

The Scrapbag Rag

The Official Newsletter of the Blue Valley Quilt Guild

September 2013 Issue

September Meeting

With Labor Day past us, Summer is coming to an end. Be sure to come to the next meeting for a full-dose of inspiration in preparation for your Fall quilt plans.

The evenings program will be a trunk show called Multi-Generational Quilting, offered by members: L-R Mona Kunasek Carol Curran, Bernie Fiala, Guests (Mona's daughter's) Michele Egger and Amanda Elder (missing from photo) and Becky Wallroff.



**August refreshments will be provided by
Rita Rumery & Rose Westerhoff**



Reminders

Free Sew Day at Civic Ctr Sep 28

Threads Across NE (Kearney) Oct 11-12

PhDs/UFOs due at Nov meeting

If you are working on any service quilts they can be brought to meetings and turned in to Becky Wallroff at any time! Keep them coming everybody and thanks to those who have al-

Coffee with Kriss & Roxann

Join BVQG member and Certified National Quilting Instructor, Kriss Moulds of Seward and shop owner, Roxann O'Hare at The Udder Store, 636 Seward Street, each Thursday from 10:30 am to 12:30 pm for quilt talk, questions and answers, and friendly discourse surrounded by beautiful fabrics, books, patterns, notions and experience. Chat, learn and sip coffee steeped in inspiration.

What a great way to spend a Thursday morning!



Blue Valley Quilt Guild Treasurer's Report Aug 2013

Beginning Check- book Balance		
04/30/13	Balance 7/31/2013	\$ 1,832.02

INCOME:

TOTAL INCOME	-
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EXPENSES:

The Cosmic Cow - challenge quilt gift certificates	60.00
Bernice Jeffries - program \$50.00, mileage \$33.90	83.90
Marilyn Varner - August newsletter copies	<u>24.90</u>
TOTAL EXPENSES	168.80

Ending Checkbook Balance 8/31/13	<u>1,663.22</u>
Petty Cash	<u>20.00</u>
Savings Account @ Cattle Bank	<u>2,006.37</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$ 3,689.59</u>

Jeanie Hecker, President



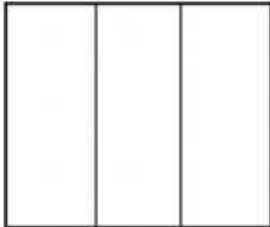
Do you have items to sell or a service to offer? Think our members may be interested?

Classified or Monthly Section Ads in the newsletter are available!

Classified Ads are .10 per word with a \$2.00 minimum and must be quilt or member related.

Monthly Ad Sizes/Rates: 1/8 page \$10.00, 1/4 pg \$16.00, 1/2 page vertical or horizontal \$30.00,
full page \$60.00

(pssst...you can also just make an announcement at the guild meeting...it's free!)

Standard Mattress and Quilt Sizes				
Mattress Size	Quilt Size	Pieced Backing Figure #	Backing Yardage	2 1/2" Binding
Crib 28" x 52"	Varies		1 1/2 Yards	3/8 Yard
Twin 39" x 75"	69" X 90"	1	5 1/2 Yards	3/4 Yard
Double 54" X 75"	84" X 90"	2	7 2/3 Yards	3/4 Yard
Queen 60" x 80"	90" X 95"	2	8 1/2 Yards	3/4 Yard
King 76" x 80"	110" X 95"	3	8 5/8 Yards	7/8 Yard
Quilt size includes 15" drop on 3 sides. For a pillow tuck add 10-12" to length				
Pieced Backing				
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Quilting Tips from www.victorianaquiltdesigns.com

When pressing a block with many points meeting at the center, trim and fan the joining seam allowances out. Put a few drops of water, at the center and press.

Tea Dye fabrics to dull the colour and give them an aged look.

Cut the curved edge of appliqué patches with pinking shears. This avoids the need to clip

Spray starch is a great addition to your quilting supplies. You can use it to stiffen light-weight fabrics and to hold down hard to press appliqué seam allowances.

Large cone threads can be used on sewing machines with the thread spool pins that stand vertically. Place an empty pen over the pin, to extend the height.

A small ironing board placed to the side of your sewing machine allows for pressing, as you sew, without the need to stand up and walk over to your larger ironing board.

When sewing practice blocks for different quilts, use the same grouping of fabrics (e.g. Christmas fabrics). Save these blocks until you have enough for a quilt.

A scrap piece of fabric sewn through, before and after chain piecing. It anchors the threads and prevents the machine from eating up the edges of your fabric.

Use your leftover strips and squares to piece together a small lap quilt for charity

What's coming up in Nebraska's quilting world?

**A Quilter's Journey Quilt show, Friday Sept 20 9-6
Saturday Sept 20 9-5 at Bethany Lutheran Church
4200 N 204th st, Elkhorn NE Adults \$7 6-12 yrs \$1
www.cottonwoodquilters.org**

International Quilt Study Center and Museum Events

Standing Activities: Free with admission

Tuesday - Saturday: Guided tour of Exhibitions, 11:00 AM

Saturday: Guided tour of Exhibitions, 1:00 PM

Hours: Tuesday - Saturday 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM, Sunday 1:00- 4:00 PM

Closed Mondays and University Holidays

Regular admission:

Members FREE, Adult \$6

Student (with school ID) \$3

Child (5-18 years of age) \$3

Child (4 and under) FREE

Family (up to 2 adults and their children or grandchildren) \$12

UNL Student (with UNL ID) FREE

UNL Faculty/Staff (with UNL ID) FREE

For more information please visit www.quiltstudy.org or call (402) 472-6549.

Look for upcoming Nebraska Quilt Events at: http://nsqg.org/quilting_events.html

More info for Quilters

Online Quilt Database at Nebraska History Museum, 15th & P Streets, Lincoln, NE The Nebraska State Historical Society's collection of over 400 Nebraska quilts are now searchable and available for viewing on the web [online database](#). Just type "quilt" into the search box to see all the items or enter more specific terms depending on your needs

Happy Birthday BVQG Members

Birthdays are nature's way of telling us to eat more cake.

September Member Birthdays

Kaye McCloy Sept 10

Kandy Kriesser Sept 22

Traci Stewart Sept 26

Liz Thanel Sept 26

Jeanie Hecker Sept 27



The Greenhouse has requested that we hang a small quilt show for National Assisted Living Week Sept. 12th. The theme this year is Homemade Happiness. If you can offer a few quilts for the show and/or help to hang the quilts, please contact Pres., Jeanie Hecker.

Slate of Officers for 2014—If you'd like your name added, please let us know.

President - Gretchen Gebhardt

Vice President - Jean Algysa

Secretary - Mona Kunasek

Treasurer - Lori Duffek

Blue Valley Quilt Guild Aug 19, 2013 Meeting Minutes - Pres., Jeanie Hecker brought the meeting to order and acknowledged guests.

Bernice Jeffries of Crete presented the trunk show and program with the help of her daughter.

Members took a break to enjoy Ice Cream Sundaes provided by Pat Parrott and Connie Doehring.

The meeting continued with the meeting minutes and treasurer's report being approved by motion.

Condolences were offered to Joanne Neeley on the loss of her Mother-in-law and Elaine Nielsen upon the loss of her Father-in-law.

Members had a quick discussion about entries for the County Fair, down in number this year. Marian Fosler challenged fellow quilters to enter quilts as an encouragement to other quilters and enjoyment of the beauty of quilting.

"Name that Quilter" was Gretchen Gebhardt

CONGRATULATIONS to the Winners of the Guild Challenge:

Fair votes:

3rd place - Phyllis Hronik

2nd place - Jean Algysa

1st place - Elaine Nielsen

Guild votes:

3rd place - Mary Robbins

2nd place - Traci Stewart

1st place - Gretchen Gebhardt

It was voted and approved to renew the quilt magazine for the Seward Library.

In preparation for upcoming elections...Nominating Committee: Mary Robbins and volunteers to assist

Program Committee: Barbara Pike and Susan Minchow

Continuation of service to Guild...Librarian: Gloria Bell; Printing and mailing non-email newsletters: Marilyn Varner; Newsletter Editor and Webmaster: Becky Wallroff

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Jeanie spoke about the opening of Red Path Gallery and Tasting Room. There is an art quilter in residence who may possibly come by as a speaker and offer a quilt class. Jeanie suggests stopping by to see her studio and work.

The September program will be a trunk show called Multi-Generational Quilting by Becky Wallroff's tribe. Rita Rumery and Rosie Westerhoff will be meeting hostesses for refreshments on Sept. 16th.

Meeting was adjourned to Show and Tell.

Submitted by Becky Wallroff in substitution of Becky

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Blue-valley-quilters.tripod.com

BVQG Board of Directors

President: Jeanie Hecker

Vice President: Gretchen Gebhardt

Secretary: Becky Reisinger

Treasurer: Jean Jones

Non Voting Assistance Provided By:

Past President/Advisor: Becky Wallroff

Library Coordinator: Gloria Bell

Program Committee: Membership

County Fair Liaison: Susan Minchow

Newsletter Editor: Becky Wallroff

Webmaster: Becky Wallroff

Remember to bring:

Nametag

Show and Tell

General meeting is held the third Monday of each month, excepting December, at the Seward Civic Center (lower level) at 7:00 PM. Board Meeting is held the first Monday of every month or as decided by board. Any member may attend. Contact any board member for time, date, location. Any interested quilt maker or quilt lover is encouraged to attend a meeting as our guest!

