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Hello Quilters!

I have really been enjoying Spring this year. I've spent the last few Spring and Summer times planting gardens in our yard. This year, for the first time, I can see things have truly started to thrive. Just as my flowers are getting their roots in and finding their space, as quilters we also find our space in the many varieties of quilting that exist.

I personally enjoy making sampler quilts and English paper piecing. I love the look of applique but don't do nearly enough of it. I'm still trying all the different ways to do applique and haven't yet found the perfect way for me. Foundation paper piecing is just not my cup of tea. I'm always sewing the pieces up in the wrong orientation.

One of the best things about being a member of a guild is all the variety of technique and style of quilts you get a chance to enjoy. Our program chairs find such wonderful programs to inspire us. Great inspiration to try new techniques and new methods, things you might never have thought of or imagined can become the great new idea that pushes your quilting into an exciting and fulfilling area.

What are your favorite types of quilts? Traditional? Modern? Repeating blocks or all different? Favorite fabrics? What new thing do you want to learn? What technique is most challenging?

It's truly wonderful that we have found a hobby that can grow with our interests and keep us challenged and hungry to learn new things. And that we have found wonderful friends to join us on this journey.

Nic
Guild President



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

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P.O. Box 2651
Olathe, KS 66063

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Coming Up



Our April Speaker May Black with Quiltworx

May is coming to us from Missouri. She has roots and quilting that go back to when she was little working on craft projects with her grandmother. But she joined her first quilt guild in 1993. While in that quilt guild she took a class that opened her eyes to lots of new techniques, including her love of Judy Niemeyer Quiltworx paper piecing patterns. May loved the precision and the step-by-step instructions. So much so that she became a Quiltworx certified teacher in 2010. Please get excited to hear May's journey and to see all of her beautiful quilts and learn about paper piecing the Quiltworx way.

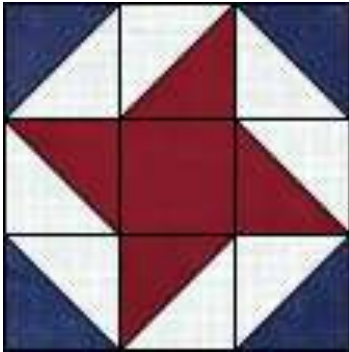
The Welcome committee would like a few more people to sign up for one evening welcoming people to the meeting. We need another smiling face in September, October, November and December. It's an easy job, we just need two people at a time to monitor all the sign up sheets.



There will be a sign up sheet for volunteers on the Welcome Table at the next meeting.

The charity committee has already donated 21 quilts to the senior living communities and 8 quilts to the VA. I am humbled by the generosity and work of the members in this guild. At the April guild meeting, there will be kits available for piecing.

Committee Updates



Block of the Month

Last month's block was challenging but it sure is pretty when it is done. This month's block is a little friendlier, we are doing the "friendship star". It can be done in a variety of sizes. You can choose your size. I am including a second pattern for the 15 inch size just incase anyone wanted a bigger one.

Reminder: We would like everyone to make an extra March block of the month ("tribute to yoda" block). We will be putting all the blocks together for a quilt of valor. We will be collecting them at each meeting until September.

Attachments included this month:

Friendship-star-basic-quilt-block—primary pattern

QUILT BLOCK TUTORIAL_Friendship Star... - second pattern for 15" blocks

A-Tribute-To-Yoda—the March pattern

UFO RAFFLE

Bring your cash to the April meeting for the Ways and Means UFO raffle!! Over 30 items to browse and take your chance at winning a new project. Thanks to your donations we have a large variety and many are new kits! It will make for an exciting evening.

Libby Corrison and Shelia Pierce



Committee Updates

KCQRF Guild Quilt Entries - A Couple of Reminders

If you have entered a quilt in the KCRQF festival, be sure to:

1. Measure the sleeve on the back of your quilt to assure it is 4" high.
2. Attach a label to back of your quilt, lower-left corner preferred.
It should list name of quilt, your full name, address, and phone number.
To ensure impartiality in judging, please apply a fabric flap (sewn or carefully pinned) on top edge only, covering the label.



Note: The May newsletter will contain more information on dropping off & picking up quilts after the festival.

Thanks,
Conna Hiltner

Opportunity Quilt

Please see our website for a picture of our 2023 Opportunity Quilt. Many of you prepared blocks and it's fun to see the completed quilt. Anyone can purchase tickets on our website, so pass the word on to friends and family. And you can buy or check out tickets at our guild meetings.

If you feel you could take the quilt to a quilt shop or another quilt guild meeting to sell tickets, just let me know. I have the quilt, our quilt stand, and tickets. This is a great money maker for our guild, and helps us to have wonderful speakers at our meetings.

Please sign up to work a shift or two at our Opportunity Quilt booth at the festival in June. The link to sign up is in the email we all received from Sherri, our newsletter editor, on **March 20, 2023**. This is a great way to be an ambassador for our guild, get to know other members of our guild, see the Opportunity Quilts from other participating guilds, answer questions about our Olathe Quilters Guild, and assist our guild in earning funds.

Libby Corrison

Members - Marketplace

Happy Birthday



Carolyn Chaffin 4-3
Sherri Critchfield 4-5
Laura Lafferty 4-7
Carol Crane 4-17
Mary Ellen Winter 4-17
Karen Hinkle 4-21

MEMBER MARKETPLACE & BUSINESSES

Wanted: Please contact Mary Pacey if you have a library ticket to sell. Her contact information can be found in the roster attachment in this month's email.

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)

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

March 31, 2023

Operating Account Balance 2/28/2023	\$5,608.27
Money Market Account Balance 2/28/2023	<u>\$12,161.98</u>
	\$17,770.25
Receipts	
Membership Dues	\$120.00
Welcome Desk	\$2.75
Ways & Means	\$142.00
Retreat fees	\$360.00
2023 Opp Quilt	\$201.50
Total Income	\$826.25
Expenses	
Church Rental Jan Feb Mar Donation	
Speaker	\$175.00
2023 Opp Quilt Quilting	\$146.03
New checks	\$67.50
Retreat exp	\$389.82
Total Expenses	\$778.35
Operating Account Balance 3/31/2023	\$5,656.17
Money Market Account Balance 3/31/2023	<u>\$12,161.98</u>
Combined Balance 3/31/2023	<u>\$17,818.15</u>

Meeting Minutes

March 14, 2023 Olathe Quilter's Guild Meeting

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

Lisa Hirsch introduced our speaker, Christy Zawodniak, Cottage Grove Quilting.

Internet Safety – Shawn Schaller and Austin Taber – The gentlemen gave a presentation on internet safety. They have a company that you can hire to help you protect your personal information on the internet. They offer personal services to people 55 and older with IT needs. Please see them in the back of the room for more information.

Secretary's Minutes – Lisa Hirsch made a motion to accept the February secretary minutes from the February meeting as listed in the newsletter. Karen Lacy seconded the motion. The vote passed unanimously.

Treasurer's report – Linda Hagen made a motion to accept the treasurer's report in the newsletter. Kenda Camp seconded the motion. The vote passed unanimously.

Nic shared our birthdays for March.

Library Tea – Nic Deplazes asked the membership at large if anyone would be interested in coordinating the Library Tea at the Indian Creek Library for the guild. The cost is \$10 for a table of 8. Peggy Anderson shared more details on the responsibilities when coordinating for the guild. It is scheduled for April 12th. Set up is 9-12 pm and take down is 4-5 pm. Please see Nic if you would like to organize the event on behalf of the guild.

Membership – there are 35 members in person and 7 on Zoom.

Programs – Lisa Hirsch – April speaker is May Black. There is a workshop available also. We are sharing this speaker with the Greater Kansas City Guild.

Charity – see Karen Genis for any needs charity committee may need

Block of the month – Laura Lafferty – look in email for the flying geese pattern. The next month was shown as a sample. Any member is also invited to make an extra block which the committee will be collecting to make into a quilt to donate to a veteran.

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Meeting Minutes

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Opportunity Quilt – Libby Corrison has the quilt and tickets. Please contact her if you need tickets or want the quilt to display it somewhere.

KCRQF – Jenny Boudreaux – there is a Sign-up genius to volunteer to sit with the guild Opportunity Quilt at the festival. Please consider some time there volunteering. The festival also needs more volunteers. The guild quilt display area is full. There will be 29 quilts for our guild. Quilts for our guild need to be turned in June 13th.

Ad in the Festival show book – should we do this? Karen Lacy made a motion to spend \$150 to put an ad in the festival show book. Linda Hagen seconded the motion. The vote passed unanimously.

Retreat 2023 – Heather Schaller – thank you to all who came. The next retreat will be in February, 2024.

Welcome table – Heather Schaller is the winner.

Ways and Means – Shelia Pierce – the UFO raffle will happen at the April guild meeting.

Hand Quilters will be meeting on Thursday, March 23rd.

Board meeting is March 21 on Zoom

Show and Tell: Christie Holmes
Heather Schaller
Janis Raspberry
David Duwe
Linda Hagen
Sharon Schakel
Melissa Toburen

8:30 pm Meeting Adjourned

Show and Tell



Christie Holmes, ruler keeper



Heather Schaller, Palm



Janis Raspberry, DAR quilt

Show and Tell



David Duwe, 7 Sisters and Purple quilt



Melissa Toburen, Matter bag

Show and Tell



Sharon Schakel



Linda Hagen, AccuQuilt

Ottawa Sunflower Piecemakers 37th Annual Quilt Show

April 22, 2023 10 am to 5 pm

Goppert Building—15th & Ash—Ottawa, KS

Admission \$5

** Quilts, Vendors, Boutique table, Opportunity Quilt

** Live Auction of miniature quilts at 2:30 pm