

Upcoming Events:

August 22 – Zipper bag class
by Jessica Drugg

September 3 – Guild meeting -
Program by on new notions by
Jenny from Lil Red Hen with
presenter Jackie McLean

September 19 – AM and PM
Workshop by Mary Hones on
straight line quilting on your
domestic machine

September 26-27 MCQG Quilt
Show

October 1 – Guild meeting –
Program by Christina
DeArmonda – My Quilting
Journey

October 3 – Workshop by Jane
Drugg on Reverse Applique
Sweatshirt

October 30-November 2 – Fall
Retreat

November 5 – Guild meeting
Program by Lyn Heilman –
Batting Super Sale via Zoom at
PCC

November 15 – Workshop by
Mary Honas on Four types of
binding

December 3 – 6:00 Holiday
Potluck



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Miami County Quilt Guild Meeting – August 6, 2026
Meeting at the Community Center - Paola, KS

Opening: AM Debra Dameron - What I learned at the fair! A lot of great information about what the judges look for when judging quilts was shared at the meeting.

1. Is the quilt square? When folded in half, are the corners aligned?
2. Corners: Are all four corners alike? Are they nested and mitered? Are there a couple stitches on BOTH sides of the corner to hold it in place.
3. Backing - Does it complement the front?
4. Binding - Are the binding and quilt clean -no thread or pet hair? Is it the same size all around the quilt?
5. Total visual impact
6. Pattern and/or design
7. Color - Are the colors harmonious?
8. Piecing -Did you lose your points in the seam line?
9. Applique - Are the appliques well attached? Is the stitching evenly spaced?
10. Embroidery - Are the stitches evenly spaced?
11. Quilting - Is the quilting equally spaced throughout the quilt?
12. Border - Does it complement the quilt in color/size/style?

AM meeting opened with 48 members and 1 visitor, Karen Fish

PM meeting opened with 20 members and 1 visitor, Kathy
Wulfkuhle

Member Update- Congratulations to Michelle Pixler on first granddaughter. Jeanne Ainsworth and husband were in a bad accident while in Texas. She is recovering at home. Carol Cooper will have a new grandbaby near the end of the year. Jackie McLean and her husband are celebrating their 55-year anniversary. R. Michelle Pixler and her husband are celebrating their 28th anniversary.

Review of Minutes-No additions or corrections. AM Motion Diane Burnett, Second Jane Drugg. PM Motion Carol Vandenberg, Second Jackie McLean,

Treasurer's Report-Income from Garage sale \$70.00, Membership dues \$75.00, Opportunity Quilt Ticket Sales \$30.00, T-shirt sales \$179.49, Vendor fees \$100.00 (quilt show), Workshop fees \$25.00. Total \$475.49 Expenses-Advertising \$75.00 (County Register), Website \$288.00, Kids Camp \$167.85 (pizza), Heartland Quilt Network Dues \$25.00, Miami County Fair Premiums \$50.00, Quilt Show Sewing Machine share for drawing, Retreat fall deposit \$250.00, Scholarship awards [2@\\$500.00](#), T-shirt reimbursement to Branda Jenkins \$424.50. Total -\$2710.35.

Birthdays

9/3 Karen Petelin

9/6 Vicki Bledsoe

9/7 Tami Katzer

9/12 Tracie Nation

9/17 Jeanne Ainsworth

9/18 Marilyn Barbour-Gray

9/18 Karen Kiss

9/20 Loree Gardner

9/21 Emily Novak

9/21 Regina York

9/22 Beth Matthews

9/23 Ruth Fladung

9/27 Nancy Geiger

9/29 Carmen Albright

Bank Accounts-CD \$3861.72, Checking \$13,788.16, Holy Trinity deposit. Overall total \$18,149.88. AM motion Barb Brown Second Cee Kueser. PM motion Rebecca Potter Second Carol Cooper.

2026 Opportunity Quilt-Pam Pearson displayed it at another quilt guild meeting and sold \$50.00 worth of tickets then sold another \$50.00 to her family members. The quilt is available to be taken to other venues if any members are interested.

Correspondence- Thank you notes from our three food kitchens, Agape, Paca and Osawatomie. Invitation to visit and enter quits at the Quilt Show in Pittsburg, Ks. Thank you note from MCQG Scholarship recipient Jayla Mayo.

Programs- Today after the meeting Branda Jenkins, Lonnie Vopat, Joyce Geiger, Cee Kueser and Karen Kiss will offer general information about our Miami County Quilt Show. The Guild is looking for members to teach classes next year. Thank you to Pam Pearson for already volunteering. Nancy Hart-Kline will be looking for more teachers after the quilt show. Saturday workshop signup sheets and supply lists are on the west table- August 22, 9-2:30pm, Jessica Drugg's Zip Bag Workshop-free pattern (\$5.00 fee), September 19, Mary Honas Straight-Line Quilting on your domestic machine and PM Free Motion Quilting on your domestic Machine (\$10 kit fee, no \$5 fee), October 3, Jane Drugg's reverse applique sweatshirt jacket (\$5.00 fee).

Challenge 2027- please vote on the three options for our 2027 theme. #1 Clothing Creativity #2 Thinking of your past or current home, big or small quilt #3 Ugly or unloved fabrics made into a quilt. More details to follow.

Community Service-Dianna Cook reminded members to bring their quilted hugs for the boutique. Report items to Sharon Schroeder so we can maintain donated items.

Quilt Show-Miami County Quilt Guild, Saturday 9/25, 10-4 and Sunday 9/26, 11-3 and Blue Valley Quilt Guild 9/24, Friday 9-4 and Saturday 9/25, 9-3. Quilt drop off for our show begins at 4:30 on Friday and pick up after the show begins at 4 on Sunday. Attend both shows, have your Passport punched at both and be eligible to win a Brother Pacesetter PS500 provided by KC Maker Studio and Fabrics or one of the two fabulous baskets, each valued at \$300 from Lil Red Hen and Quilters Bliss. Branda Jenkins has sheets to order the 2026 T-Shirts. Reminder to work on boutique and silent auction items and bring them to the September meeting, Sign-up sheets to work at the show were sent around the room. Connie Epp would like the Quilt Show Entry Form brought to the meeting, mailed to her or emailed to her, if you email her call or text that the form has been sent so she can be on the lookout for it. The guild needs 16 additional telescoping poles to hang quilts at the show. The poles and shipping is \$525.00. AM Motion to

Quilts on display at Paola library:

Contact: Joyce Geiger

September – Jackie McLean

October – Jackie McLean

November – Sharon Schroeder

December – Heidi Kessler

purchase Nancy Hart-Kline second Joyce Geiger. Silent Auction items need to be turned in by the meeting next month for voting.

Quilt Show how to:

1. Please fold your quilt so that the lower right corner when you are facing the quilt is on top. This is needed to place the information about the quilt for ordering to be hung, as well as at take down.
2. Hangers- Use 9 inches of material x width of quilt. Hand sew it to the back 2" from the top of the quilt. This is close enough to the top to keep the quilt straight, but low enough that the hanger is not visible from the front. For the bottom of the sleeve, do not sew it down flat at the bottom of the hanger, but move up the line of stitching up 1" so that it has the ability to fit around the pole without distorting the quilt. It helps if you hem the ends of the hanger.

Taking photos of you quilt

1. Shoot in natural light
2. Turn off flash
3. Keep your camera level by turning on gridlines and level on your phone
4. Aim to the center of the quilt and be in the center to shoot the picture.
5. Don't use digital zoom. Distorts the raw footage
6. Take a picture of the quilt front, and a picture of the label with the front partially showing.
7. Clean the lens of your phone/camera.
8. Take time and frame the picture. Notice what is in the background.
9. Brighten the display.
10. Check your exposure
11. Try out photo effects on your phone. Apple users- It is in the six small dots at the top of your screen. This is where you find exposure, style, and aspect.
12. Keep your quilt pictures in a folder on your phone to make locating easier.

Block of the Month-Jane Drugg displayed the red, white and blue New Mexico block for next month. FYI- working with bold colors, use your color catchers. AM BOM winner-Connie Epp PM BOM winner - Jonel Hammons.

KCRQF-June 17-19, 2027, classes start on June 16 at the Overland Park Convention Center. There is a lot of information and it will be posted on the website as 2027 KCRQF Guild Field Notes. The guild quilts that will be given Honoring Women Veterans need to be 60X80, our allotment of fabric has been received and will be dispersed once we decide how we are going to do it, batting is coming. If you are interested, let Debra know. The Showcase Challenge is open NOW-registration due December 31, 2026. Volunteer youth is needed to help at the show. Ticket sales, merchandise, classes, judged quilt registration will open in January. Volunteer job sign-ups will preview in March, please sign up April 2027

Quilts on display at the
Extension Office

Contact: Jerri Hefling

September – Judy Welter

October – Debra Dameron

November – Janice Simmons

December – Marilyn Gray

to help earn funds for our guild. We need a MCQG Coordinator for Guild Quilts and a MCQG Spotlight quilter. AM Motion to have a MCQG Spotlight quilter was made by Cee Kueser and second by Kelly Schroeder. The nominee for Spotlight Quilter will be brought to the members to vote on at our next meeting.

Old Business-Thank you regarding fair-entries and workers.

Membership booklets-This was to have been an experiment. As a leader Debra takes full responsibility for the experiment not being fully implemented. We will have a paper booklet next year. Let’s focus on what the guild is accomplishing and not be focused on the past.

Birthdays-August members with birthdays this month were recognized
Chrystine Hendrickson’s Machine Embroidery Class is today 1:30-5:30pm and September 3, 1:30-5:30pm. You need to bring your embroidery machine to both classes.

Door Prize	AM Vicki Bledsoe	PM Carol Vandenberg
Name Tag	AM Judy Welter	PM Rose Long
Food Pantry	AM Jerri Hefling	PM Jackie McLean

Meeting Adjournment AM Nancy Hart-Kline second Cee Kueser JPM motion Jessica Drugg second Rebecca Potter.

