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President's Corner

Happy Summer and Welcome July!

It seemed like the month of June hung in the air, much like stormy weather. Hot and stifling then cooler and rainy; stormy. I feel that way myself at times and maybe you do too. One of my daily readings, "When the seas are angry, progress ceases. But when the storms are stilled, seaports bustle with activity: shipbuilding, conversation and laughter, buying and trading ... all the things that make for a great life. One of the greatest contributions a leader can make is to *increase morale and culture* through restoring people's relationships." That is my hope and goal because the same is true for us. Let's work together to build a safe and friendly culture to pave the road for future quilting.

The July birth month flower is Larkspur. Larkspur flowers are beautiful and delicate flowers that hold significant meaning, symbolism, and spiritual significance. Blue is the most common color and symbolizes dignity, grace, trust, youth, new beginnings and reminiscence. Let's work together to be like Blue Larkspur.



Fireworks or Fizzle?

The Quilters Mingle was marvelous! Sit 'N Sew was splendid! Let's continue to work together to make our 40th Anniversary year a BLAST with a sensational Quilt Show! What do you have in your keeping that you have been entrusted with? Could it be teaching talent, the energy to labor, organizational smarts, technical savvy with computers, or some expertise? Maybe it's extra time, the gift of leadership skills, or hospitality? Are you going to keep it or are you going to share it and help to continue building a healthy, safe and fun quilting guild?



"Quilters....cut with hope, stitch with grace, quilt with dreams, bind with laughter, share with love."

Truly Yours,
Rosita Forster

1984 – 2023
40th Anniversary of
Hill 'N Hollow Quilters Guild

In the spring of 1983, Phyllis Speer and Paula Vines first met at Mountain View during the Ozark Folk Center Quilt Show, and the decision was made to organize a quilters guild in Mountain Home. In October of that year, an organizational meeting was attended by eight women and officers were elected with Phyllis as President.

The first official meeting was held on January 6, 1984 at the Presbyterian Church with 29 interested quilters attending.

After the initial meeting in January of 1984, these energetic and enthusiastic quilters jumped right into the following activities:

- Produced a newsletter for members called "The Howl".
- Participated in a quilt block design contest won by Flo Malaney.
- Beginning quilting classes were offered and taught by Paula Vines.
- Offered the Guild's first workshop by Geri Wechter on Applique and Trapunto.
- Paula Vines presented a program about quilting to the members of the Coterie Club.
- Members produced the first fundraising quilt, which was a log cabin with a barn-raising setting.

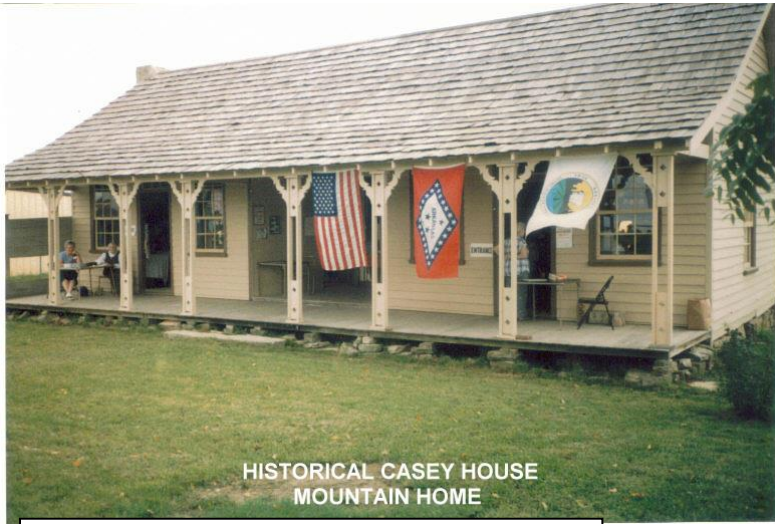


Phyllis Speer & Paula Vines hand quilting the Guild's first fundraising quilt.

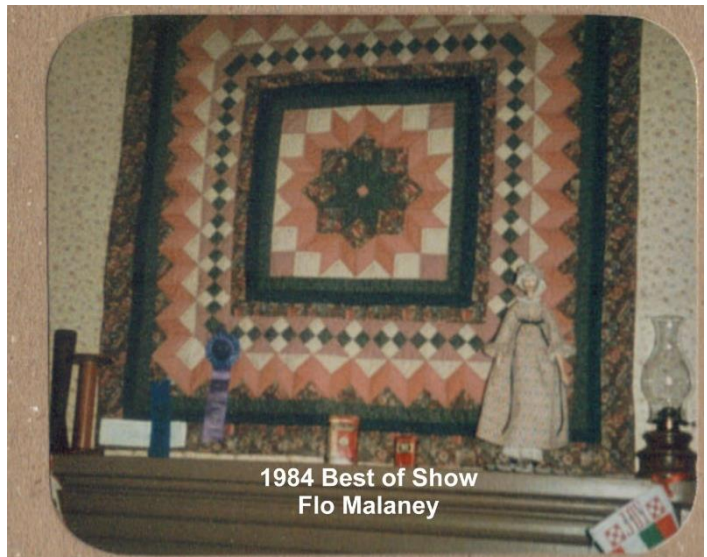
- The Guild's major service project was to produce a quilt show to education the community about the art of quilting. The show was held October 5, 6, and 7, 1984, at the historic Casey House located on the Baxter County Fairgrounds.
- Flo Malaney's wall hanging won Best of Show, which she sold to a show visitor.



Guild's first fundraising quilt – 1984.



Casey House where quilt shows were held 1984-1990.



1984 Best of Show.

Mark Your Calendar!!

Attention Hill 'N Hollow Hand Quilters:

The Historical Society is planning a "SesquiDay!" event on September 9, 2023 as part of celebrating the Sesquicentennial-- 150th Anniversary of Baxter County. It will be an old-time festival at Rapp's Barren Pioneer Settlement in Cooper Park, Mountain Home.

They would like to have a traditional hand-sewn quilting demonstration going on throughout the day from about 9 am to 4 pm. It could either be outdoors under a canopy, or possibly going on inside one of their buildings-- like the Shady Grove Schoolhouse.

They envision a rotation of 6 to 8 ladies, working on a quilt throughout the day with teams of 2 ladies at a time for an hour or so, and sharing quilting information with the public while they work (answering basic questions). After a set period a couple more quilters could take their place, so no one would have to do a long, tiring session.

The Historical Society also needs help in finding a quilting frame (they have an antique one, but it would need some work) and a quilt for the demonstrators to be working on.

Besides the quilt demo they will have music, square dancing, Native American culture, chuck wagon cooking, the Confederate cannon battery and such things going on at the location. There will also be food vendors.

This will be a good promotion opportunity for our Guild and the Historical Society. If you are interested in participating in this event, have a quilting frame and or a quilt for the demonstrators to work on, please get in touch with me as soon as possible so that I can provide you with contact information.

As of the June Guild Meeting announcement of this celebration, I have been contacted by 3 ladies who are interested in participating. Several more are needed --- thanks for your consideration!

Sew on and sew forth!
Rosita Forster

Community Quilt News

Sandra Beasley delivered more quilts. First is the Baxter Health Nursery and Angie Padgett RN Charge Nurse accepting them. Just as a sideline she told me she has worked in OB for 23 years.



Next was a delivery to Serenity. The girl there did not care to have her name used. And, last but not least, a delivery of a twin sized quilt to Alpha House made by Loretta Zortman in memory of Lucas. The quilt was accepted by Andrew Calvert, who was pleased as punch to get it! 😊



Here is another photo from a recent quilt donation to “The CALL”. They are always so thrilled to get the quilts!!!

2023 Quilt Challenge

Speaking of Community Services by our wonderful Guild members, don't forget that the quilted bags for the 2023 Quilt Challenge are going to Into the Light! Get those bags turned in at the September meeting to me. I'll have a sign-up sheet, numbers, and ballots for the judging. Let's put a little Light into the lives of these young people!!!

Diane Siddons, Quilt Challenge Chair



Meet a New Member Corner

Vicki Bynum joined our guild last year in 2022 along with her good friend Karen Walker. Both knew each other from working as nurses at Baxter Regional Hospital. They pledged to be “accountability partners” on their quilt skill-building journey.

Vicki moved to Viola, Arkansas from the small town of Boyd, Texas, in 1997. She and her husband, Jerry, met at work, and have 5 children, 3 they adopted. The older children are in their 30s, and the 3 younger adopted boys are in their teens. Chores galore help build character for this family!

Vicki and her family visited Arkansas to camp and enjoy the Natural State before they decided to move here. She worked for 10 years as a nurse at Baxter Hospital, while also running a 20 acre farm with animals and a large garden.

When not taking care of her family, farm and critters, she crocheted. She bought a small Brother sewing machine and started teaching herself to quilt. With her “accountability buddy” Karen, they decided to get serious about techniques. Vicki completed 3 quilts last year, 2 for her kids. This year she has 2 ready to be quilted, one top and 2 table toppers completed.

As if Vicki wasn't busy enough, she volunteered to serve on our Board as Secretary! Why? She wanted an insider view of who she is. She has set her goal to be inspired by teachers who enjoy their craft.

Thanks for your dedication to our guild!
Submitted by Peggy Moody



Quilt Show News

The Quilt Show welcomes Darlene Landrum to the Committee. She will be setting up Demonstrations from Vendors and Members to run during the Oct 13 & 14 Show. If you are interested in presenting a quilting tool, pattern or technique, please contact Darlene at the July 14 Quilt Show meeting, or email her at wingchunarkansas@hotmail.com.

Appraisals at the Quilt Show

Check the last page of this newsletter for a copy of the Pre-Appraisal Form for the Quilt Show. REMEMBER You need to get these in and pay Alice McElwain to have the appraisals done.

Quilters' Mingle

That's right, Quilters' Mingle could not have happened without the help from officers, committee chairs, and members at large.

Rita Bergstrom and Judith Erickson - Membership Co-Chairs; Gail Hillyard - Hospitality; Roxine Burch - Education; Peggy Moody - Communication; Rosita Forster and Patti Kratz - Raffle Quilt Donations; Jonnakay Butler - Quilt Show Chair; Jodi McCray and Mary Jo Smith - President's Quilt; Sandy Beasley - Community Quilts; Darlene Landrum, Frieda Mathe, Diana Arikan, Virginia Cornett, Sandy Butler, Janet Evans, and Patricia Kupilias - Demonstrations. Your Displays were wonderful! Dick Dupuis, Steve Landrum, and Mike Breton - Quilt Displays; Rosita Forster and husband Frank – retrieving supplies from storage, helping to setup easels, design walls, and moral support. Vickie Bynum for directing traffic to the Community Quilt Display and to all the members who helped with the room set up and take down. Your help was greatly appreciated!

Thank you, Carol Lewis

Member News

I visited with Dick Dupuis at the Quilters' Mingle and he told me about the book he wrote and after he showed me the website, I knew it needed to be shared!! I think you will all agree that Dick is truly inspirational, not just as a quilter either!!! Go to "Devotional Embers – Reading for the Elderly." Once you get there, scroll down to "Sketches" and click. There you will find a pictures of Dick, a wonderful bio and links to the different chapters of his book.

Diane Siddons – Newsletter Co-chair

Communications

We are one month away from our 40th Anniversary Show at the ASU Sheid Gallery. Set up is Aug 4th 9am. Reception 10th 4-6pm., take down is Sept. 1st 9am. Ozark Regional Arts Council is collaborating with us, and for those who contributed to the "Every Quilt Tells a Story" (2019) and "Presidents' Quilts" (2017) shows, you know the gallery space is inspiring. I have reached out to our grand seasoned quilters for their simple, more complex, and award-winning quilts to showcase. My design goal is to show quilting from easy to complex blocks; and to show the passage of time in members' work. I would love for any of our newer members to participate with their projects. It would greatly help me to organize the space if those who want to enter would



send me a picture and dimensions of the quilt. I need these photos (or descriptions) by the July guild meeting.

Our display case at the Baxter Co Library for the month of August will also show passage of time with quilting items and techniques. Thanks to all who have contributed items. If you have any items that are OLD (pin cushions, scissors, spools, SMALL antique quilts items), please bring to the July guild meeting. Monday July 31 is our set up for anyone who would like to install the display.

Peggy Moody, Chair Communications

Rosita shared the inspiration.

Tips 'N Tricks

Sharon Crozier suggested that we add this new section to our newsletter. As a Newbie, I think it's a great idea!!! So, please, share your Tips 'N Tricks with us to be include each month – Sharon Crozier at smcrozier42@gmail.com or me, Diane Siddons, at famtracer@yahoo.com.

This month's Tips 'N Tricks is from Barb Skeffington. "Let's cheat and finish the binding an Easy Way" by Stacy Lee on You Tube is very well done and easy to understand. Sharon said: "I watched this video. I've done this method on my donation quilts because I know they will be well used and washed. The closing method is great for small projects like hot pads or mug mats."

Up Coming Members Teaching Members Class

My Christmas Tree napkin class will be after the guild meeting in August. These are easy to make for yourself or as a gift. No pattern is required, just a half yard each of two contrasting fabrics will make 4 napkins.

If you haven't signed up there's still time to do so at the July meeting.

Sharon Crozier



Margie Dotson sent these to make us smile!

Sewing Advice

THEN	NOW
Prepare yourself mentally for sewing.	Wake up.
Think about what you are going to do.	Always keep a good stash of fabrics, patterns and notions ready so you can sew whatever you want, whenever the mood strikes.
Never approach sewing with a sigh or lackadaisically.	Save that attitude for housework.
Good results are difficult when indifference predominates.	Indifference is great when mending, repairing zippers, or shortening pants. If the results aren't good, people will stop asking.
Never try to sew with a sink full of dirty dishes or beds unmade.	This is good advice only if you sew with your machine in the sink or on the bed.
When there are urgent housekeeping chores, do these first so your mind is free to enjoy your sewing.	There are no urgent housekeeping chores. Just enjoy your sewing.
When you sew, make yourself as attractive as possible.	Never buy a sewing machine with a mirror in it.
Put on a clean dress.	You may sew in your jammies, but wear slippers. Otherwise, your feet will get dusty.
Keep a little bag full of French chalk near your sewing machine to dust your fingers at intervals.	What?
Have your hair in order, powder and lipstick put on.	Brush your teeth, if time permits and you remember.
If you are constantly fearful that a visitor will drop in or your husband will come home, and you will not look neatly put together, you will not enjoy your sewing.	Lock the door and don't answer the phone. If your husband comes home, you really can't refuse to let him in, but leave a number where he can order takeout.



QuiltingSewingCreating

Hospitality

The June guild meeting was fun with LOTS of goodies for us to enjoy. We gave out 10 birthday cupcakes.

There were 55 members and 3 guests in attendance.

Celine Kingsland and Emily Duncan won the door prizes. Barb Patrick won the 50/50 drawing and took home \$20.50

Don't forget to bring a goody to share if you have a birthday in July.

Hospitality co-chairs - Gail Hillyard and Ann Maus

Hill N Hollow Guild Meeting Minutes-June 9, 2023

The Guild Meeting started at 9:35 a.m. by President Rosita Forster recognizing visitors.

Birthdays and Anniversaries were acknowledged. Birthday members received fabric cupcakes.

May Guild Minutes- Rosita reminded everyone the May Guild minutes were in the Newsletter for members to review. Rosita asked if there were any questions or discussion. Diane Siddons motioned to approve; seconded by Brenda Gibson. All agreed.

Treasurer's Report – Rosita shared that the May Treasurer's Report was posted on the website for members to look at. Treasurer Celine Kingsland could provide a hard copy if needed. No questions were asked. It will be filed for audit.

Historical Society – Rosita was informed by the Historical Society that there would be a festival in Cooper Park celebrating 150th Anniversary of Baxter County. They reached out wanting to know if we had 6 to 8 hand quilters that would be willing to come out on September 9, 2023, to do a demonstration for this festival. Looking for volunteers and quilt and quilting frame.

Guild Survey – Angie Lindberg asked if everyone received the email or looked at it on the website. She explained the survey and that it would help to know how the guild felt. She will be discussing the results at next month's Guild meeting. If you do not get the survey turned in at this Guild Meeting, please mail it in immediately so that she can get the results organized.

Help Desk Available – Table was set up in back of meeting room. Vicki Kauth will be available to answer questions or be of help. She had some samples of her beautiful appliqué quilts and would be discussing them during the program today. If you have any questions or need help with quilting, then this is the place to try and get your answers!

Members Teaching Members – There is still space to sign up for classes. Stack N Whack coming up on June 22 still needs to fill up. July's class Resizing Blocks has more openings. The "Take your Quilt to the Next Level" in August has instruction sheets at the Members-Teaching-Members table.

Monthly Mini “Every Quilt Has a Story” - See Roxine Burch for more information and to sign up. There was such a great response that this was brought up and voted on at the Board Meeting. We will have two starting today. Peggy Moody and Angie Lindberg will be the first two to tell their stories.

Sit N Sew – Sit N Sew is starting back up on a trial basis. The first one is June 20th 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. It is tentatively scheduled for the 3rd Tuesday of every month for June, July, and August. Make and Take will also be happening at Sit N Sew. The June project will be Prairie Point Ornaments. See Eileen Burg to sign up TODAY.

REMINDER: Challenge Bags will be presented at the September Meeting and displayed at Quilt Show in October. Let’s have great Guild participation to benefit “Into the Light” recipients.

Quilters Mingle – Is fast approaching, set for Friday, June 16th at the Library. There will be lots of door prizes approximately every 15 minutes. Carol Lewis has done a great job getting this together! This is our 40th Anniversary as a Quilt Guild and a big reason to celebrate!

Quilt Show Committee Brief Meeting – right after we adjourn today.

Display Case Prep and the Sheid Show – Peggy Moody talked about some of her TV and ads. She praised Carol Lewis for doing a great job with Facebook and advertising our upcoming engagements. The Display Case is at the Library and the Sheid Show. The information is available on our website. Peggy stated she will need help with set-up and take-down for both.

Presidents Quilt – Jodi McCray asked members to go by her table and sign blocks for the quilt.

2023 Raffle Quilt Tickets – Year to date ticket sales is at \$593 not including Searcy and Cabot Guilds and Farmers Markets sales. Sign up for venues to sell tickets. Peggy Moody won the prize for selling the most raffle tickets this month!! Congrats! Who will be next month’s winner?

Program: The Joy of Fusible Applique’ – Vicki Kauth

Vicki Kauth walked us through the process and what tools were needed, an awesome program. She involved many of our members in talking about what they used and how they went about certain aspects of this technique. She was lighthearted and so encouraging to listen to. What a joy to have these experienced quilters share these techniques and help others along the way. She brought several of her completed appliqué quilts and they were displayed at the help desk. I know that several of us just wanted to try it after listening to her explain things. Thanks for the hints, Vicki. You truly made it fun and educational!

Two Mini “Every Quilt Has A Story” Presentations

Peggy Moody – Peggy shared her Hawaii Quilt. She shared her struggles and successes of piecing this beautiful quilt together and the special meaning of the blocks, flowers etc. Thanks, Peggy, for sharing your story with us all! The quilt is stunning! Eight years of work well done!

Angie Lindberg – Angie shared her story of her first Applique quilt. She talked about her struggle to do it and not to be embarrassed by this first attempt at doing a technique she had not done before. Angie told us of her

determination to show it and her experiences. Thanks, Angie, for sharing this with us. It was a success! You made a beautiful appliqué quilt, and it is something to be proud of!

BREAK TIME

Rosita announced that Ann Wilson had a death in her family and to keep them in prayer.

Show and Tell – several of our members had some beautiful work to show us. So many talented members among our Guild. So inspiring to see these beautiful works of art and hard work. Thank you for sharing it with us. They inspire us and amaze us. You are awesome!!!!!!

Community Quilt Parade – So many community quilts made and donated by our talented members. What a blessing they will be to those that receive these works of art! I know I heard many comments as they passed by. Your gifts and hard work are noticed!!!!

Door Prizes & 50/50 Drawings

Door prizes were won by Celine Kingsland and Emily Duncan
50/50 was \$20.50 won by Barbara Patrick

Congrats to these lucky winners!!!!!!

Members: 55 Guests: 3

Reminder: Quilt Show Committee right after we adjourn and Members Teaching Members Class for Nametags by Vicki Kauth after lunch break in Community Room

Motion to Adjourn by Carol Lewis; Patti Kratz seconded. All in favor. Time was 11:30 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted by
Vicki Bynum, Secretary

More Recipes from the Past

Crock-Pot Mess

- 2 Diced potatoes
- 2-3 Diced carrots
- 1 Can peas, drained
- 2 To 3 stalks celery, diced
- 1/2 Lb. hamburger, browned
- 10 Oz. can tomato soup
- 1 Can water
- 2 To 3 Med. chopped onions

Put in crock-pot in order given. Cook on high 4-6 hours or on low 8 to 10 hours. Serves 4-6.

Lois Franklin

Crumb Coffee Cake

- 1 Cup white sugar
- 1 Cup brown sugar
- 1/2 Cup margarine
- 2 Cups flour
- 1/2 Tsp. salt
- 1 Tsp. cinnamon

Mix with pastry blender. Reserve 1 cup for topping.

- 2 Eggs
- 1 Cup buttermilk and 1 tsp. baking soda

Add to above dry ingredients. Pour into 9x13 pan, greased and floured. Sprinkle top with reserved topping. Bake 15 minutes at 375 degrees for 30 to 35 minutes.

Mary Porretto

Cheese Cake

Spray 8 or 9-inch pie pan with Pam. Grind graham crackers in food processor (enough to make approx. 1-1/2 cups crumbs) or roll until crushed and spread in pan.

Mix:

- 1 Cup cottage cheese (1-1/2%) until smooth in processor
- 1 Cup lite cream cheese
- 8 Oz. vanilla yogurt or plain yogurt with vanilla or almond flavoring
- 1 Egg yolk
- 3/4-7/8 Cup sugar

Whip 4 egg whites, cream of tartar, and 1/8 to 1/4 cup sugar. Add to cheese mixture and pour in pan, top with crumbs. Bake at 350 degrees for 1 hour. Chill 1 hour. Top with cherry or other fruit pie filing, if desired.

Mae Rene Rose

PRE-APPRAISAL FORM

If you would like to have your quilt appraised, please fill out the form on the following page. You will receive the typed appraisal with photographs within 2 weeks. Your quilt appraisal can be for Insurance purposes, Fair Market Value (for sale), or Donation. Please print or type. The appraisal fee is **\$50.00. Cash or Check, please. Make check payable to Alice McElwain** Name _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Purpose of Appraisal:

Insurance: to establish a value to replace item solely for insurance purposes.

Fair Market Value: based on market conditions, uniqueness, condition and availability; a sales price

Donation: for family value, estate value or donation to charity.

Do you own the quilt?

Has quilt been appraised before? _____

When? _____

Date quilt made if known: _____

Name of Quilt Pattern: _____

Made by: _____

Where was it made? _____

Relationship of the maker to you _____

Original Design?

Class/workshop project?

Purchased pattern? _____

Has the quilt maker won awards, been published or been exhibited elsewhere?

If it is an Art Quilt, do you have records of past sales or similar quilts? _____

Quilted by City/State of residence (if known)

Cost of quilting by Hand _____

Cost of quilting by machine _____

Batting (include type and brand if known)

Construction techniques: (**Mark all that apply**).

Hand appliquéd

Machine appliquéd

Hand Pieced

Machine Pieced

Hand quilted

Machine quilted

Hand embroidered

Machine Embroidered

If quilt was purchased what was the **cost of purchase** _____

Is there anything else you would want me to know about your quilt.

NOTES:

Date _____

Client Signature _____