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The summer sure has gone by quickly. It's already time to start planning for next year. Please consider filling an officer position with the guild for next year. New officers bring new ideas and fresh perspectives which are vital to the health and growth of our guild.

My husband and I are away from home on an extended vacation. One last adventure before the seasons change and the winds chill the air. It became time to leave before I got all the things done I wanted to get done, just like always happens.

My best laid plans often bring up unexpected challenges. Not just vacation plans, but quilting plans. I am in awe of the guild members that get all their gift projects done in time to bring them to our guild meeting and show them off before giving them to the intended recipient. I'm always sewing the last few inches of binding on the quilt on the way to the party. Thank goodness for gift bags!

Every fall I pull out all my UFOs (or WIPs, if you prefer) and make a plan to finish a few of them before the end of the year. And then the holidays begin and those plans get decimated by all the other, more important things, that simply must take precedence.

Moving shifted this so that the pulling out and sorting have already happened. All those quilt tops that were going to get quilted before we left on vacation are sitting patiently by the quilting machine, waiting, as some of them have done for years. I did get the machine set up and I do have a quilt on it, so all is not lost and hope springs eternal. Perhaps this will be the year when I end with more finished projects than half-finished projects.

Enjoy the last few days of summer and I will see you all in the fall.

Nic

Guild President



Olathe Quilter's Guild

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



Our August Speaker Lisa Hirsch—What's Next In Color

I have belonged to the Olathe Quilter's Guild for the past 16 years and the Kansas City Modern Quilt Guild for 12 years, but have been at a sewing machine since I can remember (in my mom's lap) My day job is with the Olathe District Schools as a high school art educator.

Back in college I studied Psychology and Studio art at Michigan State University. I learned about all of the different topics related to color theory, principles of design and elements of art. The combination of being in quilt guilds and teaching students in the classroom I have implemented that knowledge into thoughtful practice. With students - I have had to break down those concepts so that a student can understand and explore, while another might flourish and express themselves in a visual setting.

I have always tinkered around with creative endeavors. Being a guild member is a vital component to energizing my creative mind and process. So in the evenings working with fabric and textiles has been a way to keep my artful practice/process fine tuned.



Coming Up

Johnson County Fair: July 29, 2023 - August 6, 2023

Thank you to everyone who has already volunteered to help with set-up, judging, hanging, monitoring, and takedown! You will be receiving reminders from the sign-up genius that Peggy Anderson set up. Please see the map and directions that are an attachment to the newsletter.

We try to have 2 people at each time slot for monitoring the quilts, and have a few times when this is not quite done:

- Tuesday (8/1/23) 5:00 pm - 7:30 pm, and also 7:30 pm - 10:00 pm
- Thursday (8/3/23) 10:00 am - 1:00 pm, and also 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm
- Friday (8/4/23) 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm. Also on this day, Libby has signed up for 10:00 am - 1:00 pm, but has grandkids that day. If anyone else can take her place, let us know and we will put in your name. (Thx!)
- Saturday (8/5/23) 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm. Also, for the 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm slot, Cheryl Wilcox's name is there, but she would prefer not to work then, if someone else can volunteer.

If you feel you could help out at any of these times, please go to the sign-up genius link: www.signupgenius.com/go/409044CACAB22A6F94-2023

If you find that someone else has already signed up, please let us know so that we can check it out. Our contact info is in the guild roster. An updated roster is included in the newsletter email this month.

If you have entered a quilt in the fair, be sure you have your Entry Tag - see Peggy's detailed instructions.. You may drop off your quilt at the Open Class building at either of two times: Monday (7/31/23), 6:30 pm - 9:00 pm, or Tuesday (8/1/23) 8:00 am - 10:00 am.

You can pick up your quilt on Sunday (8/6/23) 9:00 am - 12:00 pm. If you cannot pick it up, let us know and we can get it for you.

For any questions, please contact either of us. Thanks!

Peggy Anderson

Libby Corrison



Coming Up

Seeking Quilts and Quilt Watchers!

On the afternoon/evening from 3:30 PM - ~9:30 PM of Saturday August 12, 2023, our guild is collaborating on an event with the [Ensor](#) Park and Museum in Johnson County called Ensorfest 23. Their group has asked us to develop a quilt display and in return has allowed us to sell Opportunity Quilt tickets!

What do we need?

Quilts! We envision hanging 14-20 quilts outdoors on the tree-shaded clothesline with clothes pins.

If you are willing to volunteer one of your quilts for afternoon in the park, let us know (Rachel and Melissa, our email addresses are on the Member roster).

Quilts will be collected at the August guild meeting. We'll ask that you complete a short "bio" about the quilt that we can type up, print, and attach (with a binder clip, no pins!) to the quilt.

How do I get my quilt back? Rachel will keep them safe. You can pick them up from her on Sunday, August 13 or arrange to do so later – unless you are at the park yourself and want to tuck your own in at the end of the night.

Volunteers: Quilt Watchers and Opportunity Quilt Sales!

Two people for 2-hour shifts for each job type. The early birds get to help hang quilts on the line and/or set up the Opportunity quilt.

Our spot will be in the shade. We recommend bringing a lawn chair.

Food trucks with beverages will be available for purchase but bringing your own snacks and/or beverages is allowed. (This is a Johnson County park so alcohol is not permitted.) Porta-potties are provided.

The Pheasant Pluckers bluegrass band starts at 6:45 PM – if that helps you decide what shift you do (or don't) want.

Ensor would love to see you even if you aren't volunteering. Check out their [website](#) for event details!

FYI: Ensor address 18995 W 183rd St, Olathe, KS



Members - Marketplace

Welcome to our new members

Cindy Cherry and Lou Corbin



An updated roster is included this month with the newsletter email.

Dae Curtiss 8-03
Jessie Vandenberg 8-20
Karen Martin 8-24
Cindy Cherry 8-26
Peggy Bayard 8-29
Cindy Nice 8-31

MEMBER MARKETPLACE & BUSINESSES

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

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

Heather Buchwitz - QuiltKC - 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

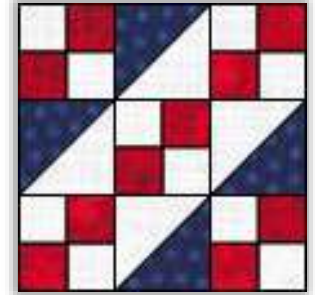


Check out the list of members' businesses online at
[https:// www.olathequiltersguild.com/business-links](https://www.olathequiltersguild.com/business-links)

Committee Updates



August Blocks of the Month American Flag and Wagon Tracks



This month I am including two blocks of the month. One is a mini flag block and the other is called wagon tracks. I decided to do this because I heard some of you lovely ladies would like a full 12 blocks. I had only planned 9 blocks, so I am doubling up these last few months.

Enjoy! Don't worry they are easy! Happy Sewing!

Laura

The patterns are included as attachments with the newsletter email.

Committees for 2024

We are getting an early start on our committees for 2024! Below are the list of committees and a brief description of the committee's duties (the formal descriptions will be on the signup sheets). Signups will start at the August meeting. **However, there is an urgent need to fill the KCRQF Member Representatives for 2025.** Rachel and Jenny will move out of this role in a few months. Please see Rachel or Jenny if you have any questions about the duties or the experience.

Block of the Month - Responsible for selecting a theme and the patterns to be distributed through the newsletter monthly including templates and/or rotary instructions. The committee will also be responsible for introducing the year's theme at the first meeting of the year. The committee will select a date for finished projects to be displayed.

Challenge Quilt - Responsible for selecting a theme and the patterns to be distributed through the newsletter monthly including templates and/or rotary instructions. The committee will also be responsible for introducing the year's theme at the first meeting of the year. The committee will select a date for finished projects to be displayed.

Charity - Responsible to identify potential charities, present a list to the membership for a vote, organize projects for the selected charity (or charities) and be responsible for the collection, storage and delivery of projects to the chosen charity (or charities).

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Committee Updates

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Johnson County Fair – Two co-chairs are ideal. For 2024, the new chairs of the fair committee will work with the previous chairs, with the intent of taking over in 2025. Responsibilities include being in contact with fair officials as needed, cleaning as needed, hiring judges, and organizing the sign-ups for guild members to handle the following duties: setting up the area, collecting quilts, monitoring during all open hours, dropping and returning quilts, dismantling the quilt area, and other duties as determined.

2025 KCRQF Member Representatives (Representative and Alternate) - These positions represent the Olathe Quilters Guild when it participates in the KCRQF. The Representative is the sole Guild vote on the KCRQF Member Board of Directors and the Alternate votes in his/her absence. Duties include but are not limited to: attendance at all KCRQF planning meetings, directing and managing the Guild's Area of Responsibility, recruiting Guild volunteers to perform our assigned tasks, regularly reporting to the Olathe Guild Board and Guild membership as to the status of the Festival's progress, documenting and reporting on our performance at the end of the Festival to the KCRQF Executive Board.

Opportunity Quilt - Responsible for choosing an appropriate quilt design, providing directions and materials to the guild members who wish to participate in the construction of the quilt, and generally overseeing the completion of the quilt.

Outreach / Education – Responsible for coordinating the presentation or hosting of events to support the community in the area of quilt education.

President's Quilt – Responsible for obtaining a suggestion from the President and then collect and straighten blocks which are brought to the designated meeting. The blocks will be given to the President at the last meeting of the year. The committee will be responsible for the assembly of quilt blocks into a quilt top for a second year President.

Special Events - Duties may include taking speakers to supper prior to the guild meeting, helping and entertaining speakers, and refreshments, decorations, cleanup, and other required tasks to handle events (i.e. picnic, holiday dinner, etc.).

Welcome Table - Responsible for introducing the guest to a Guild member who can assist them and answer their questions. The committee is responsible for purchasing and distributing the monthly door prize. They will report at each meeting the number of members and guests present.

Tech Committee - Responsible for the equipment and duties associated with delivering hybrid guild meetings (online available simultaneously with in-person meetings), as well as additional tech issues that might arise. The committee's duties will not duplicate those of Public Relations, which involve our Facebook page group and webpage.

Committee Updates

Slate of Officers for 2024

Please think about joining us on the 2024 board. It's a great way to get to know fellow guild members in addition to working for the betterment of our Olathe Quilters Guild! As we vote on our slate of officers in October, it is time to create our slate of officers for 2024. Several of our current officers must leave their positions due to the 2-year limit in the same position. Some have served for just one year in their current position and are therefore eligible to stay on for another year in the same position. Others have served in one position but are eligible to serve in a different position in 2024. Review the positions below and please consider a position on the board next year. Our monthly board meetings occur on the 3rd Tuesday of each month by **Zoom**. The positions in **red** are open. Please join us!

President – Nic Deplazes will be leaving this position and Rachel Rohrer will step up as President for 2024.

Vice President – Since Rachel is moving up to be President, Jenny Boudreaux will move into the Vice President position. The assumption is that the Vice President will serve as President after Rachel is done.

Program – Linda Hagen will step up from Program Elect to serve as Program Chair for 2024.

Program Elect – This position is open. This person will plan the 2025 programs. It is a good idea to get these programs organized prior to the 2025 year.

Secretary – Karen Genis has served two years in this position, so a new secretary is needed for 2024. If you are interested, let us know.

Treasurer – Ava Wright has served two years in this position, so a new treasurer is needed for 2024. If you are interested, please let us know.

Ways and Means – Cheryl Wilcox will step up for 2024 in this position since she is the current Ways and Means Elect.

Ways and Means Elect – This position is open for 2024. If you are interested, please let us know.

Historian – Melissa Toburen has served one year in this position and will remain for 2024.

Public Relations – Christie Holmes has served one year in this position and will remain for 2024.

Membership – Conna Hiltner has served one year in this position and will remain for 2024.

Newsletter Editor – Sherri Critchfield took over the newsletter responsibilities during 2022 and will remain for 2024.

Advisor – Libby Corrison, as former President, will become the new Advisor for 2024.

Please think about joining us on the 2024 board. It's a great way to get to know fellow guild members in addition to working for the betterment of our Olathe Quilters Guild! We will vote on our slate of officers in October.

Board & Committees

2023 Board	
President	Nic Deplazes
Vice President	Rachel Rohrer
Program	Lisa Hirsch
Program Elect	Linda Hagen
Secretary	Karen Genis
Treasurer	Ava Wright
Ways and Means	Sheila Pierce and Libby Corrison
Ways and Means Elect	Cheryl Wilcox
Historian	Melissa Toburen
Public Relations	Christie Holmes
Membership	Conna Hiltner
Newsletter Editor	Sherri Critchfield
Advisor	Libby Corrison

2023 Committee Chairs
Charity - Karen Genis
KCRQF: Manager of Quilts - Conna Hiltner and Shelia Pierce
Special Events - Heather Schaller
Tech Committee - Libby Corrison
Outreach/Education - To Be Determined
President's Quilt - Linda Hagen
Challenge Quilt - possibly cancelled for 2023
Johnson County Fair - Peggy Anderson and Libby Corrison
Block of the month - Laura Lafferty
Opportunity Quilt - To Be Determined

Treasurer's Report

Olathe Quilters Guild

July 31, 2023

Operating Account Balance 6/30/2023	\$4,091.57
Money Market Account Balance 6/30/2023	<u>\$12,161.98</u>
	\$16,253.55
Receipts	
Membership Dues	\$15.00
Welcome Desk	\$11.00
Ways & Means	\$146.00
2023 Opp Quilt	\$353.00
Total Income	\$525.00
Expenses	
Speaker	\$391.15
Olathe Christian Church Donation July Aug Sept	\$300.00
Website 5/2023 to 5/2025	\$274.00
Fair Judge Gift	\$20.00
Total Expenses	\$985.15
Operating Account Balance 7/31/2023	\$3,631.42
Money Market Account Balance 7/31/2023	<u>\$12,165.01</u>
Combined Balance 7/31/2023	<u>\$15,796.43</u>
MM interest received for Jan - June \$3.03	

Meeting Minutes

July 11, 2023

Olathe Quilter's Guild Meeting
at Olathe Christian Church

6:30 pm Nic Deplazes, President, called the meeting to order.

Lynda Ochs introduced Joy Miller from the K-State extension office. This is the new contact for classes. Joy spoke for a few minutes about the offering of classes through the extension office. Lynda Ochs and Libby Corrison will be hosting a Beginner Quilting class. If any member has other ideas for classes, please reach out to Joy. She will help get everything set up.

Lisa Hirsch introduced this speaker this month, Patti Meier from KC Maker Space.

Ways and Means – the items for raffle tonight are from Adrienne Clevenger's husband.

Johnson County Fair – Peggy Anderson – July 31st is quilt check in or by Aug 1st at 10 am. There is still a need for a few volunteers. Peggy and Libby will be collecting the quilts. Please encourage youth to enter the fair.

Hand Quilters meeting is Jul 20th at 6:30 pm.

Secretaries Minutes – Karen Lacy made a motion to accept the minutes as posted on the newsletter. Kenda Camp seconded the motion. The vote passed unanimously.

Treasurer's report – Mary Pacey made a motion to accept the treasurer's report as listed in the newsletter. Peggy Anderson seconded the motion. The vote passed unanimously.

July birthdays were announced.

Memberships – there are 72 members registered in the guild. There are 39 members present and 6 on Zoom. There are 2 guests and 2 new members. The guests are Kathy Roberts and Mary Lou Guy. The new members are Lou Corbin and Cindy Cherry.

KCRQF – Jenny Boudreaux and Rachel Rohrer – Feedback was asked for from the guild about the festival. Mary Ellen Winter made a motion for the Olathe Quilter's Guild to participate in the festival in 2025. Heather Schaller seconded the motion. Two people are needed to be representatives for our guild for the next festival.

Prizes for volunteering for our guild: Jean Heer, Cindy Nice, Shelia Pierce, Sharon Schakel, Peggy Anderson, Mary Whitchurch, Karen Genis, Lynda Ochs, Mary Ellen Winter, and Dae Curtiss.

Block of the Month – Laura Lafferty – still collecting quilts for Tribute to Yoda. Members can still join. Currently, there are 3 members participating.

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Meeting Minutes

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Charity – See Karen Genis for kits.

Programs – Lisa Hirsch

August – Lisa Hirsch – Color

Sept – Kelly Ashton – Spirals and Stars

Oct -

Nov – Holiday party

Dec – Heather Buchwitz

KC Maker Studio is having a birthday bash Saturday, July 15th. \$30/person

Ensor Park – Melissa Toburen – the event starts at 4 pm Set-up will be at 3 pm. If you have a quilt you want to show or want to volunteer, please see Melissa Toburen. Bring your quilts to the next guild meeting.

President's Quilt – Linda Hagen – more blocks are available.

Welcome Table – Jean Spohrer, Jodi Price, Peggy Anderson, Karen Hill

Ways and Means winners – Karen Lacy, Dae Curtiss, Peggy Anderson, Rachel Rohrer

Show and Tell- David Duwe

Linda Hagen

Mary Ellen Winter

Heather Buchwitz

Kenda Camp

Peggy Anderson

Heather Schaller – she received a text from someone who received a quilt from us. It was a heart felt thank you for the quilt. Our donations matter. Also, someone donated quilt labels for our guild to use for our charity quilts.

8:40 pm Meeting was adjourned



Show and Tell



David Duwe
Antique quilt top



Mary Ellen Winter— Block-of-the-month quilt and baby boy quilt

Show and Tell



Heather Buchwitz—Family Tree



Linda Hagen—Train



Peggy Anderson—Bag



Kenda Camp—Thimbleberries calendar