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KONZA PRAIRIE QUILTERS' GUILD NEWSLETTER  
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# Prairie Pointer

## Local Quilt Designer will Show Her Artistic Side

**February:** Jenny Foltz, a Manhattan quilter who has her own quilt pattern line, will be the speaker. Her lecture is "Stitches on the Art Side."

**March:** We will play Bingo for our program.

*Thanks to everyone who generously donated items for our first-ever "Heart to Heart" auction, and everyone who then bid on the items. The money (\$919.05) will be used for supplies for the Quilt From the Heart*

### February Refreshments

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

- Carolyn Fenn
- Betty Frank
- Jan Gable
- Susan Gormely
- Rosalind Gorton
- Teresa Gunther
- Mary Jo Harbour
- Delores Hargadine



Marcella Bechard's Starry Night wall hanging from Shelley Burge's workshop.

Quilting on the Opportunity Quilt at Joyce Delehanty-Hoyt's, starts in February. Sign up today!

### Prez Sez

A friend recently returned from Arizona, and I was a bit envious until she told of waking to frozen pipes. Another friend from western Kansas was without electricity for 2 weeks after the recent storms. We should count our Blessings!

UFO's part 2: The board voted to award five \$50 prizes for UFOs shown in 2007. The more old projects you finish and show, the more chances you have to win!

The quilt show committee is well organized and working hard. Now they need your help. We need everyone to take flyers and bookmarks EVERYWHERE. Also, it is time to think of what quilts you will show. Fill out an entry form for each one. We need the forms well before the show, but not the quilts.

Happy Quilting. Barb



Monkeys in Corners, with curved piecing, by Mary Jo Harbour.



Happy Birthday: Pat King, Bonnie Olsen, Roz Gorton, Harriette Janke.

# February Birthdays

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



## **Member Profile: Gayle Edmiston**

Gayle Edmiston was born in Rice Lake, Wisconsin. She has been married to Kenneth for 17 years and they have a blended family with 12 kids from 35 to 47, 20 grandkids and 3 great-grandkids. (Is this a guild record?)

In addition, she is a Milford City Councilwoman, volunteers with CASA and KS/NE Southern Baptist Disaster Relief. Her hobbies are spinning, knitting and crochet — and quilts.

Gayle holds a BS in human resources and has worked for the Department of Defense and Irwin Army Community Hospital for 29 years. She now does substitute teaching at the elementary level.



Gayle learned to quilt from Jean Parker in 1995. Her favorite project is a tie quilt she did for her father's 90th birthday. Dad had asked for a quilt and as he always hated ties and the family gave him bunches, the quilt just had to be ties. This was her first quilt and she nearly drove Jean crazy because Gayle was so NEW to quilting. She prefers traditional quilts that are machine pieced and also likes appliqué quilts. Gayle would like to learn to sew a consistent 1/4" seam.

Her favorite guild meeting was the mystery quilt taught by Cathy Cholick but she says all are great. She likes quilting because of the colors, learning new things and the fellowship and friendship. She'd like to learn to make a mariner's compass or anything with stars and log cabins. Since Gayle lives in Milford, she can't come to many of the smaller get-togethers but she finds guild friendly to newcomers.

## Patchwork Pieces

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.

**Sunshine and Shadows**

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

## 2007 Quilt Show

The next meeting for the Quilt Show Committee will be at 9 AM on 21 Feb at Barb Warner's home.

This is the month to fill out your entry forms (see pg. 6; or pick up at the Guild meeting). There is no entry fee and no limit (within reason) to the number of quilts you can enter—what a bargain! We're looking for all of your interesting quilts—whatever the size. Please especially consider any quilts made as a result of classes or workshops during the past 2 or 3 years—talk to your classmates to encourage them to enter theirs.

Deadline for the entry forms is April 9<sup>th</sup> at the Guild meeting, but the labels need to be typed up and other planning needs to be done, so the earlier you enter, the better. You can also type the info directly into the form and mail it to Robbie Courts (address on the form). Drop off dates for the quilts are 15-19 April (places are on the form, plus the Senior Center on the 19<sup>th</sup>). Those of you who may have difficulty getting them in 15-19 April, may bring them to the April 9<sup>th</sup> Guild meeting.

As everyone adds a bit of themselves to the effort, the pieces will fit together to make a beautiful quilt show!



### **2007 Quilt Show Committee:**

- \* Chairperson: Robbie Courts
- \* Advisor: Barb Warner
- \* Publicity/Advertising: Pat King
- \* "Goody Bar" Kitchen: Mary Jo Harbour
- \* Exhibit Booths: Mary Jo Kurz
- \* Demonstrations: Eloise Brown
- \* Opportunity Prizes: Susie Wier
- \* Vignettes: Dona Koster & Jan Carl
- \* Sign up lists for show: Anne Collins
- \* Clean up Coordinator \_\_\_\_\_
- \* Viewers' Choice \_\_\_\_\_
- \* Labels Organizer \_\_\_\_\_
- \* White Glove Supervisor \_\_\_\_\_

### **Here are some additional ways you can help with the quilt show:**

- Volunteer for one of the blank positions above, or offer to help one of the committee members in their area. See Robbie, if you have questions.
- Help advertise the quilt show by putting flyers in all of the places you go where someone might be interested—hair-dresser's, civic groups, places you shop, church, etc.
- Talk to Robbie if you might be interested in helping to type the quilt labels.
- If you can do a 5 to 20 minute demonstration on some quilting technique, talk to Eloise.
- If you have any items that can be used in the "opportunity drawings", give them to Susie Wier.
- If you have interesting items that can be loaned as part of the vignettes, see Jan or Dona.
- If you have any dress forms or solid sheets that can be loaned, see Robbie.
- Look for sign up sheets at the March and April meetings for making baked goods, set up, taking tickets, being a white glove lady, clean up, etc.

### On the Road

## **Quilt Shows & Events of Interest**

- Thru Feb 18 Piecing it Together: Selected Quilts from the Museum, Kansas Museum of History, Topeka, temporary exhibit of 27 quilts from the collection.
- 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 Stars of the Prairie, KPQG Quilt Show, First Presbyterian Church, 801 Leavenworth, Manhattan.
- May 12 Silver Needles Quilt Guild quilt show, Rolling Hills Wildlife Adventure, Salina. For information, contact Debbie Tasker at 785-827-9488 ext. 114, or groupsales@rollinghillswildlife.com.

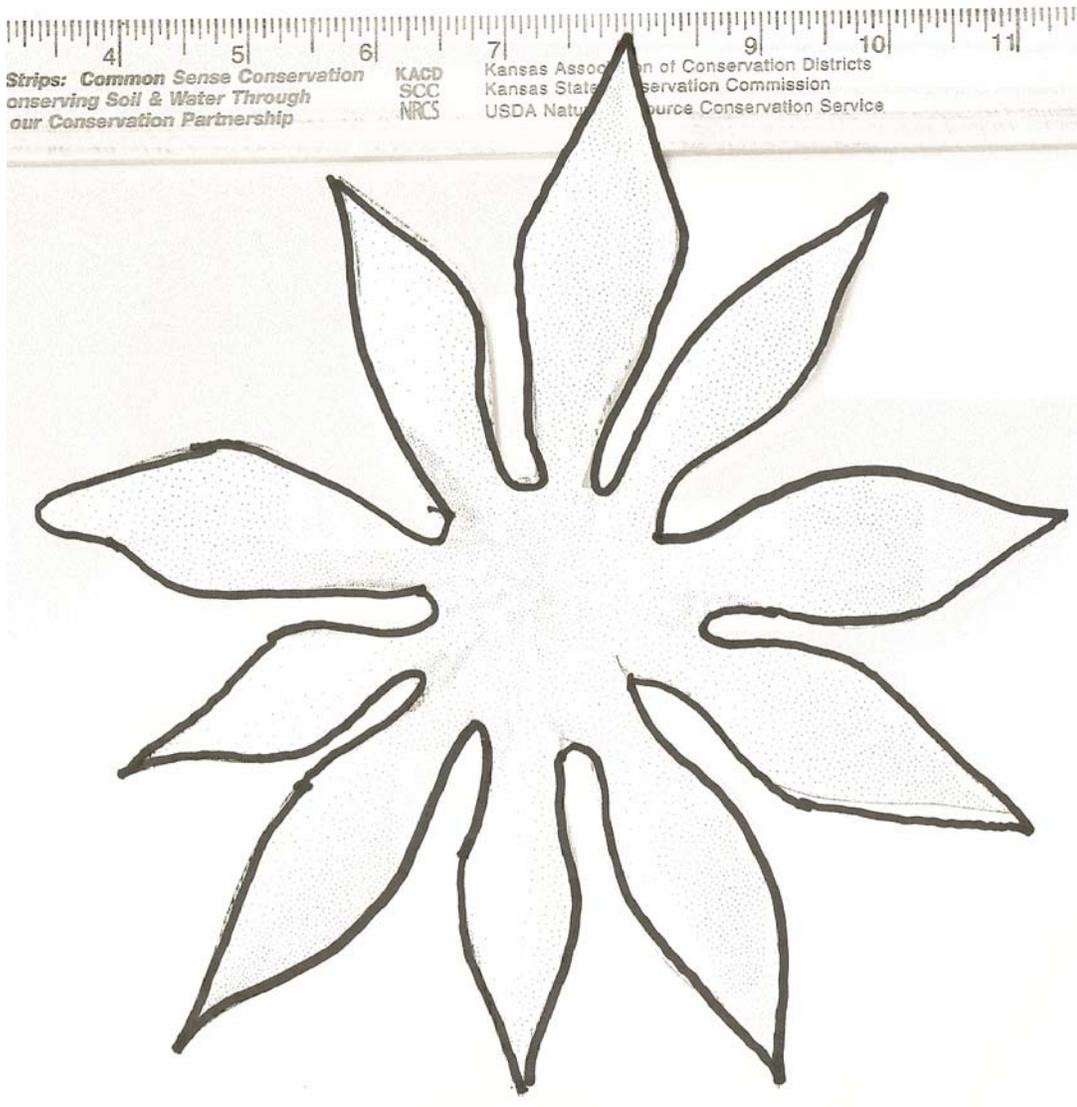
### March Block of the Month: Tenpetal



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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. These patterns can be made any size with any technique. If an 8 x 8 block works better use that. These are wildflowers and many sizes differ in different places. Just make them exciting.

Tenpetal *Mentzelia* is also called chalk lily, eveningstar, or candleflower. The flower is 3”-6” inches in diameter, with one to several erect stout stems. It has a bushy appearance and ten white to creamy-white petals 3” long, with numerous stamens that are shorter than the petals. Tenpetal is found on steep banks, slopes, rocky outcrops., and dry, rough hillsides.





Marcella Bechard made these table runners with her friend Beth Christiansen, and Dee Gerardy.

### Computer Tip for Viewing Current Newsletter

Do you have trouble finding the most recent newsletter at our website? Chances are, you need to “refresh your browser.”

Think of it this way: once a month you drive to Topeka to eat at Timberline Steak House. This month you decide to eat at Ruby Tuesdays instead. But your car “automatically” turns into the Timberline parking lot, because that’s the way you’re used to going.

Your computer does the same thing. Instead of finding the path to [www.kpqg.com](http://www.kpqg.com) each time, it follows the path it took the last time, and you end up staring at last month’s newsletter. So what can you do? Refresh your browser.

To do this, you need to look for a button in the bar at the top of your window that says “Refresh” or “Reload” or has 2 arrows chasing each other in a circle. While holding down the “ALT” button on your keyboard, click the cursor on the Refresh button. You should see the page re-loading. (For MAC users, press the “Option” key while clicking Refresh or Reload.)



### 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, not just a kit, idea 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.
- 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 UFOs 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 will be held in December for prizes. The board has decided to award five \$50 prizes (each member can only win once per year.)

### International Quilt Block Exchange

Please bring your block for the exchange with the Wales quilters to the February meeting. I will be collecting the blocks and sending them to Wales in February. If you have any questions or cannot be at the February meeting, please call Susan Weaver at 537-2320.



Leafy wallhanging by Anne Collins.



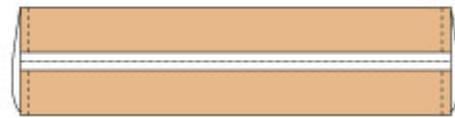
## Directions for making a 6" hanging sleeve (required for quilts over 36")

### After Binding the Quilt

1. Cut or piece together fabric to make a strip 13" tall and the same width as the quilt.
2. Fold under short edges 1/4", wrong sides together. Fold under again. Press. Sew a straight or zigzag seam to hem the folds.
3. Now fold the strip lengthwise, wrong sides together, aligning its raw edges. Sew together with a 1/2" seam allowance. Press the seam allowance open.
4. Place the open seam against the quilt's back. Center and pin the top edge of the tube to the back of the quilt, about 1/2" below the binding.
5. Use a [whipstitch](#) to sew the top edge of the tube to the quilt backing. Stitch into the batting occasionally to help strengthen the seam.
6. Smooth the sleeve downward along the quilt back, then make a 1/2" fold along its length to create a pleat. Leaving the pleat intact, pin the sleeve bottom to the quilt.
7. Whipstitch the lower edge of the sleeve to the quilt. Remove pins. The sleeve will pooch out a bit to allow space for a hanging rod.
8. Whipstitch the back sides of the sleeve to the quilt. Leave the front sides unsewn to allow for rod insertion.



Fold sides and sew.



Sew lengthwise, wrong sides together. Press seam open.



After sewing to quilt, sleeve will pooch out to allow space for rod.

### Before Binding the Quilt

1. Sandwich the quilt top, batting and backing. Quilt or tie. Trim batting and backing to match the quilt top along the edge where the sleeve will be sewn.
2. Cut or piece together fabric to make a strip 13" tall and the same width as the quilt.
3. Fold under short edges 1/4", wrong sides together. Fold under again. Press. Sew a straight or zigzag seam to hem the folds.
4. Fold the strip lengthwise, wrong sides together, aligning raw edges.
5. Center the folded strip along the top edge of the quilt, against the backing, aligning its matched raw edges with the edge of the quilt.
6. Sew the sleeve to the quilt at the top edge with an approximate 1/8" seam allowance.
7. Smooth the sleeve downward along the quilt back, then make a 1/2" fold along its length to create a pleat. Leaving the pleat intact, pin the sleeve bottom to the quilt.
8. Whipstitch the lower edge of the sleeve to the quilt. Remove pins. The sleeve will pooch out a bit to allow space for a hanging rod.
9. Bind the quilt.



Wall hangings for children's ski pins, by Robbie Courts.

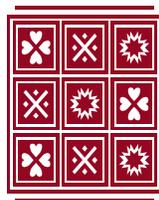
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Cutting/Hobby table 36" wide by 59½" long by 36" tall (folds down to 13x36x36). Cutting mat to fit (36x59½), ironing cover to fit table; all purchased at JoAnn fabrics. Added risers under table to make it 40" tall and a platform (same material as table top) that fits on leg braces for storage. I added 4 plastic bins with lids for fabric storage. Additions are easily removed. When new \$149.99, now all for only \$75. Call 494-2198 (h), 565-3828 (local number cell phone) or e-mail [snbjones@wamego.net](mailto:snbjones@wamego.net).



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