June 2017 Program

Karen Eckmeier
Still Making Waves

Coming from Kent, Connecticut, Karen is inspired by the textures, lines and colors found in nature. Karen shares her love of curved piecing and collage, and how it led to the creation of her layering/topstitching technique. Wild curves and dramatic angles may look difficult to do, but the process is really easy and quite relaxing!

Workshop Wednesday June 15, 2017
Explore the freedom of fabric collage! No seams to piece or match, no lines to trace ... Just free form cutting of step and window shapes. Step by step your little village will magically come to life. Finished size 16 1/2 inch square.

Meeting Location Change
Beginning with our May meeting, we will be at the
Scottish Rite Venue 332, 332 E. First Street, Wichita. (First and Topeka)
Free parking to the north of the building and along the street.
President’s Notes

By Donna Lynden

Hi Quilters,

I really enjoyed Deanne Eisenman’s program and her quilts. I love her use of Civil War reproductions fabrics. Her discussion of how she got into the pattern business was very informative, too.

How did you like meeting at Scottish Rite? It’s such a beautiful building! We have a few suggestions to consider, such as having the person stand next to their quilt during Show and Share. That should make it even better. Please be sure to enter past the Membership table before going to the library or checking out the fabrics.

I’m very sorry about the mix up about parking in the lot across the street to the East. Scottish Rite does not own the lot. You can still park there, but there is a $2.00 charge to be paid in the self-pay slot for the space number you are using. The lot to the North was almost full, so arrive early to be sure you get a parking space.

Please be respectful to the speaker and other guild members by not talking during the meeting or program. The acoustics at Scottish Rite are different than the Senior Center making this very important. If you need to have a conversation, please wait until break or step out of the room.

I hope many of you were able to attend the “Bee Tea” on May 20th. We have 62 new members so far this year. I hope they were able to connect with a Bee. If you couldn’t make it and you are wanting to join a Bee, you might contact Kaye Barth, our Bee Keeper, for some suggestions of groups to contact. If you have any suggestions of organizations which would welcome our charity quilts, please contact Amy Fowlkes, our Charity Quilts chairman. As Amy mentioned in her report, some groups have as many as they can use, she needs to find new groups who could use some quilts.

See you at the meeting!

Donna

Cares & Concerns

Myron Bescow - passed away
Linda Fichter - health issues

Katherine Vohs thanks everyone for their thoughts and prayers during her surgery and recovery.

Please remember to enter Cares & Concerns in the notebook on the Hospitality table or call Rose Marie Mintz at 316-841-4469.

Remember to bring your quilts to donate to the Kansas Wildfire Victims!

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Workshop Information

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.

July 12, 2017 Workshop

Machine Quilting Basics

Kelly Ashton, an accomplished long-arm machine quilter, has had the privilege of machine quilting for Marianne Fons & Liz Porter (Fons & Porter’s Love of Quilting), Lynne Hagamaier (Kansas Troubles Quilts), Donna Lynn Thomas (Pre-Furred Quilts) and Kathy Delaney (Fabric Crayon Designs), and a multitude of less-well-known, but equally as important, quilters from all over the country. Kelly will guide you through straight-line and free-motion quilting techniques using your “home” sewing machine.

In addition to the workshop fee, Kelly requires the purchase of a $35 kit.

Upcoming Workshops

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SG County Extension Office
7001 W 21st North
Meadowlark Room
June 15, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.
$40 for Prairie Quilt Guild members
Contact Lora Lagree, 316-644-0438

July 12, 2017 Workshop

The "kit" has a quilt sandwich approximately 36x45: pre-printed top with lots of practice designs, batting, and backing. The thread, Presencia, is a large spool of high quality, long-staple Egyptian cotton thread, 40 wt. Kelly loves Presencia thread because it is one of the few 3-ply threads still available, and it is a very low lint thread. The spool of thread, alone, retails for about $7.50 most places. Plus, there is a class outline and a multi-page packet of designs. So, 2+ yards of fabric and batting (made into a quilt sandwich), thread, and the handouts - packet of information for $35 is a pretty good deal. Kelly has been teaching this class for years and has used this particular panel for the past several years. Her class is always popular and well-regarded, and the students really like the quilt sandwich.

Call or Email Lora Lagree to sign up.
(316)644-0438  lagree_lc@yahoo.com
As announced at our April meeting, our June speaker, Karen Eckmeier has donated a full set of her books to the library.

In *Accidental Landscapes*, Eckmeier describes how to make unique fabric landscapes. Her technique uses no templates or measuring and includes topstitching for texture. Included are instructions to determine if the scene in a photo will work well with this method. Directions include many details such as texture and photo transfers in your landscape.

*Layered Waves* takes this same method of sewing fabric waves beyond the landscape and into more abstract quilts. In designing these quilts, Eckmeier says she asked “What if I started with a ‘feeling’ instead of a detailed design?” She encourages the readers to make the projects their own by mixing and matching illustrated ideas.

If you are inspired to wear some quilted arts, *Wearable Waves* is the book you need to check out. It includes all you need to create a jacket or vest incorporating waves of fabric.

Lastly, *Happy Villages* details the method Eckmeier is teaching at the workshop this month. Many pictures clearly show Eckmeier’s technique to make intricate fabric villages or neighborhoods. Eckmeier’s methods appear to be fun, easy and forgiving of “mistakes”. One of these books may be just what you need to spark your quilting creativity this summer.

Tami Carlson
Library Chair

**Library Lines**

The time for Prairie Quilt Guild’s bi-annual Quilt Room Tour is here. This tour is a one day event, held in September, so not much time will be involved on your part.

I have had some who have contacted me volunteering to be a hostess for this event, but I would like to have a few more hostesses (volunteers) who are willing to open their sewing/quilting space to let others in our guild who are touring around the area see how you have set up your space. I am looking for spaces that belong to the vast majority of us … the bedroom you have taken over, the space you have in your laundry room, the closet where you have your machine, etc. We all have different areas that are accessible to us for our sewing/quilting needs.

Please consider hosting even if you have hosted this Tour in the past; there are so many new members that have not seen how your area is set up.

You can contact me by phone (393-6113) or by email (cr8ivemama@yahoo.com) to volunteer to host, or if you have any questions.

Donna Loehr

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**Policy Committee Report**

The committee met and has proposed the following change:

Article 111, Section 2

Current reading: A person may attend two (2) regular meetings of the Guild as a guest before being required to join if further attendance is desired.

Proposed change: Any non-member will be required to pay $5.00 to attend a regular meeting.

This by-law change is being proposed following suggestions from members and the current Board.

It will be voted on at the July 11th meeting.

Merilyn Austin, Policy Committee Chair

**QUILT ROOM TOUR**

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Donna Loehr
**Block of the Month**  
**May 2017**

Block size 16 1/2” unfinished square.  
Final quilt without sashing will be 48” x 64”.

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**Cutting Instructions**

**Fabric**
- A - Dark  
- B - Medium  
- C – Light #1  
- D – Light #2

Makes 48 x 64 Quilt  
Without borders or sashing  
Unit measures 16 1/2 x 16 1/2 (unfinished)

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**Assembly Instructions**

1) Join (8) A 2 1/2 x 2 1/2 and (8) C 2 1/2 x 2 1/2 to make (4) 4 patches

2) Snowball (2) B 2 1/2 x 4 1/2 with (2) A 2 1/2 x 2 1/2

2a) Snowball (2) D 2 1/2 x 4 1/2 with (2) A 2 1/2 x 2 1/2

2b) Join unit 1 and 2 with (4) C 2 1/2 x 4 1/2 to make (4) Unit 1

3) Join (2) A 2 1/2 x 2 1/2 to (2) D 2 1/2 x 2 1/2 make (2) A D

3a) Join right sides together (2) unit 3 with (2) A 4 1/2 x 4 1/2  
Make sure to sew through the center of the X and check  
Before trimming block should measure 4 1/2 x 4 1/2.

4) Join (2) C 2 1/2 x 4 1/2 and (2) D 2 1/2 x 4 1/2

5) Join (2) B 2 1/2 x 4 1/2 and (2) C 2 1/2 x 4 1/2

6) Sew (2) A 2 1/2 x 2 1/2 and (2) B 2 1/2 x 2 1/2

Then join (2) B 2 1/2 x 4 1/2 to The (2) 2 patches

Join all blocks as shown in diagram at top of page

Designed by Rebecca Patillo 2017 Any Questions call 316-773-2468
**Prairie Quilt Guild**

**Summer Retreat**

You are invited to the PQG Summer Retreat held August 14-19 at Wheat State Camp, located on Santa Fe Lake Road west of Augusta. Retreat Committee is accepting registration forms & fees at the June & July meetings. The registration fee of $20 is due by the July 11th meeting. The balance due will be collected at retreat if not paid previously. There is a limit of 50 participants due to space requirements at Wheat State. Be sure to get your registration/fee in early to assure that you can attend. Registration information & forms are available on the PQG website under Links which you can print - or at PQG meetings in June and July.

Thanks,
Mary Graham

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**PGQ Kid’s Quilt Camp 2017**

4, 9 & 16-Patch Quilts

**June 26-30 and July 10-14 - Plymouth Congregational Church**

Things are really ramping up for this year’s quilt camps. We’ve been working on plans, the pattern book and making quilt samples. I hope you and a young friend can attend one of the camps this year.

Information and enrollment forms will be available at the Guild meetings and we’ll have quilt samples to show too.

Contact Janelle Miller at (316) 393-7387 or Linda Timmons at (316) 832-1369 for more information.

Enrollment form on page 7.

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Session: 

\[\text{June 26-30, 2017} \quad \text{July 10-14, 2017}\]

Plymouth Congregational Church
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Monday – Friday 9 am – 3 pm
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Please Print:

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Sponsor Phone: 

Sponsor E-mail: 

Camper Name: 

Camper Age: 

Sewing Experience: Beginner Intermediate Advanced

Feel free to call or e-mail with questions, issues, comments and suggestions.

Janelle Miller 
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2017 Program and Workshop Schedule

June 2017: Karen Eckmeier, The Quilted Lizard
www.kareneckmeier.com Workshop: Wednesday
June 14, 2017
July 2017: Kelly Ashton, Kellyquilter Designs
www.kellyquilting.com Workshop: Wednesday July
12, 2017
August 2017: Erica Plank, Unseen Hands
www.unseenhands.net
September 2017: Edyta Sitar, Laundry Basket Quilts
www.laundrybasketquilts.com
October 2017: Lola Jenkins from Omaha, Nebraska.
www.lolasdesignerquilts.net Workshop: October 12,
2017
November 2017: Shin-hee Chin www.shinheechin.com
December 2017 – Kansas Quilts of Valor – Lisa Conner

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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, Donna Lynden, 316-722-2889 or
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Next Meeting June 13, 2017 @ Scottish Rite Venue 332

Next Guild Meeting—June 13
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