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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!

We had a wonderful first meeting of the New Year. I thoroughly enjoyed learning more about Desi and Betty, their quilt journeys and the story of Blossom's. That was a great quilt shop! :) What Betty and Desi said about the best part of quilting being about the people is so true!

Quilters are some of the most amazing, kind and generous people you will ever come across. If you have a chance to attend quilt retreats or join a knot, I highly recommend it. Connecting with fellow quilters and making long lasting friendships is a real treat.

If you are new to the guild or have been one of our quiet members who hasn't made any connections yet...try and come to social hour before the monthly meeting starts. That is where we can really meet new friends and other quilters who may be looking for new friends also.

We all have one thing in common...QUILTING! Whether we are beginners or long time quilters, we will share that bond!

Until Next Month...Keep Stitching!
Alina Polta

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

AQG Board Meeting: Thursday, February 9, 2017, 6 p.m., Whole Hog Cafe, 2516 Cantrell, Little Rock, AR 72202.

AQG Meeting: Monday, February 13, 2017, 6:30 p.m., North Little Rock Community Center, 2700 Willow, North Little Rock, Arkansas. "AQG Goes to the Movies." Quilts of Gee's Bend is shown.



JANUARY 2017 PROGRAM MEET YOUR MEMBERS

It's confirmed once and for all: there are some wild and crazy gals in our merry band of quilters, and Desi Gipson and Betty Bradford led the parade at the January meeting. Among other accomplishments, they're known for their cheerful faces at the famous but no more Blossom Quiltworks in North Little Rock (although you can still see Facebook posts from 2009).

Desi's passion began with knitting and cross stitch, but she observed that needlework is a gateway drug to quilting. She found lots of kindred spirits who loved to travel and BUY FABRIC. On her first bus trip, for example, she'd budgeted \$300, an amount she'd thought was generous – but it was skimpy compared to the \$1,000 her fellow travelers spent. That extravagance extended to the meals they cooked at their retreats, using massive quantities of butter – like 6 pounds in two days at Myrtle Beach.

Those over-the-top Bright Blossom Babes excelled in extreme scrappiness and wild colors.

Desi feels that she's always slept under the love, prayers, and best wishes of her grandmother, who gave her a new quilt every other year, all 11 of them cut from old dresses with paper-bag templates and stitched by hand.

She likes the instant gratification of making pillow cases and loves making one-block-wonder blocks, but finishing the quilts, not so much. In fact, she has 30 tops not yet quilted, along with 10 she's quilted herself and 32 rag quilts AND 42 receipts from quilters. Pretty prolific!

Her resolution for the new year is to label her quilts.

Betty said as a child she had what we now call ADHD – but back then, she was just “a pain in the ass.” Her teachers had her knit during class so she could concentrate. Then, like Desi, she took up cross stitch, but quilting was the hobby that really “took.”

She started repurposing the jeans of her three boys into utilitarian quilts to take to soccer games. Her pattern was simple and didn't require much cutting, since the pieces were the size of small children's jeans legs. The quilts were in much demand by the other soccer moms, who considered her an expert.

Betty watched Quilt in a Day, which she decided was a lie – really false advertising. Like Desi, she was also influenced by Shari Sherman, a good appliquer. It wasn't long before she tackled a huge (still unfinished) paper-pieced star with a jillion pieces, which she enjoyed since she likes math and it was a puzzle.

She showed a bulls eye quilt in cowboy fabric with several made-up cattle brands, a Lone Star quilted by Debbie Haley, one with lots and lots of tiny half-square triangles, and a “serious” masterpiece. Betty said at their shop, they saw quilters at their best and their worst – but there were no mean quilters and not a single check ever bounced. She observed that you never know what tomorrow will bring; you only have now.

So let's get quilting!

Respectfully submitted,
Jan Partain, Program Scribe

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.”

ARKANSAS QUILTERS GUILD

2017 PROGRAM GUIDE

February 13, 2017

“AQG Goes to the Movies.” Quilts of Gee's Bend is shown. Singer FEATHERWEIGHT Machine Auction

March 13, 2017

Meet Your Members – Shannon Young. Workshop during the day.

March 18, 2017

National Quilting Day

April 10, 2017

Donna Lynn Thomas Workshops. Saturday – Garden Glory. Sunday – Pine Tree Topper. Lecture at Monday meeting.

June 12, 2017

Aileen Anderson – Workshop and Lecture.

September 11, 2017

Catherine Redford

FAT QUARTER DRAWING IS BACK!

February color: PINK or RED

Bring your entries and good luck!

UPCOMING PROGRAMS INFORMATION

February program will be a 28 minute video of the Quilts of Gee's Bend. The quilting tradition in Gee's Bend goes back to the 19th century. Gee's Bend women made quilts to keep themselves and their children warm in unheated homes that lacked running water, telephones and electricity. Along the way they developed a distinctive style. The Quilts of Gee's Bend are considered to be unique and one of the most important African American visual and cultural contributions to the history of art within the United States.

March there will be a workshop presented by guild member Shannon Young, March 13, 10 am - 3pm. Pattern will be Feather Bed Quilt by Anna Maria Horner. The pattern is free and downloadable from link in the supply list given at sign up. \$15 class fee for members. We are happy to have Pinwheel Fabric to vend for us at the guild's March meeting.

April we will host Donna Lynn Thomas for a two day workshop and program lecture. More info about Donna at her website: donnalynnthomasquilter.com. The workshops will be Saturday, April 8, featuring the pattern Garden Glory and Sunday, April 9, featuring Pine Tree Topper. Lecture from Donna, Monday, April 10, guild meeting. More info and pictures will be available at sign up table at February and March meetings.

Cindy Barszczewski - program- cbarszc@gmail.com
Sue Womack - workshop - suemay23@yahoo.com

NATIONAL QUILTING DAY

National Quilting Day is Saturday, March 18. AQG will celebrate the day by hosting quilt demos at Historic Arkansas Museum, from 10:00-3:00. Cindy Barszczewski and Sue Womack will do a demo of charm square coasters, and Sammie Sue Harrill plans to do a demo. Please consider volunteering to help by doing a simple demo of a quilting technique – binding, applique, a simple block, or whatever you think would be fun to talk with visitors about. It is a great way to show the public why we love quilting and why they should learn more about it. We are provided tables and power strips and I provide lunch.

Contact Riley Middaugh for more information - ram0220@aol.com.

2016 CHALLENGES

Please bring your 2016 challenges to the MARCH meeting as part of the program; we want to see the differences when making the same pattern in different fabrics or different patterns in the same fabrics.

AQG COMMUNITY SERVICE SIT & SEW

If you'd like to donate time to the quilts being made for The Call foster kids, please come to the meeting room at 10 am or after on Feb 13. (I will not be able to attend, but Mary Jane and Judy will be there to open up the room.) You can plan to work on cutting, kitting, sewing, quilting or binding! There are projects in every stage.

I will attend the 3rd Saturday Sit & Sew at BH Southwest Hospital, bringing fabric for kitting.

Thanks for helping!

Alicia
501-282-5798 or cwarbell@hotmail.com~

CHALLENGE 2017

Consider rising to the challenge and making a donation quilt at the same time! Sherri Dodds (sewangelic@sbcglobal.net) has chosen a fabric which must appear in the 12.5" unfinished block for the January challenge. Bring your block to the February meeting to show and/or enter in a drawing. We will see challenge blocks and more details in the coming month. Stay tuned.

LET PAT KNOW

The new Sunshine chair wants to know when any member should receive a card or correspondence from the guild. E-mail her at Pat.Crawford@me.com (with "AQG" in the subject line) or call her at 501-690-0395.



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.

ADD AQG TO YOUR CAR!

Boneta will be offering the coolest car tag for AQG members:

You can order one for your car's front bumper for only \$27.

Also coming in the near future: Hobbs 80/20 batting: 3yards for \$20.

See Boneta at the February meeting.



SINGER FEATHERWEIGHT AUCTION

I will have all 7 machines (and the table) at the next meeting at 5:30 for folks to examine. Silent Auction. Minimum bid is listed on the sheet. Bids will raise in \$10 increments. The Orphan and the table that goes with Crystal are not pictured.

Angie Heifner
501 765-4814

Birm, AF578396, \$300 – Bought and serviced in Birmingham, AL, in 1997.

Benton, AJ917710, \$150 – Bought in Benton from Alice Payne. A Centennial, New Style case. With buttonhole attachment and manuals. Motor is weak. Had motor worked on but it still needs to be rewound.

Fordyce, AF055206, \$300 – Bought in Fordyce from Mrs. McCollum. Old Style case. Several attachments.

Oregon, AE216591, \$325 – Bought from Paul Biddle, Grants Pass, OR, on Ebay. Came with numerous attachments, 20 bobbins, zigzag attachment and manual, manual from model 66 and manual for postwar FW, control wire not original.

Carolyn, AL017740, \$342 – Bought from C. Stopyra, Belleville, IL, on Ebay. Came with numerous Griest attachments and Singer buttonholer. Excellent New Style case.

Crystal, AJ618981, \$330 – Bought from Velma Thompson at New Town Antique Shoppes, NLR. Came with table and manual in New Style case.

Orphan, AH316642, \$100 – Bought from Reed Pawn Shop, Star City. New Style case.



ARKANSAS QUILTERS GUILD
MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING
9 JANUARY, 2017

The Guild meeting was called to order at 6:34pm by President Alina Polta.

Minutes: Request made for any corrections or additions to minutes for December but none offered. Leah Sample moved to approve the minutes as written/available in the computer and Susi Olson seconded the move. The vote was made to approve minutes.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Mary Jane Beard reviewed the report. Mary Jane expressed her Thank you's to Lavern, Boneta and all the others who helped make the auction happen, to be such a success, and to all who purchased items at the auction. The Guild members joined in applause.

Committee Reports

Quilt Show: Mary Jane Beard and Judy Young, Chairs. Ms. Beard invited the creators of the quilts that won ribbons at the Quilt Show to come forward with their quilts, and prize winning ribbons, to show to the others. More than 700 votes were tallied to select these winners! She expressed the hope that this quilt show will be repeated again this year.

Programs & Workshops: Cindy Barszczewski and Sue Womack, Co-Chairs. Carol Hart and Pam Brown, Assistants. Ms. Barszczewski shared the program guide for 2017 and 2018. Shannon Young displayed several feather blocks that she will be teaching others how to make in her program in March.

Challenges: Sherri Dodds, Chair, reminded all that the first challenge for 2017 is to make a 12.5 inch block using a swath of fabric that you can get from her. Use the provided fabric in any way and in any amount in order to make a block of your choice. You can add your own fabrics to complete a 12.5 inch block. Bring your completed block to the February meeting. At that time, all the blocks will be shown and a drawing will be held. The winner of the drawing gets all the blocks that are turned in. (You may keep your own block if you prefer.) If you do win all the blocks, we hope that you will make a quilt and share it with the rest of the Guild.

Challenge quilts for 2016 (same pattern, different material or same material, different patterns) are to be shown at the March meeting.

Community Service: Alicia Bell, Chair, shared that the Guild has completed 75 quilts for The Call (a group supporting foster care in Arkansas). She has additional fabric but would like assistance to prepare kits for next year. She requested help to do this, perhaps at the next Sit N Sew, and would like to make as many kits as

possible. Alicia stated that she has 5 Lone Star quilts to be quilted. She might run out of backing material but has lots of batting still. She plans to improve her record keeping this year of who takes a kit vs. who returns it and would also like to have two drawings for prizes this year for those who turn in a quilt top or provide quilting. Alicia asked if anyone would be able to volunteer to open the Guild room on Monday mornings for the Sit N Sew since she works on Mondays.

Membership: Judy Steward, Chair. Judy reported that there are already 65 paid members for the year 2017, and reminded all that President Polta has a goal of 160 members.

Fundraising: Boneta Hollis, Chair, shared that she has arranged to have license plates with the AQG logo printed on it available for purchase. She plans to begin preparing the quilt batting (cutting and bagging 3 yard sections) for purchase.

Quilt Arkansas 2017: Angie Heifner, Chair. Riley Middaugh, Treasurer. Angie informed the Board members that registration will begin on the first of February. She shared that her father has agreed to allow the sale of several Featherweight sewing machines during a Silent Auction with the opening bid being the price that he paid to purchase them initially. Any additional money brought in he plans to donate to the Guild. Angie will place information about these sewing machines on the web site to provide individuals with ability to review and decide which ones they would like to bid on to buy, as well as the amount of money that they are willing to pay. If the weather is a problem next month, then Angie will postpone the silent auction until March. Angie plugged membership stating that she attended a function and met an AQG member there. Angie was already interested in quilting, but because the AQG member was so friendly and helpful, Angie decided to attend a meeting. Subsequently, she became a member herself!

Hostess: Sheri Williams and Heather Danridge, Co-Chairs. Sheri announced that there are 62 members and 8 guests present this evening. The member who brought the most guests during 2016 was Alina Polta who brought 4 guests and even is credited with the addition of one new member! A drawing was made using the names of all members who brought a guest during last year and Elaine Green was the winner. The fat quarter fabric exchanges will resume each month and for February it is to be either red or pink colored fabric. Door prize winners were Pat Crawford, Karen Alexander, and Gloria Ralston. Sheri requested that all

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members check out the ‘freebie’ table to “look at stuff and bring in stuff.” She also requested that members check to learn if they have things that they would like to donate for door prizes.

Sunshine: Pat Crawford, Chair. Pat asked everyone to please let her know of those to whom cards should be sent or if there is an occasion when flowers might be more appropriate.

Old Business: Nothing was brought up for discussion.

New Business: Riley Middaugh reminded the Guild that the third Saturday in March is National Quilting Day and requested people contact her if they would be willing to provide demonstrations in the foyer during the show.

SHOW AND TELL

Melissa Landreth brought her Dance of the Dragonflies, made from a kit by Joann Hoffman that Melissa wrote “saw it, wanted it, bought it.” She started it at AWOL last fall and it was custom quilted by ‘her honey’.

Virginia Byrd stated that she won a jelly roll as the Guild meeting’s door prize and she wanted to try a ‘lasagna’ method while making Destiny’s Heart. She then got a heart shape to fuse/applique, so it was added as a cute finishing touch. Virginia brought free samples that Quilts Mart provided for her to bring to the Guild meeting for others to try this method of applique. Our Thank-you’s to both Virginia and Quilts Mart for the samples.

Sherry Williams used blue, orange, and yellow fabrics to make a 9 patch quilt called Sunshine and Posies for a friend in Minnesota who is fighting cancer. It has a flannel backing for warmth. The cheerful sunflowers and iris should bring warmth and happiness to her friend.

Sally Martens generously brought five (5) donations quilts that she made using her fabric scraps; the patterns included tumbling blocks, mice, Dutch children, and polka dots. She challenged others to create donation quilts since in 2016 AQG donated 75 quilts to The Call, which is less than one per member.

Debbie Gordon created a Quilt of Valor of batik fabrics and Karen Plum of Des Arc quilted it.

Hazel Rice shared that her brother brought her a “project.” He had collected Crown Royal bags and, when he thought that he had what he thought was enough, he gave them to her requesting that she make a quilt for him. She was even able to use fabric from the bags to make a border stripe. (The sheer number of purple bags made me wonder: does he work in a liquor store or bar, how long has he been collecting bags, how many friends have also collected, etc.)

Beverly Phillips stated that she could not find much to go with her floral print when she made “Orangecycle

Paradise.” The back was a cute print of flamingos. Beverly also used green and pinks in her Vintage Christmas Joy quilt. She used a flannel backing on it. Leah Sample quilted both of these. Beverly shared that she has 8 grandchildren! What a joy, but what a lot of quilts to have to make.

Jackie Bibbs brought her Flannel Lasagna, a UFO from her stash that was started years ago! She believes it was made from flannel fabric bought for \$1/yard about 15 years ago. She is graciously donating her quilt.

Lynn Fletcher made French Proventil Country as a gift for her daughter’s birthday. Leah Sample quilted it for her.

Gloria Killeen brought a book that she checked out from the local library titled Pioneer Women – Lives of Women on the Frontier by Peavy and Smith, that she thought others might enjoy reading. Her daughter Tessa proudly modeled a hat that her grandmother made for her. Sadly, the grandmother died about two years ago.

Patty Harris used bright green and red material to make her 2016 Pinwheel Christmas Quilt. It was the finished product of a Pinwheel Design Quilt. She attended the AQG class and completed the design in Christmas colors but was concerned about the right color thread to use to quilt it. Patty selected to use a variegated red and green thread and stated was happy with the result. Patty Harris and **Peggy Kelly** stated that their Quilt Knot met and selected to make a New Year’s Day 2016 Mystery Quilt called Oregon Ducks. They used the Janet Wickells mystery quilt instructions. Peggy added the “Oregon” screen print logo on part of the quilt. It will be for her grandson Connor because he is a major Oregon Ducks fan! There is a matching body pillow that was quilted and nicely accents the quilt. Patty Harris and **Hannah Decter**, her daughter, also made the New Year’s Day 2016 Mystery Quilt by Janet Wickell. They did not know how the blocks would assemble until they followed the internet instructions. They used blue and brown fabrics to match the colors of the bedroom of her mother-in-law. This will be a gift for a 50th Wedding Anniversary.

Adjourned around 7:30 pm.

Submitted (at great length) by me!
Cynthia Quick, Secretary



Arkansas Quilters Guild Workshop

Monday, March 13, 10 AM – 3 PM

Feather Bed Quilt – a pattern by Anna Maria Horner

Taught by Shannon Young at the
North Little Rock Community Center

Fees: \$15 for AQG members, \$20 for non members



feather bed quilt
by anna maria horner

This class will show you how to construct the feather block and give you several ideas on how to put the blocks together to form a stunning quilt. You will be able to finish several blocks in class.

Skill level – PAIN IN THE @\$, but doable! It’s more a question of patience than skill. This isn’t something that you can speed through.

Please fill out the registration form below and return it to Cindy Barszczewski along with a check made payable to Arkansas Quilters Guild. Space is limited. Registration must be received by March 6, 2017.

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REGISTRATION FOR MARCH AQG WORKSHOP – FEATHER BED QUILT

Monday, March 13 from 10AM – 3 PM at the NLR Community Center

Name: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____ cell / home

AQG Member? Yes / No

Please enclose your payment: \$15 for AQG members, \$20 for non members.

**THE FEATHER BED QUILT BY ANNA MARIA HORNER
 TAUGHT BY SHANNON YOUNG FOR ARKANSAS QUILTERS GUILD
 MONDAY, MARCH 13, 10AM – 3PM AT THE NLR COMMUNITY CENTER**

SUPPLY LIST:

- Your sewing machine in good working order. Don't forget the power cord, foot pedal, bobbin, etc.
- Standard sewing foot and ¼" foot
- Piecing thread
- Pins
- 24" quilters ruler
- Rotary cutter with sharp blade
- Cutting mat
- Freezer paper
- Pencil
- Fabric marker – get something that will come out of your fabric and that you can see against YOUR BACKGROUND fabric
- Iron
- Ironing Mat
- Extension cord
- Starch (if you like starch. I like starch.)
- Scissors for paper
- Scissors for fabric
- Scotch tape

FABRIC REQUIREMENTS:

This is always a sticky wicket. I don't like to ask students to buy fabric for an entire quilt. Please see the pattern information for fabric requirements. It really depends on how you lay out your quilt and what size quilt you want. I would think you'd need at least 20 feathers for a throw sized quilt.

For class please bring at least 2 yards of background fabric. We probably won't use that much but it's a safe bet you will use it all and more if you plan to finish this project even as a small quilt. I'm using a light grunge print for background but you can use whatever color low volume print you like.

For the multi fabric feathers you will need fabric strips that are length of fabric. You can use shorter but length of fabric is best. Maximum width on strips is 3". You'll need to sew strips together lengthwise to make a strata that is at least 13" tall from which to cut feathers. I'd like you to have three strata for the class. So LOTS of strips from 1" – 3" in width and all length of fabric. Please arrive at class with enough strips cut to sew a 13" strata. You can bring fabric and cut more strips in class.

If you have fat quarters or big scraps of prints you love please feel free to bring those. You can use some for "solid" feather sides. It's a good idea to make some solid feather sides because it makes for faster feathers.

A ½ yard of stem fabric should be plenty. Make sure your stem fabric is a different value than your background and the majority of your feather fabric.

THE PATTERN:

This is a free pattern available on the internet at <https://annamariahornersquarespace.com/s/FeatherBedQuilt1.pdf>

You can print your own copy and peruse it before class. If you'd rather me bring you a copy on class day please let me know and I can print yours for a \$2.00 fee payable in cash on the day of the class. (Printing it for you involves a trip to the library for me to use their computer and printer, and they charge a fee for printing.) I'm happy to do it but do let me know at least a week before class that you'd like me to bring you a copy of the pattern.

About our day together: The kitchen attached to our meeting room will be available throughout the day. Please feel free to bring snacks for sharing. Bring your favorite drink(s) as well. You can bring your lunch or go out for it. I will be in the meeting room the whole time and can keep your sewing goodies safe. As a courtesy to your fellow students, please do not bring children or friends to class, do not chat on your phone while in class, and plan to keep your phone on silent/vibrate during class.

Do email or text me with questions: sly7181@gmail.com, (501) 690-7664.

WE WILL GET THROUGH THIS TOGETHER!!

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

2017

- January 21 AQG Third Saturday Sit & Sew held all day at the Baptist Health Southwest Campus, 11401 Interstate 30, Exit 128, Little Rock, AR.
- February 10-12 Dave's Quilting Retreat at Heifer Ranch: A sit and sew taken to near luxury level! Register here: <http://www.davesretreats.com/CabinFever>.
- February 13 AQG Sit & Sew at the NLR CC Meeting Room from 10 am til meeting time.
- February 18 AQG Third Saturday Sit & Sew held all day at the Baptist Health Southwest Campus, 11401 Interstate 30, Exit 128, Little Rock, AR.
- March 13 10a-3p Feather Bed Quilt class by Shannon Young at the NLR Community Center. See pp 7-8.
- March 18 National Quilting Day with AQG demos and tables from 10am - 3pm at the downtown Historic Arkansas Museum. See Riley Middaugh to join in the fun.
- April 7-8 NW ARK QUILT SHOW, Metroplex Event Center, 881 Metroplex Dr., Springdale, AR 72762. For info, www.quiltguildnwa.edublogs.org and click on QUILT Show.
- April 8, 2017 "Garden Glory" class with Donna Lynn Thomas at Baptist Health SW campus.
- April 9, 2017 "Pine Tree Topper" class with Donna Lynn Thomas at the Baptist Health SW campus
- September 7-9 QUILT ARKANSAS retreat at the 4-H Center in Ferndale: "Raining Cats and Dogs."

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

Becky Butler	February 13
Sue Hankins	February 15
Mary Peck	February 17
Sammye Harrill	February 19
Riley Middaugh	February 20
Wilma Richter	February 21
Sherry Williams	February 21
Deanna Taber	February 22

Welcome New Members

Kathy Ewell
Debbie Haley
Roanne Motley
Gloria Ralston
Brenda Wall

Arkansas Man Quilter
"Quilting With A Difference"
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the bed-warmer
Quilt and Sew

Shellie Blake
 17270 Interstate 30 Suite 9
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 501-860-6176

*** Next to Tinseltown Theaters ***
 Authorized PFAFF dealer - Fabric - Notions





Pre-Furred Quilts

Donna Lynn Thomas
quilt designer, lecturer, instructor, author



Come join us for 2 fun-filled workshops with Donna Thomas in April, 2017!
Believing that piecing quilts should be a pleasure, not a fight, her focus is on skills mastery and techniques that enable her students to enjoy frustration-free sewing.



“Garden Glory”

63 3/8” X 63 3/8”

When: Saturday, April 8, 2017
9:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Where: Baptist Health Southwest Campus
Little Rock, AR

Cost: \$50.00 Members (\$80.00 for both)
\$60.00 Nonmembers

“Pine Tree Topper”

22 inches square

When: Sunday, April 9, 2017
9:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Where: Baptist Health Southwest Campus
Little Rock, AR

Cost: \$50.00 Members (\$80.00 for both)
\$60.00 Nonmembers

Requires Omnigridd On-Point Ruler
(\$20.00, purchased in class)



PRE-FURRED QUILTS WORKSHOP REGISTRATION

Name _____
 Address _____
 Telephone _____

Garden Glory

Saturday, April 8, 2017

Class Fee: \$50 Member (\$40 for both) _____
 \$60 Non-member _____

Pine Tree Topper

Sunday, April 9, 2017

Class Fee: \$50 Member (\$40 for both) _____
 \$60 Non-member _____

Total Due: _____

Once your registration has been received, a confirmation will be sent to you along with a list of general supplies that you will need to bring with you.

I look forward to seeing you there. I know it will be a fun time. Thank you for supporting Arkansas Quilters Guild.

Don't forget to plan on attending the April Guild meeting on Monday, April 10th to hear Donna's lecture. Social hour starts at 5:30 PM.

Mail your registration to:
 Debbie Spinks
 1 Wayside Dr.
 Sherwood, AR 72120

FEBRUARY MEETING SNACKS



Members with last name starting with J-L

IMMEDIATE OPENINGS

Please consider volunteering to help your guild with:

PROPERTY – This means keeping up with the quilt racks between meetings as well as bringing them to guild functions when needed.

PROGRAM NOTES – Skilled at taking notes? Simply describe the program in an e-mail so it can be printed in the newsletter. You'll get the details and write them up for the attending members to share and for the absent members to enjoy.

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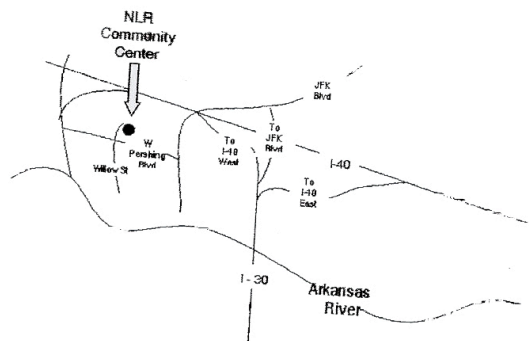
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