

Dear Wichita Mountains Quilt Guild Members,

I consider this position as a privilege to be asked and to serve this Guild. There are many before who have kept WMQG vibrant and strong. I can only try my best to continue in that path.

To the most recent leaders, thank you for your efforts and concerns to the Guild. To those who have accepted the challenge put before them to serve the Guild on the coming year, we are thankful for your decision.

There are a few vacancies which need filling. We need a chairman for Community Sew and Historian. There may be another one, however, I have not been able to contact her. I feel energized for our Guild with the list of those who will serve.

On the day of the meeting in May, I need to have a meeting of the former officers and new to make sure any documents, procedures, etc. are handed down to the 2019-2020 Officers and Committee Chairman at **<u>5:30</u>**. Please be prompt. Those who have already contacted the new officers and committee chairs will not need to come early, but you are welcome.

My mother and grandmothers were my inspiration to sew. embroider, and crochet. They tried to teach me to knit, but my left hand could not keep up. When I knew I would be having my first child, my mother helped me design, then hand-quilt a 'gender neutral' quilt of yellows and greens. That quilt now hangs on the wall of my youngest grandchild's bedroom. He dearly loves it and will not let it leave his room.

All of you have similar stories and memories of how you began to love fabric, sewing, and the many other sewing arts that decorate the houses of your loved ones, your own, and friends. It is such a personal and treasured gift that we give quilts, wall hangings, pillows, and other handmade sewing art.

I will need everyone's assistance to do my job: Tell me when I fail, encourage me when I do well, and keep encouraging each other to do the best that is in us.

Proud to be President of Wichita Mountain Quilt Guild! Nancy S. Wicker

Pres Nancy Wicker, VP Peggy Coe, Secretary Barbara Johnston, TLC Plezie Johnson, Program Mitchie Brown & Lenor Davis



### **Upcoming Events**

May 13 6:30 pm WMQG meeting at First Baptist Church West "Installation of Officers & Pot Luck"

May 17 10 am - 2pm pm Sew Social at First Baptist Church East in the middle building

#### **OUR OFFICERS**

President: Nancy Wicker V. President: Peggy Coe Secretary: Barbara Johnston Treasurer: Marilyn Sike & Susan Carpenter Programs: Mitchie Brown & Lenor Davis Hospitality: Jan Crain-Wayman **Community Sew: TLC:** Plezie Johnson Wavs & Means: Dee Frizzel & Cris Ross Membership: Donna Klein Historian: Publicity: Newsletter, Facebook, Webpage: Vicki Nightingale Quilt Show Chairman:

#### April 2019 Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 6:46 p.m. We had several guests in attendance. The guests were: Tracy Crumley, Myna McClure, Judy Irey, Brenda Phillips, Virginia McConmas, and Vicky Stowe.

We also had several birthdays to celebrate for the month of April: Virginia Williams, Sandra Hearn, Joan Peterson, LaDonna Meyer, Mitchie Brown and Polly Zeipelt. Happy Birthday to all!

Sandy presented gifts to all of the Officers and Board members who served over the last year.

The minutes were approved for the March meeting. Motion was made by Polly Zeipelt and seconded by Chris Ross. All approved the motion. The Treasurers report was approved by Dee Fizzel and seconded by Polly Zeipelt. All approved the motion.

Next month's meeting will begin at 6:30p.m. We will have installation of Officers and a pot luck. Please bring something to share.

In March, a historical event was held at the Great Plains Museum. Two members (Sheryle and Amber?) were present. One girl attended the event and learned how to hand sew a four-patch quilt block. Not as many people attended due to the weather. The museum hopes to have future events.

Hospitality requested people sign up for June. The book was passed around.

All is good with TLC.

Quilt Show: The books are ready for review. A final report is pending. The quilt show made a good profit. We have about \$6515 in the quilt show account. Great job for all involved!

Dee Fizzel reported about her attendance at the Spring Oklahoma Quilters State Organization (OQSO) meeting. Membership is only \$15 to join. When she attended retreat, all she had to pay was for her classes and her room. One class she took was a spider web class. She took another class on using up scraps. She made 9 patch blocks and learned how to nest her seams. She also took the Janet North mystery quilt class. The master speaker taught a Shibori dye class. It was a well-spent weekend. She really learned a lot. The next meeting will be in September at Lake Murray State Park in Ardmore. Dee shared an extra door prize from the OQSO meeting.

The Sew Social meeting will be on Friday at First Baptist East from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The project will be a scrap buster. Instructions are in the newsletter. They will make a tote bag.

The following officers were voted in for the coming year:

President: Nancy Wicker, Vice President: Peggy Coe, Secretary: Barbara Johnston, Treasurer: Marilyn Sikes and Susan Carpenter, Programs: Lenor Davis and Mitchie Brown.

After the election of Officers, Several items were shown for Drag and Brag.

The meeting was closed at 7:33 and followed by the program.

Cheryle showed how to do a scrappy string quilt using a paper backing. Cut a piece of paper into a square and fold it in half diagonally. It doesn't matter how wide your strips are. Sew each strip and trip to size you want. Fold in half and cut on the fold line. When you cut different sizes and sew together, it creates interest in your block. Sew blocks together in different directions. This is a quick way to make a fun quilt.

| Wichita Mountains Quilt Guild |        |                    |  |
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| Treasurer's Report March 2019 |        |                    |  |
| Beginning Balance – 3/1/2019  |        | \$ 6,849.01        |  |
| Income                        |        |                    |  |
| Ways N Means                  | 64.00  |                    |  |
| Interest Income               | 0.56   | 64.56              |  |
| Subtotal                      |        | 6,913.57           |  |
| Expenses                      |        |                    |  |
| Insurance                     | 500.   | 00                 |  |
| Quilt Show Account            | 850.00 | 1,350.00           |  |
| Ending Balance – 3/31/2019    |        | <u>\$ 5,563.57</u> |  |
| Savings Account – 1/1/2019    |        | \$ 1,226.84        |  |
| Interest Income               |        | \$0.75             |  |
| Savings Account – 3/31/2019   |        | \$ 1,227.59        |  |





## Programs

May - Pot Luck and Installation of Officers

June - Tension Maintenance for Quilters

July - Tension Maintenance for Quilters Part 2

August - Game Night

September - Quilt Airing at Dee's



Easy & gentle seated stretching exercises



Many of you wanted to see Mitchie's web page. This is her information.





Sew Social: May 17, 2019

#### Time: 10:00 am- 2:00pm

#### Place: First Baptist East, 3302 SE LEE BLVD, LAWTON, OK 73501

## **Cruise Fever**

I have spent weeks trying to contain my excitement for my upcoming cruises. I cannot seem to focus on what needs to be done around my life right now. It is wonderful, exciting and terribly annoying at the same time. I knew I needed to come up with something fun for sew social but the fever had caused a mental block. All I can think about are nautical themed ideas, which I must confess were not talking to me at all. For example: how many ways can you do an anchor, sailing ship and ship wheel. I found myself lost and frustrated. Bam an idea, what is the cruise ship on? Water! Ideas starting exploding in my tiny brain and almost cause a headache. So join me in my new school of thought for sew social and see what silly idea eased my water logged brain.

Supplies:

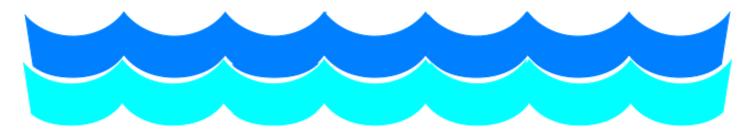
Bring your favorite sewing tools, sewing machine :

(4 or more) 5 inch squares

(12) 2.5 inch squares of white or blue

(8) 4 inch squares matching your white or blue

I hope you will join us for this School of Thought Adventure and remember we do a minipotluck too. So yummy food, fellowship and happy sewing. Sounds like a swimming go time to me! Oh I almost forgot I wonder what silly game I have for you all in this School of Thought Adventure



# Drag and Brag







# Look what we made at April's SewSocial





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