

November 11, 2002

Quilters Contribute to Variety of Causes

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

November: Nancy Kirk from Omaha will speak on "Quilting For Causes," based on the American Spirit Quilt Project. She will share quilts made for charitable and political causes over the past 200 years. Members with old or new quilts for causes (for example, Red Cross, 9/11, Quilt for a Cure) are encouraged to bring them for special Show 'n' Tell. (Check out the website: www.kirkcollection.com)

As usual, members may sell hand crafted items at the November and December meetings.

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Deana Hartman from Kansas City spoke on "Taking the Plunge From Traditional to Art Quilts" She is shown here with one of her embellished quilts.

Prez Sez

November brings Election Day – I hope you voted!! – and Veteran's Day and Thanksgiving. We certainly have much to be thankful for this year – the events that have altered our lives also give us pause to remember the joys and opportunities available to us. The American Spirit quilts will help us all remember; I hope you get to Commerce Bank to see them.

We have the Guild Officers' slate ready for election (page 3), but there are some committee slots to fill for 2003. Please lend a hand – even if you think it's a small thing, remember it takes many small things to make the guild work for all of us. There

will be signups at the meeting, but you can call (537-2099), or send email to gallery@kansas to volunteer.

The Anniversary Committee is interested in helping hands, too. If you have any stories about the guild that you would like to contribute to a memory book, please contact me. It would be fun to know about things "before" – especially since there are so many new members! Remember to sign up for helping the Guild.

Thanks—Barbara

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS			
Dorris Beckenhauer	2	Rosemary Visser	18
Carolyn Fenn	9	Sydney Carlin	20
Elizabeth Bottorff	10	Violet Weisbender	21
Ellie Morton	13	Madeline Dunn	21
Norma Blakely	15	Melody Day	24

November Refreshments

- Jo Sanders
- Edna Rush
- Nancy Roth
- Cindy Ross
- Judi Robb
- Kay Ring
- Margery Richardson
- Nadith Reinhardt

Upcoming Programs

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Monday workshop: American Flag Icon, a 2-hour top. Cost \$23. Supplies: fat quarter each red and white, 1/2 yard blue, regular sewing supplies. This workshop has openings and is appropriate for all levels of quilters. (see photo last month)

December: Holiday Party, including potluck lunch, sewing room tour, presidents' block workshop (an opportunity to complete blocks for past presidents who you never quite got around to; patterns will be provided). Also cookie exchange, regular and Christmas Show 'n' Tell. Homes on the tour: Margie Young, Carol Elmore, Harriette Janke. At the end, refreshments will be served at Sydney Carlin's.

January: 2002 Hoffman Challenge Quilts. We will be viewing Collection B, which has 43 quilts. You can find more information on the Hoffman Challenge at their web site, www.hoffmanchallenge.com. Click on "2002 Challenge" then on "Winners" to see a few of the award winning quilts. You can click on "Travel Schedule" then on "Collection B List" to see a list of the quilts we will receive.

KPQG made a donor to KTWU and received a video, *Best of Landscape Quilting*. Our donation also earned a KTWU discount card which guild members can check out to use for discounts at restaurants and entertainment venues (mostly in Topeka, but some in Manhattan). See Treasurer Twila Hoffman to get the card and the list of participating sponsors.

Patchwork Pieces

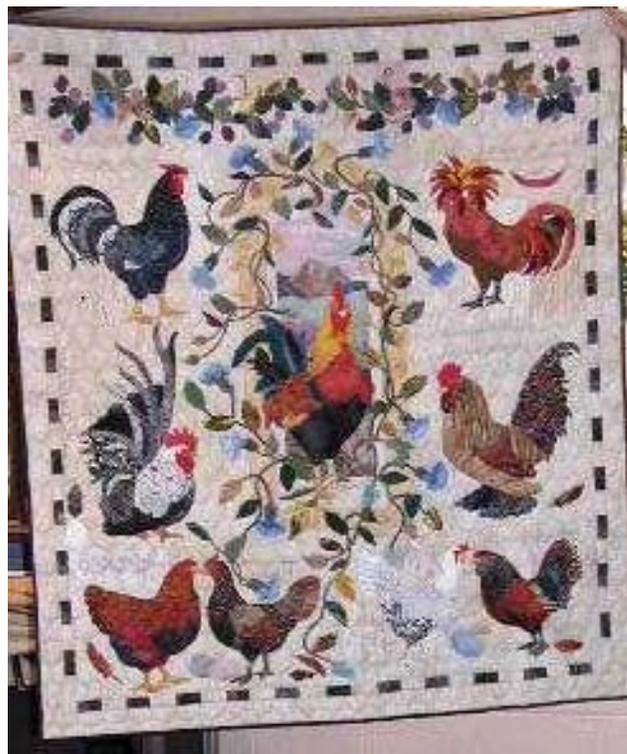
2002 officers (KPQG Board meets at noon, third Mondays, at Java)

- President: Barbara Nelson
- VP/Program Chair: Whitney Short
- Program Chair Select: Janet Throne
- Secretary: Lana Ellis
- Treasurer: Twila Hoffman
- Members-at-Large: Joan Page, Suzie Wong, Bonnie Olsen
- Photographer: Shari Reeves
- Newsletter Editor: Jennie Burden
- Past President/Parliamentarian: Susie Weir
- Helpers: Block of Month: Anne Collins; MiniQuilt Auction Chairs: Dona Koster, Phyllis Norton; 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 Eystone

Down the Road

Places to Go, Quilts Shows to See

- Until Nov 18 American Spirit Quilts, Commerce Bank, 727 Poyntz, Manhattan. During regular bank hours.
- Nov 23-24 Quilts with Style, Booneslick Trail Quilters' Guild, Holiday Inn Expo Center, 2200 I-70 Drive SW, Columbia MO. <http://btqg.missouri.org>
- April 5-6, 2003 Bridging the Generations, Walnut Valley Quilt Show, Winfield High School, Winfield KS.



Harriet Janke's Rooster Quilt.

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.

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| Day: | 4th Mon | Every Thurs |
| Time: | 9:30-3 | 11-3 |
| Place: | 2221 Cedar Acres | Riley Co. Senior Center |
| Lunch: | \$3 (reservations) | sack (potluck last Thursday) |
| Contact: | Edé Radenberg | Susie Weir, Wong or Sapp |
| | (539-4309) | |

2003 Slate of Guild Officers

President: Whitney Short
 Vice President/Program Chairman: Janet Throne
 Program Chair Select: Joanna Hohn
 Secretary: Dona Koster
 Treasurer: Twila Hoffman
 Photographer: Shari Reeves
 Members at Large: Bonnie Olsen, Joan Page,
 Norma Larson
 Newsletter: Jennie Burden
 Past President: Barbara Nelson

Committees: (NOTE: Plenty of opportunities still open)

Refreshments:

Early :

Late: Opal Kemnitz, Shirley Benteman

Block of the Month: Betty Frank

Challenge: Charlotte Herr

Library:

Opportunity Quilt Tickets:

Greeters:

2003 Opportunity Quilt: Thursday Ladies

Quilting Location: Libby Edgar

Yearbook: Carole Elmore

Welcome to the following new members:

Lisa Lang, 330 N 4th St, Manhattan 66502,
 537-8919, July 22, e-mail:

berminashoppe@ksable.com

Marianne Kibodeaux, 820 Juniper Dr, Manhattan 66502, 770-8912, Aug. 9, e-mail:

mpkibs@yahoo.com

Ronna Robertson, 1717 Kingwood Dr, Manhattan 66502, 770-8305, Oct 17, e-mail:

drobertl@ksu.edu

Jan Wichman, 1812 Erickson, Manhattan 66503, 539-8030, Dec. 3, jbwich@cox.net

Marcella Bechard, 979 28th Rd. Clifton 66937, 785-455-3589, Dec. 30

We have had 33 members pay dues for 2003.

Websites of Interest

<http://www.hoffmanchallenge.com/pieced.html>

<http://community.lawrence.com/KawValleyQuiltersGuild/>

www.heartlandquiltnetwork.com

<http://btqg.missouri.org>



Judy Robb shared her original design quilt at the October meeting.

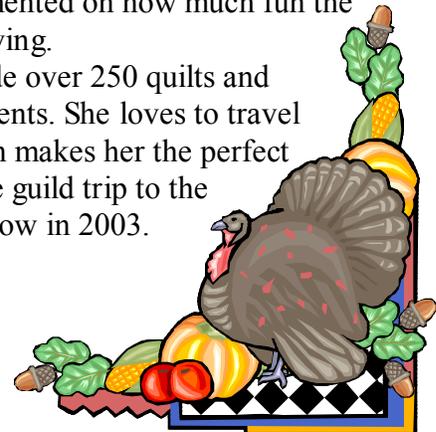
Member Profile:

Bonnie Olsen, a member-at-large this year, has belonged to quilt guild for many years. She lives in Clifton with her husband of 25 years, Earldeen; they have 3 children and 4 grandchildren.

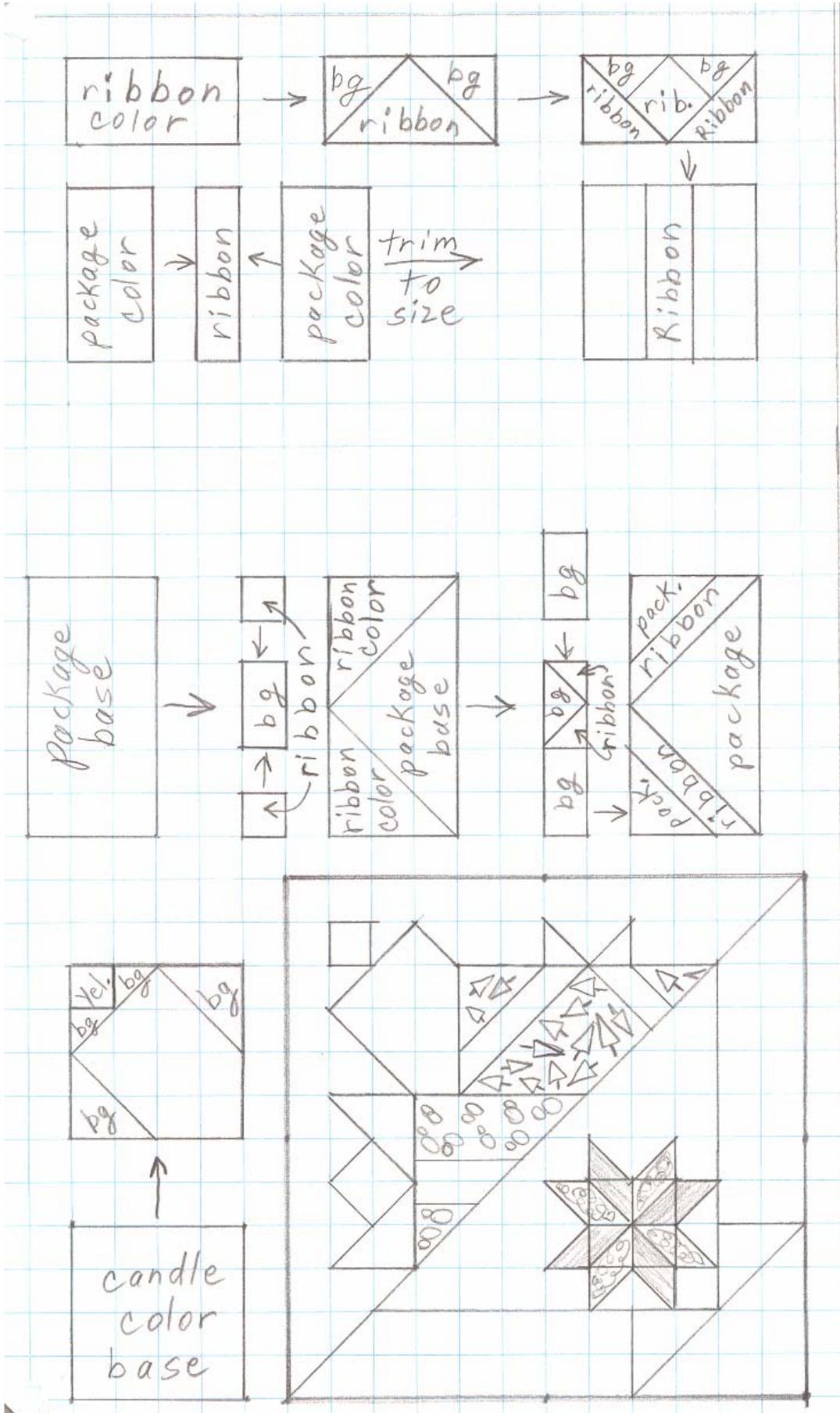
Bonnie retired from USD 224 and does a lot of volunteer work for her church. She earned a bachelors degree from KSU in 1993.

A quilter from an early age, Bonnie made her first quilt at age 5 and second one at age 7. Her mother was her first teacher. One of her fondest and earliest memories is playing with other children under the quilts their mothers were working on. The children would read the printing on the mothers' bloomers (made from flour sacks) and the women commented on how much fun the children were having.

Bonnie has made over 250 quilts and taught many students. She loves to travel and to sew, which makes her the perfect choice to plan the guild trip to the Houston Quilt Show in 2003.



December: Christmas Basket



December Block of the Month - *Christmas Basket*

This is the last of the 12 blocks for this year, so I'm pulling out all the stops and doing a complicated one. This is also my own pattern.

The spread-apart diagrams do NOT have seam allowances. Sew-and-flip (S&F) is the only technique for the candle and presents.

Candle: Start with 4½" square of candle color. S&F 2½" squares of background on two opposite corners. Cut 1½" squares of flame yellow and background; put a background on two adjacent sides of the flame; S&F to the candle.

Package with a small bow: Start with 3½" X 6½" package print (a small-scale Christmas print that looks like wrapping paper). S&F 3½" squares of ribbon color (solid or streaky would work). Trim, then S&F 2½" squares of package print to the ribbon corners. Make small bow of 2½" background and two 1½" squares of ribbon color; S&F. Add 1½" X 2½" background pieces to sides and attach to package.

Package with large bow: Start with 1½" X 4½" ribbon sandwiched between 2 X 4½" pieces of another package print. Trim to size if needed. The large bow is built on a 2½" X 4½" piece of

ribbon color. S&F two background squares, 2½" square, to make a flying goose. Then, S&F two ribbon squares, also 2½" square, to the other corners.

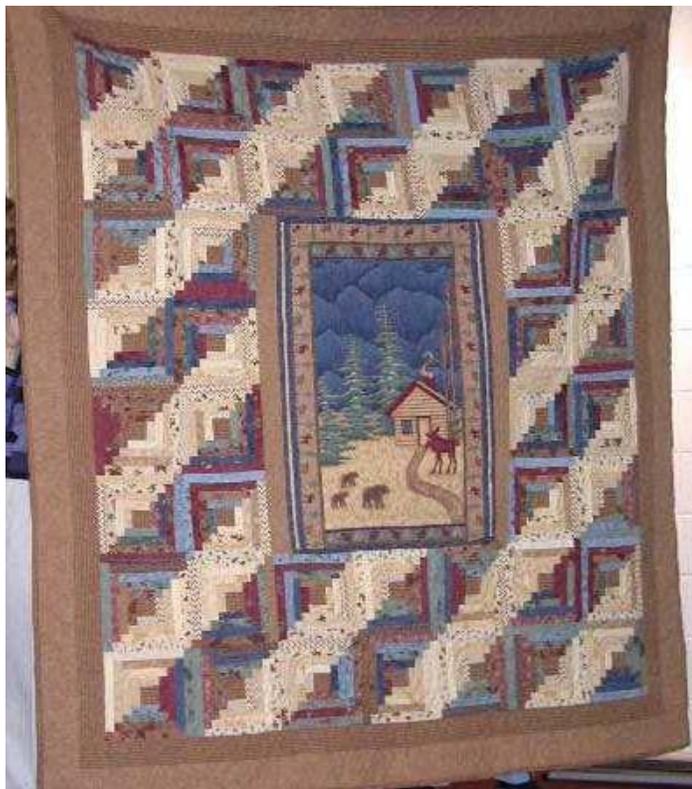
Basket: The poinsettia (star) assembles as a 4X4, with 12 half-triangle squares and 4 basket-colored squares. 4 half-triangle squares are two shades of poinsettia (star) color; 4 are red-1 and background (bg) and 4 are red-2 and bg. Assemble as shown. Cut a 5" square of basket color in half diagonally; sew each half to the poinsettia. Add background and feet.

Sew the small-bow package to the candle at a 45° angle; then sew the large-bow package to both. Add a 1½" strip of bg to both upper edges.

Because the top half does not have a straight diagonal line to sew to the bottom half, I suggest marking it exactly with a pencil. Pin the bottom on carefully and sew on the pencil line. If you leave the square corners on the apples while you sew, the bias won't be as stretchy and wiggly.

My greatest thanks to everyone who has done any squares this year! _____

2003 dues are due -
\$35 includes 12
Opportunity Tickets



Norma Larson's Cub Lake quilt, from October Show'n Tell.

Steam vs. no steam

Some experts believe steam causes shrinkage and distortion when pressing because the fabric gets wet. If you then shove the iron along the surface of the fabric while it's wet, that indeed could cause distortion. The shrinkage factor could also be governed by whether or not the fabric is pre-washed. Washed fabrics won't shrink when steam is applied, but unwashed fabrics may.

Most quilters who use steam in their irons do so to give the fabric a firmer, smoother finish. If used wisely, the steam iron won't distort the fabric or the pieces. It is easy to assume that once you experience a problem with steam, discontinuing its usage will eliminate all the problems. That isn't necessarily so.
(from *The Quilter's Ultimate Visual Guide* and *Heart of Kansas Quilters*.)

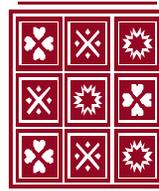
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Places to check out:

Quilted Comfort Quilt Shop has moved to 203 N. Broadway in Abilene. 785-263-3915 e-mail: acheathman@access-one.com

Kathryne Perney has opened Quilting Station at 4th St. and Iron Ave. in Salina. Quilt-related giftware, finished quilts and machine quilting service. Consignment quilts for sale. 785-493-5626. hrs: noon-6, Tue-Sat email: kdperney@yahoo.com



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Prairie Star Quilt Guild

2nd Mon. 7:15 pm Pottorff Hall Cico Park, Manhattan
November: Quick Holiday Ideas by PSQG members.
December: Christmas Party with Quilted Ornament Exchange



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.