

April 11, 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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Prairie Pointer

KONZA PRAIRIE QUILTERS' GUILD NEWSLETTER
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Prez Sez

April is here and it might be time to take a few minutes to plant flowers before you get back in to your sewing studio. I can't wait to see flowers in bloom and the trees all leafed out and hear mowers going.

We have had several members volunteer ideas to help us with our fund raising efforts and appreciate them. If something occurs to you, be sure and bring it up. Suzie Wong has offered to embroider KPQG nametags for members at a price of \$10 each which she will donate to the guild (look for a sign up sheet next month) and Cathy Cholick has offered to quilt our 2012 Opportunity Quilt at no charge. It is the dedication and generosity of our members that makes our organization a vital one. Thank you so much to Suzie and Cathy.

First National Bank of Wamego has contacted Virginia again this year to offer our members the opportunity to sign up for their bus trip to Kansas City for the LongArm Quilters' Symposium. Be sure to bring your calendar and checkbook in April if you are interested in signing up for this.

Gerrie has a great slate of programs lined up for us this year. Be sure to sign up for workshops and support our effort in furthering our quilting skills and talents. And keep working on the challenge project and quilts to display in our quilt show in June.

See you on the 11th!

Upcoming programs.

April 12, 2011: Glenda Nelson, featured quilter at the 2009 Kansas Capital guild show, will present a trunk show.

Workshop Reservations: It is very helpful if you plan to attend a workshop if you enroll early. This gives us time to communicate with the presenter and/or order patterns, etc. You will need to enroll in the May workshop, Applique in Red and Green, with Terry Thompson at the April meeting. I will order the patterns from her that day. **YOU WILL NEED** to give me a Stamped self-addressed envelope at the meeting and I will mail you your pattern.

The June workshops are with Annette Kennedy. June 13 is Fused Applique from Photos. You will need an 8x10 photo you want to make. June 14 (all day) is Painting Calla Lilies. Go to her website to see her work.

April Refreshments

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

Lana Ellis
Carol Elmore
Dorine Elsea
Anne Emerson
Arrilla Fedde
Carolyn Fellows
Janet Finney
Gina Flikkie

Library Corner



Read All About It!

Creative Sewing Techniques by Machine, edited by Nancy Fiedler, Paducah, KY, American Quilter's Society, 2010

This book shows how to use some of the machine feet or attachments to make fringe, circles with decorative stitches, or couching. These are just a few of the techniques you can try. Some projects will require purchase of additional feet with some sewing machine models. Thirteen projects are more contemporary; including a chiffon pillow with silk flowers, a wall hanging using Angelina fibers for leaves and a three dimensional Celtic wall hanging. This book is for intermediate and advanced seamstresses with quality sewing machines.

Happy Birthday Kansas is the theme for the 2011 Challenge Quilt. Since this is the 150th birthday for our Wonderful State of Kansas it seems only appropriate to honor our state with a challenge quilt. There is no size limitation and no fabric that has to be incorporated into your quilt.

With our quilt show being in June, it would be nice to have these quilts on display, however the deadline will still be the October meeting. GOOD LUCK to everyone.

Sue Jones

Block of the Month 2011

Judi Robb and Nancy Graves have designed a set of twelve blocks for this year's Block of the Month. Since the 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 will be suited for either hand appliqué or fusible, and will have a monthly theme. They are all flower blocks.

The quilt show will have mini-opportunity chances again. Nancy would like to have about 18 or 20 items to offer for a chance to win. Small quilted projects (table runners, small quilts, etc.) are wonderful. New books or kits are also acceptable. We will be selling chances for four for \$1.00 and the person chooses which items they would like to win. Always a fun and exciting part of the quilt show. Contact Nancy Graves for information.

On the Road

April 2 9am-5pm, April 3 noon to 5pm.
Walnut Valley Quilters Guild Show: Winfield Middle School, 130 N Viking Blvd. Winfield, KS
 cltodd3@yahoo.com

April 16 (9- 5), April 17 (noon-5) Wamego Tulip Festival quilt show, Wamego Historical Museum
 Rock House, 4th and Locust, Wamego, KS

May 5-7, 10am to 6 pm Quilters Guild of Greater Kansas City: "Up and Away" Savior Pastoral Center, 12601 Parallel Parkway, Kansas City, KS

May 10-14, Machine Quilters' Showcase: Overland Park Convention Center, Overland Park, KS, (563) 927-8176

June 11 Quilt Show at Westmoreland BBQ.
 Westmoreland Community Center

June 17-19 Stars of the Prairie Quilt Show: Konza Prairie Quilters' Guild. Manhattan, KS

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

April Birthdays

Celebrating in April:

Nancy Venburg	7
Rachel Moreland	10
Sylvia Rice	20
Susan Gormely	21
Carolyn Dreiling	21



Pictured, celebrating in April: Rachel Moreland, Nancy Venburg, Carolyn Dreiling, Susan Gormely, Sylvia Rice

Stars of the Prairie Quilt Show

We are going to have a guild vendor booth at the show. We are asking our members to contribute items to be sold. We are thinking in terms of smaller items. Whatever is left from the quilt show will be packed away and used at the guild's booth at the Pumpkin Patch in the fall. If you have any questions please call Margie Young or Eloise Brown, who have volunteered to be in charge of the booth.

If your show quilt is more than 36" wide it will need a 4" sleeve on the back for hanging. Make a tube from a 9" strip of fabric, the width of your quilt. Stitch under a small hem at each end, then sew up the long seam. Press the tube with seam running down the back side of the tube. Hand stitch to top edge of the quilt stitching on both sides of the tube.

Happy Quilting,
Rachel Moreland

Patchwork Pieces

President's Quilt for Susie: Buckeye Beauty again

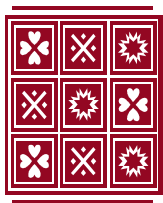
It is a simple 12 inch block. Each block needs six different fall colored calicoes and two different cream/tans. It is made up of 4 smaller blocks. 2 of the blocks are half-square triangle blocks and two are 4 patch blocks. If you are unfamiliar with the block, you can see an example at:

<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.

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