

November 8, 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

## Abstract Design in American Quilts to be Topic

**November:** Carole Chelz, one of the founders of KPQG, will talk about "Abstract Design in American Quilts." We'll take her to lunch afterward—let Charlotte know if you're interested. Judy Davis from the Domestic Violence Center will receive the Quilts From the Heart.

**December:** For the Christmas meeting, we'll have a special Christmas show and tell. Our annual potluck will follow the meeting. Do you need a variety of Christmas cookies for entertaining? Then bring 3½ homemade dozen to guild. You'll be able to choose 3 dozen other cookies to take home, and we'll use the extras to make up plates for members who are physically unable to attend guild meetings. Please let Charlotte or Whitney know if anyone needs to be on the list.

For the teaching part of the meeting, we'll have a demonstration of how to put a quilt in a frame for hand quilting. If you are experienced in doing this, please tell Charlotte that you can help with the demonstration.

**January:** Our "Trash to Treasures" auction will be held with quilt-related items. What better way to start the new year than clearing your sewing room of all that TRASH? You know what I mean--that "what in the world was I thinking when I bought that fabric," thing-a-ma-jigs that you never did figure out how to use, rulers that far outnumber their uses, quilt blocks, UFOs and all the miscellaneous items you just had to have at the time. And take home lots of new TREASURES to fill up your newly organized quilting area!!!! Invite your friends to come to this meeting with you--after all, they might find



Jacquelyn Mooney, our October speaker.

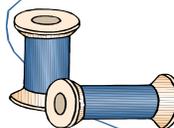
some new treasure they can't live without! Keep in mind that ALL items must be quilt related (not other types of crafts).

### Are You a Contestant?

Start thinking of ideas for a pin, button, patch or ribbon to represent our Quilts From the Heart project. We're looking for ideas for a small token of appreciation to give those who participate in the project. Further details will be announced.

### November Refreshments

- Arlone Dalluge
- Sue Damkroger
- Carol Darling
- Melody Day
- Joyce Delehanty-Hoyt
- L. Ann Domsch
- Carolyn Dreiling
- Madeline Dunn



**2005 Dues are  
Due now! Pay by  
January to be  
included in  
Member Directory  
\$35 (includes  
12 Opportunity Tickets)**

# November Birthdays

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|--------------------|----|
| Cinderella SK Kroh | 2  |
| Karen Malone       | 7  |
| Mary Vestweber     | 7  |
| Carolyn Fenn       | 9  |
| Ellie Morton       | 13 |
| Norma Blakely      | 15 |
| Rosemary Visser    | 18 |
| Sydney Carlin      | 20 |
| Madeline Dunn      | 21 |
| Violet Weisbender  | 21 |
| Melody Day         | 24 |
| Sharon Pollman     | 26 |



Our November birthday girls are Doris Beckenhauer, Madelyn Dunn, Sharon Pollman, Sydney Carlin and Carolyn Fenn.



## Member Quilts for the Love of It

Carol Sheehe has been married to John for nearly 30 years and they have 2 children. She holds a degree in elementary education and works as a health aide at Bergman School. She sings in the church choir, and enjoys reading and going to workshops.

Carol learned to quilt in 1975 in Anniston, Alabama. She has made hundreds of quilting projects but has no particular goal, saying, "I just love to do it." She prefers hand quilting with machine pieced along with appliqué and traditional quilts.

She attends most guild meetings. Carol has served the guild by being photographer and also was the mini-quilt auction chair.

## Patchwork Pieces

### 2005 Slate of Officers

President: Charlotte Herr

Program Chair: Cindy Ross

Program Chair-select Ronna Robertson

Secretary: Carolyn Dreiling

Treasurer: Twila Hoffman

Photographer: Shari Reeves

Past President: Whitney Short

Members-at-large: Mary Jo Kurtz, Margie Young, Nan Smail

Newsletter: Jennie Burden; Circulation: Jeanne Powell

**Committees:** Library: Kay Hummels, Jan Carl, Callie Hildebrand, Doris Beckenhauer; 2004 Opportunity Quilt: Margie Young,

Harriette Janke; Opportunity Quilt Tickets: Virginia Cleek, Mary

Jo Harbour; Refreshments set-up: Barb Warner, Sharon Pollman,

Jan Klink; clean-up: Rosie McMullen; Greeters: Norma Larson,

Phyllis Norton, Nancy Parker; Block of the Month: Harriette

Janke; Challenge: Lana Ellis; Directory: Twila Hoffman; Quilts

From the Heart: Bonnie Olsen, Marcella Bechard, Donna Dawson;

Quilting Location: Karen Malone; Auction: Dona Koster, Susie

Weir.



**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.)

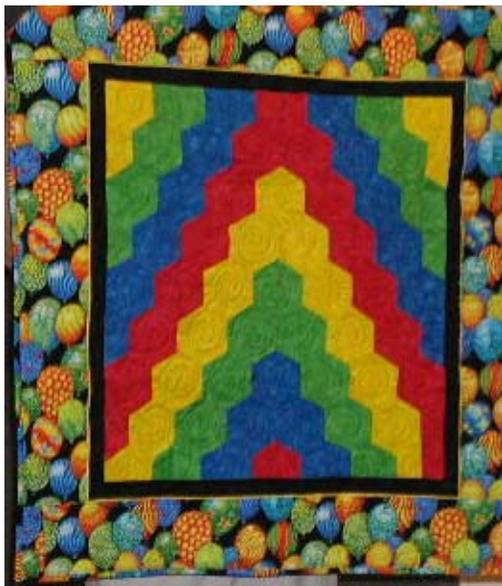
The **4th Monday** group meets 9:30-3:30 at the clubhouse of the Westbank Townhouses on Rockridge Court. Bring a sack lunch.

### Charlotte's President's Block:

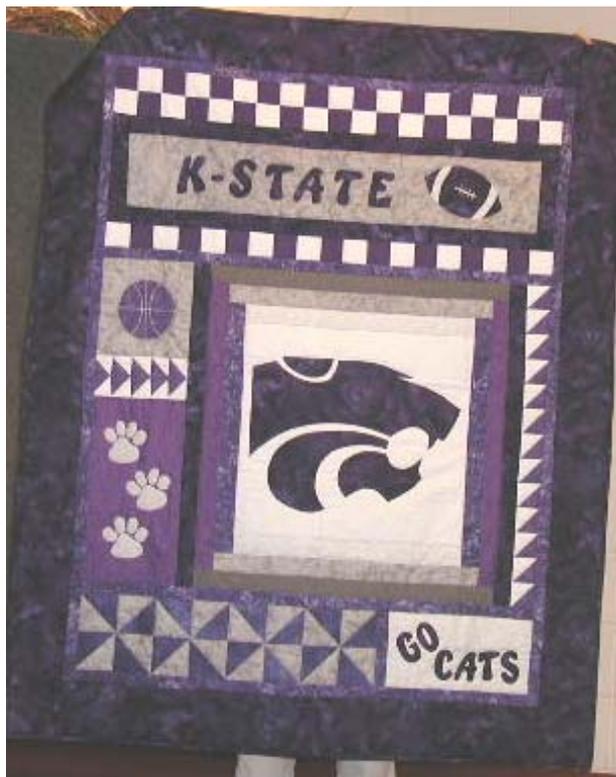
10½" square (finish to 10") block, any pattern, pieced or appliquéd, containing purple and any other color EXCEPT black or white. Please sign your block.

## Incoming President Issues Challenge

Charlotte is issuing “The President’s Challenge for 2005.” She has declared 2005 the year of finishing UFOs. In January, give her a list of your unfinished pieces. Each time you finish one and bring it to guild, your name goes into a drawing. At the end of the year there will be a drawing for a prize. Obviously, the more UFOs you finish, the greater your chances of winning will be. Keep this in mind when donating to the Trash-to-Treasures Auction for January (if there’s a chance you might finish that UFO, don’t donate it to the auction this year.)



Easy Angle wall hanging by Barb Warner.



K-State quilt made by Karen Spaeth.



Table runner by Ronna Robertson.

### On the Road

#### **Quilt Shows and Events of Interest**

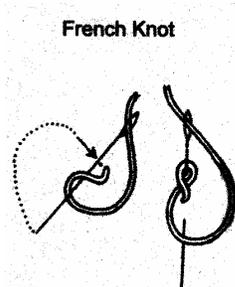
- Nov 2-30 Great Overland Station Quilt Show, 701 N. Kansas Ave, Topeka. Hrs: Tu-Sat 10-5, Sun 1-5. Quilts displayed in the newly renovated former Union Pacific Train Depot. Admission \$4. Trunk show Sat. Nov. 6. Information, 785/232-5533.
- Nov 4-7 Houston Quilt Show, Houston TX.
- Nov 9-Dec 14 Heart of Kansas Quilt Guild Exhibit, Shafer Museum, Barton Co. Comm. College, Great Bend.
- Feb 25-27 1st Annual Euphoric Applique and Quilt Getaway, Linwood. Contacts: [Kathy@Kathydelaney.com](mailto:Kathy@Kathydelaney.com) or [mjones@galaxycable.net](mailto:mjones@galaxycable.net) or [egsenuta@kc.rr.com](mailto:egsenuta@kc.rr.com)
- Apr 2-3 Walnut Valley Quilters Guild Show, Winfield.
- May 11-14 MQS Show Show, Overland Park Conv. Ctr, 6000 College Blvd, Overland Park.
- June 3-4, 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.)*

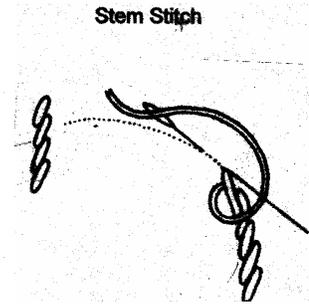
# December Pillow Block of the Month

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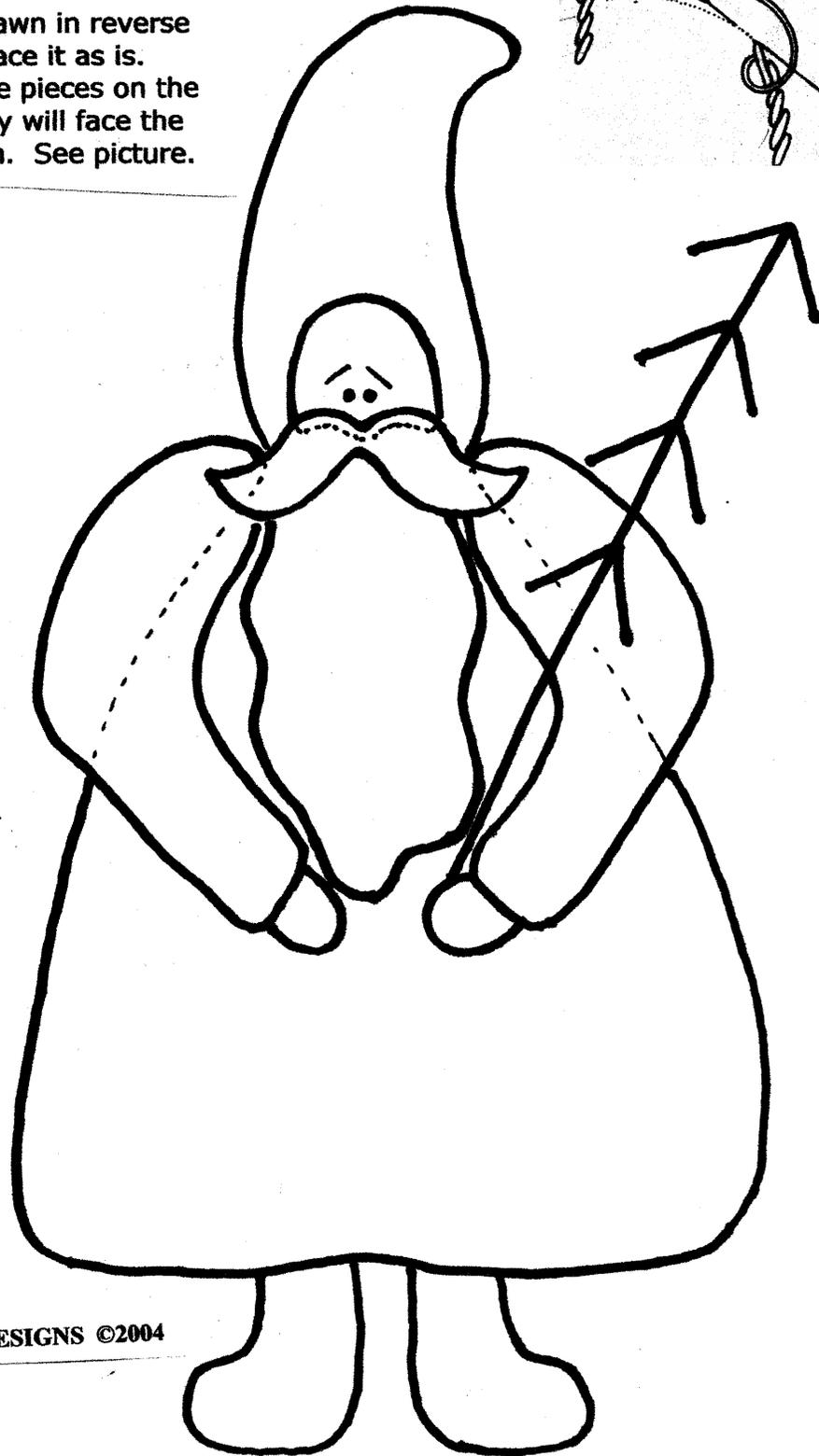
This pattern is drawn in reverse so you can trace it as is. When you iron the pieces on the background, they will face the opposite direction. See picture.



French Knot



Stem Stitch



Enlarge or reduce Santa until he's 9½" from top of hat to bottom of boots.

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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 adjust the pattern so these are actually 1" apart, you will have the correct size.

## Instructions for December Pillow of the Month

Fabric needed: Backing and front side panels  $\frac{1}{2}$  yd  
(must be at least 41" wide; if not you will need  $\frac{7}{8}$  yd)

Border around block  $\frac{1}{8}$  yd

Pieced block: gold background  $\frac{3}{8}$  yd  
green star points  $\frac{1}{8}$  yd

Santa: all plaids; white mustache  $1\frac{1}{2}"\times 3"$   
off white beard  $2\frac{1}{2}"\times 4"$ ; light pink face  $2" \times 2"$   
red Santa coat, hat, sleeves  $8" \times 10"$   
brown mittens  $2" \times 2"$ ; black boots  $2\frac{1}{2}" \times 4"$   
Fusible interfacing  $\frac{3}{8}$  yd

Supplies: 14" pillow form

6 -  $\frac{7}{8}"$  buttons

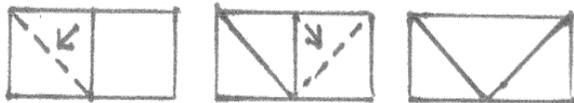
Fusible web (Wonder Under)

Tear away paper or tracing paper

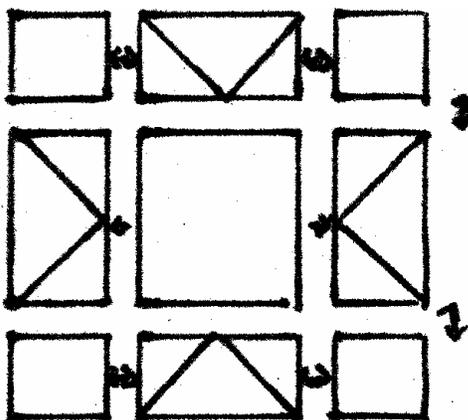
Green and black #8 perle cotton

Sewing:

- For pieced block cut: gold  $6\frac{1}{2}"$  square  
4 -  $3\frac{1}{2}"$  sq. for corners  
4 -  $6\frac{1}{2}" \times 3\frac{1}{2}"$  rectangles for sides  
green 8 -  $3\frac{1}{2}"$  squares for star points
- Place 2 star point squares on each end of each rectangle right sides together and sew diagonally. Iron star points down. Cut out underneath.



- Piece block together according to diagram.



- From border fabric cut: 2 strips -  $1\frac{1}{2}" \times 1\frac{1}{2}"$ ; sew on each side of block. 2 strips -  $1\frac{1}{2}" \times 14\frac{1}{2}"$ ; sew to top & bottom.
- Trace all appliqué pieces on Wonder Under. The pattern is already reversed, so you can trace it right off the pattern.

- Iron each Wonder Under piece to back side of appropriate fabric. Place Santa's arms on bias. Cut out each piece on the lines. Iron appliqué pieces to pieced block, centering Santa in the center of the block. Overlap joining pieces. (I cut the coat and hat as one piece.)



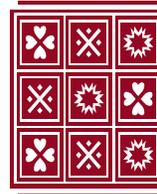
- Using a small zigzag stitch, stitch around each appliqué piece. Put tear away paper or tracing paper under background fabric when doing the zigzag stitching to prevent puckering. Tear it off when finished.
- With black #8 perle cotton, straight stitch eyebrows on Santa and stitch eyes with French knots. With green #8 perle cotton, stem stitch the tree.
- Cut backing  $26\frac{1}{2}" \times 14\frac{1}{2}"$  and 2 side panels each  $6\frac{1}{2}" \times 14\frac{1}{2}"$ .
- Cut fusible interfacing into 4 -  $3" \times 14\frac{1}{2}"$  strips. Iron them to the wrong side of the back fabric  $\frac{1}{4}"$  in from each side and to the side panels  $\frac{1}{4}"$  from the long edge. Turn under the  $\frac{1}{4}"$  edges and edge stitch. Iron under 3" on each piece along edge of interfacing. Open back up for now.
- Sew side panels to each side of front block raw edges even, right sides together. Iron seams toward side panels.
- Sew front to back, right sides together, at top and bottom to form a tube. Iron seams open.
- Turn tube right side out. Turn sides under on folded lines.
- Sew 3 buttonholes (on top) of each side. Sew 3 buttons underneath buttonholes on each side.
- Slip pillow form in tube and button up.

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**Prairie Star Quilt Guild**

Meets the second Monday of each month  
7:15 pm Pottorff Hall, Cico Park, Manhattan  
Nov: Lynne Hagmeier—Designing Fabric  
December: Party, 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.