

February 13, 2006

## The History of Quilt-making, 3400 BC to Present

Meeting second Monday of 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  
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# Prairie Pointer

**February 13:** Carol Elmore will present "The History of Quilt-making, 3400 BC to present." Members will model aprons from her collection of period fabrics.  
**March 13:** Deb Rowden from Lawrence will speak on "Collecting Your Quilt History" and share how to record your own stories for future generations. Deb donated a copy of her book to our guild library.  
March 13 & 14 Cathy Cholic will present a Mystery Quilt workshop. Because you will choose fabrics without knowing the quilt pattern, this will be a good exercise in color values.

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Mini-demonstrations, clockwise from upper right: Judi Robb, Shari Reeves, Karen Malong, Barb Warner, Carol Pacey.

**THANK YOU FOR TURNING YOUR CELL PHONE OFF DURING MEETINGS.**



### Prez Sez

Dear Quilting Friends,

What amazing weather for January! I'm certainly enjoying getting through the winter months with so many sunny warm days.

That thought leads me to Sunshine and Shadows, a small section we are adding to our newsletter, and a few moments during Guild meeting, to share good news and concerns about Guild members. Please email Jennie regarding newsletter items; contact Margie or Cindy regarding announcements at Guild meeting.

Our greeters for 2006 are Nadith Reinhardt, Jan Gable and Barbara Naughton. They will be sending post cards to visitors, letting them know we are glad they came and

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### February Treats

Please be sure to bring refreshment during your assigned month or trade with someone.

- Donna Dawson
- Kevin Deets
- Joyce Delehanty-Hoyt
- Dorothy Dickerhoof
- Ann Domsch
- Madeline Dunn
- Carol Dutton
- Libby Edgar

# February Birthdays



February birthday girls: Chris Moore, Harriette "I'm not ready to face another birthday" Janke, Shari Reeves.

Pat King	8
Shari Reeves	13
Rosalind Gorton	16
Jane Lord	19
Arrilla Fedde	22
Carma Edwards	23
Harriette Janke	27
Christine Moore	27
Bonnie Olsen	27



Our 2006 Opportunity Quilt, ready for the quilt frame. The quilt will be put in the frame February 13 and ready for quilting Feb. 14 at Theresa Gunther's home, 505 Oakdale. Sign up at the Feb. meeting.

## Patchwork Pieces

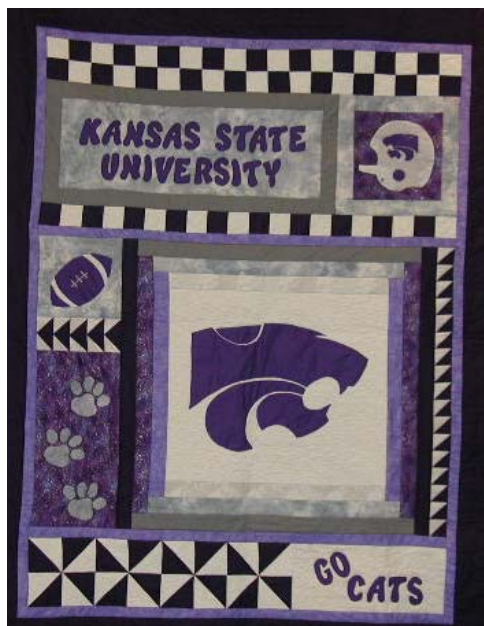
**2006 Officers** Co-President: Margie Young and Cindy Ross  
 Program Chair: Ronna Robertson  
 Program Chair-select: Nancy Graves and Judi Robb  
 Secretary: Sue Jones  
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 Photographer: Shari Reeves  
 Past President: Charlotte Herr  
 Members-at-large: Mary Jo Kurtz, Harriette Janke, Barb Warner  
 Newsletter: Jennie Burden; Circulation: Jeanne Powell  
**Committees:** Library: Kay Hummels, Jan Carl, Callie Hildebrand, Kevin Deets, Carol Sheehe; Opportunity Quilt: Nancy Venburg, Suzie Wong; Opp Quilt Tickets: Virginia Cleek, Mary Jo Harbour; Opp Quilt location: Theresa Gunther; Refreshments: Set-up: Barb Warner, Sharon Pollman, Jan Klink; clean-up: Rosie McMullen; Greeters: Nadith Reinhardt, Jan Gable, Barbara Naughton; Block of the Month: Dee Gerardy; Challenge: Chris Moore; Quilts From the Heart: Bonnie Olsen, Marcella Bechard, Donna Dawson, Norma Larson; Mini-Quilt Auction: Harriette Janke, with Judi Robb and Nancy Graves, advertising; Nancy Venberg, favors; and Margie Young, tickets.

### Cindy's President's Block:

Using 1930s reproduction pastels and butterflies, make a 10½" block (will finish to 10" in her quilt) for Cindy's President's Block Quilt. Remember to sign your name.

**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 potluck. 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. Call Margie Young to sign up for potluck lunch items.



### Make Your Library Wishes Known

If there are any books you'd like to have in our guild library, please let Kay Hummel know. We will be "weeding" out the less frequently used ones and buying new books with the money collected for usage fees.

Marcella Bechard's K-State quilt and Clessie LeMay's Oklahoma quilt.

### Paducah Trip-April 26-29

The balance of payment for the trip is due at the February 13th meeting.

Mary Jo Kurtz has received Registration and Information Guides for all those registered.

Multi-day Quilt Show admission is \$15 for members of the American Quilter's Society and \$25 for non-members. Advance registration is recommended. If you wish to join, membership can be paid along with the show registration using the form in the Registration Guide. It is also possible to register online at [www.AmericanQuilter.com](http://www.AmericanQuilter.com) or e-mail: [shows@AQSquilt.com](mailto:shows@AQSquilt.com) with questions. Phone: (270) 898-7903.

### Member Profile: Kevin Deets

Kevin Deets was born in Beloit and holds a bachelor of science degree in elementary education/English from KSU. She has been married to Doug for 29 years and they have two children. She volunteers at her church. She enjoys cross stitch and reading as hobbies.

Kevin learned to quilt in a class in Evergreen, Colo. in 1977. Her favorite completed project was their children's' baby quilts. She prefers machine piecing with hand quilting.

She finds quilting relaxing. She enjoys working with color combinations and especially likes the pleasure of finishing a project. She'd like to make a "Sister's Choice" quilt.



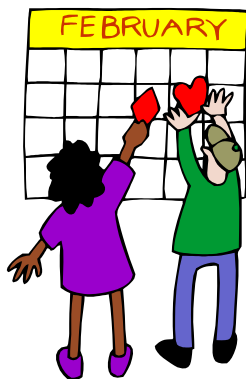
## Sunshine and Shadows

Please submit items for this new feature: marriages, births, deaths, new jobs, retirements, new addresses or other news you wish to share. You may email [jennieb53@cox.net](mailto:jennieb53@cox.net), call 539-1204, or submit in writing at guild meetings.

## Underground Railroad Quilts Sought for Band Program

If you have a quilt representing the Underground Railroad era, please contact Melody Day at 587-4198. Scott Freeby, middle school band director, needs to borrow them for the annual band concert in May.

Melody will take full responsibility for the safety and care of your quilts.



Marcella Bechard's appliqué quilt with McTavishing quilting.

## Business Matters:

~ We will continue encouraging members to complete their UFO projects with "UFO II" in 2006. Please draw up a list of your unfinished projects and turn them in to Barb Warner. Each time you bring in a finished UFO for show and tell, let Barb know and you'll be entered in the next drawing.

## On the Road

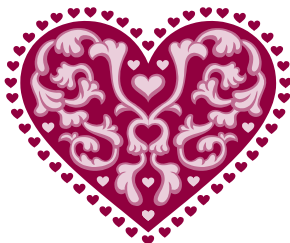
### Quilt Shows and Events of Interest in 2006

- Mar 24-25 Affair of the Heart Quilt Show, featuring Ricky Tims. Seward Co. Activity Ctr., [www.wequilt.net](http://www.wequilt.net) or call 620-657-2042.
- Apr 26-29 KPQG road trip to Paducah, KY, for AQS national quilt show.
- May 10-13 10th Machine Quilters Showcase, Overland Park Conv. Ctr. [www.imqa.org](http://www.imqa.org).
- June 10 Grandmother's Flower Garden, KPQG Mini-quilt auction and luncheon. Manhattan Country Club. For tickets, email Margie Young at [chipin@flinthills.com](mailto:chipin@flinthills.com).
- Jun 23-25 Common Threads, Prairie Quilt Guild quilt show. Century II—ExpoHall, Wichita.

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

## Quilts from the Heart

We have set April 6 and August 15 as the workdays we will meet in Clifton to work on the quilts. The committee will meet earlier to make kits. To date there are 57 quilts finished and 20 kits ready to be checked out.



Charlotte's President's quilt, ready for quilting and binding.

## Upcoming Programs

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Twenty members have registered for the workshop.

**April:** Meeting will be held at Cico Park in Portroff Hall due to Easter celebration at the church. After the regular meeting Robbie Courts will teach a "Try It" on making fabric bowls.

**July:** Workshop featuring 6 demonstrations; members will choose to make either a card or Christmas ornament.

## Prez Sez

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inviting them to come back. According to our constitution, " a person may attend 2 regular meetings of the Guild each year before being required to join if further attendance is desired".

Blessings to you, we look forward to seeing you February 13.

Margie and Cindy

## Katie's Korner

### **Wood Stains on Fabric are Permanent**

My husband just inherited a quilt made by his Mom, back in the early '60s I think. She stored it in a cedar chest and of course there are bad cedar oil stains where the folds touched the sides. Fortunately they are on the back of the quilt. Will anything remove those stains? Someone suggested Orvus soap but haven't tried it yet. Will it work? Sue Jones

Hi Sue, I'm sorry. Wish I had better news for you, but wood resin stains are permanent. I have not heard of anything that will take them out. Orvus is great for washing quilts, but unfortunately, it won't remove these stains. You still have a treasure, so just love and enjoy your quilt. Katie

Just a reminder to all - please make sure your quilts are not in, on or touching untreated wood. Once wood resins are absorbed, they leave a permanent stain.

**(To ask Katie a question about quilting, email [katie@kitusa.com](mailto:katie@kitusa.com) or use the question box available at guild meetings.)**

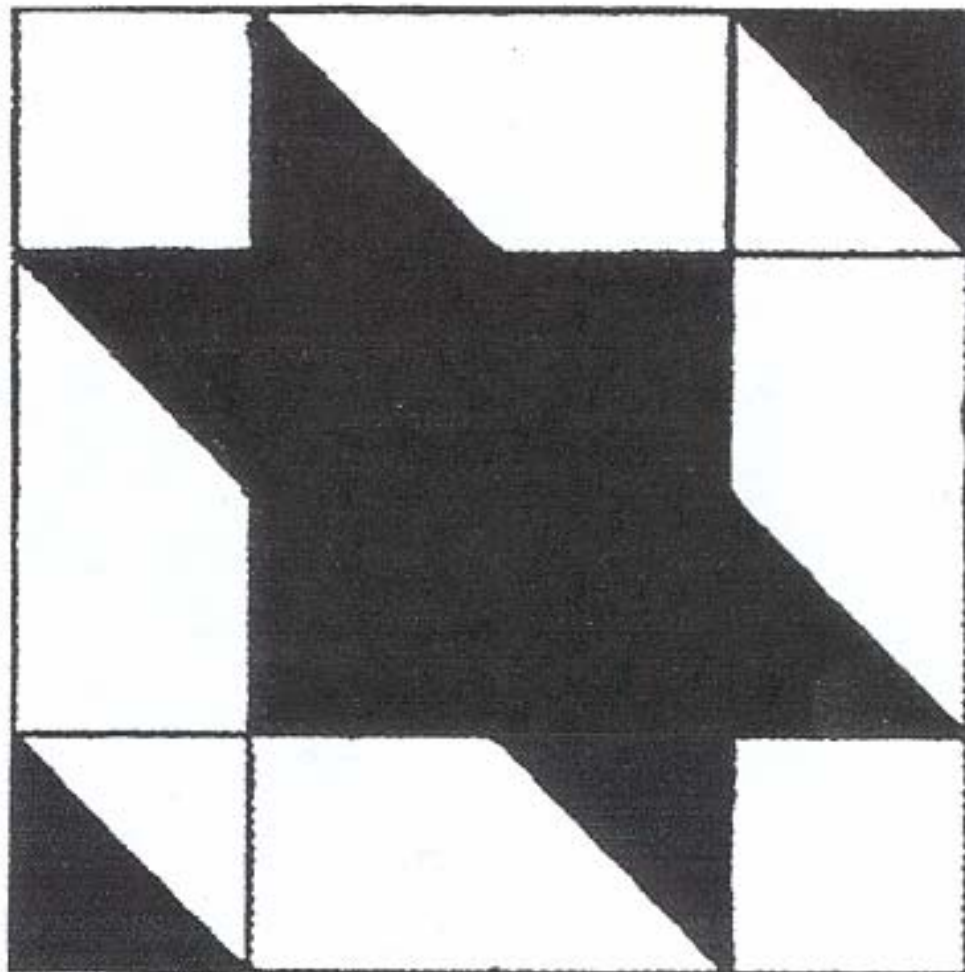
# March Block of the Month: Elliptical Star



Diagram A



Diagram B



Cut the following:

Light Fabric:

- \*Cut 4 rectangles -  $6\frac{1}{2}'' \times 3\frac{1}{2}''$
- \*Cut 2 squares -  $3\frac{1}{2}'' \times 3\frac{1}{2}''$
- \*Cut 1 square -  $3\frac{7}{8}'' \times 3\frac{7}{8}''$

Dark Fabric

- \*Cut 1 square -  $6\frac{1}{2}'' \times 6\frac{1}{2}''$
- \*Cut 4 squares -  $3\frac{1}{2}'' \times 3\frac{1}{2}''$
- \*Cut 1 square -  $3\frac{7}{8}'' \times 3\frac{7}{8}''$

Make two half-square triangles by layering the light  $3\frac{7}{8}'' \times 3\frac{7}{8}''$  square and the dark  $3\frac{7}{8}'' \times 3\frac{7}{8}''$  square, right sides together.

Draw a diagonal line from corner to corner and sew  $\frac{1}{4}''$  on each side of the line. Cut between the stitching lines on the drawn line. Press the seams toward the dark fabric. The half-square triangles should measure  $3\frac{1}{2}''$ .

Place a dark  $3\frac{1}{2}''$  square on the right end of a light  $6\frac{1}{2}'' \times 3\frac{1}{2}''$  rectangle. Draw a diagonal line across the dark square. (See diagram A) Stitch on the line. Trim the excess and press. Make two of these.

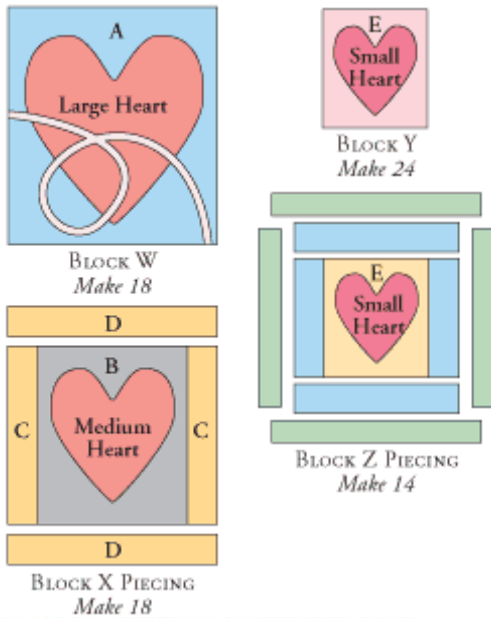
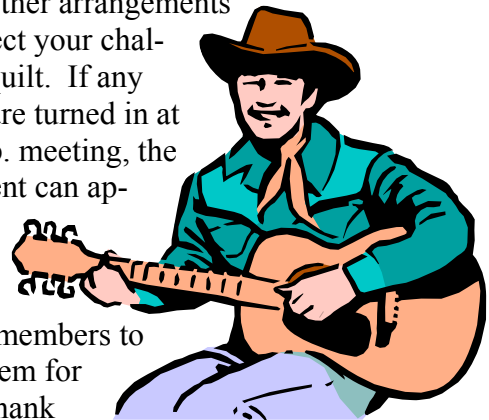
Place a dark  $3\frac{1}{2}''$  square on the left end of a light  $6\frac{1}{2}'' \times 3\frac{1}{2}''$  rectangle. Draw a diagonal line across the dark square. (See diagram B) Stitch on the line. Trim the excess and press. Make two of these.

Follow the block diagram to arrange the half-square triangles, pieced rectangles, light squares and  $6\frac{1}{2}''$  square to finish piecing the block. Your block should measure  $12\frac{1}{2}''$ .

## HAPPY TRAILS CHALLENGE:

Please turn in your finished projects no later than 9:00 a.m. at the March 13 meeting. There will be tables in the back where you can check your project in and it will be given a number. This allows time for judging, awarding of prize, and show and tell. There will also be voting for VIEWERS' CHOICE. There will be a QUIZ over Roy Rogers facts so study up! I am hoping to get this all done quickly so our March speaker, Deb Rowden, can have all the time she needs for her program and the meeting does not run long.

Anyone who will be absent from the March meeting may call me and we will make other arrangements to collect your challenge quilt. If any quilts are turned in at the Feb. meeting, the President can appoint one of the Board members to hold them for me. (Thank you!) And, a big thank you to everyone! (p.s.: Garrett and I should be in NYC Feb. 13 -- Gold Orchestra is performing at Carnegie Hall! Wish us luck on our trip!)



Find complete instructions and illustrations for this quilt at: <http://qnm.com/articles/feature122/index1.html>

Websites to visit: the following contain free quilt blocks

[www.quiltbus.com/QuiltBlocks.htm](http://www.quiltbus.com/QuiltBlocks.htm)

[www.freequiltpatterns.info/](http://www.freequiltpatterns.info/)

[www.mccallsquilting.com/quilting.about.com/library/bl\\_freehere.htm](http://www.mccallsquilting.com/quilting.about.com/library/bl_freehere.htm)

Other quilters' sites:

[www.quiltersnewsnetwork.com/](http://www.quiltersnewsnetwork.com/)

[www.quiltersaccess.com/](http://www.quiltersaccess.com/)

[//groups.msn.com/QuiltingToShare](http://groups.msn.com/QuiltingToShare)

If you find other interesting sites, please share them. Send to [jennieb53@cox.net](mailto:jennieb53@cox.net).

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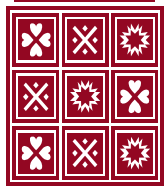
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Lincoln



The mother of Whitney Short's Italian exchange student sent her this wall hanging.



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