December 12, 2011

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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2012 Dues are Due

It's that time again. The \$35 membership dues will be collected at the December meeting— give your checks made out to KPQG to Sharon Pollman.



2011 has flown by and it has been fun and productive for our Guild. I hope that you have all had the chance to participate in some workshops and learn some new techniques or improve ones you had.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who has served on a committee or held an office or responded to a need in our group. It is this participation that keeps our group going and growing. We have a challenge currently before us and will be suspending member sales activities at meetings until we get this figured out. We recently received a letter from the state and we need to make sure that we are operating properly before we have any other sales.

We will be having our usual gift exchange and potluck lunch along with the meeting this month so don't forget to bring the things that you need for those two activities. We will also have our December Changeover Board Meeting On Tuesday, December 13 at Geri's house in Westmoreland at 11 a.m. New Board members plan on attending and receiving a notebook or an exchange of information on what you need to do in your new job. Everyone bring something to share for this potluck lunch/board meeting.

Did you see the picture in The Mercury of Cathy Cholick presenting the quilt to Judy Davis at the November meeting? Yahoo for this project and another 8 years of providing comfort to others. See you on the 12th.

Upcoming programs.

December 12: Karen Malone of All About Quilts will present "What's new at the shop", plus Christmas party, pot luck, and gift exchange. If you want to participate in the gift exchange, bring a wrapped gift. Gifts may be crafted by the giver or if purchased, somewhere in the \$10.00 range. Bring a dish to share for the potluck, plastic tableware will be provided. Remember to turn in your opportunity tickets if you haven't already done so. We will have the drawing for the quilt today.



December Refreshments

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

Barbara Naughton Nayola Norris Phyllis Norton Carol Pacey Joan Page Diane Pfeifley Virginia Bennett

Block of the Month 2011

This will be the last meeting to complete all twelve blocks to be considered for the end of the year special drawing. We have enjoyed the last three years of providing the designs for the guild. Thanks. Judi and Nancy

Block of the Month 2012

We will be using Jennie Rayment's book <u>Tucked up</u> in Bed for the January through October Block of the Month. All About Quilts should be able to order the book for you. Alternatively, Amazon has some used copies that have come in good condition. You may use any color fabric you desire if you do not care for the muslin look. Plan on using 5 yards of fabric if you use the same fabric for all 12 blocks.

January's block, "Dutchman's puzzle" can be found on page 21 of the book and requires an 11 x 44 inch strip of fabric.

Wanna Be a Border Explorer???

Would you like to try some new border techniques on a small scale? Would you like to make something for the Mini-Quilt Auction? Do you have an orphan block or two just crying to find a home? Please bring them to the December meeting, and we will begin the process. [If you don't have an orphan block, you can still participate since we already have a few.] Everyone who wants to take advantage of this exploration opportunity can pick up a bag with an orphan block in it at the December meeting and take it home to add a border. Bring them back in January – in the bag – and trade for another bag. We will exchange again in February and then they can be finished and ready for the March meeting, in anticipation of the Mini-Quilt Auction in April.

Library Corner



Read All About It!

Stash Magic 13 Quilts That Make the Most of Your Fabric Collection, by Jaynett Huff, Woodinville, WA, Martindale & Co., 2009.

English paper-piece bouquets for a challenging new quilt. Use batiks to create attic windows on a foundation or strip-piece stars are just a few of the quilts featured in this new book. Here's a way to use up your scraps. Many of the featured quilts are foundation pieced. More advanced quilters may want to try a new twist on old favorites.

New Member Please welcome this new member and add her to your directories:

Beverly Holdren 2826 Kelly Circle Manhattan, KS 66502 beverly28@cox.net 323-2586 11/9

Judi Robb's address has changed: 9048 Tonya Terrace Manhattan, KS 66502

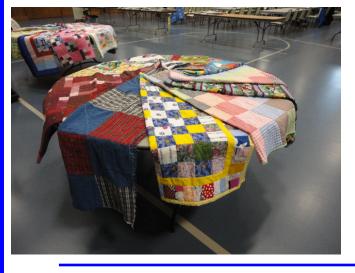
December Birthdays

Celebrating in December:.

Cheryl Barnett	2
Dorine Elsea	2
Lana Arpin	7
Donna Dawson	8
Kay Ring	10
Dee Gerardy	13
Carolyn Fellows	15
Nancy Graves	17
Carletta Edwards	18
Joanna Baker	22
Anne Emerson	25



Pictured, celebrating in December: Lana Arpin, Nancy Graves, Donna Dawson, Anne Emerson, Kay Ring, Dee Gerardy, Dorine Elsea. Seated in front: Carletta Edwards and Sweetie





Patchwork Pieces

President's Quilt for Susie: Buckeye Beauty again

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 halfsquare triangle blocks and two are 4 patch blocks. If you are unfamiliar with the block, you can see an example at:

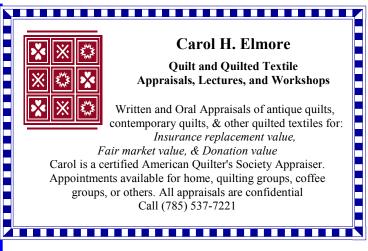
http://www.quilterscache.com/B/BuckeyeBeautyBlock.html

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 Susie Wong for more information.

NEW! Special "Modern Oldies" on the second Thursday of the month

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



All sales at guild meetings are suspended until further notice due to tax implications.

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