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### INSERT:

**Nomination Ballot**

No meetings at  
PVUMC in August  
*BUT*

**Join us LIVE  
on Facebook!**

**August 11th  
at 1:00 pm**

## August 2020 Program

### August 11th Reeze L. Hanson



Reeze L. Hanson, a native of northern Ohio, grew up sewing garments and home furnishing items. One of five siblings, her life on the LaLonde farm was demanding and Reeze learned to sew at age 8 and has continued sewing ever since. An accomplished dressmaker, Reeze majored in Theatre in college and became a professional costume designer and teacher for the first 15 years of her professional career. Then her career took a dramatic turn when she completed her graduate work, gave up the theatre to teach speech and communication studies, and to raise a family.

Reeze continued to sew as a custom dressmaker doing commission bridal and formal wear, but soon discovered quilting and dressmaking was abandoned! During the next 15 years she moved from being a novice quilter to a seasoned professional with her own pattern design company, Morning Glory Designs, which began in 2007. With more than 100 patterns on the market and a dozen more published in recent magazines and books, Reeze has gained a regional and national reputation as an accomplished quilter, designer and teacher, as well as an entertaining Guild speaker.

Reeze lives in Ottawa, Kansas with her husband, critters and fabric stash. Reeze retired from college teaching in 2015 after nearly 40 years as a professor. Now Reeze has a busy schedule of traveling and teaching quilt classes both nationally and internationally. She is well known in the area for teaching and lecturing widely on computer aided design using EQ8.

***PQG Bus Tour is now Friday, September 25, 2020***

***See page 6 for details!***

## President's Notes

by Kendra McBroom

### August Location Meetings Cancelled

Hello to Prairie Quilt Guild. Did we ever think that we would be separated for this long? I sure did not dream of such a thing. However, we have found that our distancing circumstances are not any different than the rest of the country. My personality is one that is not afraid of change. I am always willing to try something new (Plan B) and if that doesn't work out, then we can always go back to Plan A. Some of my friends have told me that they have learned to be more comfortable with 2020 change out of necessity. That is the way we have had to deal with our guild this particular year. And we have no end in sight for when we can resume our Plan A schedule. Just when we think the time is close to gather again, we get re-adjusted to distance a bit longer. It is most disappointing but then I remember that we are doing it for the greater good of our membership.

You will notice that we are doing our election of officers for 2020-2021 differently this year only because of the no-gathering mandate. You will find a paper ballot in this newsletter. If you choose to vote by mail, your ballot MUST be in Lynda Miller's hands by August 11<sup>th</sup>. That is our next Guild date. If you choose to vote electronically you may do it anytime between August 1 and August 11<sup>th</sup>. We have tried to make it easy for everyone to participate in the manner you feel most comfortable. Paper ballots should be sent to Lynda Miller, 1732 N. Richmond, Wichita, 67203-1848. Thank you for your corporation and understanding with this method.

We will continue to do our meetings by way of Facebook Live until we get the approval to meet at our church location. Your program chairs are working to keep the programs interesting for you. That was evident when we saw the beautiful creations from Lori Triplett. I hope you enjoyed getting to see those marvelous quilts.



## Cares & Concerns

- ◆ Linda Highbarger's husband was burned badly in a garage fire and is in the hospital
- ◆ Donna Harrison and Kendra McBroom's brother-in-law passed away
- ◆ Florence Kirkland is home and weak but recovering
- ◆ John and Susan Madia's granddaughter Katie has started cancer treatments
- ◆ Louise Nance long time member passed away

You may email [membersatlarge@pqgks.com](mailto:membersatlarge@pqgks.com) with your cares and concerns.

## UPCOMING SPEAKER INFORMATION

An important note regarding

September 2020 Program

Emily Taylor's lecture "Collage Quilting" has been cancelled. Instead members of PQG and ICTMQG (Wichita Modern Quilt Guild) will present a program on "modern" quilting and what makes a quilt modern.

We are hoping that we will be in a position to hold the September meetings in person, but there is still the chance that they will be changed and/or cancelled.

No matter what the case may be, every effort will be made to continue our meetings as normally as possible.

**Donna Loehr, Vice President**



If you are interested in being a Holder & Folder next month, please let Donna Loehr know. And you will have the added bonus of getting to see the quilts up close and personal.

I can't emphasize enough how easy it is to keep up with information by way of our Facebook page or our webpage. We try to have things updated so that you will know of any changes or announcements. Especially now, this is the best way to communicate with you.

## 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 may 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.

## Upcoming Workshops

### NO AUGUST WORKSHOP

#### WORKSHOPS UPDATE

We will not be having workshops with our guest speakers in August or September because speakers have cancelled, or we have needed to cancel because of lack of a facility where we can meet with safe social distancing. I am disappointed for all of us. HOWEVER, I have a proposal.

In September, (SEPTEMBER 9) I will teach a workshop called CRUMB QUILTING. You will NOT have to buy or pay anything. We will use fabric scraps to create some great quilt blocks. You will only need your sewing machine, sewing supplies, and a bunch of fabric scraps that have coordinating colors, unless you want to go completely scrappy and use all the colors you have. I have learned at least 3 different styles of crumb quilting, and I'll demonstrate. Crumb quilting is actually very relaxing.

Sign up to attend this workshop on our PQG Facebook site. You can also email me at [workshops@pqqks.com](mailto:workshops@pqqks.com) where you can let me know your intention to attend. At this time, McDonald's Sewing and Vac is only allowing groups of 12 or less persons in their workshop area because of safe distancing protocol.

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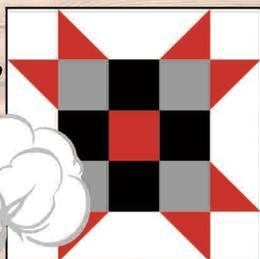
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# 20/20 Vision for the Future

## What Have We Learned

by Kendra McBroom

My goodness, where has the first half of the year gone? It has gone into the memory banks of the most unforgettable year ever! Or maybe you want to call it the most forgettable year as we try to erase the completely upside down events of 2020. I think it is all in how we look at things. The first half of this year was what I can in one word call – Weird! The next half is lining up to be even more. As I write this, we don't know when school will start, but do know that the State Fair has been cancelled and many other Fall Festivals and events have been either postponed or cancelled.

The word that I need to keep telling myself is maybe the word you need right now. Perspective. The dictionary defines that word as: A particular attitude toward or way of regarding something; a point of view. Naturally our focus has been on the COVID-19 and what perspective or point of view can we form in relation to this upheaval in our lives. I want to share a couple of practices with you that I find helpful. Now that is not to say that I always practice what I preach, but I try to.

**Take really good care of myself both physically as well as mentally.** This is a time when I want my immune system to be at its peak. I try to eat smart, get enough rest, keep enough food in stock in case we have to self-isolate. Of course my sewing stash will keep me happy during any isolation period! I try to watch my anxiety levels and when I feel that getting ramped up, I back off on the news broadcasts that tend to be negative and feed the fear.

**Include helping others as part of my COVID-19 game plan.** It is very normal to think of helping ourselves and our family first. However, when things get rough that involve our neighbors and community we need to keep an eye out for them too. We have been involved in giving out masks to others or taking in food to those that were quarantined or sick. I believe that the more we keep each other in mind as we walk through this world crisis, the better chance we



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**You will see so many things going  
on during the month!**

My perspective and goal is to have a positive attitude and approach each day as a gift that others might not be seeing as I do. I have a sign on my longarm machine that I look at every day. It says: "As you waste your breath complaining about life, someone is breathing their last. Appreciate what you have." It is all about perspective!

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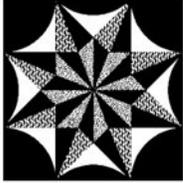
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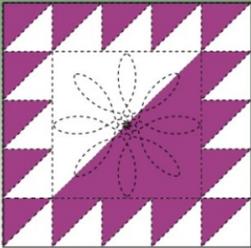


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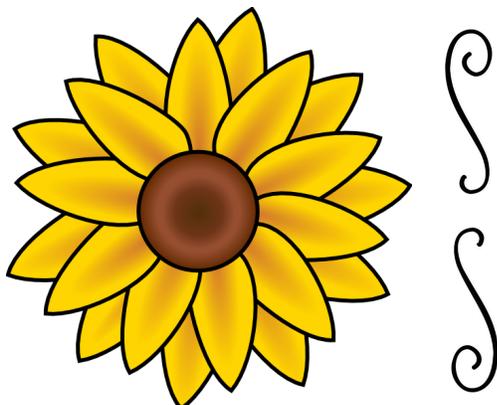
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1st Stop - Hennessey, OK

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The largest quilt shop in Oklahoma was recently chosen as one of the top ten shops in the nation by Quilt Sampler magazine. Located an hour north of Oklahoma City in a 100 year old historic building in downtown Hennessey, OK, the store is 6,072 square feet jammed packed with over 5000 bolts of quilting fabrics, notions and kits. The quilt shop staff will entertain us and provide lunch. WHAT A DEAL ... of course we want to shop their extensive stock of fabulous quilting fabrics and accessories!

2nd Stop - Ponca City, OK

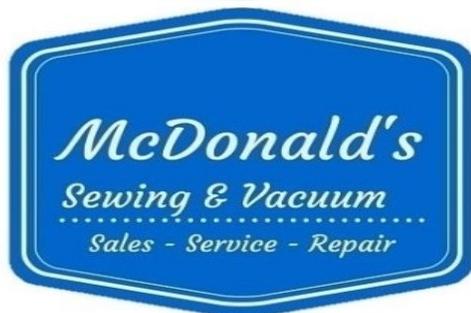
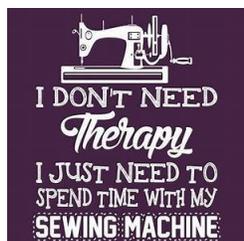
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Again we have been forced to reschedule our bus trip to Oklahoma. If you need further information or wish to cancel just respond and I will be happy to assist. Thanks for being understanding during this crazy time in our lives.

Blessings, Kaye Barth 316.619.7818, [k.barth@cox.net](mailto:k.barth@cox.net)

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## Support the Guild Buy Opportunity Quilt Tickets

We usually sell most of the Opportunity quilt tickets at the show. Well, not this year! We still need the proceeds so please buy tickets. Spend the \$12 you would have spent on admission to the show on tickets instead.

The quilt is 89" x 89" with wool batting. It is machine pieced, hand appliqued and hand quilted by guild members. Tickets are \$1 each or 6 tickets for \$5 OR 14 tickets for \$12! Drawing will be at the October meeting.

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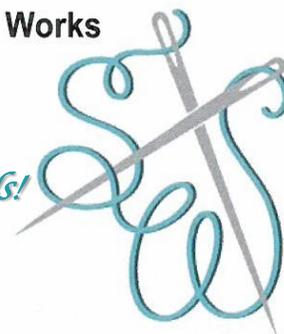
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## 2019-2020 Block of the Month - August 2020

### Kansas Theme Block #11 Twister

In staying with the Kansas Theme, we have quilt block Twister this month. I remember as a child running to the basement with the warnings of a tornado in the area. We don't see as many around the Wichita area as I remember as a child, possibly a blessing for us. Have fun with your rendition of Twister.

Cut 4 background/white rectangles  $1\frac{3}{4} \times 4\frac{1}{4}$  inches.

Cut 6 background/white squares  
 $2\frac{1}{4} \times 2\frac{1}{4}$  inches.

Cut 1 gold (lighter color) square  $1\frac{3}{4} \times 1\frac{3}{4}$  inches.

Cut 6 brown (darker color) squares  $2\frac{1}{4} \times 2\frac{1}{4}$  inches.

Draw a diagonal line on the backside of the 6 white background squares. Place right side together on top of brown squares. Sew  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch on each side of the diagonal line. Cut each unit apart on the drawn line. Press back seam to the darker side. Trim this down to  $1\frac{3}{4} \times 1\frac{3}{4}$  inch, making sure the seams bisect at the corners.

Sew one combo square to each end of the 2 rectangles, one with brown edge upper left and brown to lower left. (see diagram.) For the second combo unit, place the brown edge at the upper right and the lower right corner. Press seams to rectangle. Arrange remaining combo units as shown with gold square in center. Sew the 3 squares on top row together and press seams away from center. Sew 3 squares on second row together and press seams to center square. Sew bottom row together and press seams away from center. Sew the 3 rows together. Press seams away from center. Measure completed piece and trim to  $4\frac{1}{4}$  square if needed.

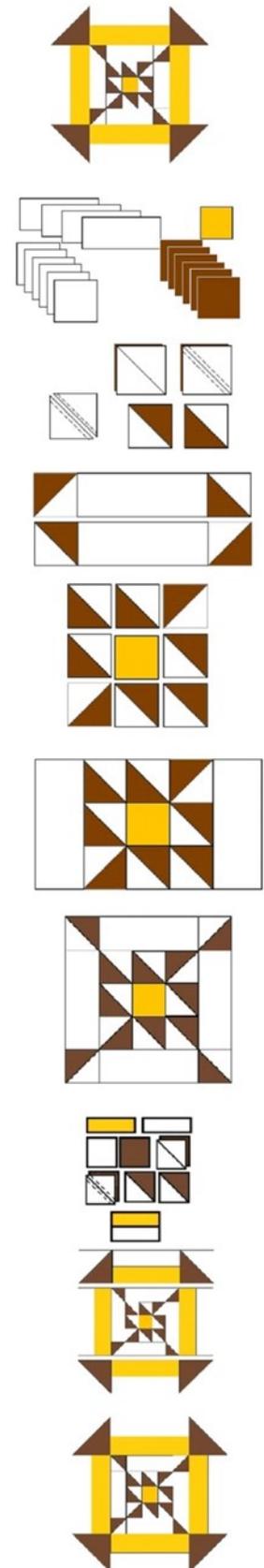
Sew a white (background) rectangle to each side of this completed  $4\frac{1}{4}$  square. Then sew a combo strip to the top (making sure the brown triangle is in the upper right and lower right corners). Sew the bottom combo unit to this unit, making sure the brown triangle is in the upper left and the lower left. Measure once completed, and trim to  $6\frac{1}{2} \times 6\frac{1}{2}$  if needed.

#### Churndash Design

Cut 4 strips of  $2 \times 6\frac{1}{2}$  inch for the moderate color (orange). Cut 4 strips of  $2 \times 6\frac{1}{2}$  inch for the white (light background). Cut two-  $3\frac{7}{8}$  inch square of white (background) and two-  $3\frac{7}{8}$  inch square of brown (dark color).

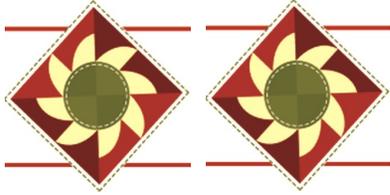
Place white square with right sides together on brown square. Draw diagonal line on back. Sew  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch on each side of the diagonal line. Cut along drawn line, making two squares of combo white/brown. Complete this step again to make 2 more white/brown combo square.

Sew orange and white rectangle together lengthwise for 4 sets. Sew two sets to the completed  $6\frac{1}{2}$  inch square above (Twister), making sure the orange strip is on the inside. Press seam toward orange. With other two combo orange/white pieces, sew a brown combo square so that brown triangle is on the inside. Press seam toward the orange/white. Sew this to the top and bottom of your unit (see diagram). Iron seams away from center. Congratulations on your completed block. It should measure  $12\frac{1}{2} \times 12\frac{1}{2}$ .



## 2019 /2020 PQG Programs

**September:** Modern Quilting by members of PQG and ICTMQG (Wichita Modern Quilt Guild).



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Our July Drive Thru received 60 quilts which will be delivered the same week they were received.

We have distributed 143 items so far this year. We plan another Drive Thru for August 10th at the church from 10:00-12:00 a.m. We also hope to sell some quilt kits that were donated for about 1/3rd their original price. We will also be giving away some fabric that has too little thread count for including in quilts given to people who are not familiar with how to properly care for them.

We really appreciate the quality of fabric and workmanship we are seeing in the quilts. The people who receive them are people just like us who are going through a rough patch. When they receive a beautifully made quilt it increases their self esteem and helps them see a way out of their troubles. Many of these quilts go to teens or adults so larger sizes are especially needed.

Take care and thanks for all you do. Shirley, Sue and Janice



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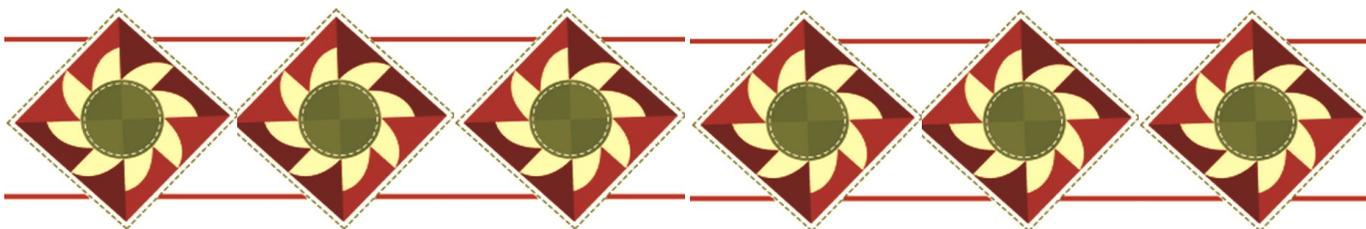
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#### **Next Guild Meeting—August 11th VIA Facebook LIVE**

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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  
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