

August 9, 2004

Meeting second Monday
each month at:
St. Thomas More
Catholic Church
2900 Kimball Ave
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

Quilts of the Lewis and Clark Era

August 9 – Our August program comes with a field trip, either before or after the meeting. Stop by the Women's Health Center on Charles Street off Dickens between Browning and College Ave.; it is the new building at the back of the Orphopedic Center. There you can see the quilts we've hung and understand how you can be a part of this on-going exhibit. The Center will be open to us at 8:30 a.m. and at noon. Our August program at St. Thomas Moore will be presented by Terry Clothier Thompson from Lawrence. She will be speaking on the quilts of the Lewis and Clark era.

We hope this will help get you thinking about your 2005 Challenge quilt. On **Tuesday, Aug. 10** we will be carpooling to



The MOKAN long arm quilters presented the July program.

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Ed Sez

Okay, someone must have complained about not having a "real Kansas summer" with the mild weather in June and July, 'cause look what we have now! Well, it wouldn't really feel like August in Kansas if the temperature didn't break 100.

Since you all are probably confined to an air-conditioned space anyway, I hope you're using the time to work on your Historic Challenge 150. February will be here before you know it.

School starts mid-August and, as a reminder, if severe weather cancels USD 383 on the 2nd Monday, guild meetings are canceled also.

I hope many member will be able to make the drive to Clifton for a day of quilting and eating while working on the Quilts From the Heart. Bonnie Olsen has sure put a lot of "heart" into this project, hasn't she?

Keep cool and keep on stitchin' - Jennie

Clifton, where Bonnie has arranged for a Quilts from the Heart workshop, including lunch served by the Clifton church ladies. Sign up to carpool and to let the ladies know how many to expect for lunch.

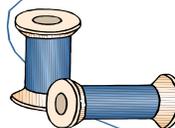
Bonus event – **August 24 and 25** our June speaker, Jane Buckley, will give a 2-day workshop on curved piecing and narrow border application entitled

Pumpkin Patch Booth to Shift Focus

Twila Hoffman will chair this year's Pumpkin Patch booth. The focus will be displaying the Opportunity Quilt, selling tickets, and informing the public about the guild's activities and events. We will not sell other items, but the hospital auxiliary, under Margie Young's direction, will be selling at a booth to the back of ours.

August Refreshments

Teresa Gunther
Delores Hargadine
Callie Hildebrand
Doris Hofman
Joanna Hohn
Jacqueline Holl
Ethel Houtz
Bette Jennings



August Birthdays

								
	Alison Boyd	1						
	Carol Hoogheem	2						
	Arlone Dalluge	11						
	Fran Walter	21						
	Elaine Baxter	24						
	Donna Kennedy	30						
	Joan Page	31						



Pictured above are August birthday gals Arlone Dalluge and Elaine Baxter.



Nancy Venburg made this mystery quilt, which she shared at the July meeting.

Directory changes:

Nancy Graves, 812 Brierwood Dr., Manhattan 66502

Patchwork Pieces

2004 Officers (KPQG Board meets at noon, 3rd Mondays, at Java)

President: Whitney Short

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Program Chair Select: Cindy Ross

Secretary: Dona Koster; Treasurer: Marilyn Randa

Photographer: Shari Reeves

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Past President: Barbara Nelson

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Collins, Jan Carl; 2004 Opportunity Quilt: Margie Young,

Harriette Janke; Opportunity Quilt Tickets: Virginia Cleek, Mary

Jo Harbour; Refreshments set-up: Eloise Brown, Norma Blakely,

Barbara Broce; clean-up: Sharon Pollman, Alice Edmunds, Nelda

Warnica; Greeters: Betty Shawgo, Pauline Adoph, Susie Sapp;

Block of the Month: Robb-n-Graves; Challenge: Susie Weir;

Directory: Twila Hoffman; Quilts From the Heart: Bonnie Olsen;

Pumpkin Patch: Twila Hoffman.



Every Thursday from 11 am-3 pm a group meets at the Riley County Senior Center to sew, quilt and visit. Lunch is on your own, except the last Thursday of the month, when it's pot-luck. Contact: Susie (Weir, Wong or Sapp.)

The 4th Monday group will not meet in June, July or August. Regular meetings will resume in September.

Whitney's President's Block:

10½" square (finish to 10") block, any pattern, pieced or appliquéd, in Christmas colors. Please sign your block.

Upcoming Programs

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“Flowing Colors.” The workshop will run Tuesday from 8:30 am until the evening, We will take breaks with a brown bag lunch, continue the workshop in the afternoon, and order in dinner. Then on Wednesday the workshop will continue from 8 am – 5 pm. The location will be the back-room workshop at Ideas Unlimited. Cost for both days is \$40; Charlotte has a book of templates for \$23.95.

September 13 – Marci Baker will present the lecture on speed piecing and offer a Monday half-day workshop on quilting patterns and full day on Tuesday on “Not Your Grandmother’s Flower Garden.” Signups will include supply lists and more details. Charlotte’s phone number for questions about any programs or workshops: 539-4374.

October: Jacquelyn Mooney will present her program at 9 a.m. as she is scheduled at K-State for a program later in the morning. To accommodate her, we will have our program at 9, followed by the business meeting and show and tell. Jacquelyn has a show opening on Sunday at the Human Ecology Building (Justin Hall), but she will bring other quilts to show us that will not be displayed elsewhere.



Above: Dona Koster’s International Quilt. Below: Margie Young shared Mercy Health Center Auxiliary’s opportunity quilt.



The Question We All Ask Ourselves

This month’s profile member is Sue Jones. She joined guild in 2003 and has been helping with the Quilts from the Heart Project. She has been married to Bruce for 34 years and they have two children and two grandchildren. Sue holds a BSN in nursing and held several positions in that field.

Her interest in quilting came about because of her embroidery machine. She made some large embroidered flowers and wanted to use them some way. Although she had always told her mother she wouldn’t do quilting (too many dinky little pieces) once she had done the quilt with the flower pieces, she was hooked.

Sue learned to quilt with Doreen but says why she likes quilting is a “good question!” She wants to learn “everything” and likes machine piecing.

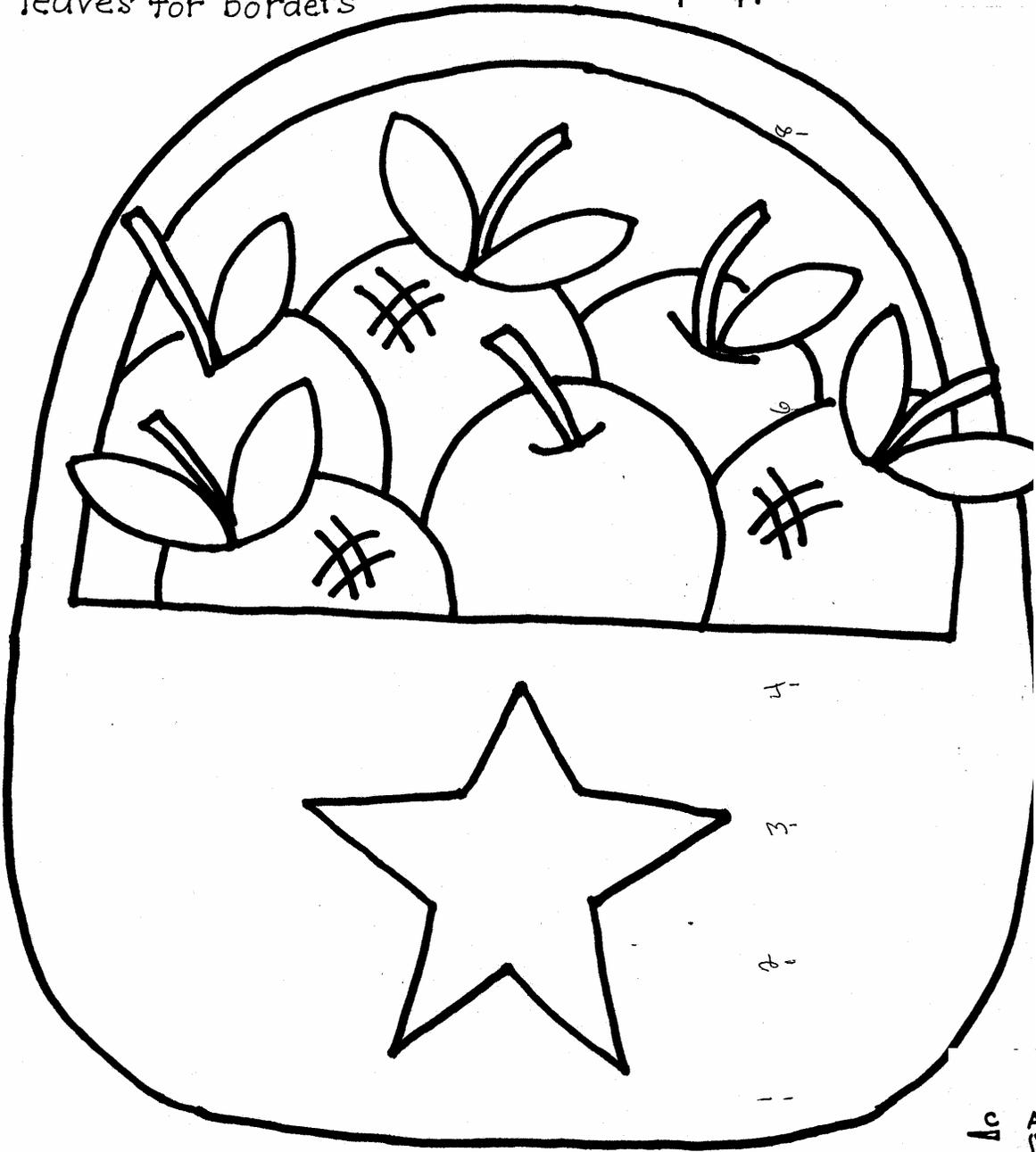
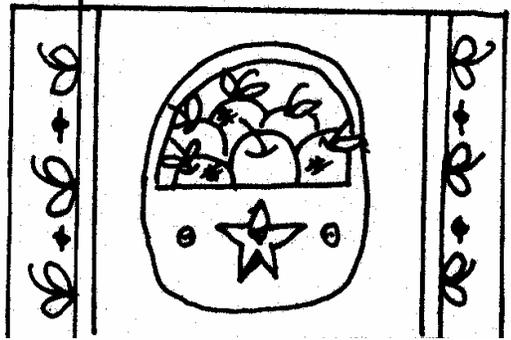


Sue Jones

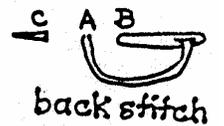
September Pillow Block of the Month

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PRAIRIE POINTER



ROBB-N-GRAVES DESIGNS ©2004



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The copying process changes size of pattern; you may need to increase or decrease to fit the pillow top. Note the inch marks along the side of the basket. If you enlarge the pattern so these are actually 1" apart, you will have the correct size.

Instructions for September Pillow of the Month

Fabric needed: ½ yard for background, ⅛ yard for green inner border, ½ yard for outer border, 9”x9” for basket, six 3”x3” reds for apples, five 3”x4” greens for leaves, 4”x4” for star.

Supplies: 14” pillow form, black embroidery floss, four ½” red buttons, two ⅝” gold buttons to use on basket, one red heart button to use on star, fusible web, fusible interfacing (optional)

Cutting: From the background fabric, cut a 14½”x28½” rectangle. From the green inner border fabric, cut two ⅞”x28½” strips. From the outer border fabric, cut two 6½”x28½” strips.

Sewing: All seam allowances are ¼”. Please read all directions before beginning.

You can appliqué the design by hand appliqué or by fusing. I chose to use a fusible web. When using a fusible web, you need to trace a reverse image. The easiest way to reverse the design is to trace it on tracing paper with a black marker. Flip over the tracing paper and use this side to trace the different pieces to the paper side of the fusible web, allowing a little extra where any of the pieces go underneath another. Following the fusing directions of your fusible web, fuse to the wrong side of the coordinating fabrics. Cut out each piece on the traced lines. Peel off the paper and now using the right side of the tracing paper pattern as a positioning guide, arrange the pieces on the background rectangle. Position the bottom of the basket approximately 3¼” from the edge of the 14½” long side and centering between the two side edges. Fuse down.

Sew the two inner borders strips to each side of the background rectangle and press. Then add the two outer borders strips to each side and press. Arrange three pairs of leaves on both outer borders with the points of the leaves

touching the seam line between the inner and outer borders. Center the first pair on the pillow front half then place the other two pairs about 3½” away. Measure from the spot where the two leaves of a pair touch the seam line. Repeat on the both sides.

The apple stems were satin stitched on the machine. Place a stabilizer (could be typing or tracing paper) behind the fabric when doing machine stitching for a better-looking stitch. Remove paper when finished with all machine stitching.

To finish the raw edges of the fused pieces, do a blanket stitch either by hand or machine. I used two strands of black embroidery floss to blanket stitch around the pieces by hand. Finish the details on the apples either by satin stitch on the machine or a backstitch by hand. Sew a heart button in the middle of the star and two gold buttons on both



sides of the star.

To finish the side edges, cut two pieces of fusible interfacing 3”x28½” and fuse ¼” from both outer side edges. Finish the raw side edges by turning under ¼” and top stitch down. Sew the two remaining unfinished edges together to form a tube. Fold the side edges under 3” and press. Finish by adding two buttons and buttonholes to each side between the pairs of leaves. Or you could use snaps or Velcro. It’s up to you. Slip your pillow form in and enjoy.

Below: Members interpreted the Fourth of July pillow in a variety of ways.



Quilts From the Heart Workday

If you are going to Clifton to work on Quilts from the Heart, please bring extension cords, machines, tying needles, rotary cutters, mats and whatever you personally work with. Susie Weir, Barb Warner, Nancy Venburg and Kay Hummels indicated that they would drive to car pool. Meet at St. Thomas More church at 8 am. There are 35 women who have signed up to come.

Following is the announcement that appeared in the church bulletin in Clifton:

"The Nimble Thimbles will be hosting the Konza Prairie Quilt Guild, Manhattan on August 10, 2004. This will be a workday for the Guild. The members will be working on quilts that will be given to the children that are taken to the Battered Women and Abused Children Center in Manhattan. The members have finished 105 kids' quilts and the goal is 150 by November 1. This will be the third workday members have worked on the quilts as a group. Many members are working on quilts in their homes. The quilts have been made with donations of fabric, batting and money. Nimble Thimbles will serve lunch to the workers."

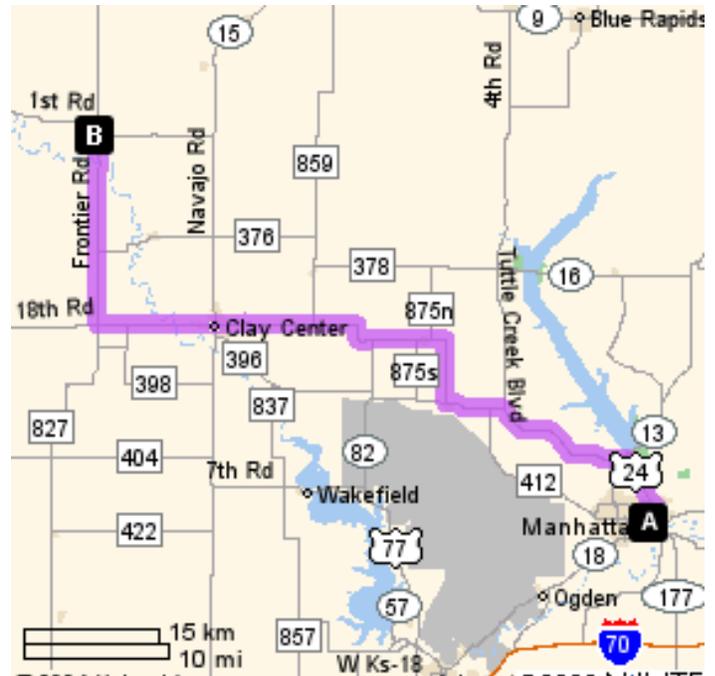
On the Road

Quilt Shows and Events of Interest

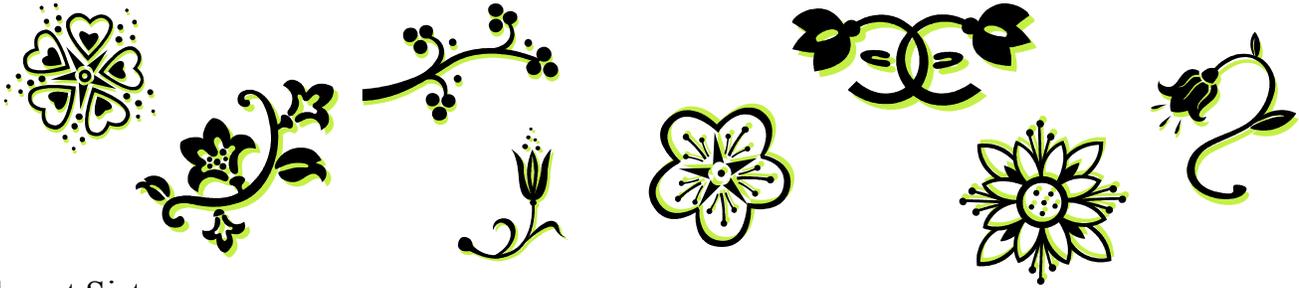
- Til Sep 26 Quilts! Imported Fabrics, American Treasures. Spender Museum of Art, Lawrence.
- Aug 7 Outdoor Quilt Show, Council Grove.
- Sep 18-19 Little Apple Folklife Festival, City Park, Manhattan. KPQG will demonstrate quilting in the park both days and sell Opportunity Quilt tickets.
- Sep 25 Heart of America Quilt Show at Crown Center in Kansas City. 913-648-0697 or 816-358-5132.
- Sep 25-Oct 10 Quilter's Guild of Greater Kansas City Quilt Show. Crown Center, Kansas City.
- Oct 1-3 Central KS Shop Hop; 13 stores in Salina, McPherson, Hutchinson, Alden, Newton, Halstead, Wichita, Andover, Severy and Derby. Contact Janeen Miller (316)788-5120
- Oct 8-10 KQO Fall Meeting, Colby. Featured speaker Bobbie Aug.
- Oct 15-17 Heart of Kansas Quilt Show, Eisenhower Bldg., Kansas State Fairgrounds, Hutchinson.
- Oct 16-17 In Grandma's Attic, Silver Needles Quilt Guild show, Bicentennial Center, Salina. Sat 9-5, Sun 12-5.
- Nov 9-Dec 14 Heart of Kansas Quilt Guild Exhibit, Shafer Museum, Barton Co. Comm. College, Great Bend.
- June 4-5, 2005 Celebrate 150 Quilt Show, marking Manhattan's 150th Birthday.

(Disclaimer: Information for "On the Road" is gleaned from our sources. You may wish to confirm dates, times and places of quilt shows before traveling to them, as errors sometimes get inserted.)

Manhattan to Clifton:



Faith United Presbyterian Church is located on Highway 9 going from Clifton, towards Clyde. The highway turns north at the middle school. The church is at the top of the hill on the west (left) side of the road. Use the north door as it will be easier to unload there.



Secret Sisters

The secret sister program is coming back for a limited time (3-month) engagement! Are you interested in being one of us? If so please fill out the following form and return it to Donna Dawson, 2006 Timber Creek, Manhattan, KS, 66502 before the September 2004 Quilt Guild Meeting. We will be drawing names at that time. Keep the name of the person you have drawn a secret until you reveal yourself to your secret sister at the December 2004 Quilt Guild Meeting.

There will be a secret sister table set up at each guild meeting where you may leave your notes, gifts, cards or whatever you choose to do for your secret sister. At break of each meeting you may check the table to see if anyone has left anything for you.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Birthday: _____ Anniversary: _____

Favorite Color: _____ Favorite Food: _____

Favorite quilt pattern/style _____

I collect: _____

Interests/Hobbies: _____

Please fill out the bottom portion of this form exactly as you have filled out the above portion. (This will be a copy for Donna in case you forget or misplace whose name you have drawn.)

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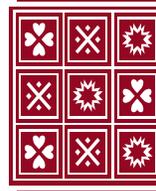
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Prairie Star Quilt Guild

Meets the second Monday of each month
7:15 pm Pottorff Hall, Cico Park, Manhattan

Bonnie Olsen's "Every Which Way"
quilt contains 704 flying geese.



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.