

March 8, 2010

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.

March 8: The March guild meeting will host Ann Lee from Clay Center, one of our guild members. Her quilts include very old family quilts, and newer ones that she has made. The second half of the meeting will be our famous trash to treasure auction. Please come early and bring your things to be sold. This year we will have tables of fifty cent and dollar items that will sell directly without auctioning off these smaller items, so the auction will go more quickly. Please bring lots of goodies.

April 12: Caroline Searls will present a trunk show with some ideas about judging quilts. She has judged state fairs in five states. She will have a workshop on using neckties in quilts on Tuesday, April 13.

Prez Sez

This month I want to share Another of my favorite online sites with you. If you want to look at "quilt blocks galore" then you might like to check out www.Quilterscache.com. There are hundreds of quilt blocks, with instructions, on the website. They are alphabetized so if you know the name of the block you want a pattern for, you can go to the appropriate part of the alphabet, then scroll through the names until you find what you want. Most of the blocks have pictures of finished blocks or quilts people have made attached to them as well. Happy surfing-happy quilting.

Rachel Moreland

(editor's note: The moderator of this site graciously allowed us to give her site as a resource for Rachel's President's block—and she got back to me in less than twelve hours when I contacted her asking for permission!)



"Pieces of the Past" is the theme for the guild's Mini Quilt Auction and Luncheon on Saturday, April 10, at the Manhattan Country Club. Luncheon tickets are \$15. The fun event begins at 11:30 a.m. Back by popular demand as auctioneer is Steve Graves (spouse of Nancy)!!! See the finished Opportunity Quilt, help choose the Viewer's Choice entry and sign up for door prizes!!! Invite your friends and buy your tickets at the March meeting or call Mary Corah (537-8936) or Karen Spaeth (539-1363) for tickets!!! Wow! Some quilts have already been turned in and hopefully many more are being made for the auction!!!!

March Refreshments

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

Carol Elmore
Dorine Elsea
Anne Emerson
Arrilla Fedde
Carolyn Fellows
Gina Flikkie
Marilyn Frank
Dee Gerardy

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.

Twinkle, twinkle, little star
2010 challenge is not far
You'll get a fabric you must use.
Raid your stash, add some bling



Make some lovelies from which to choose

MEMBER PARTICIPATION :

In order to get your name in for the member participation drawing, you need to remember:

You get credit if what you do is a donation for the guild.

For example, for Block of the Month, only the committee members get their name in the drawing— the block you make is for you, not the guild.

Other examples: the refreshment committee gets an entry, once per year, but bringing refreshments is a regular guild duty, not extra participation, so it doesn't warrant an entry. Each Quilt from the Heart you donate, or binding, tying, or piecing quilts that adds up to the work of a whole quilt, gets you an entry.

Serving on a committee gets you one entry per year. Any questions? See Norma Larson.

Library Corner



Read All About It!

Garden Nouveau Quilts, by Vicky Lawrence, American Quilter's Society, Paducah, KY, 2009.

The quilts featured in this new book are reminiscent of the Art Nouveau Style of the early 1900's. Each block is a different appliqué pattern. The beautiful floral design patterns are included for the quilt. Other smaller projects included in the book are a miniature quilt, a tote bag, a table runner, and a wall hanging.



Stack n Whack by Ora Mae Kirkendall

On the Road

April 8-11: Greater Kansas City Area Shop Hop. Theme: "All That Jazz"

April 24-25: Kaw Valley Quilters Guild Quilt Show. Douglas County Fairgrounds

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!

March Birthdays

Celebrating in March:

Eunice Bradley	14
Mary Jo Kurtz	21
Kathryn Wilson	22
Joyce Chalkley	24
Mary Jo Harbour	24
Doris Hofman	25
Jeanne Powell	30



Members celebrating in March (pictured): Doris Hoffman, Mary Jo Kurtz, Kathy Wilson, Mary Jo Harbour

See the quilts up close! We need some volunteers to hold quilts during show and tell. If you are willing to help, please sign up when you arrive!



Cat quilts from Mary Jo Harbour's quilt class. From left to right, quilts by Cathy Cholick, Rachel Moreland, Mary Jo Harbour, and Anne Collins.

Patchwork Pieces

President's Quilt for Rachel: Buckeye Beauty

It is a simple 12 inch block. Each block needs six different fall colored calicoes and two different cream/tans. It is made up of 4 smaller blocks. 2 of the blocks are half-square triangle blocks and two are 4 patch blocks. If you are unfamiliar with the block, you can see an example at:

<http://www.quilterscache.com/B/BuckeyeBeautyBlock.html>

Be sure to sign your 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. Call Mary Jo Harbour or Susie Wong for more information.

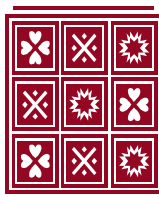
Fourth Tuesday: 9:30-3. Riley Co. Senior Service Center. Free classes by Mary Jo Harbour.

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Reminder: to sell items at the guild meeting, call
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.



Sharon Pollman--stack'n'whack in greens on black background



Sharon Pollman--sampler with appliqué medallion center in browns



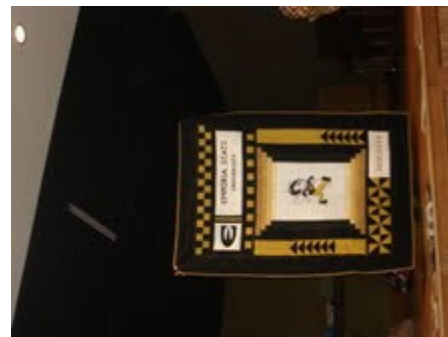
Sue Jones-whirling wacky blue



Betty Shawgo--embroidered dogs and alphabet blocks--waiting for its baby



Margie Young's embroidered Christmas quilt



Nelda Warnica's Emporia State Quilt for a grandson



Norma Larson's Appliquéd Embroidery quilt



Ora Mae Kirkendall's stack'n'whack



Carol Elmore displayed Ron Elmore's log cabin quilt



Anne Collins' green "Cats on the Carpet"



Sharon Johns--red and green folded star and polka dot Sudoku nine patch



Rachel Moreland's Cats in Purple



Cathy Cholick--Cats with paws border on white background



Mary Jo's first quilt--with no instructions--
-Monkey Wrench



Mary Jo's Cat quilt, hand quilted by ladies in Washington County