

May 13, 2002

# Fantasy Quilts and Fantasy Fabrics

Meeting second Monday each month at St. Thomas More Catholic Church, 2900 Kimball Avenue, Manhattan, Kansas Social time at 8:30 a.m., meeting begins at 9 a.m.

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KONZA PRAIRIE QUILTERS' GUILD NEWSLETTER

# Prairie Pointer

**May 13:** Bonnie McCaffrey will lecture on "Inspiration and Development of a Quilt Artist." Her workshops: Monday, half-day Mini Fantasy Fabric Sampler; Tuesday all day Bouquet Fantasy. These look like fantastic workshops and spaces are still available; to sign up e-mail Whitney at whitneyshort@msn.com

Bonnie McCaffrey has been quilting for about 20 years. She has turned her hobby into a living and enjoys every minute of it. Her work has been exhibited across the country.

Bonnie's quilts have been seen in AQS magazine, Quilting International, Quilters Newsletter magazine, and Craftworks. "Fantasy Fabric: Techniques for Layered Surface Design: was her first book. Her next book will be "Fantasy Floral Quilts: Creating with Silk Flowers."

In May 1998 she traveled to Austria to the European Quilt Market and International Quilt Expo VI on the Jewel Pearce Patterson Scholarship. Only one American quilt teacher is awarded this each year.

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April speaker Elaine Boese shared her friendship quilts.

## Prez Sez

May flowers – that time of celebrations. Happy Mother's Day to you all – whether you are a daughter, a mother, a sister, or a friend – May is the month we honor all women friends. And the time of graduations – grade school, high school, college – a celebration of another kind. And then there are the weddings! All of these are occasions for quilts! Hope you are having a wonderful time making wonderful quilts of celebration.

We had a fantastic Mini-Quilt Auction – 70 items sold out and a swell time by all. Thanks to all who participated – you made us all proud with your quilts.

There are still seven spots open for the June

21 Quilt Show Bus Trip to Wichita. Hope you can join us. Call Bonnie Olsen to reserve your seat.

And it is time to renew our guild membership in National Quilting Association. If any of you are individual members, let me know as I need your membership number (we must have five individual members to get our guild membership.) To join, go to [www.ngaquilts.org](http://www.ngaquilts.org) and look for membership information. It is only \$20/year.

See you in May at the Guild Meeting.

— Barbara

**MAY BIRTHDAYS**

Ruth Miller	1	Mary Anna Wier	9
Bobara Broce	1	Nelda Warmica	10
Phyllis Norton	2	Jacqueline Holl	14
Jan Gable	3	Suzie WonG	24
Carol Sheehe	4	Gay Youngman	28
Rosemary McMullen	6	Lois Haug	30

## May Refreshments

- Michelle Crisler
- Sharon Cress
- Anne Collins
- Virginia Cleek
- Carole Chelz
- Alice Carpenter
- Sydney Carlin
- Jan Carl

## Upcoming Programs

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Besides quilting, Bonnie enjoys teaching locally and to guilds far and wide. She has traveled and taught in England, Ireland, Scotland and France, as well as within the United States. She specializes in Kaleidoscope quilts, Freeform Appliqué, Fantasy Fabric, and Layered Dimensional quilts.

Bonnie has a keen eye for color and design. Many of her pieces incorporate her own hand painted fabrics. Her goal is to create visually pleasing fabric wall pieces that work well in homes and offices.

Bonnie's website is [Http://home.ptd.net/~bmccaffe](http://home.ptd.net/~bmccaffe)

### Upcoming Programs:

**June:** Linda Potter,  
Qwik Stitch

**July:** Cindy Brick  
[www.cindybrick.com](http://www.cindybrick.com)

**August:** Robb 'n'  
Graves

### Member Profile

Betty Wiechmann has been a member of guild for 10 years and has served as greeter, treasurer and refreshment committee during that time.

Betty was born in Kansas and worked at Commerce Bank for 39 years. Now retired, she volunteers for RSVP, AARP, church and hospital groups.

Betty learned to quilt as a teenager; her grandmother taught her. She prefers hand quilting.

To make the table favors from the mini-quilt auction: Place foam cups upside down on a cookie sheet in the oven for 1-1½ minutes at 350°. Watch the cups and take them out when you are happy with the melting. They all melt differently. Paint and decorate as desired.

— Nancy Graves

### Pumpkin Bread

3 C. sugar  
3 1/3 C. flour  
1 1/2 tsp. salt  
4 eggs  
1 tsp. cinnamon  
1 C. salad oil  
1 tsp. nutmeg  
2/3 C. water  
2 tsp. soda  
2 C. pumpkin (16oz.)

Blend dry ingredients together and set aside. Mix eggs, oil, water and pumpkin together. Add dry ingredients and mix with electric mixer. Bake in 3 greased 7½X 3½" loaf pans at 350° for 50-60 minutes.



Suzie Wong and Viewer's Choice Red, White and Blue

### Check it Out:

The following books were donated to our library:  
*Grandma's Country Album*, an appliqué and pieced sampler quilt pattern by McCall's Publications, donated by Rebecca Meyer-korth. She also included all the traced pattern pieces.  
*Reader's Digest Selected Stories*, {includes four books: Round Robin by Jennifer Chia-verini (a quilting related story); The Lion's Game by Nelson DeMille; Handyman by Linda Nichols; and The Patient by Michael Palmer} donated by Jan Carl.



Norma Butler's Posey Pot

## Patchwork Pieces

**2002 officers** (KPQG Board meets noon, 3rd Mon., Java)  
President: Barbara Nelson  
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Suzie Wong, Bonnie Olsen

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Helpers: Block of Month: Anne Collins; Refreshments: Kay Ring, Opal Kemnitz, Shirley Benteman; Ticket Sales: Mary Jo Harbour, Virginia Cleek; Quilting Location: Teresa Gunther; Library: Kay Hummels; Directory: Carol Elmore; Greeters: Jan McDowell, Alice Carpenter, Willa Eyestone



Bonnie Olsen's Jeweled Fans

Submit items for the newsletter to Jennie Burden, 1736 Westbank Way, Manhattan 66503, by the third Monday of the month. <jennieb53@aol.com>

### Regular Quilting Groups

These groups meet regular to sew, quilt and visit.

<b>Day:</b>	4th Monday	Every Thursday
<b>Time:</b>	9:30-3	11-3
<b>Place:</b>	2221 Cedar Acres	Riley Co. Senior Center
<b>Lunch:</b>	\$3 (reservations)	sack (potluck last Thursday)
<b>Contact:</b>	Edé Radenberg (539-4309)	Susie Weir, Wong or Sapp
	(3rd Monday in May; potluck in June)	

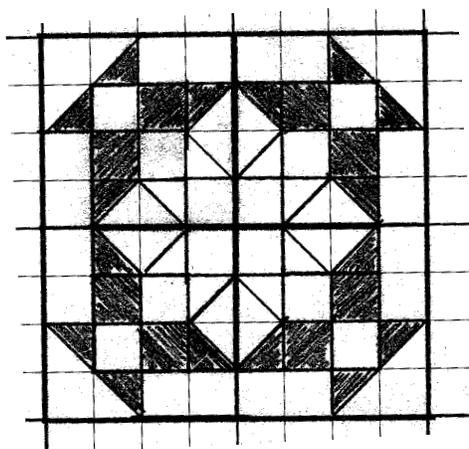
## June Block of the Month: May Day Basket

In honor of our successful Mini Quilt Auction, here's the basket used by Dona Koster on a pillow in the auction. It's also called 'Baby Bunting' by Barbara Brackman in *Encyclopedia of Pieced Quilt Patterns*.

This block is a 4X4 grid. There are half-square triangles for the feet, the upper corners of the basket, and the flowers sticking up. Traditionally, the squares that make the body of the basket are not the same. The two squares that share a border with the upper corner triangles are the same color as the triangles. The other two squares, which are one above the other, are a different shade of basket color or are background. The two triangles sticking up may be a contrasting color, especially a flowery print, for they represent flowers sticking up from the basket.

For 12½" block, each square or half-square triangle pair is 3½" each side. For 6½" block, each square or half-square triangle pair is 2".

Like the first basket we did, the Postage Stamp Basket, this would make a lovely pattern done as four baskets with their tops turned toward the center.



*(Dona Koster shared these thoughts at the April meeting.)*

Before moving to Manhattan, I had a heart problem which has since been cured. I am sure it was through my quilting friends out west that my heart became whole again. They saw me through some tough times and I told my husband when we moved to Manhattan, that I felt as though I was leaving the best part of my life behind.

Through the latest incident in my life that landed me in the hospital last week, I have become aware of the fact that my life just continues to be more blessed and the best of my life continues to get better. No words come close to expressing what you, my quilting friends have come to mean to me. I want to thank each of you who have helped me in so many ways. As Tom said to me "wow, your quilting friends are absolutely incredible"-I couldn't agree with him more. Please know that all the acts of kindness shown to me will be passed on to someone else in need. I ask God to bless each and every one of you. I have a reading that really expresses my feelings:



Spring Tulips

### Patchwork of Love

After months, maybe years, of hard work, a quilter often cannot part with her masterpiece for any price. It has gone beyond scraps of material sewn together and become something more--a cherished proof of the rewards of tender investment.

Friendships are like that, too. In fact, quilts can teach us a lot about what a friend is, how much she means to us, and how we can love her. Just as quilts are made with special care and great attention to details, so are the friendships we nurture over time.

Like quilts, friends are created to last a long time; to keep you warm through life's cold winters; to feel good to have nearby. And each one is unique, irreplaceable, priceless. How unique each of the friends who have been stitched into my life! Only God could design a way to piece all those varied hearts together to create something so beautiful.

### Down the Road

#### Places to Go, Quilts Shows to See

April 27-28 Piece Makers of Rice Co. Quilt Guild Show

April 27-28 Pratt Area Quilters Guild Show

May 4-5 Starlight Quilters' Guild Annual Show, Kansas City MO.

May 17-19 American: From the Heart traveling show, Bartle Hall, KCMO. 126 quilts.

June 3-24 Kansas Art Quilters' Exhibit Century II Convention Center, Symphony Hall art gallery. Wichita KS.

June 20-23 Prairie Quilt Guild's quilt show, "Reflections 2002." Century II, Wichita KS. \$6 admission. Info: 1717 S. Cypress #1114, Wichita KS 67207-5553.



Lois Currie, sisters and friends at the mini-quilt auction.

Jun 24-Jul 12 Kansas Art Quilters' Exhibit City Arts Gallery. Closing reception: Fri, July 12, 7-9 pm.

Aug. 2 Quilts on the Prairie outdoor quilt show 9:30-3, Council Oak Park, Council Grove, KS. 620-767-6628.

Aug 16-17 Clifton Quilt Show, Faith United Presbyterian Church, Hwy #9, Clifton KS.

Sep 21-22 Little Apple Folklife Festival, City Park, Manhattan, KS.

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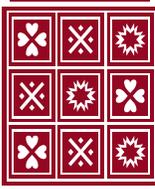
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Jeanne Powell's Sunshine and Shadows.



Mini-quilt auction co-chairs Dona Koster and Phyllis Norton with Dona's Shoo-Fly Chain. The auction brought in over \$3,300 for our treasury.



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**Prairie Star Quilt Guild**  
Second Monday 7:15 pm Pottorff Hall Cico Park

Got old jeans? Jennie Burden is collecting them for a quilt.



The *Prairie Pointer* is the monthly newsletter of Konza Prairie Quilters' Guild. Membership is open to all those interested in quilts and quilting. Yearly dues are \$35 and include 12 Opportunity Tickets, admission to all meetings, monthly newsletter, access to library materials, block of the month patterns, and opportunity to participate in workshops, field trips and public events. Guests are welcome and may attend twice before joining.