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***Thank You for having your Membership Card ready at the door as you enter!***

## *September 2019 Program*

### Betsy Chutchian

Betsy Chutchian developed a passionate interest in fabric, quilts, sewing and history as a child. After graduation from the University of Texas at Arlington in 1980, Betsy received an antique quilt top made by her paternal great-grandmother and great-aunt. It was then that she taught herself to quilt.

Betsy began teaching in 1990 and she shares her passion for quilt making and reproducing 19th Century quilts through teaching, presentations and bed-turnings. She is the author of several books, including "Classic and Heirloom Quilts" published by Its Sew Emma, and "Treasury of Quilts" from Martingale. Her previous books include: "Gone to Texas", "Quilts from a Pioneer Woman's Journal", "Lizzie's Legacy" and "Just Treats, No Tricks" with Kansas City Star. She also co-authored "History Repeated, Block Exchange Quilts by the 19th Century Patchwork Divas". Betsy is also the co-founder of the 19th Century Patchwork Divas, a block exchange group dedicated to 1800's reproduction fabric.

Betsy's passion for fabric, fabric study, and antique quilts has led her to design fabric with Moda – which isn't far from Grand Prairie, Texas, where she lives with her husband Steve and a couple of cats.

Betsy's trunk show and lecture will feature quilts made by her block exchange group, the 19th Century Patchwork Divas, at both of our September 10 meetings.

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# President's Notes

*By Sara Farley*

## And the Road Goes Ever On

It seems like just yesterday I was writing my first column as president. And now, I am writing my last! The year has gone fast! Certainly, there was just a sense of beginning—again—as we met at our new home, Pleasant Valley UMC, for our August meeting. I didn't know last September how this year would play out, where the road would lead us, but I'm glad you were there with me as we remembered our founders, built on their legacy, shared our own stories, listened and learned, and, of course, moved on!

The records we've maintained allow us to see whose vision shaped our guild and whose handiwork we admire. The label on each quilt you finish does the same thing for you. Whether handwritten (using a pigma pen as I often do), computer printed on specially treated fabric (you can add pictures!), or embroidered, these labels preserve the history of the quilt. My labels are sometimes simple (name, date, place), but more often detailed. I name my quilts and include the pattern name, the inspiration, the occasion and recipient, and maybe even an award won for it. I've sometimes used an extra block as my label or framed a piece of muslin with scraps from the front. My family admires their quilt first, but they always look for the label! Future historians will laud your name for doing this!

I've learned so much this year, expanding my skills, deepening friendships, and recognizing how important each one of you is to our continued success. I wish for all of you a continued joy of discovery and many happy hours of stitching and/or appreciating quilts and their makers.

Onward! See you on the road!

# Cares & Concerns

Lois Stoltenberg had a stroke but is home now.

Wilma Niemann had back surgery.

Dianna Martin, long time former member, died.

Joanne Andra, not feeling well.

Sharon Huddelston"s son passed away.

Cathy Beverage's father-in-law passed away.

Sharlo Rogers' mother passed away.

Connilee Meyers' father passed away.

Please remember to enter Cares & Concerns in the notebook on the Hospitality table or email membersatlarge@pqgks.com

# CHANGES TO THE LIBRARY!

We are changing the times that the library is open. We will be open from 12 noon to 1pm. WE WILL NOT BE OPEN DURING THE 10 MINUTE BREAK, but we will be open for 30 minutes after the meeting has adjourned

For the evening meeting we will be open from 6pm to 7pm. We will not be open for the 10 minute break. We will not be open after the meeting .

I hope you understand the necessity of these changes.

Sue Gilliam Librarian

Contact me by email or phone.
316-312-1993 (new number)

# Workshop Information

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

Please check the Upcoming Workshop for details for cost, available kit cost, and materials needed for each workshop. Workshop fees are non-refundable. Sign up for workshops is available during Guild meetings at the Workshop table. A supply list is available at the time of sign-up.

# Workshop Policy

Workshop sign-ups are open to all Guild members three (3) guild meetings before the workshop at a cost of $40 for one-day workshop ($80 for two-days). If space remains available one month prior to the workshop, non-members September register at the non-member cost of $50 for one-day ($100 for two-days). Workshop reservations are held only with full payment of the registration fee. When reservations are phoned into the Workshop Chair, the person will be placed on a waiting list until payment is received. Refunds will be given only if a workshop is cancelled by PQG. If there is no waiting list, members and non-members are responsible for finding and securing funds from another person.


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This workshop is inspired by an antique quilt, Pine Tree, an easy-to-piece trunk and units based on a 1" grid and pieced in quadrants, the block comes together effortlessly! You will learn traditional and paper grid half square triangles.

For Workshop information and supply list email workshops@pqgks.com

## October 9th 9 am to 4 pm

**Beth Helfter**, Carpenter's Apprentice sign ups have begun! Beth created the Accordion Sewn HST's, two non-matching HST's, without any fabric waste! Don't be surprised if you finish this one in class!

***Workshop Location***

***McDonald's Sewing & Vacuum***

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Call or email Carol Provencher to sign up.

(316)655-3431 or workshops@pqgks.com

# After the Founders:

## Membership

By Sara Farley

Throughout this year we've looked at the history of the guild and acknowledged the foresight of our six* founders (*seven, really, for Gail Hand played a tremendous role in helping the vision of Merilyn Austin, Becky Cook, Judy Ermey, Nancy Hornback, Norma Johnston, and Ann Martin take shape). But the success of Prairie Quilt Guild exists because others joined and participated.

There were 119 charter members in 1982—enthusiastic and eager to learn about *Quilts in Women's Lives*, to share their work, and to take a workshop on Kansas Samplers. For this first half year, the dues were $5.

By November 1983, the dues had gone up to $10—and the membership to almost 300! In addition to dues, members paid $1 to hear Chris Wolfe Edmonds lecture (non-members paid $2.50) so that the guild could rent a larger venue for the program. The dues increased to $12 in 1987, to $15 in 1997, to $20 in 2001, and finally to $25 in 2003.

The membership continued to increase, sometimes steadily and sometimes in spurts. In 1984, there were more than 300 members, and by 1988 we exceeded 400. Numbers were important to us in 1988 because that was the year of the Kansas Quilt Project, spearheaded by Nancy Hornback and Eleanor Malone, a project which documented more than 13,000 quilts in Kansas. Our membership was pretty steady though, staying in the 400-500 range during the 1990s. Then in 1999 our membership went to 564 and 636 in July 2000. When we celebrated our birthday in June 2002, we celebrated with 783 members. Our largest membership roll came in 2004 when we reached 847 members.

Our numbers have fluctuated a bit (we are now at 550), but we continue to be the biggest guild in Kansas, to deliver an outstanding slate of programs, to make a statement with our work in the quilt world, to serve our community with charity quilts, to educate many through our community camps and Old Cowtown days, to showcase quilts at the largest quilt show in the region, and to foster research.

Let's raise our needles and thimbles to those who started this guild and those who continue along the path! Cheers!

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## 2019-2020 Proposed Budget

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| INCOME | | |
| Advertising | $ | 3,000.00 |
| Interest | $ | 1,000.00 |
| Membership Dues | $ | 14,000.00 |
| Miscellaneous | $ | 100.00 |
| Quilt Show Proceeds | $ | 13,000.00 |
| Visitors | $ | 500.00 |
| **Total Operating Revenue** | **$** | **31,600.00** |
| EXPENSE | | |
| Accounting Fees | $ | 300.00 |
| Bank Service Charges | $ | 100.00 |
| Beekeeper | $ | 100.00 |
| Business Registration Fee | $ | 40.00 |
| Board Change Over | $ | 300.00 |
| Community Quilt Camp | $ | 1,000.00 |
| Charitable Contribution | $ | 1,000.00 |
| Hospitality | $ | 1,000.00 |
| Insurance | $ | 1,600.00 |
| Library | $ | 100.00 |
| Membership Supplies | $ | 3,000.00 |
| Miscellanous | $ | 1,000.00 |
| Newcomer/Visitor | $ | 200.00 |
| Newsletter | $ | 5,000.00 |
| Office Supplies | $ | 150.00 |
| PO Box Rental | $ | 106.00 |
| Programs | $ | 15,500.00 |
| Publicity | $ | 100.00 |
| Rent - Meeting Room | $ | 7,200.00 |
| Rent - Storage Unit | $ | 1,320.00 |
| Technical Committee | $ | 200.00 |
| Website | $ | 250.00 |
| Capital Expenditures | $ | 2,000.00 |
| **Total Operating Expense** | **$** | **41,566.00** |
| **Net Income/(Loss)** | **$** | **(9,966.00)** |
| SELF FUNDED/PASS THROUGH | | |
| Quilt Room Tour Income | $ | 500.00 |
| Quilt Room Tour Expense | $ | (500.00) |
| Total | $ | - |
| Retreat Income | $ | 15,000.00 |
| Retreat Expense | $ | (15,000.00) |
| Total | $ | - |
| Workshop Income | $ | 8,500.00 |
| Workshop Expense | $ | (8,500.00) |
| Total | $ | - |
| Net Self Funded/Pass Through | $ | - |

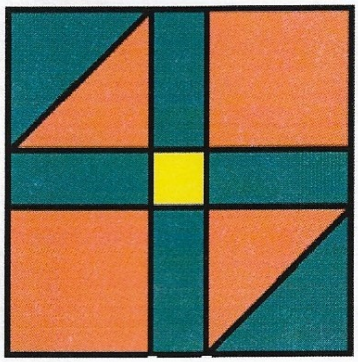
# *2018-2019 Block of the Month - September 2019*

## "To The Nines" / Block of the Month / Block 12

To the Nines-Block 12

We've reached the end of our BOM series, but have barely touched the multitude of nine-patch related blocks. I've not found a name for this block in my references. It was drafted from a quilt seen several years ago, and I don't have the name of that maker to check it out.

| Unit | Fabric | # | 3" block | 6" block | 9" block | 12" block |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Corners | dark | 2 | 2 1/4" | 4" sq | 5 1/2" sq | 6 1/2" sq |
| | medium | 2 | 2 1/4" | 4" sq | 5 1/2" sq | 6 1/2" sq |
| | contrast | 2 | 1 3/4" | 3" sq | 4 1/4" sq | 5 1/2" sq |
| | unit size | | 1 3/4" | 3" | 4 1/4" | 5 1/2" |
| Sides | dark | 4 | 1" x 1 3/4" | 1 1/2" x 3" | 2" x 4 1/4" | 2 1/2" x 5 1/2" |
| Center | bright | 1 | 1" sq | 1 1/2" sq | 2" sq | 2 1/2" sq |



I'm sure you can handle the construction for this one! My fascination with it comes by placing it on point. If pieced with the above placement of bright, medium, and dark and placing it on point, it would be an exciting alternate to applique blocks or a pieced border. Setting triangles that match the outer triangles of the HST will further emphasize the jewel-like appearance of the center. I plan to use it on a graduation quilt that is close to the top of the "Projects to Start" list. So, this month has a bonus in the cutting chart for 3" blocks. Setting triangles cut as QST from 6" squares will allow a bit extra for trimming a border strip. The diagonal measurement of the finished 3" block is 4 ¼".

Can you believe I made it thru the year without giving you applique in our 9 patches? If you are interested in some, look for Carolina Lily, Maple Leaf, or Honey Bee. Better yet, do some exploring for others.

I think another quilt is calling me! Barb Nickelson

## Charity Corner

Yippie. We sent twelve quilts to Family Promise, and twelve more to International Immigrant Relief. That makes a total of 153 quilts to local charities this year. In addition we sent three van loads of fabric, riding toys and dolls with beds and clothing to the Lakota Indian Tribe in South Dakota. Plus a few boxes of sewing stuff to the Quilters Corner at the Mennonite Annual Sale. Thank you again for all of your generosity.

Vera Zahner

**Vera Zahner 316-686-2315 or zahnerdv@cox.net**

## *2019 /2020 PQG Programs*

I hope everyone is as excited as I am for our coming year in our new facility!

**October 8, 2019**, our speaker will be **Beth Helfter** of EvaPaige Quilt Designs. Her afternoon lecture will be "Give it a Scrap Slap" and the evening lecture will be "Perfection is Overrated." Beth will also have a workshop on October 9 entitled "Carpenters Apprentice".

**November 12, 2019, Nancy Swanwick** will be here . Be sure to come to her lecture entitled "Still Quilting After All These Year's" at either meeting.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**About Our Guild**
The Prairie Quilt Guild meets on the second Tuesday of each month at the Pleasant Valley United Methodist Church, 1600 W. 27th N., Wichita 67204. 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 June 1 a first-time member will pay $12.50.
For further information, please contact
President, Sara Farley, 316.686.2529
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