

Olathe Quilter's Guild Newsletter

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From the President's Keyboard

Dear Quilters,

I absolutely love this time of year! The fall colors are beautiful and it provides me an opportunity to see how the color combinations can be used in a quilt.

This time of year also reminds me that the holidays are right around the corner. It seems that I have good intentions to get gifts made early in the year, but it doesn't always get done. As you are working on your projects this fall, I hope you get everything on your list finished.

This time of year is also an opportunity for me to get organized for the 2020 Olathe Quilt Guild year. (Yes, I do come from the business world.) At the November general meeting, there will be an opportunity to sign up for various committees for next year. Please consider volunteering for one of the committees. It does take all of us to help the Guild run smoothly and successfully.

Thanks for all you do!

Teresa Jones, co-president



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Coming Up Next



November

Our November meeting is our Guild Holiday Party, which will be catered. There will be games with prizes following dinner—bring a pencil.

Desserts for the November Meeting—Thanks to all who have volunteered to bring a dessert to share at the November meeting. Please bring something that will serve 15 or more.

Anyone wanting to try out a new dessert recipe for their upcoming Thanksgiving Dinner, please feel free to bring it to our meeting. I'm sure our members would be willing to be taste testers!



December

In December, Heather Buchwitz will present a short program about using Spoonflower. There will also be an ornament exchange. Make an ornament, or buy one (\$6.00 limit).

If you weren't one of the folks bringing a dessert for our November dinner, feel free to bring cookies, candy, or other treats in December.



2019 Challenge - Batik Beauties - Due in November

It can be any size project—The maker must use all batiks—It can have other blocks besides New York Beauties, but it must contain New York Beauties—Projects need to be fully completed by the November meeting.

Our Last 2019 OQG workshop at JoCo Extension Office November 19—Quick and Easy Gifts

- Pillowcases by Teresa Jones
- 10 Minute Table Runners by Arlene Banks
- Sock Gnomes by Pam Pearson



All classes are free and open to the public, and are held from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm. As classes are defined, registration will be available on the Extension's website, on the Classes and Events page, Family & Consumer Sciences (Home and Family) section.

<http://www.johnson.k-state.edu/classes-events/index.html>

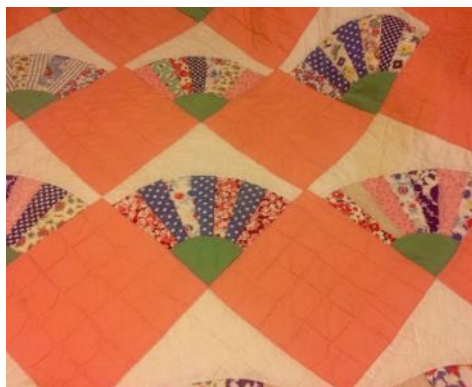
Remember to show off your projects from the jelly rolls, blocks or fabric you purchased for Ways and Means. They do not need to be quilted. There will be 2 drawings in December.

Libby Corrison and Anna Mae Wagner

will be the
Welcome Table Helpers
at our November meeting.



Our Members



One of her great grandmother's quilts

Our Spotlight Quilter of the Month Kathleen Kolodziejczyk

I started quilting in my mind when I was a very young child. When I was 4 years old, my great-grandmother came to stay at my grandparents' house. With her came beautiful, hand sewn quilts. She and my great-grandfather had owned a tailor shop where she, being very frugal, would save scraps from the dresses she had sewn, and turn them into colorful quilted creations. I was in awe, as everyone who had become a lucky recipient highly praised her inspired designs and quality workmanship. Unfortunately, because of her advanced age, she was unable to teach me her craft. Still, I was smitten and vowed to follow in her footsteps some day in the future.

My first attempt at quilting was in the early 1980's. A friend, who lived down the block, offered to teach a group hand-quilting class. Eagerly, I signed up, bought inferior polyester fabric, and joined the group. After making a wooden frame and cutting fabric using templates made from cereal boxes, I began my project. Unfortunately, as I had a full-time evening job at the hospital and a full-time mommy job at home with my 10 month-old daughter during the day, I finished only one of the proposed 12-inch squares of the sampler project. I vowed to finish it at a future time, but that would never happen. I still have that awful fabric. I will never use it, but, for some reason, cannot allow myself to throw it away. It has found a permanent place in my stash.

I have Cindy Nice to thank for my successful ventures. Cindy and I worked together at Frontier Trail Junior High School, where I was the nurse and she the FACS teacher. I marveled at the sweet t-shirt quilts she had taught junior high students to make. I, and several other co-workers, coerced her to teach us how to make them. So, she graciously offered to teach us during her summer vacation. I decided to make a quilt using my son's music-themed t-shirts to send with him for his first dorm room at college. She introduced me to quality quilting fabric, rotary cutters, portable cutting mats and machine quilting. Using these much less labor intensive techniques, I was able to finish my first quilt in 2000.



T-shirt quilt made for her son

Although proud of my accomplishment, I didn't make another quilt until 2004. My daughter was getting married, and I wanted to make her a special gift. Again, Cindy Nice came to the rescue. She encouraged me to try an Irish chain quilt pattern. It looked incredibly difficult to me, but she convinced me that it was

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Wedding quilt made for
her daughter

easy and coached me through every step. I will be forever grateful for her inspiration, and for helping me achieve a life-long dream. I was hooked. I joined the Olathe Quilters Guild and have been quilting ever since. Most of my quilts have been given to friends and family members. I have never entered any of them in contests, because the good ones seldom stay in my possession.

My early quilts were patterns that only utilized straight line sewing. I enjoyed making quilts that looked difficult but were quite easily put together. I found color choice could turn a simply constructed quilt from ordinary to extraordinary. In fact, fabric color choice has remained the most important aspect of my quilts. I enjoy vibrant colors, so many of them display bright contrasting colors. As I continued my quilting journey, I decided to try increased difficulty or a new technique each time I started a project. I credit, and am eternally

grateful for, the wonderful guild programs and several of the members for inspiring and helping to teach me these new skills. Most recently, my favorite type of quilt to make is one that has a variety of blocks. I find it tedious to do the same pattern repeatedly. Of course, my favorite quilt is whatever one I am currently making.

Like most quilters, as my hobby has grown, so has my stash. I have numerous remnants from previous projects. I also have several bundles of new fabric that, while shopping at every quilting store I happen to find, I had to buy because I knew exactly what my next project would be. Of course, many of those projects have been sidelined by another inspiration. I wonder, if I've not yet started a project, but have purchased patterns and fabric, could I consider all of these undone projects as legit UFO's? My sewing room is a small bedroom that has been overcome by mounds of fabric. I've sworn that I will not buy more fabric until I complete the previously purchased project, but, I will be a part of the guild for years to come because I break that promise to myself frequently. I want to thank all of you for being my continuing inspiration.



Arctic animals quilt
(most recent)



Quilt with curves



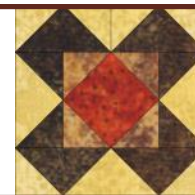
Basket quilt



Paper pieced quilt



Our Members



Cheryl Lowrance - 11/02

Melinda McAfee - 11/07

Maribeth Kehl - 11/16

Becky Tenney - 11/18

November Birthdays

Joellyn Randall - 11/21

Shelia Pierce - 11/24

Connie Rosenfeld - 11/25

Arlene Banks - 11/30



New Member

Our newest member is Nicolette Deplazes.
Please welcome her to our quilting community.

2019 Olathe Quilter's Board

Co-Presidents – Mary Pacey & Teresa Jones

Vice-President – Pam Pearson

Program Elect – Pam Pearson (2019-2020),
Mary Ellen Winter & Gretchen Schafer
(2020-2021)

Secretary – Susan Gandy

Treasurer- Mary Whitchurch

Ways & Means – Arlene Banks

Ways & Means Elect – Carolyn Chaffin

Public Relations – Website- Sherri Critchfield &
Facebook – Heather Buchwitz

Historian – Beverly Berberich

Membership – Cheryl Wilcox

Newsletter Editor – Sherri Critchfield

Advisor – Shari Pine

2020 Board Members

President: Teresa Jones

Vice-President: Libby Corrison

Program: Mary Ellen Winter

Program Elect: Chery Newell

Secretary: Carol Crane

Treasurer: Mary Whitchurch

Ways and Means: Carolyn Chaffin

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Membership: Cheryl Wilcox

Newsletter Editor: Jenny Boudreaux with assis-
tant Linda Hagen



Committee Updates



Block of the Month



Our 2019 Block of the Month is coming to an end. Our final 2 blocks are Numbers 46 and 52. Time to put the blocks together and see what you can make. Bring your finished quilt or quilt top to the January meeting and we'll have our guild members choose their 1) overall favorite, 2) best use of a stripe and 3) favorite setting. (We ask the quilt/top include at least 1 block from each month). I hope you've had as much fun making them as I have.



If you'd like to add additional blocks from the Moda BlockHeads 2 collection, they can be found at <http://www.bearcreekquiltingcompany.com/moda-blockheads-2018>

Block of the Month 2020: I'll talk briefly at the November meeting about our plan for the 2020 free Block of the Month. Once again we plan to start in December, giving participants an extra 2 months to finish their projects.

Carolyn

See the 2019 blocks of the month so far at: www.olathequiltersguild.com/block-of-the-month-2019

Ways and Means 2020

As I discussed in last month's newsletter, the plan for 2020 Ways and Means is a monthly garage sale. I am asking for donations for the sales. I have a clear tub with sign attached I will have close to the Welcome table for donations. I'll take anything but fabric yardage. If you have precuts that would be great.

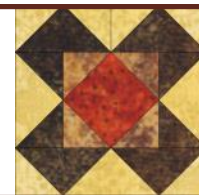
Each month I'll focus on one category of stuff, though we may have books/magazines more often

- **January** - notions - you know those tools you bought to try and either didn't like or found one you liked better - seam rippers, binder clips, pins, needles, pressing tool, purple thing. I have a felting tool still in the package.
- **February** - pin cushions - I love cute pin cushions, but seriously - enough is enough. I like to make them - so I'll bring ones I've made as well as ones to 'share'.
- **March:** cutting tools - scissors, rotary cutters, one of the tools to 'cut' between blocks when string piecing, blade sharpeners, scissor sharpeners - I have small ones, big ones and seems like lots I don't or won't use.

Thanks for your help. I still need volunteers to help man the table and price our treasure.



Committee Updates



2020 Programs

We are going to be doing things a bit differently in 2020. Several times throughout the year we will be sharing speakers and programs with the QGGKC. This is an effort to decrease speaker expense for both guilds.

On several occasions this means that a workshop may be held in the afternoon before our guild meeting and then the speaker will be at our meeting in the evening. The first occasion is in January. The speaker for both Olathe and the QGGKC will be Denise Stahl. Denise is a certified Judy Niemeyer instructor. She will be having a workshop teaching "Compass Rose" a Judy Niemeyer pattern that teaches several techniques commonly used in her quilts. The cost of the class is \$35 and includes the pattern. The date will be January 14, 2020 and will be held at the First Lutheran Church at 6400 State Line Rd. I will have a Workshop sign up form at both the November and December meetings.

Below is the 2020 program plan. I do have a question about October and December and what we as a guild would like to do those months. There is a change from the past, as there will be a program in November, thus moving the holiday dinner. I would like to suggest that we hold the guild holiday dinner in December and have a meeting for charity sewing in October. The schedule for those months is pending until the decision is made.

Mary Ellen

January 14- Denise Stahl "How I became Quilt-worx crazy." Workshop The Compass Rose in conjunction with the Quilt Guild of Greater Kansas City. Ten spots available for Olathe Quilt Guild cost \$35.

February 11- Karen Hill "The Dresden Queen" trunk show and lecture.

March 10- Jennifer Dick "Nine Patch Revolution"

April 14- Kelly Ashton Lecture Fussy and Fabulous: Let the Fabric Work for You

May 12- Judy Vore Lecture "Panelmania"

June 9- Jane Sassaman Lecture "Under the Influence" Workshop "Simple Silhouettes" in conjunc-

tion with the Quilt Guild of Greater Kansas City. Fee TBD

July 14- Guild Picnic

August 11- Dawn Heese Lecture "The French Connection"

September 8- Toni Steele Lecture "Concept to Quilt- Let the Fabric Do the Work for you."

October 13- TBD

November 10- Diane Harris Lecture "Jingle bell Trunk Show" Workshop Old Fashioned Pine Burr in conjunction with the Quilt Guild of Greater Kansas City. Fee TBD

December 8 - TBD



Committee Updates



Opportunities for sharing quilting with others

The guild now has two opportunities of sharing/teaching others about quilting. We will once again be having workshops at the Extension building (1 per month for 8 months) and have a new opportunity at the new Olathe Library. The program director is looking for classes on quilting as well as some craft type classes for both teens and adults. During the committee break-out sessions, please come and offer your suggestions and time.

Charity News – November 2019

November is known for Thanksgiving. That's what I have for each of you. Thank you for your giving. So many others are blessed because of your generosity.

Project Warm Embrace will soon be having their party to present the quilts to their foster children, and we are invited to attend. The date has not been announced yet, but will be sometime between Thanksgiving and Christmas. The party will be announced on Eventbrite, and we'll pass information on to members when we know more.

The Charity Committee periodically wants to make sure that the Charities that we support are the ones the Guild wishes to support. If you have any thoughts regarding other Charities that you might like the Guild to consider, please let us know.

May your November be full of blessings, just as you are blessing others.

Sherri I

Pics are Charity Quilts shown by Sherri Irving during October Show and Tell





Minutes and Reports



Olathe Quilters Guild Treasurer's Report October 23, 2019

Operating Account Balance 9/17/19	\$6,652.76
Money Market Account Balance 8/31/19	<u>\$12,141.64</u>
	\$18,794.40
Receipts	
Opportunity Quilt	\$15.00
Speaker Fees	\$10.00
Workshop Fees	
Membership Dues	\$15.00
Ways and Means	<u>\$104.00</u>
Total	\$144.00
Money Market interest earned in September	\$0.70
Expenses	
Olathe Christian Church – Monthly Rent	\$100.00
Sherri Crutchfield-Domain Name	\$121.40
Tony Jacobson-Speaker	\$400.83
Mary Pacey-Speaker Lunch	\$15.19
Linda Ehinger-Half hotel fees for Tony Jacobson	<u>\$129.90</u>
Total	\$767.32
Operating Account Balance 10/23/19	\$6,029.44
Money Market Account Balance 9/30/19	<u>\$12,142.34</u>
Combined Balance 10/23/19	<u>\$18,171.78</u>

*The deadline for submissions for the November newsletter will be Thursday, November 28th.
Please send items to **OQGNews18@outlook.com**.*



Minutes and Reports



Olathe Quilters Guild

General Meeting Minutes

October 8, 2019

President Teresa Jones called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m. After welcoming those in attendance, she recognized our spotlight quilter of the month, Gail McKay, and invited all those with birthdays in October to receive a small gift from the Guild. She then introduced our 3 guests: Brenda Hoyer, Nicolette Deplazes and Cindy Cherry.

Mary Pacey introduced our speaker for the evening, Tony Jacobsen of Winterset, Iowa. He gave an enjoyable account of how he ended up owning a quilt shop in Winterset, then discussed how different fabric and color combinations using the same block pattern could give different results.

Teresa then adjourned for a 20-minute break.

After the meeting recommenced, a motion was made by Arlene Banks to approve the September meeting minutes with Janie Benander making the second. The vote was made and passed. Beverly Berberich then motioned for the Treasurer's Report to be approved and Shelia Pierce made the second. The vote was taken and passed.

Teresa announced that Joyce Bardeen was still offering kits and taking completed blocks for the President's quilt.

There were no questions regarding the 2019 KCRQF meeting minutes that had been published in the newsletter. Teresa announced that Heather Buchwitz and Mary Ellen Winter would be the 2021 Festival Representatives for our guild.

The November meeting will be our annual Holiday Dinner with games planned. We will also bring this year's Challenge Quilts and the drawing for the 2019 Opportunity Quilt will take place.

Teresa Jones noted that she will be able to take T-Shirt orders until the first week of November and anyone who would still like to buy one should mail her the order form and check by October 29.

Tickets for the 2019 Opportunity Quilt are still available until the drawing in November.

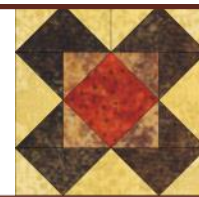
Due to a conflict with the church's schedule, our remaining 2019 Board meetings (the Wednesday of the week following the general meeting) will be held at another location. A room at the Lenexa City Center Library, 8778 Penrose Lane, Lenexa, has been reserved for those meetings: October 16, November 20, and December 18. The meeting time is at 6:00 p.m.

Sherri Irving polled the membership about who might be attending the Saturday Charity Sew Day. Since the attendance would be sparse, it was decided to cancel the event. She noted that while there were several tops made, backings needing piecing were available.

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Minutes and Reports



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Teresa Jones announced that revisions to our Guild By-Laws had been published in the newsletter. She asked for but received no discussion. Libby Corrison moved that we pass the By-Law changes as published. Carolyn Chaffin seconded. The vote was taken and passed.

Teresa then announced that changes to the Guild's Policies and Procedures had been made and published. Susan Gandy moved that we pass those changes. Mary Pacey seconded the motion. The vote was made and passed.

Mary Pacey asked if anyone knew where any remaining 2019 bookmarks that we had published were.

Teresa Jones then announced the slate for the 2020 guild officers. She noted that Jenny Boudreaux, candidate for Newsletter Editor, was in need of an assistant who could attend meetings and take notes if Jenny could not be there due to work conflicts. Linda Hagen volunteered to assist.

Anyone else who wanted to be included on the slate was invited to place their names on the ballot. There were no other candidates. The slate was: President – Teresa Jones, Vice President – Libby Corrison, 2020 Programs – Mary Ellen Winter, Program Elect – Cheryl Newell, Secretary – Carol Crane, Treasurer – Mary Whitchurch, Ways & Means – Carolyn Chaffin, Ways & Means Elect – Becky Tenney, Historian – Beverly Berberich, Public Relations - Heather Buchwitz & Sherri Critchfield, Membership – Cheryl Wilcox, and Newsletter Editor – Jenny Boudreaux (with assistance from Linda Hagen).

Barb Fife made the motion to accept the slate of candidates. Lisa Hirsch seconded the motion. The vote was taken and the slate passed.

The winner of the Block of the Month was Jessie Vandenberg. The Welcome table announced that we had 56 members and 3 guests attending. One guest, Nicollete Deplazes also joined. The winner of the door prize drawing was Lynda Ochs.

The Ways & Means drawings were as follows: Paula Nadelstern book and fabric was won by Karen Lacy. The green jelly roll was won by Sherri Irving and the blue jelly roll was won by Sharon Hall. The blocks were won by Carol Crane.

Show and Tell participants were: Lynda Ochs, Jean Schlenk, Carolyn Chaffin, Sally Kennedy, Sherri Irving (charity), Paige Moore, Teresa Jones and Melissa Toburen.

There was no other business. The meeting adjourned at 8:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Gandy, Secretary





Schedules



2019 Guild Meeting Schedule

- **January 8** - Patricia Beaver - A Funny Thing Happened to Me When I Moved to Utah
- **February 12** - Preparing for KCRQF and Charity Quilting
- **March 12** - Jan Patek - "Folk Art Quilting", plus workshop on Wednesday
- **April 9** - Crystal Manning & Gina Martin - Color Theory
- **May 14** - Stephanie Brandenburg of Frond Fabrics, plus workshop on Wednesday
- **June 4** - Picnic (note date change)
- **July 9** - Amy Bradley - trunk show of her original applique, plus workshop on Sat, Aug 3 in Eudora
- **August 13** - Ann Say - Once We Were Refugees
- **September 10** - Carl Hentsch - Amish Quilts
- **October 8** - Tony Jacobson - lecture and trunk show of his quilts and patterns
- **November 12** - Guild Holiday Party, dinner and games
- **December 10** - Heather Buchwitz "How to use Spoonflower" plus celebration with treats and ornament exchange

OQG meets the second Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at:

Olathe Christian Church
1115 S. Ridgeview Road in Olathe, KS



Please join us for dinner and quilting fellowship before the guild meeting at Panera on 20120 West 153rd St. in Olathe. (Near Home Depot at 153rd and 7 Highway/169 Highway) We meet at 4:30, but members trickle in as they get off work.

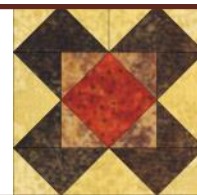


Reminder: If the Olathe School District calls off school due to the weather, we will not have our guild meeting.





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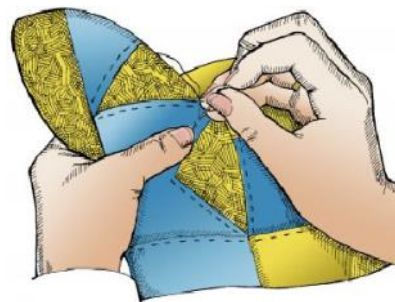


Hand Quilters

The **Hand Quilting Stitch Group** meets the third Thursday of each month at 6:30 pm. The next meeting will be November 21st.

The meeting is located at Olathe Christian Church. Enter the main entrance, go down the hallway to the right to Room 2. Everyone is welcome. Bring quilting or piecing to work on.

If you have questions, please contact Susan Gandy at 913-764-1250 or at ganfam@att.net.



OQG Board Meetings

All guild members are welcome to attend the OQG Board Meetings.

Board Meetings are at 6:00 pm on the Wednesday of the week following the regular guild meeting.

In October thru December of 2019, the location of the OQG Board Meetings has been moved to:

Johnson County Library
Lenexa City Center
8778 Penrose Lane
Lenexa, KS 66219
Room 2

The November Board Meeting will be on Wednesday, November 20th.

Olathe Christian Church—Entrances from main parking lot



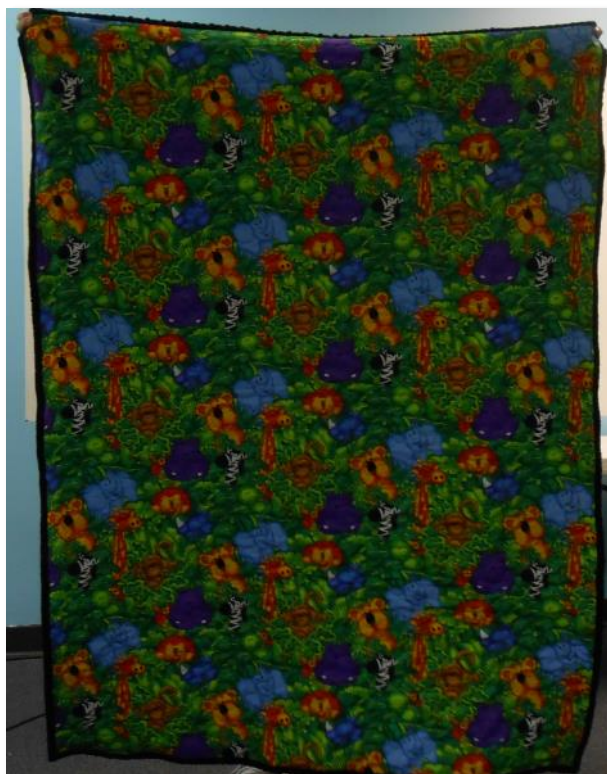
East entrance—best for regular guild meetings



West (main) entrance—best for Hand Quilters



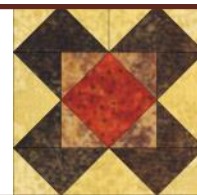
Show and Tell



Teresa Jones with isolette covers



Show and Tell



Sally Kennedy



Lynda Ochs



Melissa Toburen



Show and Tell



Jean Schlenk



Paige Moore



Sherri Irving



Carolyn Chaffin