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## Happy July!

Wow this year has gone by so fast. Even more amazing is how quickly we completed our Opportunity Quilt! Huge thank you to Heather Buchwitz for the design, organizing the blocks, and the long arm quilting. It is gorgeous! Next steps are to name the quilt! Click on this [link to a Google form](#) where you can enter your suggestion for the [Opportunity Quilt name](#). I will leave this open until the day of the July meeting so we can vote on the name during the meeting. *(See a picture of the quilt on page 2.)*

Last weekend, Shelia Pierce, Jodi Price and I visited the Wichita Quilt Show and then visited Nic Deplazes' shop [Red Dragon Quilts](#) in Anthony Kansas. Her shop is so cute! It's a beautiful building with rows of fun fabric, panels, thread and lots of fun stuff. We had a great time on our trip. I came home with a nice stash of fabric!

We had so much fun that now we are discussing another day trip! Missouri Star Quilt Company is hosting a [Guild Days event](#) August 8, 9, and 10 which includes discounts and special deals if there are at least 10 people visiting in a group. They now have 16 shops and a museum! If you are interested in going, please reach out to me or Carol Crane.

The [Heartland Quilt Network](#), of which we are a member, now has events on their website including area quilt shows! Please check out the website as there is lots of good information there.

There is lots going on right now in our guild and it is so exciting! Between classes at the extension office, our quilt display at Mahaffie house, and the Johnson County Fair, we are a busy guild! At the same time, we are looking for more people to help. The most immediate need is for someone to start training as the newsletter editor for 2025. If you are interested in joining the board, please let someone on the board know! It's a great way to get to know other quilters and share ideas. It really is a great group of people. I'm very proud of our guild!

**Happy Quilting!**

**Rachel**



## Olathe Quilter's Guild

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

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

### Mailing Address:

P.O. Box 2651  
Olathe, KS 66063

### Website:

[olathequiltersguild.com](http://olathequiltersguild.com)

# Coming Up



## Our July Meeting

**Do you have any pre-cuts in your stash?**

Our July speaker is one of our own members. 😊



**Karen Hill, aka GRANNY K,**  
will show us many ways to enjoy those wonderful pre-cuts.



**Do you have a name  
for our Opportunity Quilt?**

See the instructions on page 1  
to submit your idea.

## Ways and Means

Thanks to our generous quilting donors, we have a variety of UFOs for your July meeting selection. Think of how much fun it will be to finish up something already started and waiting for your quilting attention. The photo below is just a small sampling of what will be available.



# *Committee Updates*

## Outreach Update

**We have 2 events in July in the community:**

### **Mahaffie Farmstead**

On Saturday, July 6, from 10-4, we'll be at the Mahaffie Farmstead Independence Day celebration! The farmhouse will be open to visit, and there are other fun activities going on - check it out [here](#). Bring a fan, a chair, and a friend! We will have quilts on display and a table with information on our guild.

Thank you to everyone who has volunteered to greet people and talk about our guild and our love for making quilts and other pieces. We do not know yet if we can sell opportunity quilt tickets, but we can display the quilt and talk about the raffle to generate interest. I will bring quilts that were offered for the display to the guild meeting on Tuesday, July 9th, to return them to their owners.

### **Extension Office**

On Tuesday, July 23, beginning at 6pm, Linda Hagen and Pauline Sanders will teach twilling at the Extension Office. Linda is graciously providing all the materials, and we thank her and Pauline for teaching this class. It must be a popular subject, since it is full! But if you want to volunteer to help the attendees, you can learn along with them while you help support them by threading needles, etc. It will be held at the Extension Office at 11811 S. Sunset Drive.

We appreciate our members for donating time, quilts, and talent to our outreach programs! Being out in the community is important to promote the guild and inspire others to join us.

Jenny Boudreaux  
2024 Outreach Chair



# *Committee Updates*

## **Johnson County Fair—July 28 - August 4**

The Johnson County Fair in Gardner is at the end of this month! The theme for this year is "Show It, Sew It, Grow It". It would be wonderful to have a great showing of quilts from our guild.

The last couple of years there has been a decline in entries. There are many categories, so enter anything from miniature to large quilts, from table toppers to wall hangings (only one per class).

A separate email was sent out to the guild with the SignUpGenius for volunteers to work in the quilt department and monitor the building, a tutorial for entering your projects on the fair website, and a map to the fairgrounds. *These attachments are included again with the newsletter email. Sign up at:*

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0A45AFAF2BAAFC1-49996177-johnson#/>

The volunteer positions on the SignUpGenies are filling up nicely. If you haven't signed up, please check if there is a convenient time for you. Most of the vacant positions are for monitoring the building, which is the easiest job! You can sit down in an air-conditioned building, visit with the public, be a white-glover, and bring your handi-work, if you wish.

There will be volunteer sign-up sheets at the July meeting for available slots. If you have any questions, please contact either of us. Thank you for the support!

Fair Co-Chairpersons

*Conna Hiltner*

*Shelia Pierce*



# **Show It, Sew It, Grow It**



# *Committee Updates*

**In July, the President's Quilt** committee will be checking out kits for the Chandelier Quilt blocks for Rachel's President's Quilt. Traditionally, we ask that each member complete a block for the quilt. Each kit will contain the directions, plus the black fabric you need, already cut for you. We ask that each of you provide a warm colored (red, orange, yellow) batik for the block. You will need one batik piece that is 5" x 5" and two pieces from the same fabric that are each 2½" x 2½". One note about the batik color – be sure that your signature will be visible if written in black ink.

Please stop by at the July or August guild meeting to pick up a kit. We ask that you return your completed untrimmed block at our September meeting. When you return the completed block in September, we will have pens for you to sign your block at that time.

Thanks,

Lynda Ochs and Libby Corrison

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## **Gathering Retreat Interest**

An amazing opportunity has been given to the quilt guild. Laura Lafferty has donated a retreat opportunity to the guild. She won a 5 day group retreat at Sew Loved Quilt shop in Elkhart, KS. The lodging and quilting space are included. Any participants would need to provide gas, food and shopping money.

We have a survey below for members to complete. This will let us know who is interested and firm plans. We do not have a specific date yet. We are looking at October, but need to coordinate with the shop.

Thank you!  
Karen Genis  
Heather Schaller

[Cast your vote Survey](#)



# Members—Marketplace

*Welcome New Member!*

Please welcome **Chelly King**, our new member who joined at the June meeting. As a welcome to our guild, there will be a gift bag for her at the membership table at our next meeting.

A new roster is included as an attachment in the newsletter email.

Conna Hiltner  
Membership Chair



Kathleen Manning	7-4
Janie Benander	7-12
Karen Goodwin	7-12
Karen Hill	7-12
Pauline Sanders	7-18
Lou Corbin	7-31

## MEMBER MARKETPLACE & BUSINESSES

*Guild members can place a free ad in the Members Marketplace for items they wish to trade, buy, or sell.*

### Giveaway Items from Mary Pacey:

I am in the process of shrinking my sewing room in advance of a later move to a smaller house. I have come across a small box of I Spy fabrics and a bag of fabrics (velvets, satin, and velveteen), some pieces of antique lace and small boxes of ribbon for ribbon embroidery -- supplies for Crazy Quilts.

If interested in either of these items, please email me. (See *roster attachment for contact info*). I will not be able to attend the July guild meeting, as I have cataract surgery that morning, so please consider picking the item up.

**Heather Buchwitz** - [QuiltKC.com](http://QuiltKC.com) - e2e long arm, quilt alongs, batting, backing and other solid/print fabrics, threads and more for sale. 4520 Silverheel St., Shawnee, KS 913-488-8055

**Cheryl Newell** - **CAN Designs** - quilting & longarm services 4537 Reese Drive, Wellsville, KS 913-749-6668

Check out the list of members' businesses online at  
[https:// www.olathequiltersguild.com/business-links](https://www.olathequiltersguild.com/business-links)

# *Board & Committees*

<b>2024 Board Officers</b>	
President	Rachel Rohrer
Vice President	Jenny Boudreaux
Program	Linda Hagen
Program Elect	Peggy Anderson
Secretary	Jean Heer
Treasurer	Jodi Price
Ways and Means	Cheryl Wilcox and Lynda Ochs
Ways and Means Elect	Dae Curtiss
Historian	Melissa Toburen
Public Relations	TBD
Membership	Conna Hiltner
Newsletter Editor	Sherri Critchfield
Advisor(s)	Libby Corrison Nic Deplazes

<b>2024 Committee Chairs</b>	
Charity	Karen Genis
KCRQF Representatives	Dae Curtiss and Mary Lou Guy
Special Events	Heather Schaller
Tech Committee	Melissa Toburen
Outreach / Education	Jenny Boudreaux
President's Quilt	Lynda Ochs and Libby Corrison
Challenge Quilt	Sherri Critchfield
Johnson County Fair	Shelia Pierce and Conna Hiltner
Opportunity Quilt	Heather Buchwitz and Melissa Toburen
Welcome Table	Libby Corrison

# *Treasurer's Report*

**Olathe Quilters Guild**

**June 30, 2024**

<b>Operating Account Balance 05/31/2024</b>	<b>\$9,200.00</b>
<b>Money Market Account Balance 05/31/2024</b>	<b><u>\$12,169.09</u></b>
	<b>\$21,369.09</b>

**Receipts**

Membership Dues	\$25.00
Ways & Means	\$55.00
Total Income	\$80.00

**Expenses**

No Expenses This Month	
Total Expenses	

<b>Operating Account Balance 06/30/2024</b>	<b>\$9,280.00</b>
<b>Money Market Account Balance 06/30/2024</b>	<b><u>\$12,169.09</u></b>
<b>Combined Balance 06/30/2024</b>	<b><u>\$21,449.09</u></b>



# *Meeting Minutes*

## Olathe Quilt Guild Minutes

June 11, 2024

President Rachel Rohrer called the meeting to order. Forty two members were present. There wasn't a Zoom option.

**Outreach and Education** – Jenny Boudreaux wasn't going to be able to stay so she spoke at this time. Linda Hagen will be teaching a Twilling class at the Kansas State Extension office July 23<sup>rd</sup>. Registration is open. Mahaffie House Independence Celebration is July 6<sup>th</sup> from 10-4. We will have quilts on display and will be making yo-yos for the incomplete quilt we have.

Linda Hagen, Program Chair, announced the agenda for the School House program. Presenters were David Duwe, Mary Ellen Winter, Teresa Duwe, Jodi Price, and Linda Hagen. Ice Cream treats were enjoyed before the business meeting.

Secretary's Minutes – Mary Ellen Winter made a motion to accept the minutes from the May meeting as printed in the newsletter. Shelia Pierce seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report – Karen Lacy moved that the treasurer's report as printed in the newsletter be approved. Kenda Camp seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Rachel announced the June birthdays.

Reports from:

**Programs** Linda Hagen announced that the July program will be our own Karen Hill speaking about precuts.

**Charity** Karen Genis has tops, batting, and backing that need to be quilted. She expects to have packs ready to be pieced next month.

**President's Quilt** Lynda Ochs reminded us kits will be distributed in July and will be due back by September. There will be pens available to sign the blocks.

**Ways and Means** Lynda reminded us that the UFO sale is next month.

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# Meeting Minutes

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**Johnson County Fair** Shelia Pierce said the theme is SHOW IT, SEW IT, GROW IT. Do all entries at one time to avoid multiple \$5 entry fees. Website is [jocokansasfair.com](http://jocokansasfair.com). The dates are July 28<sup>th</sup> to August 4<sup>th</sup>. There will be a sign up genius for volunteering.

**Public Relations** This position is still not filled. Please see Rachel Rohrer if you are willing to do this.

We need a **Newsletter Editor** for 2025. It would be beneficial to learn the ropes from Sherri Critchfield during the last months of 2024. See Rachel or Sherri if you have questions or want to do this.

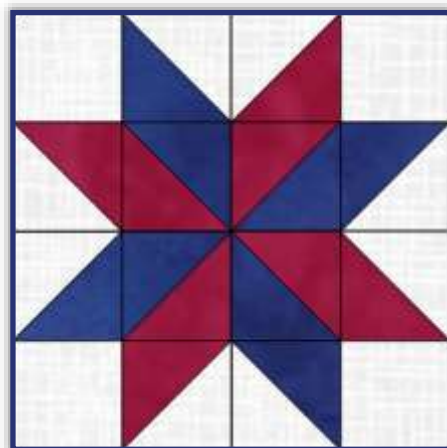
**Welcome Table** drawing was won by Kathy Reed.

**Board Meeting** will be Tuesday, June 18th at 6:30 PM on Zoom.

**Show and Tell** Linda Hagen, Carol Crane, David Duwe, Mary Ellen Winter, Laurie Vanderpol, Laura Lafferty, and Mary Lou Guy.

Mary Lou had the **2024-2025 Opportunity Quilt** that is finished except for a label which Jean Schlenk volunteered to make. The quilt looks fantastic!

Submitted by Jean Heer.



# *Show and Tell*



Linda Hagen—Disappearing hourglass



Carol Crane—Modern scrappy



Mary Ellen Winter—Baby Fox



Laurie Vanderpol—Mickey Mouse



# *Show and Tell*



David Duwe  
Three doll quilts



Laura Lafferty

All KS and NE  
Shop Hop quilt

Front and back

