

February 9, 2015

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:

**February: Double Trouble** with  
Judi Robb and Nancy Graves. Come  
enjoy what Nancy and Judi have to  
say.

## Prez Sez

Dear Members,

Do you have a new year's resolution?  
Besides finishing quilt projects? One  
of these years I'm going to turn reso-  
lutions on their heads; I'll resolve to  
not exercise, to gain weight, to keep a  
messier house, to buy more fabric be-  
fore I finish anything. That way I can  
feel better about myself because I  
know I can keep those resolutions.  
Well, maybe not.

Now that I've got my winter travels  
out of the way, I'm really looking for-  
ward to jumping into 2015 and all the  
exciting programs that Judy and  
Eloise have planned for us. We'll start  
out with Judi Robb and Nancy Graves  
presenting our February program.

We've had them as presenters before,  
but it's been a few years, so I'm sure  
they'll have great new things to share.  
Those two have such creative ideas.

Looking ahead a few months, this is  
the alternate year when we have our  
biennial quilt show. As you are com-  
pleting projects, please keep that in  
mind and get those sleeves on the  
back.

Keep quilting,

Jennie

## Dues Time Again

It's time to pay your 2015 dues.  
Please make out your checks to  
Konza Prairie Quilt Guild and  
give them to Sharon Pollman.  
At that time, please take a mo-  
ment to check her address list to  
make sure your address, phone,  
and email are correct. Thank  
you.

## Quilts From the Heart

OK, we're up and running for  
2015 Quilts from the Heart!  
And by running, we mean that  
because 22 (Yes, 22!!!) quilts  
were turned in at the January  
meeting! A great big thanks!!

Also we have 12 quilts with  
backings and batting that need  
to be quilted! You can have one  
to 22, however many you want!  
They are at Mary's house if you  
want any before the February  
meeting (537-8936). As al-  
ways, we encourage to use fab-  
rics from our wonderful stash of  
juvenile fabrics--free to any of  
you! We have solids too. EVE-  
RYONE MAKE ONE!!!!

## February Refreshments

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

Sharon Johns  
Sue Jones  
Cindy Kahrs  
Pat King  
Ora Mae Kirkendall  
Jan Klink  
Mary Jo Kurtz  
Norma Larson

## **Block of the Month 2015**

2015 Block of the Month: Fantasy Garden

Since it always seems windy in Kansas, Judi Robb and Nancy Graves have designed twelve windblown flowers. Join us for some blooming fun! Pick up your monthly patterns at the guild meeting.

# Library Corner



### **Read All About It!**

**French Braid Quilts with a Twist: New Variations for Vibrant Strip-Pieced Projects** by Jane Hardy Miller. Lafayette CA: C & T Publishing, 2014. 79 p.

This is the latest of Jane Miller's books on French braid quilts. She uses the first 20 pages to explain the basics of constructing French braid columns, both standard and center-out styles. After a discussion of non-braid columns, separators, and borders used to finish the quilt, she presents eight projects that feature beautiful and exciting variations. Any of these projects would be an enjoyable new experience for a veteran quilter.

## **Fabric Sale**

Senior Center fabric sale Feb 3 & 4, 9 AM. So much fabric it takes 2 days!

Quilting supplies including a stand-alone frame for lap quilting, batting, magazines, patterns, notebooks from quilt classes, notions, etc.

There are also sewing patterns, counted cross stitch books, etc. This sale helps support senior center activities.

## **QUILT SHOW!**

Stars of the Prairie  
Quilt Show  
April 24-25  
Presby Place, 1st Presbyterian  
Church

The planning committee has been formed and will be getting things in order for a great show. Your part is to be thinking about the quilts (from little to big) you want to show. We especially want projects from the workshops we have had since the last quilt show in 2013. We also like to have the Presidents' quilts as well as the Challenge quilts.

We are going to need *three volunteers to learn how to assemble the quilt frames*. Ronna Robertson and Susie Weir will hold a training session the first Monday in April. They have been the "chief assemblers" in the past, but both are going to be gone the weekend of the show. If you are a somewhat mechanically minded and can visualize how things are suppose to look when done, this might be the exact spot for you to help with our show. It does take many people to make the show a success.

Rachel Moreland, Show Coordinator

# February Birthdays

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## Celebrating in February

Dixie Nickel	1
Patti Sexton	7
Pat King	8
Rosalind Gorton	12
Ruth Prescott	22
Jewel Christopherson	27
Harriette Janke	27
Bonnie Olsen	27



Celebrating in February: Ruth Prescott, Rosalind Gorton, and Pat King

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### 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](http://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>.

## 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. There will be no more classes until March, 2015.

Patty Garibay has volunteered to pick up the basket with donations for the Crisis Center, and deliver the contents. The center has ongoing needs for personal grooming products, baby products, and basic paper product. Thank you to all who have so generously contributed, and thank you to Patty for enabling the guild to continue with this project.

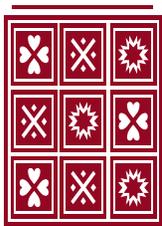
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**A reminder:**

**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.