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July Minutes

Opening: Cee Kueser read an Apache Blessing to start our annual summer potluck. There were 84 members and 4 guests in attendance.

Member update: Verna Garrett is mourning the passing of her Mom and Kelly Stewart was just diagnosed with a rare form of lung cancer which she will receive treatment via cyberknife "surgery"— she is very optimistic, but prayers and thoughts appreciated.

Reports: 1st VP/Membership—nothing to report

2nd VP/Programs—Regina York reports the following meeting programs: Aug. will be member presentations on prepping a quilt for our show; Sept will be our viewing and rating of silent auction items for the show; Oct—Lisa McIntyre's traveling button museum. Upcoming Programs: August 27, at Bldg 4 of the Fairgrounds will be the barn quilt workshop with Anna Rose Hart White. Fees for this workshop had to be paid to Regina by the July meeting. All supplies will be provided but workshop participants are asked to bring a hairdryer to speed up the paint drying time. Also if you are making an 8x8' block, please let Regina know the colors you are interested in using so Anna Rose can make sure to have enough of that color paint. Anna Rose will bring books with block ideas and patterns, or you can bring your own.

Treasurer: Kat Fife announced a total of \$14, 374.17 in checking, money market or petty cash (\$30). **Secretary:** Nancy Hart Kline read thank you's from the Louisburg Agape Food Pantry and Gerald Kramer, who received a Vet's Appreciation Quilt. Mr. Kramer also donated \$100 toward that project.

Community Service: Joyce Geiger reminded us about the Saturday, August 6, 1:00 presentation for Veteran's Appreciation Quilts to those residing around Louisburg. It will be at the First Christian Church, 602 N. First St. (one block north of Amity/68 Hwy and visible from Amity). We anticipate about 140 quilts to be presented so MANY volunteers are needed to help! This will be our last presentation, and Joyce asked if you have a quilt for a friend or spouse for this presentation to please let her know ASAP so it gets included.

Jackie McLean introduced several ideas for future charitable projects including: pillow cases and purchased pillows for children in foster care; tote bags for children in foster care; quilts, pillow cases, bags for residents of the domestic abuse shelter that has recently linked to Miami Co. Jackie will arrange some sew dates for these activities for 2017. Also Jane Drugg provided a list of items needed for the domestic violence residents for the newsletter.

Youth Outreach: Cee reminded us that Friday, July 29, 2-6pm at the Fairgrounds #4 Bldg we will host a booth for children to drop-in and make a mug rug (coaster). Cee will have the materials needed there but volunteers with their sewing machine are needed (about 6 each shift). If you can help, and did not already get signed up, please contact Cee ASAP. She also reported that the Kid's Camp was another great success this year with 26 kids and parent/grandparent(including one g-pa!).

Opportunity Quilts—2016 is available for check-out—give Jenny a heads up of at least two days to allow her to disassemble the display rack; she also has tickets and if you are turning tickets into her, make sure they are in an envelope with YOUR NAME on the outside. Nancy Hart Kline says Opportunity Quilt 2017 will get the final flowers on it soon and get quilted. **BOM**—Cindy Toburen introduced the Balkan Puzzle and said the directions show 4 colors but she used 3 cause there wasn't enough contrast—either works fine.

SHOWS: KCRQF—Kat Fife announced a boutique workshop for July 30—you can either bring projects you have planned for the boutique or she will have some patterns for items for kids or pets—if planning to do the patterns she has please bring poly stuffing (not bat); clear vinyl; pet screen(this is the name of it, it's a plastic screening found at JoAnne's or Hobby Lobby or Michaels). **Drag N' Brag:** Chris Wheaton, show chair, announced that items for boutique (Nancy Crowley); door prizes and raffle basket(Carol Cooper), Quilts around the Square (Lonnie Vopat—and needed by early August), and silent auction are needed! Sign-ups for volunteering at the show were available and will be again at the August meeting. Quilt entry forms will be available at the August meeting and must be turned in no later than the Sept. meeting.

Old Business: Cee explained to the membership that having the 4H Foundation handle the \$500 scholarship fund set up to honor Nada Thoden had run into some snafu's(limitation of amount, limitation of recipient being a FACS related major, holding over as a separate scholarship if not awarded some year, etc) and that the MCQG Board is recommending setting up our own scholarship committee to award to any Miami Co. resident that is pursuing a FACS related major in college. The motion to do this was made by Connie Epp and 2nd by Jeanne Aiken and approved by membership. Committee volunteers are : Mary Buchman, Marilyn Barbour Gray, Laura Davids and Nancy Hart Kline.

New Business: Fall Retreat: Oct 18-20 at Tall Oaks. Registration forms are available with the newsletter and first payment was due at the July meeting—if you missed the meeting mail the payment and registration form to Karen Ulanski NOW as she already had 25 registrants.

Cee announced the nominees for 2017 office and ballots where passed out and a vote taken. The following are the **2017 officers:** President-Nancy Hart Kline; 1st VP/Membership—Connie Epp; 2nd VP/Programs—Diana Cook; Treasurer—Kathy Havelka; Secretary—Regina York. Pamela Hill will stay on as the Historian. **Challenge Winners**—In the Garden by Karen McCracken; Old Rugged Cross by Connie Epp; Itsy Bitsy, Teeny Weeny, Yellow Polka-dot Bikini—Linda Town; ByeBye Blackbird—Tricia Culbertson; As My Guitar Gently Weeps—Connie Spillman.

Birthdays were read and a show and share followed adjournment. Adjournment moved by Elaine Elliott and 2nd by Glenda Moore.

Meeting Time & Place

<u>Our next meeting is August 4, 2016.</u> We meet at the Paola Community Center, Paola, KS, at 10am and repeat at 7pm. Please remember to silence your cellphone! Guests are welcome to check us out for up to two meetings before membership.

UPCOMING WORKSHOPS & Programs:

All workshops start at **9am and go to 3pm** unless noted otherwise and are at the Paola Community Center unless otherwise noted. Lunch is on your own.

Meeting programs:

August—members on prepping a quilt for the Drag N' Brag (see Regina to be a presenter)
Sept—viewing/"judging" miniatures & silent auction items for show
October—Lisa McIntyre "Traveling Button Museum"
November—Carol Gilham Jones "Tile Quilts"
Dec—Annual Christmas potluck

Workshops : July 30—KCRQF Boutique workshop: either bring your own boutique projects to work on or Kat Fife will have patterns for items—materials needed are: poly stuffing (not bat); clear vinyl; "pet screen"—a plastic screening by this name found at JoAnne's, Hobby Lobby, etc. So far this boutique has no items!!

Aug 27—Barn Quilt with AnnaRose Hart White. Your fees for this class needed to be paid no later than the July meeting. If you missed the meeting, contact Regina York immediately. If you plan to do an 8x8' block, please let Regina York know NOW the colors planned so AnnaRose can make sure enough paint is available. Also, while your block supplies will be provided, please bring a hair dryer to speed paint drying. AnnaRose will have some pattern books and ideas but you may bring your own. NOTE: THIS WORKSHOP MEETS AT BLDG 4 OF THE MICO FAIRGROUNDS!

July Challenge

Thank you to Sue Pierce and Karen Kiss for arranging this challenge! And to all that participated, a big thank you too—we have such creative members! Winners are: In the Garden by Karen McCracken; Old Rugged Cross by Connie Epp; Itsy Bitsy, Teeny Weeny, Yellow Polka dot bikini by Linda Town; Bye Bye Blackbird by Tricia Culbertson; As My Guitar Gently Weeps by Connie Spillman.

(personal request! Would the person that made the round "basket" please make a bunch more for the silent auction or boutique?? Maybe kid friendly prints?? ③)

Website

Our new webmaster, Karen Kiss, is doing a great job keeping up with all of us! But if you have pictures for her, send to <u>kikiss@hotmail.com</u> also send pictures and info to Ruthe Goff for the FB page.

2017 Officers

President: Nancy Hart Kline 1st VP/Membership—Connie Epp 2nd VP/Programs—Diana Cook Treasurer: Kathy Havelka Secretary: Regina York Historian: Pamela Hill

Youth Outreach

KIDS CAMP—another huge success! Thank you, Cee Kueser and Laurie Jacklovich! 26 kids and "helpers".

Miami Co. Fair, July 29, 2-5pm, MAKE & TAKE BOOTH FOR KIDS—Will be in the air conditioned building and 6-7 quilters and their machines will be needed to assist children making a mug rug (coaster) as they "drop in". *if you can help and did not get signed up for one of the two shifts at the July meeting, please contact Cee Kueser ASAP—more hands on deck are needed!*

Community Service Projects

Veteran's Appreciation Quilts presentation scheduled SATURDAY, AUGUST 6, 1-4:30 AT THE FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH OF LOUISBURG. This is our last presentation and Joyce says about 140 quilts are expected. IF YOU HAVE A QUILT FOR A FRIEND OR SPOUSE PLEASE LET JOYCE KNOW NOW SO SHE CAN GET IT LISTED. Many volunteers are needed! The church is at 602 N. First, one block north of Amity/68 Hwy and visible from Amity.

With the Vet's Quilt project wrapping up (whew!!), Jackie McLean has investigated some charitable projects for 2017. These include pillow cases & purchased pillows for foster children; tote bags for foster children; and quilts/pillow cases/bags for residents of the domestic abuse shelter that we now have a Mi Co link to. Safehome, the domestic abuse shelter, is already in need of: 4-5T pull ups; bath towels, swim diapers & adult swim suits; ramen noodles, healthy snacks; cereal, bowls & spoons; plastic cups, juice (any flavor), flip flops; cleaning supplies, (baby friendly) laundry detergent. Items can be brought to the guild meetings and either Jackie or Jane Drugg will take them to Safehome in Mi.Co.

Kansas City Regional Quilt Fest

Even though the KCRQF is still 10 **months away**, it's time to start thinking about it. Don't forget that those of you doing the Display challenge (Plexiglass challenge) will need to have the quilt ready by May 1. Also, this year, show entries, class registrations, and volunteer (for the show—our separate boutique booth volunteers will be handled at Guild meetings) will be done via the website. And also remember that our Guild received close to \$4000 in profit sharing last show which has allowed us to purchase some teaching items, arranged more paid programs, and generally not worry about money for these items—but the show in 2017 profit sharing for guilds will be based entirely on volunteer NUMBERS, not just Guild membership numbers—so please get this on your calendar and plan to help. While our Guild is responsible for hanging/take down of quilts, you can volunteer for any job at the show.

Kat Fife & Linda Rogers are the Show Boutique organizers and really hope to see you at the July 30 boutique item workshop (see above). Kat will be out of town during the actual show and would appreciate someone willing to help on those dates.

Retreats

Ruth Fladung and Donna Overbay are chairs for this Oct. 18-20 retreat at Tall Oaks. Karen Ulanski is taking registration forms NOW—first payment should have been at the July meeting—if you missed it please MAIL YOUR REGISTRATION FORM AND PAYMENT TO KAREN ASAP! She reports she already has 25 registrants.

Block of the Month

Karen McCracken and Cindy Toburen showed Balkan Puzzle. While the directions call for 4 colors of fabric, Cindy made her's with only 3 as she said she wasn't getting enough contrast with 4. She said either way you choose will work.

Opportunity Quilts

2016--we need to get busy selling tickets on this quilt NOW! It is 96x108", a star pattern in KS Troubles fabric and beautifully quilted--see it at the Lil' Red Hen or **check it out to take to an event and sell tickets**. Extra tickets and \$\$/ticket **in an envelope with your name (**to get credit) turn in to Jenny at the Lil' Red Hen. Pictures of the quilt are being made for members to use in selling tickets and can be picked up at the Lil' Red Hen.

2017—Our "Kansas Meadows" quilt measures appox. 96x106 and is nearly ready for quilting after Laura Davids & Ruthe Goff work their magic placing the rest of the flowers.

REMEMBER--PROFITS GO TOWARD OUR PROGRAMS & WORKSHOPS!

FYI

MCQG members are displaying their quilts at the Miami Co. Extension office (monthly). Go by and see: July--Nancy Hart Kline August—Annalee Nelson Sept—Pamela Hill Paola Library Displays: July--Shirley Walker Aug—Connie Epp Sept—Silent Auction items

Have a "bleeder" ? That quilt may not be ruined afterall—check out Margaret Soloman Gunn's blog on this problem at www.quiltsoflove.blogspot.com click under Finishing details part 1, Jan. 24, 2016 for directions using Dawn dishwashing soap.

Trying to improve your machine quilting skills on your domestic sewing machine? Check out Leah Day's blogs for lots of ideas and directions.

And just want to see awesome quilts, be able to ask questions about quilting, etc? Register for the QuiltingBoard.com word of caution—it's easy to spend wayyy too much time on this site!

Drag N' Brag Show

Chis Wheaton, show chair, had volunteer sign ups for us at the July meeting and will again in August. She announced that entries will be available at the Aug. meeting and MUST be turned in no later than the Sept. meeting. She also reminded us of the following:

Drag N' Brag Show—Lonnie Vopat reminds us to consider donating a quilt to be used for "Quilts Around the Square" as a way to promote the show. All quilt sales will go to the Guild and quilts not sold will go into the show boutique. Lonnie would like to have these up sometime in August—so get busy! Drag N' Brag Boutique Items—Nancy Crowley is heading this effort and needs items! Remember you are earning credits toward that 2017 membership!

Drag N' Brag Door Prizes & Raffle Baskets & "Quilts Around the Square" - donations of precuts, notions, etc needed—Carol Cooper is collecting items—please help with this

Birthdays

Kat Fife 8/3 Mary Seibert 8/3 Margaret Baldwin 8/4 Verna Garrett 8/18 Mary Hankin 8/4 Helen Blakeman 8/6

Nancy Hart Kline 8/14 Alethea Parscale 8/17 Shelby Minden 8/20 Terri Weis 8/20

Lillie Lacy 8/21 Georgia Wehmeier 8/24 Cathy Cooper 8/26 Chris Wheaton 8/26 Becky Maimer 8/30 Mary Ann Thornton 8/30

Food Pantry

With school out, many families will be missing support for 2 meals a day regularly eaten at school. *Please be sure that your donations are not expired.* Also, feminine hygiene supplies can NOT be purchased with SNAP (food stamps) & are needed. Monetary donations are appreciated also and starting next month you may write a check.

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Calendar of Events

QUILTS OF APPRECIATION TO VETS IN LOUISBURG AREA, AUG 6, 1-4:30, FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH OF LOUISBURG. MANY Guild members needed to help.

Grter KC Quilt Guild, "From Stash to Treasures" Show, Aug 26-27 (10-6pm. \$3/day, Abdallah Shrine Temple, 5300 Metcalf Ave, OP, KS <u>www.quiltguildofgkc.org</u>

SunFlower Piecmakers 32nd Annual Show, Sept. 10, 10-5pm, Goppert Bldg, 15th & Ash, Ottawa, KS \$3. Ozark Piecemakers Quilt Show, Sept. 8-10 (Thur & Fri 9-5; Sat 9-4). Ozark Empire Fairgrounds E*Plex,Springfield MO \$8 or 3 day pass \$18. Opqgshow.com (quilt appraisals by appt. Contact Diane Williams at <u>quiltndi1@yahoo.com</u>

MCQG Drag N' Brag Show—Sept. 24-25, Paola Middle School, Paola, KS KC Regional Quilt Fest, June 15-17, 2017 OP Convention Center <u>www.kcrqf.com</u> or facebook.com/kcrqf