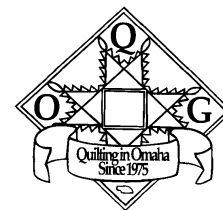


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# The Official Publication of the Omaha Quilters Guild

Next OQG meeting: Tuesday, September 14, 2004 at 7:00 pm.

Next newsletter  
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September 21, 2004

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### Editorial Note:

As we are all aware, there were numerous problems related to the last Newsletter, including the omission of two articles. We are in the process of working more directly with the printer in order to insure that the quality of printing meets all of our expectations. This includes changing some of the format printing. You deserve, and we want, the Best of Newsletters.

Welcome to a new year of quilting. The gremlins were busy at the print shop and for some reason page four was printed twice and the material for page 3 was left out. I am including most of the information from the article for those quilters who do not have access to the yahoo list. Barb VanTrump is the new Vice President/Programs and will be out of town for the September meeting and miss all of the fun. I will be handling the registration for Sally Collins' classes.

A wonderful year of speakers and activities has been planned for all of you. In September we will have Sally Collins from Walnut Creek, California with us. Sally is an expert in Small Scale Quiltmaking. Her style of work combines two primary ingredients. One is the technical challenge of precision workmanship and attention to detail. The second is the creative challenge of designing from a full-scale perspective and then sewing in a smaller scale. She is the author of **SMALL SCALE QUILTING**.

I didn't have samples of her work to share at the May meeting, but she has sent me information and photos of the class projects that will be on the OQG Web Page soon and are on bulletin boards at the local quilt shops. She will present a "Trunk Show" with real quilts at the meeting on September 14, 2004. Her first workshop will be on Sunday, September 12 from 9 am - 4 pm on "Small Pieced Baskets" This class will stress precision sewing and is for all levels. On Monday, September 13, 2004 from 9 am - 4 pm, she will offer a workshop on "Framed Dou-

for all levels and uses four patches and some hand appliqué to develop the design. She tells me it is very easy and makes a beautiful gift. The cost for each of the classes will be \$20 for members and \$30 for nonmembers of the guild and will be held at Country Inns and Suites.

For the October meeting we have invited JoAnn Belling from Des Moines, Iowa to be with us. She had a wonderful prize winning quilt entered in the River City Roundup Quilt Stampede last year and has two quilts entered this year. She will be teaching two wonderful workshops for us. On Monday, October 11 she will teach "Japanese Colorwash Fan" from 9am - 4 pm. A change for our guild will be a class offered on Wednesday, October 13 from 1 - 7 pm, the day after the guild meeting. Her workshop will be on her prize winning quilt, "Snippets in Design". We need to have members start to save snippets of fabric they might otherwise throw away and bring to guild in September for use in the class. Photos for both of the workshops will also be on the OQG Web Page. You may also want to go to her website: [www.joannbelling.com](http://www.joannbelling.com) to look at the project and read more about her. I will have samples to show at the first meeting of the year. Both of her classes will be held at the Regency Park Inn on Pacific. Barb will be in charge of registration for JoAnn's classes. Each of her workshops will be \$20 for member and \$30 for non-members.

The "Japanese Colorwash Fan" quilt is a workshop to use and grade colorwash fabrics. The

circle wedge ruler. Various methods to appliqué the fans to the background will be discussed. You may want to add embellishments, piping and quilting to complete your art piece. A fun class to let your imagination run wild.

She suggests that you use the kits she will have available for the workshop for \$45 each. They will include the 9 degree ruler you need to make the project. They MUST be ordered from JoAnn at least 1 week before the workshop at her email address [tbelling@aol.com](mailto:tbelling@aol.com). She will also have plastic rulers available for class members for \$1. You do not need to order these in advance.

For the Wednesday class you will need to bring a drawing, photo, or greeting card of a picture you would like to make. She will show you how to add the fabrics and embellishments you have selected to complete your project. You do not need to be able to machine quilt to complete this project. It is another opportunity for you to let your imagination take control and produce a work of art the size and theme you desire.

Our own Nancy Peters will be our guest in November. She will teach two workshops for us. One is her "Coral Reef" on Sunday, November 7, from 1 - 7 pm. Members will have the chance to enroll in "Fun With Embellishments" on Monday, November 8 from 1 - 4 pm. She will have samples to share with us and tell us all about the projects at the September meeting. The "Coral Reef" will have a kit available for purchase from Nancy along with your other supply information.

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## New Quilting Year (continued from Page 1)

There have been some changes in the rest of the year's schedule. December brings the great Holiday gathering with stocking, raffle, and the great auction. In January we will have a fun panel of experts who will answer all of your quilting questions. Lynn Hagmeier from the Kansas Trouble Quilters will be with us at the February meeting. Her classes will be on Saturday and Sunday before guild meeting. You

might want to consider getting a group together and sign up for both of her classes and book a room or two at the hotel and have a mini retreat. Our March speaker, Mimi Dietrich, had to make a change in our schedule and will not be able to be with us in 2005, but she will be with us in 2006. In March members who have unfinished quilt tops will be able to show them in a fun evening mini show - "To Finish

or Not - Quilts Started before 2000". April brings Robbi Joy Eklow to Omaha with her hand dyeing workshop and one of her "Choose to Fuse" classes. We will finish out the year with Mary Mayfield who will share her memories of her visit to our sister guild in Tanzania.

We hope that you will find something of interest this year and sign up for a class or two this year. The guild workshops are a

way for you to get to know nationally recognized speakers and learn from them from a convenient location,

Barb VanTrump  
Carol McCann

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## Membership

As of August 7th, I have 230 membership renewals out of 458 members. The deadline (and I do mean the deadline) for renewals, if you want to appear in this year's membership book, will be midnight September 14th.

The membership books will be available at the October meeting. If you are unsure whether or not you have renewed, please look on

the label of this newsletter. If there is a 03 you have NOT renewed. If there is a 04 you Have renewed.

The membership committee has met this summer and we are getting things underway. If any of you are new to the guild, or don't belong to a small group, or haven't really gotten acquainted with many other members, or are shy and don't make friends easy, or don't

have anyone to sit with or chum around with...join our committee. You won't be burdened with chores for the rest of the year. We will have something you can help with at each meeting. If you arrive a little early stop and lend us a hand. This is a great spot to meet people and hopefully have a little fun. Do you have a few thank-you cards left over from some event you

would like to clean out of your closet. Please consider the membership table. Each month we include one with each door prize we hand out and your donations would help us keep our expenses down a little.

Linda Sommerville

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## Q is for Quilts

The dates have been officially set, the 2005 Omaha Quilters' Guild Show, "Q is for Quilts" will be held again at Millard South High School June 2 - 5. The Members only showing will be held on Thursday evening from 6:30 - 9 pm. This is a chance for members to come and view the quilts, find out the winning quilts, shop at the vendor mall, and visit with other friends. The best thing about

the evening is that the night is admission free. The show will open at 9 am on Friday morning and be open until 7 pm. Saturday will find us viewing quilts from 9 am - 6 pm. Sunday will be from 12 pm - 4 pm. It should be a fun weekend for everyone so mark your calendars and start quilting so you will have a quilt in the show for everyone to admire.

Alice Cruz is planning a

wonderful challenge project for members and will be at the September meeting to explain the theme and show you the wonderful fabric she and her partner will have prepared to you to use in your quilt. It should be fun for everyone who likes to do challenge quilts.

We will be asking for volunteers to help organize the show in the next month. Please be thinking of what you would like

to do for the guild to help make the show a fabulous event for everyone.

Kathy Smith  
Carol McCann

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## Fabric Exchange

A special thank you to all members who shared fabric at the exchange table in 2003. I would like to challenge all members to bring a "fat quarter" or more to the September meeting. Lets start out in Sep-

tember with "fall or Halloween fabric". This way we could have a good selection for the exchange. In October bring Christmas fabric which could be used to make Christmas Stockings for the Christmas

Party. I know you will have a fall fabric, so lets start to fill a stash for our members to share. Don't forget about the "Wont Board" since some members may have what you need. Bring a sample "4

inches" and we will see what can be done to find it a needy home.

Judy Sellers, Arlene Wise and Sandy Finke

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## Notes from the President

Boy has this been a fast summer or what. I hope you were able to get in some quilting. I'm looking forward to your show and tell. We have some exciting speakers this year starting with Sally Collins in September. Sally is giving two workshops, Small Pieced Baskets on Sept 12<sup>th</sup> and Framed Double Wedding Ring on Sept 13<sup>th</sup>. Pictures of the projects are available at the local quilt

shops as well as on the OQG website. The supply lists for the classes are also available on the website. A complete list of the programs for 2004-2005 are located in this newsletter and on the website. Make it a goal this year to take at least one workshop through OQG. The workshops are your opportunity to learn new techniques from both national and local instructors.

The Raffle Quilt will be unveiled at the September meeting. For those of you new to the guild, the raffle quilt helps to support our educational programs and community projects. Raffle Tickets will be available starting in September. Show your support by stopping by the Raffle Ticket table to pickup a book of tickets.

been busy this summer preparing for the new year. Stop by their tables to see what is new. Hope to see you at the September meeting.

Elizabeth Kannedy, President

The Committee Chairs have

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## Volunteers Needed For a Fun Day

The 2nd River City Roundup will be at the Quest Center, September 21st through 26th. We have over 200 quilts from the Midwest area as well as 16 vendors. They will bring new products, ideas and fabrics. This will give you a great chance to shop.

We need your help as a "Volunteer" to help make this event bigger and better. Volunteers are needed for the following: Setup, Takedown, White Glove, Quilt Checkout, Judging, Raffle Quilt, and helping the vendors. Please come and bring several friends to help as well as check out the

## River City Roundup

vendors and food stands. Make a day of fun and enjoyment. Call Judy Sellers at 712-366-2454 to sign up. We will use your help at any time of the day or night. The regular shifts are 10 to 7 Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday and 9 to 4 Sunday. Come to the Guild meeting September

14 ready to sign up.

Thanks

Judy

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## Strippers and Strips Wanted

### Strippers Wanted!

Pat Sears is assembling a team of strip-quilters to work in the demo area for the River City Roundup Quilt Stampede. We will be inviting the public to learn to strip-quilt with an organized project called "Quilting in the Ballroom". We will be making fun and easy kids quilts! Please call Pat @ 554-

1522 if you'd like to help.

### Strips Wanted!

For our RCRQS kids quilts, I am asking for donations of fabric in quarter yard cuts ("fats" do NOT work). We are needing kids prints and brights. We will also need the same style fabrics in 1-1/2 yard pieces. I will have a collection

## River City Roundup

box at the September meeting for those who'd like to contribute. The Warm Company has made a very nice donation of Soft and Bright batts for this project. This is a brand new product for them—come by the RCRQS "Quilting in the Ballroom" area to check it out! Thanks in advance for all you do—there is nothing in the

world like "Quilter-Power ."

Pat Sears

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## Children's Emergency Fund

This year's stocking challenge fabric is a yummy flannel. Come by our table to pick up your packet and get a jump on the holiday season. Packets are available for a

donation of \$2.00 each, which includes the stocking pattern. Deadline for stockings will be the week of December 6-11. The challenge fabric must be included

somewhere on the front of the stocking. Stockings may be quilted or not, lined or unlined. Please remember to include a hanging loop.

HO!HO! HO!

Pat Sears

## Omaha Quilters Guild Meeting Minutes

President Sandy Pihlgren opened the May meeting with a welcome to guests and members.

### Old Business

Sandy called for a vote of the presented slate of officers. They were accepted unanimously.

### New Officers for 2004-2005

President: Elizabeth Kannedy;

President Elect: Dee Acklie;

Vice President/Programs: Barb Van Trump;

Corresponding Secretary: Janet Koch;

Recording Secretary (2yr term):

Darlene Hollwager;

Treasurer (2nd of 2yr term): Joan Workman;

Advisor/Past President: Sandy Pihlgren.

### New Business

#### Committee Reports

Joan Workman, Treasurer - If you have outstanding vouchers, you may pick up a check the last day of the quilt show.

Dee Davis, Helping Hands - needed, 6 inch squares of children's fabric for quilt for helping

hands.

Fabric Exchange/Want Board - JoAnn Wer announced that if you need more of a fabric, bring a sample and members can see if they have some to help you out.

If you bring fabric, you can take fabric in exchange.

Mary Lou Zday, Block Exchange - There were 24 blocks turned in, 2 members won 12 blocks each.

Christine Phillips, Raffle Quilt Mom - asked members to turn in sold tickets and please take more to sell.

Fall Retreat - The application for the Fall Retreat was in the May Newsletter, The Theme will be Holiday Quilts and there will be projects for each Holiday. There is limited space, mail your application on or after the first of June.

Library - Arlan Gerhardt announced that the books are coming back nicely dried. She thanked those who helped.

Quilt Show - Dee Acklie asked members to take a blue flyer ad-

vertising the Show and "Paper the Town". She needs people to sign up to help at the show. Times are, Thursday, 7 - 9, Members Only; Friday, 9 - 7, Saturday, 9 - 6, Sunday, 12 - 4. and for Sunday take-down.

LaVonne Dunetts announced times and places for quilt drop-off.

Mary Mayfield, Sister Guild, talked about her trip to Tanzania.

She is asking for donations of quilting tools to take with her for them. She has made a king size quilt to raffle to help defray the cost of the trip. If you send her a check with your address on it, she will send you the tickets.

Carol McCann, Programs, announced that Sharon Rexroad will be lecturing at the show.

Members who have taken a class this year may get a free ticket.

Shelly Burge, NSQG President, gave information on Quilt Nebraska, in Lincoln, July 23 - 26.

Membership, Linda Somerville, announced there are 444 mem-

bers for 2003-4 there were 6 guests, and she has received 100 renewals for next year.

Sandy Pihlgren thanked the board, the committee chairs, and members for all the help this year. She presented small patriotic wall hangings as thank you gifts.

She introduced next years president, Elizabeth Kannedy. Elizabeth announced that there are many positions to be filled. Please volunteer to help.

Sandy Closed the meeting.

Carol McCann introduced the speaker, Kathy Delaney from the Kansas City Area. Kathy showed many of her beautiful quilts.

Respectfully submitted:

Marj Ostransky

## OQG Board Meeting Minutes

Omaha Quilters Guild  
Board of Directors Meeting  
August 10, 2004  
Papillion Public Library

President Elizabeth Kannedy called the meeting to order at 8:05 p.m. She welcomed the new board members and asked everyone to introduce themselves.

Present were Elizabeth Kannedy, Liz Oswald, Eva Arps, Janet Koch, Gail Elsasser, Arlene Wise, Judy Sellers, Barb Van Trump, Margie Wallace, Darlene Hollwager, Linda Somerville, Richi Dennis, and guests Sue Volkmer and Monica Murcek.

President Kannedy reminded everyone of the newsletter deadline of August 18. Articles may be mailed or emailed. They are working with the printer to get the newsletter glitches worked out.

### Old Business:

President Kannedy stated there was a change in the March pro-

gram. The contract for the March speaker was for 2006, not 2005. Members will be asked to bring in unquilted tops for the March program.

Richi Dennis has filled the position of Quilt Registry. There is a possibility that Education and Quilt Mom may be filled; the position of Properties remains open.

### New Business:

Membership had their meeting on August 7. There was a response from eight people interested in working with that committee. They are looking for ways to gain new members to the guild and are considering printing flyers to play in quilt shops with information about the guild and programs for the year. As of this date, only 230 out of 450 members have renewed their membership. Discussion was held on establishing an early deadline for payment of due for inclusion in the membership book, in order to have the book ready for

the first meeting in September.

Discussion was held whether merchants not giving a discount to guild members or door prizes should be listed in the membership book free or to charge them. Barb Van Trump made a motion to call each merchant once, at the beginning of the new guild year, to ask for donation for door prizes for one or two months during the year, and when to pick them up, and to continue with free inclusion in the membership book. Judy Sellers seconded. Yeas: all. Nays: none. Motion passed.

Discussion was held on the number of membership books to print. The decision was made to leave the number of books printed at 450.

Sue Volkmer, as a quilt shop owner, reiterated that a flyer for the quilt shops was a good idea. She suggested using a tri-fold flyer with colored paper, and to include a membership form.

Quilt Registry chair Richi Dennis raised the question of why wall hangings were not included in the registry. That will be researched and reported on at a later meeting.

The budget was reviewed and discussed and will be presented to the membership.

President Kannedy reminded committee chairs that they were responsible for what was written in the membership book about their committee.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Darlene Hollwager  
Recording Secretary

## Treasurer's Report

Account name	2003-04 BUDGET	2003-04 ACTUAL	2004-05 BUDGET	2004-05 YTD
<b>Income</b>				
Membership	\$ 8,200.00	\$ 8,875.00	\$ 8,800.00	\$ 4,324.00
Fundraising Quilt	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,506.00	\$ 3,500.00	
Quilt Show	\$ 16,000.00	\$ 15,176.00	\$ 18,000.00	
Programs	\$ 6,200.00	\$ 4,191.22	\$ 4,000.00	
Ways and Means	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 402.95	\$ 500.00	
Fall Retreat			\$ 9,845.00	\$ 9,782.00
Intrest	\$ 50.00	\$ 17.97	\$ 20.00	\$ 1.75
Board Registry Library				
Sister Guild Properties		\$ 85.25	\$ 275.00	
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$ 34,950.00</b>	<b>\$ 32,254.39</b>	<b>\$ 44,665.00</b>	<b>\$ 14,382.75</b>
<b>Expenses</b>				
Block Exchange	\$ 20.00	\$ 20.00	\$ 20.00	
Board Expense	\$ 450.00	\$ 128.00	\$ 150.00	\$ 4.00
Capital Expense	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,640.16	\$ 500.00	
CEF	\$ 30.00		\$ 30.00	
County/State Fairs	\$ 75.00		\$ 100.00	
Education	\$ 100.00		\$ 100.00	
Fall Retreat			\$ 9,845.00	\$ 1,751.13
Fixed Expenses	\$ 6,200.00	\$ 2,837.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 1,150.60
Fundraising Quilt	\$ 600.00	\$ 314.00	\$ 580.00	\$ 600.42
Helping Hands	\$ 250.00	\$ 286.04	\$ 250.00	
Historian	\$ 350.00	\$ 243.73	\$ 300.00	
Library	\$ 200.00	\$ 250.38	\$ 500.00	
Membership	\$ 800.00	\$ 1,142.87	\$ 1,150.00	
Newsletter	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,006.17	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 443.60
Programs	\$ 13,000.00	\$ 13,777.01	\$ 13,500.00	
Quilt Show	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 8,328.44	\$ 10,000.00	
Raffle Tickets	\$ 200.00	\$ 228.98	\$ 250.00	
Registry	\$ 100.00	\$ 56.98	\$ 60.00	
Rising Stars	\$ 30.00		\$ 20.00	
Sister Guild	\$ 250.00	\$ 85.25	\$ 50.00	
Small Groups/New Members	\$ 35.00	\$ 4.28		
Steering/Long Term Plan	\$ 10.00		\$ 10.00	
Ways and Means	\$ 500.00	\$ 634.95	\$ 500.00	
Web Site	\$ 300.00	\$ 76.51	\$ 250.00	
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 41,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 33,060.75</b>	<b>\$ 44,665.00</b>	<b>\$ 3,949.75</b>
<b>Balance</b>	<b>\$ (6,050.00)</b>	<b>\$ (806.36)</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 10,433.00</b>

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## Calendar of Events

October 11, 2004 9 am – 4 pm

Workshop by JoAnn Belling from Des Moines, Iowa  
"Japanese Colorwash Fan"  
Regency Park Inn on Pacific

October 12, 2004

OQG Rising Stars 6 pm  
OQG Monthly Meeting 7 pm  
Speaker: JoAnn Belling from Des Moines, Iowa  
"Trunk Show"

October 13, 2004 1 pm – 7 pm

Workshop by JoAnn Bedlling from Des Moines, Iowa  
"Snippets in Design"  
Regency Park Inn on Pacific

November 7, 2004 1 pm - 7 pm

Workshop by Nancy Peters  
"Coral Reef"  
Location: To be announced

November 8, 2004 1pm – 4 pm

Workshop by Nancy Peters  
"Fun with Embellishment"  
Location: To be announced

November 9, 2004

OQG Rising Stars 6 pm  
OQG Monthly Meeting 7 pm  
Speaker: Nancy Peters  
"Confessions of a Third Generation Quilter"

December 14, 2004

OQG Rising Stars 6 pm  
OQG Monthly Meeting 7 pm  
"Holiday Gathering"

January 11, 2005

OQG Rising Stars 6 pm  
OQG Monthly Meeting 7 pm  
"Panel of Experts"  
(Deb Cizek, Cindy Erickson, Kathy Human, Shelly Burge, and Patty Kennedy)

February 5, 2005 1 pm – 7 pm

Workshop by Lynn Hagermeier, Kansas Trouble Quilters  
"Raw Edge Applique Quilt"

February 6, 2005 1pm – 4 pm

Workshop by Lynn Hagermeier, Kansas Trouble Quilters  
"Hand Blanket-Stitching on Wool"  
Location: To be announced

February 8, 2005

OQG Rising Stars 6 pm  
OQG Monthly Meeting 7 pm  
Speaker: Lynn Hagermeier, Kansas Trouble Quilters  
"KTG – From the Beginning"

March 8, 2005

OQG Rising Stars 6 pm  
OQG Monthly Meeting 7 pm  
"To Finish or Not" – Show of unquilted Tops started before 2000

April 10, 2005 10 am – 5 pm

Workshop by Robbi Joy Eklow  
"Beyond the Bucket and Baggy Fabric Dyeing"  
Location: To be announced

April 11, 2005 9 am - 4 pm

Workshop by Robbi Joy Eklow  
"Choose to Fuse: Gears"  
Location: To be announced

April 12, 2005

OQG Rising Stars 6 pm  
OQG Monthly Meeting 7 pm  
Speaker: Robbi Joy Eklow  
"Choose to Fuse"

May 10, 2005

OQG Rising Stars 6 pm  
OQG Monthly Meeting 7 pm  
Speaker: Mary Mayfield  
"The African Connection – Our Sister to Sister Guild, Fabric, Friendship, and More"

Location of all OQG Rising Star and Monthly Meetings:

Westside Community Education Center  
3534 South 108 ST, Omaha, NE

See OQG Website for additional Quilt Shows etc

[www.omahaquiltersguild.org](http://www.omahaquiltersguild.org)

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## OQG YAHOO GROUP

OQG200102 Is a list-serve forum for the OQG. This is a Yahoo Computer list at [www.groups.yahoo.com](http://www.groups.yahoo.com).

It is private and available only to OQG members who wish to be on it. If you are a

current member with an e-mail address, you will be on this list. Of course you always have the option to unsubscribe. However, then you will miss out on information on this list. Some guidelines are:

1. Please direct your message to the whole group. E-mail friends privately.
2. No flaming. Let's be respectful.
3. Please put your name at the end of your e-mail.

If you have suggestions or comments, please contact me.

Marge Bresel

ROW, ROW, ROW YOUR QUILT  
Block Exchange October 2004  
Row of Two Patches / Two Color Quilt Block

October's block is the Streak of Lightening made of half square triangles (two patches). This is going to be a scrappy block in medium to dark blues and whites. If you use four different blues and four different whites, you can actually make two blocks very easily.

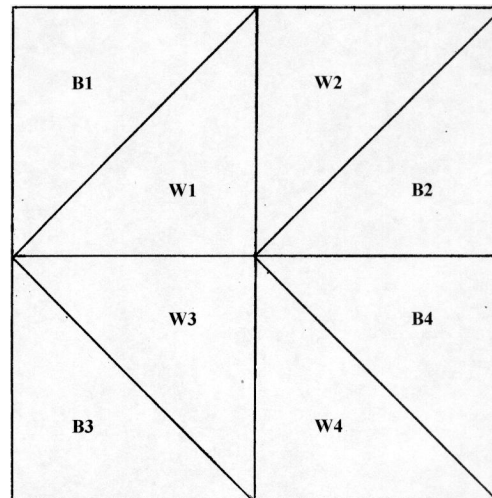
CUT:

4- 5 7/8 inch squares, cut each square diagonally. Use four different medium to dark blue fabrics.

4- 5 7/8 inch squares, cut each square diagonally. Use four different white fabrics. Do NOT use cream or off white.

SEW:

1. Sew a blue half square triangle to a white half square triangle. Mix and match all the blues and whites.
2. Sew four of the blue/white squares together, following the diagram below.



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2004-05 OQG Workshop Registration Form

Please register using this form. September Classes Send your Check (payable to OQG) and stamped self-addressed envelope to Carol McCann, 13954 P Street, Omaha, NE 68137

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Daytime Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Carol: Please sign me up for:

Sunday, September 12, "Small Pieced Baskets" with Sally Collins, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
 Monday, September 13, "Framed Double Wedding Ring" with Sally Collins, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
Registration for both classes is Members \$20.00 Non-members \$30.00  
September classes at Country Inns and Suits, 11818 Miami

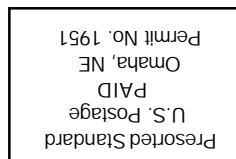
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Barb: Please sign me up for:

Monday, October 11, "Japanese Colorwash Fan" with JoAnn Belling, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
 Wednesday, October 13, "Snippets in Design" with JoAnn Belling, 1 p.m. to 7 p.m.  
Registration for both classes is Members \$20.00 Non-members \$30.00

A \$45.00 kit fee for "Japanese Colorwash Fan" will be available from the instructor. It will include the ruler for the project. It must be ordered at least a week in advance at JoAnn Belling's email address tbelling@aol.com. She will also have the rulers available for workshop participants at \$1.00. They do not need to be pre-ordered. You will pay her for the supplies at the workshop.

If you need to cancel your attendance at the class, we require seven days notice for a refund.



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Next OQG meeting: Tuesday, October 12, 2004 at 7:00 pm.

Next newsletter  
deadline:  
October 19, 2004

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## Fall Brings New Quilting Opportunities

JoAnn Belling will be with us for October. She will be giving two workshops. The first will be on Monday, October 11th, from 9am-4pm. "Japanese Colorwash Fan" is a beautiful project made using a circle wedge ruler and learning to use and grade colorwash fabrics. She has put together a kit for this project or you may use your own fabrics. If you would like the kit, you will need to order it at least one week prior to class by e-mailing her at .....  
tbelling@aol.com. The cost of the kit is \$45 and includes the fabrics and a 9 degree ruler needed for the project. She will also have plastic rulers available for class members for \$1.

The second workshop is based on using "snippets"

of fabric to create a fabric picture or collage. It is based on her prize winning quilt "Snippets in Design". This workshop is being held on Wednesday, October 13th, 1pm-7pm.

Carol showed samples of the workshops at the September Meeting, but if you missed that meeting you can go to her website and view them. The website is [www.joannbelling.com](http://www.joannbelling.com). If you had a chance to make it to the River City Roundup Quilt Stampede, you will have seen another of her wonderful pieces of work, sporting a ribbon.

Both of these classes will be held at the Regency Park Inn at 909 S. 107th Ave. There is still space in either class. The cost is \$20 for members and \$30

for non members.

For November our guest will be Nancy Peters. On Sunday, November 7, from 1pm-7pm, she will guide us in making "Coral Reef". I will have it to show at the October guild meeting. There is a kit available for purchase from Nancy, along with your other supply information. On Monday, November 8, from 1pm-4pm, Nancy will share with us "Fun With Embellishments". Both of these workshops will be held at Country Inn and Suites at 11818 Miami Street.

I am looking forward to seeing everyone at the next meeting and hope many of you will take advantage of these wonderful classes.

Barbara Van Trump

## Presidential Highlights

Last month's speaker Sally Collins really got the year off to a great start! She had information for every type of quilter whether you are interested in making small quilts or just looking for tips on improving your piecing. I was fortunate enough to get into her Sunday workshop on the small baskets. Boy were they small (1 7/8" fin-

ished) but....I picked up a lot of excellent information on piecing in general. I even found out I was using my ruler incorrectly. The workshop was well worth the money for the amount of information I walked away with. The October workshops with JoAnn Belling look interesting for those of you that can attend workshops during

weekdays.

You are missing out on one of the many benefits of belonging to the Omaha Quilters Guild if you don't take any of the workshops that are offered by the speakers. For those of you that are new to the guild, the guild supplements the cost which

makes them very affordable. I'm planning on taking more classes this year, I hope to see you there.

Elizabeth Kannedy

President

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## Caring Friends Auction

The theme for this year's auction is Songs of the Season. The live auction is held each year in December as a part of the fundraiser for The Children's Emergency Fund.

Articles for the auction are to be made by caring friends. Each item must have some quilting. The item should reflect

a song of the winter season. Please, make sure to attach a short description of your item including the song it represents and the names of individuals working on the item.

It's time to think of your favorite song and create it in fabric, beads, or wood. Please, let Dee Acklie know if you are

planning on having an item in the auction. Dee can be reached at [dee@acklie.net](mailto:dee@acklie.net) or by phone at 391-6061 (home) or 399-2606 (work).

Completed items may be dropped off at the regular quilt guild meetings in October or November. Items may also be dropped off at Acklie Insurance at 90th and

Blondo.  
Dee Acklie

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## Membership

The Membership Committee would like to thank our membership for their patience at the September Meeting. We have shipped the data to the printer for a total of 375

members. I also want to thank the terrific committee members we had at the table. Even though it was hectic, everything went smoothly with very little confusion.

Just a reminder, the membership dues are \$20.00 and should be sent to Linda Somerville along with a membership form which is available on the OQG website or can be

obtained at the monthly meeting.  
Linda Somerville

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## Childrens Emergency Fund Christmas Party

Angel Bags: Its not too early to begin putting aside some things for the children you are shopping for so you can fill your angel bag with lots

of goodies. Just remember safety and age issues when you are shopping; no small parts or sharp items for young ones, and no candies. If you prefer, you can purchase gift cards in the amount of \$25.00 from Shopko or Target. We will have the bags available next month. Questions: Call Peg Keenan at 451-4789.

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## Rising Stars

Rising Stars will meet in the first room inside the Westside Conference Center door at 6pm prior to our Omaha Quilt Guild

meeting.  
Thank you to Cindy who shared new patterns and fabrics for fall at our September meeting. Our

October Speaker will be demonstrating cutting techniques. And, we will have the stocking patterns available for our

holiday fundraiser.  
Keep on Quilting..  
Monica M, Becky M, and Mary M

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## Quilt Registry

The Quilt Registry is a historical record for bed size quilts for future reference of current quilts and current reference for insurance purposes if you have

a disaster in your home. I would like to see changes to include all sizes of quilted items. You will be getting a questionnaire at the October

meeting. This questionnaire will be to get the Guilds opinion on whether or not you want these changes.  
Happy Quilting

Richi Dennis

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## Calendar of Events

October 11, 2004 9 am – 4 pm

Workshop by JoAnn Belling from Des Moines, Iowa  
"Japanese Colorwash Fan"  
Regency Park Inn, 909 S 107th Ave

October 12, 2004

OQG Rising Stars 6 pm  
OQG Monthly Meeting 7 pm  
Speaker: JoAnn Belling from Des Moines, Iowa  
"Trunk Show"

October 13, 2004 1 pm – 7 pm

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November 7, 2004 1 pm - 7 pm

Workshop by Nancy Peters  
"Coral Reef"  
Country Inn and Suites, 11818 Miami St

November 8, 2004 1pm – 4 pm

Workshop by Nancy Peters  
"Fun with Embellishment"  
Country Inn and Suites, 11818 Miami St

November 9, 2004

OQG Rising Stars 6 pm  
OQG Monthly Meeting 7 pm  
Speaker: Nancy Peters  
"Confessions of a Third Generation Quilter"

December 14, 2004

OQG Rising Stars 6 pm  
OQG Monthly Meeting 7 pm  
"Holiday Gathering"

January 11, 2005

OQG Rising Stars 6 pm  
OQG Monthly Meeting 7 pm  
"Panel of Experts"  
(Deb Cizek, Cindy Erickson, Kathy Human, Shelly Burge, and Patty Kennedy)

February 5, 2005 1 pm – 7 pm

Workshop by Lynn Hagermeier, Kansas Trouble Quilters  
"Raw Edge Appliqué Quilt"

February 6, 2005 1pm – 4 pm

Workshop by Lynn Hagermeier, Kansas Trouble Quilters  
"Hand Blanket-Stitching on Wool"  
Location: To be announced

February 8, 2005

OQG Rising Stars 6 pm  
OQG Monthly Meeting 7 pm  
Speaker: Lynn Hagermeier, Kansas Trouble Quilters  
"KTG – From the Beginning"

March 8, 2005

OQG Rising Stars 6 pm  
OQG Monthly Meeting 7 pm  
"To Finish or Not" – Show of unquilted Tops started before 2000

April 10, 2005 10 am – 5 pm

Workshop by Robbi Joy Eklow  
"Beyond the Bucket and Baggy Fabric Dyeing"  
Location: To be announced

April 11, 2005 9 am - 4 pm

Workshop by Robbi Joy Eklow  
"Choose to Fuse: Gears"  
Location: To be announced

April 12, 2005

OQG Rising Stars 6 pm  
OQG Monthly Meeting 7 pm  
Speaker: Robbi Joy Eklow  
"Choose to Fuse"

May 10, 2005

OQG Rising Stars 6 pm  
OQG Monthly Meeting 7 pm  
Speaker: Mary Mayfield  
"The African Connection – Our Sister to Sister Guild, Fabric, Friendship, and More"

### Location of all OQG Rising Star and Monthly Meetings:

Westside Community Education Center  
3534 South 108 ST, Omaha, NE

See OQG Website for additional Quilt Shows etc

[www.omahaquiltersguild.org](http://www.omahaquiltersguild.org)

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## OQG YAHOO GROUP

OQG200102 Is a list-serve forum for the OQG. This is a Yahoo Computer list at [www.groups.yahoo.com](http://www.groups.yahoo.com).

It is private and available only to OQG members who wish to be on it. If you are a current member with an e-mail

address, you will be on this list. Of course you always have the option to unsubscribe. However, then you will miss out on information on this list.

Some guidelines are:

1. Please direct your message to the whole group.

E-mail friends privately.

2. No flaming. Let's be respectful.
3. Please put your name at the end of your e-mail.

Marge Bresel

If you have suggestions or comments, please contact me.

## Omaha Quilters Guild Meeting Minutes

SEPTEMBER 14, 2004  
MEETING

President Elizabeth Kennedy called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. She welcomed everyone back for the new year.

The minutes, as printed in the summer and September newsletters, were approved without any corrections. The treasurer's report, as printed in the September newsletter was approved subject to audit.

Elizabeth reminded members that dues were to be paid that night in order to get their name in the Membership Directory. The new newsletter deadline is the Tuesday following each monthly meeting.

The positions of Properties and Education chairs are still open. Ruth Anderson's husband passed away, so please extend your condolences to her. She announced the State Fair winners of the awards sponsored by OQG.

The meeting was turned over to Jan Fry, Trail Boss for the River City Round-up Quilt Show.

Jan announced that set-up will be Wed., Sept 22. Help is still needed in the areas of white gloves, raffle ticket sales, and vendor help. Pat Sears expressed a need for sewers for Quilting in the Ballroom. Judy Sellers, Volunteer Coordinator, an-

nounced that parking passes are being provided for volunteers.

Ron Wilson showed the raffle quilt for the Christie Heights quilt show.

The auction for Habitat for Humanity will be Saturday, Nov. 6, at Westside Community Center. Volunteers are needed; contact LaVonne Dunetts.

Mary Mayfield recognized those that donated quilting items for the ladies in our sister-to-sister guild in Tanzania, where she will be traveling soon.

Committee Reports:

Dee Acklie, 2004 Quilt Show Chair: Figures listed in the newsletter were the final ones for the show. She gave a plug for the Caring Friends auction in December, the theme being Songs of the Season, and encouraged groups to make an item for the auction.

Carol McCann, for Programs: Showed samples of October's workshop items. She also announced that Kathy Smith will not be able to chair the quilt show so Carol will be the chair. The show will be June 3, 4 and 5, at Millard South High School. Alice Kruse is doing the challenge for the show and has hand dyed fabric for \$6.50 a fat quarter to use in the challenge. The theme is "Something New, Something Old, Something Borrowed."

Monica Murcek, Small Groups: She has a book that lists all small groups, open and closed. Small groups were encouraged to check the information for their group for any errors.

Terry Durham, Ways and Means: They are working on some new items.

Judy Unrein, Block Exchange: The theme this year is Row, Row, Row Your Quilt. Forty blocks form the evening's exchange were turned in. Four ladies won ten blocks each. Richi Dennis, Quilt Registry: Stated reasons for registering quilts and hopes to expand the form to include wall hangings.

Arlene Wise, Fabric Exchange: No traders this evening.

Pat Sears, Children's Emergency Fund Stocking Challenge: Introduced her committee and reported she had mottled flannel for sale for the stockings and gave an explanation of why the stockings were so important and encouraged members to make at least one.

Becky Draper, Mini Raffle: Introduced her committee and reported that some items had already been turned in. She explained how the raffle worked and that the money went to children in protective custody.

Dee Davis, Helping Hands: Kits would be available at the October meeting.

Carol McCann, filling in for Barb Van Trump, Programs: Showed samples of the Nov. workshops being taught by Nancy Peters. Registrations for the Oct. workshops will be taken tonight.

Linda Somerville, Membership: Thanked those that helped at the membership table. 225 members present and seven signed the guest books. Prior to that evening, 299 membership renewals had been received. Tickets were drawn for door prizes.

Richi Dennis unveiled this year's Raffle Quilt. Elizabeth closed the meeting.

Carol McCann introduced the speaker, Sally Collins, who showed many of her beautiful small quilts and explained the process she goes through to develop her quilts.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Darlene Hollwager  
Recording Secretary

## Treasurer's Report

Account name	2003-04 BUDGET	2003-04 ACTUAL	2004-05 BUDGET	2004-05 YTD
<b>Income</b>				
Membership	\$ 8,200.00	\$ 8,875.00	\$ 8,800.00	\$ 5,168.04
Fundraising Quilt	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,506.00	\$ 3,500.00	
Quilt Show	\$ 16,000.00	\$ 15,176.00	\$ 18,000.00	
Programs	\$ 6,200.00	\$ 4,248.54	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 660.00
Ways and Means	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 402.95	\$ 500.00	
Fall Retreat			\$ 9,845.00	\$ 9,979.00
Interest	\$ 50.00	\$ 17.97	\$ 20.00	\$ 4.29
Board				
Registry				
Library				
Sister Guild		\$ 85.25		\$ 35.00
Properties				\$ 275.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$ 34,950.00</b>	<b>\$ 32,311.71</b>	<b>\$ 44,665.00</b>	<b>\$ 16,121.33</b>
<b>Expenses</b>				
Block Exchange	\$ 20.00	\$ 20.00	\$ 20.00	
Board Expense	\$ 450.00	\$ 128.00	\$ 150.00	\$ 4.00
Capital Expense	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,640.16	\$ 500.00	
CEF	\$ 30.00		\$ 30.00	
County/State Fairs	\$ 75.00		\$ 100.00	
Education	\$ 100.00		\$ 100.00	
Fall Retreat			\$ 9,845.00	\$ 9,973.12
Fixed Expenses	\$ 6,200.00	\$ 2,837.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 1,150.60
Fundraising Quilt	\$ 600.00	\$ 314.00	\$ 580.00	\$ 662.46
Helping Hands	\$ 250.00	\$ 286.04	\$ 250.00	
Historian	\$ 350.00	\$ 243.73	\$ 300.00	
Library	\$ 200.00	\$ 250.38	\$ 500.00	
Membership	\$ 800.00	\$ 1,142.87	\$ 1,150.00	
Newsletter	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,006.17	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 789.62
Programs	\$ 13,000.00	\$ 13,777.01	\$ 13,500.00	\$ 78.70
Quilt Show	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 8,328.44	\$ 10,000.00	
Raffle Tickets	\$ 200.00	\$ 228.98	\$ 250.00	
Registry	\$ 100.00	\$ 56.98	\$ 60.00	
Rising Stars	\$ 30.00		\$ 20.00	
Sister Guild	\$ 250.00	\$ 85.25	\$ 50.00	\$ 35.00
Small Groups/New Members	\$ 35.00	\$ 4.28		
Steering / Long Term Planning	\$ 10.00		\$ 10.00	
Ways Means	\$ 500.00	\$ 634.95	\$ 500.00	
Web Site	\$ 300.00	\$ 76.51	\$ 250.00	
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 41,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 33,060.75</b>	<b>\$ 44,665.00</b>	<b>\$ 12,693.50</b>
<b>Balance</b>	<b>\$ (6,050.00)</b>	<b>\$ (749.04)</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 3,427.83</b>

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## Sister to Sister Exchange in Tanzania

THANK YOU THANK YOU  
THANK YOU for all your  
orphan blocks, cutters,  
rulers, matts, scissors, and  
other supplies, You ladies  
are WONDERFUL.

I am in Tanzania October  
5th to 20th visiting Aripa,

Magdalena, Clara,  
Veronica (our beginning  
quilters), and meeting many  
new women. Our supplies  
and donations will be deliv-  
ered to the Angaza  
Womens Training Center  
where

young women learn to sew,  
make batiks, study health  
care, etc. I will take  
lots of photos to share with  
you ladies at the May meet-  
ing. Please keep us  
in your prayers...safe travel  
is upmost on our minds.

Hope to bring back a va-  
riety of Tanzanian dress  
fabrics and some khangas  
(2 yards of fabric to wrap  
around to make skirt, or  
headpiece,etc).

Mary Mayfield

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## Mini-Raffle 2004

It is that time of year again!  
We are gearing up for another  
SUPER Mini-Raffle to help the  
children who go into protective  
custody during the Holidays.

Each year, Guild members  
donate items to be raffled off at  
the November and December  
Meetings. Tickets sell for 3 for  
\$1.00 and the monies earned  
will be donated to the Chil-  
dren's Emergency Relief Fund.  
There will be a preview of  
some of the items at the Octo-  
ber meeting for you all to see.

Stop by the table and see the  
display and get ideas of your  
own for donating to this project.  
Sign up if you want to donate  
things or if you want to help  
with running the items to the  
winners at the December  
meeting. As usual, there will  
be kits, fabrics, baskets, books,  
wall hangings, quilted items  
and mystery boxes — all for  
your enjoyment.

As we approach the Holi-  
days, our Guild has always  
worked hard to sponsor this

project. I am sure this will be  
another great year for the Mini-  
Raffle as well as the auction,  
the stocking challenge and the  
angel bags. This is now such  
a big part of my Holiday prepa-  
ration since my children are  
grown that it just gets more  
and more important to me each  
year that we do a great job!

The entire committee has  
been working all summer to get  
special surprises ready for the  
November meeting. Janean  
and Sally and now Karen

Kraus and Pat Devine have  
great surprises for you. They  
have been busy little elves!

If you would like to help by  
donating items, please call me  
at 597-3754. If you would like  
to help distribute the items that  
have been won at the end of  
the meeting, please call also.  
Thank you for your continued  
support in helping to add to the  
light in a child's life.

Becky Draper

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### ROW, ROW, ROW YOUR QUILT Block Exchange October 2004 Row of Two Patches / Two Color Quilt Block

October's block is the Streak of Lightening made of half square triangles (two patches).

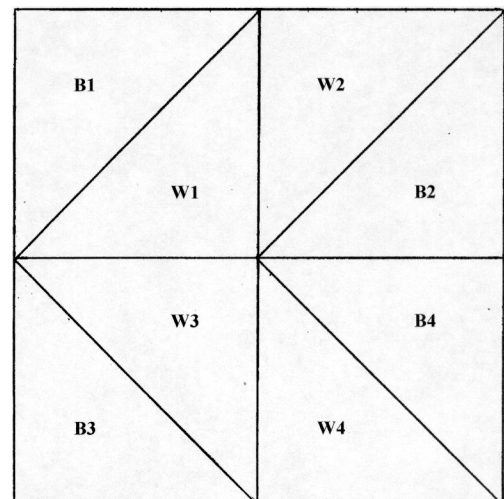
This is going to be a scrappy block in medium to dark blues and whites. If you use four different blues and four different whites, you can actually make two blocks very easily.

#### CUT:

- 4- 5 7/8 inch squares, cut each square diagonally.  
Use four different medium to dark blue fabrics.
- 4- 5 7/8 inch squares, cut each square diagonally.  
Use four different white fabrics. Do NOT use cream or off white.

#### SEW:

- 1. Sew a blue half square triangle to a white half square triangle.  
Mix and match all the blues and whites.
- 2. Sew four of the blue/white squares together, following the diagram below.



ROW, ROW, ROW YOUR QUILT  
Block Exchange November 2004  
Row of Three Patches

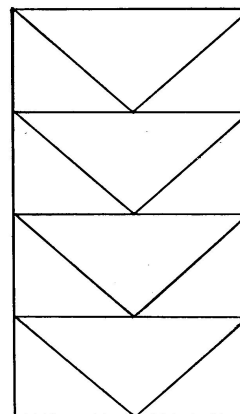
The Flying Geese Block will be composed of a row of four "geese". This will be a scrappy block.

CUT:

- 4 Rectangles – 4 ½ x 2 ½ inches. Use four different fabrics, one for each of the four geese.
- 8 2 ½ inch squares. Cut two squares each of four different cream or off white fabrics for the backgrounds

SEW:

1. Draw diagonal lines on the backs of all of the background squares.
2. Place one background square (right sides together) against the right side of one of the "goose" rectangles. The diagonal line should run from the right corner to the middle of the rectangle.
3. Sew on the diagonal line.
4. Flip and press the background square back. (I like to trim out the excess background square, but leave the excess of the "goose" fabric.)
5. Place the second background square (right sides together) against the left side of the goose. The diagonal line should run from the left corner to the middle.
6. Flip and press the background square back.
7. Sew the individual "goose" units together: Flip the bottom "goose" (right sides together) onto the "goose" right above it. At the point of the bottom "goose" you will observe the 'X' of the crossed seams. Sew along this edge, making sure you cross through the center of that 'X'. Continue to sew the individual 'goose' units together in this manner.



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Location for October Classes: Regency Park, 909 S 107th Ave, Omaha, NE

A \$45.00 kit fee for "Japanese Colorwash Fan" will be available from the instructor. It will include the ruler for the project. It must be ordered at least a week in advance at JoAnn Belling's email address [tbelling@aol.com](mailto:tbelling@aol.com). She will also have the rulers available for workshop participants at \$1.00. They do not need to be pre-ordered. You will pay her for the supplies at the workshop.

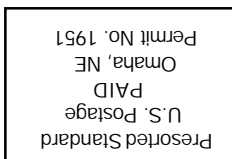
\_\_\_ Sunday, November 7, "Corol Reef" with Nancy Peters, 1 p.m. to 7 p.m.

\_\_\_ Monday, November 8, "Fun with Embellishments" with Nancy Peters, 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Location for November Classes: Country Inn and Suites, 11818 Miami St, Omaha, NE

Registration for each class is: Members \$20.00 Non-members \$30.00

If you need to cancel your attendance at the class, we require seven days notice for a refund.



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November 14, 2004

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**Editorial Note:**

Due to the Thanksgiving Holiday and your Editor's travel plans, the deadline for the December Newsletter will be November 14, 2004.

Thanks for your cooperation.

**"Confessions of a Third Generation Quilter"**

JoAnn Bellings classes were wonderful. Her "Fan" class was a great day of learning and creating. Those of you that took the "Snippet by Design" class, be sure to bring your project to the November meeting for showing.

"Confessions of a Third Generation Quilter", our November program, will be given by our own Nancy Peters. For those of you not acquainted with her, she has is one of our past presidents. Nancy has lived all over the world and found Quilting to be a universal language. She has been quilting for about 20 years, starting when she needed a baby quilt for her

first son. She teaches at the local sewing machine shop and has taught at the Crazy Quilt Conference and Quilt Nebraska. Nancy loves to embellish appliqué blocks in many different ways. Teaching is a way of sharing her love of quilting with others and demonstrating how to use our wonderful sewing machines to the fullest extent.

Her first class will be held Sunday, November 7th from 1pm-7pm. "Coral Reef" is a delightful wall hanging of the undersea world complete with beautiful embellishments. She has a kit for this project for \$10. This class is held at the Country Inn and Suites

at 11818 Miami St.

"Fun With Embellishments" will be held Monday, November 8th from 1pm-4pm. This class will give you many ideas for embellishing by machine. This class is also at the Country Inn. Please come join us for one or both of these classes.

Don't forget about the Christmas program coming in December. Be sure to bring lots of money to spend at the Mini-affle and Quilt Auction.

Barb Van Trump

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**Presidential Highlights**

We had another great speaker last month. Wasn't her polyester quilt story a hoot! I've never made one myself but I received one as a wedding gift. I never thought about them not being biodegradable.....Can you believe it is time to get ready for the Christmas party. We only have one more meeting before the party. Do you have your stocking(s) made. The pattern that Pat

Sears distributes with the challenge fabric goes together pretty fast. Even if you don't make a challenge stocking, try to make at least one stocking to donate. It breaks my heart to think a child could wake up on Christmas morning without one. My oldest sister always made our stockings special by selecting a special toy to put in them every year. The whole family would play with the silly

toys off and on Christmas day, even my dad. During the year when I ran across that toy, it would remind me I had someone very special in my life. Open your heart and make a couple of stockings for children who need to know someone cares about them.

Elizabeth Kannedy

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## Caring Friends Auction

Just a reminder that the theme for this year's auction is Songs of the Season. Items can be turned in at the November meeting to Dee Acklie. Please, call or email Dee to let her know how many pieces she can

expect for the auction. Dee can be reached at 391-6061 (home) 399-2606 (work) or [dee@acklie.net](mailto:dee@acklie.net). When you turn in your piece, please turn in a 3x5 card with a description of the piece and

the names of the makers.

If you are unable to turn your item in in November, please call or email to make arrangements with Dee prior to the auction.

I appreciate all the hard work you all put into each

piece. Because of you a child is able to smile during this holiday season.

Dee Acklie

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## Quilting in the Ballroom--RCR

Congratulations to Paula Gamble--she won the Janome Jem Gold sewing machine, donated by O.K. Sewing. Thanks also to Randy and his business for loaning us four machines to use. There were

many new, as well as familiar faces as we sewed up 42 kids quilts. Nor could we have done this without the many donations of fabric and batting. Special thanks to all who answered the S.O.S. for more supplies--

especially Lynn Doyle of Blooming Minds Patterns, Becky Draper and Margie Wallace of Qilters Confectionary. Thanks to all who helped, with special thanks to Linda Nickos, Kathy Havranek and Cyn-

thia Jones, who kept our "conveyor belt" moving. We had a great time.

Pat Sears

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## Calling All Elves

November is the last chance to get your suede flannel for the stocking challenge. Please stop by early, as there are just a few pieces of fabric left. Thanks to those who have already turned in stockings. You can bring your stocking to the November meeting or turn them in from December 6-11 at the Country Sampler shops, the Log Cabin, or Kaneshville Quilting, during regular business hours.

Please put one "entry form" in each stocking. We use this form to fill out the feedback sheets and also as an entry form for the door prize drawing of a snowman door wreath. All our stockings will be displayed at the December party, and we will vote on the stockings by monetary donation--so bring your cash to the party. There will be 24 Viewers Choice Awards given, and the person raising the most money

with their stocking will receive the coveted "Shameless" Award (for shamelessly tapping all their most cherished friends and colleagues for donations). If gambling was legal in Nebraska, we could start a pool as to how much Shameless (alias Roberta Willet) will bring in this year.

Calling all Elves: Since our holiday party is just around the corner, we will be needing help with set-up

and take-down on Tuesday the 14th. On Wednesday the 15th, we need help with transporting the stockings and stuffers to Child Protection, as well as help in the Stocking Store from 1-4 on Wednesday and Thursday. Please contact Pat Sears to volunteer @ 554-1522.

Pat Sears

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## Stocking Challenge Entry form

(No limit on entries, but please put one form inside each stocking. Photocopy this form as needed.)

I certify that this stocking was made by me (or by myself and friends). I agree that this stocking and all monies collected as a result of a Viewers' Choice vote shall be donated to the Child Protective Services in the name of the Omaha Quilters' Guild.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

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## Children's Emergency Fund Christmas Party

Angel Bags: It was nice to have so many of you pick up bags last month. But, we still have a lot left. Now is the time to get that shopping done, before you get rushed with your own Christmas activities. Many have asked for ideas. Anything you think one of your own children would like. Remember, these children are taken from their homes with nothing. Even a toothbrush. So anything in the way of personal grooming items, ge-

neric sized clothing, watch, walkman, boom box, backpack or duffle bag for "their" stuff, books, games, jewelry, makeup kits, artist supplies, small simple sewing kits, teach yourself kits (knitting, etc). If you are still stumped, a gift card in the amount of \$25.00 would be great - from Target, Shopko or Walmart. Do not put the gift card in a bag - hand it to one of the "receivers" at the check-in table at the Christmas party. Questions: Call Peg Keenan,

451-4789.

We always need angel bags for teens from 13-18. Some items you might include are CDs, videos, book bags, phone cards, gift cards from stores like Borders, Best Buy, Payless Shoes, batteries, stamps, stationery, journals, address books, small radios and/or alarm clocks, calculators, hand-held games, disposable cameras, sweatshirts, outerwear including hats/gloves/mufflers (no

team logos allowed on any garments), fleece throws or lap quilts, age appropriate games and puzzles, candy, inexpensive watches, costume jewelry, personal grooming items (no candles, shavers). All items are to be new and unwrapped, please.

Peg Keenan and  
Pat Sears

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## Guild Library Opportunity

Question: What do quilters like best next to fabric?

Answer: Quilt books.

For the previous year and the first part of this year, I have thoroughly enjoyed being the Omaha Quilters Guild Librarian. But now

retirement circumstances make my commitment unreliable and I am seeking a replacement.

There are many advantages to being the Guild Librarian. The first of these is that the Librarian has the opportunity to meet all the Guild members. Another

advantage is the ability to select and examine all the quilting books. A third reason to be the Guild Librarian is to be a "player" in one of the best quilt guild in the States (of course, that could be said of any of the committee positions available).

If you feel like you would enjoy the rewards of working with our wonderful collection of books, please call me at 552-9056 or [Ar-lanGer@cox.net](mailto:Ar-lanGer@cox.net)

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## Rising Stars

Rising Stars will meet in the first room inside the Westside Conference Center door at 6 pm prior to our November meeting.

Our speaker will be Ricki Dennis giving hints on piecing and demonstrating a project you could use to make stockings for our so-

cial service project at the Holiday Party.

A great big thank you to Cindi Erickson for her presentation on Cutting

techniques last month

Keep on Quilting,  
Love...Monica, Becky, and  
Mary

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## Sister to Sister Exchange

Wow, what a wonderful two weeks in Tanzania, East Africa. The women are so gracious and hospitable. I was honored to teach cutting techniques and

do a simple flip and sew project for the girls at the Angaza Women's Center where your two suitcases of quilting supplies were delivered. Can't wait to

tell you all about it at our May meeting. I brought back two suitcases full of fabric, over 50 different kinds. Just wait ladies, you will love it.

For questions call Mary Mayfield at 778-0291 Ps Boy have I got pictures.

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## Calendar of Events

November 7, 2004 1 pm - 7 pm  
Workshop by Nancy Peters  
"Coral Reef"  
Country Inn and Suites, 11818 Miami St

November 8, 2004 1pm – 4 pm  
Workshop by Nancy Peters  
"Fun with Embellishment"  
Country Inn and Suites, 11818 Miami St

November 9, 2004  
OQG Rising Stars 6 pm  
OQG Monthly Meeting 7 pm  
Speaker: Nancy Peters  
"Confessions of a Third Generation Quilter"

December 14, 2004  
OQG Rising Stars 6 pm  
OQG Monthly Meeting 7 pm  
"Holiday Gathering"

January 11, 2005  
OQG Rising Stars 6 pm  
OQG Monthly Meeting 7 pm  
"Panel of Experts"  
(Deb Cizek, Cindy Erickson, Kathy Human, Shelly Burge, and Patty Kennedy)

Location of all OQG Rising Star and Monthly Meetings:  
Westside Community Education Center  
3534 South 108 ST, Omaha, NE

See OQG Website for additional Quilt Shows etc  
[www.omahaquiltersguild.org](http://www.omahaquiltersguild.org)

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## Children's Emergency Fund

Contributed by Roberta Willet, Guild member since 1988.

For the people new to the guild or those who really aren't sure what our Children's Emergency Fund is all about, I want you to know what I know.

Fourteen years ago, a member of our guild, Pat Sears, discovered a need in our community that wasn't being met and the idea for our annual fundraiser was born.

It is a sad reality that children are routinely removed from their homes due to abuse or neglect. A lot of them come to Social Services with the clothes on their backs and nothing more. During the Christmas Holidays their physical needs are met but quite frequently they come into the system too late to benefit from Toys for Tots or other similar campaigns. Not being "home" is sad enough without having to worry about Santa finding you.

We make stockings to give to the children so every child knows Santa has found them. We have Angel Bags that quilters can take and fill with gifts appropriate for a child of a certain age and sex. We donate and buy tickets to a mini-affle and collect money on the stockings we make. Our Guild groups make and donate items to the Caring Friends Auction held at the December meeting. All of this is great fun for us and fills an emotional and financial need that is hard to express.

Every dollar that we collect, every stocking we make, every Angel Bag that is filled is taken to Nebraska Health and Human Services the morning after the December meeting. A "Stocking Store" is established and the distribution designed to make every child have a Happy Holiday begins. As you can imagine, there are countless letters and thank you notes from both caseworkers and children who have benefited from the Guild's collective

generosity. Here is just a sampling:

"The joy on these children's faces is spectacular when they realize they are not going to be left out at Christmas". Reprinted from an article "Thanks to the Omaha Quilters Guild!" in the Teamworker, the Nebraska Department of Social Services Newsletter.

"Thank you for donating the money that I have received...I really needed the help to purchase work clothes. The job that I work at you have to dress nice and you cannot wear jeans. I also bought an alarm clock so I can wake up on time for school and work." Taken from a thank you letter received from a teen in protective custody.

"The good news about the Omaha Quilters' Guild and their year long efforts to raise monies, resources and the outstanding craftsmanship of more than 200 customized Christmas stockings for youth served by Omaha's Child Protection Division has traveled

across the State of Nebraska." Letter from Donald S. Leuenberger, Director, Department of Social Services.

"The doll is beautiful. The play-doh is fun. The quilt is fuzzy and warm. Thank you very much." Written by an elementary age child in custody.

"..sparkle in the children's eyes when they can wake up for Christmas morning to find stockings full of goodies and packages under the tree (and not feel left out as everyone else would be opening gifts)." Letter from the Staff at Project Harmony, Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services.

There are many ways to participate in this fun project - make a stocking, donate money, fill an Angel Bag, participate in the mini-affle or Auction. I hope that you can find your personal niche for giving.

## Omaha Quilters Guild Meeting Minutes

MINUTES  
OCTOBER 12, 2004  
MEETING

President Elizabeth Kennedy called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Elizabeth congratulated Jan Fry and her staff for a successful River City Roundup Quilt Show. She read a thank you from Ann Bade, the recipient of OQG's first place award for Best Hand Quilting at the Nebraska State Fair. She congratulated Mary Lou Zdan, Betty Harmsen and Dot Muse for a successful quilt retreat. The Lincoln guild will host the retreat for next year. The minutes, as printed in the October newsletter, were approved without any corrections. The treasurer's report, as printed in the October newsletter was approved without corrections. Elizabeth reminded members that the newsletter deadline is Tuesday, Oct. 19. The positions of Properties and Education chairs are still open. Anyone interested is to contact her. Membership cards will be available next month at the meeting. The membership book will serve, temporarily, as proof of membership for purchases at participating quilt shops.

Committee Reports:  
Mary Lou Zdan, Fall Retreat: She had those that

attended the retreat do a show-and-tell of the projects they worked on over the weekend.

LaVonne Dunetts, Habitat Auction: Reminder—post cards of the auction were available to take. She also had a sign-up sheet for workers at the auction.

Kathy Havranek, Christmas Stockings: Still a few fabrics left for the challenge.

Peg Keenan, Angel Bags: Bags are available in various age groups to purchase items for the children in foster care for Christmas.

Richi Dennis, Quilt Registry: Ballots on chairs to vote on what types of quilted items members would like to include in the quilt registry.

Dee Acklie, Christmas Live Auction: Encouraged friends to make an item to correspond with the theme of "Songs of the Season." Those planning on donating items are to let her know so she can plan accordingly.

Becky Draper, Mini Raffle: Many items displayed for the auction. Sign-up for donations. Proceeds go to children in child protective custody. At the November meeting, members can purchase tickets 3/\$1.00.

Pat Sears, River City Roundup Quilters: Thanked those that helped. Forty-two quilts were finished and 24 will be given to Dee Davis for Helping Hands. The rest

will be given to the other guilds that helped quilt, Braided River and Cottonwood.

Terri Durham, Ways and Means: Quilt Registry Binders now only \$1.00 to purge the supply so they can purchase new products.

Alice Cruz, Quilt Show Challenge: Only a few challenge fabric pieces left.

Carol McCann, River City Roundup Quilt Mom: Good sales on River City Roundup quilt. Won by OQG member, Lynn DeShon.

Carol McCann, OQG Quilt Show: A change in deadline for quilt turn in. Judged or not judged, all quilts are to be turned in a week before the show to ensure a secure plan for hanging the quilts. She switched hats and announced that the show-and-tell for the March meeting will be for quilt tops only, made with material bought before 2000.

Judy Sellers, River City Roundup Volunteer Coordinator: Thanked those who helped at the show.

Fabric Exchange: Some of the fabric they have is very old. To encourage new fabric to be turned in, an extra ticket for the door prize drawing will be given to anyone bringing in fabric. Requesting Christmas fabric the next two months.

Linda Duros, Quilt Mom:

Encouraged members to pick up a book of raffle tickets for the quilt. Have 5000 tickets to sell. The guild benefits from this raffle quilt. Judy Enrein and Pam Witt, Block Exchange: Twenty-one blocks turned in: all won by one person since enough to make a quilt. Next month flying geese, 4 per block.

Ruth Gregg, Ways and Means: If you register your quilt with quilt registry, the receipt will fit in the quilt registry books they are selling for only \$1.00.

Linda Somerville, Membership: As of Monday, she had received 388 memberships. Attending tonight's meeting, 212. Drew for door prizes.

Elizabeth closed the meeting and introduced Barb Van Trump.

Barb Van Trump reminded members of next month's workshop and spaces still available. She then introduced the speaker, JoAnn Belling from Des Moines. She was very entertaining and had lots of her lovely quilts to show.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Darlene Hollwager  
Recording Secretary

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## Treasurer's Report

An updated Treasurer's Report will be available in the December Newsletter. If you need a copy or financial information prior to that date, please contact the OQG Treasurer or President.

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have been listed as a ma-  
chine quilter

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The OQG Officers and Committee Chairmen wish you and  
your families a very healthy, happy and warm Thanksgiving  
Holiday.

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ROW, ROW, ROW YOUR QUILT  
Block Exchange November 2004  
Row of Three Patches

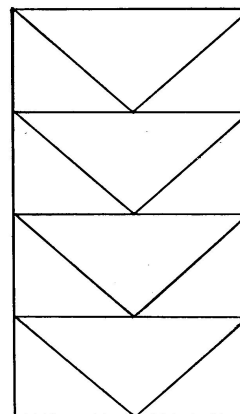
The Flying Geese Block will be composed of a row of four "geese". This will be a scrappy block.

CUT:

- 4 Rectangles – 4 ½ x 2 ½ inches. Use four different fabrics, one for each of the four geese.
- 8 2 ½ inch squares. Cut two squares each of four different cream or off white fabrics for the backgrounds

SEW:

1. Draw diagonal lines on the backs of all of the background squares.
2. Place one background square (right sides together) against the right side of one of the "goose" rectangles. The diagonal line should run from the right corner to the middle of the rectangle.
3. Sew on the diagonal line.
4. Flip and press the background square back. (I like to trim out the excess background square, but leave the excess of the "goose" fabric.)
5. Place the second background square (right sides together) against the left side of the goose. The diagonal line should run from the left corner to the middle.
6. Flip and press the background square back.
7. Sew the individual "goose" units together: Flip the bottom "goose" (right sides together) onto the "goose" right above it. At the point of the bottom "goose" you will observe the 'X' of the crossed seams. Sew along this edge, making sure you cross through the center of that 'X'. Continue to sew the individual 'goose' units together in this manner.



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2004-05 OQG Workshop Registration Form

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Please Sign Me up for:

Sunday, November 7, "Coral Reef" with Nancy Peters, 1 p.m. to 7 p.m.

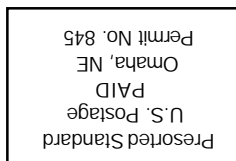
Monday, November 8, "Fun with Embellishments" with Nancy Peters, 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Location for November Classes: Country Inn and Suites, 11818 Miami St, Omaha, NE

A \$10.00 kit fee for "Coral Reef" will be available from the instructor. You will pay Nancy Peters for the supplies at the workshop.

Registration for each class is: Members \$20.00 Non-members \$30.00

If you need to cancel your attendance at the class, we require seven days notice for a refund.



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Next OQG meeting: Tuesday, December 14, 2004 at 7:00 pm.

Next newsletter  
deadline:  
December 21, 2004

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## OQG Christmas Festivities

The wonderful show of quilts and jackets by Nancy Peters last month was inspiring. It was interesting to see how the use of embellishments, specialty stitches, various threads and beading can bring a three-dimensional aspect to a project.

Our meeting for December will be held in the gym to accommodate our Christmas Festivities which include our potluck dinner, stocking display and mini-raffle and auction items. Remember to come early to buy your mini-raffle tickets and place them in the number appropriate bags. Don't forget to bring items for Show and Tell so we can all see your holiday projects.

The assigned dinner contributions (enough to serve 4-6 people) are as follows:

G-M Salad or Vegetable  
N-Z Main Dish  
A-F Desserts

The dinner will begin at 6:30, so please have your contribution to the gym by 6:20. Please remember to bring a serving spoon or fork for your dish if one is necessary. Coffee, ice tea, ice water, plates, napkins and silverware will be provided.

January's program will be our "Panel of Experts". Shelly Burge, Deb Cizek, Cindy Erickson, Kathy Human and Patty Kennedy will be available to answer all our quilting questions. Questions can be submitted in writing at least 2 days prior to the meeting or can be voiced at the meeting.

February brings us Lynn Hagermeier from Kansas Trouble Quilters. On Saturday, Feb. 5 from 1-7pm,

her workshop will be "Raw Edge Appliqué Quilt". You will make a quilt in a day with Kansas Trouble Quilters unique raw-edge appliqué-while-you-quilt technique. On Sunday, Feb. 6 from 1-4pm, she will teach "Hand Blanket Stitching on Wool". You will be working with wool - how to dye, felt and prepare wool for projects and hand blanket-stitching and embellishing. Both classes will meet at the Country Inn and Suites at 11818 Miami St. Each workshop fee is \$20 for members and \$30 for non-members. To sign up for these classes send the registration form from the back of this newsletter. Hope to see ya there.

Barb Van Trump

## OQG Snow Policy

Our snow policy is that of District 66 Schools: If school is cancelled in District 66 due to weather, we will not meet. Listen to 1110 a m (KFAB) for school announcements.

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## Caring Friends Auction

The Caring Friends Auction will take place as a part of the annual Christmas party. The funds raised in this live auction are used to help children have a Christmas. The theme this year is Songs of the Season. Items are to be made by more than one person,

have some quilting and represent your favorite song of the season.

Please notify Dee Acklie, 391-6061 or [dee@acklie.net](mailto:dee@acklie.net) if you are planning on an item for the auction. Auction items may be turned in ahead of time at College of Saint

Mary Administration Building 241 (Dr. Acklie's office) or Acklie Insurance on the corner of 90th and Blondo. Please include a 3x5 card with a written description of the item to be auctioned and the name(s) of the makers.

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## Presidential Highlights

Good luck to our Librarian Arlan Gerhardt. Arlan's husband is retiring so they are selling the house, packing up the RV and looking for a warmer climate. I'd like to welcome Mary Krivohlavek as our new Library Chair. Some of you met Mary last month when she was training with Arlan. Diane Highfill will be assisting Mary with the Library.

We finally have a chair for the Properties Committee. Thank you Andrea Chak-

ravarti for accepting the position. Andrea always steps up when we ask for volunteers. You will recognize her as one of the Quilt Holders at the monthly meetings. Please add Mary, Diane and Andrea to your list of OQG Officers and Committees in the front of the Membership Directory.

Nancy Peter's presentation was a lot of fun last month. It's always interesting to hear from a long standing

member of the Guild. Nancy certainly opened my eyes to including embellishments on my quilts. Plus, now I know what to do with some of the fancy stitches and strange feet that came with my sewing machine.

Can you believe it is time for the Christmas Party. Do you have your stockings made yet. Mine are cutout and ready to sew together. Once they are sewn, I just need to figure out what I am bringing for the potluck

and then I am ready for the party. Keep your fingers crossed for good weather this year, finish your stockings and I will see you there.

Elizabeth Kannedy



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## We're Decking the Hall

The holidays are just around the corner and we will be celebrating the many blessings we enjoy. Our friends bring us so much throughout the year, and our holiday potluck is a chance to enjoy good company while we benefit the children in our community. The challenge stockings will be hung for all to see, and we will vote on our favorites by monetary donation. The stocking that raises the most money will be given a special award—the "Shameless" award. Last

year Roberta Willet raised over \$1,800 with her stocking. There will also be additional Viewers' Choice awards given for top money-earning stockings. So, bring your quarters, large bills and checks (payable to OQG). Drop off week is Dec. 6-11 at the Log Cabin, either of the two Country Sampler stores, and Kanessville in Council Bluffs. Please put one entry form in each stocking, since we use these slips for the door prize drawing and to get

feedback about your stocking.

We will begin setting up the December meeting (in the gym) at 4:00 PM on Tuesday, December 14<sup>th</sup>, with dinner at 6:30. Place settings and beverage will be provided by the guild. We still need a couple more people to help with set up, and at least 6 people to volunteer to help take down. The last bit of business is the inclement weather policy. Heaven forbid we should have to cancel due to weather, but if we do, you

would drop off your angel bags to any of the above listed quilt shop locations, or the CBSHOME Real Estate offices at 11213 Davenport, 14250 Maple, or 9412 Giles. They would have to be dropped off by close of business Thursday, December 16<sup>th</sup>, and then delivery to Child Protection would be moved to Friday, December 17<sup>th</sup>. Pray for good weather.

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## Stocking Challenge Entry form

(No limit on entries, but please put one form inside each stocking. Photocopy this form as needed.)

I certify that this stocking was made by me (or by myself and friends). I agree that this stocking and all monies collected as a result of a Viewers' Choice vote shall be donated to the Child Protective Services in the name of the Omaha Quilters' Guild.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

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## Calendar of Events

### December 14, 2004

OOG Rising Stars 6 pm  
OOG Monthly Meeting 7 pm  
"Holiday Gathering"

### January 11, 2005

OOG Monthly Meeting 6:30 pm  
"Panel of Experts"  
(Deb Cizek, Cindy Erickson, Kathy Human, Shelly Burge,  
and Patty Kennedy)

### February 5, 2005 1 pm – 7 pm

Workshop by Lynn Hagermeier, Kansas Trouble Quilters  
"Raw Edge Appliqué Quilt"  
Location: Country Inn Suites, 11818 Miami St

### February 6, 2005 1pm – 4 pm

Workshop by Lynn Hagermeier, Kansas Trouble Quilters  
"Hand Blanket-Stitching on Wool"  
Location: Country Inn Suites, 11818 Miami St

### February 8, 2005

OOG Rising Stars 6 pm  
OOG Monthly Meeting 7 pm  
Speaker: Lynn Hagermeier, Kansas Trouble Quilters  
"KTG – From the Beginning"

### March 8, 2005

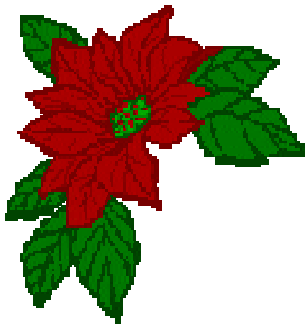
OOG Rising Stars 6 pm  
OOG Monthly Meeting 7 pm  
"To Finish or Not" – Show of unquilted Tops started before 2000

### Location of all OOG Rising Star and Monthly Meetings:

Westside Community Education Center  
3534 South 108 ST, Omaha, NE

### See OOG Website for additional Quilt Shows etc

[www.omahaquiltersguild.org](http://www.omahaquiltersguild.org)



Best Wishes  
for a  
Merry Christmas

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## Omaha Quilters Guild Meeting Minutes

MINUTES  
NOVEMBER 09, 2004  
MEETING

President Elizabeth Kennedy called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Elizabeth announced that the librarian, Arlen Gerhardt, would be retiring from her position. She also announced that Bonnie, the contact for the meeting facility, is very ill and asked for prayers for her. She also reminded members of the inclement weather policy for the guild.

Elizabeth gave a report on the Habitat for Humanity Quilt Auction. There will be a change in venue for next year.

The minutes, as printed in the November newsletter, were approved without any corrections. The treasurer's report was not in the November newsletter so approval will be delayed until a later time.

Elizabeth informed members that the newsletter deadline for December would be Sunday, Oct. 14, since Eva Arps would be leaving on a trip.

Terri Durham, Ways and

Means: Told members of new items for sale, key chains with a measuring tape and monthly planners. Carol McCann, Quilt Show: gave us an update on the upcoming quilt show.

Dee Acklie, Caring Friends Auction: Asked members to let her know if they have items for the auction so she can plan. She showed some of the items that had come in. Members to let her know if they would be willing to help at the auction.

Becky Draper, Mini Raffle: Reported that 139 items have been promised. Encouraged members to buy tickets even if they could not be present at the Christmas meeting. Just make sure your telephone number is on the ticket and you will be called if you win.

Richi Dennis, Quilt Registry: She received 85 responses on what items to accept for the registry. The response was to accept anything.

Peg Keenan, Angel Bags: Still bags available to fill for a child.

Pat Sears, Stocking Challenge: There are a few packets left. She announced a need for help

with set up and take down and also transportation of stockings to 13<sup>th</sup> and Farnam. She stated that each person is important in making a difference to the kids in protective custody.

Mary Mayfield, Sister Guild: She showed picture of the quilts that were made and some pictures of the scenery in Tanzania. She passed around some of the fabric she brought back. At the May meeting, 16 ladies will be doing a style show.

Judy Unrein, Block Exchange: There were 19 blocks turned in. There will be no block exchange in December.

Linda Somerville, Membership: She reported there were 190 present, 405 total membership, and 10 new members

Elizabeth closed the meeting and introduced Barb Van Trump.

Barb Van Trump, Programs: Had those who took the Snippits by Design class to show what they did, since the class was held the day after the Oct. meeting. She explained the food assignments for the Christmas potluck: A-F, desserts: G-M,

vegetable or salad: and N-z, main dish. She explained that during the break after dinner while the money was being added up, there would be a Christmas show and tell so bring a Christmas item you have made to show. The January program will be a panel of experts consisting of Deb Cizek, Cindy Erickson, Kathy Human, Shelly Burge and Patty Kennedy. A clipboard was passed around for members to write down questions for the panel. She had those that took Nancy Peters' class, Coral Reef, to show what they had done. She then introduced Nancy Peters, guild member, guest speaker for the evening who showed her progression in the world of quilting.

Respectfully submitted,  
Darlene Hollwager  
Recording Secretary

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## Membership Directory Changes

Robin Freerking is a long arm quilter.

Change Librarian from Arlan Gerhardt to Mary Krivohlavek.

Add Andrea Chakravarti as the Properties Chair.

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## Treasurer's Report

Account name	2003-04 BUDGET	2003-04 ACTUAL	2004-05 BUDGET	2004-05 YTD
<b>Income</b>				
Membership	\$ 8,200.00	\$ 8,875.00	\$ 8,800.00	\$ 8,154.00
Fundraising Quilt	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,506.00	\$ 3,500.00	
Quilt Show	\$ 16,000.00	\$ 15,176.00	\$ 18,000.00	
Programs	\$ 6,200.00	\$ 4,248.54	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 1,532.00
Ways and Means	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 402.95	\$ 500.00	\$ 101.00
Fall Retreat			\$ 9,845.00	\$ 10,074.00
Intrest	\$ 50.00	\$ 17.97	\$ 20.00	\$ 9.13
Board				
Registry				
Library				
Sister Guild		\$ 85.25		\$ 35.00
Properties				\$ 275.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$ 34,950.00</b>	<b>\$ 32,311.71</b>	<b>\$ 44,665.00</b>	<b>\$ 20,180.13</b>
<b>Expenses</b>				
Block Exchange	\$ 20.00	\$ 20.00	\$ 20.00	
Board Expense	\$ 450.00	\$ 128.00	\$ 150.00	\$ 19.00
Capital Expense	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,640.16	\$ 500.00	
CEF	\$ 30.00		\$ 30.00	
Education	\$ 100.00		\$ 100.00	
Fall Retreat			\$ 9,845.00	\$ 1,081.12
Fixed Expenses	\$ 6,200.00	\$ 2,837.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 1,498.60
Fundraising Quilt	\$ 600.00	\$ 314.00	\$ 580.00	\$ 662.46
Raffle Tickets	\$ 200.00	\$ 228.98	\$ 250.00	\$ 187.25
Helping Hands	\$ 250.00	\$ 286.04	\$ 250.00	
Historian	\$ 350.00	\$ 243.73	\$ 300.00	
Library	\$ 200.00	\$ 250.38	\$ 500.00	\$ 376.96
Membership	\$ 800.00	\$ 1,142.87	\$ 1,150.00	\$ 1,073.22
Newsletter	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,006.17	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 1,411.78
Programs	\$ 13,000.00	\$ 13,777.01	\$ 13,500.00	\$ 4,941.46
Quilt Show	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 8,328.44	\$ 10,000.00	
Registry	\$ 100.00	\$ 56.98	\$ 60.00	\$ 16.50
Rising Stars	\$ 30.00		\$ 20.00	
Sister Guild	\$ 250.00	\$ 85.25	\$ 50.00	\$ 35.00
Small Groups/New Members	\$ 35.00	\$ 4.28		
State County Fair Prize Money	\$ 75.00		\$ 100.00	\$ 75.00
Steering Long Term Planning	\$ 10.00		\$ 10.00	
Ways and Means	\$ 500.00	\$ 634.95	\$ 500.00	
Web Site	\$ 300.00	\$ 76.51	\$ 250.00	\$ 205.00
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 41,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 33,060.75</b>	<b>\$ 44,665.00</b>	<b>\$ 11,583.35</b>
<b>Balance</b>	<b>\$ (6,050.00)</b>	<b>\$ (749.04)</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 8,596.78</b>

## Mini-Raffle 2004

Would you like an opportunity to help a child, possibly win a unique home-made prize, and have a lot of fun all in one night. Well, the Mini-Raffle is just the thing for you.

November's meeting proved that. There were over 120 items on display to win at December's meeting by simply purchasing tickets at 3 for \$1.00. From a \$1.00 purchase of tickets to an \$80.00 purchase, it all makes a difference in a child's life. So, bring your writing skills or your address labels to make it eas-

ier for you. Purchase as many tickets as you want to win the wonderful items at the Mini-Raffle. The only restriction seems to be that we want a lot of noise if you win. Not only do you win, but the children we want to help so much win also. So, it is a WIN/WIN situation.

For those of you who still need to donate items, bring them to the December meeting or call me at 597-3754 to pick them up. If I have the items before the meeting, it goes a lot faster and easier for all of us. For those of you who have, or

will, donate items, THANK YOU SO VERY MUCH.

See you in December for a great night. The kids will really have a special kind of light this year thanks to all of you.

Becky Draper  
and the  
Mini-Raffle Crew



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ROW, ROW, ROW YOUR: QUILT  
Block Exchange – January 2005  
Row of Four Patches

CUT:

8 – 2 ½ inch squares. Use eight different fabrics, we want a scrappy look.

1 – 7 inch square of a cream or off white fabric. Cut this square diagonally, both ways to get four triangles. The outside edges of the square (straight of grain) will become the long end of the triangle, which become the side of the long row.

SEW:

Assemble the four patch units.

Sew one triangle to one end of a four patch unit.

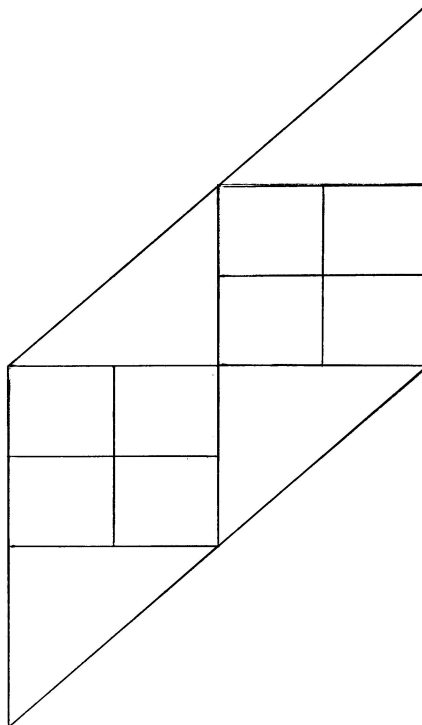
The right angle of the triangle will match up to the four patch unit.

Sew another triangle to the opposite side of the four patch unit.

The second triangle should be placed opposite of the first. See diagram. The two triangles and the four patch unit form a parallelogram.

Assemble the second parallelogram.

Sew the two units together – see diagram.



2004-05 OQG Workshop Registration Form

Please register using this form. Send your Check (payable to OQG) and stamped self-addressed envelope to  
Barb Van Trump, 4416 N. 17th Street, Carter Lake, IA 51517

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Daytime Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

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