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## “Where Quilting Friends Meet”

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### July's Program

#### My Husband Went To Iraq and I Joined A Strip Club Hope Wright

I was exposed to sewing and quilting at a young age. My real interest in quilting seemed to spark when we moved from Colorado to Kansas in 1995. My husband was in the Army and in 2007 he deployed to Iraq as part of the surge with the 4th Infantry Brigade Combat Team, 1st Infantry Division. Around the time of his train up and subsequent deployment, Jelly Rolls were really beginning to gain popularity in the quilting world. My local shop, All About Quilts in Manhattan KS, started a monthly quilting program called Strip Club. Each month when we got together and for the price of admission, we received a pattern and a jelly roll of fabric strips. This is a showcase of the various Strip Club quilts that I have made.



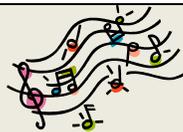
**Board Meeting 6:00 pm**  
**Social 6:30 pm**  
**Meeting 7:00 pm**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Monday, July 21**

**Redeemer Lutheran Church**  
**743 East Magnolia**

#### **JULY IN THE SANCTUARY**

#### **Speaking of Quilts** Kansas Historical Society's

Quilts hold a special place in people's hearts and minds. This exhibit highlights the Kansas Historical Society's collections and additional pieces. *See page 3 for details of our trip on August 20th-*



July - No refreshments but...  
Dorothy Carmichael on the piano  
at 6:50 playing a patriotic medley.

*You will not want to miss this!*



#### **MISSION STATEMENT**

The purpose of the Guild shall be to provide an avenue to enrich the community through quilt making, to stimulate an interest in quilts, to promote and advance the art of quilt-making, to conduct educational programs and services in the design and techniques of quilt-making and related subjects and to encourage the preservation of quilts and their history.

**Silver Needles Minutes**  
**June 16, 2014**

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Shawn Delker. The meeting was started with our program "Peggy Engel from Hen Feathers – Gadgets". It was a fun meeting seeing all the quilting gadgets that are on the market. Guild members were also given a chance to shop.

Thank you to hostesses Barb Walker, Loretta Jilka, and Toni Armstrong.  
Door prizes were won by Jean Hamilton, Lucy Dibble, Roxie Belden, Kathleen Cryderman, and ???.  
Minutes were approved as printed in the newsletter. Treasurer's report was filed for audit. Dues need to be paid. Please see Ann Jordan.

Welcome to new members Joan Northrup and Anna Buchman. Guests were then introduced.  
Linda Tibbits has volunteered to set up the extra tables needed before each meeting. Thank you Linda!  
Tara Batman typed up the By-laws. Thank you Tara!  
Mary Ann Tanking's husband is in hospice care and she and hurt her knee. Thinking of you cards would be appreciated.

Quilter's Trio – The theme this year is "Heart & Home". Sign up for table hostess, work on items for the auction and decide if you have a quilt for the quilt show. Make sure there is a sleeve on quilt show quilts. Leadell Ediger is going to be the auctioneer this year. Tickets are \$15 and you get 1 ticket for the opportunity quilt. The Quilt Show will be open to the public for \$2.

Quilt Guild Rack policy that was approved by the board was read and there was a motion to approve and 2<sup>nd</sup>. It passed.

By-laws, Article XI section were changed. It will be sent out with the July newsletter and be voted on next month.

Next meeting is July 21. The program will be Hope Wright's "My Husband went to Iraq and I Joined a Strip Club".

We will be meeting in the church sanctuary and there will be no food.

Meeting Adjourned,  
Conee Brown, Secretary

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Silver Needles Quilt Guild Quilt Rack Policy

The Silver Needles Quilt Guild owns metal quilt racks which were purchased to hang quilts at the Silver Needles Quilt Guild shows and for quilt displays. Each rack consists of two vertical pieces that sit on individual bases with foot plates and associated attachments, and at least one cross bar with brackets on which a quilt can hang.

Storage, retrieval and re-storage of the quilt racks are onerous and cumbersome tasks. We have been very fortunate to have generous businesses that permit us to store them in their facilities.

Because of the risk and potential liability involved in their transport and installation, because of the possibility of loss and/or damage to the component parts, and, because we wish to minimize the disruption to the businesses in which they are stored, the Silver Needles Quilt Guild Board of Directors has established a policy, to be effective immediately, that the Silver Needles Quilt Guild will not lend the racks to any other organizations, individuals (including individual guild members), or any other entity. The racks are for the sole use of the Silver Needles Quilt Guild at its own functions.

This policy is adopted as of this 16th day of the month of June, 2014.



## Welcome Aboard!

The Silver Needles Quilt Group will travel to Topeka to visit the Kansas Museum of History on August 20, 2014, leaving the south WalMart parking lot at 12:30pm. We will visit the Quilter's Yard, a new shop in Junction City on the way to Topeka. We will tour the quilt exhibit, "Speaking of Quilts: Voices from the Collection and the Community" at the Kansas Museum of History and also visit behind-the-scenes in the collections archives!!! The quilt exhibit includes quilts from the Museum Collection as well as from some of today's quilters. Josephine Craig's award-winning Paradise Garden and Hannah Haynes Headlee's Iris Garland are among the quilts on display. Following our tours, we will have a salad supper at the Museum.

Cost for the trip is \$45.00 per person and is payable at the time of sign-up. The cost is non-refundable so that we can honor our contract with the bus company. If you find you cannot go after you've signed up and you can find a replacement, we will honor that. Of, if we have a waiting list and can fill your spot, we will refund your payment. **Update from Martha** We have 25 out of 50 needed signed up and on July 21, our meeting night, we must fill the bus or we will lose our deposit. So please let the members know to invite friends and family to go on the trip.

Grab your quilting friends and come along! See Martha Oakes (827-3537) or Deb Divine (823-3447).

## Greetings from the President

Dear Quilting Friends,

On my daughter's 4<sup>th</sup> birthday my mother sewed and gave her little granddaughter a lovingly and beautifully sewn dress. That was long before my daughter became a teen-ager and would only wear t-shirts and jeans and so my daughter was delighted. She pulled the pink floral with lace dress from the box and squealed in delight and had soon put it on. She began to twirl about the room showing off her new dress and as all good mom's do I prompted her to say thank you to her grandma. My mom smiled and said, she already said thank you. I understand that in ways my mother was right, happy reactions are always a great thanks. Yet when my own now grown daughter prompts her son to say thanks I know that the words "Thank you" are extremely important. So today I would like to say some Thanks to some great people in our guild!

A big thanks goes out to Linda Tibbits who has offered to help me set up tables before each meeting! Wow, what a huge help to have a willing volunteer!

A huge thanks to Tara Batman who offered to retype and change the wording in one small sentence of the By-laws when we couldn't find a computer with a copy on it! What a trouper, it would have taken me many hours to do the same job with my pathetic typing skills.

Another huge thanks for the saver of the day, Lucy Dibble who had batteries that fit the microphone in her car. I myself sure appreciated not having to shout in that huge meeting room, and I would very much expect that the speaker appreciated it also!

And what would we do without the knowledge and skills of Debbie Divine, she volunteered and wrote up the new quilt rack policy. Her ability to cover the needed information in a professional way is outstanding and it keeps our Guild professional too!

Another huge thanks goes to our Trio team of Debbie Weber, Debbie Brightbill, LaQuita Geis and Ann Jordan, they are working so hard at getting the big fund raiser organized and have already put many pieces in place!

Then all the board members that have attended meetings and helped discuss the decisions that need to be made need a giant thanks too.

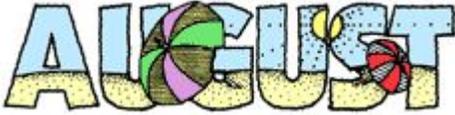
And what about those quilters that 30 years ago organized this very guild! We wouldn't be enjoying our programs, the learning, and the fellowship without those women that saw a need and were willing to work at their dream!

Thanks to you all!  
Shawn Delker



### Quilting Tip of the month

This month my tip is simply the new quilt rack policy, which was approved at the last meeting. The board discussed all the issues carefully and came up with this policy. Many of us dislike not being generous with what we have but as we discussed the cost of replacement, the disturbance caused to the business which allows us free storage, the difficulty of moving the racks we all agreed that a no borrowing policy would be best. Thanks goes to Debbie Divine for writing this well written policy! The policy is printed on page 2.

					
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**QUILTERS ON THE ROAD**



My 19<sup>th</sup> annual trip to Iowa for “Women’s Week on the Mississippi” was a bit different this year. We arrived on Sunday, unpacked, setup our sewing stations, all 9 of them on a screened in room off from a mobile home and proceeded to share ideas, laughs and food. Monday it was a let’s sew day. Monday night there were storm warnings so we didn’t go out on the river and we prepared to go to a safe shelter if the siren’s blew. One of the ladies got a call that her son’s farm was destroyed by a EF1 tornado and the town of Clarksville had severe wind and tree damage. Of course, mom, sister, and aunt thought they should leave right away but we talked them into waiting until morning as it was still storming and flash flood warnings were posted. 4:30 a.m. they left. The rest of us decided to leave later in the morning so we packed up and started home. Since this was a quilting week we decided to stop at one of the quilt shops that we always go to (20% discount if 1 has a birthday). We shopped and purchased, visited with the sisters about their recovery from last years flash flood and left to travel to Clarksville. It had been raining all night and day and the next evening we seen one of the sister’s drenched with flood water that had come into their basement but wasn’t where the fabric was...the next day the whole house was surrounded with water and all their inventory was destroyed. We quilters are dedicated to making the most of our time and we set up quilting in Delores’s home for the one’s of us that weren’t able to help with clean-up. Next year... Barbara Oltmann

*This is a new feature in our newsletter.* Have you traveled and have a quilt experience or incident that you can share? It can be a couple of sentences or much more. Please send to [silverneedlesbarb@cox.net](mailto:silverneedlesbarb@cox.net)

**COLOR YOUR LIFE CHALLENGE  
SILVER NEEDLES 2014**

The 2014 challenge for Silver Needles is Color Your Life. Using Crayola’s 120 crayon list, choose your first, middle and last name initials to select the colors that begin with that letter. Use your imagination to create an item to be entered in the annual challenge. For more information and to get the Crayola list. Contact Debbie Divine or Martha Oakes. [http://www.crayola.com/colorcensus/history/current\\_120\\_colors.cfm](http://www.crayola.com/colorcensus/history/current_120_colors.cfm).



## QUILT GUILD PROGRAMS 2014-2015

**March:** Toni Steere - "From Concept To Quilt"

**April:** Debbie Divine - "Movie" Night: "Infinite Variety: Three Centuries of Red and White Quilts" Exhibit by the American Folk Art Museum, New York City

**May:** Chris Moline - "200 Years of Quilts" and Workshop Basic English Paper Piecing

**June:** Peggy Engel from Hen Feathers - "Gadgets"

**July:** Hope Wright - "My Husband Went to Iraq and I Joined a Strip Club"

**August:** Lisa Upshaw from Smoky Hill Museum - "Quilts of the Smoky Hill Museum"

**September:** Donna Lynn Thomas and Barb Eikmeier - "Four Decades of Quilting"

**October:** Cindy Grover - "Generations and Thread"

**November:** Lisa Kobetich - "Embroidery"

**December:** No Meeting

**January:** Debbie Divine - "From Cottage to Convent to Castle—Marie Webster Historical Portrayal"

**February:** Challenge

### Spice Cookies with Pumpkin Dip

*My husband and two kids are sure to eat the first dozen of these cookies, warm from the oven, before the next tray is even done. A co-worker gave me the recipe for the pumpkin dip, which everyone loves with the cookies.*

—Kelly McNeal, Derby, Kansas

**1-1/2 cups butter or margarine, softened**  
**2 cups sugar**  
**2 eggs**  
**1/2 cup molasses**  
**4 cups all-purpose flour**  
**4 teaspoons baking soda**  
**2 teaspoons ground cinnamon**  
**1 teaspoon each ground ginger and cloves**  
**1 teaspoon salt**

**Additional sugar**

**PUMPKIN DIP:**

**1 package (8 ounces) cream cheese, softened**  
**1 can (15 ounces) pumpkin pie mix**  
**2 cups confectioners' sugar**

**1/2 to 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon**

**1/4 to 1/2 teaspoon ground ginger**

In a mixing bowl, cream butter and sugar. Add eggs, one at a time, beating well after each addition. Add molasses; mix well. Combine flour, baking soda, cinnamon, ginger, cloves and salt; add to creamed mixture and mix well. Chill overnight. Shape into 1/2-in. balls; roll in sugar. Place 2 in. apart on ungreased baking sheets. Bake at 375° for 6 minutes or until edges begin to brown. Cool for 2 minutes before removing to a wire rack. For dip, beat cream cheese in a mixing bowl until smooth. Add pumpkin pie mix; beat well. Add sugar, cinnamon and ginger; beat until smooth. Serve with cookies. Store leftover dip in the refrigerator.  
**Yield:** about 20 dozen (3 cups dip).

***This is the recipe for the cookies that Toni Armstrong served in June.***

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