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Karen Kleespies Stone began quilt making in 1986, teaching in 1990, and publishing her designs in 1993. Her quilts have won numerous awards, including first prizes in international competitions. Her Indian Orange Peel received the People's Choice Award at Quilt National '95, and she has appeared on HGTV's "Simply Quilts". Karen holds degrees in Piano from Baylor and Indiana Universities, and lives in Beaumont, Texas.

Karen's quilts are admired for their color and complexity. There are southwestern influences as well as appliqué motifs. She uses complex traditional quilt designs such as the New York Beauty and the Lone Star to make something entirely original. Her fabric choices range from calico type prints and paisley to large prints with amazing results. Karen's use of curved lines, triangles, polygons, straight lines and fabric choices blend together in perfect harmony.





President's Notes

By Judy Ermeij

Quilt Show

The guild's Common Thread Quilt Show is just around the corner. This year has literally flown. As I write this article, I'm on the homeward stretch of finishing with the hand quilting and binding on a wall size quilt for the special exhibit. Don't forget the little detail of putting on a sleeve and label. I'm able to stay focused on a project better when there is a deadline.

Many thanks to the Quilt Show Co-Chairs, Cheryl Nordstedt and Jan Hutchison, and to the many committee members for your work on this show. It takes many helping hands to do a quilt show this large. The guild's web site and quilt show facebook are also full of info regarding the show.

With all these activities going on, take time to relax. I do this by walking at least 3 to 4 times a week. With spring here, I enjoy the feel of fresh air, hearing the birds sing & seeing the beautiful colors of the trees and flowers while I walk.

Looking forward to seeing all the beautiful quilts, visiting the vendors and all the various activities at the guild quilt show.

Judy

BIRTHDAY BLOCKS

Memory Garden of Log Roses

Thanks to each of you that have taken time to join us in making "ROSE" blocks for our Birthday Blocks drawing in June. Blocks can be checked in at the May meeting, for the last time. If an extra day or so is needed, you can deliver to me. Just let me know. I would encourage each & every member to join us in "maybe" winning enough blocks to make a corsage (wall hanging) or a whole bouquet (quilt).

Directions are still available, as well as extra green fabric strips for the foliage to go with your color choice of the rose.

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Please read the Guild Workshop Policies first before registering for one of our speakers' workshops.

Workshops cost \$40.00 for a one-day workshop. Please check the class description for details about the cost and materials needed for each class. Workshop fees are non-refundable. Supply lists are available at

<http://www.pqgks.com/programs.html>.

Please be sure to bring and wear your name-tag at workshops so the speaker will know who you are!

Sign up for classes at Guild Meetings.

Workshop Policy

Workshop fees are non-refundable, unless Prairie Quilt Guild determines it is necessary to cancel the workshop. It is the participant's responsibility to find a replacement if they are unable to attend after committing to take the workshop. Workshops will be open to both members and non-members on a first come first serve basis, with an additional fee for non-members. Two months prior to a workshop if it is not filled, it shall be opened to the public.



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Karen K Stone Workshop May 10

Cinco de a Mayo Paper piecing
9am to 4pm

Closed except for stand-by

Karen K Stone's website: www.karenkstone.com

June - No Workshops

July Lea McComas **Workshop July 13**
Lively Landscapes **9am to 4pm**

Meadowlark Room, Sedgwick County Extension

Work from a favorite photo, or choose one of mine to create a beautiful fabric landscape. Learn and apply principles of color, value, temperature, intensity, and visual texture: these will give the illusion of depth and perspective. Learn how to use scale, and contrast to further enhance your composition.

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Tammy Gross



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Library Lines

I have a confession to make... I suffer from a condition called S.A.B.L.E.

Stash

Acquisition

Beyond

Life

Expectancy

Perhaps you know someone similarly afflicted, (maybe even yourself). Lately, I have been on a mission to free myself from this burden. I have even vowed to resist buying more fabric until my stash is under control. Yes, I am a dreamer...

Today I searched our library holdings for the subject "scrap". I found that we have 50 books about scrap quilts! These 50 books include two by our April speaker, Bonnie Hunter.

Her book, "String Fling: Scrappy, Happy and Loving It!" features 13 quilts which use strips and scraps which may be too small for other projects. The other book by Ms. Hunter, "Scraps & Shirrtails: Reuse, Repurpose, Recycle! The Art of Quilting Green" even includes quilts made of clothing

scraps. Our grandmothers used clothing scraps as a necessity, but we can choose to use them as a memorial, a way to save money, or just to reduce waste. It is a way to quilt a bit greener.

Anyway, with the many resources in the library, there is sure to be something to help me with my stash management. Come see if there is something that will help you. I promise not to check out all 50 books.

Tami Carlson, Library Co-Chair



Common Threads T Shirts

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CHARITY QUILTS

Working in secret, Keeping things on the down low. Seems to be what my friends at the Prairie Quilt Guild like to do. Most of my donations come onto my table when I am not looking, when I am not there, or a friend of theirs drops them by. This is way fine with me, I just love getting them. But it can get kind of hard if we do not get any recognition for the time, money, talent and energy that is put into making a quilt, no matter what size, for a child in need.

If you walk this road of a person who likes to give in secret, we get so deep trying to keep this secret, we sometimes forget that there are those who walk the same way. If we are the ones they are choosing to give to, it can be hard for us to be on the receiving side. I found myself here many years ago. I came to understand that I would rob them of their reward of giving if I refused their gift.

It took a form of grace to swallow my pride and just accept and say “Thank You.”

Your work of making and donating quilts, fills a need in our community. I get the smiles, I get to see their eyes light up. I am usually the one who gets the “Thank you”. So do not grow weary of doing good. Together we can put a warm feeling in the heart of a child or a person facing a low time in their life. I pass on to you a big THANK YOU for all you do in secret. Thank you for letting me do this for you.

Amy Fowlkes

OUTSIDE ACTIVITIES

Kaw Valley Quilters/Lawrence

May 16 & 17 Karla Alexander

Jun 20 & 21 Kathy Pflaum

kawvalleyquiltersguild.org

Our Visitor/Renewal Policy

A visitor is someone who has never been a member before and may visit twice before paying the membership fee.

If a former member would like to attend one of our meetings, they must renew their membership (\$25) to attend a meeting, even if they want to attend just one meeting.

PQG Kid's Quilt Camp

Plymouth Congregational Church

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Booklets now available \$10.00 each

See Linda & Janelle at next meeting

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THIS and THAT

Mini Quilts: Turn yours in to Susan McMillan no later than May 10, the May Meeting

Show Tickets: Buy them at the May or June meetings and avoid standing in line at the door.

\$10 for one day, \$15 for a 3-day pass

Volunteer Tickets/Badges: Volunteers must buy a \$10 ticket. When you arrive at the Show, take your ticket stub to the Volunteer Lounge and exchange it for a Volunteer Badge. Your Volunteer Badge will be your entrance ticket for the remaining days of the Show.

Opportunity Tickets: Buy LOTS of Tickets in order to increase your chances to win the PQG Opportunity Quilt and the Cutting Table. Tickets are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00

Quilt Appraisals

To schedule an appraisal with AQS Certified Quilt Appraiser, Carol Elmore, contact Jan Hutchison at 316-215-0204 or pjhutchison@sbcglobal.net. Carol will be doing appraisals Thursday through Saturday at Common Threads Quilt Show. You do not need to be present for the appraisal. She is willing to do appraisals of quilts that are hanging in the show.

Jan Hutchison



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New this Year: Children at the Quilt Show

With the hope that future quilters will be inspired by what they see, children are being welcomed to the Common Threads Regional Quilt Show this year. Those under the age of 12 years may attend free when accompanied by an adult.

For a break from touring the displayed quilts, children age three and up may stop by “Kids’ Corner” for some hands-on, quilt-related creative experiences that Cathy Burk has planned. They’ll have fun designing blocks with pre-cut shapes, coloring quilt blocks, and “appliqueing” blocks.

Participating children must be accompanied by an adult at all times. Guidance and supplies will be provided.

Hours

10:00 a.m. to noon Thursday, Friday, and Saturday

2:00 to 4:00 p.m. on Thursday and Friday



Bonnie’s Quilting Tip!

Check it Out.....

I was reading through the quilting tips turned in at the guild meeting and found one from our speaker, Bonnie Hunter! I can still use your quilting tips in the quilt show book, so if you have one to share, mail or email it to me by May 1. Bonnie’s tip? You’re going to have to buy a quilt show book for the low cost of \$1 to find out what it is!

Yes, the quilt show committee has decided to charge \$1 per show book to help cover the cost of printing the book. Inside you’ll find coupons from vendors you can use at the show and coupons from local quilters and quilt shops which you can use after the show. Since I know what the coupons are, I can tell you that you’ll recoup that \$1 quickly. I’m looking forward to doing some shopping now and later, how about you?

Mayleen Vinson

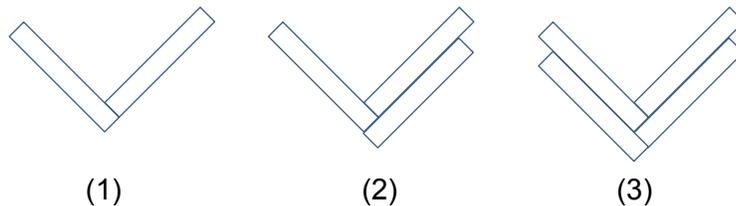
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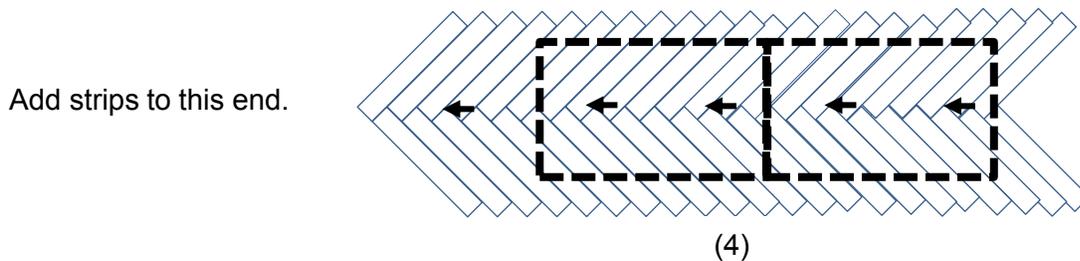
Our braid blocks represent wheat. Use gold, tan, maize, yellow, and brown for the blocks (I used 10 different fabrics), and bright green for flanges between the blocks. We're making seven 4" x 7" (finished) blocks; the assembly will be 28 1/2" x 7 1/2".

To start, cut 1 1/4" x 4" strips of the wheat colors. You will need 125-130 strips for all the blocks. In addition, cut six 1" x 7 1/2" strips of the green; these will be used as flanges between the wheat "heads."

The wheat is made using a log cabin technique. Join two 1 1/4" x 4" strips as shown below (1). Using a variety of your wheat colors, add other strips (2). Continue adding strips, randomly mixing colors (3). Press seams up (finger pressing works great).

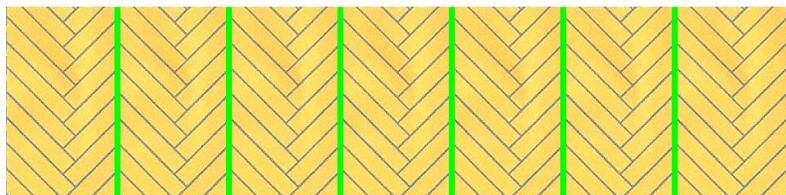


When you have enough strips sewn together, cut 4 1/2" x 7 1/2" blocks, using the bottom corner of the left strip as your center (see marks on diagram 4). Continue adding strips and cutting blocks until you have seven 4 1/2" x 7 1/2" blocks. **NOTE: The blocks will be stretchy, so handle carefully. Keep your centers straight when cutting.**

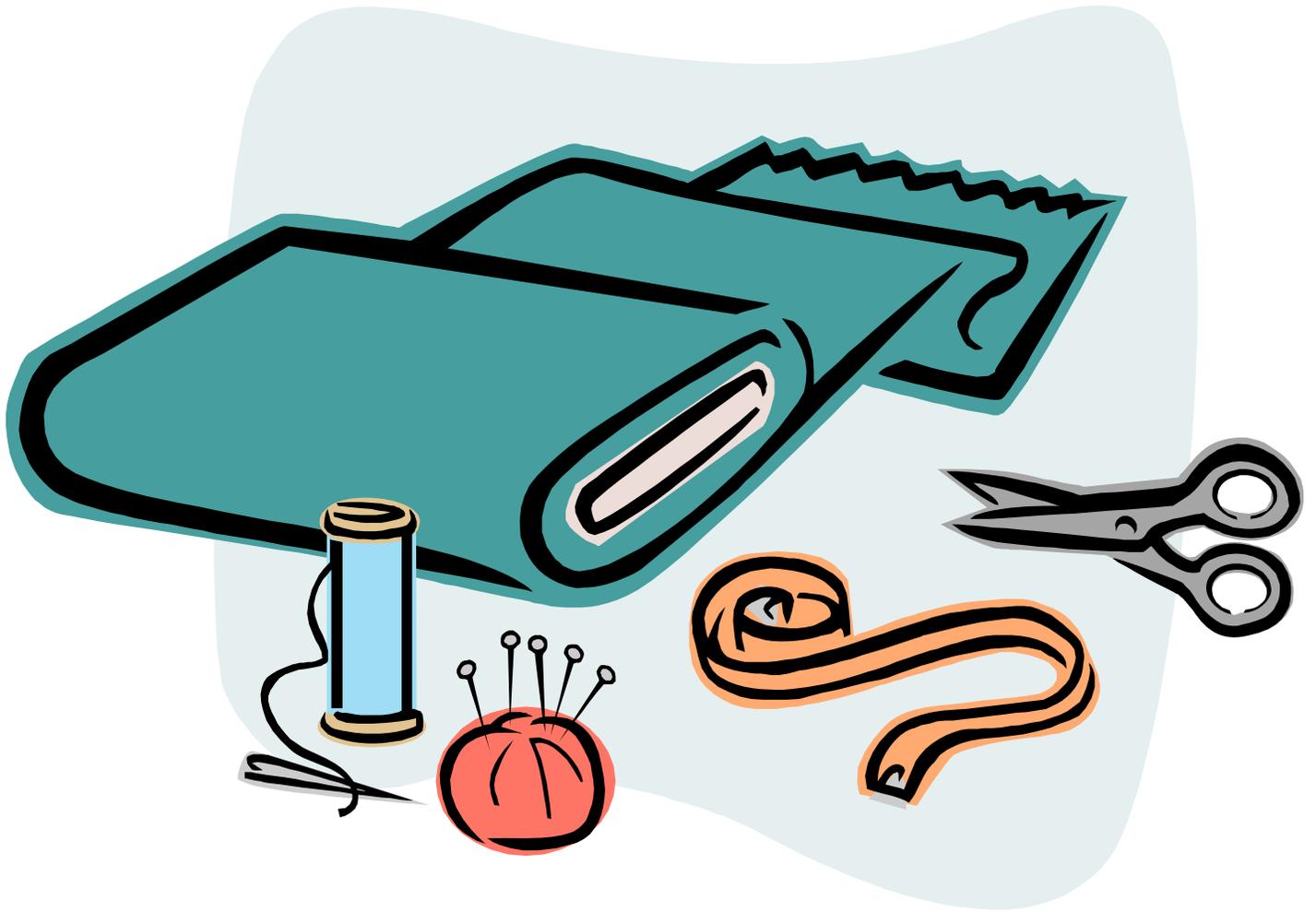


To make the flange, fold a 1" x 7 1/2" green strip in half lengthwise, wrong sides together. Sew one into each seam when joining two wheat blocks together. The outside edges of the finished assembly do not have flanges. **NOTE: Because of the stretchiness, the blocks may seem to be longer than the flanges. The flanges are cut on the straight of grain, so ease the blocks to fit the flanges.**

Your finished row should measure 7 1/2" x 28 1/2".



Direct questions to Cathy Klusman, 316-682-7265, cklusman@cox.net





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Grand Prizes!

Four wonderful grand prizes will be given away at the Quilt Show. Winning names will be selected during the **Grand Hoopla** at 3:00 p.m., Saturday, June 18. Just fill out a form, put it in the hopper, and you might be the one to take home a Baby Lock Lyric,



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JUNE 16-18, 2016

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Miniature
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Saturday, June 18, 2016
Noon**

All guild members are encouraged to either donate a mini quilt, runner, or topper that they have made or through their bee group. The money raised from the auction will go to support the Grant program for the next two years. In the past money has gone to:

Community Quilt Camp

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Grace Homeschool Co-op.

The guidelines for the quilts are:

Size – maximum 160' perimeter (40 X 40)

Have a sleeve or hanger (rings) if intended to hang

Have a label with your name, date and title

The entry form is available on the quilt show website, www.wichitaquiltshow.com.

Entries will be accepted at the April & May guild meeting.

Questions please call Susan McMillan

316-650-2353 or saddington48@yahoo.com



Picture from 2014

Mini Quilt Auction



Celebrity Judges

Each year individuals who are known to the Wichita area are asked to attend the Quilt Show and serve as Celebrity Judges. Jan Hutchison will be their host, taking them through the show on Friday afternoon at 4:00. Following their review of the quilts, each of the Celebrity Judges will select their favorite quilt. The Celebrity Judge Awards will be announced at the **Grand Hoopla!** held at 3:00 p.m. on Saturday, June 18.



This year's Celebrity Judges include Bonnie **Tharp**, an award-winning novelist and playwright and a graduate of Wichita State University. Bonnie was born and raised in Kansas and is the author of two novels, *Feisty Family Values* and *Patchwork Family*. Set in Wichita, *Patchwork Family* deals with the dramas occurring in a "stitched-together" family and the threats that tug at its seams.



Our second Celebrity Judge is **Denise Neil** who grew up in Dodge City and attended the University of Kansas. Denise has a degree in journalism and has been working as a feature writer at the *Wichita Eagle* since 1977. She covers the restaurant scene in Wichita as well as concerts, fine arts, and entertainment.

You can enjoy her blog,

Dining with Denise, at Kansas.com/dining.



Quilts Packets

And Drop Off

Packet Pick-up on May 10

Packets will be available at the May meeting for those who have entered quilts in the Show. Instructions, submission forms, plastic bags, and labels will be included in the packets. If you cannot attend the May meeting, you must make arrangements for someone else to pick up your packet. Packets will not be mailed.

Drop Off for Non-Judged Quilts

Non-Judged quilts must be delivered to Century II before 8:00 a.m. on Wednesday, June 15. Alternate drop off sites, listed below, also available **Saturday, June 11 through Monday, June 13**. Please call the host in advance to arrange a time to drop off your quilts.

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 Small quilt auction Basket Walk Boutique
 Mary Lou Weidman, Quilt Instructor
 See all info on BULLETIN BOARD at Meeting

SELVAGES

To save selvages to donate to the selvage workshop in September, please remember to include a minimum of 1/4" of fabric beyond the selvage. Give them to either Mayleen Vinson or Tammy Gross, Workshop Chair, at our guild meetings. Many are in need, so your selvages will be very welcome. Thank you!
 Mayleen Vinson

Cares & Concerns

Terry McHarge-Alcorn- husband passed away
 Kathy Keith- Cancer surgery
 Patty Johnson- lost property with the fires in SW Kansas
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Betty McKenzie



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About Our Guild

The Prairie Quilt Guild meets on the second Tuesday of each month at the Downtown Senior Center, 200 S. Walnut, Wichita.

Guild meetings are scheduled from 1:00-3:00 p.m. and 7:00-9:00 p.m. unless otherwise announced.

Annual dues are \$25.00 for the period October through September, after April 1 a first-time member will pay \$12.50.

For further information, please contact
President, Judy Erney, 316-788-1979 or
Past President Mayleen Vinson, 316-655-3876

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