

## Upcoming Events:

March 21 – National Sewing Day

9am-12pm Workshop  
Embroidery 101 by Dianne Burnett.

9am-2pm Cut It Out Party

April 2- Guild Meeting  
Program – Photo Block Quilts  
by Lori McCroskey

May 7- Guild meeting  
Program – Eileen Buranek  
Trunk Show

May 30-MCQG garage sale

June 4 – Guild meeting  
Program – Tia Curtis Quilts

July 2 – 6pm Summer Potluck  
and Guild Challenge

August 6 – Guild meeting

September 3 – Guild meeting

September 26-27 MCQG Quilt  
Show



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Meeting at the Community Center Paola, KS

Morning President Debra Dameron opened the meeting, What is a Dirty Quilt? A fast improvisational, and scrappy style of quilting that emphasizes joy and speed over precision, often ignoring "perfect point" or traditional rules. What is a Scrappy Hot Mess Rage Quilt? A free style quilt – you pick fabrics that speak to you and start sewing angry shapes, sharp points, jagged edges, and frayed fabrics or tear strips and just sew them on. Evening meeting opened by R. Michelle Pixler.

**Member updates:** Janna Renner's husband fell and broke his hip; he will be going to rehab. Pat Noel is not feeling well today. Ronda Newton, one of the new members, is going to have another grandbaby today in Lawrence. Rebecca Potter begins radiation next week. Michell Pixler was able to be with her sister during the loss of her nephew to cancer last month. Michell Pixler is going to become a grandmother in August.

Morning meeting – 51 members, 4 guests – Jean French, Nancy Kram, Donna Overbay, and Jim Chandler, present at the meeting. Evening meeting – 23 members present, no visitors present.

**Review of Minutes:** No corrections or additions. AM motion to approve the February minutes was made by Jane Drugg and 2nd by Marilyn Chandler, Minutes for February approved. PM motion was made by Jackie McLean and 2nd by Brenda Craig.

**Treasurer's Report:** February inflows from donations, membership dues, Opportunity Quilt Ticket Sales, workshop fees, and a cookbook sale for a total of \$962. Outflows from Programs, workshops, and miscellaneous were \$1144.39. Overall account change for February -182.29. MCQG account balances including CD, Checking, and Holy Trinity deposit total \$24,819.47. AM motion to approve the Treasurer's Report was made by Diane Burnett and 2nd by Marilyn Chandler. PM motion to approve was made by Richelle Parks and 2nd by Ben Havelka.

**Correspondence:** Thank you notes from PACA and the Agape Christian Center for Food Pantry donations given at our meetings and a Thank you for two quilts that were donated to the Miami County Cancer Foundation. A special invitation was received – Annalee Nelson's 90th Birthday on May 3rd at 12:30 at Miami County

Birthdays	
4/1 Abby Werth	
4/4 Jill Nation	
4/9 Rene Kleitz	
4/13 Jane Wade	
4/19 Elaine Elliott	
4/19 Connie Epp	
4/19 Laurie Jacklovich	
4/20 Catherine Kane	
4/28 Angela Keaton	
4/29 Rose Long	
4/30 Jill Eakes	

Fairgrounds, Building #2. RSVP to Becky at 913-284-6159 by May 1. More details will be on Facebook.

**Membership:** Please sign up to renew your membership. Brenda Mosley is updating the MCQG private Facebook page and if you have not paid your 2026 dues, your access will be removed. If you have renewed and have a problem with the Facebook page, let Brenda know.

**Program:** Today we have Vicky Beasley, The Scrappy Farmer, presenting “Prairie Stones, Not Just one Pattern, but Endless Options”. The April presentation will be Photo Block Quilts by Lori McCroskey. May Presentation will be a trunk show by Eileen Urbanek. The June presentation will be Tia Curtis Quilts. Nancy and Jeanne have many guild activities coming up.

March 21st is National Quilting Day. Our guild will have an embroidery workshop from 9-12 and A Cut it Out Party from 9-2 to cut pieces for charity quilts. No sewing machines are needed, just bring fabric and scraps, your fabric shears, ideas for quilts, and food to share or for your lunch. Several members will bring Accuquilt machines and assorted dies. Attendees will bag quilt kits for future charity projects. The Embroidery Workshop by Diane Burnett still has a couple spots open. Sign up for \$10.00- class fee and kit as soon as possible. Bring small scissors, needle threader, and thimble.

Other upcoming guild activities

- April 18 Beginner class wrap-up
- MCQG Garage Sale May 30 with set up the night before
- Barn Quilt by Laura Davids June 6 at the Community Center. Sizes 4 x 4 -\$150 and 2 x 2 - \$65. Price includes your paint. Bring your block design and a hair dryer.

Community Service: We are low on charity quilts.

In response to feedback from various members, we will have a page that recognizes the work of members to complete our disaster quilts. Please let us know if we have overlooked someone. Jim Chandler, Laura Davids, Nancy Hart-Kline, Ben Havelka, Branda Jenkins, Cee Kueser, Cindy Toburen, and Ginger Vail.

We are still working on supplying the batting for these quilts. Story from another guild -

THIS is NOT a suggestion for us!! Each member is requested to complete a donation quilt, including backing and batting, every year. This started around the time when more people wanted to go to retreats than spots were available. No

Quilts on display at Paola library:  
Contact: Joyce Geiger  
April – Joyce Geigher  
May – Sharon Schroeder  
June – Carol Cooper  
July – Terri Couture  
August – Debra Dameron  
September – Jackie McLean  
October – Jackie McLean  
November – Sharon Schroeder  
December – Heidi Kessler

quilt donated, then you pay double dues the following year. They do have an angel member who quilts all donation quilts – Linda considers it her mission.

Quilt Show: Branda Jenkins reports the committee had their first meeting. The show will be held at Holy Trinity Catholic Church, 509 East Chippewa Street, Paola, KS on Saturday, September 26th from 10-4 and Sunday, September 27th from 11-3. Set up will be on Friday, September 25 th beginning at 4. Our feature Quilter will be Nancy Hart-Kline. Bed Turning will be red, white, and blue and/or patriotic quilts. Start working on your Silent Auction and Boutique items. Boutique items are due by the September evening meeting. There will be a T-shirt available this year with a patriotic theme.

Challenge: Information sheets are on the check in table. Save the date of July 2, 2026 at 6 pm for our Summer Potluck Guild Challenge “Anything but a Quilt”.

Block of the Month: The block for this month is Oklahoma using red, white, and blue. See if you see a cat in this block!

AM winner of blocks – Judy Welter. PM winner – Jonel Hammons.

KCRQF: Our representative Kathy Havelka reported from the first meeting.

Take away notes to share with the guild.

- Theme is BBQ – Big Block Quilts
- Theme Quilt Challenge – Every guild is to have at least one member make a challenge quilt with at least on 24” x 24” block in a 80 x 80 to maximum 83 x 83 quilt using show colors.
- There will be a special exhibit to honor women in the military, hopefully we will have 100 quilts to give out, if each of the 17 guilds could make 6 patriotic quilts, not required but recommended. If you are a veteran, let us know so we can submit the name. Anyone in the guild can make one, volunteer bases, displayed in a special area at the show and Saturday there will be a presentation. Quilts need to be 60” x 80”. Festival will see about getting batting and backing.
- Our guild job this year will be Judging and Scribe. There will be the guild job plus 17 different jobs to volunteer for at the fest.

New Business: The budget has been reviewed and brought to you for approval.

Changes consist of slight increases in programming and community center uses. The quilt show committee proposes ‘raises’ for their help. A copy will be available on the member only website for your viewing. AM motion to approve was made

by Nancy Hart-Kline 2nd – Jane Drugg. Motion was approved by morning group. Evening group had some questions that could not be answered by anyone at the PM meeting.

- What is the line item budget for batting for disaster quilts? Only \$200 would only cover batting for maybe 6 quilts. What is the line item budget for backing?
- Is there a budget amount for the quilt show? What is it? Are there line items for baskets, ribbons, hospitality, door prizes. Last year Branda covered the door prizes and hospitality from personal funds.

Committee Chair: We still need a 2027 Opportunity Quilt Chair, if we do not get someone soon, we may not have a quilt for 2027 (KCRQF year!)

**Opportunity Quilt:** Brenda Mosley needs people to sign up to work ticket sale tables during the Ad Astra Quilt Shop Hop on March 26th-April 4th . She has a sheet going around to sign up at Lil' Red Hen, hopefully we will be able to sell at other quilt shops in the area. Jan Drugg will ask Quilter's Bliss. Brenda will call the shops and ask permission for us to set up a table and the quilt. Please let her know if you are interested. She will also be setting up at the Heartland Quilters meeting on March 28th. If anyone has any other ideas of places to take the quilt and sell tickets, she would appreciate your suggestions.

**Old Business:** Bylaws have been reviewed with no changes. Policy/Procedures need several minor changes, and a list is being made.

Birthdays: Everyone stand to be recognized.

**Prizes:**

Door prize – AM Kathy Armstrong PM Jeanne Ainsworth

Name Tag - AM - Margaret PM Ben Havelka

Food Pantry - AM – Margaret Baldwin PM Ginger Vail

Meeting Adjournment : AM motion – Connie Spillman 2nd – Margaret Baldwin

PM – motion Brenda Craig 2nd – Laurie Jacklovich.

