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Happy August Quilters!

Summer's golden glow is starting to fade, but our guild's energy is still shining bright. As we wrap up a season full of activity—from the Johnson County Fair and Ensorfest to classes at the extension office and the always-inspiring KCRQF—a heartfelt thank you goes out to everyone who made it happen. These community moments, stitched together by your time and talents, are what make our guild so special.

Looking ahead to fall, we're still in search of volunteers to fill several 2026 board positions:

- KCRQF Representative (2)
- Public Relations
- Treasurer
- Secretary
- Vice President

Descriptions for each role can be found on our Guild Resources page. If you're thinking about getting more involved, please connect with me or Jenny Boudreaux—we'd love to welcome you to the team!

Last but certainly not least, a huge thank-you to Shelia Pierce and Conna Hiltner for their work at the Johnson County Fair! I heard there were many stunning quilt entries—and even some winners from our own guild. I can't wait to see them!

Happy Quilting!

Rachel



Olathe Quilter's Guild

Meets on the 2nd
Tuesday of each month
at 6:30 pm

At the
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Coming Up



August Program

Our August
Speaker
Martha Walker

wagonswestdesigns.com

Martha Walker has been making quilts since she was a teen, and enjoys every aspect of quilt making including piecework, appliqué and quilting. In addition to designing quilts, she designs projects in a variety of needle arts such as wool appliqué, punch needle and hooked rugs. She publishes patterns through her company, Wagons West Designs, and is most recently the author of *Prairie Patchwork: Treasured Quilts and Tales of Time* (Martingale Publishing), as well as *Betsy's Scrapbag*, *Annie's Scrapbag*, *Be Merry: Quilts and Projects for Your Holiday Home* (Kansas City Star Quilts) and *"Vintage Christmas"*. Martha has designed three fabric lines for Henry Glass Fabrics and Co. and Studio e Fabrics.

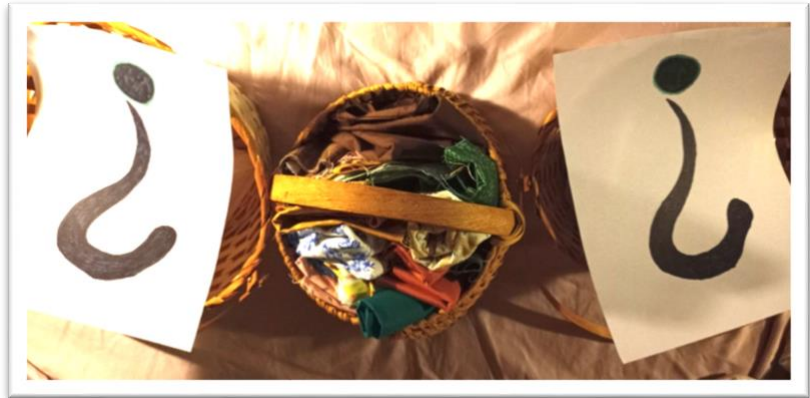
Martha began exhibiting her original designs in 1994 and has won numerous awards including ribbons at American Quilter's Society Quilt Show (2000, 2007, 2023), International Quilt Festival (2005), National Quilter's Association Quilt Show (2005), Pacific International Quilt Festival (2006), Road to California (2001, 2002), Mid-Atlantic Quilt Festival (2002), and The Arizona Quilter's Guild Quilt Show (1996, 1999, 2001, 2003, 2005, 2007).

Her quilts and designs have been featured in many publications including *The Big Book of Favorite Scrap Quilts* (Martingale Publishing), *Primitive Quilts and Projects Magazine*, *Simply Vintage*, *Quiltmania*, *Quilts from Quiltmaker's 100 Blocks*, *Quilt Country*, *Magic Patch*, *Quilter's Newsletter Magazine*, and *Quiltmaker's 100 Blocks from today's top designers*.

Ways and Means

Ways and Means is ready with another set of baskets for your tickets as well as other items you may want to purchase. What an economical way to add to your stash of fabrics, patterns, books, and even tools of the trade! Those extra fabrics may allow you to try a new pattern without cutting into your large pieces or create a one-of-a-kind quilt for someone you know or for a charity quilt.

Check out what is under the question marks at August's guild meeting. (We may limit Kenda to ONE ticket purchase this month:) We look forward to seeing you all then.



Special Events

Retreat Information

Our next guild retreat will be Friday, Oct. 24- Monday, Oct. 27th from 9am on Friday until whenever you want to go home to sleep each night; and ends on Monday, 10/27 at 5pm. It is a come and go event. We typically do an open sew style retreat, meaning you bring whatever projects you'd like to work on. We'll have a group project as well where each member sews a block and we'll put them together for Evergreen for hosting us. If you have any questions or need help deciding which color or quilt pattern to choose, there will be somebody there that can give you advice! **It will be at Evergreen Community, 11875 S Sunset Dr STE 100, Olathe, KS 66061.** We will be using one of their meeting rooms.

Cost will be \$25 and you'll be responsible with 1 or 2 other people for providing 1 meal. We will cater at least 1 meal and purchase supplies for the group project. More information will be sent to only those interested in coming so we don't spam the entire guild.

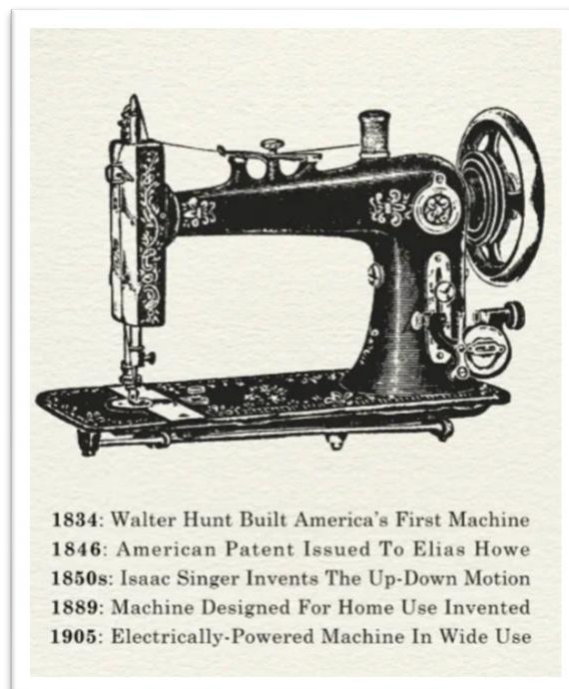
If you are interested in attending, please let Heather Schaller know so she can get you on the email list. Her contact info is on the roster and in the cover letter for this newsletter.

~Heather Schaller

KC Quilt Crawl



FYI



Committee Updates

Outreach Update

We continue to put on great events as part of our outreach into the community. But none of this works without people to help out! Please consider volunteering for some of our upcoming events by **clicking the Signup Genius links** listed below.

In July we had fun at the Mahaffie Independence Day event – once the rain showers passed through! Families stopped by and made 9 patch paper quilts, and people bought opportunity quilt tickets and learned about our guild. Thank you to those who volunteered to work the event and who offered quilts to display. Here are some photos:



Our August class at the Extension Office is taught by Cindy Nice, and she will show you how to make a double-ended oven mitt. This is a great way to use some fun fabrics and make something you'll use immediately. These also make great gifts.



Sign up here to help students with this class. It's easy tasks like ironing, cutting, or just going over the pattern steps with students. And you can learn how to make this nifty item along with them!

Please share information on these classes with your friends, other quilt groups and guilds, and anyone interested in making things! You can share on Facebook from our Olathe Quilters Guild group or from the **Johnson County K-State Research and Extension Facebook page**. If you aren't a Facebook user, you can refer people to the **Classes and Events web site** for the Extension Office.

Our other activity in August will be Fourth Friday in downtown Olathe! Unfortunately, the July event was cancelled due to bad weather. The event is hosted by the Olathe Chamber of Commerce and is scheduled for **Friday August 22 from 6-9pm**. There are food trucks, vendors with booths down Cherry St., a band performing on the stage on Johnson County Square, and lots of fun things for kids and adults to do!

Sign up here to help with our booth. We will sell opportunity quilt tickets as well as many items that have been donated by members, and we'll have membership forms and our bookmarks to help people learn about our guild. Please come by even if you cannot work the booth, and tell your family & friends to stop by – it's a great time (as long as the weather cooperates)! Learn more at **<https://fourthfridays.olathe.org/>**.

Jenny Boudreaux

Charity Quilts

The charity committee donated 10 completed quilts today to the Olathe Public Schools at their Back to School Outreach event held at the Mill Creek campus. I volunteered with another organization that donated blankets.

Lara Stevens

Just a thank you to all who are working on some of our kits and a reminder!

If you have completed the quilting or binding on any tops, please bring them to the next meeting (August). We have more kits available for quilting and always accept more tops! Your work is so beautiful and loved. Thank you all!

Lou Corbin



Membership



Happy Birthday

Dae Curtis . 8/3
Brigetta McElrogue 8/6
Robbie Herron 8/14
Jessie VandenBerg 8/20
Carol Meiners 8/23
Cindy Cherry 8/26
Peggy Bayard 8/29
Cindy Nice 8/31

New Members

Welcome to our new members

Heather Rutler, Dewey Owens, Jean Ryszewski, Brigitte McElvogue, and Carmen Carter.
Be sure to pick up your New Member bags at the Membership table in August.

Lou Corbin

Marketplace

Member Marketplace & Businesses

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

➤ *Check out the list of members' businesses online at <https://www.olathequiltersguild.com/business-links>*



Cheryl Newell – CAN Designs:

Quilting and longarm services. 4537 Reese Drive, Wellsville KS; 913-749-6668

Heather Buchwitz – QuiltKC.com

Custom and 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

Sandra Mortakis - Free to good home... 2 quilt 1-1/2" x 1-1/2" x 8 foot oak rails. Great for those larger quilts to hand quilt. Sandra Mortakis will bring to meeting. Her phone number is listed on the roster and in the cover letter for this newsletter.

Linda Hagen - Pfaff creative sensation for sale. \$2000, in good condition, all accessories included. Will give private instruction to buyer. Linda's phone number is on the roster and in the cover letter for this newsletter.





Area Events

Date	Quilt Show or Event	Location
Aug 22-23 9a-4p	Pryor Patchers Quilt Guild Show \$6 a day	Pryor, OK Mayes County Fairground 2200 NE 1 st
Aug 29-30 8/29: 9a-5p 8/30: 9a-4p	Little Balkans Quilt Show Vendors, Boutique, Quilt and Basket Raffles	Pittsburg, KS Memorial Auditorium 503 N Pine St
Sept 12-13	Twilight Stitchers Quilt Show	Blue Springs, MO First United Methodist Church 301 SW Woods Chapel Road
Sept 19-21 9/19/ 4p-7p 9/20 9a-5p 9/21 10a-4p	Heritage Needlework Guild Quilt Show	Nebraska City, NE Bethel Church 2400 Central Avenue

Board & Committees

2025 Board Officers	
President	Rachel Rohrer
Vice President	Jenny Boudreaux
Program	Peggy Anderson
Program Elect	Melissa Toburen
Secretary	Jean Heer
Treasurer	Jodi Price
Ways and Means	Cheryl Wilcox & Mary Pacey
Ways and Means Elect	Dae Curtiss
Historian	Conna Hiltner
Public Relations	Melissa Toburen
Membership	Lou Corbin
Newsletter Editor	Conna Hiltner
Advisor(s)	Libby Corrison

2025 Committee Chairs / Co-chairs	
Challenge Quilt	Rachel Rohrer & Jodi Price & Mary Pacey
Charity	Lou Corbin & Lara Stevens
Johnson Country Fair	Shelia Pierce & Conna Hiltner
KCRQF Representative	Dae Curtiss & Mary Lou Guy
KCRQF Olathe Guild Managers	Shelia Pierce & Conna Hiltner
Opportunity Quilt	Jean Schlenk & Rachel Rohrer
Outreach & Education	Jenny Boudreaux
President's Quilt	Lynda Ochs & Libby Corrison
Special Events	Heather Schaller
Technology	Melissa Toburen
Welcome Table	Libby Corrison

Treasurer's Report

Olathe Quilters Guild

Operating Account Balance 6/29/2025	\$9317.51
Money Market Account Balance 6/29/2025	<u>\$12,174.21</u>
	\$21,491.72

Receipts

Membership	\$90.00
Ways & Means	\$42.00
T-Shirts	\$30.00
Total Income	\$162.00

Expenses

Speaker/Program	\$553.00
Public Relations & Advertising	\$100.00
Church Rental	\$300.00
Total Expenses	\$953.00

Operating Account Balance 7/31/2025	\$8,526.51
Money Market Account Balance 7/31/2025	<u>\$12,174.21</u>
Combined Balance 7/31/2025	<u>\$20,700.72</u>

Meeting Minutes

Olathe Quilt Guild Minutes July 8, 2025

Vice President Jenny Boudreaux called the meeting to order. Fifty five members were present. There were five visitors who joined before the evening was over. Three members joined us via Zoom. Peggy Anderson introduced Linda Bratten who presented Telling Your Story – Creating Labels for Quilts.

BUSINESS MEETING

Secretary's Minutes – Dae Curtiss moved that the minutes from the June meeting, as printed in the newsletter, be approved. Melissa Toburen seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Budget increases – Jenny told us that the Website/Zoom budget cost went from \$300 to \$900 for two years, the WIX charge is \$576 for two years and Zoom was \$175 last year and is due in December. Mary Ellen Winter moved that these expenses be approved. Dae Curtis seconded the motion and it passed without objection.

Treasurer's Report – Karen Lacy moved that the report, as printed in the newsletter, be approved. Lisa Hirsch seconded the motion which passed unanimously. Jenny announced the July birthdays.

KCRQF – Dae Curtiss told us the final dollar figures are not available yet. The guild representatives for the 2027 festival are encouraged to attend the August meeting. Anyone interested in serving in this capacity is encouraged to speak up. It is best to have two people to share the load and provide coverage if the primary representative is unavailable to attend a meeting. We expect to receive our check in August or September. Dae and Pat Lawson provided refreshments to thank members for volunteering during the festival.

Outreach/Education – Jenny The next KSU extension class is Reusable Gift Bag by Mary Pacey on July 16th. There is a sign-up to help with the class. We received a special rate of \$100 total for tables at both the July and August 4th Friday on the square in downtown Olathe. We will sell Opportunity Quilt tickets and any other items anyone would like to offer for the guild to sell. Dae moved that we do this, Heather Schaller seconded the motion, and it passed without dissent.

Meeting Minutes

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Field Trip – Jenny told us the date for the trip to Kansas State’s Textile and Clothing Museum in Manhattan is set for Saturday October 18th. We will need to leave no later than 7:30 for the 10:00 program. There will be a sign-up sheet. When it is determined how many are attending, a cost analysis will be done to see if we will carpool or get a bus. Julie Coons is a bus driver and will see what she can get a bus for. The guild will pay mileage or for the bus. The trip is a way to share the proceeds from the Estate Sale.

Programs – Peggy Anderson told us the August program is Yesterday’s Stories in Today’s Quilts by Martha Walker.

Charity – Lou Corbin has quilt kits ready for quilting or tying. Several quilts have been returned either finished or ready for binding. The quilts this year are going to foster or homeless children in the Olathe Public Schools, the Olathe Police Department, and seniors.

Johnson County Fair – Shelia still has three open spots for volunteers. She reminded us that entries must be received by July 14th and encouraged us to look at the categories for various types of quilts and other areas of interest. The dates are July 27th – August 2nd.

Retreat – Heather Schaller said the fall retreat will be Friday October 24th through Monday October 27th at Evergreen on Sunset near 119th and Ridgeview. This is the same venue as last spring. The room is large enough for 20 plus quilters with individual tables. The lighting and amenities are good. You come and go as you wish during that time and leave your supplies in the secure building while you go home to sleep in your own beds. Let Heather know via text or email if you are interested in attending.

Hand Quilters - Karen Lacy said they will meet on Thursday the 17th at 6:30 pm at the church.

Welcome Table – Cheryl Wilcox won the door prize. Heather Rutler won the quilt book that was offered on a separate ticket drawing.

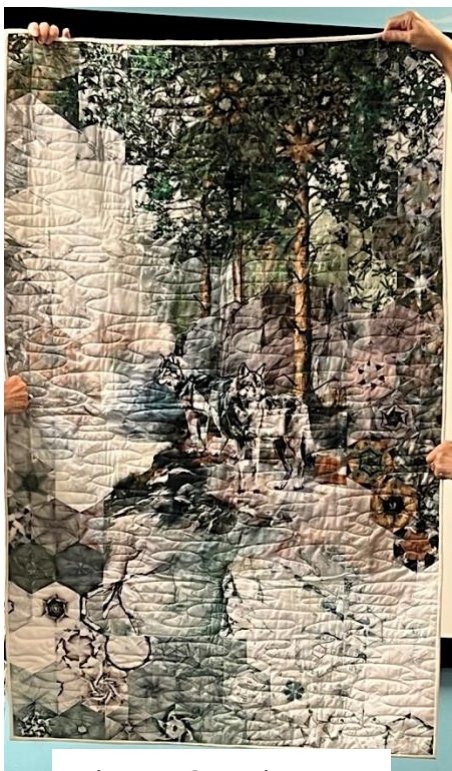
Ways and Means had three prizes that were all won by Kenda Camp.

Board meeting is July the 15th via Zoom.

Show and Tell finished the meeting.

Submitted by Jean Heer

Show and Tell



Libby Corrison



Jean Schlenk

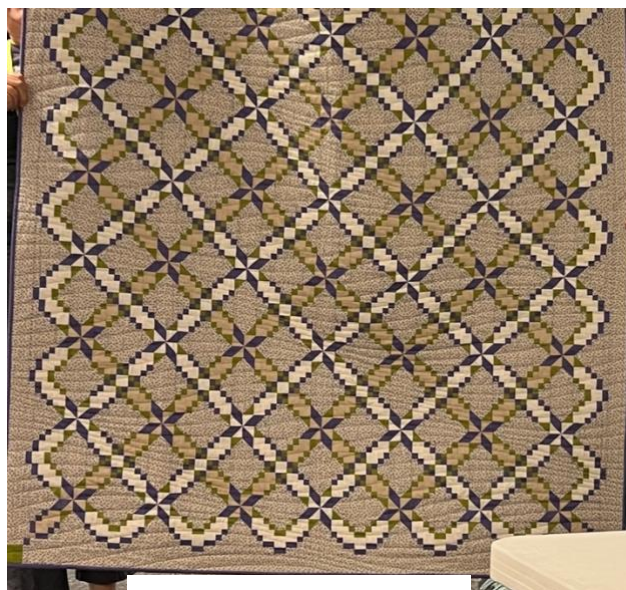


Shelia Pierce





Melissa Toburen



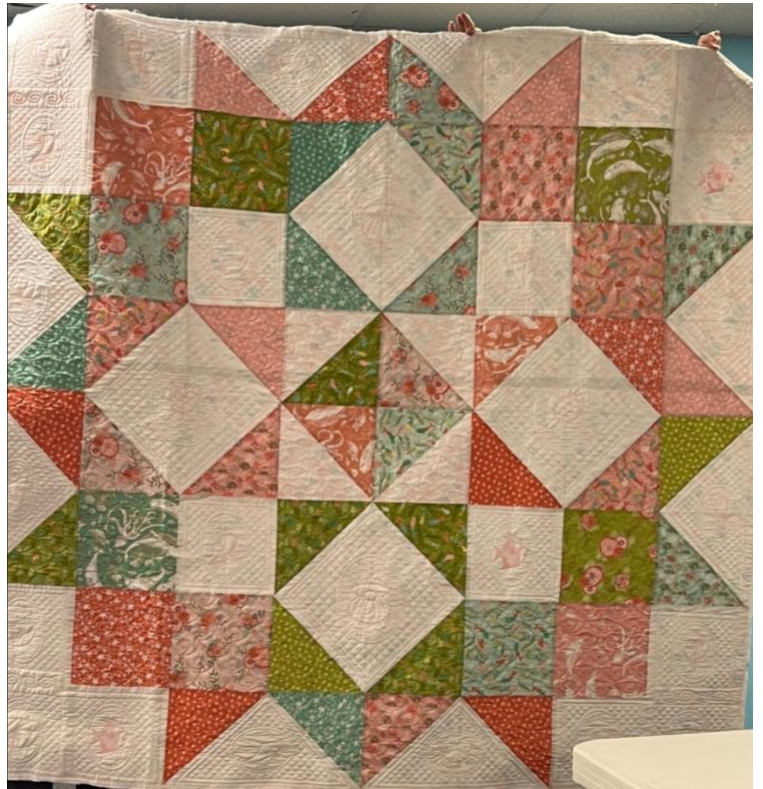
Jean Spohrer



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Erin Wasser



Jodi Price



Laura Lafferty

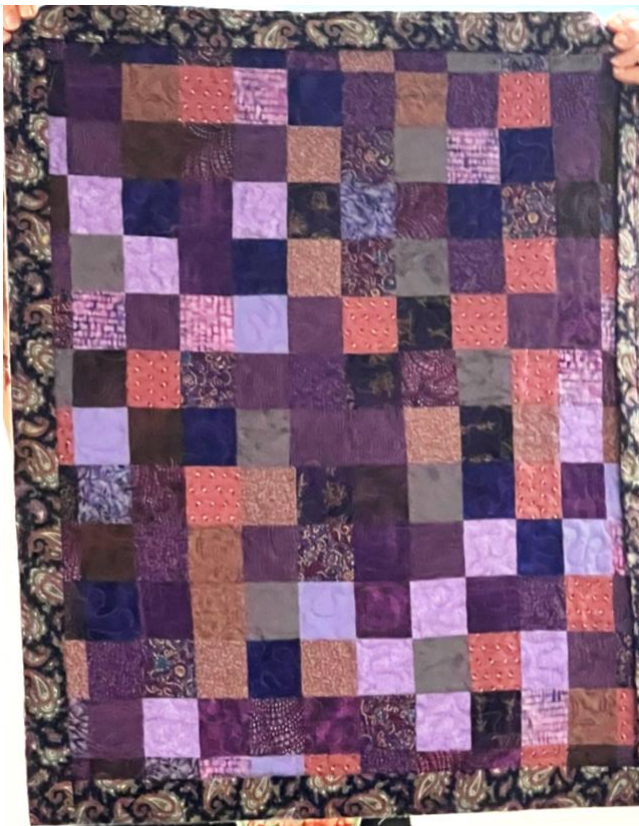




Laura Lafferty



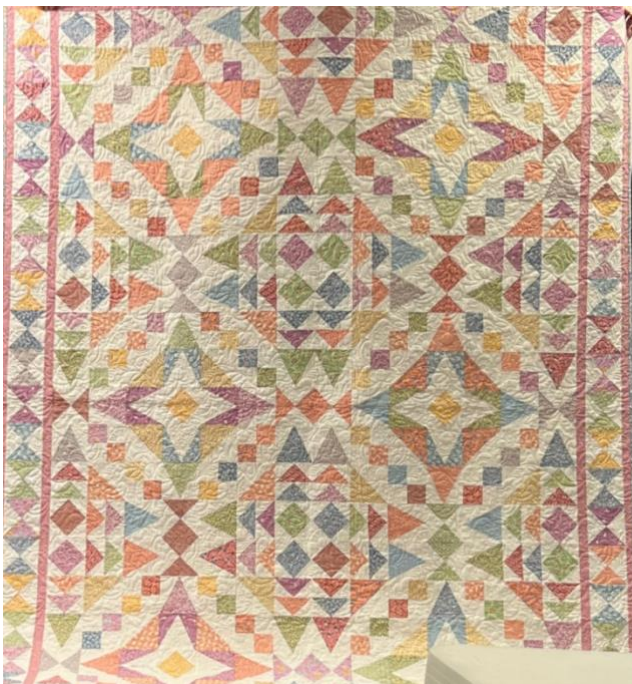
Shirley Anderson



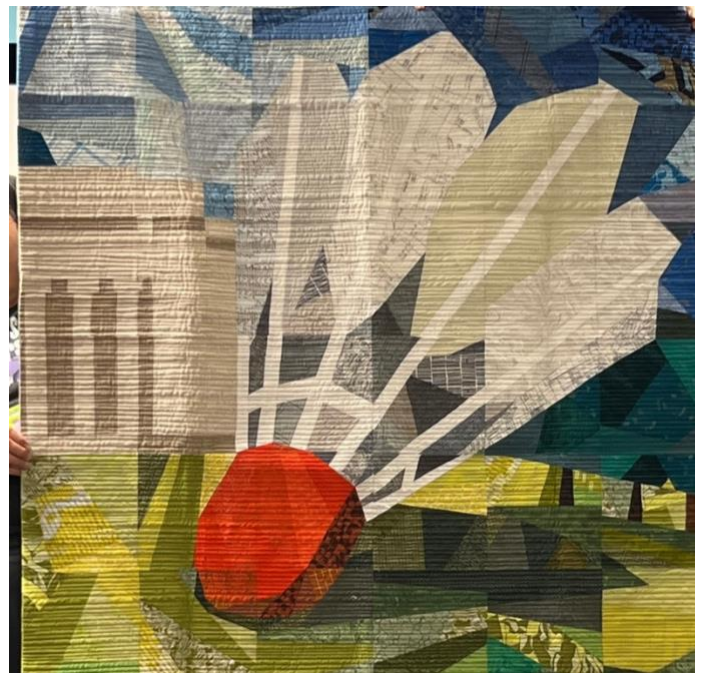
David Duwe



Julie Coons



Lou Corbin



Lisa Hirsch



Heather Schaller