

December 14, 2009

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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Prairie Pointer

KONZA PRAIRIE QUILTERS' GUILD NEWSLETTER
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Upcoming programs.

December: Our program comes in three parts. We will be making pillowcases for hospitalized children, making uniform backdrops for our quilt show frames, and having a potluck lunch and gift exchange.

Members are encouraged to bring sewing machines if possible. There will be jobs for those that are not sewing. We also need white or similar color flat sheets of any size. Pre-cutting the pillowcase fabric will save time. Each pillowcase requires 3/4 yd main fabric, 1/3 yd for band, and 1/8 yd for trim. All pieces are width of fabric.

After sewing will be the potluck lunch (bring your own table service), then the gift exchange. Gifts should be under \$10. Homemade gifts are always nice.

January: How many times have you heard "Finished is Good" stated by Charlotte Herr? In January Charlotte will show us some of her FINISHED quilts and share some of the things she learned the hard way.

Prez Sez

By the time you all read this, Thanksgiving 2009 will be gone, and everyone will be getting ready for Christmas. We should have a great meeting in December. Pat has planned a full program for us, and there should be something for everyone. If anyone has items to sell, don't forget to call Margie for table space.

I want to wish everyone a wonderful Holiday Season and thanks to you all for making my years as president a great experience. Eloise

Time to pay dues:

Remember, it's time to pay your dues for 2010 (\$35). Prompt payment means the directory can be up to date.



Judy Davis accepts the quilts for the Crisis Center

December Refreshments

If you are unable to bring refreshments in your assigned month, you must arrange your own substitute.

Mary Jo Kurtz
Ann Langham
Norma Larson
Ann Lee
Norma Louk
Judy Marshall
Charlotte Major
Joan Meyer

December Birthdays

Celebrating in December:

Cheryl Barnette	2
Dorine Elsea	2
Lana Arpin	7
Donna Dawson	8
Kay Ring	10
Dee Gerardy	13
Carolyn Fellows	15
Nancy Graves	17
Anne Emerson	25
Janet Throne	31



Members celebrating in December (pictured):
Nancy Graves, Donna Dawson, Anne Emerson, Kay Ring, Lana Arpin



Holiday Shopping

Remember that in December members can sell items. Call Margie for table space, and don't forget your cash if you want to shop!

Pictured:

Karen Spaeth's wool felt appliqué sampler

Patchwork Pieces

President's Quilt for Eloise: Indian Hatchet

Materials: one 8½" light square, muslin or light tone-on-tone
two 4½" dark or medium squares

Block assembly:

1. Using diagonal seams methods, place 1 dark square on corner of light square, right sides facing and aligning corners. Stitch along diagonal of dark square. Trim 1/4" away from stitching. Repeat on opposite corner of light square.
2. Block should measure 8½". Be sure to sign block.

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.
Fourth Monday: 9:30-3. Riley Co. Senior Service Center. Free classes by Mary Jo Harbour.

Block of the Month 2010

Judy Robb and Nancy Graves have designed a set of twelve variably sized blocks for this year's Block of the Month. Since this size doesn't work well in the newsletter, and sending it electronically distorts the size, paper patterns will be available at each guild meeting. If you can't pick yours up in person, please give Judi or Nancy a self-addressed, stamped envelope and they will mail the pattern to you.

In addition to the monthly drawing for prizes for completed blocks, there will be an end-of-the-year drawing for all those who complete all 12 blocks.

These blocks are best suited for machine appliqué and will have a Christmas theme.

New Members: please welcome these new members:

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Library Corner



Read All About It!

Caring for Your Quilts: Textile Conservation, Repair and Storage, By Hallye Bone, Kansas City Star Books, 2008. While museums do not wash or repair quilts, homemakers may choose to do so. There are several suggestions in the book for both cleaning a quilt and making repairs. An owner may choose to vacuum a quilt using panty hose over the nozzle to gently remove dust. Bone explains why some of the old fashioned cleaning methods are harmful to quilt. An extensive list of possible stain removal products is included, along with instructions for washing and drying quilts. This is an informative guide for quilt care, even though the author admits that some of the modern products are unknown how they will affect a quilt in years to come.

On the Road

June 25-27: Common Threads 2010 Quilt Show, Prairie Quilt Guild, Wichita, KS

Always remember to call ahead to confirm dates and time before heading out on the road!

Pictured:

The completed Kansas Wildflowers block of the month quilt, from Norma Butler

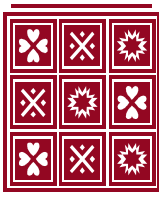


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Margie Young 539-2063, to arrange for the table.



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 to attend twice before joining.