

January 8, 2007

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

Bring Your Heart to Heart Baskets and Get Ready to Bid

January 8: We will be having a different kind of auction this year. Heart to Heart will be an auction of related items to benefit the Quilts From the Heart project. Each person or pairs of persons will take a basket or some other attractive container and put nice things in it to be auctioned off. No "junk" is to be used. Items such as fat quarters, notions, patterns, and other quilt related items will be placed in this basket and then auctioned.

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Carolyn Dreiling, winner of the 2006 Opportunity Quilt, Darting Minnows.

Dues for 2007 are \$35

Prez Sez

Happy New Year and Happy Quilting!

I am breathing deeply as I write this first column and thinking about the daunting task ahead as your president. Please let me know what you need me to do! I am looking forward to the excellent programs and workshops that Nancy and Judi have planned.

Last year we had 140 UFOs completed. That's a lot of shelf space opened up, and a perfect excuse for a shopping trip! Our \$100 prizes went to Nancy Graves and Cindy Ross. Happy Shopping ladies!

This is an excellent time to clean our "studios" and make up our list of UFOs. Please pick up your old list from Sue Damkroger and update it. If you could keep a duplicate list at home you could check in by number with Sue at the meetings (and see your progress—or lack thereof). See the UFO guidelines on page 5 of this newsletter.

Barb Warner

January Refreshments

Please be sure to bring refreshments during your assigned month or trade with someone else who can.

Lois Haug
Toni Haukom
Jane Hebert
Dottie Heinz
Callie Hildebrand
Doris Hofman
Carol Hoogheem
Marilyn Horvath
Bella Wirtz-Haynie



Harriette Janke's quilt in pink and burgundy.



Happy Birthday: Jennie Burden, Virginia Cleek, Bella Wirtz-Haynie, Cathy Cholick, Susan Weaver, Norma Larson and Joyce Delehanty-Hoyt.

January Birthdays

Norma Larson	1	Jennie Burden	18
Bette Jennings	3	Carol Darling	19
Cathy Cholick	5	Fran Nedwed	19
Joyce Delehanty-Hoyt	6	Delores Hargadine	20
L. Ann Domsch	11	Virginia Cleek	22
Lois Haug	14	Bella Wirtz-Haynie	26
Edythe Porter	16	Clessie LeMay	26
Eloise Brown	16	Anne Collins	29
Carol Dutton	17	Susan Weaver	31



Member Profile

Edé Radenberg is a charter member of KPQG. She has been president, program chair and treasurer, among other things. She was born in Frankfort, KS and attended college for 3 years. She's been married to Marvin for more than 55 years and they have 3 children and 6 grandchildren. She used to work at Radio Shack.

Edé bakes cakes for Seven Dolores funerals and makes items for the hospital gift shop. She is learning to do rug hooking—ah, she's a "hooker"—and reads several



books a week.

She made simple quilts for her children and learned more from classes by Gloria Keeton and Nancy Wakefield. Edé's favorite project is Santa wallhangings (made for Seven Dolores auctions) that have a central Santa with old fashioned toys. Most of her projects are a combination of hand and machine work. Edé finds quilt making to be relaxing.

Her favorite guild meeting was Carol Pacey's workshop on machine quilting. Edé would like to be a better machine quilter. She says she needs to live a long time to finish all of her unfinished projects and use her mountain of fabric.

Patchwork Pieces

Cindy's President's Block:

Using 1930s reproduction pastels (she likes 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. Contact: Susie (Weir, Wong or Sapp.)

Beginning in February, **every Tuesday** there will be a Quilts From the Heart at the Bernina Shoppe in Westloop.

Changes to directory:

New Member Marilyn Frank, 9100 Elizas Rd, Manhattan 66502, 539-0455, Birthday Aug 22, email mafdle@kansas.net.

Change of address: Arrilla Fedde, 824 G Ave, Mankato KS 66956-2285.

Email changes:

Mary Corah mcorah@cox.net,

Bette Jennings betteksu@yahoo.com,

Jean Parker park2129@nqks.com,

Nadith Reinhardt, nadvein53@earthlink.net





Bonnie Olsen's black, white, and red quilt

On the Road

Quilt Shows & Events of Interest

Mar 1-Apr 1 Quilters Heaven in 2007 Quilt Show, Walnut Valley Quilt Guild, Winfield Middle School, 130 Biking Blvd, Winfield, KS. Contacts: 620-221-1520 or his@skyerock.net. Guild Website:

www.walnutvalleyquilters.com.

Mar 10 National Quilting Day

April 20-21 KPQG Quilt Show, First Presbyterian Church, 801 Leavenworth, Manhattan.

May 12 Silver Needles Quilt Guild quilt show at Rolling Hills Wildlife Adventure. For information, contact Debbie Tasker at 785-827-9488 ext 114. email: groupsales@rollinghillswildlife.com



Karen Spaeth's holly and star quilts for Christmas.

2007 Quilt Show

Our "Stars Over Konza Prairie" Quilt Show will be April 20-21, 2007 at the First Presbyterian Church in Manhattan—put these dates on your calendar. This will be a great opportunity to promote quilting in the local area.

As part of the show, we would like to showcase the results of all of our workshops and classes (especially from the past 2 years). In order to do that, I would encourage all of you "starters" to finish your class projects within the next few months, so we can group the class results together and display all of your creativity showing the variety you can get from the same pattern or technique. We will be looking for a wide variety of volunteers to help pull this together over the next few months.

If you have a specific area of interest, please contact Robbie Courts so we can be sure to include you. We are also interested in having a display of "wearable" quilted items. If you have any type of mannequin or body form, or know where we could borrow some, please let Robbie know.

Robbie Courts, 85A Schofield Circle, Ft Riley, KS 66442, 785-784-8157, mrcourts@charter.net



Close-up of Marcella Bechard's flower basket appliqué quilt.

February Block of the Month: Musk Thistle

Size is up to your discretion. Norma is using 10½” squares (before finishing). The ruler along the side is to help you scale your pattern.



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Carduus nutans L.

Mitchell County, Kansas

Biennial or sometimes winter annual

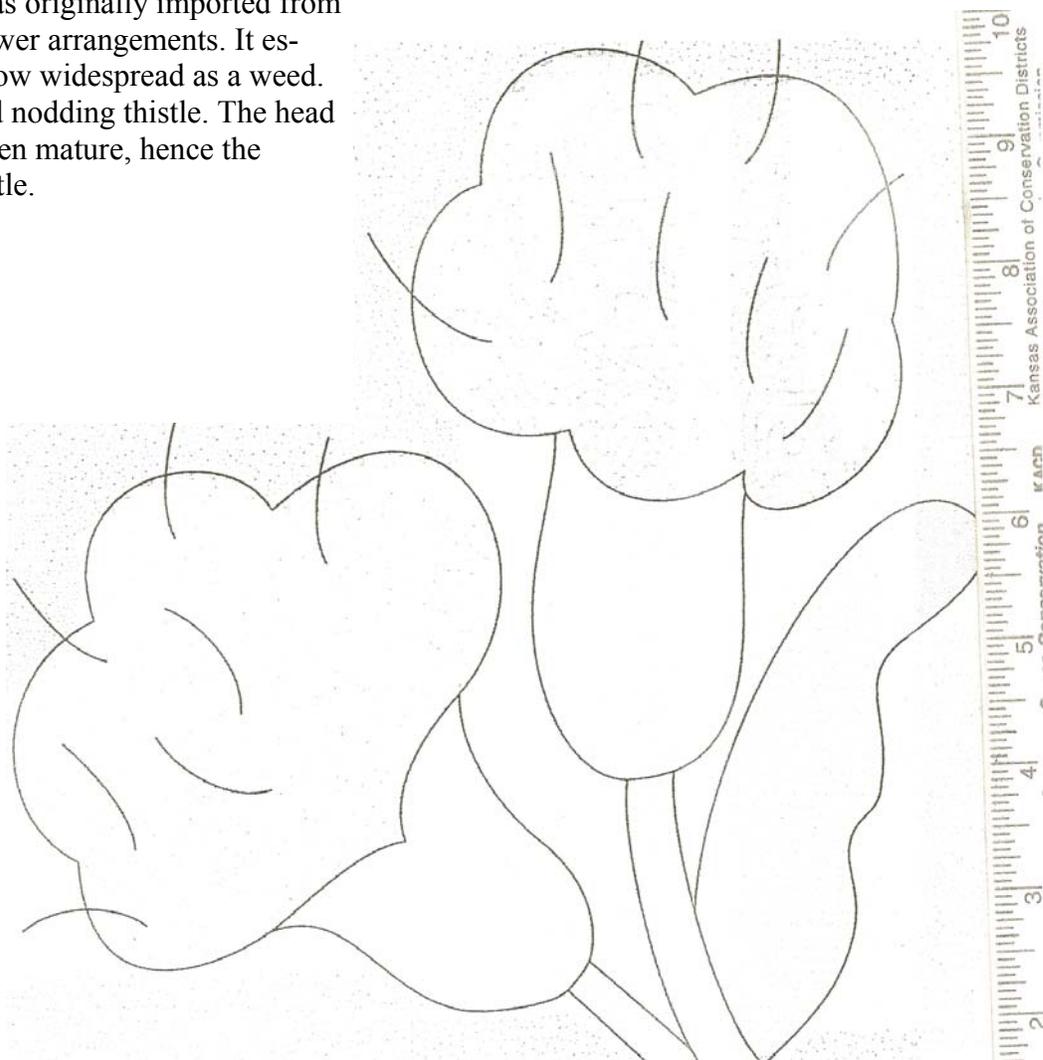
1.5 – 9 feet tall

Flowering Period: May-August

But may be observed into autumn

Musk thistle is an official noxious weed in many locales, because it spreads quite rapidly and forms dense stands that crowd out other vegetation. Musk thistle is most easily controlled when in the rosette stage, prior to bolting. The plant can be sprayed or dug, but if flower heads are present, they must be removed and burned.

This flower was originally imported from Europe for flower arrangements. It escaped and is now widespread as a weed. It is also called nodding thistle. The head bends over when mature, hence the "nodding" thistle.





Quilt by Norma Louck.

UFO GUIDELINES

UFOs are quilt projects that have been started and now languish on a shelf or in a box, and need an incentive to be completed.

- A. Items must have been started before Jan.1, 2007. This means actually cut or sewn, etc., not just a kit or fabric purchased.
- B. Items must be shown at a regular meeting. Items should be completely finished (quilted and bound) unless they will be given away before the next meeting—in that case, a picture of the completed item should be shown.
- C. Quilts from the Heart quilts may be included if they meet the above criteria.

Current Program

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Nancy suggests that members could put together items that possibly relate to each other - a book or pattern, a couple of fat quarters, notions, thread in a basket, sack, pot, or any container. We don't expect one of each member - several could go together. If we have 20 to 30 that will be great.

One member has a quilt that she doesn't want and that will be auctioned off by itself. Perhaps you have a kit for something you never made. You could place that, along with all the related notions needed to complete it, in a basket. But we don't want just stuff (junk) just piled in a box or sack. Next year can be the trash to treasure auction for cleaning out your sewing room.

February: Jenny Foltz, a Manhattan quilter who has her own quilt pattern line, will be the speaker.

- D. Items may be entered by only one person. If an item is a group project one person should be selected to put it on her list.
- E. A list of UFO's should be turned in to the UFO chairperson as early in the year as possible. A list may be started or items may be added to a member's list at any time.
- F. A drawing shall be held in December for prizes in an amount to be determined by the board.

Did You Know?

2007 is the Chinese year of the pig (or boar). Following a 12-year cycle, other years of the pig are 1911, 1923, 1935, 1947, 1959, 1971, 1983, 1995, 2007 and 2019. Being born in this year is considered good luck. Those born under the sign of the pig are said to be hardworking, giving, willing and helpful.. David Letterman, Andrew Jackson, Henry Ford, Humphrey Bogart, Lucille Ball and Thomas Jefferson were born in pig years.



Stack and Whack by Margie Young.

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Sunshine and Shadows

Please send notices for Sunshine and Shadows to jennieb53@cox.net, call 539-1204, or submit in writing at guild meetings.

Dorene Elsa is looking for an embroidery machine to send with a missionary who is returning to Africa. Harper McConnell will teach women to use the machine, which will help them earn income and improve their lives. If you have a machine for sale or to donate, please call Dorene at 776-8549.



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