

# Olathe Quilter's Guild

## Newsletter



December 2017

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### From the President's Keyboards:

I'm excited to see everyone for our December meeting and ornament exchange!

We've had a great year with the Guild and I'd like to thank the 2017 Board for all their dedication and hard work and for everything they have done for me and for the membership!

I am thrilled with my beautiful President's Quilt! Thank you to all of you who made blocks and the ladies who put them together!

Take some time for yourself this month, don't let yourselves get too overwhelmed! Enjoy your families and have a safe and happy Holiday season!

Shari



## Spotlight Quilter - Karen Goodwin



Karen Goodwin started quilting about 25 years ago, but did not quilt for several years during that period due to a busy career and family. Karen has been retired for 4 years now and has really enjoyed getting back into quilting and sewing. Karen learned to sew in junior high from her grandmother and Home EC classes. Knowledge of basic sewing techniques, passion for beautiful fabrics, and tendency to give away handmade gifts just naturally led Karen to quilting. Karen's first experience with quilting was a Quilt in a Day class that she took with a friend. Karen is very eclectic in her quilting tastes. She prefers bright colors and simple designs, but enjoys both modern and traditional patterns. Karen machine pieces all the quilts that she makes. She has a longarm quilting machine and does basic pantographs, but considers herself a novice. Karen's fabric stash consists of many kits, scraps, fabrics that she couldn't resist and a few of those impulsive buys that later make her wonder "what was I thinking!" She seems to want to "save" her fabrics/scraps and sometimes resist cutting into them often resulting in buying more fabric! Karen feels that many quilters have an abundance of fabric because of the vast and vibrant fabric options that bombard us on visual and tactile levels as well as appeal to our creative nature to "make". Karen gives the quilts she makes to friends and family which brings her immense pleasure. She owns her first quilt (Quilt in a Day log cabin) and an I-Spy quilt; otherwise, her quilts have always been given as gifts. The quilting industry has been revolutionized by the never-ending supply of fabrics and designer collections, precuts, timesaving tools and techniques, modern quilting ideas, etc. Karen thinks that the greatest impact, however, has been the internet since it has increased accessibility of information, education, products, and friendship through social media. Karen hopes that her quilts will be her legacy since they are tangible evidence to family and friends of her love. She also hopes that she can teach her daughters, granddaughters or others how to quilt! Karen has been an Olathe Quilters Guild member since 2014. Karen's advice to us is to, "Gather as much information as you can from classes, books, the internet, and friends and then form your own repertoire of what works best for you rather than worrying about rules, dos and don'ts."

## Hand Quilting Stitch Group ~ January 18, 2018



**Hand Quilting Stitch Group** will not meet in December, but will resume **Thursday, January 18, 2018** at 6:30 p.m. It is located at Olathe Christian Church on Ridgeview. Enter in the far west door, and go to the classroom on the right down the hallway. 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 December 12 Meeting



December Meeting - BYOD and a plate of cookies to share!

This will be a social evening with holiday snacks shared by members. We will not be providing a beverage, so you may bring your own if needed. A great game is planned. Of course, we will have Show N Tell to see all the Christmas items you will be giving away. See you there!



December Meeting - Ornament Exchange

During the meeting, we will be exchanging ornaments. There is a \$5 limit on the price of the ornament or supplies to make the ornament. You may either bring it wrapped or unwrapped.

## 2017 Board Meeting Dates



All guild members are welcome to attend the OQG Board Meetings. Board Meetings are held the fourth Tuesday of every month at 6:00 at Olathe Christian Church 115 S. Ridgeview Road Olathe, KS 66062. Dates are subject change.

February 28, 2017

March 28, 2017

April 25, 2017

May 23, 2017

June 27, 2017

July 25, 2017

August 22, 2017

September 26, 2017

October 24, 2017

November 28, 2017

December 19, 2017

## 2017 OQG Board Members

### Board Members 2017

**President:** Shari Pine 913-208-4724  
**VP/Program Chair:** Mary Pacey 913-782-0811  
**VP/Program Chair Elect:** Teresa Jones 913-669-8186  
**Secretary:** Karen Goodwin 913-829-3891  
**Treasurer:** Libby Corrison 913-244-4783  
**Ways & Means:** Lynda Ochs 913-469-4361 & Joli Winer 913-593-3562  
**Ways & Means Elect:** Linda Hagen  
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## Evaluation/Planning Response



Please bring a pencil or pen.

During the meeting, you will be given an Evaluation/Planning Response to fill out anonymously. These will be handed out at the December meeting to aid the Board in planning activities for 2018. Please take the time to express how YOU want the guild to be run. There will be an envelope for the Responses to be turned in. The Board will read them and try to make the guild one that you will enjoy and participate in the activities. If there is something you mentioned that you feel needs explaining, please contact a Board member with your concerns.

## Olathe Quilter's Guild Meets/Inclement Weather Policy



Please join us for dinner prior to guild meeting at Panera on 20120 West 153rd St. Olathe, KS 66062 near Home Depot at 153rd and 7 Highway/169 Highway. We meet at 4:30, but member's trickle in as they get off work. Join us for some quilting fellowship before the meeting.

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

**Olathe Christian Church**  
**1115 S. Ridgeview Road**  
**Olathe, KS 66062**



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

# Quilt Luminarium



At the December meeting we will have a drawing for a \$50.00 discount off one ticket. This is a drawing for all those who are planning to or are interested in attending the event.

Please email Karen Lacy at [fordemwalt@gmail.com](mailto:fordemwalt@gmail.com) with "OQG Ricky Tims Event" in the subject with your interest and she will write down your name and add it to the jar. If you are not sure yet, Karen will have the jar at the board meeting on Nov 28th and at the December meeting.

Looks like is going to be a big event and Karen is sure you who go will enjoy it.

Waiting to hear from you,  
Karen Lacy

We are excited to tell you about the upcoming Quilt Luminarium by Ricky Tims coming to the Kansas City, KS area in March 2018. The ALL-NEW Quilt Luminarium by Ricky Tims will be held at the Overland Park Convention Center in Overland Park, KS on March 9-10, 2018 (Friday and Saturday). We wanted to make sure that you all are aware of this educational, fun-filled event, and we encourage you to visit [www.quiltluminarium.com](http://www.quiltluminarium.com) to learn about the details. Join Ricky for a two-day comprehensive quilt symposium that demystifies seemingly complex concepts, teaches mastery of unique techniques, and harnesses the power of the ever-elusive muse of creativity. To register for the event, visit [www.quiltluminarium.com](http://www.quiltluminarium.com) and click [REGISTER ONLINE HERE](#)

If you need more details on the seminar, feel free to email [heather@rickytims.com](mailto:heather@rickytims.com)

# OQG Minutes from the November 2017 Meeting



## Meeting Minutes

Olathe Quilter's Guild

November 14, 2017

The November 2017 guild meeting was called to order at 6:30pm by president Shari Pine. The meeting opened with guild members enjoying a delicious holiday meal catered by Hy-Vee organized by Mary Pacey.

Following the dinner, Shari convened the business meeting and introduced Lynda Ochs as the Spotlight Quilter of the month. The minutes and treasurer's report of the October 2017 meeting were both approved as printed in the newsletter.

Committee reports, and related discussions were presented as follows:

- ◆ Mary Pacey, VP/Program chair, thanked those who came early to help with set up and dinner.

Next month, there will be an ornament exchange, installation of new officers, committee sign-ups, games and snacks. December meeting attendees are encouraged to bring snacks to share.

Mary stated that changes to the OQG by-laws/procedures will be forthcoming.

- ◆ Teresa Jones, VP/Program chair-elect, is continuing to gather unknown facts about guild members in preparation for the January getting to know you activity.
- ◆ Shelia Pierce, Membership co-chair, announced that the current guild membership is 70 members.
- ◆ Linda Hagen, Ways and Means chair-elect, stated that Mary Rayborn has agreed to co-chair Ways and Means with her next year. She added that there will be two buddy baskets in January and encouraged members to share fund-raising ideas for next year.
- ◆ Sherri Irving, Charity committee chair, displayed 12 completed quilts that will be donated to Project Warm Embrace for distribution to Johnson County foster children in December. Volunteers for quilting and binding of additional quilts are still needed.
- ◆ Karen Lacy shared information about the upcoming Ricky Tims' Luminarium event in March 2018. There will be a drawing involving a \$50 discount for those interested in attending.

In lieu of a formal program, several special presentations were held this evening. Challenge quilt competition results, by vote of the guild, were as follows: first place—Mary Ellen Winter; second place—Gretchen Ryan; third place—Peggy Anderson. The Opportunity quilt raffle drawing was held, and the winner was Mary Ellen Winter. Gretchen Ryan presented the president's quilt to Shari Pine, for her service as the guild president for the past two years. Gretchen also awarded six participants in the UFO challenge with coasters. The UFO challenge winner was Kerri Robinson who will be awarded a set of Amy Bradley notecards. Carolyn Routh won the fabric donation challenge organized by Arlene Banks to benefit the Santa Rosa Quilt Guild who lost a great deal of fabric in the recent wildfires in California.

## OQG Minutes cont. from the November 2017 Meeting



Guild members Barb Fife and Barb Dietz proposed a reduction in the annual guild dues from \$30 to \$20 which led to a discussion of guild finances and prioritizing how extra funds are spent. It was proposed that the board discuss these issues during the November and December board meetings and come back to the guild with voting options in January.

Heather Buchwitz proposed that our guild have a private Facebook group. She will research this and report to the board in January.

In attendance tonight were 48 members. The November door prize winner was Cheryl Wilcox. There were 14 quilters who participated in Show and Tell. The meeting was adjourned at 8:45pm.

Karen Goodwin, Secretary

## OQG 2018 Programs



**January 9** – Guild Social – Getting to know each other

**February 13** – Jane Bromberg – Finishing up!

**March 13** – Liz Granberg – Adventures with 60° Triangle Quilts

**April 10** – Mary Honas – Intensity, Value, Contrast & Scale

**May 8** – Angela Walters – How Do I Quilt It?

**June 12** – Guild Summer Social

**July 10** – Raija Salomaa – Journey as a Pattern Designer

**August 14** – Lori Triplett – Pieces of the Prairie

**September 11** – Gail McKay – How Fabric is Made and the Life of a Fabric Representative

**October 9** – Guild Charity Night

**November 13** – Guild Fall Dinner

**December 11** – Guild Holiday Social

## December Birthdays



Beverly Berberich 12-24

Deb Lybarger 12-29

# OQG November Treasures Report



## Olathe Quilters Guild Treasurer's Report November 2017

<b>Balance 11/1/2017</b>	\$9,140.00
<b>Receipts</b>	
Opportunity Quilt ticket sales	51.00
Return to Petty Cash (Opportunity Quilt)	<u>30.00</u>
	\$81.00
<b>Expenses</b>	
Cindy Nice (November dinner dessert)	64.52
Olathe Christian Church	75.00
Mary Pacey for Program expenses November meeting	136.82
Hy-Vee – November dinner	370.00
Gretchen Ryan – holiday dinner and UFO prizes	<u>58.09</u>
	704.43
<b>Operating Account Balance 11/30/2017</b>	\$8,516.57
<b>Money Market Account Balance 11/1/2017</b>	<u>\$12,126.08</u>
<b>Combined Balance 11/30/2017</b>	<u>\$20,642.65</u>

## January Meeting - Getting to know each other



For the January Guild Social, Teresa Jones is working on an activity to get to know each other. If you will be at the January meeting, she is asking each of you to provide her with something about you that no one else (or very few people) knows about you. Teresa will be reaching out to you at the December meeting or you can email her at [westplacequilting@gmail.com](mailto:westplacequilting@gmail.com) with this information. She will also be asking each one of you to bring 10-25 2.5" squares of fabric to the January meeting. Please read the January newsletter for the number needed.



## Quilting Tip ~ Jean Spohrer

### Quick TIP

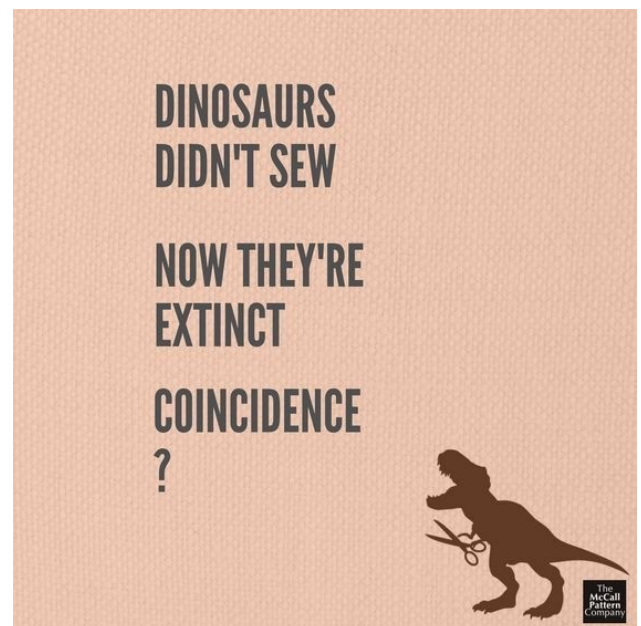
Instead of using pins, Elmer's school glue works great to hold your binding down. Prepare and attach binding as usual to the top of your quilt. Press to the backside. Make sure the outer fold of the binding covers stitching by about an eighth of an inch. Press. Place a very small dab of glue and press down. Repeat all the way around the quilt. Sew in the ditch from the topside. With the binding glued down you will be sure to catch the stitching, and it will be uniform. The binding will not be stiff if you use a very small amount; and the glue will wash out.



## For Sale: Handi Quilter Avante 18 Longarm



**For Sale: Handi Quilter Avante 18 longarm quilting machine** with HQ studio frame that can be either 8 feet or 12 feet long. Gently used for personal quilting only and was recently serviced in my home. Includes stitch regulator, laser beam for pantographs, micro handles, and many ad-ons (easy set tension, foot adapter, ruler base, extra lights, etc.). Asking \$5500 which includes professional set-up in your home. Contact Karen Goodwin at (913) 829-3891 or [krgoody2@gmail.com](mailto:krgoody2@gmail.com) if interested. This machine has worked well for me, but I am upgrading for more features.



# Charity News



Wow! Recently, Karen Goodwin delivered your quilts to Project Warm Embrace. Fifteen (15) quilts were graciously made by you all. That's quite an accomplishment when we remember that we had two prep sessions totaling around five hours and our sew meeting in October. So many of you contributed by donating fabric, taking a quilt top home to finish sewing, or quilting the quilt, sewing on the binding, or maybe all the above because you just care. What a wonderful group you all are. Don't you agree we have the best members in the best guild?

Karen found out that if anyone has a completed quilt that they would like to donate to Project Warm Embrace, they will be accepted. Call Karen and she will coordinate the drop-off.

The Charity Committee will continue to work to get the remaining quilts completed. We will donate them later. Unfortunately, the need will probably continue, but we have heard that there are some of you that have a heart for this cause and will be continuing to support Project Warm Embrace. For those of you who are interested, as a reminder, quilts for Project Warm Embrace need to be 45" x 60" or larger.

As we look towards next year, your Charity Committee hopes to transition to an even better functioning committee. We hope that if this committee is of interest to you that you will join in. We believe it should be next year's committee to suggest groups to support and allow the Guild to select the charities it wishes to donate to and the way we wish to support those charities. Until that happens, it is our intent to continue to support Project Warm Embrace. If you have any questions or concerns, please visit with Sherri Irving, Karen Goodwin, Shari Pine or Mary Pacey. We want your input and suggestions.

Speaking of suggestions, we have received several from the survey that was available at our November meeting. These included some additional charities to support, using Guild funds to purchase fabric to use and to have 'kits' available at every meeting so that they would be available for members to take home and sew then bring back to the next meeting. Thank you for those suggestions. All were good ones and next year's Charity Committee will work towards a very productive year!

Remember that no matter what charity or charities we choose for next year, we have gotten off to a great start and we will keep moving forward. If you would like to donate fabric or scraps, your Charity Committee will gladly accept your donation. If you want to donate your time, we hope to have more sewing sessions (outside of a meeting) in 2018. Also, remember, there will be no waste of fabric! From squares, to strips, to too-small-to use pieces that go towards doggie beds, everything is utilized. Good for the environment too!

Again, thank you for however you share your talent, time, efforts or fabric! Let us know if you would like to participate on the 2018 Charity Committee. Thanks again for all you do.

2017 Charity Committee

# 2018 Olathe Quilter's Guild Board

## Board Members



**President:** Mary Pacey  
**Vice-President/Program:** Teresa Jones  
**Program Elect:** Pam Pearson  
**Secretary:** Susan Gandy  
**Treasurer:** Libby Corrison  
**Ways & Means:** Linda Hagen & Mary Rayborn  
**Ways & Means Elect:** VACANT  
**Historian:** VACANT  
**Public Relations:** Karen Lacy  
**Membership:** Karen Goodwin & Jean Spohrer  
**Newsletter Editor:** Sherri Critchfield  
**Advisor:** Shari Pine

Thank you to these members! At the October meeting we voted and approved these members to serve.

Please note, there are two positions that remain vacant, Historian and Ways & Means Elect. Not sure you would want to do it alone? Grab a friend and co-chair the position. As a reminder, here are the duties for these two positions.

**Ways & Means Elect:** Shall work in conjunction with the Ways and Means chairperson in developing and overseeing fundraisers for the guild. On the second year, she/he (if we ever get a 'he' to join us) shall become the Ways and Means chairperson.

**Historian:** Shall collect and preserve accounts of Guild activities, including appropriate memorabilia for the current year to be added to the records of past years.

We need you to keep our Guild running smoothly and making our Guild one of the best around! Your efforts will be appreciated. Again, thanks to all the past officers and to next year's Board.

## Recipe of the Month ~ Cheryl Wilcox



### GRANDMOTHER EIKENBERRY'S CRANBERRY SALAD

(The tastiest way to eat cranberries Cheryl's ever found!)

Wash and grind one pound of fresh cranberries. (Cheryl finds them easier to grind if they are frozen).

Add 2 cups of sugar, cover and place in refrigerator overnight. (If you use a smaller package of cranberries, cut back on the sugar).

Add to cranberry and sugar mixture:

1 cup grapes, seeded and cut up

2 cups miniature marshmallows

1 cup chopped nuts

1 cup whipped cream (Yes, use REAL whipped cream)

Makes a large salad. (The quilting grandmother was a very good cook too.)

## 2017 OQG Programs



**January 10** - "What is your New Year's Quilting Resolution?" Bring/tell about a project, technique or tool you hope to utilize this year.

**February 14** - Photographing of Quilts for Festival; Announce Challenge

**March 14** - We will be helping finish the dyed fabrics for the booth (ironing and folding), voting on the member-made pincushions, and playing games (with prizes).

**April 11** - "Exploring New Territory with Seminole Strips" by Marge Banks

**May 9** - "All my Designs" by Candy Hargrove

**June 13** - Prize Winning Quilts (What judges look for in a quilt.) by Jeanne Poore

**July 11** - "Bring a Friend Box Picnic Supper"; sale of leftover Festival projects; evaluation of Festival

**August 8** - "It's All in the Sashing" by Barb Eikmeier

**September 12** - "Stash Attack" by Theresa Ward; get nominations for election

**October 10** - "Xmas in October" – Service project; election of officers

**November 14** - Holiday Dinner; Challenges due; Show & Tell Progress Report on Resolution Project; evaluation of this year's activities

**December 12** - Games, white elephant gift exchange, and snacks

\*Changes to our schedule will be posted to our website, [olathequiltersguild.com](http://olathequiltersguild.com)

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## Upcoming Events



**Common Threads**  
**REGIONAL QUILT SHOW**

June 21-23, 2018 ~ Century II Expo Hall ~ Wichita, Kansas  
Wichitaquiltshow.com ~ www.facebook.com/wichitaquiltshow



Annually throughout the month of March

During the entire month of March, participating businesses will feature dozens of quilts in every pattern, color and price range. All the quilts are pieced and hand quilted by Ladies from the Yoder community and Amish and Mennonite communities across the United States.

## Guild Facebook Group



Sign-up to our Guild Facebook group. The address is [facebook.com/groups/OQGuildGroup](https://www.facebook.com/groups/OQGuildGroup)

## Fabric Sale



A former guild member, Linda Klein, recently passed away. Linda's husband, Michael, will be having a garage sale of Linda's quilting (etc.) things in the spring and wanted to give the quilt guild members an early chance to look at/ buy those items. Michael can be reached at (913) 732-2207 to make an appointment to view the items.

# November Show & Tell

## Show And Tell



Gretchen Schafer's Quilts



Heather Buchwitz's  
Quilt

Jean Schlenk's Quilt



# November Show & Tell

Show  
And  
Tell



Mary Ellen Winter's  
Quilts



Pauline Sander's Quilts



# November Show & Tell

Show  
And  
Tell



Jenny Boudreaux's Quilt



Susan Gandy's Quilt



Mary Pacey's Quilt



Gretchen Ryan's Quilt



# Winners/President Quilt



Mary Ellen Winter winning OQG Opportunity Quilt



Kenda Camp winning the opportunity quilt from the Greater Kansas City Quilters Guild



Shari Pine's President Quilt

# Creative Place



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**Coming Events:**

1. Open Sew, January 5-7, 2018. \$130 for 2 overnights / \$65 commuter. Add Thursday, 1/4 for \$50 for overnights or \$25 for commuters.

2. "Let the Stars Shine" New Year Retreat with Studio 180 Certified Instructor, Joyce Holley, 12/31/17 - 1/3/18. Info: [seakar52@sbcglobal.net](mailto:seakar52@sbcglobal.net) / 816-223-4454

3. Save the dates: March 9-11, 2018. Applique' retreat with Kathy Delaney. Watch our website for details! Overnight and commuter options available!

**Details on our website ([www.creativeplaceretreat.com](http://www.creativeplaceretreat.com)) OR call 913-484-5496.**