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Mission Statement

The mission of the Edmond Quilt Guild is to preserve, teach and share the history and art of quilting.



The Edmond Quilt Guild meets on the third Tuesday of each month at 7:00 pm at the Memorial Road Church of Christ
2221 East Memorial Road Edmond, Oklahoma

President's Report—Laura James

Fellow Quilters,

It's time to get up and GO. Capital One asks, "What's in your wallet?" I ask, "What's on your calendar?" It's springtime and there are a plethora of upcoming quilt events. If ever the bug for a road trip bites, this is the time. After seeing Marilyn's images from the MQS in Overland Park, I'm seriously keen on attending that show in May. And let's not forget our sister guild's show in Norman the first weekend in May and the Oklahoma shop hop in June. Judy's compiled a great list of upcoming events that reads to me like great research opportunities. I love searching for new tools of the trade and design inspirations. With our next quilt show looming just around the corner in **2010**, it's not too early to start thinking about what YOU want to create to enter in the show. Nothing would please me more than a show with 100% participation of its guild members. Just think of it, a quilt from every member. I can see it now—an article in Quilters Newsletter or Fons and Porter, praising the incredible accomplishment of our fledgling guild. It's something to think about.

See you out and about,

Laura James



Vice-President's Report— Lee

WOW!!! I just got home from a five day trip to the Paducah Quilt Show in Kentucky with fellow EQG members Bonnie Bowman and Judy Elliott, plus Judy's sister Sher. We had a great time and my head is so full of beautiful quilts, fabulous fabric I purchased, plus patterns, gadgets, etc. that it is hard for me to come back down to earth. It is a trip I hope all of you get to take, if you have not already.

Check out the pattern section for your May Block of the Month blocks and for the final instructions for the "Mystery Quilt". Bring your April BOM to the May meeting.

Happy Quilting!

Lee Gray

Program Report - Alice Kellogg

It was quite a treat for me to see my friend Debbie Bacon again. She is as bubbly and generous as ever. I noticed she made some new friends too. I hope you enjoyed her as much as I did.

May offers Karen Corff. Quilters are a generous group and EQG is no exception. Karen is going to show us how our baby and preemie quilts are used at Children's Hospital. She is a good speaker and I know you will enjoy this program.

Since January's meeting was held in a small place and we were unsure about a meeting room, we did not celebrate our anniversary. July will be celebration month and we are going to have a little party and picnic. No need to worry about the weather. We will have this picnic indoors. More details will be coming as the date grows closer.

May 20: Karen Corff from Children's Hospital will show us how our preemie quilts are used.

June 17: Together with NAQG, we will host Karen McTavish from Duluth, MN. Check out her website at www.designerquilts.com

July 15: EQG Celebration and Guild Picnic

August 19: Kay Estes from El Reno, OK

September 16: TBA

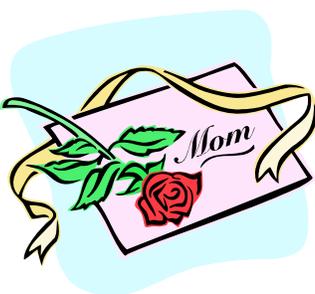
October 21: Martelli Notions from Florida

Alice Kellogg

Loving Touch– Cheryl Boles

Thanks to all who have turned in quilts for the preemies, girls in foster care, and baby quilts. If you have preemie quilts, please bring them to the May meeting so we can have a good showing for our speaker. For those of you still making preemie quilts, remember, the preemie quilts can be quickly made from those left over orphan blocks and do not need to have any theme for May. They should measure between 14" square and 24" square.

Cheryl Boles



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Membership Report— Patti O'Neil

Dear Members,

Our club is "Really Rock-in". We'd like to welcome our newest members—Nancy Wallace, Dianne Lee, Sue Aven, and Debbie Haas. We had 4 guests at our April meeting and 82 members were present. If you have friends who are former members, please let them know we miss them and invite them to rejoin. They don't know what they are missing!

Patti O'Neil

ATTENTION EMBELLISHERS!!!

Homestead Quilting is going out of business. They will be having a 40-50% off sale on May 16-17, 2008, 10am to 4pm. They specialize in mixed-media supplies for fiber artists. If you have ever wanted to try your hand with paint, fusible fibers, dyes, inks, stamps, crystals or foils, now is the time to do it!! Please call for directions—405-282-4090



May Birthday List

Jane Banister	5-8
Joyce Curtis	5-24
Genie Ford	5-23
Laurette Graham	5-12
Dianne Lee	5-29
Susan Lucky	5-17
Lois Lyon	5-4
Patty Major	5-6
Linda Morton	5-11

An Opportunity to Step Out Side Your "Comfortable Quilting Box".....

The 2008 Quest for A Cure Block Challenge - Sponsored by Northcott Fabrics and The Quilter Magazine, with prizes including cash and fat quarters, is underway. All entries must be post marked on or before Sept 30, 2008—which gives everyone lots of time to come up with that winning block pattern! Northcott will donate \$1 to breast cancer research for every block received and submitted blocks become part of the "30 Hour Quilt Marathon" to raise additional funds for breast cancer support. All contest details can be found at www.northcott.com or local quilt shop.



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Our condolences go to the family of **Pat Sherman**, who passed away on April 7, 2008 following a series of debilitating strokes. Pat was a founding member of EQG and served as our first treasurer. Her task those early guild years was to help complete our IRS paperwork for our non-profit status. She was also a driving force behind the start of the "Rotary Rebels" small group. Cards and condolences can be sent to her daughter Sherri Methvin at 1400 Sims Ave, Edmond OK 73013. Donations in Pat's memory can be made to the National Wildlife Federation.

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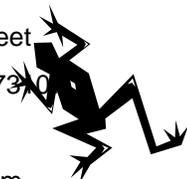
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Quilter's Tip How many of you know about "the magic number"? When designing quilts with blocks on point, the easiest way to figure out the size of setting triangles is to remember the magic number **1.4142**. For side setting triangles, you **multiply** the finished size of your block by the magic number 1.4142, and then add 1 1/4" for seam allowances. If your finished block measures 6", you would get 8.49 or 8 1/2"; add 1 1/4" for seam allowances and cut your square 9 3/4". Cut your 9 3/4" square corner to corner twice (quarter square triangle) and you will have four setting triangles on the grain. Repeat the process for the number of side setting triangles that are needed. For corner setting triangles, you will **divide** the finished size of your block by the magic number 1.4142 and add 7/8" for seam allowances. If your finished block measures 6", you will get 4.24 or 4 1/2"; add 7/8" for seam allowances and cut your square 5 1/8". Cut your 5 1/8" square once corner to corner (half square triangle) and you will have two corner setting triangles on the grain. Repeat the process once more for two more corner triangles. Remember to always round your numbers up to the nearest 1/8". You can always trim if needed but you can't add on once the cut has been made.

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Our condolences also go to the family of **Evelyn York**, who passed away in April. Evelyn was a charter member of EQG and mother to member Debi Pickens, and aunt of member Sharon Thompson. Besides enjoying guild meetings and workshops with Debi, she was a member of "Beyond the Block" small group and opened her home once monthly for the study of art quilting and show and tell. One of her sayings ... "My seams match if you look at them from a galloping horse" ... is one we can all appreciate. Cards and condolences can be sent to Debi. Donations in Evelyn's memory can be made to www.komencentralok.org, or your favorite charity.

OUT & ABOUT

- ◆ **Norman Area Quilt Guild Quilt Show**, May 2-3, 2008, Cleveland County Fair Grounds, Norman OK
- ◆ **Stitches in Time- Western Plains Genealogy Society**, Quilt show in conjunction with historical displays, Saturdays in May - 5-3; 5-10; and 5-17 from 10am to 3pm; and Mother's Day Sunday 5-11 from 1pm to 5pm, Cedar Schoolhouse at 520 West Main in Weatherford, OK , 405-663-2044
- ◆ **Arlington Annual Festival of Quilts**, May 9-10, Duncan Community Center, Arlington TX, www.qgoa.org
- ◆ **MQS 2008 - Tropical Treasures**, May 14-17, 2008, Overland Park Convention Center, Overland Park, KS, www.IMQA.org or 800-980-9505
- ◆ **Green Country Quilt Guild—Quilt Tulsa 2008**, June 6-7, 2008, Central Park Tulsa Fair Grounds, Tulsa OK, www.greencountryquiltersguild.com
- ◆ **Stars Over Abilene 13th Regional Quilt Show**, June 7-8, Abilene Civic Center, Abilene TX, www.abilenequiltguild.org
- ◆ **NQA 39th Annual Show**, June 19-21, 2008, Greater Columbus convention Center, Columbus, OH, www.nqaquilts.org
- ◆ **Stitching Memories Quilt Guild 2nd Annual Show**, June 20-21, Stephens County Fair & Expo Building, Duncan OK, 580-255-0818
- ◆ **Commons Threads—Prairie Quilt Guild**, June 20-22, 2008, Century II Expo Hall, Wichita, KS, www.pqgks.com
- ◆ **ROAD TO OKLAHOMA SHOP HOP - June 26-28, 2008**
- ◆ **International Quilt Festival—Long Beach**, July 25-27, 2008, Long Beach Convention Center, Long Beach CA, www.quilts.com
- ◆ **AQS Expo—Nashville**, August 20-23, 2008, Gaylord Opryland Resort Center, Nashville, TN, www.AmericanQuilter.com

Out & About EditorialSome of you may have noticed a common thread in some of the articles this month. Spring is not just the time to clean the house literally but also figuratively. By that I mean, clean out the quilting cobwebs and get inspired by new ideas and techniques. The easiest way to do that is by taking advantage of the many shows around the area—both within our state and in neighboring states. The AQS show in Paducah was a wonderful experience to see a variety of quilts, vendors, fabrics, tools and techniques all in one place. And I definitely feel more inspired.

I know that some folks will be hesitant to drive to an out of state show due to the higher gas costs but we were pleasantly surprised that, over 4 states, the highest gas cost was \$3.59. Split between folks, it was very workable to make that trip and still leave everyone plenty of spending money.

Like Laura, I also encourage others to consider some of the great shows listed above. Take the family and make it a vacation together. And if you really have the wonder lust, I have lists of shows from coast to coast! And when you do take in shows this spring, look for me there - I'm going to as many as I can!

Judy Elliott