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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#### **Upcoming programs:**

June 9: Barb Eikmeier, Choosing a sashing, hands on. Bring your blocks to try out on the sashing templates to see how they work in different settings.

## Prez Sez

Let me begin by again thanking all those who contributed to the success of our biennial mini-quilt auction and luncheon. Our wonderful volunteers came through and provided a memorable event.

Having a professional auctioneer was a real treat, even as we had to explain to him why some of the smaller items drew higher bids.

Summer travels can expose us to new ideas in new places. I always watch for local quilt shops along the way. Sadly, I have learned that many quilt shops are closing or going to internet-only sales. We are very fortunate to still have our local quilt shop in Manhattan and I hope you will all continue to support it, as well as other shops you may encounter in your summer travels.

Our June program is an interactive one, with success depending on members bringing in their quilt blocks to audition on speaker Barb Eichmeyer's sashing templates. It's really amazing how helpful the templates are for visualizing different options. Barb's afternoon workshop will show us how to make our own templates.

See you in June -Jennie

#### July Meeting Change!

Remember the July meeting will again be at Pottorf Hall. If you want library books, get them at the June meeting. July will be a free month, since it is difficult for the library committee to transport all the books

Also, bring your unidentified lace for Ronna to identify at the July meeting

Konza Prairie Quilters' Guild would like to thank Vern Gannon Auctions and Mike Tematt for the professional services donated to us auction on May 10, 2014. It was a treat for us to have a professional conduct our auction—with the added benefit that Mike does come from a quilting family and he entertained us with his banter and observations.

Again, a big thank you to Vern Gannon Auctions.

## June Refreshments

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

Janet Finney Gerry Fouts Betty Frank Marilyn Frank Patty Garibay Betty Gassman Dee Gerardy Susan Gormely

#### **Block of the Month 2014**

The 2014 Block of the Month will be pieced blocks from the book 501 Rotary Cut Quilt Blocks. The block for June is "Arrow Crown". The block for July is "Eight Hands Around". Block patterns may be picked up at the meetings if you don't have a copy of the book.



After a confusing beginning to the day, the luncheon was a great success! Thank you to the Knights of Columbus for our delicious lunch and to Mike Tematt of Vern Gannon Auctions for entertaining banter as we were able to raise nearly \$3000 for our Guild. This will help us fund programs for the next two years. Thank you to everyone who made and donated an item for auction, bought tickets for the auction, and who came and brought their checkbooks. Thank yous also go to: Eloise Brown, Virginia Bennett, Suzie Wong, Sue Damkroger, Sharon Johns, Mary Jo Kurtz, Judy Marshall, Norma Butler, Sharon Pollman, Twila Hoffman, Ronna Robertson, Carol Pacey and Kim Wright for bringing lemon bars or flowers, clerking the auction, or helping with set up. Be sure and attend the June meeting for one last bit of auction business.

150 comfort quilts!!! That's our guild's goal for Quilts from the Heart 2014 and we're not there yet! Please continue to make them, especially if you've not made one this year! "Each one make one!" It's really a good feeling as you're sewing to know you're using fabrics that may not be your favorites but they turn into a quilt that's really bright and cool and will comfort a child who's just experienced a difficult family situation and needs something of their own to hang on to. Thank you for what you do!

# Library Corner



#### Read All About It!

<u>New Designs</u> edited by Rosemary Wilkinson. Woodinville WA: Martingale & Co., 2006.

Quick and Colorful Appliqué will be useful for the novice and experienced quilter alike. The appliquéd shapes include stars, leaves, snowflakes, butterflies, bows, and several types of flowers. The book explores various types of appliqué – fusible, machine, shadow, and raw-edge, with clear instructions and hints for each. Appliqué is combined with piecing to give the user new alternatives. The Noshi wall hanging is a particularly attractive design, with one large bundle of branches divided by sashings.



Have you started your challenge quilt yet? The challenge quilt rules are simple for 2014: Floral. Something with flowers. Flower fabric. Pieced flowers. Appliqued flowers. Anything with flowers will do. No size or shape rules. Bloom with us for the 2014 challenge quilt.

## June Birthdays

#### Celebrating in June:

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Celebrating in June, pictured: Charlotte Herr, Jan Carl, Lana Ellis, Barbara Howe, and Twila Hoffman

#### President's Block:

Jennie has chosen a 2-block, 2-color theme for her president's quilt. The two blocks are Ohio Star and Snowball; the colors are blue and yellow (plus white). The block should be 9" finished, 9½" unfinished. Instructions for each block are on the guild website www.kpqg.com. There will also be paper handouts at guild meetings for the non-technical among us. More detailed instructions can be found at http://www.generations-quilt-patterns.com/ohio-star-quilt-block.html or, for the snowball, http://www.quilterbydesign.com/lessons/snowball.html.

Please change Jennie Burden's email address in your directories. The new email is: jennieb53@gmail.com

### **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. Call Susie Wong for more information.

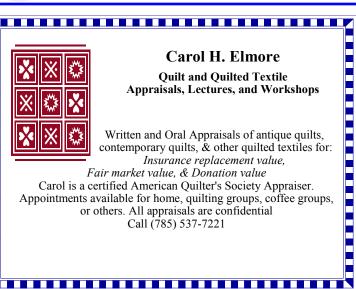
**Fourth Tuesday**: 9:30-3. Riley Co. Senior Service Center. See Mary Jo Harbour about class schedule.

For about a year or so we have had a basket at Guild each month to collect items for the safe shelter, an addition to our annual 150 quilt donation. Norma Larson has donated a laundry basket for this and has been taking the donations to the shelter office sometime following our meeting. It is necessary for her relinquish this and offer someone else in our Guild the opportunity to serve by taking on this monthly role. Please call Susie Weir at 776.5033 if you would like to do this, the basket is currently at her house.

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#### A reminder:

Personal Sales will be permitted during March and November. Members must pay guild 10% of sales.

A free table will be set up inside the front entrance. Members bringing items to give away are responsible for picking up anything left over at the end of the meeting.



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.