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February 2021 Program



Chris Allen

Every Quilt Has a Story

Chris Allen describes herself as a quilter who uses her quilts to tell about her own journey in life, and to document significant events that have impacted her. Her collection that she will be sharing with us includes 60 quilts!! She will start with civil war themed quilts and quilts from the 30's, and then discuss how women in the past have used quilts to document events in their lives in her "journaling quilts". She even has a 911 and a pandemic quilt (which she says is covered in toilet paper). During a 2 months stay at home earlier this year due to the pandemic, she says that she was able to complete 20 quilts!!

Chris lives in Newton with her husband Curtis. She has 4 grown children, 3 grown step children, and 11 grandchildren who all "mean the world" to her. Besides quilting, she loves to do stained glass and work in her flower garden. Chris is also very involved in her community. She volunteers at Harvey County Habitat for Humanity as the Homeowners Advocate, is on the Newton 2nd Century Library Board, is a Chamber Ambassador, and belongs to the Lions Club, PEO Club, and the FCE Clubs. Chris is also in the process of starting her own quilting business "The Long Arm Bandit". She is currently works at SafeHope, which offers services for victims of domestic violence in Harvey, Marion, and McPherson Counties.

No meetings at PVUMC in February

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Join us LIVE on Facebook! February 9th at 1:00 pm



President's Notes

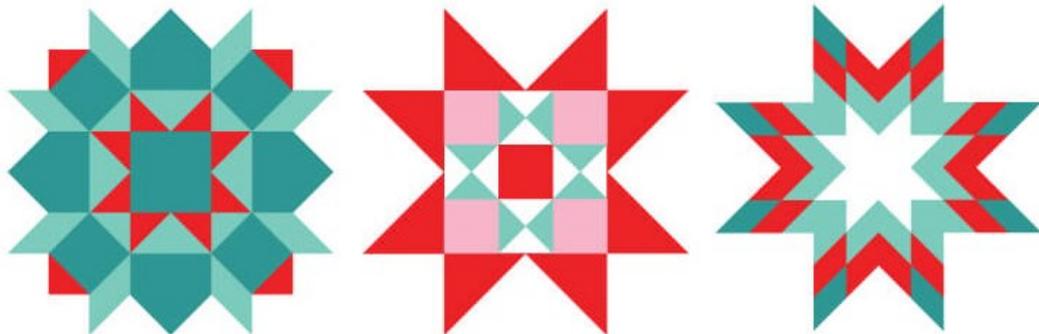
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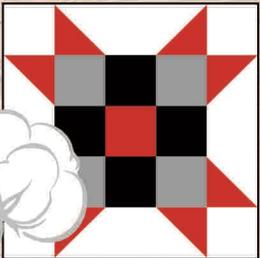
I wonder if there is a really good way to seriously work down my list of UFO's in my sewing room. I make a list, I sign up for a Stash Buster groups, and I have even rearranged the shelves so that I can find them faster. However, the list is still not getting much smaller and it seems to be getting longer. It is not that I don't want to finish them; I really do. I must have the attention span of a goldfish. Something else catches my eye and I am ready to jump on that new thing. Just this week I signed up for 2 new quilts. One online and one local. Do I need intervention? Is this something that I should look to see if there are others that need to get group rates on a support group? I am asking this group because there must be people that have great solutions for this addition. There I said it: I am addicted. But is it a bad thing? Is this a life threatening addiction? Sometimes when I go to a quilt shop my heart beats a bit faster and my eyes get a little blurry. When I hear people in the back room having a workshop, my ears strain to hear what the topic is and whether I recognize any voices.

Last year was so rough on all of us not being able to get together to sew and share our quilting stories that I don't think this year is the right time to start my treatment program. This year I should go easy on myself and not bring more heartache to my life. This is not denial: It is reality. Right?

I looked up to see what to do if a person thinks they have an addiction problem and the most important thing to do is to get therapy, find a good support group and get treatment. That is great advice. I have signed up for a retreat with my quilting friends and they will talk me through. Lots of fabric stores have Super Bowl sales in February, don't they? Asking for a friend...



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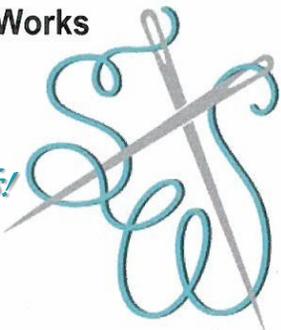
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You can contact me at 316-788-5634

Contact Kendra McBroom at 316-650-1375

Leave a message and I'll get back to you as soon as possible.

Thank You

Sharon Allman



Charity Quilt Committee

I was surprised to be able to deliver 31 quilts to our charities after the January meeting. Since we didn't plan a Drive Thru, I notified our charities that I didn't expect to have any to deliver in January.

Of course they were well received and will be put to good use. We will have a Drive Thru in February, if weather permits.

We are still supporting ICT-SOS which helps transition people from sex work exploitation; Transitional Housing for women leaving abusive relationships through the Wichita Family Crisis Center; and KVC Children's Psychiatric Hospital. We have discontinued the two Rehab Centers as they are doing better now and seem to have sufficient lap robes. We have added the Tree House that supports young mothers with baby quilts and the Mental Health Association's Senior Companions. This is one of the United Way's vetted programs that pays Companions to help seniors in their own homes. Their director said she was sure their seniors would appreciate lap robes. Therefore you are still aiding a wide age range and both men and women. If you who enjoy smaller projects, consider making infant and youth quilts or lap robes. Those of you who can accommodate larger quilts can help by making teen and adult sized quilts. Someone who have been traumatized cannot help but find comfort in receiving a homemade quilt.

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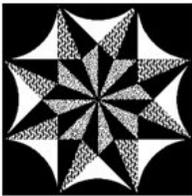
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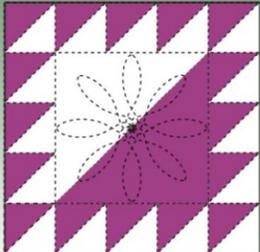
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Meet the Member

Kay Rayburn

As told to Kendra McBroom



- 1. When someone finds out where you are from, what is their reaction?** I have traveled a lot. Not many people have any concept about Kansas. If they are not from here, their weatherman is standing right in front of Kansas.
- 2. What's the best thing you've got going on in your life at the moment?** A) We had a flood in our basement that ran into my quilting room. We had to take everything off of my shelving to move the carpet out and then completely rearrange it. I now have room for a design wall! I have organized my items so that I can locate my jelly-rolls, precuts, colors and basically eliminate the visual clutter. B) I am helping to make 4 Quilts of Valor quilts for my husband's Army buddies. He was in the Airborne Green Beret Jump Master. I am working with my 2 BFF's and our members Connie Chambers and Betty Blundon to have the quilts presented in Las Vegas in October at the Special Forces Association gathering. These will include my collection of Red, White and Blue batiks. C) All of my kids, grandkids and are healthy, employed.
- 3. What do you wish someone taught you a long time ago?** I would like to read music well. I would also like to ride horses and fly an airplane. I do have a license to fly a hot air balloon so that makes me an Aeronaut Pilot.
- 4. What's the best event you've ever attended?** A) I have been very active in the Wichita River Festival for many, many years, actually over 30 years. I plan and produce the Kids Corner for all 9 days. We work with the team for many months before the event and spend at least 150 hours preparing for the festival. It is a lot of hard work but very rewarding. B) My son graduated from the Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs. When you see the graduates marching in formation, and the jets flying over in perfect sync, and the band playing and knowing that your son is receiving this high honor, this is the best feeling. My heart filled with gratitude and pride.
- 5. What's tells you the most about a person?** I like to speak to everyone no matter where I am. Grocery store, bank, just anywhere. I look at their facial expression to see if they are willing to speak and sometimes they just listen.
- 6. What culture would you like to learn more about?** I am interested in Cherokee a bit but find the Aborigine very interesting. I was fortunate to be able to go to Australia and New Zealand in 2019. There was a museum right in the heart of the country that had Aborigine fabric that I still think is fantastic. I bought some and it has bright colors and looks like the artwork we saw being painted.
- 7. What is your favorite style of quilting?** I am not into intricate. I like simple more modern. Kind of traditional but with fabulous colors. I can coordinate colors well and I like to make mine simple but striking. I carefully create each quilt for the person that will receive it.
- 8. What is your earliest memory of sewing?** I embroidered as a child. In 7th grade Home Economics, I made a pink blouse and brown skirt with pink cabbage roses. I made my clothes, lingerie, swim suit, and then realized I could buy my clothes!
- 9. What do you do to unwind after a hard day?** We have a beautiful deck on our home. I like to sit with a cup of iced tea or hot tea and read a book. I enjoy my 2 Burmese cats Gus and Ella.
- 10. Who is the oldest person you know personally?** My mother had her 99th birthday on Jan 7th. She does not still sew but she is still very social. She has her hair done on a regular basis and we go to lunch often at her Senior Living place. She reads a lot and is great using Facetime to get her through this Pandemic time not getting to be with her long-distance family.

Kay is a vibrant and fun person to talk to. I learned many interesting things about her and I hope



dreamstime.

"Fabric is a living thing for me, I always have to touch it and arrange it, pair it with like friends but the most fun is to be had pairing fabrics with unlike friends, if that makes sense. Colours and patterns mixed together to create unexpected alliances. Much like when people of different cultures and traditions merge, the result is full of life, interest and usually produces different cultures and traditions merge, the result is full of life, interest and usually produces wonderfully delicious food!" ~Judy Newman (Australian quilter)

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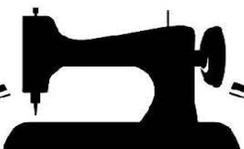
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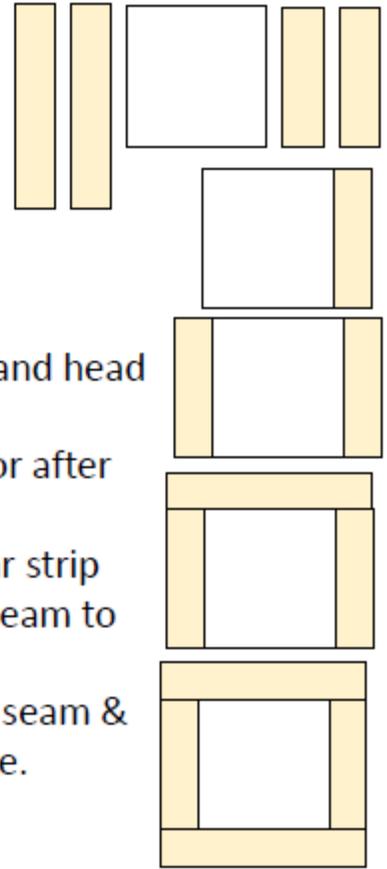
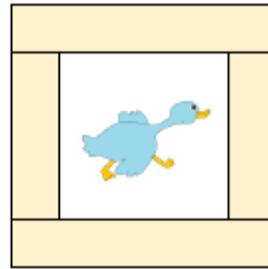
Goose Whacked -- Block # 5

Frame fabric --

2 rectangles 12.5" x 2.5"

2 rectangle 8.5" x 2.5"

Center fabric 8.5" x 8.5"



Applique Fabrics – select fabrics for applique pieces.

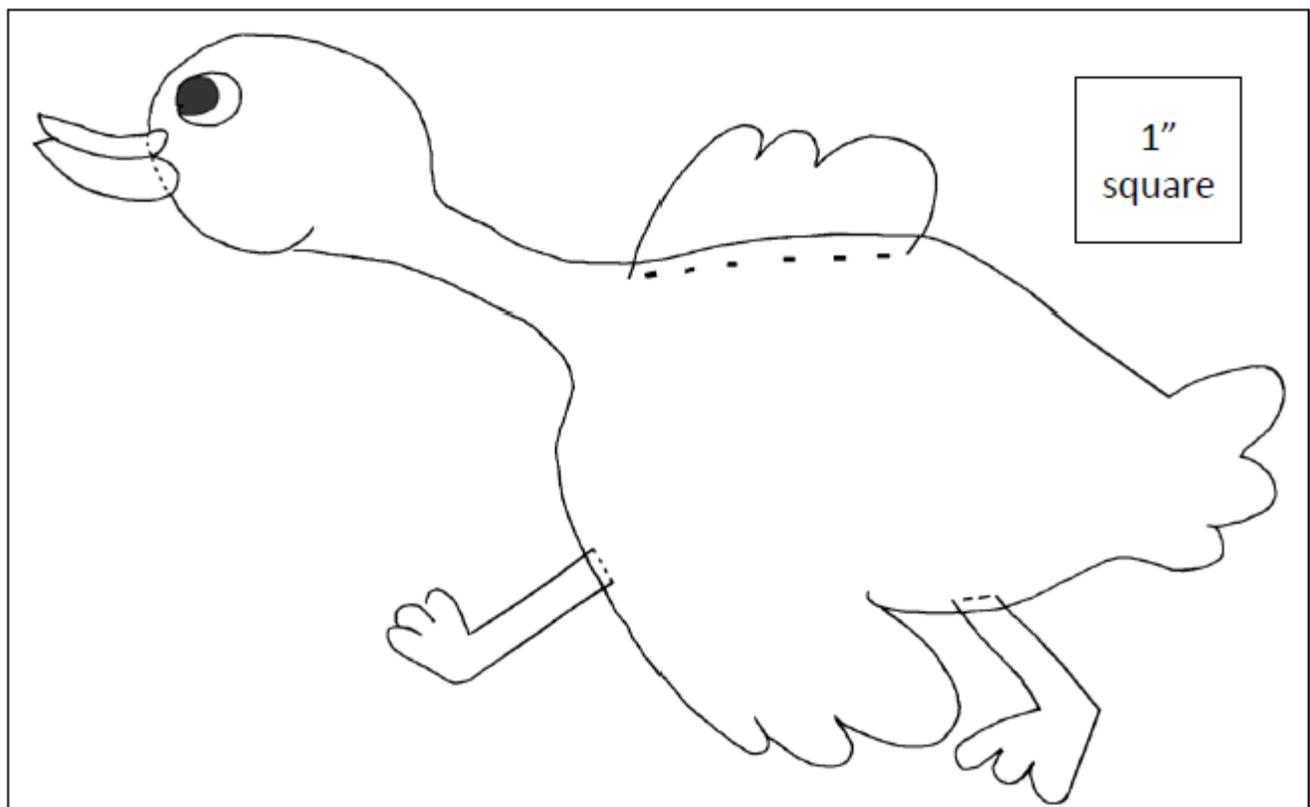
Shown orange feet & bill, striped fabric for wings/tail and head & body, black pupil and white eye.

Note: applique may be done before sewing borders, or after borders are attached.

With right sides together (RST), place short rectangular strip along one side of square. Stitch with $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam. Press seam to rectangle. Repeat on opposite side.

Place long strip RST on side of previous unit. Stitch $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam & press to rectangle. Repeat on remaining side of square.

Block should be 12.5" x 12.5" now.





2021 PQG Challenge

Table Runner PQG Challenge 2021 Entry Form

Your entry must be in a paper or other non see-through bag. Attach this form to the outside of the bag. Make sure your quilt has a label. Drop off at McDonald's Sewing Center.

Name of Maker _____ Phone _____

Name of the Quilter: Myself or _____

Size of the table runner/topper in inches ____ width ____ length

Title of your quilt (this will be on the quilt went judging happens at the March meeting)

Category (check one): Pieced _____ Appliquéd _____

A pieced quilt must be only pieced no appliquéd. An appliquéd quilt must only have appliquéd.

Mixed Pieced and Appliquéd _____ First Time only challenge entries _____

If it could be in two different categories then put 1 for 1st choice and 2 for 2nd choice.

RELEASE: The Prairie Quilt Guild/ McDonald's Sewing Center will take all reasonable precautions against damages to your challenge project, but we cannot accept responsibility for loss, theft or other damages. By my signature I release my quilt: to be photographed and posted on the Prairie Quilt Guild website, to be displayed at the March meeting, and I will not hold the guild nor any individual responsible for any damages that may occur in the handling of my quilt.

Signed _____ Date _____

If I win a prize for my quilt, I would like a gift certificate from which of these shops. Please circle ONE or more of these:

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Results will be announced at the April Guild meeting. You can pick your quilt up at the April meeting. **We would like you to share your challenge in a group during show and share during the April meeting.** This way each person can talk about their challenge and tell the guild about their quilt. If you can come to the meeting and share you quilt that would be great.

Thank You, Debbie and Susan

Cares & Concerns

Tresa Palmer passed away on January 11, 2021.

Delma Carter passed away on January 20, 2021.

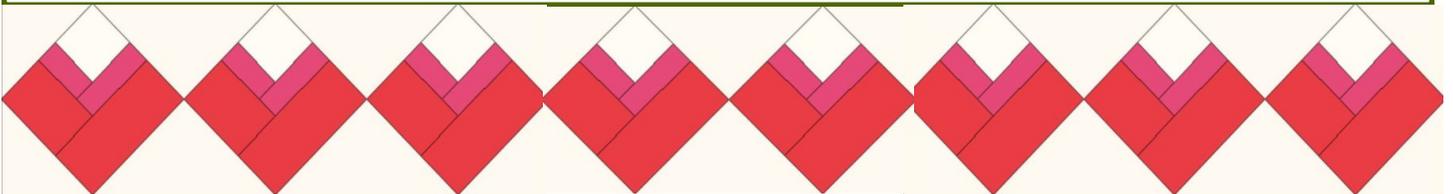
Judy Terhune is getting regular transfusions of blood and platelets and still needs your prayers. Some days her energy is down and she could use words of encouragement.

Mary Graham is having a back procedure at the end of January. Cards are not necessary but prayers are always welcome.

Linda Vossberg's daughter passed away on January 6th, 2021

Margaret Kirkpatrick, a longtime member, passed away.

Kendra McBroom had her turn with Covid and is recovering.



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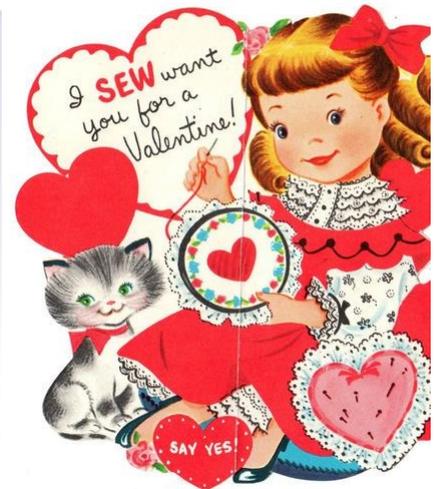
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unless otherwise announced. Annual dues are \$45.00 for the period October through September.

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