

Booneslick Star

QUILT-A-GRAM

Booneslick Trail Quilters' Guild

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Member of Heartland Quilt Network

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May Programs ...

Day Chapter— May 4th, 1:00 p.m. "If Martha Was A Quilter"

Now that you've indulged your fabric fantasies, taken classes and attended workshops, refined your sewing techniques, what do you do with all those quilted treasures? Help is coming on May 4th. "If Martha Stewart Was A Quilter" will be presented by Judi Robb and Nancy Graves - a presentation that will offer creative ways to decorate every room in your home with quilts. Judi and Nancy began their quilt lives in 1987 at a guild meeting - imagine that! Judi says they'll bring along some of their Robb'N'Graves patterns, totes, etc, to sell at the meeting. Join us at 1 p.m., May 4th! As always, the church will open at 9:00 am for sit and sew.

Also in this newsletter, you will find a registration form for a workshop with Merikay Waldvogel. Merikay is the Quilter's Hall of Fame inductee for 2009 and an expert on quilt history. Don't miss this wonderful opportunity to take a workshop with her in June. The workshop will be on dating quilts and will be held in the morning before the Day Chapter meeting. *Happy quilting, Dennis and Dawn*

Starlight Chapter— May 7th, 7:00 p.m. "Creating Sparkling Sets"

Our own Bettina Havig will present a lecture called "Sparkling Sets". Bettina travels all over the US and sometimes to even farther away places to present lectures. No need to travel farther than our meeting place to hear this presentation. The lecture is intended to stimulate new and creative ideas for putting your quilts together with "Spark and Sparkle." There need be *NO* more plain lattice strips or blank alternate blocks. Do you know what a diagonal set is? How about *Garden Maze*? Are you afraid of 'streaks of lightning'? Child's play when so many other options are out there. Bettina will show us how to create more interesting alternatives to conventional setting arrangements. You'll see slides of fascinating setting arrangements, quilt tops and quilts. If you have a quilt with an unconventional setting, please bring it for show and tell. (If you ask, she might even tell you about the new book she's working on!)

Priscilla & Linda

From the CEO...

Happy Spring Everyone!

This year's proposed slate of officers is complete, and I want to thank Jan Oehrle, Suzanne Henage, and Bonnie Lickliger for serving with me on the nominating committee. Many thanks also to those who have agreed to be nominated for the officer positions for next year. Without these great volunteers, we would not have the guild meetings and activities that so many of us enjoy. There will be other opportunities for all of us to volunteer, and I hope everyone considers how they can contribute next year.

The time to register for the annual meeting is now! This will be a nice morning, with a great breakfast that will hold you through most of your day, and a program that will be very enjoyable. But most importantly, this is your opportunity to vote for the guild leadership and budget for next year. Please plan on attending and supporting the guild through your vote. If you need a ride, please contact me and I'll work on making the arrangements. I'll see you there!

Beth

Reminder . . . President's Blocks

Please turn in your blocks for the Day Chapter President to Bettina Havig and for the Starlight Chapter President to Bettina Havig or Carol Fresenburg by the dates of the respective May chapter meetings. Thanks.

A Thank You from Bettina. . .

I have received so many wonderful blocks for my friendship quilt. Thank you to all who made a block for me. Look for the finished quilt top at the June meeting. Bettina

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Special Book Signing and Celebration At The Chapter Meetings

Help celebrate the release of Dawn Heese's new book from the Kansas City Star. Dawn will have copies for sale at the special price of \$13.00. You may purchase the book from Dawn or, if you have already purchased her book, bring it to either chapter meeting for her to sign. Dawn will be signing books in the morning before the Day Chapter meeting and in the evening before the Starlight Chapter meeting. Dawn is a new and talented author and we want her to know how proud we are of her new venture.

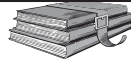
DAY CHAPTER HOSPITALITY

What a delicious lunch we had with generous contributions from our members... and the Irish smoked salmon hand carried by our guest from Ireland, Emer Fahy. We know our honored guests from the UK and Ireland felt celebrated. Thank you to all who shared salads and desserts.

In May we will have our usual treat table and beverage ledge for refreshments for those joining in the fun and fellowship in the morning before the regular meeting. Plan to come early and enjoy the fellowship. And, we will be celebrating the release of Dawn Heese's new book from the Kansas City Star.

Carol Tummons & Margaret Heller

LIBRARY NEWS



We have added several new books to the library. For those of you that were fortunate enough to hear Dorothy Osler's presentation to the Day Chapter, we have her book North Country Quilts: Legend and Living Tradition. Give it a look if you had problems seeing the details of the quilts on her slides.

In memory of Pam Oliver we have added In Celebration of Quilting by Lynette Jensen to our library. This book contains 20 years of Lynette's best quilting, gardening and decorating projects.

Jane Lee donated the following books to our library:

Easy Machine Quilting by Jane Townswick,
At Home with Thimleberries Quilts by Lynette Jensen,

The Thimleberries Book of Quilts by Lynette Jensen
The Thimleberries Guide for Weekend Quilters by

Lynette Jensen,

Nana's Garden Quilt edited by Eleanor Burns,

Town Square Sampler by Eleanor Burns, and

Heartland Log Cabins by Sharlene Jorgenson.

We enjoy seeing you in the library...

Willie, Judy & Carol

MISS MANNERS??

Okay, I admit it--I'm getting older and maybe crankier, but many of you may agree with my comments. We had a very special speaker from England at the April Day Chapter meeting, but we may have gotten tagged as the Ugly Americans. No less than 6 cell phones rang during our guest's presentation. One word of advice ladies---vibrate. Please learn how to set your ring tone to the vibrate setting and put the phone in your pocket or hand if there is a call you must answer during the hour's presentation. Also, there was a very adorable grandson at the meeting who was acting like, well, a small grandson. It was very distracting to those of us nearby. Please read your newsletters to see if the program for the day is a formal presentation or more relaxed work day where a small child would be less distracting. Many thanks.

Sandy Womack

A Note (Reminder) From Your Editor.

Per the BTQG policies, . . . infants and small children may not be present during the program part of our meetings and if members need to bring cell phones, they should be set on vibrate and members should step out of the meeting room to answer a cell phone call or pager. [Please see Policy 5.c, Booneslick Trail Quilter's Guild, Membership Handbook and Directory (at page 7).]

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Pushing the Limits Row By Row	May 4 9:30 am	Library Jackie Berry
Day Chapter Guild Meeting Doors open 9 am	May 4 1:00 pm	Fairview United Methodist Church Dawn Heese
Starlight Piecemakers Meeting	May 7 7:00 pm	Fairview United Methodist Church Linda Sappington
Executive Board Meeting	May 11 6:30 pm	Contact: Beth Dessem
Day Chapter Board Meeting	May 12 9:30 am	Library Dawn Heese
Deadline for Newsletter items	May 13 5:00 pm	E-mail to: Jan Oehrle joehrle@centurytel.net
Sassy Stitchers Day Appliqué	May 14 9:30 am	Library Donna Burris
Quilt History Interest Group	May 14 1:30 pm	Library Bettina Havig
Starlight Piecemakers Bd Meeting	May 14 6:30 pm	Contact: Linda Sappington
Bus Trip To Lincoln, Nebraska	May 15-16	Contact: Joan Westcott
Handmade Quilt Interest Group	May 18 12:30 pm	Contact: Linda Sandlin
Charm Group	May 19 9:30 am	Library Kay Shoner
30's Group	May 20 7:00 pm	Contact: Jane Lee
Adventurers Group	May 21 6:30 pm	Contact: Angie Weithman
Night Appliqué	May 25 6:30 pm	Library Joan Westcott
Art Group	May 26 6:30 pm	Appletree Quilting Ctr Jackie Berry
Redwork Group	May 28 9:00 am	Contact: Myrna Powers

2010 Quilt Show Report

We're getting closer to having a place and date, but not quite there yet.

The committee is falling into place. We still have openings for publications, props, vendors, layout and setup. Please help us out and sign up for one of these areas.

The Sew 'N' Sews have agreed to do the raffle quilt. We're very pleased about this and will work toward getting it started.

If anyone has any ideas for the committee to consider, please let us know.

Carol & Dawn

This just in from Heartland Quilt Network: A worthy project. . .

Each year Physician's With Heart, headquartered in Kansas City, goes to a former Russian country to provide medical care to an orphanage or school for the handicapped. They quickly realized that the children needed warm bedding. So they have asked guilds to make quilts that they take with them. This year they are visiting an orphanage in Georgia that was bombed during the short war last year in August between Georgia and Russia. They are asking for warm, heavy, but colorful quilts this year. We suggest that at least one side be flannel. The quilts need to be 50 x 80 inches, and they need to be in Kansas City by June 25th. If you need to mail them, this is what needs to be on the label: Heart to Heart Warehouse, 1021 Pacific, Kansas City, KS 66102, Attn: Joe Moore, PWH - Georgia, quilt size 50x80. Any questions, contact Nancy Wakefield, 816-858-3670 or nancywake65@hotmail.com.

2009-2010 Officer Nominations:

Board of Directors

CEO: Linda Sappington
Vice CEO: Dawn Heese
Sec'y: Barbara Nichols
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Day Chapter:

Pres: Cindy Green
VP: Linda Sandlin
Sec'y: Sandy Moritz

Evening Chapter:

Pres: Alice Leeper
VP: Bettina Havig
Sec'y: Marilyn Russell

Floor nominations will close at the May meetings. Election of the Board of Directors will occur at the Guild Annual Meeting. Chapter elections will occur at their respective June meetings.

Newly elected officers & committee chairs will take office July 1st.

Tips, Tools, Tricks & Tidbits

By Janice Haralson

- ★ Check out the Seams Sew Fast Quilt Strip Piecing Guide made by O'Lipfa. This tool takes the labor out of stripping and insures that each strip will be the same width. This quilt strip piecing guide is an adjustable clear plastic reusable guide which feeds strips through machine with ease and accuracy. It fastens to the sewing machine bed and will guide the fabric strips into the "sleeve" slider. This product can be seen on www.olipfa.com for tips and a demonstration.
- ★ Seam allowances should be pressed toward the darkest fabric so they will be less noticeable. Setting the seam before pressing will help keep the seam easier to press.
- ★ To square up your blocks perfectly before sewing your quilt top together, mark your ironing board cover with the size square you are after using a permanent marking pen.

From Friendship Block Winner—Day Chapter -- **Ann Rennie**. . .

I've been quilting since I was in high school (don't ask!) My mom and I both have a love affair with fabric and I love being able to share that with her. I helped her with Yo-Yo projects and she took off with that. Growing up, my next door neighbor was a seamstress and she helped me with garment making which lead to having a fabric stash of my very own. Years ago, Nancy Graviett and I would watch Eleanor Burns' videos together and make quilt projects. We would have to rewind the VHS tape so many times because we would be laughing so much we missed the directions. Our husbands thought we were crazy!

The guild has been a part of my life since I moved to Columbia 11 years ago. I think that was when I knew I was a quilter. All the new friends that I made helped me adjust to the move and living outside the city. Everyone that I met was so talented and I just loved being around women who enjoyed having fabric in their lives.

My block choice will be a churn dash using 1800s reproduction fabrics. I've always loved this block because of the vintage feel. It is simple and charming!

HOW TO DATE QUILTS

Presented By Merikay Waldvogel

About Merikay: She is the 2009 inductee into the Quilters Hall of Fame and an expert on quilt history. She has been studying quilt history for more than 25 years and is the author of several books including PATCHWORKS SOUVENIRS, CHILDHOOD TREASURES: Quilts By and For Children, and SOFT COVERS FOR HARD TIMES. She has amassed a large collection of quilt ephemera and maintains an extensive data base on early kits for quilts.

In this workshop, you will get an overview of quilt history and look at the vintages of both quilts and fabric. Don't miss this rare opportunity to learn from a quilt historian. Feel free to bring a quilt for discussion.

Date: June 2, 2009

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Place: Fairview United Methodist Church

Class Fee: \$15.00 [Please make checks payable to BTQG.]

Please complete the form below and mail with your class fees to:

Dennis Smith, 850 S Rt O, Rocheport, MO 65279

NO LATER THAN MAY 25, 2009!

Name _____ Check number: _____

Phone number _____ Email: _____

Supply list will be sent to confirm registration.

Lemon Squares

By Shirley Bulski [baker
extraordinaire]

1 c. (2 sticks) Butter, softened

½ c. + 2 tbs. Powdered sugar

2 1/3 c. Flour (divided)

4 Eggs

2 c. granulated sugar

1/3 c. Fresh lemon juice + zest

1 tsp. Baking powder

In a large bowl, cream together butter and ½ c. powdered sugar until fluffy. Add 2 c. flour, beating until blended. Spread this mixture evenly over the bottom of a well greased 13 x 9" pan. Bake@ 350 degrees for 20 minutes.

Meanwhile, in a mixer bowl, beat eggs until light and foamy. Gradually add granulated sugar, beating until thick and blended. Add lemon juice and remaining 1/3 c. flour and baking powder. Beat well until blended.

Pour lemon mixture over baked crust and bake about 25 minutes until golden in color and custard is set. Remove from oven, cool and sprinkle evenly with remaining powdered sugar (2 tbs.) Cut in squares. Makes 20-24 bars.

Rules for Quilting

1. Always buy fabric no matter how much you already have.
2. Sew All Day and All Night - absolutely no cooking allowed.
3. Use a lot of spit for tiny droplets of blood; this always makes the quilt personal.
4. Always start a new quilt before the last one is finished. This requires you to go back to step # 1.

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Hometown Stitches

September 11 & 12th, 2009 will be the dates to mark on your calendar for the Hometown Stitches at Hickory Stick in Hannibal, MO. These two days will be jam-packed with lectures and workshops about quilting techniques and textile history.

Eight nationally celebrated quilting and embroidery experts include Lynne Hagmeier, Beth Ferrier, Christian DeArmond, Eula Lang & Kaye Spitzli, Jeanne Poore, Edie McGinnis, and Hallye Bone.

For brochure and/or schedule go to <http://www.hickorystickquiltshop.com>.

BTQG Annual Meeting

Saturday, June 6, 2009 9:00 a.m.

Peachtree Banquet Center

120 E. Nifong, Suite D, Columbia, MO

Breakfast Buffet

Business Meeting

Speaker: Susan Martin

Doll & Miniature Quilts

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Registration Form for 2009 Annual Meeting

Saturday, June 6, 2009 9:00 a.m.

Members: \$15.00 Guests: \$15.00

Member's Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Cash _____ Check # _____

Guest(s) Name(s): _____

Registration must be received by **May 23, 2009**. You may register by mail or with **Jan Oehrle** at the April and May chapter meetings. Make check payable to **BTQG**.

Send to:

BTQG
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Columbia, MO 65205-0542

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Regular meetings of the Guild are held on the first Monday of the month at 1:00 pm and the first Thursday of the month at 7:00 pm at the Fairview United Methodist Church, 3200 Chapel Hill Rd., Columbia, Missouri. Annual dues are \$30 for the fiscal year of July 1 to June 30. Dues are payable on July 1st. Newsletter deadline is the Wednesday after the Executive Board Meeting at 5:00 pm, of each month. Email items to Jan Oehrle at joehrle@centurytel.net.

WHAT'S HAPPENING...

Apr 12 -Sept 13- Mary Lee Bendolph, Gee's Bend Quilts and Beyond, Missouri History Museum, Lindell and DeBaliviere in Forest Park. Info: mohistory.org or 314-746-4599.

Apr 25-26—Kaw Valley Quilt Show, *A Quilted Garden*, Douglas County Fairgrounds, Lawrence, KS.

Apr 25-26—2009 Quilt Show, Holden, MO Community Activity Center, 100 S. Market St. Info: holdenactivitycenter@hotmail.com

May 13-16—Machine Quilters Showcase -Fire & Ice Quilt Show, presented by IMQA, Overland Park Convention Center, Overland Park, KS. Info: www.IMQA.org

May 15-16—BTQG Bus Trip to International Quilt Study Center & Museum, University of Nebraska at Lincoln.

June 5-6—Needles & Friends QG Show, *An Affair of the Heart*. Seward County Activity Center, Liberal, KS.

June 6—BTQG Annual Meeting.

Aug. 30-31—BTQG Fall Workshop with Carrie Nelson.

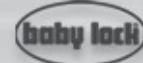
Oct 3-30—The Quintessential Quilt 2009 exhibit, sponsored by the Historical Society of University City, University City Public Library. Info: quilt2009@gmail.com

Oct 23-24—Cottonwood Quilt Show, Elkhorn, Nebraska.

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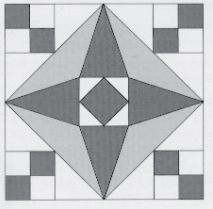
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Members:	Total Members as of March 31, 2009	239
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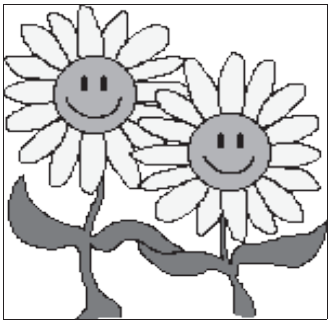
Appletree Quilting & Viking Center Guild Appreciation Discount For BTQG Members

On the day of each of the two Booneslick Trail Quilters' Guild monthly meetings, Appletree Quilting & Viking Center will offer guild members a 20% discount on non-sale fabric (1/2 yard minimum). Please present your BTQG membership card to take advantage of this offer.



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Annual Meeting—June 6th



Last Day to Sign UP:
May 23rd!

Day Chapter Meeting

May 4th—1:00 p.m.

"If Martha Was a Quilter"

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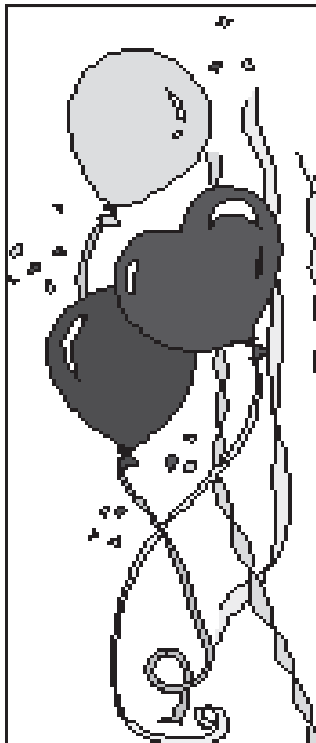
Bettina Havig

OUR MEETING PLACE:

Fairview United Methodist Church
 3200 Chapel Hill Rd., Columbia, MO 65203

May Birthdays

Nancy Jackson	May 01
Linda O'Keefe	May 01
Cindy Green	May 03
Carolyn Gillham Licht	May 03
Barbara Ann Nichols	May 06
Judy Gieselman	May 10
Daphne Hedges	May 10
Julie Alsberge	May 14
Barb Taylor	May 14
Judy Wood	May 15
Mary Ann Wiles	May 16
Janet Hollandsworth	May 18
Deana Everett-Tollerton	May 19
Betty White	May 21
Marilyn Rantz	May 22
Jean Sensitaffar	May 23
Beth Luetjen	May 24
Cecile Mazan	May 28
Deborah Goldberg	May 31
Marie Sloan	May 31



From Starlight Piecemakers Friendship Block Winner — Tammy Bush. . .

I worked as a pediatric nurse and educator until about ten years ago. My husband's schedule became hard to work around so we decided that I'd stay home a few years. I'm still home.

I grew up in Missouri and Kansas. We moved a lot. I learned to sew from my mom and in 4-H and made most of my nice clothes. I loved knowing how to sew as it helped in decorating my various homes with pillows, curtains and slipcovers for bargain prices! I still love that. I met my husband Ric, a pharmacist, while working in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia in 1987. We married in 1989, spent several years in Saudi altogether and eventually came to Columbia. I have two boys, Michael (16) and Matthew (14).

I made my first quilt in college, the second about ten years later. I didn't know what I was doing with either one. I had a friend who quilted and she took me to her group where I learned the basics. She then introduced me to Kim Diamond and the long-arm machine. Kim wanted some help with her expanding business and I needed a creative outlet. Kim taught me to do custom work and it is still my favorite, even though it is more tedious and time consuming than all-over patterns. After a few years of working for and being coached by Kim, I started my own quilting service. I doubt I would have done that if she hadn't stopped quilting for others and encouraged me to start.

I am drawn to appliqué quilts artistically. I'm still a long way from the quality of the Susan Gilmore's of the guild. 30's fabrics make me feel happy and peaceful. I can't really say I have a favorite; I like things done really well. A stunning quilt in any style works for me. Right now, I'm working with stripes.

My other interests are gardening, my boys, and Bible study. If it weren't for the biting insects in the summer I would get no quilting done, because I love working in the yard and being outside.

For my block, I am doing a 3-D version of the friendship star. It is so simple and I thought it would be a fun and happy quilt.

THE FINE ART OF HAND QUILTING WORKSHOP*

This sampler of quilting designs in a 15 inch pillow top is designed to sharpen your quilting skills, achieve a smaller more even stitch and help you develop good quilting techniques. A kit with fabric, batting and pre-marked design will be provided.

Supplies:

- ★ White or off white cotton quilting thread
- ★ Pencil and sharpener
- ★ Quilting needles/betweens, size 8 or smaller- I use a size 11.
- ★ Silver pencil and /or washable graphite pencil or other safe marking pencil
- ★ Basting needle i.e. a long fine needle and plain white or light color thread for basting
- ★ THIMBLE (or other protective device) Notice the capital letters!
- ★ 1/2" or 3/4" masking tape
- ★ Quilting hoop (a 12" or 14" hoop (round) works best)
- ★ Scissors

Pre-registration is required; the workshop fee is \$20 and includes the kit. (Attendees must also purchase a \$5.00 soup & salad lunch in exchange for use of the room.) Since the top will be partially pre-marked, a firm registraton count is needed no later than May 15, 2009. Maximum is 20 people.

*Date: May 23, 2009, 10 a.m. -2:00 p.m., Copper Kettle Restaurant, 508 E. Liberty Lane, Ashland, MO.

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Make checks payable to BTQG and send them to Bettina Havig, 1108 Sunset Lane, Columbia MO 65203.

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____

Amount: _____ Check Number: _____ [5/23/09 Workshop Registration]

From Our Historian. . .

- ★ In a 1998 issue of our Quilt-A-Gram, Bettina Havig listed nationally recognized speakers that the guild has invited for some of our workshops and lectures. Some of these included Chris Wolf Edmonds, Roberta Horton, Jinny Beyer, Cheryl Bradkin, Helen Kelley, Nancy Halpern, Elly Sienkiewicz, Nancy Pearson, Doreen Speckmann, Liz Porter, and Marianne Fons. Betty Hagerman (the Sunbonnet Lady) even spoke pro bono “because she thought it was the friendly thing to do.”
- ★ 1997: Shirley Troth gave a two-hour talk, requested by the Optimist Club, at their regional meeting. Her subject was quilts (of course). Connie Rice, Marilyn Lee, and Jackie Pruneau assisted her by holding quilts during the lecture.
- ★ 1997: The following Press Release written by Rachelle Humiston appeared in October’s issue of our Quilt-A-Gram:

“The University of Nebraska-Lincoln recently received an amazing gift. In April of 1997, Robert and Ardis James donated 950 antique and contemporary quilts from their collection. This collection is one of the largest and most comprehensive in the world and features quilts dating from the 1700’s to 1992 from the United States, Europe, and Japan. The Jameses plan to donate a \$1 million endowed gift to the newly established International Quilt Study Center at the University. As part of the agreement, the University of Nebraska Foundation will seek an additional \$2 million to support research, exhibition, acquisitions and conservation of the collection. The acquisition of this quilt collection will allow the University to become the leading academic institution offering courses and symposiums focused on quilts and quilt makers in the context of textile history, social history, art and art history. The Center will serve as a magnet for national textile scholars who will provide lectures, symposia, and exhibits.”
- ★ 1997: Betty Lenz and her quilt, “Empire Beauty,” placed second in the professional category of Better Homes and Gardens Quilt Challenge.
- ★ 1997: The guild had a booth at the Boone County Heritage Festival in September at Nifong Park. At this weekend Columbia event, various guild members demonstrated hand quilting, hand piecing, and tying quilts.
- ★ 1990: The guild had a booth at Boone County Heritage Festival in September and sold note cards, pins, tote bags, and various sewing-related items made by guild members. It was felt that this might be a good fundraising venture.
- ★ 1990: Jean Ameduri, a quilter from St. Louis, spoke to the Starlight Piecemakers group about Russian quilting culture.
- ★ 1989: Members were encouraged to donate a doll quilt for a needy child. These quilts were 12 inches wide to 36 inches wide in size. They were collected at the guild’s Christmas in July meeting.

In Memoriam. . .

In memory of Pam Oliver, owner of Miss Millie’s Quilt Shop, the guild donated the Thimbleberries book, In Celebration of Quilting, to the public library.

BTQG Handbook Update

Deborah Goldberg – e-mail correction)
deborah@pin-grp.com

Lisa Kile (e-mail update)
kilel@live.com

Caring for your OLFA Rotary Mat*

To clean your OLFA mat, use a generous amount of room temperature water and a few drops of mild detergent. Use a soft, mild bristle brush to create a lather and gently clean your mat. Rinse with room temperature water and wipe dry with a cotton towel. Please note that warm or hot water and direct sunlight may damage the mat.

*Willie Morris picked up this tidbit of information at the Olfa booth at the Queenie Park quilt show. Thanks Willie!