



QUILTERS GUILD OF GREATER KANSAS CITY

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<http://www.quiltguildofgkc.org>

Meeting 2nd Tuesday of each month at First Lutheran Church 6400 State Line Rd.

Mission Hills, KS 66208 Social Hour 9 AM Meeting & Program begins at 10 AM

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Minutes of the meetings & the **Treasurer's Report** are always posted on the bulletin board at the regular monthly meetings. Reminder – if on the day of our regularly scheduled meeting, KC public schools are closed due to inclement weather, our guild meeting is automatically cancelled...

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FROM OUR PRESIDENT

I so enjoyed our program last month. I just had to go up and take a picture or two afterward. I often hear comments like "Did she make all those quilts?" when one of our own members gives a program. We have great members with SO much talent! We are truly blessed in our guild. I always love Show and Tell and like to see what our members are doing.

I just have to tell you of my recent experience with a layer cake. My niece is expecting a baby next month and I let the time slip away! When I got the invitation to her baby shower I realized time was up and I must act! I took out a layer cake and one and one-half yards of coordinating fabric I had bought about 6 months before. I make a simple cut from edge to edge on each 10" square in the layer cake 3" into the center from one edge. I took one pile and switched the fabrics so they were not the same color from the other pile, then I stitched that seam. Then I took those blocks, turned them a quarter turn and cut again the same way. I switched the piles once again. Now I had 42 blocks that were done really quickly that looked great. I had fun deciding which 25 I would use on the front, then took 12 for the back. I still had 5 leftover so I took 4 and made a "blankie" for the baby to carry around. That left me with 1 block as a reminder of my fast project. I didn't have much time to ponder the best placement, but since all the fabrics in a layer cake go together I just had to make sure not too much of one color was in one spot. I had the top stitched in no time and the back pieced as well. I did stitch-in-the-ditch quilting (though I have since found out that stitching one-quarter inch from the seam is faster and easier and no one can tell if a slight imperfection is made) and was done in plenty of time for the binding part. I did this all in the space of 10 days from cutting to binding. I never knew a baby quilt could be done so fast!

I think I have been found out now though because my daughter-in-law saw me get it done so quickly. I have no excuses when her baby is due in January! See you at our next meeting!

Sarah Rathjen

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Due to confusion and negative feedback, THE PARTICIPATION TICKET PROGRAM is temporarily discontinued at this time. Door prize tickets will resume being handed out as usual.

NOVEMBER

There will be a \$5 charge for non-members at the November meeting

Our November speaker: David Taylor was born in Peterborough, NH in 1963. As a Navy brat, he had the opportunity to live in many parts of the US, attending high school in college in Florida. He currently makes his home in Steamboat Springs, CO.

He began his quilting journey in 1999. Since then David has been the recipient of the Fairfield Master Award for Contemporary Quilt Artistry from the International Quilt Association (2006), the Brother Machine Workmanship Award from the American Quilters Society (2008) and has twice received Best of Show honors at the Spring International Quilt Festival in Chicago. In the summer of 2008, David held a solo exhibit of his work at Les Jardins de Magali in Provence.

David's quilts, crafted by hand and meticulously quilted on his Bernina 160 home machine, achieve a realistic effect through his fabric choices. Thread "painting" is the only embellishment added to his work.

We are so lucky to have David Taylor speak at our guild meeting this month. Don't miss it!!

Holiday Social: Our **December** meeting will be a "Holiday Social".

We will have a special show and tell of your holiday quilts - you may bring up to 3 items. Bring some finger food snacks and sweet treats. There will be an ornament exchange. If you wish to participate in the exchange, bring an ornament that you made -- be sure to wrap it. We will play some games such as cards, dominoes, scrabble and others. If you don't want to play games, bring your hand sewing and enjoy the fellowship with our wonderful guild members. If you have any questions about the social, please contact me. Candy Hargrove, Program Chair cahquilter@kc.rr.com 816-734-1497

2011 At A Glance

November 8 – David Taylor
December 13–Christmas Social

2012 At A Glance

January - Kelly Ashton
February – Janet Stone
March 13 – Deanna Hodson
April 10 – Ilene Bartos
May 8 – Theresa Ward and Sharon Lorfing
June 12 – Carol Elmore
July 10 – Schoolhouse
August 14 – Tony Munoz
September 11 – Gloria Hall
October 9 – Lynne Hagmeier
November 13-Kathy Freshwater
December 11–Christmas Social

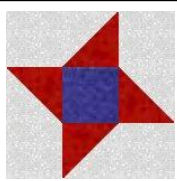
THREAD + ART = ART QUILTS

an exhibit by the Fractured Fabric Society

will be on display at the Main Branch of the Johnson Co. Library (9875 W. 87th St., Overland Park, Ks. 66212)

from Nov. 2 - Dec. 29, 2011.

Questions, contact Rosemary Cromer at Harper's Fabric & Quilt Co.



HOW MANY OF YOU HAVE MADE A FRIENDSHIP STAR FOR A SPECIAL PERSON IN THE GUILD? You can find a copy of the instructions on the guild website <http://www.quiltguildofgkc.org>. Click on the Projects Tab....

Tid Bit

*For you "newbies", volunteering for the telephone committee is very easy and a fairly infrequently needed service...

*Joining a "BEE" can be enjoyable as well as enabling us to share some of our personal quilting talents...

Diaper Donations for Happy Bottoms

Again this year we will collect diapers **AT THE DECEMBER MEETING ONLY** to donate to Happy Bottoms. Last year we collected over 3,000 diapers thanks to you wonderful ladies. Please bring them to the December meeting only, as we do not have room to store them in our storage area.

Crossroads Theatre Company invites you to their annual "off Broadway" musical. This year's performance, their 7th, is **Big River: The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn**. The show this year is very unique as they are including a quilt show and their special guest is well known quilt pattern designer Jan Patek.

Visit the web site at www.crossroadschurchkc.org and clicking on the Big River link.

November 4 & 5 at 7:00PM / November 6 at 2:00PM / November 11 & 12 at 7:00PM / November 13 at 2:00PM

7917 Main, Kansas City, MO

For additional info call: 913-262-4937 or e-mail crossroadstheatrecompany@gmail.com

Miscellaneous

A suggestion was made to have a punch needle and twilling workshop in the future..

The guild board has decided to purchase the DVD "Why Quilting Matters" as there is some good information in there about history.

Annabel Baugher, 90, ended life on earth at St Luke's Hospital in Kansas City, Missouri, at 7:25am, Monday, October 3, 2011, from complications of a stroke.

Membership

Members information is not available to the public. The content of this block has been intentionally removed.

MEETING CHECKLIST

- ☺ Show & Tell
- ☺ Camera
- ☺ Charity quilts
- ☺ Name tag
- ☺ Library Books
- ☺ UFO

CHARITY COMMITTEE

OPPORTUNITY....It has come to the guild's executive board's attention that the Charity Committee needs some help. This past summer we gave all our charity supplies to Joplin, MO's quilt guild so they could rebuild their supplies after their terrible storm. This leaves our current charity committee without ANY supplies. Would you please consider bringing a batt to our next meeting? I understand that batts are the last thing to be considered when donating to charity. If you have a batt lying around the house gathering dust or you want to go buy one the charity committee would be thrilled! Thank you in advance for your assistance in our good cause.

UFO UPDATE

FINAL LANDING APPROACH

We had 7 completed UFOs shown at the October meeting, bringing our total to 129 blasted off lists since January by 27 participants - that's an average of 4.778 quilts EACH. At least two members have even finished their entire list already. No coasting now - November meeting is the last chance to show your completed UFOs for the December drawing for the \$50.00 cash reward. Hustle, hustle!
Connie Zwego, UFO Chairperson

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QGGKC 15th ANNUAL TOO MUCH FUN RETREAT

WHO: Forty of YOU!

WHAT: The 2012 Quilting Retreat

WHERE: Heartland Presbyterian Center in Parkville, MO

WHEN: Thursday February 23rd to Sunday 26th, 2012

WHY: Fun, eating, quilting, eating, friends and fun!

HOW: Give your \$25 deposit check to Connie Zwego at November meeting to hold your spot.

CHALLENGE: In celebration of our 15th year, make a small (15" X 15" square) quilt utilizing 15 colors, 15 blocks, the number 15 appliquéd, 15 embellishments, or???

Prize for Popular Choice to be given on Sunday morning.

Connie Zwego, Retreat Chairperson

Kansas Quilts for Valor

Recently Kansas Quilts of Valor was asked by the Chaplain of the 4-4th Cav. of Fort Riley, Kansas, to donate 400 quilts. This unit is stationed in Afghanistan and has seen the heaviest fighting since their arrival. They have lost an average of 2 soldiers a week. Here is a link to the Kansas QOV newsletter explaining the story – www.quiltsofvalorks.org/newsletters/Oct_Nov_2011.pdf.

They are asking for well-constructed quilts as they may have to be washed often if the soldier is a wounded vet, and they also want a pillowcase with each quilt. They quilts would be due sometime in February. The unit is expected back between January and February. The awards ceremony would probably be in March, when the quilts would be handed out.

This is one way to pay your tribute to our soldiers and their families, who have suffered much during these war years. The quilts can be out of red, white, and blue, but that is not necessary.

Contact me if you are interested. And please pass this information along to other quilt friends. Nancy Wakefield, nancywake65@hotmail.com, 816-858-3670

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

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