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OQG BOARD MEETING

February 6, 2007 7 pm

Lutheran Church Of the Master Next OQG meeting: Tuesday, January 9th at 7 pm.

January Sew-In

Let's start the New Year with a fun evening at the Helping Hands Sew-In!

Kits have been prepared with all the pieces cut and ready to sew, tie or bind. The Turning Twenty and Baby Four Patch patterns are easy to assemble and direction are included. Kits are complete with batting, backing and binding cut and ready to assemble. We have quilts in various stages of completion and we hope to completion to see the prepared with a second prepa

plete many quilts that evening.

Bring your machines, cutting mats and rotary cutters for those little areas that need trimming. You might want to have your seam ripper in your back pocket for those little surprises that pop up now and then.

If you are planning on bringing an iron and ironing board, please notify Michelle Craig in advance (895-0640 craigmail@worldnet.att.net). In order to prevent blowing fuses like we did last year, we are setting up ironing stations around the perimeter of the room. We will not be using pressing pads at the individual tables.

We look forward to seeing many of you for a fun filled evening. And as an added plus, there will be refreshments. See you the 9th!

President Notes

The holidays are over and it is time to review all of the projects the Omaha Quilters' Guild has participated in during 2006. We have supplied quilts to two different hospice houses, delivered many quilts and bears to the needy families in Omaha, had a wonderful quilt show in June, made quilts for the Girls and Boys Town exhibit, took a bus trip to Des Moines, made stockings, shopped for angel bags and supplied items for Santa's workshop for our Children's Emergency Fund. Plus we had the opportunity to learn from national teachers at our meeting and workshops. We have truly been a busy group of quilters this year.

I hope that you enjoyed the annual December meeting. I

know we were crowded and that at times it was hard to find enough food, but we did it to support the Children's Emergency Fund for the children who might not have had a Christmas stocking or gifts.

Thank you all for your support. Pat Sears and her committees did a wonderful job with all of their projects -- the auction, Santa's Workshop, and the stocking challenge, even when they were faced with the challenge of being in a new location. They deserve an extra thank you from everyone!

The Helping Hands Committee has been busy getting ready for the January meeting. We will be working on quilts that will be donated to needy families in the Omaha area. Bring your sewing supplies and be ready to have fun working together to help others at our meeting.

President Elect Carolyn Marsh will be forming the nominating committee soon. If you are lucky enough to be asked to be an officer in the guild, I hope you will give the request some thought. The members of the Omaha Quilters' Guild are a talented, energetic, and fun group to work with. I have enjoyed the years that I have served on the board. Please say yes, when you are asked to help.

Have a Happy New Year and remember to start a quilt project in the New Year.

Carol McCann

Rising Stars

Rising Stars will meet in Arbor Rooms 2 and 3. Since the rooms sometimes change without notice, please check the entry sign each month to verify which room we are in. The room may vary, but time is always at 6pm prior to our regular meeting.

Our OQG committee

speaker is Sue Volkmer with Programs and Workshops.

Our guest speaker is Cindy Erickson. Cindy will be giving us information on "entering your quilts in quilt shows". Cindy is a nationally know quilt judge and I know personally that she is a great teacher so I know her talk will be very informative.

We will also be sending around a sign up sheet for our two upcoming miniworkshops: One on January 27th for the Half-Yard Cruise Challenge and the other is a Wearable Arts workshop on February 24th

where we'll be showing you different techniques for making sweatshirt jackets.

Both workshops will cost \$15.00 each and we'll even feed you!

Rising Star Committee: Becky, Kathy, Richi, and Ruth

Little Christmas Celebration at Boys Town

Saturday, Jan. 6th, 1-4pm.

Please make plans to attend this special thank you to the Omaha Quilters Guild from the Village of Boys Town. In appreciation of the guild's support and donation of quilts to the Hall of History for a permanent museum display, you are invited to the Little Christmas celebration. Tour Fr. Flanagan's house, the Hall of History and then stop by the Visitors Center for cookies and hot drinks. RSVP to Tom Lynch at 498-1186. Guests welcome, just let them know how many to expect. Makers of the quilts, please try very hard to attend around 2pm so that we can take some photographs.

Questions, call or email Jan Fry

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- If you wish, use trims and embellishments--must be sewn on in order to withstand washing.
- Some of the designs are deliberately tilted on the block for interest
- Make at least 2 blocks. One for the block exchange and the second is donated to the Tickled Pink Committee

Reminder, make sure your name is attached to each block you turn in. Address labels can be adhered to the back of the blocks.



Dottie Says Make scheduling your annual mammogram and keeping up your monthly breast exams part of your New Year's resolutions. Save the tatas!

Linda Nickos makes a Christmas stop at Lydia House

Linda wasn't wearing a big red suit, and her diminutive size resembled a little elf more than a Santa, as she made an early Christmas stop at Lydia House loaded down with 21 quilts.

Ladies from the long-term care side and their children live at the center for up to a year while they are in therapy and attend classes to put their lives back together.

Linda reported that when the director told them about the quilts they literally RAN into the room and started taking quilts off the piles. Linda heard many appreciative comments like "Oh, this would be perfect for Isaac" or "Look at this one it would be just right for your Felix" and on and on. They talked about how they could wrap them up and keep them secret until Christmas.

Each lady said "Thank You" to Linda at least twice and she felt that we had made the right choice in sending the 21 quilts to Lydia House. They were so thrilled and appreciative to receive these wonderful quilts.

Each of you who added your stitches and love to these quilts

deserves a big pat on the back and the knowledge that you have made someone's Christmas a little brighter and great deal warmer. Once again, every stitch counts! On behalf of the ladies from Lydia House, "thanks" to all of you.

Many thanks to Carol McCann for donating Turning Twenty blocks and to Barb Van Trump for donating fabric.

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Mystery Dyeing with Alice Cruz - Sunday January 21st from 9-4. Location: Walsh Hall on the College of St. Mary's Campus
Registration for each class is: Members \$45.00 Non-members \$50.00 Supply lists are available on the OQG website or can be obtained by contacting Sue Volkmer If you need to cancel your attendance at the class, we require seven days notice for a refund.

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February Speaker

February's speaker is someone you will recognize--our own Peg Pennell. Her creativity will inspire you to try new things. The program "Embellishment: The Icing on the Quilt" will talk about embellishments done by hand as well as machine. Peg will show us slides to focus on detail

using different threads, beads, yarns, fibers, buttons, charms and more. She will also bring quilts to show examples of these techniques. We hope you'll join us for a great program and maybe even bring something you have tried for show and tell.

Peg's workshop on Free

Motion Applique will teach you a no-fuse, raw edge applique technique. The focus of the class will be on designing your piece using the fabric motifs you bring to class. Sign up soon as space is limited. This workshop will be at Country Inn and Suites-join in the fun!!!

President Notes



Winter has arrived at last in Omaha.

I hope the cold weather has inspired you to begin a new project or to complete one that you've been working on. I have several projects in my sewing area to choose from.

I hope to see lots of finished projects at the February meeting for Show and Tell!

The Helping Hands com-

mittee was organized and ready for us to sew at our January meeting. The quilts and throws we complete go to the shelters to help keep people cold warm during weather. You may have seen on TV how some of the shelters were running out of blankets and quilts to give to the homeless in Omaha.

I know there will be a few quilts at the February meeting that will need quilting or binding to finish them up so they can go to someone. Please consider taking one of these projects home to finish.

Remember to get your entry form for your project for the quilt show. I know we have many beautiful quilts made by our members that are calling out to go to the show in June.

C a r o l McCann



Rising Stars

This month's speakers at Rising Stars are our own OQG Small Groups Committee Chair Jocelyn Gray along with Cheryl Zach talking about "Adventures in Textiles".

Cheryl says: "My interest in sewing began when I was about 5 years old. My mother made us matching dresses, which I was thrilled about. Unfortunately that was the last time she touched a sewing machine, so it wasn't until high school that I had an opportunity to become acquainted with sewing for myself. A 4-H class turned me into a sewaholic. When I got married and had children, the sewing changed with my lifestyle. Although I knew how to do mending, my kids would beg me not to put their things in the mending box, because they would probably grow out of them before I would get to it. I would rather create some-

thing new than fix something old. All of the quilts I made, I gave away. And my only regret was that I didn't take pictures. Being a self – taught quilter I have learned some of the "tricks of the trade", and perhaps presently I would be disappointed with my early ventures. But the recipients weren't, so that's what matters. At this point sewing is not only a passion, but it is part of my occupation as a fabric store owner. And I en-

joy every minute of it!"

Also on February 24th, we will have a Rising Stars Mini Retreat on Wearable Arts. If you're interested in coming, please come to the February Rising Stars Meeting and sign up, or contact one of the Rising Stars Committee members:

Becky Moyer, Ruth Gregg, Richi Dennis & Kay Jackson



Helping Hands



Old man winter cooperated and held off a little and allowed the January Sew-In

to come off as scheduled. The Helping Hands committee had been very busy for several months in preparation for the evening. The tables were almost all occupied and everyone had time to visit and get acquainted throughout the evening. The delicious cookies were furnished by the Guild.

In the course of the evening there were 5 quilts tied or machine quilted and are now ready for binding and 15 quilt tops were assembled. That is a monumental achievement and the committee thanks everyone who attended for helping to make the evening so productive.

Kudos to those who brought completed quilts to the meeting. Mary Cave, Becky Draper and Jennifer Odell each turned in 2 quilts; Cindy Sortman and Charlene Gustin each turned in 1 quilt. In addition Charlene

Gustin brought 23 baby quilts from St. Pauls Methodist Church in Papillion.

The stash of fabric that Helping Hands is working with seems to grow much like bread dough rises. No matter how much is used, more seems to appear. A donation of 6 bags of beautiful cotton fabric was donated anonymously this month.

We are now ready to make warm and wonderful deliveries again to some less fortunate than us. Please feel free to stop by the Helping Hands table and pick up a bag at our next meeting. We will keep a steady supply of bags ready for you throughout the rest of the year so that we can continue to make these deliveries.

Michelle Craig has generously let us use her home for our workshop and we owe her a big "Thank You".

Fall Retreat—Camp Wannamakablankie 2007



Hey campers, it's <u>ALMOST</u> time to sign up for camp again. The full registration form and information will be in the March guild newsletter. Retreat will once again be at the fabulous Swanson Center at Carol Joy Holling

Conference Center in Ashland, NE, just a short drive from Omaha.

Registrations will be accepted on a first come basis. As with last fall's retreat, we will have 28 rooms available, each rooming holding from 1-5 people. So, we have lots of space/beds available.

If you are new to the guild, or need some roommates,

please don't hesitate to sign up for camp. If we get your registration, you will have a space saved, and we will make every effort to find you some roommates. This worked very well for two different groups of campers in 2006.

Rates have gone up slightly for 2007. One-half (or more) of the camp fee will be due with your registration, and the balance due in early fall.

That's it. We are really looking forward to a wonderful, relaxing, bell ringing, stitching filled fall retreat at Camp Wannamakablankie.

Your camp directors: Mary Richling, Judy Stratbucker and Jan Fry





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Children's Emergency Fund Raiser Wrap-up

The Power of One!

The annual Children's Emergency Fund benefit was a new adventure in a new location, and despite many questions as to how this or that would work out, the event was once again a huge success. It would not be possible to do this benefit without each *one* of you.

Thanks to every *one* who played a part in making stockings, raising money and collecting and delivering toys

and gifts! Thanks also to every one who was involved in the preparations, the setting up, taking down and each one of you who helped throughout the event. Our guild never ceases to amaze-- this year was no exception. We delivered 481 beautiful hand made stockings, raised \$14,500, and had 6 vans full of angel bags to Child Protective Services. The "Stocking Store" put a grand smile on every caseworker's face as they came through and selected a stocking and appropriate items for the children. Roberta Willet was once again a Shameless woman who raised over \$1,800 with her stocking. Beckv Draper and her amazing crew had a spectacular "Santa's Workshop". It was an incredible display of our guild's taland generosity. The Caring Friends Auction was a huge success as Dee Acklie and her helpers secured mega-bids on some ab-

solutely beautiful hand made quilts and other "flaky" finery. The project Bag Angel brought in many boxes of new gifts for the kids, and we had extra help from the young College of Saint Mary ambassadors who volunteered their services. There are so many people who make this possible—thanks to every one who participated. You are the ones who makes it happen.

Pat Sears

Quilt Show 2007

Now that the holidays are over, its time to start seriously working on the 2007 Quilt Show. As of the February meeting, there are 28 days left to turn in your entry form and 87 days to turn in your judged quilt. No pressure, right?

A couple of corrections were made to the Quilt Show Entry Forms so its include in the newsletter again. Entry forms can be turned in at the February and March meetings or they can be mailed to Judy Unrien, 11625 Lilley Lane, Bellevue, NE 68123-1120.

For those of you with internet access, the Quilt Show Entry Form is also available on the OQG website under the 2007 Quilt Show page. Your information can be typed into the form however, you must print the form afterwards; you cannot submit the form through the website.

Announcements

The Featured Quilter for the 2007 Show will be our own Nancy Kirk. Nancy will be displaying antique quilts from her collection. She has also graciously agreed to give a lecture at the show as well.

The Quilt Show Committee has been contacting members asking them to give lectures during the show. They have all agreed. We will be providing a list of the lectures in a future newsletter article.

Don't forget to Mark your calendars with the following dates:

- The deadline for turning in entry forms is March 13th. If you are mailing your entry form they must be post marked no later than March 13th.
- Quilts can be turned in the week of May 7th through May 11th. We will be accepting non-judged quilts until May 18th.
- There will be NO exceptions for when judged quilts can be turned in! If the quilt is not turned in by May 11th it will not be judged. If a non-judged

quilt is not turned in by May 18th it will not be in the show.

Set a goal for turning in your quilts at the last OQG meeting Tuesday, May 8th. There will be additional turn in locations announced in a future news letter.

Your quilt show chairs,

Judy Unrein, Pat Varner & Elizabeth Kannedy



WANTED: Volunteers for the following jobs: Quilt Show Security, Show Set Up, Show Take Down, and Signage. Contact one of the Quilt Show Chairs if interested.

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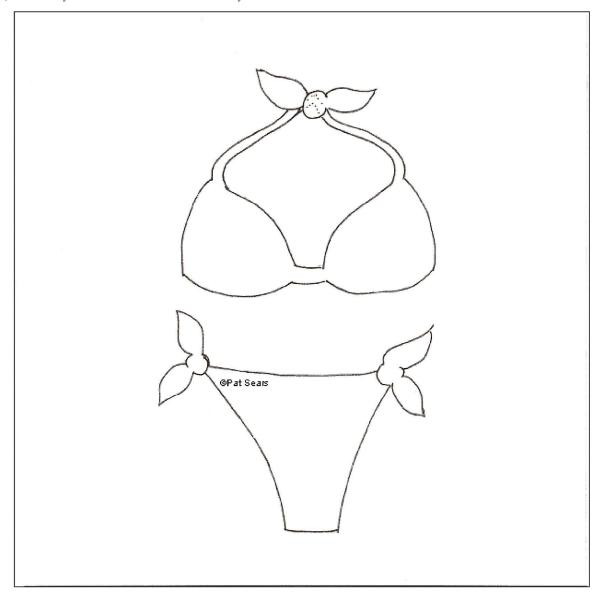
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- If you wish, use trims and embellishments--must be sewn on in order to withstand washing.
- Some of the designs are deliberately tilted on the block for interest.
- Make at least 2 blocks. One for the block exchange and the second is donated to the Tickled Pink Committee

Reminder, make sure your name is attached to each block you turn in. Address labels can be adhered to the back of the blocks.



Quilt Show Challenge

We've been asked to provide the rules for this year's Quilt Show challenge.

While each member that participates in a challenge is a "winner", the Quilt Show Committee will be asking the membership to vote for their favorites in some unique categories. The voting will take place the evening of the Members' Only Reception.

Put your thinking caps on and join in the challenge!

Here are the rules:

1. The item must tell a story. This does not mean it must be a twelve block quilt. It can be a one block quilt that represents an event or item. For example a block containing a house could represent your first house, or add a porch to the house block to recreate the porch where you spent time with your grandmother while she read to you.

- 2. There must be a heart clearly visible on the front of the quilt. The heart can be pieced, appliquéd or printed on the fabric.
- **3. There is not a size limitation.** If your story is best represented by a bed sized quilt, go for it!
- **4.** The challenge item does not have to be a quilt. We have some talented garment and doll makers in the guild. We would love to see some of your work in the challenge. How about a doll

that looks like your grandfather? Or a jacket with pictures of your children, grandchildren or your pets? The possibilities are limitless.

5. There isn't a specific challenge fabric.

Contact the 2007 Quilt Show Committee if you have any questions.

Judy, Pat & Elizabeth

	2006-07 OQG Workshop Registration Form Please register using this form. Send your Check (payable to OQG) to Sue Volkmer, 2809 South 125th Ave #283, Omaha, NE 68144	
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	"You Too Can Do Miniatures" - Sunday March 11th from 9-4. Country Inn and Suites, 11818 Miami St, Omaha, NE	
Supply lists	Registration for each class is: Members \$45.00 Non-members \$50.0 are available on the OQG website or can be obtained by contacting	

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OQG BOARD MEETING

March 6, 2007 7 pm

Lutheran Church Of the Master Next OQG meeting: Tuesday, March 13th at 7 pm.

March Speaker

The March meeting and workshop will feature guild member Cindy Erickson. Cindy has been quilting since 1985 and is an NQA certified Quilt Judge. Cindy is active in several quilting organizations and is the judging coordinator for the Omaha Guild Quilt Show to be held in June.



C i n d y recently teamed up with Jamie Sculley and they received first place

in the Fons and Porter 2006 Contest "Quilting Together". Congratulations!! The workshop this month will focus on miniatures-go to our website for a picture of the project that Cindy will be teaching.

Sign up now for Cindy's workshop--You Too Can Create Miniatures.

President Notes



I missed seeing all of you at the February meeting. We will have

Peg Pennell back sometime next year to speak to the guild and to possibly teach a different class. I hope all of you used your time at home to quilt and work on projects. Remember that your entry form for the quilt show is due at the March meeting.

On Valentine's Day, the Omaha Quilters' Guild was honored by the Governor with the group "Point of Light" Award. Pat Sears, Dee Acklie, Becky Draper, Elizabeth Kannedy, and I

made the trip to Lincoln to accept the award. Pat Sears spoke briefly about the Children's Emergency Fund and we all had our pictures taken with the Governor and First Lady.

We are beginning to work on the plans for next year. If you would like to become more active in the guild by volunteering to serve on the board please contact either Carolyn Marsh or me. We'd love to see some new faces as well as our returning veterans on the board.

January and February have found me continuing to rethink the stacks of fabric I had in the different rooms of my little house. I have made several trips to Michelle Craig's to leave bags of fabric and blocks that I know I will never use, but are still worthy of finding their way into a quilt. I am now down to about 50 UFO's and I need to finish them before I buy more fabric.

Don't Forget there are only two months left to sign up for classes from our wonderful speakers. You can check the OQG website or Sue Volkmer for more information on the remaining classes. Don't miss out on learning a new skill this year!



Happy stitching, Carol McCann

Rising Stars

"I hope things work out the way they are supposed to", was my Father's favorite quote. I usually heard that saying from him about the time I had come up with some hair-brain idea he wasn't very fond of. But...sometimes things "do" work out the way they are supposed to. For example I

just learned that my March Rising Star speaker had made other plans for March and the February Speaker, Cheryl Zach, was so disappointed that her talk got called off because of the weather.

So Cheryl Zach will be our March speaker. Cheryl's talk will be on Adventures in Textiles. Our committee speakers will be from the 2007 Quilt Show Committee and will give a short talk about the show and answer any questions you might have.

Our Rising Star "Finish It Up" Workshop will be on March 31st. The workshop is at St Lukes Church on 24th

Street and is free for anyone who attended the other two workshops. You need to let us know if you're coming so we will have enough extension cords and tables setup.

Rising Star Committee: Becky, Kathy, Richi, and Ruth

Helping Hands—A warm and wintry thank you!



You probably won't receive a personal "Thank You" from a recipient of the

quilt you helped to complete. However, the Helping Hands Committee thanks each and every one of you. We want you to know a little about the recipients of some of this year's quilts.

Last year many quilts went to Hospices and Liberty School, plus our Christmas Party did so much to brighten the lives of children in the Child Protective Services. With that in mind I asked Angie Reed to tell us a little about the recipients of all the baby quilts we were given at the January Sew-In by St. Paul's Methodist Church in Papillion.

Angie went out to Essential Pregnancy Services in Benson on February 7 (snow and all). This facility is for unwed mothers that has been in existence for 6 years. Once a week a doctor and 2 nurses are available to examine the girls (an examination which includes an ultrasound), and the girls are given counseling, training on taking care of their baby, and

cooking lessons. Volunteers help with sorting the donated clothing and assorted items that are then sold to the girls in their Boutique. It is unfortunate that there is a need for facilities like this, but we can all feel that our donations have gone to a very worthy cause.

During this recent cold spell the shelters were making pleas on TV for blankets and toiletries. Fortunately Helping Hands had quilts ready to be delivered, so Michelle Craig, Angie Storz and their husbands took quilts to the Stephen Center. This facility takes in abused women

and their children and serves as a rehab center for men who are homeless, addicts and alcoholics. Different Churches take turns delivering warm evening meals to the Stephen Center on a year round basis.

We can all thank God that we are not in a position of needing the services of these facilities, and by the same token we can be thankful that we are in a position to provide a little warmth and comfort to those who do. Omaha Quilter's Guild is truly a worthwhile philanthropic group.

MJ Reigel

Membership

The Membership committee is looking forward to greeting all at the March meeting. There will be wonderful door prizes as usual.

We are at about 440 members.

There are still a lot of members who have not picked up their Membership books, we urge you to do so. The March 13th meeting will be the deadline for to join OQG in order to have a quilt entered in this year's show.

Membership Applications will

be available at the membership table for the 2007-2008 year.

Linda Holman



Happy "Holly Days" Caring Friends Auction Theme



Happy Holly Days is the theme for next years Caring Friends auction.

The item needs to be made by a group of caring friends. Each item needs to contain some holly on it and be related to quilting.

Now think outside of the box you could us Holly Hobby, Buddy Holly-just think Holly!!!!

Items will be collected in November and auctioned in December at the annual holiday party.

This auction helps to fund the Children's Emergency Fund. If you have any questions please contact Dee Acklie at 391-6061 or dee@acklie.net.





Dottie Says Are you working on new projects or your UFOs? Don't get soooo busy you forget to do your monthly breast exams. Save the tatas!

Quilt Show 2007

The Quilt Show Committee is pleased to announce the Judge for the show will be Anita Shackelford. Anita has been a quiltmaker since 1967 and began teaching in 1980. She is an internationally recognized teacher and lecturer who loves combining applique and fine hand quilting to create new quilts in 19th century style. She also enjoys using her sewing machine for many parts of the creative process and has recently added longarm quilting to the mix. Anita is looking forward to returning to Omaha. She has also agreed to teach a class while she is in Omaha. The topic and date to be announced in the future.

We are also very excited to announce that there will be lectures at the Quilt Show, three on Friday, three on Saturday and one on Sunday. Nancy Kirk will be giving two: Friday will be "What's My Quilt Worth" and Saturday will be "Taking Care of Grandma's Quilts". Jennifer Perkins will be giving one on Friday: "How to Make a Winning Quilt". Alice Cruz will give us "Secrets of Hand Dyeing" on Saturday. And Sunday, Cindy Sortman will give us "Things you Need to Know about Longarm Quilting". The following lectures are still in the works – titles and days to be announced later. Nancy Peters will be giving us a lecture on Embellishment and Ann Lage from the Country Sampler will also

Quilt Show Entry Forms are due no later than March 13, 2007. They can be turned in at the Guild meeting or if they are mailed they must be postmarked no later than March 13. If you had planned on turning them in at the February meeting, please put them into mail

instead of waiting for the March meeting. Likewise, if you can complete your entry form(s) now, please do so and mail them in. It will help us get them into the database, and help our workload immensely.

Backup Plan: If the March meeting were to be canceled, the alternate plan would be the entries would have to be mailed to Judy, postmarked no later than March 16.

Reminders about Entry Forms:

- 1. The entry form is available on the OQG website under the Quilt Show page. Your information can be typed into the form, but you must then print the form. The form cannot be submitted through the website.
- 2. If you paid someone to quilt your entry, it is considered Professionally Quilted, and it must go into one of

the Professional categories.

Other dates to remember:

- 1. Quilts can be turned in for the show at the May 8th meeting.
- 2. Quilts to be Judged must be turned in during the week of May 7 May 11th.
- 3. Non Judged quilts will be due no later than May 18.

We still need volunteers for the following jobs: Quilt Show Security, Show Take Down, and Signage. Please contact one of the Quilt Show Chairs if you are willing to help.

Your Quilt Show Committee, Judy Unrien, Pat Varner and Elizabeth Kannedy



Fall Retreat—Camp Wannamakablankie 2007



Hey, it's time to sign up for fall camp. Here is what you need to know:

Who: Anyone who is a member of OQG

What: The annual fall retreat for our quilt guild

When: October 19th, 20th

and 21st, 2007

Where: Camp Carol Joy Holling in Ashland, Nebraska at the Swanson Retreat Center, a hotel style retreat center.

Why: Relax in a luxurious rural setting with friends (old and new), bring your projects and sew for 52 hours if you want to; no cooking/cleaning or other interruptions and have a great time!

What's included: hotel style accommodations, hot meals, great sewing spaces, ergo chairs, 24 hour snacks, gorgeous location, all those 60 reasons from last year, and the great memories too.

Room & food rates: rates have increased an average of 11% across the board.

Those rates are reflected on the registration form, which is printed in this newsletter and is also available on the guild website.

Roommates: our committee is dedicated to helping everyone come to camp. You don't need to fill a room yourself to come to camp. We can (and did) match up single/double guild members to form a full room. Please complete the registration form for the number of people you wish in your room, and check the box "I need some roommates".

We are looking forward to another memorable camp.

Your Camp Directors, Mary Richling, Judy Stratbucker and Jan Fry



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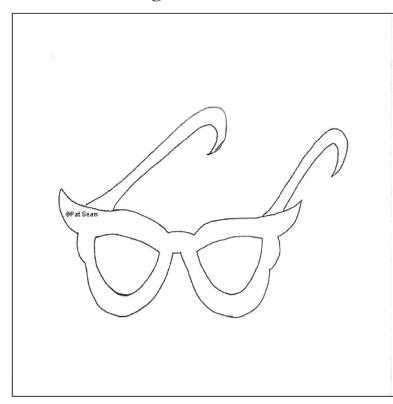
CAMP WANNAMAKABLANKIE

October 19-21, 2007

(Please complete all areas of the form. If you do not, we will have to contact you.)

Name
Address
Phone Email Please note: email is the easiest, least expensive way to communicate. Please provide an email address if you have one.
Maximum # of guests you wish in your room: 2 - \$186 per person (2 nights lodging, six meals, and camp) 3 - \$164 per person (2 nights lodging, six meals, and camp) 4 - \$142 per person (2 nights lodging, six meals, and camp) 5 - \$120 per person (2 nights lodging, six meals, and camp)
I am willing to share a queen bed □ yes □ no
Please reserve a room for me. My roommates will be: ———————————————————————————————————
□ I need some roommates
□ I have a medically necessitated need for a special diet. It will be my responsibility to contact Cassandra Strasburg at CJH and discuss my needs. (cstrasburg@nlom.org or 402-944-2544)
□ I have a Unique Technique which I would like to share with the campers.
We will do our best to ensure that the room charges (fees) are those which you have requested. We will begin filling room requests as the reservations come in.
$\frac{1}{2}$ the requested room rate is due with the reservation; the balance will be due 9-1-07. We will notify you of your final costs by 8-10-07.
Full refunds will be made up to 9-18-07.
Please make checks payable to OQG; mail checks and registration forms to: Mary Richling, 13644 Seward Circle, Omaha, NE 68154

Block Exchange



"THINK PINK" Diva Quilt Guidelines:

NOTE: The quilt block has been reduced in size. The block needs to be enlarged by 200% to return it to the correct size for making an 8 1/2 inch unfinished block.

While pink is **not** to be the predominate color, there should be a little pink in each block!

Block size: 8-1/2 inch block cut (unfinished sized) (Finished size is 8 inches).

- Background is white or white-on-white (no muslin, no tan).
- Choose clear or hot brights for the designs elements.
- Fusible web appliqué with buttonhole-stitch (or other stitching) or any traditional appliqué method.
- If you wish, use trims and embellishments--must be sewn on in order to withstand washing.
- \bullet Some of the designs are deliberately tilted on the block for interest.
- Make at least 2 blocks. One for the block exchange and the second is donated to the Tickled Pink Committee

Reminder, make sure your name is attached to each block you turn in. Address labels can be adhered to the back of the blocks.

Shhh!!! It's a secret......

Let's make Nine Patch blocks for our outgoing President, Carol McCann.

Each year the members of OQG present their outgoing President with blocks for a quilt at the May meeting. Carol enjoys "scrappy quilts" so using scraps from your past or current projects, take a couple of minutes to make a Nine Patch block (or two...) for Carol.

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Each block within the Nine Patch block needs to be cut 3 1/2" by 3 1/2"/

Unfinished size of the block is 9 1/2" x 9 1/2", finished is 9" X 9"

Don't forget to sign your blocks! You drop off the blocks at March and April OQG meetings. Please put the blocks in a basket that will be located on a table near membership.

If you have any questions you can reach me at 895-3928 evening or weekends or you can drop me an email at marzstars@msn.com

Carolyn Marsh President Elect

OQG BOARD MEETING MINUTES Tuesday, February 6, 2006

President Carol McCann called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm. Meeting minutes of the Nov. 14th board meeting were approved as printed in the newsletter.

Please give your reimbursable requests to Treasurer Joan Workman.

The date of May 8th is the firm cutoff for group rates to Ricky Tims' presentation.

The new December meeting location and format is being evaluated for possible changes for next year. The sound system was a problem. The room was crowded and not everyone got ample food. Some tables took food for the whole table and then left it. Our former meeting space will not be available due to raised rates and catering policies.

We are looking for new long-term options for our regular meeting space. Please think about places we might use.

Quilt Show co-chair Elizabeth Kannedy announced the quilt show judge will be Anita Shackelford. Some jobs still need to be filled. All plans are progressing well. Verification is May 23 and judging May 25.

Lincoln Quilt Guild usually has their quilt show the 2nd weekend in June. They would like to know when our 2008 show might be so we don't conflict. We don't see any reason to change from the first weekend in June.

The March newsletter deadline is Feb. 20th.

OQG has been selected to receive the 2007 Nebraska Governor's Points of Light award for work on the Children's Emergency Fund. The Governor's Proclamation Signing Ceremony is to be held on Wednesday, February 14, 2007 at 10:30 a.m. Someone from our group will be represented at this event.

Photos of children on our website was discussed. We will continue posting photos as in the past.

Helping Hands committee had a wonderful workshop for the January meeting. Thanks to the committee and members, about 15 quilt tops were finished, many of which were taken home for completions, and others were tied that night. A quilt is in progress for donation to the Easter Seals campaign. Stevens Center residents gratefully received 10 quilts from the committee.

A Quilts of Valor project was discussed. It was decided, if we start one, it needs to be a new separate committee. These quilts have very specific requirements and this project is outside the scope of any current committee.

Pat Varner has surgery today to correct her last knee replacement. Please keep her in your thoughts.

The next board meeting will be March 6, 2007.

Dee Acklie said she would like to do some additional publicity for the Ricky Tims fundraiser. College of St. Mary will host an IQSC show during the event. A motion was raised, seconded and passed, to fund \$500 for addition publicity for this fiscal year and \$1000 in next year's budget for a reception during the show.

The results of the Children's

Emergency Fund, was shown in the newsletter.

The Membership committee has 30 wrapped gift boxes left from December. These will be used as future door prizes. Our current membership is at about 440 members. Name and address updates are available at the membership table, as they can no longer be printed in the newsletter. New members for this year will be accepted until March 13th. Anyone joining after then will be accepted for next year.

A new committee will be considered for Holders and Folders for next year's meetings.

The board reiterated our longstanding policy of not using the guild membership and meetings for commercial purposes.

A \$250 check was granted to Helping Hands committee from Walmart. They will use this for various supplies.

The meeting adjourned at 8:15pm.

Respectfully submitted, LaVonne Dunetts

Quilts of Hospice House Project

I cannot believe how this year has flown by so quickly and the quilt show is right around the corner...

I want to remind those of you who are working on hospice quilts that we are planning to hang the quilts slated to go to the Josie Harper House again this year in the quilt show. I already have 7 beautiful quilts and know that there are more out among you that you have

told me you had coming. So, please, please get them finished for the show.

So many visitors to the show last year commented on how worthy our project was for the patients at the hospice house.

We have already been informed of the warmth and joy our quilts are giving the patients that we presented last year!

Unless the quilt is to be judged,

please turn in the quilt by May 18th. Judged quilts are due by May 11th.

Remember to put a label on the back of your quilt. **An entry form is still required** Don't for get to include your story behind why you made the quilt on your entry forms.

For those quilts I already have, I will take care of the entry form and will contact the makers for their information about the quilt.

Thanks to everyone who has supported this project. I cannot tell you how much your participation means to the patients, their families and the staff at the Josie Harper Residence.

Well done everyone...

Pat Varner Yankee56@cox.net

Ricky Tims Super Seminar Event

Quilters will be converging on Omaha August 16-18, 2007. This is a wonderful opportunity for you to attend a wonderful quilting event and see 3 national teachers with outstanding reputations.

Each participant will walk away from this event with a syllabus of all methods demoed. We are currently taking registrations for our OQG group rate. Group rate is \$159.00. Forms may be downloaded from the OQG website. Click on Ricky Tims and the form is right there.

Completed forms should be sent to Jamie Sculley at the following address:

Jamie Sculley 1404 Western Hills Dr. Papillion, NE 68046-7037

Checks need to be made out to Ricky Tims not to OQG.

Jamie will verify you are an OQG member and send on your form so you are able to

get the group rate.

This activity is our fundraiser for the International Quilt Study Center located at UNL.

Let's back this effort and raise the roof on the new study center.

Dee Acklie

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Address
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Please sign me up for: Cindy Erickson's "You Too Can Do Miniatures" - Sunday March 11th from 9-4.
Location: Country Inn and Suites, 11818 Miami St, Omaha, NE
Registration for each class is: Members \$45.00 Non-members \$50.00 Supply lists are available on the OQG website or can be obtained by contacting Sue Volkmer
If you need to cancel your attendance at the class, we require seven days notice for a refund.

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OOG BOARD **MEETING**

April 3, 2007 7 pm

Lutheran Church Of the Master

Next OOG meeting: Tuesday, April 10th at 7 pm.

April Speaker

Sue Nickels will be the guest speaker at the April meeting. Sue has been quilting for 28 years, starting by hand and gradually focusing on machine work. She has been teaching machine techniques for the past 18 years and strives to provide a relaxed environment for students to learn machine techniques that are timesaving. She emphasizes the best quality workmanship.

We encourage you to take

advantage of her expertise while she is here.

Her lecture "Machine Quilting Tips and Tricks" will discuss how machine quilting has progressed over the last 20 years. The discussion will include her favorite tips and tricks for successful machine quilting on the home sewing machine.

Plan to sign up for workshops and attend the meeting.

Sue and her sister Pat Holly won the 1998 AQS Best of Show award for "The Beatles Quilt" and in 2003 their quilt "the Space Quilt" won the IQA Master of Machine Artistry Award and the 2004 AQS Machine Workmanship Award. Sue's books include "Machine Applique: A Sampler of Techniques" and Machine Quilting: A Primer of Techniques". She also co-"Stitched Raw authored Edge Applique" with her sister Pat.

President Notes

We have exciting news for the guild. The Omaha Quilters' Guild received the "First Lady's Outstanding Community Service Award" in the adult group category. We were nominated by the Department of Health and Human Services for our years of service with the Children's Emergency Fund.

Five guild members had lunch with the First Lady and accepted the award for the guild on March 22, 2007. This honor was given

to us because of the extra mile that our members go to make sure children in foster care will be remembered at Christmas. Pat Sears, Becky Draper, Dee Acklie, and Kathy Havranek lead the project for the guild, but it wouldn't be successful if we didn't have the support of our membership. Congratulations to everyone.

I hope that all of you will be bringing your calendars to the meeting in April. It is important that all members help to support the

quilt show. Each member is asked to work for three hours for each quilt that you enter in the show. I would encourage every member to volunteer to work a shift at the show. It is a fun way to get to know other guild members and to see the quilts up close and personal. If you won't be able to help at the show please check to see if there is a job you could do to help get ready for the show.

Carol McCann



Rising Stars

Last year at the Omaha Quilt Show, I found a quilt that I fell in love with. Always on the look out for speakers, I asked Marcia Christensen if she would give a talk to Rising Stars on her quilt and the technique she used (machine appliqué). She graciously agreed. When I asked her for a short quilting/sewing history, the following is her bios in her own words:

I started sewing clothes for my dolls at a very young age on one of those toy sewing machines. My mother was a Home Economics teacher and my grandmother was an expert seamstress so they decided to send me to a 'learn to

sew' class through the fabric store here in town when I was in the fourth grade. My grandparents owned the Singer Sewing and Fabric store in Valentine Nebraska for many years. In the summer I would visit for a week to help them do inventory. During that time Grandma and I sewed up several new outfits for me. I didn't start quilting until graduating from college and starting work for IBM in upstate New York . My graduation present was a sewing machine of my own! I had a roommate whose mother was a quilter, so we figured we could teach ourselves with a little over-the-phone advice.

My first 'official' quilting class was way later after I had moved back home. It was the beginning class at the Log Cabin Quilt Shop. I had by then talked my mom into trying quilting and she joined me in that class. I have since enjoyed many other classes, seminars and workshops on different techniques and projects. (I could be a perpetual student). One of the latest workshops I attended was one my mother talked me into joining her on. It was with her favorite teacher Jenny Raymond from Gothenburg Nebraska . Jenny taught us the techniques involved in creating the appliqué tulip quilt. Mom and

I both had our quilts in last year's show. It was after another of Jenny's Workshops that we pulled my grandmother into the fold. For her sewing was for garments and we finally got her to see the glory of quilting in Jenny's Jacket class! So now I can say I come from a long line of quilters...the journey was just a bit backwards!

We will also have a short informative talk from the Newsletter Editor. See you at the next Rising Stars meeting.

Rising Star Committee: Becky, Kaye, Ruth, Richi



Slate of Officers for 2007-2008

The slate of officers for next year was presented at the March meeting. The following members have agreed to serve the Guild Board next year. They will be voted on at the April Meeting:

Carolyn Marsh, President Jackie Heyne, President Elect Sue Volkmer, Vice President/ Programs Chair LaVonne Dunetts, Recording Secretary Joan Workman, Treasurer Janet Koch, Corresponding Secretary The members that served on the nominating committee with President Elect Carolyn Marsh were: Vicki Hoskovec, Marge Bressel, Elizabeth Kannedy, Judy Sellers and Joan Workman.

Membership

We had 176 attendees and 10 guests at the March meeting

A number of people picked up their membership books, but there are still quite a few unclaimed ones.

We are now taking membership applications for the 2007-2008

year. Applications are available on the OQG web site.

We look forward to seeing you at "Christmas in April" during

the April Guild meeting!

Linda Holman



Fall Retreat—Camp Wannamakablankie 2007



Who: Anyone who is a member of OQG

What: The second annual fall retreat for our quilt guild

When: October 19, 20 and 21, 2007

Where: Camp Carol Joy Holling, Ashland, Nebraska at the wonderful Swanson Retreat Center

Why: Relax in a luxurious rural setting with friends (old and new), bring your projects and sew for 52 hours if you want to; no cooking/cleaning or other interruptions (except maybe snacking and marshmallow roasting.)

Cost per camper:

5 campers to a room: \$120 4 campers to a room: \$142 3 campers to a room: \$164 2 campers to a room: \$186

Roommates needed: I have

one camper who would like to share a room with two others. The rate would be \$164 each for the weekend. If you are interested in this, or want to start your own room and fill it up, please contact Mary Richling.

Camp is filling up fast. As of the printing of the newsletter, we have 67 campers in 20 rooms. There are eight rooms left, each holding from 2-5 campers. The reservation form was printed in the February newsletter. If you need another copy, go to the OQG website www.omahaquiltersguild.org Click on "Camp Wannamakablankie", then on "reservation form".

We are looking forward to another memorable camp with our quilt friends.

Your Camp Directors, Mary Richling, Judy Stratbucker and Jan Fry





Dottie Says The weather is getting nice. It's time to go outdoors. Don't get so busy you forget your monthly breast exams. Save the tatas!

Quilt Show 2007

Over 300 Quilt show entries have been turned in. At the April meeting, we will have the quilt show entries typed and ready for you to review the entry information. Also please be sure to get your quilt show entry number. This number must be on your quilt when it is turned in for the show. Please see

separate article on Labeling Your Quilt Show Entry.

Judy Sellers, our Quilt Show Volunteer chairman, will have the sign-up sheets for show volunteers. Remember, you must volunteer three hours for each quilt show entry. See separate article for descriptions of show volunteer jobs.

Dates to Remember:

May 8: Quilts can be turned in at the Guild meeting. As of April 1 there are 38 days to get those quilts finished, labeled and ready to be turned in at the May Guild meeting on May 8.

May 7 – May 11: Quilts to be judged must be turned in during this week.

May 18: Non-judged quilts due by this date.



Quilt Show Volunteers

The Quilt Guild asks that you volunteer three hours for each quilt show entry. Below is an explanation of many of the volunteer. Judy Sellers will be at the April and May meetings with sign up sheets. Shifts are usually in three hour increments, unless different times are listed.

In addition volunteering your husbands, brothers or teenagers (at least 16 years old) especially for set-up and take down, counts towards your volunteer hours.

Friday May 18 - Quilt Verification - morning until finished: This job requires being on your feet and lifting quilts. Lunch is provided.

Wednesday Evening, May 30 - Pick Up Frames and deliver to Millard West High School:

We will need several pickup trucks and people to load the trucks at the storage unit, drive the frames to Millard West, unload the frames and carry them into gyms. The frames are then laid out to be ready for setup the next morning. Time to be announced later.

Thursday, May 31, Quilt Show Set-up 8 am until finished: The frames are assembled and set up, hanging the quilts, setting up displays, etc.

All Show days: Friday, June 1 thru Sunday, June 3 – open hours of show:

Admission Table and Hostesses: Each day two people will collect admission, and one or two will stand near entrance to welcome visitors, tell them about the two gyms and the highlights of our event. We also need a couple people to man the member check-in on Member Night.

White Glove: You will wear white gloves, walk around and offer to show people the back of the quilts and remind people NOT to touch the quilts. White glove volunteers also are there to provide security for the quilts. We also need white glove volunteers to hold quilts for lectures.

Vendor Relief: Volunteers are needed to provide the vendors with quick breaks.

Raffle Quilt / Information Table: Both the Omaha Quilt Guild and the Nebraska State Quild raffle quilts will be at the show. Visitors will have the opportunity to purchase tickets. We also need volunteers for an information table containing information about guild membership, and other quilting events.

Demonstration area: We are ;looking for at least two volunteers to demonstrate different quilting skills and chat with visitors.

Sunday, June 3 - Quilt Show

Take Down starting at 4:00 pm until frames are down, loaded, and delivered to storage: We need people to take down and fold quilts, disassemble the frames, bundle then into groups, carry/load them into the trucks AND we need people with pickup trucks to deliver the frames back to storage. NOTE: Quilts will NOT be checked out until all the frames are on their way back to storage. No exceptions!!!

Sunday, June 3 - Quilt Check Out after frames are down: There will be people at the table verifying identification and registration forms and checking the quilts off the master lists. We also need people to fetch the quilts for the owners.

There are jobs that need to be done before the Quilt Show. Contact one of the Quilt Show Chairs if interested. We still need volunteers to head up Quilt Show Security, Show Take Down, and Signage.

Quilt Workshop with Anita Shackelford

A workshop will be held with the quilt show judge Anita Shackelford while she is in town for judging. The workshop topic "Focus on Fabric" is a new topic being offered by Anita. Discover a new way to work with yukatas, batiks and other large

scale picture prints. Let the fabric tell you how to use it! Traditional piecing and simple applique come together to create a one-of-a-kind quilt. The workshop is for all levels of quilting skills.

The class will be held

Thursday May 24th 9am to 4pm at Country Inns & Suites, 2210 Abbott Drive (near the Airport).

The cost of the class is \$40.00 and is limited to 24 members. Registrations will be accepted in order by post-

mark. The registration form is available in this newsletter on the next page.

Supply list will be available on the OQG website or by contacting Elizabeth Kannedy via email at eakannedy@yahoo.com.

Labeling Your Quilt Show Entry

Every item entered in the quilt show MUST have an entry label placed on the lower left of the back side of the quilt. The label should be a piece of fabric, and with a permanent marking pen include the following information: Quilts Show Entry Number, Name, Address, Phone number. Sew this label on with a whip stitch. Please do NOT use tape or safety pins! If you are having the quilt judged,

your name, address, and phone number must be covered – ONLY the entry number can show. You may either whip stitch a piece of fabric over the personal info, or place masking tape over it.

I personally like to use a piece of fabric approximately 6 inches by 9 to 12 inches. I write the entry number at the top and my name, address and phone number at the bottom. Then

I fold it in thirds, with the top third showing the number over the bottom third that has the personal info and then stitch it on. For example:

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Ima Quilter 1234 Street 123-4567 The placement on the quilt should look like:

Back Side of Quilt Top

Place label here

Quilt Appraisals will be Available at the Quilt Show

Appraisals of quilts will be available at the quilt show, by appointment only. They will be performed by Nancy Kirk of the Kirk Collection. Appointments can be scheduled by phone at 402-551-0386 or 800-398-2542.

Written appraisals are \$40. Written appraisals will require a Quilt Inventory Form to be filled out in advance. You need one form per quilt. The written appraisals will be mailed to the owner

within two weeks after the show. You can either send the Quilt Inventory Form by e-mail to kirkcoll@aol.com or bring it to the show.

Verbal appraisals are \$15.

Checks should be made payable to: The Kirk Collection. If you want to pay by credit card, you can call Nancy Kirk with the card number.

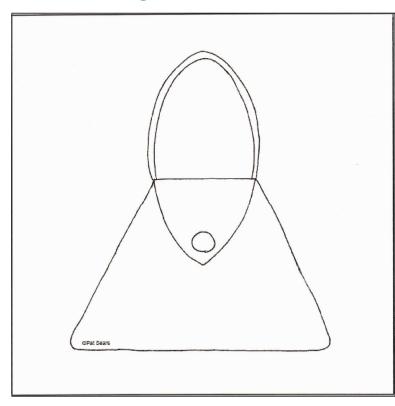
Guild members that would like a quilt show entry to be appraised will also need to fill out a Quilt Inventory Form (one form per quilt) and submit it to Nancy. It should be marked that it is a quilt show entry. You do not need an appointment as Nancy will do the appraisals during the weekend of the show (before actual show hours). You need to pay in advance, either by check or calling Nancy with your credit card number.

You can download the Quilt Inventory form at www.kirkcollection.com/ quiltinventoryform.html. If the quilt is entered in the show, please include your assigned quilt show entry number.

It's important to include the following information on the entry for: amount of time spent making the quilt, the source of the pattern, a little about your experience as a quilter, and previous awards you've won, plus any awards this quilt has won.

Anita Shackelford's Focus on Fabric Workshop Registration Form Please register using this form. Send your Check (payable to OQG) to Elizabeth Kannedy, 13308 South 33rd Street, Bellevue, NE 68123-2369	
Name	
Address	
City, State, zip	
Daytime Phone Number	
Location: Country Inn and Suites, 2210 Abbott Drive, Omaha, NE	
Registration for members only is: \$40.00 Supply list will be available on the OQG website or can be obtained by contacting Elizabeth I	Kannedy

Block Exchange



"THINK PINK" Diva Quilt Guidelines:

NOTE: The quilt block has been reduced in size. The block needs to be enlarged by 200% to return it to the correct size for making an 8 1/2 inch unfinished block.

While pink is **not** to be the predominate color, there should be a little pink in each block!

Block size: 8-1/2 inch block cut (unfinished sized) (Finished size is 8 inches).

- Background is white or white-on-white (no muslin, no tan).
- Choose clear or hot brights for the designs elements.
- Fusible web appliqué with buttonhole-stitch (or other stitching) or any traditional appliqué method.
- If you wish, use trims and embellishments--must be sewn on in order to withstand washing.
- Some of the designs are deliberately tilted on the block for interest.
- Make at least 2 blocks. One for the block exchange and the second is donated to the Tickled Pink Committee

Reminder, make sure your name is attached to each block you turn in. Address labels can be adhered to the back of the blocks.

Hospice House Project

Please contact Pat Varner if you made a quilt for the Hospice House Project this year. Some of the quilts are not labeled. Pat needs to know who the maker(s) are and who quilted them to submit the quilts in the Quilt Show.

You can contact Pat via email at yankee56@cox.net or evenings at 291-0669.

National Quilt Exhibit is coming to Omaha

Mark your calendars for August of 2007 for a special month long, national touring quilt exhibit that is coming to Omaha. The exhibit will be held at the Cathedral Arts Center on 40th & Webster, and it is actually 2 separate shows, presented back to back.

The first show is entitled "Women of Biblical Proportions (WOPB), and it will be on display for the first 2 weeks in August. The exhibit consists of 50 art quilts, each 22" square. Fifty women quilters from around the country chose a woman or a women's "theme" from the Bible and then created

a representative visual work of art. Then, of course, our male counterparts wanted to get into the act! They were so impressed with the exhibit that 50 male quilters choose a man or a men's them, and they made 50 additional quilts, known as the "Men of Biblical Proportions" (MOBP). Both exhibits have been touring the country separately, but we were lucky enough to be able to bring them to Omaha back to back. The MOBP show will be the last 2 weeks of August. If you are attending the Ricky Tims Seminar on August 16-18, you will have time to run to the Cathedral before the seminar or over

your lunch break to view the show.

The quilts are fun, funky, realistic, surrealistic, playful, thought provoking, reverent....you name it, every emotion is represented in these quilts. Linda Thompson and Teri Quinn are bringing this exhibit to Omaha as their gift to the quilting community; admission will be FREE to the show. Either Teri or Linda will be at the April or May meeting of the Omaha Quilt Guild to tell you more about the show and to hand out postcards with more info about the show. You can see a sampling of the quilts from both exhibits www.wobpat: mobp.org. There are 2 quilts shown each day and they change often. Or, you can see pictures of some of the WOBP quilts in the Spring, 2005 issue (#17) of Quilting Arts Magazine (pp. 74-84). Sample quilts from the MOBP are in the Summer, 2006 issue (#22) of Quilting Arts (pp. 78-83). Both exhibits will stop touring in Dec. of 2007, so this will be your last chance to see them in person. If you have any questions before the next meeting, contact Teri Ouinn at: Bible-Quilts@aol.com. We will be encouraging church groups and Bible study groups to attend.

OQG Board Meeting Minutes Tuesday, March 6, 2006

The meeting was called to order by President Carol McCann at 7 pm.

Old Business:

Carol reminded us that the next 3 board meetings will be the first Tuesdays in April and May and the second Tuesday in June.

Please present bills to Treasurer Joan Workman.

The Lincoln Quilters Guild, along with Kearney and Cottonwood, are all taking Ricky Tims reservations for their groups.

Camp Wannamakeablankie registration forms are available and you may now make your reservation. If you don't have roommates they will match you.

Programs for next year are now being finalized. We have some excellent speakers lined up.

The Quilt Show registrations

are due on March 13 with no exceptions.

Dee Acklie showed a new poster to help advertise the Ricky Tims seminar. She reminded us about the IQSG show at CSM that will open during Ricky Tims and run for one month. We will be sponsoring a wine and cheese reception for the opening.

New Business:

The Governor Point of Light award, for work on the Children's Emergency fund, was received by Pat Sears, Becky Draper, Dee Acklie, Carol McCann, and Elizabeth Kannedy on Feb. 14th.

The Nominating committee met, and are coming up with a slate of officer candidates to present at the March 13th general meeting.

The newsletter deadline is March 19th

Committee Reports:

The Block exchange needs to be revitalized, changed or be cancelled. Participation starts out fine and then falls off, greatly. Please try to think of some new ideas.

The Helping Hands committee is busy tying quilts started at the January meeting. They have one nice quilt available for a raffle. The Easter Seals quilt was completed and turned over to them.

Marge Bresel has cleaned up the database for members on the OQG online forum.

The raffle quilt is still making the rounds. Help is needed on May 11th at Country Sampler when the bus trip from Kansas City will stop in there and at other area shop. Vicky Hoskovec moved to provide cookies and information about OQG activities for the bus trip partici-

pants. The motion was seconded and passed.

Money is available to purchase some new books for our library. Suggestions are needed from the membership for new titles.

Rising Stars was assumed to have had their retreat, as planned.

We were informed that prices for programs are quite expensive and keep rising. Classes run \$600-800 each, with \$400-500 for programs. We are also responsible for teacher's airfare, meals, housing and all expenses. Please buy and sell raffles tickets, as this helps offset program costs.

Carol adjourned the meeting at 7:40pm.

Respectfully submitted, LaVonne M. Dunetts

OQG Meeting Minutes Tuesday, March 13, 2006

President Carol McCann called the meeting to order. Minutes were approved as printed.

OLD BUSINESS: Ricky Tims –Dee Acklie

Turn in registrations to Jamie Sculley. Dates are Aug. 16-18. Registration forms were distributed. Volunteers need to check in with Barb Van Trump. You do need to be registered to be a volunteer. We need 30 for set up on Thursday. Barb will be in charge of volunteers that day.

Camp Wanna Make a Blankie-Mary Richling

One time offer. Register now. Prices have had a slight increase. Need a chair or a committee for 2008.

Govenor's Point of Light-Carol McCann

Feb. 14th the guild was recognized for our work with children in Foster care in Douglas and Sarpy Counties through the Chil-

dren's Emergency Fund. The award will be on display at the meeting next month and the Quilt Show in June.

Helping Hands Award-Angie Reed

Walmart granted a check for \$250 for volunteer work done through Helping Hands. Helping Hands will use this money to purchase supplies needed. They have been piecing their battings. This money will be put to good

NEW BUSINESS:

Nominating Committee-Carolyn Marsh

President-Carolyn Marsh President Elect- Jackie Heyne VP Programs-Sue Volkmer Recording Secretary- LaVonne Dunetts (completing her term) Treasurer-Joan Workman Corresponding Secretary- Janet Koch

Past President-Carol McCann

(completing her term)

Newsletter Deadline- March 19

Board meeting April 3

President's Challenge-Carol McCann

Next month you will have the opportunity to purchase a bag with a surprise Birdhouse block. The challenge is for you to finish a quilted piece based on your block. Bags will cost \$2.00.

Boystown Quilt Project- Jan Fry

Quilts will be at the quilt show. They can be judged. Fill out a form tonight.

Treasureer_Joan

Turn in vouchers and bills tonight

Ouilt Mom-

Quilt has been on the move. It has been at Kanesville. Total \$169.00. Sew Viking \$109.00 with an incentive gift when you purchased 5 tickets. Today it is at Log Cabin. Sales \$1936.00. Will be at Country Sampler in May for the Bus trip. The money form the raffle quilt help to support our national speakers. If everyone bought 1 ticket a month or 10 tickets we would sell out the raffle quilt.

Library-Barbara Nunn

We need to know books you would like to have ordered for the library.

Quilt Show-Judy Unrein

Tonight is the deadline for turning in the forms. We ran out of blank forms. Postmark by tomorrow you can still turn it in. May 11 –last date to turn in a quilt judged. May 18 last day to turn in any quilt for the show. May 24th all day class with Anita Shackelford. our judge. Next month starts volunteer signup. 3 hours per quilt. There are many opportunities for volunteering. Set up is May 31. Show is June 1-3 at Millard West High School.

OQG Meeting Minutes continued:

Helping Hands- Michelle Craig

Thank you for turning in 34 quilts today. We are still expecting more from the sew-in. The people who are getting them are so

appreciative.

Membership-Linda Holman

Christmas in the spring. These packages are left from the Christ-

mas Party. Thank you Becky Drapier and committee. Door prizes were distributed. 176 members here tonight . 10 guests. 2 from overseas. 1 from Russia and 1 from Servia &.2 new members.

Block Exchange- Dee Acklie Winner is Jackie Heyne.

Tickled Pink River Boat Cruise



The Tickled Pink Cruise, a guild benefit for the Nebraska Komen Foundation, is disbanding due to lack of participation at the event.

The guild members who formed this venture will

continue to meet and personally support the Komen Foundation through donated quilted items.

Thank you to all the guild members who embraced our efforts.

The Tickled Pink Cruise Gals

2006-07 OQG Workshop Registration Form

Please register using this form. Send your Check (payable to OQG) to Sue Volkmer, 2809 South 125th Ave #283, Omaha, NE 68144

Name	
Address	
City, State, zip	
Daytime Phone Number Please sign me up for: Sue Nickels "Machine Quilting Essentials" - Wednesday April 11th from 9-4 Location: Country Inn and Suites, 11818 Miami St, Omaha, NE Sue Nickels "Machine QuiltingWhat a difference THREAD makes" - Thursday April 12th from 9-4 NOTE: this class requires a kit which includes needles and thread. Cost is \$35 payable to Sue Nickels "Location: Country Inn and Suites, 11818 Miami St, Omaha, NE	

Registration for each class is: Members \$45.00 Non-members \$50.00 Supply lists are available on the OQG website or can be obtained by contacting Sue Volkmer If you need to cancel your attendance at the class, we require seven days notice for a refund.

Income									
Board Income	\$	_	\$	18.00	\$	_	\$	_	
Fall Retreat Income	\$	_	\$	-	\$	10,000.00	\$	10,337.00	
Fixed Expenses Income	Ť				Ť	.,	\$	239.00	
Gifts Received	\$	_	\$	5,000.00	\$	_	\$	-	
Helping Hands Income	\$	_	\$	-	\$	100.00	\$	325.00	
Intrest Income	\$	20.00	\$	61.06	\$	8,000.00	\$	7,996.30	
Membership Income	\$	8,800.00	\$	9,355.50	\$	9,000.00	\$	9,168.00	
Programs Income	\$	4,425.00	\$	4,636.67	\$	5,000.00	\$	7,946.00	
Quilt Show Income	\$	18,920.00	\$	17,327.05	\$	17,500.00	\$	6,820.00	
Fundrasing Quilt Income	\$	5,000.00	\$	3,299.00		3,000.00	\$	1,562.00	
Ways & Means Income	\$	500.00	\$	1,655.10		500.00	\$	91.80	
Bus Tour Income FY06-FY07	\$	_	\$	1,402.00	\$	1,500.00	\$	1,885.00	
Hospice Income FY06-FY07	\$	_	\$, -	ľ	•	\$	_	
Q4Cause FY04-FY07	\$	_	\$	9,397.70	\$	9,500.00	\$	10,637.55	
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Total Income	\$	37,665.00	*\$	53,784.08	*\$	64,100.00	* \$	57,007.65	
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Expenses									
Block Exchange	\$	20.00	\$	-	\$	20.00	\$	_	
Board Expense	\$	300.00	\$	1,423.04		300.00	\$	406.82	
Capital Expense	\$	750.00	\$	1,043.38		1,400.00	\$	671.00	
Education Expenses	\$	100.00	\$	98.16	\$	100.00	\$	-	
Fall Retreat Expenses	\$	_	\$	_	\$	10,000.00	\$	10,122.40	
Fixed Expenses	\$	5,000.00	\$	4,992.60	\$	7,000.00	\$	3,870.60	
Gifts/Donations	\$, -	\$, -	\$, -	\$	_	
Helping Hands Expenses	\$	250.00	\$	244.04	\$	250.00	\$	207.37	
Historian Expenses	\$	300.00	\$	222.71	\$	300.00	\$	_	
Library Expenses	\$	250.00	\$	32.94	\$	250.00	\$	12.97	
Membership Expenses	\$	1,000.00	\$	824.05	\$	1,000.00	\$	1,282.39	
Newsletter Expenses	\$	3,500.00	\$	2,947.59		3,500.00	\$	2,204.89	
Programs Expenses	\$	13,500.00	\$	8,868.21		15,500.00	\$	14,792.18	
Quilt Show Expenses	\$		\$	9,968.46	\$	12,000.00		_	
Fundraising Quilt Expenses	\$	600.00	\$	106.27		200.00	\$	77.71	
Raffle Tickets Expenses	\$	200.00	\$	172.48		200.00	\$	187.51	
Rising Stars Expenses	\$	20.00	\$	-	\$	20.00	\$	-	
Small Groups/New Members Expenses	\$	35.00	\$	-	\$	35.00	\$	-	
State Fair Expenses	\$	100.00	\$	75.00	\$	75.00	\$	75.00	
Ways & Means Expenses	\$	500.00	\$	1,337.89	\$	500.00	\$	14.04	
Web Site Expenses	\$	250.00	\$	67.95	\$	300.00	\$	300.00	
Bus Tour Expenses FY06-FY07	\$	-	\$	1,358.87	\$	1,500.00	\$	1,820.00	
Hospice Expenses FY06-FY07	\$	-	\$	327.53	\$	150.00	\$	-	
Q4Cause Expenses FY05-FY07	\$	-	\$	9,588.90	\$	9,500.00	\$	11,266.21	
Sister Guild Expenses FY04-FY06	\$	-	\$	1,665.00	\$	-	\$	-	
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Total Expenses	\$	36,675.00	\$	45,365.07	\$	64,100.00	\$	47,311.09	
Balance	\$	990.00	\$	8,419.01	\$	-	\$	9,696.56	
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OQG BOARD MEETING

May 1, 2007 7 pm

Lutheran Church Of the Master Next OQG meeting: Tuesday, May 8th at 7 pm.

May Speaker

Kathy White will be the guest speaker at the May Meeting. Kathy is a member of the Omaha Quilters Guild and the Nebraska State Quilt Society. She has worked as a museum manager for the Historic General Dodge House, the Western Historic Trails Center, and the Cathedral Cultural Center. At these positions she has incorpo-

rated quilt pattern names and historical quilt research into a community presentation called "Quilts and the Western Movement".

Kathy is currently researching the Quilters for Boys Town and will share with the Guild historical notes of the Mothers' Guild of Boys Town to the current Omaha Quilt Guild involvement with the restoration at Father Flanagan's House.

If you made a quilt for this year's Boys Town project, PLEASE attend the May meeting. Kathy will be showing your quilt and a Boy's Town Hall of History representative will be on hand to acknowledge you, your time and talent!

Summer Workshop

OQG will be holding a hand dying class this summer with Alice Cruz.

The details of the workshop will be available at the May Guild Meeting.

The information will also be posted on the OQG website when it becomes available.

President Notes

How quickly the year has gone. The days are getting warmer, the sun is out, and I hope you are all finding time to finish your projects for the quilt show. I'm looking forward to seeing all of them!

Congratulations to the newly elected officers. I know all of you will be happy to accept a committee if the new officers ask for your help.

I still have several bird

house blocks left, just in case you wanted to participate in the "President's Challenge". I will have them at the May meeting. Just a reminder about the rules, you must use them in a quilted item. It can be a wall hanging, wearable garment, a large quilt, or something you might dream up. It doesn't matter what size it is—just so that the bird house is visible on the front of your item. This is meant to be a summer sewing project and they will be

judged at the September meeting. There will be prizes.

You still have a chance for one last class this year. We have an added bonus class in May with a wonderful teacher, Anita Shackleford. Be sure to take this opportunity to continue to learn more about quilting.

Happy Stitching, Carol McCann



Rising Stars

The May Rising Stars meeting will be our last meeting until next September. We will have Lorraine Fitzgerald talking about being the Historian for the Omaha Quilt Guild and our second speaker is Mary Barnett

Ramirez. Mary is a long time quilter and a new grandmother (first grand daughter- she made sure that I had to tell you that!). She is taking time out from making little girly clothes to show us quilted postcards. We

will even get a kit to take home to make one for ourselves.

Also please think about what you might like to see next year at Rising Stars. We'll see if we find a speaker to show us how to do it!

Rising Stars Committee: Becky Moyer, Kaye Jackson, Richi Dennis and Ruth Gregg



Membership

For the April Guild meeting, the Membership Committee was pleased to have 196 in attendance, with 6 guests on such a rainy night.

It is great to see so many people

already filling out their membership forms for next year! The membership form is in this newsletter and we will have applications readily available at the May meeting, plus at the Ouilt Show.

If you ever want to know how your information appears in the member directory, check with us at the table, and we will be glad to share it with you.

We look forward to seeing all

in May, as we will have more Christmas plus

many other door prizes.

Linda Holman



Helping Hands

As the year is drawing to a close our committee is totally amazed with the response and generosity of the guild members.

Sandy Streeter reported that 111 quilts had been delivered to several very needy organizations, the year is not completely over and we are not through yet. The number of completed quilts in itself is remarkable and a great tribute to the generosity of time and talent of you won-

derful ladies. I repeatedly say that every stitch counts and it is verified by the 111 quilts that have been delivered so far.

In addition, the donations of fabric keep arriving every month and no matter how much we use we never seem to make a dent in the "guild's stash".

The committee recognizes and thanks the following guild members for completed quilts or tops turned in during March and April.: Mary Cave, Jan Fry, Susan Heitman, Linda Hermesch, Julie Noethe, Jeanine Rostoks, Connie Sorensen, Marilyn Haubrick and Judy Gustafson. Generous donations of fabric and batting were received from Caresse Hotovy, Cindy Erickson and Lois Palmisano.

There are many projects that have been checked out and not yet completed. If it is not possible to complete them before the May meeting, do not worry. We will not send the "Stitch Police" out to your house or hold your children hostage until you finish your project.

Once again, thanks to each of you for all you have done to make the lives of so many less fortunate than you just a little warmer. Indeed, you are all the Helping Hands.

MJ Reigel

Fall Retreat—Camp Wannamakablankie 2007



As of the April guild meeting, we have 74 campers in 23 rooms! Hooray!

Who: Anyone who is a member of OOG

What: The second annual fall retreat for our quilt guild

When: October 19, 20 and 21, 2007

Where: Camp Carol Joy Holling, Ashland, Nebraska at the

wonderful Swanson Retreat Center

Why: Relax in a luxurious rural setting with friends (old and new), bring your projects and sew for 52 hours if you want to; no cooking/cleaning or other interruptions (except maybe snacking and marshmallow roasting.)

Cost per camper:

5 campers to a room: \$120 4 campers to a room: \$142 3 campers to a room: \$164 2 campers to a room: \$186

There are still five hotel style

rooms available. The reservation form was printed in the February newsletter. If you need another copy, please go to the OQG website. Click on "Camp Wannamakablankie", then on "reservation form"

Roommates needed:

I have one camper who would like to share a room with two others, each having their own bed. Rate is \$164. Half is due with your reservation.

I have one camper who would like to share a room with one

other person, each having their own bed. Rate is \$186. Half is due with your reservation.

If you are interested in either of these accommodations, or want to start your own room and fill it up, please contact Mary Richling.

We are looking forward to another memorable camp with our quilt friends. Your Camp Directors.

Mary Richling, Judy Stratbucker and Jan Fry





Dottie Says Have a **GREAT** summer! See you in the fall. Don't forget your monthly breast exams over the summer. Save the tatas!

Quilt Show 2007

Quilts MUST be properly labeled. Refer to last month's newsletter for instructions on properly labeling your quilt.

Don't forget to cover your label and include your entry number on the cover.

Entry numbers can be found on the OQG website. They will be listed alphabetically, first three letters of your last name, first three letters of your first name and the name of the item.

Turning in quilts: Quilts can be turned in at the May meeting or they can be turned in at the quilt shops listed below May 7 through May 18. Remember that judged quilts are due by May 11. There will be no exceptions! Non-judged quilts are due by May 18.

Log Cabin Quilt Shop 2819 South 125th Ave Omaha Phone: 333-5212

Country Sampler

11928 W. Center Rd Omaha Phone: 333-6131

Country Sampler

841 Tara Plaza Papillion Phone: 537-9515

Quilted Moose

109 Enterprise Drive Gretna Phone: 332-4178

Kanesville Quilting

19851 Virginia Hills Rd Council Bluffs, IA Phone: 366-6003

THANK YOU QUILT SHOPS!!!

When you turn in your quilt, you will be given a receipt. **Keep this receipt,!** You will need it to pick up your quilt after the show.

If you are unable to turn in your quilt, please contact one of the Quilt Show Chairs so they can remove your quilt from the entry list.

Members Only Reception:

Thursday, May 31 6-8pm

The show will be open for all members free of charge. Vendors will be open during this time. The Knot Yet small group has volunteered once again to organize refreshments. Awards will be presented at 7:15pm. Note: Member names will be checked at the door. Also this is the ONLY time members can get in free UNLESS you are volunteering at the show.

Volunteering for the show:

All members who have quilts hanging in the show MUST work at least three hours. All members are welcome to volunteer though!! One advantage to working the show is all volunteers are admitted to the show FREE during the entire weekend. The admission desk will have a list of volunteers - you must be on that list to be admitted free. Volunteers also need to check in at the volunteer desk. You can still sign up to volunteer at the May meeting or contact Judy

Sellers.

Wanted – Yards for signs: We will have the yard signs at the May meeting. Please consider checking one out to put in your yard the week before the show.

Picking up quilts at the end of the show: No quilts will be released until after all quilt frames are taken down and loaded to be returned to the storage unit. Unless you are volunteering for Take-Down, do NOT show up at the school until at least 5pm.

You Quilt Show Chairs, Judy Unrein, Pat Varner and Elizabeth Kannedy



Quilt Workshop with Anita Shackelford

There is still room in the workshop with Anita Shackelford. She is teaching the class while she is in town for judging in May.

This class is for those large scale prints you bought and didn't know what to do with when you got them home. Dig through your stash to find them and join us in class!

The workshop topic "Focus on Fabric" is a new topic being offered by Anita.

Discover a new way to work with yukatas, batiks and other large scale picture prints. Let the fabric tell you how to use it! Traditional piecing and simple applique come together to create a one-of-akind quilt.

The project can be viewed on Anita's website www.thimbleworks.com under Workshops and Lectures. The last time I looked, the Focus on Fabric workshop

was the second from the top under the Coxcomb Design workshop.

The workshop is for all levels of quilting skills.

The class will be held Thursday May 24th 9am to 4pm at Country Inns & Suites, 2210 Abbott Drive (near the Airport).

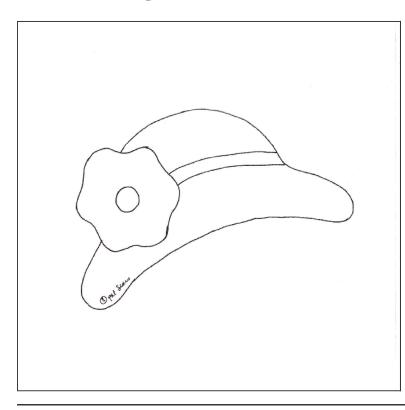
The cost of the class is \$40.00 and is limited to 24 members. Registrations will be accepted

in order by postmark.

Supply list is available on the OQG website or by contacting Elizabeth Kannedy via email at eakannedy@yahoo.com.



Block Exchange



"THINK PINK" Diva Quilt Guidelines:

NOTE: The quilt block has been reduced in size. The block needs to be enlarged by 200% to return it to the correct size for making an 8 1/2 inch unfinished block.

While pink is **not** to be the predominate color, there should be a little pink in each block!

Block size: 8-1/2 inch block cut (unfinished sized) (Finished size is 8 inches).

- Background is white or white-on-white (no muslin, no tan).
- Choose clear or hot brights for the designs elements.
- Fusible web appliqué with buttonhole-stitch (or other stitching) or any traditional appliqué method.
- If you wish, use trims and embellishments--must be sewn on in order to withstand washing.
- Some of the designs are deliberately tilted on the block for interest.
- Make at least 2 blocks. One for the block exchange and the second is donated to the Tickled Pink Committee

Reminder, make sure your name is attached to each block you turn in. Address labels can be adhered to the back of the blocks.

Post Cards Advertising the Bible Quilt Exhibit

Please help us advertise this wonderful national touring Biblical art quilt exhibit. We will be bringing 500 post-cards to the May meeting.

We ask that everyone take one for themselves, and then at least one extra one to give or mail to a friend. You may take as many cards as you like, and feel free to pick up postcards for any friends who will not be able to make the May meeting.

The postcards are oversized at 6 X 8.5", so they will require a first class postage stamp to mail. The full color pictures on the postcards are stunning and should entice anyone receiving one to go see the show, so please, PLEASE, PLEASE distrib-

ute them and not let them get buried in your stash.

You can mail them now or hold off until July. Look on your guild website for info on how to preview some of the quilts from the show.

We will have flyers at the state convention in July to remind you of the show. And don't forget to leave time to see the show on Wed. or Thur. before you go to the Ricky Tims seminar, or plan to see it on your lunch breaks on Fri or Sat.

The women's exhibit actually only runs 13 days, and only 9 days for the men's, so don't procrastinate or you will miss the exhibit!

THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR HELPING US AD-VERTISE THIS SHOW!

Teri Quinn & Linda Thompson

WOMEN & MEN OF BIBLI-CAL PROPORTION QUILT SHOW

Back to back exhibits of contemporary art quilts.

Visually stunning wall sized pictorial art quilts illustrating images, events and characters from both the Old and New Testaments

Techniques used include beading, embellishment, appliqué, trapunto, discharge dyeing, painting, hand & machine quilting and more...

Female artists presenting women's Biblical themes...

August 3-19, 2007

Male artists presenting men's Biblical themes... August 21-31, 2007

SUNDERLAND ART GAL-LERY - 701 North 40th St. OMAHA

(Inside Cathedral Culture Center - first building S.E. of St. Cecilia's Cathedral)

GALLERY HOURS: Tues.-Sat., 11 am – 4 pm (Plus, one Sunday, 8/19, 11-4)
FREE ADMISSION

FREE PARKING

Contact Teri at: <u>Bible-Quilts@AOL.com</u> for more information on Omaha exhibit

Visit www.wobp-mobp.org for pictures and the history of show

OQG Board Meeting Minutes Tuesday, April 3, 2007

President Carol McCann called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Minutes from the March meeting were approved as printed in the newsletter.

Please give all bills to Treasurer, Joan Workman.

Diane Thomas proposed that the Omaha Guild quilt "Star of the Heartland' be given to the IQSC. They are interested in having it in the collection. After some discussion, Dee Acklie seconded this motion. Motion carried.

Dee Acklie reported on the Ricky Tims seminar. Reservations are coming in quickly. A block of rooms has been reserved, by Mary Richling, at local hotels. Two auxiliary shows, sponsored by other groups, will coincide with the seminar. One will be at CSM and the other at Cathedral Art Center. All the shops in Nebraska have received information about the seminar.

Camp Wannamakeablankie registration slots are filling quickly.

Bookmarks and fliers are available for the quilt show. About 330 quilts have been entered.

The newsletter deadline is April 16. The next board meeting is May 1.

The Tickled Pink Quilters Cruise has disbanded. Not enough people are participating and not enough money was raised during the quilt auction. The Quilt for a Cause committee will remain active.

We haven't found a new suitable location for our meetings, so will stay where we are for now.

The guild has received the First Lady's Outstanding Community Service award for the Children's Emergency Fund in the Adult Group category. Several members attended the luncheon to receive this award.

Helping Hands received a request from Lutheran Family Services for a quilt to raffle.

Par Varner would like help identifying the makers on all the quilts donated to Hospice House. Please let her know which quilts you worked on. Membership forms for the 2007-2008 year will be available at the April meeting and at the Quilt Show.

Please keep selling raffle tickets. Raffle proceeds help support programs.

Jocelynn Gray is in charge of the live auction at Quilt Nebraska for the IQSC. She will be looking for donations.

Rising Stars has been very active this year and has had some wonderful programs.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:56 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

LaVonne Dunetts

OQG Meeting Minutes Tuesday, April 10, 2007

President Carol McCann called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

Old Business:

The minutes of last month's meeting were printed in the newsletter. They will stand as printed.

The treasurer's report was in the on-line version of the newsletter. It will be filed for audit.

Camp Wannamakeablankie still has a few spaces left, but they are going quickly.

Jamie Sculley has registration forms for the Ricky Tims Super Seminar. These must be back to Jamie by the May meeting in order to qualify for the OQG group rate.

Barb Van Trump still needs a few volunteers to help. She had a glowing report of the San Diego seminar.

Anita Shackelford will be judging our quilt show and will be teaching a class called "Focus on Fabrics" while she is here. This is mostly a design class, is \$40 and will be held at the Country Inn and Suites near the airport.

Your quilt label must be on the back, bottom left corner. Your name must be covered with just the entry number showing.

Judy Unrein, quilt show chair, asked you to proofread your entry data and note the entry number for your exhibits. These will be on the website soon.

Please volunteer to help at the show. Quilt show volunteers receive free entry. You may work at times other than the show dates.

The drop off deadline is May 11 for judged quilts and May 18 for non-judged quilts.

Barb Nunn, says the "Knot Yet" small group will host the Members Only reception on Thursday, May 31. Please sign up to bring treats when the sheet comes around.

New Business:

The nominating committee's slate of officers is as follows:
Carolyn Marsh, President
Jackie Heyne, President elect
Joan Workman, Treasurer
Janet Koch ,Corresponding
Secretary
Sue Volkmer, Program Chair

Jane Fiala moved to vote by acclimation to accept to slate of officers; it was moved and seconded and voted.

Teri Quinn announced that she and Linda Thompson will host the "Women of Biblical Proportions" and "Men of Biblical Proportion" quilt exhibits. To be held at the Southerland Gallery at the Cathedral Art Center the first and last two weeks of August respectively.

Shakespeare on the Green

needs quilts to raffle off during the 12 show days in June. These are generally picnic blankies, not fine quilts. Nellie MacCallum will be in the back of the room with quilt squares to be incorporated into a quilt.

Carol has 16 brown paper bags containing a mystery block to be used for the "President's Challenge". Take a bag and sign your name, if you want to participate.

Newsletter deadline is April 16.

Jocelynn Gray reminded the members about our small groups. A request came up for a longarmer small group.

The Nebraska State Quilt Guild has QuiltNebraska here in July. There will be a live auction to benefit the IQSC this year. Jocelynn is looking for donations.

Barb Nunn with the library is looking for more suggestions

OQG Meeting Minutes continued:

for new books. Please give her your suggestions.

Liz Oswald, quilt mom announced various locations of the raffle quilt. Please buy a ticket or two.

Dee Acklie has received the first auction item for the Children's Emergency Fund. Please get started on your item using a Holly theme.

Becky Moyer for Rising Stars is looking for speakers for next year.

Linda Holman, membership, gave away door prizes. There are about 196 members and 6 guests present tonight.

Sandy Streeter from Helping hands announced that 111 quilts were given away this year.

The Omaha Chapter of the American Sewing Guild is hosting a seminar with Dana Bontrager on April 28. LaVonne will have the application.

Carol announced that "Thread across Nebraska", sponsored by the NE State Quilt Guild, will be in Grand Island this year, on October 5th & 6th.

On May 5th and 6th there is a quilt show in Broken Bow and on May 5th in Palmyra.

Carol adjourned the meeting at 7:51 pm and Sue Volkmer introduced the Speaker, Sue Nickels.

Anita Shackelford's Focus on Fabric Workshop Registration Form
Please register using this form. Send your Check (payable to OQG) to
Elizabeth Kannedy, 13308 South 33rd Street, Bellevue, NE 68123-2369

Name
Address
City, State, zip
Daytime Phone Number
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Date/Time: Thursday May 24th 9am to 4pm

Location: Country Inn and Suites, 2210 Abbott Drive, Omaha, NE

Registration for members only is: \$40.00

Supply list is available on the OQG website or it can be obtained by contacting Elizabeth Kannedy If you need to cancel your attendance at the class, we require seven days notice for a refund.

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Fundraising Quilt Expenses	\$	600.00	\$	106.27	\$	200.00	\$	77.71		
Raffle Tickets Expenses	\$	200.00	\$	172.48	\$	200.00	\$	187.51		
Rising Stars Expenses	\$	20.00	\$	-	\$	20.00	\$	-		
Small Groups/New Members Expenses	\$	35.00	\$	-	\$	35.00	\$	-		
State Fair Expenses	\$	100.00	\$	75.00	\$	75.00	\$	75.00		
Ways & Means Expenses	\$	500.00	\$	1,337.89	\$	500.00	\$	14.04		
Web Site Expenses	\$	250.00	\$	67.95	\$	300.00	\$	300.00		
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OMAHA QUILTERS GUILD 2007-08 MEMBERSHIP FORM

GENERAL INFORMATION

Monthly meetings are held the second Tuesday of each month, September through May at 7:00 pm at the Westside Community Education Center, 108th & Grover, Omaha, Nebraska. Our membership year runs from July 1 to June 30. This membership form must be filled out every year to update information.

In order to have your information printed in the membership directory, you must turn this form in by June 30th. Forms received after this date may not appear in the membership directory. If you do not want your information printed in the directory, please check the box below and you will not be listed.

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Any comments or suggestions?

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OQG BOARD MEETING

September 4, 2007 7 pm

Lutheran Church Of the Master Next OQG meeting: Tuesday, Sept 11th at 7 pm.

Ready, Set, Quilt!

As an added attraction this year we will be offering some additional workshops to help you develop skills in machine quilting. Sandi McMillian, from Albion and one of the designers of the Nebraska State Quilt Guild raffle quilt, will be teaching three workshops on Machine Quilting. The workshops will be divided for different levels of skill so you can start at the very beginning and work up to more difficult designs. The first workshop will be for Beginners and will be held

Saturday, September 15 from 9-4. If you haven't machine quilted or think you need to start at the beginning this is for you. The Intermediate workshop will be help on Saturday, November 3 (you'll have time practice what learned in September!) and the Advanced level will be Saturday April 12 and will also involve thread work with your quilting. You will have a lot of fun in these workshops and learn a lot--Sandi is a wonderful person and a great teacher. Mark your calendar now---details a bit later.

Once again we will also offer Alice Cruz's Color Wheel Dyeing Class on Saturday January 12, 2008. We hope to offer a different dyeing class in the late spring but haven't worked out the details as yet. We have lots of other workshops that will be held during the next year so get ready to create great things for the quilt show in June 2008.

President Notes

Dear Quilting Friends,

I hope this finds everyone doing well and enjoying family and friends this summer. The months continue to fly by but there are just some days that seem to never end! And for me, those are the days that I'm not doing something related to quilting. We all need to make time for the things that make us happy. Even if it's just a few minutes each day to dream......

There has been a resurfac-

ing of the word 'green' in the news lately. The other day I was 'surfing the net' and looking at all the descriptions for the word 'green'. There are the usual articles about being 'new' in a profession or hobby, 'green' money, being 'green' with envy; 'green' politics, and of course, being environmentally sensitive. So you're thinking; what does any of this have to do with OOG?

I reviewed Article II of our bylaws; Purpose: The Omaha Quilters' Guild is dedicated to the appreciation and preservation of quilts and the perpetuation of the art and the craft of quilt making through education and participation. So how can we foster a talent for 'green' resourcefulness and participation this next year? Sue Volkmer and her small group, Quarter Inchers, have come up with a two-part challenge for our OQG Small Groups.

Details are still being worked



President Notes continued:

out. We plan to roll out the 'Green Challenge" at the September guild meeting. We're planning prizes and lots of fun! Here's just a little hint of what's in store. Each small group should be prepared to leave the September meeting with at least one plastic tub of donated

fabric that has been sorted by our group of wonderful ladies from this past year's Helping Hands committee.

If you don't belong to a small group please contact Jocelyn Gray. Jocelyn can help you find a group or if you would like to form a

new group with some friends please let her know.

Also, if you would like to help with the management of the 'Green Challenge' or Helping Hands please let me know.

If you would like to become more involved in the guild please send me an email (<u>marzstars@msn.com</u>) or give me a call at 871-8595. Your help and suggestions are always welcome.

Regards, Carolyn Marsh



A Note from the Past President

The last year as your president has flown by, I hope that all of you enjoyed the year as much as I did. I am very grateful for all of the help from the quilters on the guild board who did so much to help make this another great year of quilting in Omaha!

I've enjoyed getting to know so many new people and learning from all of you this year. The nine patch blocks and the gifts in my basket were a wonderful surprise. I gaze at them and am waiting for them to tell me what to do with them in a quilt.

As I reflect back on the last year I am amazed at all of the activities we completed to help our community. We started the year with the Quilts for a Cause Cruise, the annual December fund raiser for the Children's Emergency Fund, the completion of the Girls and Boys Town quilts, our Helping

Hands activities, the gathering of the last few quilts for the Hospice House project, and our fundraiser in August for the IQS when Ricky Tims brings his Super Seminar to Omaha.

Our wonderful quilt show ended our year. We had so many quilts to gaze at and admire. I'm thrilled to be able to see them again on my CD. I hope that you all ordered one so that you can be inspired by all of the work we did this year.

I am looking forward to being able to sit back in a chair to enjoy the speakers and relax at the meetings this year. My goal is to have a quilt finished and entered in the show in 2008.

See you all in September,

Carol McCann Past President



Rising Stars

What ever happened to those "lazy days of summer"? Mine has been anything but lazy around my place. What with going back to school and having to do lots of homework to just keep caught up in class!! I found out that 60 something ladies don't think as fast on their feet as twenty something students! What a shock! But we've got tenacity, so I'm hanging in there when half the class has dropped out.

Yea for the old ones!!

I'm telling you my tale of woe so you'll know that I'm a little slow on getting my lineup done for next Rising Star scheduled speakers, but I am getting started. So by next newsletter I should have all my speakers contacted and will be able to tell you who they are.

I also want to make a change in the Rising Star's forum this year and the emphasis will be on "YOU". I'm hoping that some of you will step up contact me and do a short five minute talk on something "quilty" or some area of quilting that you are involved in, are learning, are passionate about, or a technique that you would like to pass on to the other quilters. This talk would be before our scheduled speaker and like I said would only be five short minutes. This

would be strictly a volunteer thing and you don't even have to do it alone, get a friend to help you if that will make it easier for you. We got some talented, gifted quilters and I would like to see us share some of our talent with others. Think about it, contact me (I'm in the book) and we'll have some fun!

Becky Moyer, Rising Stars



Helping Hands

The Helping Hands Committee ended our year on a high note on May 10 as we delivered 9 baby quilts to the Children's Respite Care Center at 13336 Industrial Road. This facility cares for special needs children from infants to 21 years of age who are medically fragile. We were taken on a tour of the facility that is complete with a nursery, classrooms, and wonderful caring staff members who provide programs offering medical, educational and therapeutic services. The director, Theresa Fitzgerald, was thrilled with our gifts of love and many of the staff took time to say "Thank You". One darling little red headed boy in the

nursery tapped on the window to get our attention while others were cradled in the arms of the staff members. So for all of you who have been so giving and generous with your time and talent, we pass this "Thank You" along to you. You have truly been the Helping Hands that have made this endeavor so successful. And as always, remember "Every Stitch Counts"!!!

At the May meeting we were overwhelmed with the number of completed quilts that were turned in. Our thanks go to the following guild members: Connie Sorensen, Linda Hermesch (who returned 1 completed quilt and

2 from her own stash), Debbie Van Briesen, JoAnn Wer, Jennifer Odell, Sandy Bernasek, Marge Thompson, Julie Thome, Cheryl Jaixen (who turned in 2 quilts), Mary Cave, and our new Helping Hands committee member Carole Caminite (turning in 6 quilts). Tops were turned in by Jeanette Podwinski, and Ron Wilson We also received donations of fabric from Connie Sorensen, Cindy Erickson, Cindy Sortman, and Jane Fiala.

To date we have given out 120 quilts and there are several more that are ready to be delivered. Over the year we just couldn't make quilts fast enough to make a dent in the guild's stash of fabric. Next year's committee will be thrilled with the assortment of beautiful fabrics that we have sorted through and attempted to assemble into categories (baby, holiday, flannel, etc.). There is a large quantity of donation fabric that will be coming to you this fall. We know you will find great joy being stewards of this wonderful collection of fabrics.

MJ Reigel

Quilt Show 2007

The Quilt Show Committee would like to thank each and every one of you for a successful Quilt Show!

A Quilt Show is only as successful as the commitment and participation of the members. The fact that the show displayed over 300 quilts speaks loudly for your commitment. We hope you

show the same level to next year's Chairs.

The Judge's comments from Anita Shackleford are posted on the OQG website on the 2007 Quilt Show page. Take a minute to read them, its worth your time.

One last note, would the member that won Sunday's

Viewer's Choice please contact one of the committee chairs? Your name was misplaced during take down.

2007 Quilt Show Chairs, Judy Unrein, Pat Varner and Elizabeth Kannedy



OQG Website Facts

For you fellow web surfers, here are some interesting facts about the OQG website submitted by our own webmaster Roberta Willet. Thanks Roberta!

- * The website had just under 626,000 hits between January 1st 2007 and mid-July. The most popular month was June with just
- under 129,000 hits. Followed by May with just under 101,500 hits. The average monthly hit is in the mid 89,000's.
- * The most popular search engine used was Google which was used 74% of the time followed by Yahoo with 11% usage.
- * The most popular website pages were: quilt show,
- block of the month, Ricky Tims, followed by our bylaws (?? Didn't expect that one...).
- * The majority of the visitors were, of course, from the United Stages followed by Canada but...in third place was Sweden followed by Korea...WOW! Who would
- have thunk it...We even had hits from Hong Kong!
- * Within the US the majority of the hits were, of course, from Nebraska followed by California. Iowa was 8th followed by New York State in 9th place. (Hope my sister in New York hasn't been spending too much time surfing....)

Fall Retreat—Camp Wannamakablankie 2007



Camp is almost full! As of this newsletter, we have 80 campers using 23 of 28 hotel style bedrooms at the Swanson Center/Carol Joy Holling retreat center. If anyone wants to come to camp, we still have room. See the OQG website for the registration form.

I have one room with four women, and they are looking for a fifth woman. You would have to share a queen bed with someone. If interested, let Mary Richling know.

In early August, our committee will send out an email/postcard "invoice" to each camp participant. This invoice will tell you the amount still due for camp, and the due date. We are asking all monies be paid by the September guild meeting date.

If you have questions, just

email Jan Fry, Judy Stratbucker or Mary Richling. We are looking forward to a wonderful, relaxing camp experience.

Your Camp directors, Mary Richling, Judy Stratbucker and Jan Fry



A Genuine Jewel



Back in the summer of 2001, I started interviewing some of my fellow quilt guild members with the idea of writing some "Modern Quilter" stories for the monthly newsletter. Like so many things it life, I found much more than I anticipated. I found many charming women, all of which had a story and a deep love and commitment to quilting.

For the members of the guild that have joined us since 2001, I'd like to let you know that we have a genuine jewel living among us. Lorraine Fitzgerald, our Historian for over 15 years, was President of the Guild in 1981-82. It was small enough to know everyone at that time. Talking with her reveals why she is uniquely qualified to hold this position.

Lorraine is from Merna, Nebraska and when she was 12 years old, she visited her grandmother who was piecing a Grandmothers Flower Garden quilt. After watching for a while she asked "If I made a quilt like that would you quilt it for me?" and grandma replied "Of course, I will". Lorraine suspects that her grandmother never expected to see the quilt but when Lorraine was 18, she took her finished quilt top to her grandmother to be guilted. Before she died, Lorraine's grandmother made three quilt tops for Lorraine's children - two of which have been quilted and one is still waiting its turn.

Our Historian has always been interested in quilts, is a bargain shopper and saves everything. Even during the 50's and 60's when no one quilted, Lorraine did. She says she was a 'closet quilter'. She remembers attending a Quilt Symposium in Kansas City and purchasing her first rotary cutter, ruler and mat. She had it for a year before working up the confidence to use it. She claims that "nothing is organized, except for the Quilt Guild stuff" at her house. After taking with this wonderful lady, I find that hard to believe. She has six big bookcases that hold her quilt books and every quilt magazine that she ever purchased. She has documented all of our quilt shows and workshops in pictures patiently labeled, organized and placed in scrap books.

Lorraine joined our guild in September of 1978 - that is 29 YEARS ago - and, until a few years ago when she had some problems with her right eye, she attended virtually every workshop that OQG presented. With an average of 5 workshops a year, that's a lot of workshops. Our Historian has done her share of teaching, too.

Lorraine proudly lays claim to the "more unfinished projects than anyone" title. I'm sure this is partly due to the pile of quilt tops she has accumulated from all those workshops. She feels she has "planted the quilting seed" in her young granddaughters and hopes that one day they, too, will reap the rewards of quilting.

Applique is her favorite form of quilting but she loves Amish Quilts and Scrappy Quilts too. She also confesses that she likes some of the new Art Quilts. She is a quilter of our time and, thanks to her, has officially recorded our Guild history. Lorraine, thank you for all you have done for us.

Submitted by,

Roberta Willet Member since 1988 Past President 2001-02 Webmaster



Bus Trip

COME JOIN US ON A BUS TRIP TO THE BUTTONHOLE QUILT SHOP

This years bus trip will be on Saturday September 8th. (it is a NE football away game).

The Buttonhole Quilt shop in McPherson KS is one of the largest quilt shops in the country. They have over 12,000 bolts of fabric plus a basement full of bolts that are rotated. If you are looking for an older fabric, bring along a sample and one of the staff will go downstairs to check if they have it. You never know they may bring up a treasure for you.

The cost is ONLY \$45.00 per person and includes a light breakfast, water on the bus and of course door prizes. Lunch and dinner

will be on your own. We will order box lunches before the trip to save time for more shopping!

Please email me at spihlgren@cox.net (even if you already expressed interest) or call me at 345 6785 with your name and phone # and email address.

More details of times and things to bring on the bus will follow. What a great way to welcome the cooler weather. I have been to the Buttonhole once and have been dying to get back.

Come join the fun, Sandy Pihlgren



Ricky Tims Seminar

I hope by now everyone has received their final packet from Ricky Tims and are ready to be down town to see a wonderful event. I am looking forward to seeing all of you again.

Be sure to allow plenty of time for traffic. Parking instructions were included in your packet. I am busy adding the last stitches to 3 small gifts for Ricky, Alex and Libby. I met 2 ladies in the last month who have been to his seminars elsewhere and they raved about how wonderful it was.

There will be many attendees from all over the state as well as other states, please, help to make them feel welcome. They may need some help finding great restaurants. Look for the map/list Mary Richling has prepared. You will get it when you register at the event. She has also created large maps of downtown so people will be able to navigate the area.

For those of you who are volunteering you should receive word from Barb Van Trump and Pat, one of Ricky's assistants soon. Please, make sure you are there for your shift. I know there will be some wonderful things to spend your gift certificates on in his store.

Dee Acklie

Bible Quilt Exhibit Now Open!

Did you remember to mark your August calendar to go see the 2 back-to-back quilt exhibits? If not, there is still time to catch the show(s) before they close on August 31.

Each show consists of 50 art quilts, each 22" square. The artists have chosen a historical person, theme or image from the Bible and represented it artistically in fabric, using beading, embellishments, appliqué, trapunto, discharge dyeing, painting, hand and machine quilting and many more techniques. The artists'

styles range from realism, representational, and figurative to abstract. Collectively. this exhibit tells the stories of both ancient and modern men and women. The names of some of the quilts conjure up images from long ago: "Happy 969th Birthday" (Methuselah), "Pharaoh", "Job: At The Crossroads", "Ruth "The Naomi", Virtuous Woman" and "Jezebel", just to name a few of the 100 quilts from the show.

The shows are at the SUN-DERLAND ART GAL-LERY, which is part of St. Cecilia's Cathedral complex. It is in the Cathedral Cultural Center, which is the first building S.E. of the Cathedral (the gallery itself is awesome!). The address is 701 North 40th St. in Omaha (7 blocks north of Dodge on 40th St)

Hours are:

Tues-Sat, 11am-4pm (Plus one Sunday, 8/19, also 11-4) FREE ADMISSION

FREE ADMISSION FREE PARKING

Female artists presenting women's Biblical themes....
Aug. 3-19, 2007 (13 days)
Male artists presenting

men's Biblical themes Aug. 21-31,2007 (9 days)'

To learn more about the history of the exhibit and see pictures: www.wobp-mobp.org

For more info on local exhibit, contact Teri at: Bible-Quilts@ aol.com

Reminder....if you took extra postcards home from the last quilt guild meeting, be sure to dig them out of your stash and mail them to a friend....THANKS!

Nebraska State Fair Volunteers Needed!

We are in need of white glovers on Saturday and Sunday, August 25th and 26th and Sept. 1st and 2nd all three shifts.

The shifts are 9:45 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., 1:45 p.m. to 6:00

p.m. and 5:45 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. We also have several others during the week but the week ends are pretty much empty. We are asking the gals or guys to come in 15 min. before their shift starts to give them directions

and Joyce and I have made aprons with the NSQG logo embroidered on them for the gals or guys to wear while they are white gloving.

For the White Glove Volunteer Scheduling, contact

Ellie Chambers (402) 420-6613 email boss2hog@aol.com

Or Joyce Pope (402) 464-0970 email <u>carkia49@yahoo.com</u>

Nebraska State Fair Setup

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED!

Where? State Fair Grounds at the Bob Devaney Arena (same as last year)

When? Friday, August 24, 9:00am-1:00 pm for hanging quilts & Monday, September 3, 6:00pm for take down

Who to contact? email Janice Lippincott <u>ilippincott@huntel.net</u> or Sheila Green <u>sheilagreen@alltel.net</u>

Please let us know which date or dates you're available to help. A reminder and specific instructions will be sent prior to the Fair.

Janice will be back as "Crew Chief" and Sheila will assist as needed.

As an added bonus for helping with setup, you will be given a free admission ticket to the fair.

We welcome new faces!

Thanks in advance!

Janice Lippincott 402-426-9861 & Sheila Green 402-483-0453

State Fair entry information link www.statefair.org

Wichita Art Museum Upcoming Events

The Wichita Art Museum is excited to share with you information about our upcoming fall quilt shows and quilt events.

First, the Museums hosts Art of the Needle: Masterpiece Ouilts from the Shelburne Museum October 14, 2007 through January 13, 2008. Art of the Needle features 40 of the finest examples of nineteenth-century textile art drawn from the Shelburne Museum's world-renowned permanent collection of over 400 American quilts. The quilts in this exhibition are grouped into eight principal construction or design themes: album, Amish, appliqué. chintz appliqué, pieced, Victorian (crazy and log cabin), white work, and whole cloth. Each category highlights a particular quilting method or design style. Taken together they embody

an extraordinary range of artistic impulses-from the exacting precision of stitching in white work quilts to the exhilarating color and chaos of crazy quilts. Organized by the Shelburne Museum. Vermont, the Wichita venue is made possible by the City of Wichita, The Lattner Family Foundation, Inc., Boeing IDS-Wichita, Paula and Barry Downing, the Friends of the Wichita Art Museum, and KMUW Wichita Public Radio.

Additionally, the Wichita Art Museum is honored to showcase the talents of local quilters in Kansas Quilts from the Prairie Quilt Guild October 21, 2007 through October 6, 2008.

We invite you and your members to visit the Museum during these two outstanding exhibitions. If you choose to come as a group, docent-led tours are available. Simply call 316-268-4929 at least three weeks in advance to schedule your tour. If you would like information on hotels, dining and other area attractions, please contact Jan Hiebert, CTC, Destination Group Sales Manager at the Greater Wichita Convention and Visitors Bureau. Her number is 316-660-6302.

Perhaps you might also be interested in our free quilt symposium to be held Saturday, October 27 from 1 to 4 p.m. The speakers are still being confirmed, but if you would like more information as it becomes available, I'm happy to provide it to you upon request. The exhibition's opening reception is scheduled for the night before from 5 to 8 p.m. so this would be a fun weekend to

travel to Wichita!

The Wichita arts community is truly teaming up on this quilt project. One such example is the Wichita Center for the Arts. The Center Theatre Presents Quilters, a musical play by Molly Newman & Barbara Damashek, November 14-17, 2007 at 8:00 p.m. and Sunday, November 18, 2007 at 2:00 p.m. Quilters tells the story of a pioneer woman, Sarah McKendree Bonham, and her six daughters, through a series of interrelated scenes, that evoke the challenges and rewards of frontier life. like the colorful patches on a quilt. Girlhood, marriage, childbirth, fire, illness and death are illuminated through drama, music and dance. (One of the authors is Molly Newman who is a television writer and producer most known for work

Wichita Art Museum Upcoming Events continued:

on shows such as The Larry Sanders Show, Northern Exposure and Brothers & Sisters. She was nominated for Broadway's 1985 Tony Best Award as Book (Musical) with collaborator Barbara Damashek for "Quilters.") Tickets are \$16 for Adults, \$14 for Seniors, and \$8 for students. Tickets can be purchased from WichitaTIX at (316) 219-4849 or online www.wichitatix.com

The Wichita Center for the Arts - Center Theatre is excited to add Lunch to the Sunday, November 2007. performance of Quilters. Lunch begins at 12:00 p.m. and is \$100 per person and includes the theatre performance at 2:00 p.m. All proceeds benefit Center Theatre. Lunch will served in the Center for the Arts Gallery and the cuisine will be themed to the Ouilters performance. Tickets can be purchased from WichitaTIX at (316) 219-4849 or online www.wichitatix.com.

Other quilt collection may also be on display at two other area cultural attractions. Again, those details are being finalized, but I will be sure to send you a final schedule once everything is complete.

I do have flyers about the quilt shows available. If you would like some of these

mailed to you, please contact me directly with your address and how many flyers you would like and I will get them to you as soon as possible.

I hope to see you the Museum this fall or winter.

Ashle Stratton Public Relations Coordinator 316-268-4985 pr@wichitaartmuseum.org www.wichitaartmuseum.org

Summertime and the Living is Easy.....

Is your small group planning a road trip or a mini-retreat this summer? Taking a trip to a quilt show elsewhere? Going to Quilt Nebraska in July? How about a trip down to IQSC for a look at how the new Center is coming along and take in one of the many shows planned this summer? Remember to send a few pictures to us so we

can share in the fun! Pictures and stories are welcome and will be published on this site as space permits.

Enjoy and Share!!

Contact our webmaster Roberta Willet if you have some pictures to share at: webmas-

ter@omahaquiltersguild.org

New Ouilt Exhibit

The quilt exhibition "Recycling and Resourcefulness: Quilts of the 1930's" will be on view at the Robert Hillestad Textiles Gallery in Lincoln, Nebraska from July 2 – August 31, 2007.

Quilts from the collection of the International Quilt Study Center show how one group of American society responded to the Great Depression of the 1930s.

The Great Depression was the longest and most severe economic crisis in American history. Jobs were scarce, standards of living and well being plummeted and many areas of American popular culture showed the effects. Passed on orally in many families, the experience of life in hard times has become part of the common heritage of millions of Americans.

The generations who lived through the Depression are now elderly and soon the living voices describing those times will pass. One lasting souvenir of the era will be its quilts. The exhibition "Recycling and Resourcefulness: Quilts of the 1930's" will feature quilts made by women who lived by the saying, "Use it up, wear it out, make it do or do without." The beauty and functionality they created from recycled fabrics gleaned from feed and flour sacks, old clothes and scraps left over from dressmaking left a lasting legacy of quilt making tradition.

These examples of material culture allow a glimpse into the lives of women who may have been overlooked or invisible, but who made up the better part of the backbone of a country during the "hard times".

The Robert Hillestad Gallery is located on the east campus of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, on the second floor of the Home Economics building at approximately 35th and Holdrege. Hours are Monday -Friday, 10-4 and in the Summer Saturdays 10-2 between June 2 and August 25. Admission is free.

Support for this exhibition comes from the Nebraska Humanities Council and the Department of Textiles,

Clothing and Design, College of Education and Human Sciences, University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

The online database of the International Ouilt Study Center provides an easily searchable source of quilts from the IQSC collection. Visit the International Quilt Study Center website at http://www.quiltstudy.unl.edu to enjoy images and information about more quilts from the Great Depression era.

OQG Board Meeting Minutes Tuesday, May 1, 2007

President Carol McCann called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Please submit your bills to treasurer, Joan Workman.

Old Business:

There are almost 400 currently signed up for Ricky Tims Super Seminar. Farm and Ranch magazine has a nice article in their current issue about the seminar. Parking and restaurant locations near the Holland center have been compiled by Mary Richling. A few more volunteers are needed. Call Barb Van Trump.

Camp Wannamakeablankie still has spaces left.

Sue Volkmer reported that program plans for next year are nearly final. There are a few contract details yet to be worked out.

Students from Millard West, our quilt show site, will be done by noon May 30 so there is no conflict during set up. Volunteers are still needed at the show. The Anita Shackleford class has plenty of spaces available. Awards will be announced at 7:15 pm Thursday night during the members only party.

New business:

The newsletter deadlines for summer are July 17 and August 21. Please have materials for the summer newsletters.

Board meeting for summer will be June?. Please have two copies of a one page job summery ready, about your job, for the new president.

A new December party location has been identified and is being carefully checked out.

The church where we meet for Board meetings needs placemats for their new facility. Dee Acklie suggested that a sew-in would be a way to pay the church back for letting us use their room for our board meeting. The new church location is an option for our future meetings.

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm.



OQG Meeting Minutes Tuesday, May 8, 2007

President Carol McCann called the meeting to order at 7:41 pm. The meeting was preceded by a presentation of the Boy's Town quilts.

Carol gave gifts of handmade pincushions to each of her committee chairs and officers.

President elect, Carolyn Marsh took over the meeting and started with committee reports.

Quilt Show chairs, Elizabeth Kannedy, Judy Unrein, and Pat Varner, reminded us of quilt turn in dates. If you cannot finish a quilt you have entered, please let them know. Thursday June 8th is the Members Only reception and is free to members. Volunteers will receive free entry throughout the show. The challenge winners will

be chosen by the members on Thursday night. Award announcements will be at 7:15 pm. Not Yets small group will hostess a reception. Thanks to everyone able to take and post Quilt Show signs. There are 30 quilts entered in the 'first quilt show entries' category. Thursday, May 24 is a class by Anita Shackleford at Country Inn and Suites in Carter Lake. Nancy Kirk will appraise quilts at the show. Please pre-fill out a form.

Pat Varner spoke about quilt release on Sunday. No quilts will be released until all frames are loaded and on the way to storage. Have your receipt and a photo ID for quilt pick up.

Cindy Erickson announced the title of Anita's class is "Focus On Fabric". This is a class geared for the use of large-scale fabrics. The fee is \$40 for class and \$7 for materials.

Dee Acklie drew the block exchange winner, Jackie Heyne, for a Longerberger basket.

This is the last night for OQG group large rates for the Ricky Tims Super Seminar

Eva Arps, raffle quilt mom, announced that about 2000 tickets have been sold, so far. They make great Mother's Day gifts.

Men and Women of Biblical Proportions, a national touring quilt exhibit, will be at the Cathedral Arts Center during the month of August.

Carolyn March presented a gift basket to Carol as out-

going President.

Membership committee chair, Linda Holman, said that 188 members and 10 guests are present tonight. Door prizes were handed out.

Sue Volkmer announced programs for the 2007-08 year. Alice Cruz will have a class on hand-dying, Sat. June 30. We will have Shelly Stokes on using Shiva Paintsticks, a Crazy quilting presentation, beginning and advanced machine quilting w/Sandy McMillan, and a luncheon for National Quilting Day with Sandy.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:23 pm by Carolyn.

Respectfully submitted,

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Income				
Board Income	\$ -	\$ 18.00	\$ -	\$ -
Fall Retreat Income	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,337.00
Gifts Received	\$ -	\$ 5,000.00	\$ -	\$ 239.00
Helping Hands Income	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 100.00	\$ 325.00
Intrest Income	\$ 20.00	\$ 61.06	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 8,058.48
Membership Income	\$ 8,800.00	\$ 9,355.50	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 9,332.50
Programs Income	\$ 4,425.00	\$ 4,636.67	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 9,376.00
Quilt Show Income (total)	\$ 18,920.00	\$ 20,626.05	\$ 17,500.00	\$ 20,561.00
Fundrasing Quilt Income	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 3,299.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,317.00
Quilt Show CD Income				\$ 798.00
Quilt Show Vendor Income				\$ 8,370.00
Quilt Show Other Income		\$ 17,327.05		\$ 8,076.00
Ways & Means Income	\$ 500.00	\$ 1,655.10	\$ 500.00	\$ 46.80
Bus Tour Income FY06-FY07	\$ -	\$ 1,402.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,855.00
Hospice Income FY06-FY07	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -
Q4Cause FY04-FY07	\$ -	\$ 9,397.70	\$ 9,500.00	\$ 10,637.55
Sister Guild Income FY04-FY06	\$ -	\$ 1,650.00	\$ -	\$ -
Total Income	\$ 37,665.00	\$ 74,410.13	\$ 64,100.00	\$ 91,329.33
Expenses				
Block Exchange	\$ 20.00	\$ -	\$ 20.00	\$ -
Board Expense	\$ 300.00	\$ 1,423.04	\$ 300.00	\$ 638.28
Capital Expense	\$ 750.00	\$ 1,043.38	\$ 1,400.00	\$ 964.17
Education Expenses	\$ 100.00	\$ 98.16	\$ 100.00	\$ -
Fall Retreat Expenses	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,122.40
Fixed Expenses	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 4,992.60	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 4,454.73
Gifts/Donations	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Helping Hands Expenses	\$ 250.00	\$ 244.04	\$ 250.00	\$ 315.64
Historian Expenses	\$ 300.00	\$ 222.71	\$ 300.00	\$ 160.02
Library Expenses	\$ 250.00	\$ 32.94	\$ 250.00	\$ 213.36
Membership Expenses	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 824.05	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,302.19
Newsletter Expenses	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 2,947.59	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 2,654.21
Programs Expenses	\$ 13,500.00	\$ 8,868.21	\$ 15,500.00	\$ 19,963.45
Quilt Show Expenses (total)	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,247.21	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 7,016.57
Fundraising Quilt Expenses	\$ 600.00	\$ 106.27	\$ 200.00	\$ 77.71
CD Expenses	,	•	*	\$ 176.81
Raffle Tickets Expenses	\$ 200.00	\$ 172.48	\$ 200.00	\$ 187.51
Other Quilt Show Expenses	,	\$ 9,968.46	*	\$ 6,574.54
Rising Stars Expenses	\$ 20.00	\$ -	\$ 20.00	\$ -
Small Groups/New Members Expenses	\$ 35.00	\$ -	\$ 35.00	\$ -
State Fair Expenses	\$ 100.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 75.00
Ways & Means Expenses	\$ 500.00	\$ 1,337.89	\$ 500.00	\$ 14.04
Web Site Expenses	\$ 250.00	\$ 67.95	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00
Bus Tour Expenses FY06-FY07	\$ -	\$ 1,358.87	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,820.00
Hospice Expenses FY06-FY07	\$ -	\$ 327.53	\$ 150.00	\$ -
Q4Cause Expenses FY05-FY07	\$ -	\$ 9,588.90	\$ 9,500.00	\$ 11,266.21
Sister Guild Expenses FY04-FY06	\$ -	\$ 1,665.00	\$ -	\$ -
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OMAHA QUILTERS GUILD 2007-08 MEMBERSHIP FORM

GENERAL INFORMATION

Monthly meetings are held the second Tuesday of each month, September through May at 7:00 pm at the Westside Community Education Center, 108th & Grover, Omaha, Nebraska. Our membership year runs from July 1 to June 30. This membership form must be filled out every year to update information.

In order to have your information printed in the membership directory, you must turn this form in by June 30th. Forms received after this date may not appear in the membership directory. If you do not want your information printed in the directory, please check the box below and you will not be listed.

DUES INFORMATION Make checks payable to Omaha Que Complete this form and mail with yo NOTE: If you want your packet main meetings.	our check to: Vicki Hoskovec, 178	813 Washington Circle, Oma	aha, NE 68135 at the membership table prior to our
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Any comments or suggestions?

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Newsletter

September 2007



Omaha Quilters Guild



Next Newsletter Deadline:

September 18, 2007

Email Elizabeth Kannedy at oqgnewsletter@yahoo.com or mail to: 13308 South 33rd Street, Bellevue, NE 68123-2369

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OQG BOARD MEETING

September 4, 2007 7 pm

Lutheran Church Of the Master Next OQG meeting: Tuesday, September 11h at 7 pm.

September Features Quilt Artist Ann Fahl

The September program will be presented by award winning quilter Ann Fahl. Ann's lecture will focus on general thread information and tips designed to help any quilter make use of the products available today. The presentation will inspire you to try new things in embellishing with thread on your quilts.

The information is based on her book Coloring With Thread.

Ann's Saturday workshop will be "Designing with Triangles", one of the basic shapes in quilt making. This workshop will give you a chance to work with half-square triangles to discover what you've been missing out on.

We are also offering a 2 day workshop on Quilts from The Garden. This workshop will give you an opportunity to piece a background, appliqué flowers on

the background and learn to embellish it using the different threads and products available to today's quilter.

I hope you will give these workshops a try as Ann has created some inspirational and beautiful floral quilts.

Visit Ann's website for a peek at what's in store for us---www.annfahl.com

President Notes

Dear Quilting Friends,

The beginning of the new year always seems to be the time when we try to refocus and take a look at what we've accomplished and determine what goals we plan to meet for the year ahead. For us, the new year begins with our September guild meeting.

Here are just a few of the events and plans that have been made for the coming year:

Sue Volkmer, VP and Pro-

gram Chairperson, has been busy planning and coordinating the speakers for this year. We are lucky to have talented artists within our group and in Omaha that will be sharing their time and talents with us.

Angelina Reed, Helping Hands Chairperson, has coordinated meeting places for us to meet at to help sort, cut, and sew quilts. She has also been delivering totes of fabrics to small groups and individuals that are willing to help with the projects that she has

planned for this next year.

Pat Sears will continue as the Children's Emergency Fund Chairperson. She will be coordinating our fundraising efforts for the December meeting.

Mary Richling, Judy Stratbucker, and Jan Fry have a wonderful weekend planned for our fall retreat, Camp Wannamakablankee. Mary informed me last week that she had been contacted and she was adding more rooms for participants.

President Notes continued:

Don't forget about the trip that Sandy Pihlgren has been planning to McPherson, KS on September 8. She has planned a fun filled day for those that can make the trip.

Again, I refer back to the purpose of the Omaha Quilters Guild: The Omaha Quilters Guild is dedicated to the appreciation of the art and the craft of quilt making through education and participation. Each of us joined the guild for a particular reason. But how can each one of us further the purpose of the Omaha Quilters Guild? Can you show up early and help sell raffle tickets for our "Opportunity Quilt"? Are you able to help cut fabric kits for Helping Hands? Can you help sew those kits? Would you like

to host one of our out-oftown speakers for the time that they are here? Can you help Pat Sears with the plans for the December fundraiser? Do you have a particular skill or talent that will serve well on the Quilt Show committee?

I encourage each of you to give this some thought and then pick up the phone and call or email any one of your officers or committee chairpersons and ask them what you can do to help further the purpose of the Omaha Quilters Guild. What a great time of year to set our sights and go full force! Be encouraged and find joy in each purpose.

Regards, Carolyn Marsh

Opportunity Quilt

This year's opportunity quilt will be presented at the September guild meeting.

The quilt was designed and constructed by Jane Foral. Jane used the pattern "Every Day Best" from Piece 'O Cake's Quilts with a Spin. The quilt is a 94'x 96' kaleidoscope of color. Each block contains 108 paperpieced pieces to create the circles. Jane used her 'extensive' stash of batiks for the design. (The comment elicited a BIG chuckle from her husband.) In the

beginning, Jane tried to color coordinate each of her fabric selections for the individual pieces of each circle but she soon discovered that took too much time. decided to sort her fabric by color and then just started to pull pieces of fabric from each color pile without much thought to which particular piece of fabric she was using. The construction took over 275 total hours. Each individual pieced circular block took 8 hours; the appliquéd borders took over 80 hours to complete and

she spent 10 hours doing the final quilting at her long arm machine.

Thank you, Jane! We truly appreciate your time and talents. What a glorious accomplishment.

You all need to know that Jane's husband tried selling the quilt for \$5,000. I met Jane and her husband at a restaurant in the Old Market. As I was admiring the quilt for the first time; three ladies at next table were also ohhing and ahhing over the

quilt. One lady asked "how much for the quilt?" and Jane's husband quickly said "\$5,000". They weren't ready to sign over a check for that amount but I have their email addresses and I will be contacting them about how many tickets they want to buy!

Be sure and pick up your packet of "Opportunity Quilt" tickets and start selling to your family and friends.

Membership

The kickoff meeting for the 2007-2008 year of the Omaha Quilters' Guild is fast approaching.

We hope to have the membership books ready for pick up. We will be checking over with each member their information for accuracy. For those who haven't joined for the upcoming year, application forms will be available. Fabulous door prizes await you. We look forward to seeing you on September 11th, Linda Holman



Fall Retreat—Camp Wannamakablankie 2007



Camp is almost here. By now, all registered campers should have received notification of fees still due, if any. If you have not received a notice, please contact Mary Richling.

Final fees are due by September 1, 2007.

We have 79 campers in 23 hotel style rooms. There are still five rooms left to fill. If

you want to come to camp, we'd love to have you. Go to the OQG website for a camp registration form.

In case you have not heard, camp is 50 hours of sewing time, luxurious hotel style rooms, great food, ergo chairs, s'mores, camp fires,

beautiful scenery and best of all, lots of friends. Hope you can join us.

See you soon, Mary Richling, Judy Stratbucker, Jan Fry, your camp directors



Rising Stars

I don't know about any other quilters, but I took the summer off from quilting and sent my energy to other places and areas of interest, so that I could come into the fall and winter months with a sense of doing something new with my quilting time. Unfortunately I sent my energy so far away, I'm going to have to lasso it back and re-aim it at quilting. So there should be no surprise to anyone when I admit that I didn't contact all the people that I needed to be speakers for Rising Stars for this year. I will have my final list by the end of this week, but unfortunately my Rising Star newsletter article is due today, so the only one who was willing to be the speaker me....Becky Moyer. Sorry about that, but it was either I or staring at a black wall for minutes. And even thought my committee voted for the blank wall, I'm still going to give and demo ideas for accurate piecing. Come prepared to have fun

and maybe even learn some interesting ideas on how to achieve that perfect ½ inch seam allowances. Because to be honest, I've swiped ideas and information from some of the best quilters in the business, and I've have hopefully come up with some things that you've never thought of.

And talk about getting all our quilting energy revved up, the Ricky Tims show certainly did it for me! Though I know for a fact that his piping technique requires the use of **three** hands and the ability to hold your breath during the entire sewing procedure. *grin* And yes, I saw him only use two hands and talk when he was doing it....but I don't believe my eyes all the time! Other than that I thought he had some GREAT ideas to think about and try out.

Rising Stars Committee, Ruth Gregg, Kaye Jackson and Becky Moyer

Helping Hands



With the start of the new year, the tubs and tubs (and tubs!) of fab-

ric, batting, etc have been passed to the new Helping Hands committee. Helping Hands has been very fortunate to have the generous support of the members through their fabric donations. However due to the amount of fabric currently being managed by the com-

mittee, we will not be accepting fabric donations until further notice. This does not include the donation of quilt blocks or tops.

The committee will be working this year on reducing the amount of fabric to a more manageable size. Thanks go out to the Quarter Incher small group for issuing the small group challenge to help use up the fabric (see below).

Helping Hands is in need of a person who loves the phone. This position will be calling organizations, schools, Vets, Hospitals, etc. If you don't have the time to devote to the committee activities but you could like to help the committee this would be the perfect position for you. Contact Angelina Reed at vreedme@hotmail.com if interested.

The following meetings are scheduled for the committee. They will be held at the Papillion Library, 9am until 3pm.

September 4, 6, 13, 18, 20, 25, & 27

October 2, 4, 11, 16, 18, 22, 25, & 29

November 1, 6, 8, 15, 20, 22, 27, & 29

December 4, 6, & 13

Helping Hands Challenge



The Quarter Incher small group is challenging other small groups in the Omaha Quilters Guild

to acquire a tub of fabric from Angie, the Helping Hands Chair, and make some quilts.

Get creative! Let's use up some of this fabric and get things going! We challenge you and/or your small group to make a quilt top or two---or better yet, complete the quilt. You are not limited by the number of tops or completed quilts your group can submit.

The first "competition" will be at the January 8th meeting. Bring your quilt top(s) or finished quilt(s) for voting by the membership. Prizes will be awarded to the top three pieces.

The final "competition" will be at the May meeting where once again there will be prizes for the top three viewers' choice pieces.

See what you can make from a tub of fabric---you can add some things to it, for example back ground fabric, but mostly try to use what is in the tub. Individuals can enter as well as small groups---just get fabric from the Helping Hands stash. Have some fun and help someone else at the same time!



Children's Emergency Fund



We're looking forward to another fun and productive year! We will again be making holiday

stockings, raising money, and collecting toys and gifts for kids who are in protective custody this upcoming holiday season.

This year's fabric offers several colors in beautiful jewel tones, with metallic accents throughout Just stop by the Children's Emergency Fund table in September to get your challenge-fabric packet. Packets are available for a donation of \$2.00 each.



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.

Deadline for stockings will be the week of December 3 rd through the 8th.



We will also be collecting toys and gifts for kids via the Angel Bag project. You may pick up an Angel bag at the November meeting.

Consult future newsletters for more details.

See you in September!

Pat Sears & Kathy Havranek

22nd Annual Quilters Fall Retreat



Our theme this y e a r i s "Remembering, Sharing and Finishing" and our

goal is to help each other complete those unfinished projects from past years' retreats (or any UFOs in your closet).

There will be plenty of time

to work on your own projects. The camp chef will be preparing all of our meals so there will be plenty of time to sew, laugh, eat, talk, and just spend time with friends – old and new.

You don't have to be a member of the Omaha guild to attend.

When:

October 12 to 14, 2007 – Friday through Sunday

Where:

4-H Camp near Gretna, Nebraska

Cost:

\$90 per person (includes meals and lodging)

The registration form is available on the OQG web-

site by clicking the "Events" button.



For more information please contact Shelly Burge at 402-489-7141 or at burgequilt@windstream.net.

Quilts of the Homestead Era Exhibit

You are invited to a special exhibit "Quilts of the Homestead Era" at the Hillmer Art Gallery, College of St Mary, 7000 Mercy Road, Omaha NE 68106.

The exhibit runs August 14th through September 19th and features quilts from the International Quilt Study Center.

Gallery hours are:

Monday thru Thursday: 9 am to 7:30 pm

Fridays 9am to 5pm

Saturdays 8:30 am to 12:30 pm

Closed on Sundays and college holidays.

Bus Trip

COME JOIN US ON A BUS TRIP TO THE BUTTONHOLE OUILT SHOP

This years bus trip will be on Saturday September 8th. (it is a NE football away game).

The Buttonhole Quilt shop in McPherson KS is one of the largest quilt shops in the country. They have over 12,000

bolts of fabric plus a basement full of bolts that are rotated. If you are looking for an older fabric, bring along a sample and one of the staff will go downstairs to check if they have it. You never know they may bring up a treasure for you.

The cost is ONLY \$45.00 per person and includes a light breakfast, water on the bus and

of course door prizes. Lunch and dinner will be on your own. We will order box lunches before the trip to save time for more shopping!

Please email me at spihlgren@cox.net (even if you already expressed interest) or call me at 345 6785 with your name and phone # and email address.

More details of times and things to bring on the bus will follow.

What a great way to welcome the cooler weather. I have been to the Buttonhole once and have been dying to get back.

Come join the fun, Sandy Pihlgren



Ricky Tims Seminar was a GREAT Success!

The Ricky Tims Super Quilt Seminar is over. For those of us who were lucky enough to be able to attend it was a wonderful, fast moving, educational, three days. We were thrilled when the check was presented to us to pass on to the IQS C in Lincoln. Over \$7,000!!! We couldn't believe it. There were 593 registered participants. Our Webmaster Roberta Willet posted photos to the web

page after she caught her breath so you can see all the fun we had.

A special thanks to the committee who worked so hard to get the show organized in Omaha: Dee Acklie, Barb VanTrump, Mary Richling, and Jamie Sculley. Our volunteer crew was wonderful. We spent almost four hours unloading the trailer, setting up the stage, hanging the

quilts, and unpacking boxes to set up the store. We had to haul the boxes from the lower level of the Holland Center up to the orchestra level. Even with carts it was a lot of work. We learned how to operate the freight elevator. Take down went much quicker in the store, thanks to everyone there who made purchases. *grin*

We were told that our volun-

teers were the best they had ever had. In addition the attendance at this seminar was the highest they had had in all of their previous seminars.

A presentation of the funds raised will be made to the International Quilt Study Center at the September meeting.

Carol McCann

Comments from the Ricky Tims Seminar:

Special thanks go out to the Ricky Tims Seminar Committee and all the volunteers involved with the Seminar! It would not have been as successful without you. There were allot of comments posted on the OQG Yahoo group and the Nebraska Yahoo group from members that attended the seminar. We thought it would be fun to include a sampling of them in the newsletter for the members that do not have access to the email groups:



Ricky's wit and humor kept all of us on our toes - and there was rarely a moment when we weren't laughing, learning, or 'woo hooo-ing'. (That's a 'Texas ' way of 'applauding by mouth' - much more ladylike than yelling 'yee haaaw'!)



Although I'm not likely to create many quilts in the WILD colors and glitzy quilting that Ricky does, my creative juices started bubbling way past boiling point, and I couldn't wait to get home and start putting some of MY new ideas on my design wall -- as I was now armed with the new techniques I'd learned to implement those designs!



Wahoo!!! Way to go Omaha . This event got my creative juices running!!!! Thank you to all of you for registering and volunteering at this event! It was a success!!!!!!!



Would I do it again? you bet! My only hope is that Ricky organizes a "SEMINAR TWO, WOOO HOOOO!" that begins where this one ended!



Woo-Hoo! Thanks to all who made the Tim's event possible... A very special thanks to one who works behind the scenes, tirelessly, to enhance our experiences of all things guild related.



What an experience! The past three days were absolutely fantastic. Each session left my brain just spinning about all the new possibilities I had available to use. WooHoo!



Woo Hoo and Thank you to everyone responsible for bringing this wonderful event to Omaha. It was wonderful beyond my wildest expectations.



I must add my congratulations to Dee, Barb, Jamie, Mary, and Carol for a flawless event. It was a great three days full of useful information and the best part is the IQSC benefits from the over \$7000 profit. You all should be VERY happy...I know I am. Thanks so much.

It was a great experience! I've never seen so many people walking around with big grins on their faces. I've never seen so many brown shopping bags lined up waiting for just one more little purchase to be taken home. I've never seen such a big screen showing such little stitches and other tiny details. There was so much solid information given in such an entertaining way. Those folks really know what they are doing. And Dee's committee was a big part of making it all work. GREAT JOB!

Bible Quilt Exhibit

Thank You for Helping us make this Exhibit so Successful!

We estimate at least 200 people a day attended the Women of Biblical Proportion Quilt Exhibit. We are hoping to meet or exceed the

same number for the Men's exhibit.

Just a reminder, the Men of Biblical Proportion Quilt Exhibit dates are **August 21-31, 2007** The exhibit is located at : SUNDERLAND ART GAL-LERY - 701 North 40th St. OMAHA

(Inside Cathedral Culture Center - first building S.E. of St. Cecilia's Cathedral)
GALLERY HOURS: Tues.-

Sat., 11 am – 4 pm (Plus, one Sunday, 8/19, 11-4)

FREE ADMISSION FREE PARKING

Contact Teri at: <u>Bible-Quilts@AOL.com</u> for more information on Omaha exhibit

Visit www.wobp-mobp.org for pictures and the history of show

Wichita Art Museum Upcoming Events Date Correction

Please note that dates for Kansas Quilts from the Prairie Quilt Guild are October 21, 2007 through **January** 6, 2008. In a prior announcement the closing date was published as October 6, 2008 instead of January 6, 2008.

A recap of the events is as follows:

Art of the Needle: Masterpiece Quilts from the Shelburne Museum October 14, 2007 through January 13, 2008

Kansas Quilts from the Prairie Quilt Guild: a Showcase of the Talents of Local Quilters October 21, 2007 through January 6, 2008.

A free quilt symposium will be held Saturday, October 27 from 1 to 4 p.m.

I hope to see you the Museum this fall or winter.

Thanks,
Ashle Stratton
Public Relations Coordinator
316-268-4985
pr@wichitaartmuseum.org
www.wichitaartmuseum.org

2007-08 OQG Workshop Registration Form

Please register using this form. Send your Check (payable to OQG) to Sue Volkmer, 2809 South 125th Ave #283, Omaha, NE 68144

Sue Volkmer, 2809 South 125th Ave #283, Omaha, NE 68144
Name
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City, State, zip
Daytime Phone Number
Please sign me up for:
Ann Fahl "Designing with Trianglerediscover one of the basic shapes in quilt making" - Saturday Sep 8th, 9-5. Location: Country Inn and Suites, 11818 Miami St, Omaha, NE. Cost: Members \$45.00, Non-members \$50.00
Ann Fahl "Quilts from the Garden" - Sunday Sept 9th 1-7 and Monday Sept 10th 9-5.
NOTE: This a 2-day workshop. Cost: Members \$85.00 Non-members \$90.00
Location: Community Room at Crosby Burkett Mortuary 119th and Center. (Access through the back door)
Sandi McMillian "Beginning Machine Quilting" - Saturday Sept. 15, 9-5. Cost: \$40.00
Location: Country Inn and Suites, 11818 Miami St, Omaha, NE
Supply lists are available on the OQG website or can be obtained by contacting Sue Volkmer
If you need to cancel your attendance at the class, we require seven days notice for a refund

Treasurer's Report

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OMAHA QUILTERS GUILD 2007-08 MEMBERSHIP FORM

GENERAL INFORMATION

Monthly meetings are held the second Tuesday of each month, September through May at 7:00 pm at the Westside Community Education Center, 108th & Grover, Omaha, Nebraska. Our membership year runs from July 1 to June 30. This membership form must be filled out every year to update information.

In order to have your information printed in the membership directory, you must turn this form in by June 30th. Forms received after this date may not appear in the membership directory. If you do not want your information printed in the directory, please check the box below and you will not be listed.

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OOG BOARD MEETING

September 2, 2007 7 pm

Lutheran Church Of the Master

Next OOG meeting: Tuesday, October 9th at 7 pm.

Paintstik Pizzazz



October Our speaker will be Shelly Stokes from Cedar Canyon Textiles and the author

Paintstiks on Fabric. Learn about adding color, texture and pattern to your fabric with Shiva Paintstiks and simple materials like freezer paper and masking tape.

Register early for her workshops on paintstiks and foiling.

Visit Shelly's website at www.cedarcanyontextiles.com

President Notes

Dear Quilting Friends,

"We find comfort among those who agree with usgrowth among those who don't."

Recently, I took some time to catch up on some reading. It's funny how some things just 'pop up' at the most appropriate time.

Many times we don't see the 'growth' that occurs when someone has a differing opinion or solution. But, if you step back, set your emo-

tions aside and take another look at the situation there are numerous ways to get to the solution and numerous lessons to be learned.

As I walk my journey I have found that I have grown the most in situations where I am being pushed out of my comfort zone. I don't learn from what I already know and from what I have already experienced. I only learn when I make a mistake or when I am pushed into an uncomfortable new situation.

So, where am I going with The guild can offer each and every one of us with an opportunity to grow. Venture out from what is comfortable -- try a new technique in a class offered by the guild, volunteer to serve on a committee for the Ouilt Show, spend the day with the "Helping Hands" committee. Don't miss out on an opportunity to grow!

Regards, Carolyn Marsh

Rising Stars

Our speakers for October will be Pat Sears and her Elf, Kathy Havranek. They will be giving a program on Children's Emergency Fund along with demonstrating techniques for Christmas stockings. Pat says they will be doing a "layered cake" technique, but don't bring a

fork unless you're an eternal optimist. I think the technique is an easy way of sewing the stocking and batting, but we'll just have to wait and see what those two have up their sleeves. But whatever they do, there will be a little early Christmas cheer going around.

As usual Rising Stars starts at 6PM. Please look for the sign on the room as we never know where they will put us.

Rising Stars Committee: Becky Moyer, Kaye Jackson and Ruth Gregg



2008 Quilt Show

In case you haven't heard, the theme chosen for the 2008 Quilt Show is "Everyday Best". The theme was chosen to coincide with the beautiful raffle quilt constructed by Jan Foral. The pattern chosen was from the book "Quilts with a Spin" written by Becky Goldsmith and

Linda Jenkins. Make certain you buy your raffle tickets for a chance to win this quilt.

As your quilt show chair, I hope to uphold the great tradition of OQG and present a memorable show in 2008. I will be actively recruiting volunteers to assist

me in the next few months and will gladly accept any offers from our membership. At the present, I am digging through the "mounds" of great information left by last year's co-chairs. I'm certain that their organization and record-keeping will be a great help.

Look for the Challenge quilt and more details to follow in the coming months.

Jim KinKennon Phone: 592-2939 email: husker_quilter@hotmail.com

Block Exchange

We are trying something new this year. You will be given a focus fabric each month for the following month's block. You will then add your fabric to complete the block.

Each month will feature a different traditional pieced block and a different focus fabric. When you turn in your block each month (with your name attached) you will be entered into a drawing for a set of the blocks. The number of blocks awarded will be dependent on the number of participants.

With the same fabric in the blocks each month, some lucky

baby or chilly lap will end up wrapped in a nice quilt.

If there are extra kits for the next month left at the end of a meeting, you can pickup another kit to make more than one block. However you can only win one set of blocks a month.

If you have questions or feedback don't hesitate to give us a call.

Thanks in advance for participating.

Rojene Grigg 712-366-0714 or C.J. Gleason 712-323-7211

Membership

We had a great turnout of 251 attendees at the September meeting which included 7 new members and 6 guests. We apologize for any discrepancies

of applications. We are working quickly to resolve them.

In order for everyone to know who you are we encourage you

to make and wear a name tag.

We look forward to seeing you at the October meeting with membership books and wonderful door prizes.

Linda Holman



Helping Hands



The Helping Hands committee wants to thank everyone who took a kit

home at the last meeting. To help keep our costs down, please return the plastic bags and instructions when you return the finished quilt to the committee. If you want to make a rag quilt but you don't want to snip the seams, you can just sew the blocks together and turn it in. We have people who will snip the edges. If you are washing a rag quilt using a home machine, shake the quilt to get the lint out. You might want to wash it in a pillow case or use a coin laundry to protect your machine

We are also asking for batting donations. They should be large enough for a crib size quilt or larger. We have more kits available. If you want a kit and you are not able to attend an OQG meeting, email -helpinghands@omahaquiltersguild.org - to make arrangements to have a kit delivered to you.

Helping Hands will be meeting at the Papillion Library on Oct 6, Nov 3, and 17, 2007. If you would like to come and work with us, please bring your favorite cold salad to share. Check the web page for meeting location, dates, and times.

Hope to see you soon, Angelina Reed

Fall Retreat—Camp Wannamakablankie 2007



Camp is almost here!

Deadline to register: October 10th

Rooms available:

1 double queen (sleeps up to 5), and 4 kings (sleep up to 3 each)

We have 81 campers coming to play at the Carol Joy Holling retreat center in Ashland.

If you and a group of friends would like to come to camp, you will have to register by October 10th. Contact one of the camp directors to register.

Campers, we will email (or snail mail) final notes and information the first week of October.

You should also have received notice of the spool block we will make for a donation quilt to the Carol Joy Holling quilt auction next summer.

Get ready for some great fun, food and friendships.

Mary Richling, Judy Stratbucker, & Jan Fry Your camp directors



Help Wanted!

As many of you heard at the September meeting, there will be some key positions that will need to be filled in our Guild for the 2008-2009 year.

We will be looking for a person to fill the Vice President/
Programs position that Sue has held for the last 2 years, the Membership book position that Vicki held, as well as a president elect and other vital positions that I will list in next months newsletter. We have been spoiled over the last few years with people like Becky Draper who has

taken care of the Mini raffle for the Holiday event as well as Dee Acklie who along with her daughters provided auctioneer service for the charity auction

We are thankful for their dedication and commitment to the guild but they would like to enjoy the programs from your side of the auditorium after this year.

Who will be willing to step up to the mike for the holiday auction? Who is willing to collect all the donations and organize the mini raffle? If it is you, I am waiting to hear from you.

To start the planning for the coming year, I am looking for a few nominating committee volunteers to assist me in bringing new ideas and talents to the guild leadership. Is this you? Are you ready to fill a position that will make our guild what you expect as a member?

Please let me know what your interest is or what you would be willing to assist with and I

will be ready to write down your name.

You can contact me at 981-0119 or 398-1426 or you can email me at <u>jqhey-ne056@yahoo.com</u>.

You can also look me up at the October meeting, I should be somewhere around the front of the room.

Anxiously waiting for your response,

Jackie Heyne President Elect

Helping Hands Challenge



Get your friends or small group together—get a tub of fabric from Angie, the Helping Hands Chair and create something for the January Challenge.

The finished quilt or quilt top will be displayed at the meeting so you can vote for you favorite. Prizes will be awarded to the top 3!

See how creative you can be.

New Small Group

I'm very excited to announce the formation of a new small group, The Mother's Guild. We had such tremendous support from the guild on the museum project for Boys Town that we just didn't want to stop the momentum. Fr. Boes was so impressed with our efforts that he has given us his blessing to continue the work begun decades ago by women around the country to provide quilts for the children of Girls and Boys Town. This new small group will be focusing on creating quilts to be used for purposes of fundraising and for the children and family teaching couples. Our mission has been left very broad so that we have room to grow. Some of the ideas that Fr. and I discussed were quilts for recognizing family teaching couples at the annual recognition night, quilts for the various fundraising auctions

at our sites around the country (did you know that there are 19 sites across the US?) and quilts for the children. We'll discuss the options when we meet and see what we think that we would like to accomplish this first year. I hope to meet with Bob Pick and Dr. Daly before our first sewing date to get their input on how they would like to see our work be used. In the meantime, dream and plan. What would you like to see this new group accomplish? What would you be willing to donate? A lighthouse quilt or maple leaves for Boys Town of New England? Texas Roses for Boys Town of San Antonio?

Here are our meeting dates: Sat. Sept. 29, Sat., Oct. 27, Sat., Nov. 17, Sat. Dec. 8., Sat., January 26., Sat., Feb. 23, and Sat., March 29. We are meeting in the Great Hall from 9-3, bring your machines, cutting supplies, fabric, ideas and a lunch. Call me or email me if you need directions or have questions.

We hear over and over that the guild offers so many opportunities for charitable work. The tone is often one of complaint. But as I said Tuesday, our charitable work is really our best work. It is what defines us and gives us power. You have the opportunity to do what you love most-quilt. And you get to do it for causes that you support and which you think are important. You give of your time and talents and you make a difference in the lives of others and you're doing it all while doing what you love and with friends that you enjoy. Our families love our work and they appreciate it

but I can almost guarantee you that the work you do for total strangers is appreciated to an even greater degree. Whether it is the Christmas stocking that touches a child's life or a cuddle quilt for a fragile child at Children's Respite Care Center or a lap quilt for a veteran, please try to find some time to quilt for others. Your life will be richer for the experience. I know mine has been, (and if you need tax reasons to satisfy your spouse, let's talk.) I invite you to be part of the miracles happening at Father Flanagan's Girls and Boys Town but if that's not your preferred charity, try one of the other many groups in the guild that are making a difference one quilt at a time.

Jan Fry

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The annual Christmas Party will be held Tuesday, December 11th at Old Country Buf-

fet located at 144th and Center. Tickets will be \$8.00. We will start selling tickets at the October Meeting. If your group wants to sit together, it is much easier if one person purchases enough tickets for the group at one time. We will do our best to keep your group together.

Come prepared to purchase your tickets in October.

Children's Emergency Fund



We're looking forward to another fun and productive year! We will again be making holi-

day stockings, raising money, and collecting toys and gifts for kids who are in protective custody this upcoming holiday season. This year's fabric offers several colors in beautiful jewel tones, with metallic accents throughout Just stop by the Children's Emergency Fund table in September to get your challenge fabric packet. Packets are available for a donation of \$2.00 each.

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.

Deadline for stockings will be the week of December 3 rd through the 8th.

We will also be collecting toys and gifts for kids via the Angel Bag project.

You may pick up an Angel bag at the November meeting.

Consult future newsletters for more details.

Pat Sears & Kathy Havranek

Caring Friends Auction

It is that time of year again to remind you to get those projects completed for the Caring Friends Auction. The theme this year is Happy Holly days. Think holly leaves or think outside the box Holly Hobby, Buddy Holly etc.... Articles are beginning to come in. Completed articles can be left with me as they are completed. All

items need to be collected at the November meeting. All articles will be auction at a live auction at the December meeting. Create any kind of quilt related item by a group of caring friends. The proceeds from the auction will help support children in Foster Care in Douglas and Sarpy Counties.

If you or your group of friends will have an item for the auction please contact me at 391-6061 or dee@acklie.net. It is important for planning purposes to know the number of items. Thank you for your support.

This will be my last year as the Auction Chair. If you are interested in helping with the auction this year or taking over as committee chair please, let me know. I do need help with spotters, set up and individuals who

can help show case the items during the auction.

Dee Acklie



Golden Opportunity



This holiday season we will be raising money for children who are in protective custody because they are victims of abuse, neglect and/or abandonment. Every year we ask members to donate hand-made or quilt-related items for this cause. You will have a chance to win the items at the December Gala and Fundraiser. If you or your small group have items to donate, please contact Becky Draper at 597-3754. You may bring your items to the

October and November OQG meetings, or call Becky to make arrangements to deliver items to her. The donated items will be on display at the November 13th meeting, and all items must be turned in by that meeting date. This is a new deadline, so please oblige!

Thanks for all you do to make this a huge success!





October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month

Show a friend how much you care, remind them to have their annual mammogram.



OQG Board Meeting Minutes Tuesday, September 4, 2007

The meeting was called to order by president, Carolyn Marsh at 7:00 pm.

Old business:

Dee Acklie – The Ricky Tims seminar earned about \$7700 for the IQSC. Joan Workman moved, and it was seconded, that we make a donation from the interest on our CD's of about \$2300 to total a \$10,000 donation. T-shirts for IQSC will be available for purchase at the Sept. meeting.

Quilt Show 2007 – Judy Unrein reported about \$4560 in earnings from the 2007 year's show. Some gifts were given by vendors for the volunteers. The committee will distribute these.

Sue Volkmer reported programs are under control. We need more registrations for Saturday's Ann Fahl class.

The block exchange committee has planned some traditional blocks. A purchase plan was discussed. The committee will refine their idea this week for presentation at the general meeting.

Bus trip- no report.

Retreat – Rooms are still available and some partly filled rooms still need roommates. There will be a spool block for participants to make a block for the camp.

The Children's Emergency

Fund live auction will need a new chairman, beginning next year. The December party will be at Old Country Buffet at 145 & Center. Members will be charged \$8 with the balance paid by the guild.

Helping hands - Kits are available to hand out. The committee is meeting regularly to have workdays.

The Library committee has purchased a few new books.

The Membership committee is working on door prizes. Membership books & cards are ready for distribution at the Sept. meeting.

The newsletter deadline continues to be the 3rd Tuesday

of each month.

Rising stars-no report.

Ways & means ideas were discussed.

Carol McCann and Elizabeth Kannedy moved and seconded that the budget be approved as printed in the newsletter.

The 2008 Quilt Show is June 6, 7 and 8th at Millard West High School.

The meeting ended at 8:16 pm.

Respectfully submitted, LaVonne M. Dunetts

OQG Meeting Minutes Tuesday, September 11, 2007

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 pm by president, Carolyn Marsh.

This year's opportunity quilt, by Jane Foral was presented to the guild.

Dee Acklie presented the check to Dr. Crews of the International Quilt Study Center from the Ricky Tims seminar for \$7701 along with a guild donation for a total of \$10,000. Dee introduced her committee and guests from the Nebraska State Quilt Guild, Carol Kusek and Sandi Kosch.

Diane Thomas presented the OQG quilt made in 1987 to Dr. Crews for inclusion in

the Study Center collection.

Program chair Sue Volkmer introduced the speaker, Ann Fahl, who then gave the program.

Dee Acklie of the Children's Emergency Fund showed the first auction items and explained the purpose of the auction. Dee asked if anyone is interested in helping with the auction. This is her last vear as auction chairman. Pat Sears and Kathy Havranek showed the stocking challenge kit and explained the use of the stockings and gifts. Help is needed in many areas for this project. Becky Draper explained the Mini-raffle

and said a new person is needed for a chairman next year. Donations will be accepted until the November meeting.

Jan Fry talked about the new Mother's Guild of Girls and Boys Town. Quilts made by our guild are on display now in the Hall of History and a reception is being planned. The last Saturday of each month will be the meeting time in the Great Hall for the mother's guild, beginning 9-29. All members are invited to be a part of this new guild.

The Block Exchange committee has a pattern and piece of fabric for next

month's exchange.

Mary Jane Regal announced that the Helping Hands committee gave away about 120 quilts last year. She told about the Children's Respite Care Center where quilts were recently donated. Angelina Reed, Helping Hands new chairman has many work dates scheduled and is planning more for the coming year. The best way to contact her is by email.

Linda Holman, Membership chair introduced her new committee. There are 251 members here tonight. Door prizes were given from Bloomin' Minds, Bernina, Log Cabin Quilt Shop,

OQG Meeting Minutes continued:

Sunshine Stitches, Seams To Be, and Country Sampler.

Tee shirts, to benefit the IQSC, are for sale for \$15.

Carolyn Marsh announced that the budget, as printed in the newsletter, will be voted on next month. The quilt made by the Knot Yet small group from blocks donated during last year's retreat camp sold at auction for \$360, to benefit Camp Carol Joy Holling.

Carol McCann had those that finished their birdhouse challenges show them, and had small birdhouse ornaments to give those that participated.

The Quarter Inchers small group volunteered to take a tub a fabric from Helping Hands and challenged other small groups to do the same.

Shelley Stokes will be here next month teaching and lecturing about Paintstiks and foils. Next weekend will be Machine Quilting, beginning, by Sandi McMillan.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted, LaVonne M. Dunetts

Upcoming Quilt Shows

"Sewing the Seeds of Quilting" Cottonwood Quilters of NE Oct 19-21 Bethany Lutheran Church

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"Crazy About Quilts"
Oct 12-14
Adventureland Park Palace
Theater
Altoona, IA(exit #142A)
www.dmaqg.org

31st Annual Heart of America Quilt Show: "All things Bright and Beautiful" September 29-Oct 14 2007 Crown Center, 2450 Grand Blvd. KC MO

Admission: Free! 816-331-5363

Greater Chicago Quilt Expo Nov. 8-11 www.quiltfest.com

2007-08 OQG Workshop Registration Form Please register using this form. Send your Check (payable to OQG) to Sue Volkmer, 2809 South 125th Ave #283, Omaha, NE 68144
Name
Address
City, State, zip
Daytime Phone Number
Please sign me up for: Shelly Stokes Paintstik Pizzazz - Saturday October 6th, 9-5.
Location: Country Inn and Suites, 11818 Miami St, Omaha, NE. Cost: Members \$45.00, Non-members \$50.00 Shelly Stokes Foil on Fabric- Sunday October 7th 1-5.
Location: Country Inn and Suites, 11818 Miami St, Omaha, NE. Cost: Members \$35.00, Non-members \$40.00
Supply lists are available on the OQG website or can be obtained by contacting Sue Volkmer
If you need to cancel your attendance at the class, we require seven days notice for a refund.

Treasurer's Report				
	2006-07	2006-07	2007-08	2007-08
Account name	BUDGET	YTD	BUDGET	YTD
Income				
Board Income	\$ -	\$ 18.00	\$ -	\$ -
Fall Retreat Income	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,337.00	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 12,145.00
Fundraising Quilt Income	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,317.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 587.00
Gifts Received	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Helping Hands Income	\$ 100.00	\$ 325.00	\$ 100.00	\$ -
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Membership Income	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 9,332.80	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 3,285.50
Programs Income	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 9,376.00	\$ 8,850.00	\$ 1,840.00
Quilt Show Income (total)	\$ 17,000.00	\$ 17,244.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 1,040.00
Quilt Show CD Inocme	\$ 500.00	\$ 798.00	\$ 800.00	\$ -
Quilt Show Vendor Income	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 8,370.00	\$ 7,100.00	\$ -
Quilt Show Other Income	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 8,076.00	\$ 7,100.00	\$ -
Ways & Means Income	\$ 500.00		\$ 7,100.00	\$ -
Bus Tour Income FY06-FY08			φ - \$ 1,500.00	\$ 900.00
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Total Income	\$ 54,100.00	\$ 59,919.88	\$ 53,450.00	\$ 20,360.78
Expenses				
Block Exchange	\$ 20.00	\$ -	\$ 20.00	\$ -
Board Expense	\$ 300.00	\$ 737.57	\$ 600.00	\$ 28.00
Capital Expense	\$ 1,400.00	\$ 1,127.53	\$ 1,500.00	\$ -
Education Expenses	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ 100.00	\$ -
Fall Retreat Expenses	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,122.40	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 2,596.50
Fixed Expenses	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 4,693.73	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 1,044.00
Fundraising Quilt Expenses (total)	\$ 350.00	\$ 265.22	\$ 300.00	\$ 293.38
Raffle Ticket Expenses	\$ 200.00	\$ 187.51	\$ 200.00	\$ 235.38
Other Fundraising Quilt Expenses	\$ 150.00	\$ 77.71	\$ 100.00	\$ 58.00
Gifts/Donations	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,299.00
Helping Hands Expenses	\$ 250.00	\$ 315.64	\$ 350.00	\$ -
Historian Expenses	\$ 300.00	\$ 160.02	\$ 200.00	\$ -
Library Expenses	\$ 250.00	\$ 213.36	\$ 250.00	\$ 183.52
Membership Expenses	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,302.19	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 949.63
Newsletter Expenses	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 2,654.21	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 278.70
Programs Expenses	\$ 15,500.00	\$ 19,963.45	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 3,033.56
Quilt Show Expenses (total)	\$ 11,700.00	\$ 11,506.10	\$ 10,200.00	\$ -
CD Expenses	\$ 200.00	\$ 176.81	\$ 200.00	\$ -
Other Quilt Show Expenses	\$ 11,500.00	\$ 11,329.29	\$ 10,000.00	\$ -
Rising Stars Expenses	\$ 20.00	\$ -	\$ 20.00	\$ -
Small Groups/New Members Expenses	\$ 35.00	\$ -	\$ 35.00	\$ -
State Fair Expenses	\$ 75.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 75.00	\$ -
Ways & Means Expenses	\$ 500.00	\$ 14.04	\$ -	\$ -
Web Site Expenses	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00
Bus Tour Expenses FY06-FY08	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,820.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,570.00
Total Expenses	\$ 54,100.00	\$ 55,270.46	\$ 53,450.00	\$ 12,576.29
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Balance	\$ -	\$ 4,649.42	\$ -	\$ 7,784.49

November 2007



Omaha Quilters Guild



Next Newsletter Deadline:

November 20, 2007

Email Elizabeth Kannedy at oqgnewsletter@yahoo.com or mail to: 13308 South 33rd Street, Bellevue, NE 68123-2369

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OOG BOARD

MEETING

November 6, 2007 7 pm

Lutheran Church Of the Master Next OQG meeting: Tuesday, November 13th at 7 pm.

November Speaker

Jay Rich, Omaha fiber artist and textile researcher will present information about indigo dyeing throughout the world. Slides of travels to Japan, China and South America will be presented. Jay will also bring selected examples from his textiles collection for study, comparison and inspirations. He will briefly discuss how to prepare for the workshop to be held November 17. This is an opportunity to expand your fabric stash with

unique pieces that you have created. We are fortunate to have such a talented resource in our own community. We hope you will join us for a great program and workshop.

President Notes

Dear Quilting Friends,

I'm finding it harder and harder to find time to do the things that I enjoy. I'm living in 'overdrive'! There is so much more information to absorb, more challenges to meet, more skills to learn and more tasks to complete. Here's a list I found recently that is belong me to

Here's a list I found recently that is helping me to reconsider how I need to be spending my time.

10 Things to Make Besides Money:

- * Make Time
- * Make Merry
- Make Do
- * Make Sense
- Make Peace
- * Make Room
- * Make Waves
- * Make Amends
- * Make Love
- Make Believe

Sometimes we just need to step back and decide what we really want and what life is all about. I hope that you are 'making' your life what you want it to be!

Regards, Carolyn Marsh



Rising Stars

Our November speaker will be Terri O'Brien, owner of Seams To Be Quilt Shoppe in Plattsmouth. The store's website is: www.seamstobe quilts.com. Terri is just coming back from fall market and hopes to have some new notions, quilting ideas and fun information for you. Depending on time, she may even discuss some "old" quilting notions you may want to rediscover. Come prepared for some new and old quilting ideas. Also, for those of you who asked for information on how to recognize quality fabric, Terri is the person to ask during the question and answer period. As usual Rising Stars starts

at 6pm the night of the quilt guild meeting and ends somewhere around 6:30. Remember to follow the signs for the room location.

Rising Stars committee: Becky Moyer, Kaye Jackson, & Ruth Gregg

2008 Quilt Show



Everyday Best

Quilters make the ordinary – extraordinary!

That's the idea behind the 2008 OQG Quilt Show. The committee for the quilt show is taking shape. Thanks to the following volunteers for agreeing to help with the show:

- * Judy Tyler– Volunteers
- * Julie Schram Show book and Data Base
- * Candi Gallup Publicity/Promotions
- * Cindy Erickson Judging / Verification

I am still looking for volunteers to chair the following for the quilt show;

- Vendors we have several vendors who have already shown an interest.
- * Set up/Take down big job, but it is well organ-

ized from past shows

* Quilt Security

If you're interested, please let me know.

Also, if you missed the last meeting, the challenge for this year will be: "Diamonds – A Cut Above the Rest". Simply incorporate a diamond into your quilt, or make a quilt with intricate diamond designs. Everyone, from beginning quilter to the most advance quilter, can enter a challenge quilt.

Remember, you can enter up to 10, **yes 10**, quilts in the show (only three can be judged). And, you can enter more than one quilt in a category. Just complete a separate entry form for each quilt. Entry forms are available on the OQG website.

Your Quilt Show Chair, Jim KinKennon 592-2939 husker_quilter@hotmail.com

Opportunity Quilt

Time to stuff those stockings and greeting cards with

raffle tickets--don't buy a lottery ticket, buy a raffle ticket—they are great to put in a birthday card, anniversary card, etc. Just think, you may be giving someone this wonderful quilt as a gift---support this guild pro-

ject and buy those raffle tickets--once they are gone it will be tooooooooo late!

Block Exchange

Thank you to all the members who did last month's Friendship Star block!

We gave out 42 patterns and focus fabric at the September meeting. 30 blocks were returned to the October meeting. There were some

really clever ideas in the blocks. Three lucky members each won 10 blocks. We look forward to seeing what you do with them at Show and Tell!

The next block is a Poinsettia block. It should finish as a 12 inch block (12 ½" unfinished). I am looking forward to seeing them at the November meeting. Stop by the Block Exchange table at the November meeting to see the results as they are being turned in.

If you have any questions feel free to contact Rojene Grigg at 366-0714 or rojeneg@yahoo.com or C.J. Gleason at 323-7211 or ovrthrnbw@trivek.com

Membership

There were 200 in attendance at the October meeting which included 10 guests. There are approximately 380 paid members

currently in our guild.

The Membership Committee would like to challenge each member to wear or make to wear their own personal name tag for the guild meetings. We look forward to seeing you at the November meeting with door prizes and membership books in hand.

Linda Holman



Helping Hands



Helping hands is now ready to receive your fabric, batting and any blank

quilt labels you can spare. You can also turn in unused blocks that you made for classes, Blocks of the Month, block exchanges, etc. Helping Hands will be putting them into a scrappy sampler quilt. Thank you to those who took the Crazy Block bags, we can't wait to put them together for some neat charity quilts. We are continuing to have regular

Tuesday and Thursday meetings. The November dates are Saturdays the 3rd and 17th at the Sump Library in Papillion. There are several things to do. If you are in the area and don't have supplies with you feel free to stop in and use the

extras that we will have there. We are already gearing up for the January Sewin.

Helping Hands Committee Angie, Lori, Linda and Jeanette

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Christmas Party Tickets will again be on sale at the November meeting. They are \$8 and the **NEW**

LOCATION is the German

American Society building on 120th street---between L Street and Center. The menu is carved roast beef, chicken, roasted potatoes, green beans with almonds, tossed salad and a dessert selection. It will be a great time with great food--the doors will open at 5:30 pm and dinner will be served starting at 6:30 pm. Come and be ready to buy tickets for Becky's Santa's Workshop and after

dinner be ready to bid on some great quilted items. Don't miss out on the funseats are still available.

The BIG Event!



Santa's new sleigh is slated for delivery just in time for our Big Event at our "new party site". It should be a wonderful evening!

Once again we do not have to bring food (yeah!). You do need to reserve a spot and pre-pay. Call Sue Volkmer to do that.

There will be many familiar activities such as the Stocking Challenge, the Caring Friends Auction, the Angel Bag Troup, and the popular Santa's Workshop.

Calling all Santa's Helpers: As usual, we need many helpers to make this event happen, so please plan to come at 3:30 to help with set up. We also will want help to pack up and load up, as well as several vans to transport the elfin loot to Child Protective Services the next day (13th & Farnam). The van needs to be in a garage or in a secure location overnight—not on the street nor in a driveway.

Stocking Store: We set up a "store" for the caseworkers, who come in and select stockings and Angel bags for the kids. So, we need help on Wednesday morning to set up the Stocking Store and help in the Stocking Store from 1—4 on both Wednesday and Thursday afternoons

Angel Bag Project: One of the MAJOR benefits for the kids is our Angel Bag Project. The bags picked up at the November meeting should be brought to the December meeting with new, unwrapped age-appropriate gifts. You may also elect to bring a gift card if you prefer not to shop. Suggested stores are Wal-Mart, Target and Shopko, and area book-sellers. Please write the denomination of the card on the outside and turn it in to one of the adults at the Angel Bag table.

Caring Friends Auction:
We also will auction many stunning treasures made by our talented members at the meeting from the Caring Friends Project. The theme this year is "Happy Holly days". Contact Dee Acklie for more information, especially if you or your group would like to donate an item to be auctioned.

Santa's Workshop: This feature of our fund-raiser is always extremely popular. The members make and donate a huge number and variety of wonderful items. Items

need to be given to Becky Draper by the November meeting, please.

It will be an evening of fun friendship an merriment, so come and enjoy a most special event that helps area children who are victims of abuse, neglect and/or abandonment.

Heaven forbid we would have bad weather and have to cancel, but if we do, you would drop off you angel bags and any donations to the area

shops listed above. Listen to KFAB if weather threatens or check the OQG digest or website.



What to put in an Angel Bag....



Many of you have asked for ideas for new, unwrapped gift (s) to put in that angel bag you picked up at the November meet-

ing.

Remember, these children are taken from their homes with little to nothing many times—not even a toothbrush. So, anything from personal

grooming items to something your own kids might like is appropriate for an Angel Bag.

Here are some items to consider: unisex clothing such as sweatshirts/sweatpants, socks, outerwear including hats, gloves, mufflers (no team logos allowed) fleece throws, lap quilts, age appropriate games, toys, puzzles, candy, inexpensive watches, costume jewelry, makeup kits, artist supplies or craft kits, small

boom box, radio "walkman", duffle bag or backpack, shoes or slippers, batteries, stamps, stationery, journals, diaries, alarm clocks, calculators, hand-held games, disposable cameras, sports balls and/or workout equipment, books, CD's or videos, phone cards and of course gift cards. Gift cards can be from the major chain discounts like Walmart, Target, and Shopko or from specialty stores such as Payless Shoes, Best Buy or a major book-seller. Write the denomination of the gift card on it and hand it to one of the adults at the Angel Bag table at the party. Please do not put gift cards in one of the Angel Bags.

Hope this helps and thanks for the things you get for the kids and the time and effort you take to make this a special holiday for a child in special circumstances!

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Signed:	

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President Carolyn Marsh called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Old Business: The budget, as passed by the board, will be voted on at the general meeting next week.

Quilt show 2007 committee will make their final presentation at the general meeting. Gary George from Hospice House will announce results from last year's raffle quilts, and will receive this year's donation.

Program chair, Sue Volkmer announced Shelly Stokes has

cancelled both classes and guild presentation due to illness. Paulette Peters will be the presenter at this meeting. Old month's Country Buffet cancelled our December dinner location and we have substituted the German American Club as our location. Beginning machine quilting class by Sandi McMillan went very well. Both the next classes, intermediate and advanced are now full. Additional classes may be offered if there is interest from both students and teacher.

New Business: Quilt show planning has begun. Jim KinKennon has a gotten started and is lining up volunteers and vendors.

Linda Holman, membership committee, announced 367 total members.

Roberta Willet, webmaster, will have photos up soon from last meeting. She is updating as things come up. The library needs their check-out database updated. Block exchange is planning this month's block. There were 42 handed out last

month.

Ways and Means chairman, Carol McCann will have quilt show CD's from the last two years for sale at the next meeting. Colorful aprons will be offered for sale at a later meeting.

Camp Wannamakeablankie has 81 members coming. A couple of rooms are still unused and available.

The meeting was adjoined at 7:35 pm.

Respectfully submitted, LaVonne Dunetts

OQG Meeting Minutes Tuesday, October 9, 2007

President Carolyn Marsh called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Pat Varner introduced Gary George from Hospice House. He thanked us for last year's donation of raffle quilts and said they earned about \$2000. He also expressed gratitude for the continued support of quilters. Gary was presented with 2 new quilts for this year's raffle.

Sue Volkmer announced that the speaker for this month had cancelled and Paulette Peters has graciously agreed to speak for us tonight. The meeting was temporarily halted and resumed at 8:00 pm.

Carolyn Marsh requested a motion approving this year's budget, as previously printed. The motion was made by Tania Uram, seconded by Jane Fiala, and

passed by a vote of members.

Judy Unrein presented the results of 2007 Quilt Show. We had \$12,636.68 expense, \$17,044 income for \$4407.32 in profit. She than gave away gifts from vendors to quilt show volunteers.

Sue Volkmer announced the Dec. meeting is at The German American Club at 120th and Shirley. Tickets are \$8, for members with the remaining expense assumed by the Guild. She reminder members that Helping Hands' tub challenge for January's work meeting will have prizes. The Machine Quilting classes by Sandi McMillan have been highly successful and more will be offered, if there is interest. Next month's class will be indigo dying by Jay Rich.

Mary Richling, Campwan-

namakeablankie committee, reminded campers that notices were in the newsletter.

The block exchange had 30 blocks brought back from last month. They were given away in 3 sets. Next month's block, with a fabric swatch is now available.

Helping Hands left project bags on chairs. Please take some home and make crazy quilt blocks. Times and locations are scheduled for the next month; come and quilt with us. Small group bag projects and kits are available for pick-up. There were 24 quilts delivered this month.

Jim KinKennon introduced himself and announced the Quilt Show theme of 'Everyday Best'. The challenge this year is "Diamonds, a cut above the best". March 11 is the deadline for entries and will be available on the website.

Jan Fry, Mother's Guild, announced a work meeting on Oct. 27 in the Great Hall. Dec. 8 is open house at Girls and Boys Town and we are all invited.

Carol McCann, Ricky Tims committee, reminded members to subscribe to "The Quilt Show" and register OQG as your favorite guild to get a free presentation by Ricky, Libby, and Alex. We were in first place as of Sunday.

Pat Sears, Children's Emergency Fund, have a tri-fold handout explaining the project. Stockings have started coming in. Forms for drop off will be available next month. Angel bags will be available next month, or get a gift card. Volunteers are needed in many areas. Consider shadowing one of the

OQG Meeting Minutes continued:

members that is retiring this year, so you can learn the job. Becky Draper, Santa's Workshop, will need some runners to help with this year's raffle. Donations must be in by the November

meeting. Dee Acklie, Live Auction, showed quilts donated this month for the December auction.

Linda Holman, from Membership, announced 4 new

members this month, 10 guests and about 200 in attendance. Door prizes were given from Mangelsens, Kanesville Quilting, Hancock Fabrics, Sew Viking, and Seams to Be.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:39 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

LaVonne Dunetts

New Small Group - The Mother's Guild

Need a small group that meets on Saturdays in a great location? I've got just such a group. The Mothers Guild has room to grow and expand. Our room is gigantic. Guess that's why it's called the Great Hall. We are a charitable small group meeting at Boys Town in the Great Hall for purposes of supporting the work of Boys Town. Our next meeting is Sat. Oct. 27 from 9-3. Bring your machines and cutting supplies and Christmas fabrics. Our October project is a Christmas project. We also decided to do a potluck luncheon. If your name starts with A-L, please bring a salad. If your name begins

with M-Z, bring a dessert.

I had hoped to be able to report how much the quilt that we donated to Boys Town of San Antonio for their annual fundraiser generated but I still have not heard from the development team in Texas. The event in Rhode Island is Oct. 21 and

they should have just received the Maple Leaf wall hanging that we shipped. I hope to report on both of these pieces next week.

We would love to have you join us for all or part of the day. Drop in. Questions, comments, need directions, call or email Jan Fry

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2007-08 OQG Workshop Registration Form Please register using this form. Send your Check (payable to OQG) to Sue Volkmer, 2809 South 125th Ave #283, Omaha, NE 68144
Name
Address
City, State, zip
Daytime Phone Number Please sign me up for:
Jay Rich — Indigo Dyeing Experiments Location: Studio 314 Hot Shops Art Center, 1301 Nicholas Street, Omaha Cost: Members \$35.00, Non-members \$45.00
Supply lists will be sent after your registration and payment are received. If you need to cancel your attendance at the class, we require seven days notice for a refund.

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Account name	BUDGET	YTD	BUDGET	YTD	
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Fall Retreat Income	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,337.00	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 12,145.00	
Fundraising Quilt Income	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,317.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 587.00	
Gifts Received	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Helping Hands Income	\$ 100.00	\$ 325.00	\$ 100.00	\$ -	
Interest Income	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 8,068.28	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,611.41	
Membership Income	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 9,332.80	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 7,401.00	
Programs Income	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 9,376.00	\$ 8,850.00	\$ 2,708.00	
Quilt Show Income (total)	\$ 17,000.00	\$ 17,244.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$ -	
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Quilt Show Vendor Income	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 8,370.00	\$ 7,100.00	\$ -	
Quilt Show Other Income	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 8,076.00	\$ 7,100.00	\$ -	
Ways & Means Income	\$ 500.00	\$ 46.80	\$ -	\$ -	
Bus Tour Income FY06-FY08	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,855.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 900.00	
Total Income	\$ 54,100.00	\$ 59,919.88	\$ 53,450.00	\$ 25,352.41	
Expenses					
Block Exchange	\$ 20.00	\$ -	\$ 20.00	\$ -	
Board Expense	\$ 300.00	\$ 737.57	\$ 600.00	\$ 127.29	
Capital Expense	\$ 1,400.00	\$ 1,127.53	\$ 1,500.00	\$ -	
Education Expenses	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ 100.00	\$ -	
Fall Retreat Expenses	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,122.40	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 2,596.50	
Fixed Expenses	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 4,693.73	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 1,374.00	
Fundraising Quilt Expenses (total)	\$ 350.00	\$ 265.22	\$ 300.00	\$ 793.38	
Raffle Ticket Expenses	\$ 200.00	\$ 187.51	\$ 200.00	\$ 235.38	
Other Fundraising Quilt Expenses	\$ 150.00	\$ 77.71	\$ 100.00	\$ 558.00	
Gifts/Donations	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,299.00	
Helping Hands Expenses	\$ 250.00	\$ 315.64	\$ 350.00	\$ -	
Historian Expenses	\$ 300.00	\$ 160.02	\$ 200.00	\$ -	
Library Expenses	\$ 250.00	\$ 213.36	\$ 250.00	\$ 183.52	
Membership Expenses	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,302.19	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,045.42	
Newsletter Expenses	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 2,654.21	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 748.77	
Programs Expenses	\$ 15,500.00	\$ 19,963.45	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 4,267.76	
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CD Expenses	\$ 200.00	\$ 176.81	\$ 200.00	\$ -	
Other Quilt Show Expenses	\$ 11,500.00	\$ 11,329.29	\$ 10,000.00	\$ -	
Rising Stars Expenses	\$ 20.00	\$ -	\$ 20.00	\$ -	
Small Groups/New Members Expenses	\$ 35.00	\$ -	\$ 35.00	\$ -	
State Fair Expenses		\$ 75.00		\$ - \$ -	
Ways & Means Expenses	\$ 75.00 \$ 500.00	\$ 75.00 \$ 14.04	\$ 75.00 \$ -	\$ - \$ -	
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OQG BOARD MEETING

February 5, 2008 7 pm

Lutheran Church Of the Master Next OQG meeting: Tuesday, December 11th at 7 pm.

HO HO HO!



There are still Christmas Party Tickets for sale. They are \$8 and can be purchased at the Log Cabin

Quilt shop

Done forget the party is at the German American Society building on 120th street---between L Street and Center. The menu is carved roast beef, chicken, roasted potatoes, green beans with almonds, tossed salad and a dessert selection.

The doors will open at 5:30 pm and dinner will be served starting at 6:30 pm. Come and be ready to buy tickets for Becky's Santa's Workshop and after dinner be ready to bid on some great quilted items. Don't miss out on the fun-

President Notes

Dear Quilting Friends,

If you're like me you are scurrying around to finish (or start!) your plans for this holiday season. how time flies. I've known for 365 days that I needed to go shopping, start piecing some quilts and finish quilting others for gifts this year. But, I already know that I won't be getting everything done like I planned. A few years ago I decided "that's okay"! This year I plan to enjoy my family and friends.

Our house will be filled with a new baby's cries this year. Son #2 and his wife had a beautiful son the first Tuesday of November. Owen Timothy is my first grandchild. He is such a joy!

My youngest son is having a blast finding baby items and having his name embroidered on the item as the baby's 'favorite uncle'. Son #3 and I were doing some shopping in the baby department one evening and this deep voice from behind me said "This is weird." I told Son #3 "get used to it we're going to be doing a lot of this! The next thing I know he bought a John Deere miniature tractor and wagons (or whatever you pull behind a tractor) and now he can't wait to give them to Owen for Christmas. And of course, my oldest son and his wife are making the plans to get us

all together. Every family needs a party planner!

So you see this season I'm not concerned if everyone has the perfect gift. My perfect gift is going to be to give a lot of hugs and kisses to my boysx4, girlsx2, +another special girl and of course, Owen. My perfect gift to myself is going to be snuggling up with Owen and watching the fun!

I would like to wish each and every one of you a holiday season filled with joy

and contentment. Enjoy the season!

Regards, Carolyn Marsh



Block Exchange

Thank you to all who did the Poinsettia Block. It is so nice to see the variety that comes back. 29 blocks were returned. Five individuals won the blocks last month. We look forward to seeing what you do with them at Show and Tell. The next block is a Churn Dash. Due to the Holiday Party and the Helping Hands Sew-in in January, it is not due until February. It should finish as a 12 inch block. We look forward to seeing them at the February meeting. Stop by the table to see the results as they are

turned in.

We still have some focus fabric left. We will bring it to the January Meeting if you weren't able to pick it up at the November meeting.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact Rojene

Grigg at 366-0714 or drop me an email at rojeneg@yahoo.com.

You can also contact C.J. Gleason at 323-7211 or ovrthrnbw@trivek.com.

Membership

There were 200 members in attendance at the November meeting. This includes six guests and six new members.

There will not be a membership table at the December meeting.

Just a reminder, we encourage all members to

wear their personal name tags at the guild meetings. This includes the Christmas Party.

We look forward to see-

ing you in January 2008. Happy Holi-

days!.

Linda Holman

Helping Hands



The Helping Hands Committee hopes everyone had a nice Thanksgiving and we look forward to seeing you at the Christmas Party. The December newsletter will have detailed information on the January Sew-In.

See you at the party,

Angie, Laura, Linda and Jeanette

Rising Stars

Rising Stars does not meet in December because of the Christmas party. We hope everyone who attends the Christmas party has a great time! Rising Stars is having a "Disappearing Nine Patch quilt" retreat on January 19th from 9am to 4pm at the St Luke Lutheran Church, 2315 I Street. Cost is \$15 and includes lunch. This is a fun and easy quilt top to make. You'll still be able to sign up at the January Rising Stars meeting prior to the Helping Hand's

sew-in.

We will also have a repeat of the Wearable Arts Jacket class on February 23rd at St Luke Church. The sign up sheet for that will also be at the January Rising Stars Meeting. The cost is \$20 and this time you will have to provide your own lunch. I figure I can only get one lunch out of my committee before they go on strike! But you do get my booklet on everything I cover in my lecture. So when you get home, you can finish the jacket on your

own. If you can't make it to the January Rising Stars Meeting, you can email me and I'll get you signed up and have the pre-class instructions mailed out to you.

On March 29th also at St Luke Church, we will have a short class on different types of bindings: two color/three color/piped/flat accent strips at a cost of \$15 (you provide lunch) followed by a "finish it up" session on either the disappearing nine patch or the jacket,

where you can ask for more help or instructions or just put your head down and get it done! You will also get an information sheet on how to figure widths, etc for the different bindings. Who knows, we may even have some bindings that you haven't seen before?? Sign up sheet for this class will be at both the January and February Rising Stars meeting.

Becky Moyer and the Rising Star Committee



You are invited....



Irish Christmas Open House

Father Flanagan House Boys Town, Nebraska

And

Boys Town Mothers Guild Sewing Bee

Great Hall Boys Town, Nebraska

Pecember 8, 2007 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Free



Tour the recently renovated historic house museum filled with Christmas quilts created by members of the Omaha Quilters Guild. Also stop by the Great Hall and visit with members of the Boys Town Mothers Guild during their monthly sewing bee.

The Party is ON!



The Holly-Days are fast approaching, and our gala fund-raiser event will be here before you know it.

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pefully you have your stocking done, your angel bag ready, and you have reserved your spot for dinner. We're looking forward to another delightful evening with good times, good friends, good food and good deeds.

Please remember to turn in your stocking(s) December 3 through 8, during regular business hours at the Log Cabin, either of the two Country Samplers, and/or Kanesville Quilting. Also, please put one entry form in each stocking.

For new members, we vote on the stockings by monetary donation, The stockings that raise the most money are given a Viewers' Choice award, so bring your \$\$ to vote for your favorites. Monies raised benefit children in Douglas/Sarpy counties who are in protective custody. These children are victims of child abuse, neglect and/or abandonment.

Gift cards from the major discount stores such as Target, Wal-Mart and Shopko, are also welcome in lieu of angel bags. However, please do not put gift cards in angel bags, but rather give the card to the adult at the angel bag table the night of our party—Thanks!

HELP! We are looking for a way to hang the stockings at the event, so if you are someone who sets up for events or shows, and you have some sort of free-standing display fixture you might lend us for the event, we'd like to hear from you.

We could also use some help at our "Stocking Store" at Child Protection from 9—11AM on Wednesday, December 12th . Please call Pat @ 554-1522.

If you would like additional information about the project, please go to our website at www.omahaquiltersguild.org Look for the newly posted brochure about the Children's' Emergency Fund.

Heaven forbid we would have bad weather and have to cancel, but if we do, you would drop off you angel bags and any donations to the area shops listed above. Listen to KFAB if weather threatens or check the OQG digest or website.

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Viewer's	Choice vote shall be donated to the Child Protective Service in the name of the Omaha Quilters Guild.
Signed:	

What to put in an Angel Bag....



Many of you have asked for ideas for new, unwrapped gift (s) to put in

that angel bag you picked up at the November meeting.

Remember, these children are taken from their homes with little to nothing many times—not even a toothbrush. So, anything from personal grooming items to some-

thing your own kids might like is appropriate for an Angel Bag.

Here are some items to consider: unisex clothing such sweatshirts/ as sweatpants, socks, outerwear including hats. gloves, mufflers (no team allowed) fleece logos throws, lap quilts, age appropriate games, toys, puzzles, candy, inexpensive watches, costume jewelry, makeup kits, artist supplies or craft kits,

small boom box, radio or "walkman", duffle bag or backpack, shoes or slippers, batteries, stamps, stationery, journals, diaries, alarm clocks, calculators, hand-held games, disposable cameras, sports balls and/or workout equipment, books, CD's or videos, phone cards and of course gift cards. Gift cards can be from the major chain discounts like Walmart, Target, and Shopko or from specialty stores such as

Payless Shoes, Best Buy or a major book-seller. Write the denomination of the gift card on it and hand it to one of the adults at the Angel Bag table at the party. Please do not put gift cards in one of the Angel Bags.

Hope this helps and thanks for the things you get for the kids and the time and effort you take to make this a special holiday for a child in special circumstances!

OQG Meeting Minutes Tuesday, November 13, 2007

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by President, Carolyn Marsh and suspended for the speaker, fiber artist, Jay Rich. Jay spoke about the indigo dying process, sashiko and shibori.

Carol McCann, adviser, announced a group called Celebration of Life, which funds cancer research, needs quilts for a fundraiser. A quilt must be registered by Dec. 1 and are needed by Mar. 1. Information will be posted on our website.

Dee Acklie, CEF, showed live auction items for next month's fundraiser.

Becky Moyer, Rising Stars, announced retreats. The first on Jan 19 from 9-4 at St. Luke church is on 'Disappearing Nine Patch". The fee of \$15 includes lunch. The Feb 23 and March 29 retreats are to finish your project.

Jan Fry, Mothers Guild, reminded members that the group meets in the great hall at Boy's Town. Remember the reception on Dec. 4, recognizing our help with the restoration of Father Flanagan's House.

Lora Swett, Helping Hands, invited all to help with projects and during work sessions. You could also pick up a kit to work on at home. Quilts go to many places throughout the area.

Rojene Grigg and CJ Gleason, Block Exchange, showed the churn dash block to be brought to the Feb. meeting.

There were 5 winners of poinsettia blocks for this month.

Judy Unrein still has a few gifts left from last year's quilt show. Please claim yours.

Becky Draper, Super Raffle, has 160 items and donations are closed. Tickets are available tonight and you may go ahead and put your tickets in for drawing at next month's meeting. Tickets will also be available next month.

Pat Sears, Stocking Challenge, showed some that had been turned in. Please get yours in by the date; Dec. 3-9 at local quilt shops as shown on the web site. Seven quilts were made for the Angel bags. Pick up your Angel

bags and a label and fill with gifts for a child.

Linda Holman, Membership, said 205 are in attendance. She gave away door prizes from Bloomin Minds, Country Sampler, Seams to Be, Mangelsens, & Log Cabin.

Sue Volkmer has quilt raffle tickets at her table. She still has seats left in the workshop and tickets for next month's meeting. You can always see her at Log Cabin Quilt Shop.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 pm for Show and Tell.

Respectfully submitted,

LaVonne Dunetts

Fall Retreat—Camp Wannamakablankie 2008

Campers save these dates on your calendars for a fun weekend of quilting, eating, taking, and fun. We will be back at the Swanson Center at Camp Carol Joy Holling near Ashland, NE for the weekend of October 24-26, 2008.

Start putting a few dollars aside each week, give up that coke or coffee, and you'll have the money to buy fabric and thread to come and sew with us.

We will be limiting attendance to 85 campers next year. Be ready in the spring to send in your deposit to reserve your space.

Carol McCann, Mary Richling & Judy Stratbucker Camp Directors, 2008

Mother's Guild

The Mother's Guild will meet on Sat. Dec. 8 from 9-3 in the Great Hall at Boys Town. We hope that you'll think about coming to sew with us. We have lots of space and can accommodate lots of sewers. Check the website for the most up-to-date information concerning the group.

We will be having a soup lunch on the 8th and exchanging ornaments. We are hoping that Fr. Boes will be stopping in for a visit and the photographer is also going to drop by to take some pictures that day.

Remember that the guild is invited to the Open House at Flanagan House December 8th from 1-4. The dormitory display is now open and the US Park Service is presenting a special plaque for the restoration work that has been done on the home. That presentation will happen at 1:30. The work the guild did in the creation of the quilts for the home was a critical element in the success

of the project.

Check out the article about Boys Town Christmas in the December issue of Midwest Living.

We've had a number of inquiries about how people might participate in the project if they are not able to attend the Saturday sewing days. We would welcome any donations of twin size quilts, approximate size 64 X 84. They should be of good quality cottons, not flannels or

homespuns, machine quilted and bound. No tied quilts please.

We are collecting as many twin size quilts as we can from now until March and at that point, Youth Services will determine how to distribute them. The most likely prospect is the quilts will be given to graduating seniors. If we get 10 quilts, the top 10% of the class (the honor roll) would receive them.

2007-08 OQG Workshop Registration Form

Please register using this form. Send your Check (payable to OQG) to Sue Volkmer, 2809 South 125th Ave #283, Omaha, NE 68144

Name
Address
City, State, zip
Daytime Phone NumberPlease sign me up for:
Alice Cruz "Hand Dying Class" - January 12th, 9am to 4pm Location: Walsh Hall on the College of St. Mary's Campus Cost: Members \$45.00, Non-members \$55.00

Supply lists will be sent after your registration and payment are received.

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

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Treasure's Report				
	2006-07	2006-07	2007-08	2007-08
Account name	BUDGET	YTD	BUDGET	YTD
Income				
Board Income	\$ -	\$ 18.00	\$ -	\$ -
Fall Retreat Income	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,337.00	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 12,435.00
Fundraising Quilt Income	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,317.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 1,359.00
Gifts Received	\$ 3,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Helping Hands Income	\$ 100.00	\$ 325.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 400.00
Intrest Income	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 8,068.28	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,618.44
Membership Income	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 9,332.80	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 7,401.00
Programs Income	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 9,376.00		\$ 6,110.00
Quilt Show Income (total)				
,	\$ 17,000.00	\$ 17,244.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$ -
Ways & Means Income	\$ 500.00	\$ 46.80	\$ -	\$ -
Bus Tour Income FY06-FY08	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,855.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 900.00
Total Income	\$ 54,100.00	\$ 59,919.88	\$ 53,450.00	\$ 30,223.44
Expenses				
Block Exchange	\$ 20.00	\$ -	\$ 20.00	\$ -
Board Expense	\$ 300.00	\$ 737.57	\$ 600.00	\$ 127.29
Capital Expense	\$ 1,400.00	\$ 1,127.53	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 120.27
Education Expenses	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ 100.00	\$ -
Fall Retreat Expenses	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,122.40	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 12,307.78
Fixed Expenses	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 4,693.73	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 2,684.00
Fundraising Quilt Expenses	\$ 350.00	\$ 265.22	\$ 300.00	\$ 793.38
Gifts/Donations	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,299.00
Helping Hands Expenses	\$ 250.00	\$ 315.64	\$ 350.00	\$ 404.36
Historian Expenses	\$ 300.00	\$ 160.02	\$ 200.00	\$ -
Library Expenses	\$ 250.00	\$ 213.36	\$ 250.00	\$ 183.52
Membership Expenses	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,302.19	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,045.42
Newsletter Expenses	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 2,654.21	\$ 3,000.00	
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Programs Expenses	\$ 15,500.00	\$ 19,963.45	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 5,732.76
Quilt Show Expenses	\$ 11,700.00	\$ 11,506.10	\$ 10,200.00	\$ -
Rising Stars Expenses	\$ 20.00	\$ -	\$ 20.00	\$ -
Small Groups/New Members Expenses	\$ 35.00	\$ -	\$ 35.00	\$ -
State Fair Expenses	\$ 75.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 75.00	\$ -
Ways & Means Expenses	\$ 500.00	\$ 14.04	\$ -	\$ -
Web Site Expenses	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00
Bus Tour Expenses FY06-FY08	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,820.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,570.00
Total Expenses	\$ 54,100.00	\$ 55,270.46	\$ 53,450.00	\$ 28,316.55
Balance	\$ -	\$ 4,649.42	\$ -	\$ 1,906.89