - 4 of same fabric (one side light/cream)
- May** - 6 1/2" four patch - 4 of same fabrics
- June** - 2 1/2" strips - 2 of same fabric
- 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

Try our challenge: Use all of the above in one top! Size is up to you. The red, cream/light and green fat quarters can be used as a whole piece or cut up.

Bring the top to the December meeting for a chance at a prize!! See Judy or Sally at the Hostess table if you have questions.



DISCOVER AILEEN ANDERSON

Our June teacher is a woman with many interests! Find and follow her on Pinterest (<https://www.pinterest.com/badgeraileen/quilts-quilting>) and you'll see she has many boards with pins for Wool Applique, Stained Glass, Fiber, Hooked Rugs, Vintage Cards, Baskets, Cats, Dolls, Felting, Pottery, Home Décor and Food.

She teaches/has taught rug hooking at camps and workshops across the state and even has an eBay store for wool (stores.ebay.com/Aileens-Wool-Shop) and blog (arkansasrughooking.blogspot.com).

Check her out on Facebook as well, and you'll surely want to register for the June workshop.



**AILEEN ANDERSON WORKSHOP
“CREATIVE TECHNIQUES FOR WOOL APPLIQUÉ”**

**Monday, June 13, 2016
10:00 am**

North Little Rock Community Center

In this class we will create a flower basket filled with dimensional appliquéd flowers. This will be appliquéd to a base of hand dyed linen. It then may be finished as a small pillow or mat. Kits will be provided that contain threads, wool, linen and needles. All students need to bring are scissors and a 12-inch quilt hoop. NOTE: Aileen likes a Morgan No-slip Hoop.

Cost for the workshop is \$40. Kit fee cost will be \$30 paid to Aileen on the day of the workshop.

Aileen will then give a lecture in the evening for our regular meeting program.

WORKSHOP REGISTRATION

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Once your registration and workshop fee (\$40) is received, a confirmation will be sent to you. The Kit Fee (\$30) will be paid to Aileen on the day of the workshop.

MAIL REGISTRATION TO:

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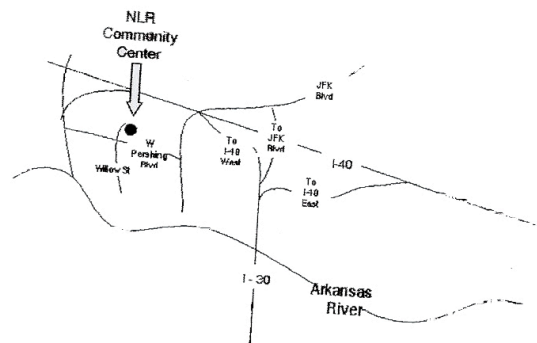
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The NLRCC is located at 2700 Willow in North Little Rock which is near the I-30/I-40 interchange. Get off I-30 or I-40 at JFK. Go south to Pershing Boulevard. Turn right. Follow Pershing to Willow. It's on the right facing the new Patrick Hays Senior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