

June 8, 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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Prez Sez

Dear Members,

Our May speaker was a real inspiration, wasn't she? It's hard to believe that Vicky Beasley, aka The Scrappy Farmer, has only been quilting a dozen years. If you haven't visited her blog, be sure to check out www.thescrappyfarmer.blogspot.com, or visit her on facebook.

I'm finding more and more inspiration on the internet these days. Here are some of my favorite sites:

1. 24blocks.com. I get daily updates with featured quilts and videos from this site. Several weeks ago I uploaded pictures of some of my quilts and, to my great surprise, they were featured on May 21.
2. MissouriQuiltCo.com is a great site for Jenny's tutorials demonstrating all kinds of blocks and techniques. This is also a commercial site so you can go shopping in your pj's.
3. About-Quilts.com is the site for our local quilt shop, All About Quilts. On this site you can view workshops, block of the month series, items for sale, calendar of events and more.
4. QuiltingOnTheSquare.com is the website for our April speakers.
5. NationalQuiltersCircle.com. I only recently found this site, so I don't know a lot about it, but there some free videos (the premium videos require a subscription.)
6. CraftOfQuilting.com has some interesting modern quilts and kits. As with many other sites, they offer digital download of patterns so there's no waiting for mail delivery.

Upcoming programs:

June 8: Reeze Hanson will lecture on "Grandmother Flower Garden Quilts: The Hexagon and Beyond". This program looks at the history of the hexagon in art, nature, and quilts. The trunk show will be the large collection of Hexagon and Grandmother's Flower Garden quilts

Prez Sez, continued:

7. Several members asked me last month how I joined the quilt-as-you-go blocks. I found an easy technique from Gourmet Quilter. Put "gourmet quilter 074" in the youtube.com search box to find this sweet little British woman who explains things clearly and easily.

I'm sure others have discovered many more quilting websites. I hope you will share them. Keep Quilting

Jennie

June Refreshments

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

Ann Domsch
Carol Dutton
Nelda Elder
Lana Ellis
Carole Elmore
Carolyn Fellows
Janet Finney

Library Corner



Read All About It!

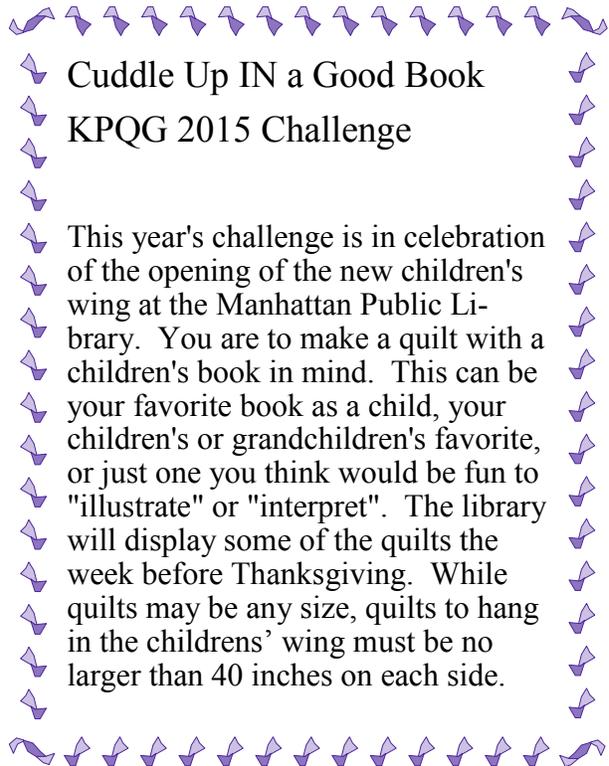
Emporia Rose Applique Quilts: New Projects, Historical Vignettes, Classic Designs by Barbara Brackman and Karla Menaugh. Lafayette CA: C & T Publishing, 2014.

Kansas quilt historian and designer, Barbara Brackman, presents nine beautiful flower appliqué patterns in this book about the history of quilting in Emporia, KS. The book includes many photos of old appliquéd quilts, which give the reader great ideas for new projects. Finally, there are seven projects, beginning with a sampler made from the nine blocks, and ending with additional ideas. Patterns for the flowers are included.

Bus Trip!

Rebecca Meyerkorth is working on a bus trip for the guild. This will be a one day trip to the Lincoln Quilt Study and Museum, leaving in the morning from the mall parking lot and returning that evening.

Rebecca is hoping to keep the cost in the vicinity of \$50. Save the date, October 2, and invite your friends!



Cuddle Up IN a Good Book KPQG 2015 Challenge

This year's challenge is in celebration of the opening of the new children's wing at the Manhattan Public Library. You are to make a quilt with a children's book in mind. This can be your favorite book as a child, your children's or grandchildren's favorite, or just one you think would be fun to "illustrate" or "interpret". The library will display some of the quilts the week before Thanksgiving. While quilts may be any size, quilts to hang in the childrens' wing must be no larger than 40 inches on each side.

Pumpkin Patch

It's not too early to think about Pumpkin Patch. This year the dates for Pumpkin Patch are September 25 & 26 (not in October as usual). We would like to include several small items to sell at our booth like we did last year. Please consider making and donating one or more items for this purpose. Small items priced \$2-\$8 and small quilts, table runners were among the best sellers last year.

Betty Frank, Pumpkin Patch Chair

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.

June Birthdays

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Celebrating in June:

Connie Hobbs	3
Lana Ellis	5
Charlotte Herr	6
Pam Russell	7
Janice Jager	9
Vevia Beaulieu	18
Jan Klink	19
Carol Elmore	22
Barbara Howe	22
Jan Carl	25
Twila Hoffman	25



Celebrating in June: Pam Russell, Charlotte Herr, Twila Hoffman, and Jan Carl

PRAIRIE POINTER

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.kpqq.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.