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Each year at the transitional board meeting the outgoing president gets a quilt made from blocks by her board. It is the President-elect's responsible to put it together. Marty Kleppinger also machine quilted it. This year I chose a signature block and each member made and signed

their block. I made the center with the saying "Friends are the flowers in the garden of life". The center has appliqued English paper pieced flowers in pots. It was presented by Marty Kleppinger, President 2016, along with the thimble and president pin to Shirley Spence, President 2015.



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Membership in NSQG is open to all individuals. New members will continue to be welcomed at any time. Memberships run from January 1st through December 31st. Dues are \$25.00 per year. Please send all change of address information and dues to LaVonne Dunetts.

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## President's Message

### Greetings NSQG friends,

My 525,600 minutes have started and my goal is to use them wisely! Here are some interesting facts about me. My husband, Phil, and I have been married for 46 years. We have three grown children, 8 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren, with two on the way.

I belong to the Plum Creek Quilters Guild and a couple of small quilt groups "Baskets Cases" and "Gone to Pieces". Bridge is a card game that I like to play, or at least I go and hold cards on days when the cards are not so great. I also play Bunco. My church activities and P.E.O. keep me busy. My husband sings his "Home Alone" song when I'm gone!

I retired from work two years ago, after breaking my arm, when I fell. I just didn't go back! My comment is "if I hadn't broken my arm I would still be working. I wouldn't have had the courage to tell my clients of 40 plus years goodbye. Had I known life would be so much fun, I may have had the courage to quit!"

I am looking forward to a busy year. My goals are to update some of our files/research and increase membership. Sandy Kosch, Shirley Spence, Gloria Miller and I have updated the QNE Convention Book. Thanks gals. We need to remind all our friends at our local guilds to join in the fun as members of NSQG.

Quilt Mom Merikay Berg and I have been visiting quilt guilds and quilt shops with the raffle quilt. If you would like to have the quilt at your meeting let Merikay or me know. We would be happy to come visit. It's been fun meeting all the different guild members. It is a real test when we go to the shops because we want to buy it all!!! I look at it as another therapy session.

The QNE 16 committee is working hard to make the convention fun. Mark your calendar for July 28-31 and be sure to get your reservations made at the Cornhusker Hotel in Lincoln.

The New Year is here. Are you all planning new projects or are you trying to finish your UFOs? I was lucky to get quilt related items for Christmas, so I am trying out all my new toys. Like they say about men and their toys, the same can be said for quilters.

**Happy Quilting,  
Marty Kleppinger  
NSQG President 2016**



## NSQG Mission Statement

The Nebraska State Quilt Guild is a non-profit organization established to perpetuate the art of quilt making and its heritage while encouraging future opportunities through growth, education, inspiration, and fellowship

## 2016 Nebraska State Fair Quilt Show Sponsor Recruitment

February 1, 2016 is the deadline for return of the Sponsor forms from guilds, businesses, small groups and individuals. The forms were mailed out to all 2015 participants in early January. We work through the month of February to check sponsor details and prepare the Entry Book. Sponsor renewal agreements must be done in writing (email or hard copy). Very few Entry Book changes are required for the 2016 NSF Quilt Show but when changes are needed, we sometimes have to re-assign sponsors. Thank you for your understanding and flexibility as we work to provide coverage for all the classes and contests.

This is also a good time for guilds to review their current sponsorship to be sure it still fits with their group's

wishes. Last year the average cash or gift certificate was \$20 to \$30 though amounts vary from \$15 to \$50. Special ribbons continue to attract attention from fair visitors and award recipients love them. Ribbons need not be complicated. The internet and magazines have ideas which can be incorporated into an interesting and beautiful ribbon. Fair visitors seem to enjoy looking up the quilt exhibit they or their group have sponsored.

If you know someone who might be interested in sponsoring an award, please encourage them to get in touch with me.

### 2016 State Fair Theme Announced

The theme for this year's Nebraska State Fair is "Fun. Made in

Nebraska". You have plenty of time to design and make a small quilt with this theme. The listing in this year's NSF Entry Book is as follows: Div. 5320 (One Person Quilt) Class 2000 - NSF 2016 theme quilt. The quilt must be 20" square (set straight, not on point) reflecting the 2016 theme, "Fun. Made in Nebraska".

### State Fair Quilt Commission

Joseph McDermott, Executive Director of the Nebraska State Fair is interested in commissioning a quilt depicting the State Fair logo. If you are interested, contact him at 308-382-1620 or Nebraska State Fair, P.O. Box 1387, Grand Island NE 68802 to discuss details.

Jan Sittler

NSF Quilt Show Superintendent

**Hours:** All shops will be open April 7-9 from 9am to 8pm, April 10 10am to 3pm, April 11-13 9am to 5pm and April 14-16 9am to 8pm  
 Shop Hop bags will be available by March 2016 for \$15.00. Special fabrics will be available with this theme. They include a panel and coordinating prints. With the purchase of a shop hop bag you will have the opportunity to save 20% on the 5th Saturday Sale days at participating shops.  
 5th Saturday sale dates for using 2016 shop hop bag are:  
 April 30, July 30, Oct 29, and Dec 31, 2016.

Receive a free pattern for a project at each store you visit during the shop hop and purchase the special fabric ordered with our theme "Seasons Sewn".

Ainsworth ~ In Stitches on The Quilt Trail	Hebron ~ Sew Bee It Quilt Shop	O'Neill ~ Quilters Candy Shoppe
Arapahoe ~ Wagner's Quilts & Conversation	Hemingford ~ Pat's Creative	Pawnee City ~ Heavenly Treasures
Auburn ~ Needles I	Humboldt ~ Creative Collectible Quilts & Crafts	Ralston ~ Belle Fiore Quilt Shop
Beatrice ~ Quilt Stitches	Kearney ~ The Quilters Cottage	Scottsbluff ~ Platte Valley Vac & Sew
Columbus ~ Claus'en Paus Quilt Shop	Lincoln ~ Cosmic Cow	Scottsbluff ~ Quilt Stop
Columbus ~ Sew What Needle Arts & Quilting	McCook ~ Sew Blessed	Seward ~ The Udder Store
Cozad ~ Prairie Point Junction	Newman Grove ~ Betz's Little Shoppe	Valentine ~ The Quilting Cupboard
Fremont ~ Country Traditions	Norfolk ~ Pieceful Pastime	Wakefield ~ The Quilt Shop
Fullerton ~ Calico Annie's Quilt Shop	North Platte ~ The Quilt Rack	Wayne ~ Just Sew
Gering ~ Prairie Pines Quilt Shop	Ogalalla ~ Silver Thimble Sewing Center	West Point ~ Creative Notions
Hastings ~ Calico Cottage	Omaha ~ More Sew For You	York ~ The Quilt Basket
	Omaha ~ Sunshine Stitches	

**Visit [www.fabricsandquilts.com](http://www.fabricsandquilts.com) to find a list of participating shops and follow us on facebook.**

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Ainsworth, NE 69210  
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applesandcream@juno.com  
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And by appointment or chance

### **Arapahoe**

**Wagner's Quilts & Conversation**  
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308-962-8458  
www.wagnersquiltsandconversation.com  
wagnersquilts@atcjet.net  
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Beatrice, NE 68310  
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quiltstitches@windstream.net  
Mon - Wed & Fri 10:00 - 5:30  
Thur 10:00 - 6:30 Sat 10:00 - 4:00

### **Blair**

**ACME Fabric & Quilt Co.**  
1716 Washington St  
Blair, NE  
402-533-1015  
www.acmefabric.com  
Tue - Fri 10:00 - 5:00  
Thur 10:00 - 8:00  
Sat 10:00 - 3:00

### **Columbus**

**Sew What Needle Arts & Quilting**  
3415 21st St  
Columbus, NE 68601  
402-563-3900  
seewhat@frontiernet.net  
www.megavision.com/seewhat  
Mon-Fri 10:00 - 5:30;  
Thur 10:00 - 7:00 Sat 10:00 - 5:00

### **Cozad**

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Cozad, NE 69130  
308-784-2010  
prairiepointjunction@yahoo.com  
www.prairiepointjunction.com  
Mon - Fri 10:00 - 5:00  
Sat 10:00 - 4:00

## --Free Event-- NATIONAL QUILTING DAY March 19, 2016

Have you made plans to attend the 7th Annual National Quilting Day? The event will be held at the International Quilt Study Center & Museum, 33rd & Holdrege, Lincoln. We offer free museum admission and parking, demonstrations, lectures, and an ala carte café from opening through lunch.

The same Lectures are scheduled for morning and afternoon (beginning at 10 am and 1 pm. Topics include: Go Tell it at the Quilt Museum, Holly Zemke; Man Made Quilts exhibition, Jonathan Gregory; Modern Quilting, Lincoln Modern Quilt Guild and What's New in Quilting? Leslie of Country Traditions. Collection Care in Action in the Conservation Workroom will be ongoing. Guests can learn from the experts how to properly care for textiles.

IMPROV! Lincoln Modern Quilt Guild members will demonstrate and exhibit quilts featuring improvisation, tessellations and more! Sit and stitch with our volunteers as they demonstrate and display handwork techniques. Learn about the Cuddle Quilt Project and how anyone of any skill set can join in this worthy cause. The Community Showcase will feature a large exhibition of Cuddle Quilts and quilts made by men. And, back this year - have your picture taken in the giant "Photo Frame!"

Would you like to preserve the history of your family quilt(s)? Reserve a time to "Go Tell it at the Quilt Museum." One quilt--three minutes per video recording slot during National Quilting Day. Contact Holly, 919-395-5991.

Accuquilt, Aurifil, Handi Quilter, as well as local shops; Calico House, Cosmic Cow/Udder Store and Sew Creative will have all the latest machines and products for you to see.

Quilt House now offers so many more quilts to enjoy as our new exhibition space opened in June! Current exhibitions: Favorites from the Byron and Sara Rhodes Dillow Collection, Man Made Quilts, African American quilts from the Cargo Collection and quilts by Shizuko Kuroha.

We hope that you will make plans to attend National Quilting Day 2016!

Updates & additional details on our websites and Facebook:  
Lincoln Quilters Guild  
www.lincolnquiltersguild.org

Nebraska State Quilt Guild  
www.nsqq.org

International Quilt  
Study Center & Museum  
www.quiltstudy.org

*Submitted by Sheila Green,  
National Quilting Day 2016 Chair*

## "Harmonics in the Community Showcase"

### March 22-April 16

**International Quilt Study Center in Museum  
33rd and Holdrege, Lincoln**

Harmonics is a textile arts group including Zita Schneider, Marty Eischeid, Lois Wilson, Judy Lane, and Margrethe Ahlschwede. The reception for this exhibit will be on the First Friday, April 1, 4:30-7:00 p.m., no admission charge, open to the public.

*Submitted by Margrethe Ahlschwede*

## What Is Your Guild Up To?

**I would love to hear from your Guild or Group.  
Do you have a special event coming up?  
Are you doing a fund-raiser? Putting on a workshop!**

**Submit an article summing up the event, photo's from event or just a brief little bit of information and we will put it in the newsletter and get your exciting news out about your event.**

## Advertising

We invite the submission of previously unpublished documents and personal correspondence from our readers. We reserve the right to publish, in whole or in part, any letters or submitted articles we receive. While we cannot accept responsibility for unsolicited material, we would be happy to return it to its author if a stamped, self-addressed envelope is included. The NSQG newsletter is published six times a year. Publication deadline is the 15th of the months of February, April, June, August, October, and December. Articles are due to the editor by the 25th of the previous publication month:

- February 25th for April 15th Issue
- April 25th for June 15th Issue
- June 25th for August 25th Issue
- August 25th for October 15th Issue
- October 25th for December 15th Issue

The editor reserves the right to accept or reject advertising requests. Ads must be quilt related. Advertising must be submitted by

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- June 20th for August 15th Issue
- August 20th for October 15th Issue
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Camera ready ads must be at 300 dpi and pdf file. Other formats accepted are jpegs, tiffs, or psd (Photoshop) files. If you don't have a camera ready ad, please contact the editor to contract an ad design. Check with the editor for ad rates and sizes available. Ads are placed on a space available basis. All ads must be prepaid. Please make your check payable to NSQG.

Mail payment with ad materials to the Editor.

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Over 7,000 bolts of Fabric, Accuquilt,  
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Fullerton, NE 68638  
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calicoannie@qwestoffice.net  
www.calicoanniesquiltshop.com  
Tue - Fri 9:00 - 5:00  
Sat 9:00 - 12:00  
CLOSED Mondays

### Gering

**Prairie Pines Quilt Shop**  
1270 10th Street Suite B  
Gering, NE 69341  
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www.prairiepinesquiltshop.com  
Mon - Fri 10:00 - 5:00  
Sat 10:00 - 4:00

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materialgirl@mgfabric.com  
www.materialgirlfabrics.com  
Mon - Sat 9:00 - 5:30

### Hastings

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Hastings, NE 68901  
402-463-6767  
www.calicocottagenebraska.com  
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Sat 9:30 - 5:00 Winter  
Sat 9:30 - 3:30 Summer

### Hebron

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402-768-6980  
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Sat 9:00 (closing varies, call ahead)

## 2016 Advertising Sizes and Rates

**Display Ads: If you advertise in all 6 issues, there will be 15% discount regardless of size to appear in newsletter.**

Business Card Size: 3.5 x 2 inches .....	\$25.00 per issue
1/6 page: 3.3 inches square .....	\$30.00 per issue
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Full page: 8 x 10 inches available as space permits only or included as a one sided insert sheet .....	\$120.00 per side, per issue
Listing Ads: up to 8 lines, 6 times per year in our newsletter, membership book and website .....	\$50.00 per year

# NSQG 2016 AWARD NOMINATIONS NEEDED!

A reminder that now is the time to honor individuals and groups for their unselfish contributions to their guild and quilting community. You know who they are so let's make QuiltNebraska 2016 Awards Ceremony a memorable event of those who have "not only continued, but advanced the fine art of quilting these past 31 years". Let's recognize their efforts in promoting quilting at this year's QuiltNebraska in Lincoln.

The nomination form is included in this February 2016 newsletter, you can also find the form via the NSQG website under the Newsletter tab. Additional documentation such as news articles, pictures, letters, etc. are strongly encouraged to support the nomination. It is very important to include as much supporting evi-

dence as possible in the categories listed, as not all nominees win an award. Nominees do not have to be NSQG members.

If you have any questions about your nomination, please contact me. Deadline for nominations is April 30, 2016.

Mail nomination forms and supporting documentation to:

Mary Kampfe  
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Kearney NE 68845  
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## AWARD CATEGORIES

**Hall of Fame** - Lifetime achievement and significant contributions to the heritage and art of quilts and quilt making for the State of Nebraska.

**Golden Thread** - Consistent efforts and great contributions to the art of quilt making.

**Silver Thread** - Recent achievements and contributions to the art of quilt making.

**Radiant Star** - "Outstanding Deed Well Done!"

**Variable Star** - Recognizes a noteworthy individual's contribution to the heritage of quilt making.

**Friendship Star** - Recognizes "Bringing Friends Together", is an automatic award given to chairperson(s) of QuiltNebraska and awarded the same year of the convention that they chair; the countless hours of planning and coordinating and endless list of tasks to make our conventions wonderful and a memorable time. No nominations are required.

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## NSQG AWARDS NOMINATION FORM

Nominee Information: (Need not be an NSQG member or reside in the State of Nebraska)

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Which award do you feel your nominee deserves?

Hall of Fame    Golden Thread    Silver Thread    Radiant Star    Variable Star    Friendship Star

This form should serve as a guideline. The following subjects are suggested areas for possible achievements. Please be as specific as best as you can and feel free to use additional pages as needed. You may also include newspaper/magazine articles and other supporting documentation.

Main contributions to quilting in Nebraska:

- Teacher/lecturer • Quilt maker, awards, achievements • Researcher/Conservator • Volunteer • Promoter
- Quilt making history • Guild memberships and positions served • Family information that may be applicable

Nominator Information: (You may remain anonymous; however, you MUST then include other contacts)

Name \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Evening Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

List other possible contacts and the best way to contact them. Please copy and use a separate form for each nominee. Typing for legibility is preferred. Be as complete as possible and do not assume the Awards Committee already knows any of your nominee's qualifications. Send your nominations by April 30, 2016 to:

**Mary Kampfe • 7905 Doug Street • Kearney, NE 68445 • Questions: e-mail: mkampfe@frontiernet.net**

# NSQG MASTER LIST OF AWARD WINNERS

## Hall of Fame:

Ernest Haight, Grace Synder, Mary Ghormley (1987); Nebraska Quilt Project (1990); Louise Howey (1991); Sara Dillow (1994); Quilt Preservation Project, Ardis and Robert James (1998); Lois Gottsch (2000); Paulette Peters (2002); Mildred Parker (2003); Patricia Cox Crews, Ph.D. (2006); Brenda Groelz (2008); Shelly Burge (2009); Dianne Duncan Thomas (2012); Sandi McMillan (2013)

## Golden Thread:

Wanda Dawson, Agnes Kleier, Joan Waldman (1987); Lois Gottsch, Alice Torpin (1988); Paulette Peters, Louise Howey (1989); Dorothy Boetner, Sara Dillow, Jan Stehlik, Patty Kennedy, Carol Uebner, Mildred Parker (1990); Shelly Burge, Sue Volkmer, Bertilla Conroy, St. Joseph Villa Auxiliary (1991); Diane Deahl, Eleanor Hunnel (1992); Sandra Anderson, Marion Fosler, Brenda Groelz (1993); Bea Bauerle, Hazel Meyers, Eleanor Roberts (1994); Dianne Thomas (1995); Joan Waldman, Marjean Sargent (1996); Elinor Peace Bailey (1997); Susan Seidel, Lois Lant (posthumously) (1998); Jean Ang, Jean Ford (2000); Mona Jeanne Easter, E M Jorgenson, Judy McClure, Bonnie Miller, Stella Schaffert (2001); Alice Nekuda (2002); Sandi McMillan (2003); Esther Kleinhauf, Mary Richling (2004); Carol J. Falk, Ph.D. (2007); Sheila Green, Carol Kusek, Pat Sears (2008); Linda Maloley, Jo Morton, Chris Wieggers (2009); Janice Lippincott (2010); Fay Kliewer, Omaha Quilters Guild (2011); Peg Pennell (2012)

## Silver Thread:

Judy McClure, Cheryl Nelson, Chris Dahlman, Judy Zinn (1987); Sara Dillow, Shelly Burge, Diane Harris (1988); Brenda Groelz, Pam Haas, Dianne Thomas (1989); Janee Dlugosh, Mona Jeanne Easter,

Mildred Fauquet, Fay Kliewer, Janet Kugler (1990); Janet Phillips, Jenny Raymond, Mary Milligan, Pinky Clem (1991); June Vogltance, Kathy Murphy, Jean Ang, Janet Bamesburger (1992); Lynn Greer, Katie Wilson (1993); Pat Anderson, Nancy Dissmeyer, Kari Ronning (1994); Bonnie Kucera, Elaine Martin, Peg Pennell (1995); Nan Rippe (1996); The Corny Bunch, Laura Franchini, Sharon Rexroad Ericson (1997); Shirle Chaffin (1998); Janice Lippincott, Denice Henrickson (1999); Jenny Raymond, Julie Prescott (2000); Sara and Bryon Dillow (2001); Lana Jo Reffert, Ann Bade (2002); Roxann O'Hare (2003); Leah Sorensen Hayes (2005); Connie Olson, Louisa Renchen (2010); Elizabeth Sterns (2011); Amanda Benz and Jan Hibbs (2012); Dorothy Heideman-Nelson (2015)

## Radiant Star:

Frankie Best, Claudia O'Neill (1990); Jean Davie, Judy Lane, Brenda Groelz[2] (1991); Marjean Sargent, Jean Gausman (1992); Zelma Fobben, Corelia Threet (1993); Jo Baxter, Carleen Anderson, Sandy Yoder, Dianne Thomas (1994); Diann Sorenson, Jenny Raymond (1995); Mary Richling, Susan Richling, Alberta Martens (1996); Roni Vapenik, Nancy Dissmeyer, Sandi McMillan, Linda Winter (1997); Cindy Scheinost, Jan Sears (1998); Beatrice Quilters Guild, Sandy Anderson, Kathi Kinnaman, Connie Strobe (1999); Mary Richling, Cindy Erickson, Jan Fry, Fay Kliewer (2000); Sue Boyer, Sharon Nejedly (2002); Merikay Gengenbach, Jenny Raymond, Gloria Hanna, Sandy Hanson, Brenda Kincaid (2002); Julie Burgess, Jan Fry, Jamie Scully, Ann Reimer, Jo Morton, Susan Weber, Sara Dillow, Judy McClure, Janet Kugler, Katie Wilson (2003); Katy Miller, Shirley Mykris (2004); Janee

Dlugosh, Jeanne Stark, Diane Neff (2005); Sue Boyer, Alice Nekuda, Ann Walker (2006); Cindy Hansen, Fay Kliewer, Jo Morton, Donna Stratker, Pam Thomas, Gail Zeller (2008); Barbara Engebretsen, Sandy Hanson, Cynthia Scheinost, Sandra Kosch, Peggy Bruns (2009); Marie Clark, Merikay Gengenbach, Shelia Green, The Lincoln Quilters Guild, Emily Snide, Katie Wilson (2010); Linda Glisson, Sheila Beins (2011); Susan Weber, Mother's Guild of Boys Town and The Quilters Quilt Club of Shelby (2012), LeAnne Killion (2013), Darice Cecil (2014)

## Variable Star:

Ruth Hanson, Minnie Rachow, Ruth Lippincott, Mary Weaver (1990); Marilyn Maurstad (1992); Barbara Herder, Mona Mueller (1993); Joan Biasucci, Roni Vapenik (1994); Esther Kleinkauf, Carole Samples, Chris Wieggers (1995); Sandi McMillan (1997); Rita Lukes, Mary Alyce Grow (1996); Janie Borg, North Platte Museum Quilters (1998); Marilyn Ernst (1999); Dee Augustin, Donna Stratker (2000); Marion Fosler (2001); Rita Jaworski (2002); Burnie Kratky, Arlene Badgley (2005); Marilyn Debban, Eileen Peterson (2006); Diane Swartzlander (2008); Sue Chaffee, Cathy Audley, Sharon Clark (2009), Susan E. Brown (2014); Diane Volk-Harris (2015)

## Friendship Star:

Carol Brandl, LeAnn Frobom, Fay Kliewer, Shirley LaVene, Barb Hinrichs (2010); Sue Tillemans (2011); Patricia Varner (2012), Sheila Beins, Susan Minchow, Maralee Meyer and Connie Phillips (2013), Terry Heeseel, Sharon Nejedly, Kelly Thomalla (2014); Sandra Kosch, Deb Austin, Gloria Miller (2015)

## Special Recognition:

Mary Obrist (posthumously) (1990)

## Quilt Shops & Related Businesses

### Hemingford Pat's Creative

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Hemingford, NE 69348  
fabricfun@bbc.net  
www.patscreative.com  
M-F 10am- 4pm  
Saturday 10am-4pm

The Panhandles Largest sewing shop

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2220 Central Ave  
Kearney, NE 68847  
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Mon - Fri 10:00 - 5:00

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searsjanere@yahoo.com

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Library Director

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#### Cosmic Cow

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Lincoln, NE 68507

402-464-4040

Mon - Sat 10:00 - 5:00

Thur 10:00 - 8:00

### Newman Grove

#### Betz's Little Shoppe

505 Hale Ave

Newman Grove, NE 68758

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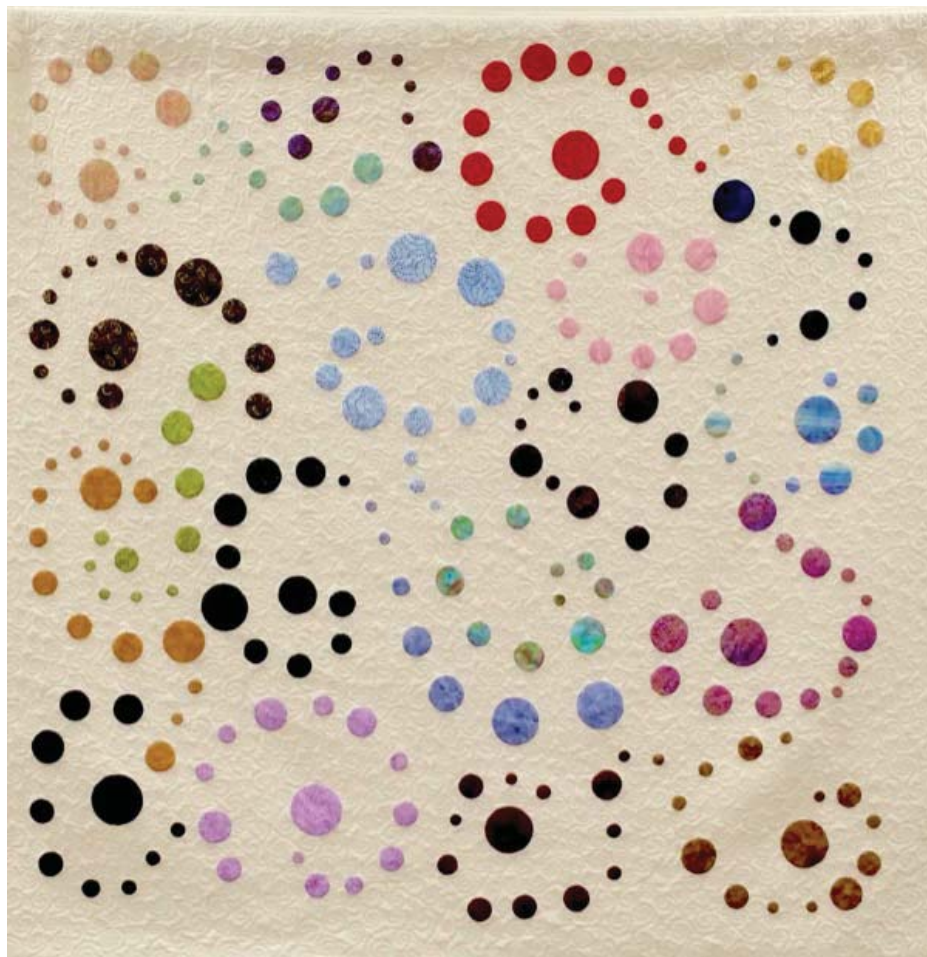
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## 2016 Raffle Quilt Circles of Fun



Our 2016 Raffle Quilt, Circles of Fun, was designed by Marty Kleppinger (NSQG President elect) and Connie Olson. Connie appliquéd the circles and Marty assisted in the quilt's construction. Janet Kugler was the advisor. The quilt was machine quilted by Rich O'Hare and measures 78" x 78". Quilt mom is Merikay Berg, assisted by her "kids," the Lexington Plum Creek Quilters small groups, Basket Cases and Gone to Pieces.

To schedule the quilt for display and/or to purchase raffle tickets, contact Merikay Berg at 308-324-4628.

## New Board of Directors



**Back Row (L-R):** Shirley Spence, Susan Schoenauer-new member/Region 2, Jill Vanderboegh-Region 1, Dee Martindale-new member/Region 3, Terry Heessel-new secretary.  
**Front Row (L-R):** Janet Wilson-President-elect, Marty Kleppinger-President, Susan Smith-new board member/Region 1. **Not Shown:** Nancy Peters-Region 2 and Bea Bauerle-Region 3.



## SAVE THE DATE!!!!!!

### Threads Across Nebraska, 2016

Threads Across Nebraska, 2016, will be held October 14th – 15th in Kearney at the Buffalo County Exposition Building. Threads Across Nebraska moved to Kearney in 2011. Carol Brandl has served as the coordinator of the show for the past two years. Due to family needs she has decided to step down. LeAnne Killion has agreed to be the coordinator again. Threads Across Nebraska is a major fundraiser for the Nebraska State Quilt Guild. There have been many years that the profit from Threads exceeded the income from the raffle quilt, which is the major fundraiser for the guild. LeAnne needs your help to return the show to this status.

The featured quilt group this year is the Midwest Fiber Art Alliance (MFAA). MFAA is an organization dedicated to the creation and promotion of contemporary fiber art. The focus of the group is to produce one or more works each year based on criteria voted on by the group. The emphasis is to have work displayed as art. They have an annual exhibition that travels to several venues and Threads Across Nebraska is one of those venues.

Another feature of the show is a collection of quilts made by Linda Tellesbo. Linda was a Certified Instructor for Quiltworx.com and in late 2014 lost her battle to cancer. She primarily taught in the Seattle area and is responsible for reaching thousands of quilters in her region,

teaching them to paper piece using Quiltworx patterns and methods. She has left 60 quilts to the Quilting World to be shared, enjoyed, and used to teach. How exciting for these pieces of art to be displayed in Nebraska!!

Watch for updates on classes that will be offered at Threads Across Nebraska on the Nebraska State Quilt Guild facebook page and the NSQG website.

#### Here's how you can help:

- The attendance the past couple of years has been down. As of now there are eleven vendors registered. The show is hoping to have 25 vendors for the enjoyment and shopping pleasure of the attendees. Let LeAnne know if you have a favorite quilt shop who would make a good vendor.

- Consider helping at the show as well as sharing your quilts. Information for displaying quilts and volunteering at Threads Across Nebraska will be sent to quilt guilds across the state in March.

- Watch for Threads Across Nebraska information posted to the Nebraska State Quilt Guild facebook page. When you see it, please share and let everyone know about the show!!

- Organize a day out with friends, drive to Kearney to attend the show.

*LeAnne Killion*

4315 29th Ave Pl • Kearney, NE 68845  
308-440-8867 • lkillion@gmail.com

## FOUND!

A bag that had hand stitching inside was found at the admission table on Saturday, October 10 2015 Threads. Contact LeAnne Killion at 308-440-8867 to claim.



### North Platte

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## QuiltNE 2016 Scholarship

Have you ever thought of attending the NSQG Convention, called QuiltNE but just haven't? Or perhaps you know of someone who you think would enjoy attending QuiltNE, but just hasn't? Please continue reading and make the effort to nominate yourself or another.

The Nebraska State Quilt Guild will once again offer a scholarship(s) to attend their convention called QuiltNE2016 July 28-31, 2016 held at Cornhusker Hotel, Lincoln, NE

Apply for this scholarship by following these established rules.

- 1.) The scholarship is available to those 18 years and older.
- 2.) The nominee may not have attended the convention prior to 2016.
- 3.) The name of the nominee may be submitted by yourself or another.
- 4.) A brief write-up of the nominee should be submitted with their name, phone number and address by March 2, 2016.
- 5.) The winner(s) of the scholarship will be selected at the March 5, 2016 NSQG Board Meeting.
- 6.) The scholarship covers the tuition for classes and meals during QuiltNE2016. It does not cover lodging or Quilt History Day.

Send your nomination to:

Sandra K Kosch  
355 S. Walnut St  
Shelby, NE 68662

## Wall Quilt Challenge, “Inspired by Nebraska...150 Years of Statehood”

July 28-31, 2016

Cornhusker Hotel.....Lincoln, NE

Reserve your hotel room now! Call 866-706-7706  
and ask for the Nebraska State Quilt Guild \$89 room rate.

INSPIRATION...What is it that provides inspiration to you??? Perhaps it is beautiful scenery, looking through a quilt magazine or book, hearing a song or listening to a quilting lecture, or talking to a good friend. These are just a few thoughts on the possibilities for inspiration which are endless. Hopefully you have been inspired by something to create a 24 inch square wall quilt to be entered in the upcoming Quilt Nebraska Challenge at our annual meeting in Lincoln. The quilt will be shown more than just at this one event. They will be a feature of the Threads Across Nebraska Show. And a final highlight will be the special Official Quilt Competition of the Nebraska Statehood 150 Celebration chaired by Sheila Green. See the specific rules and entry form elsewhere and in this newsletter.

The rules are quite simple, with the most important aspect being the size. It must be 24 inches square, have a hanging sleeve and a label. Quilts must be made entirely by the entrant as no “group” quilts will be accepted. It's the new year, and time to get your thoughts together and then creating the design in fabric. Please no large embellishments that might cause damage to other quilts when stacked together for transporting from one show to another. Show your diversity as we celebrate Nebraska's 150th year of Statehood.

### Rules:

1. Quilt must measure 24” square (not on point), have a hanging sleeve and a label.
2. Any techniques may be used. Quilts may not be “dimensional” as to ensure safety of quilts during transporting as quilts will be stacked on top of each other. Small beads, charms or yarns attached securely may be used.
3. Quilts must be made entirely by the entrant. No “group” entries accepted.
4. Viewer's Choice prize will be awarded to top 3 wall quilts.

*Janice Lippincott, QNE 2016 Challenge Chair*

*Sheila Green, Nebraska 150 Wall Quilt Competition Chair*

## Calling All Quilters!

In order to keep the QNE2016 Convention in Lincoln affordable, we are holding an auction to offset expenses. You can help by donating a small quilt or quilt related item. I would appreciate an email back saying yes, I plan to bring an item for auction

Then let all your friends know – even if they are not coming to the convention, they are all welcome to come to the auction immediately following the Friday night banquet.

The location is in the Grand Ballroom, Cornhusker Hotel, Lincoln, Nebraska, July 29, 2016 about 7 PM.

Brenda Groelz is coming back to Nebraska to be our auctioneer. So come enjoy watching Brenda do her magic and take home another memory.

*Thank you in advance. Bonnie Kucera, Kuch905@windstream.net*



The OFFICIAL Quilt Competition of the Nebraska 150 Celebration  
 "Inspired by Nebraska's Diversity"  
 Sponsored by the Nebraska State Quilt Guild

On March 1, 2017, the State of Nebraska will celebrate its Sesquicentennial or 150th year of statehood. Planning is underway to commemorate this historic occasion with a yearlong celebration that will engage, educate and inspire the state's citizenry while leaving a legacy for future generations.

As part of the celebration, the Nebraska State Quilt Guild is sponsoring a Quilt Competition. The contest is open to anyone with a connection to Nebraska. Cash prizes will be awarded to the top three winners with the first place finisher receiving \$1,000 purchase award from the International Quilt Study Center & Museum. The top three quilts, as well as those receiving honorable mentions, will tour the state during the Sesquicentennial in 2017. \*See Entry Form for details. Share your love and pride in our state by entering a quilt in this exciting competition!

**CASH AWARDS: 1st Place: \$1,000** (Quilt will be acquired by the International Quilt Study Center & Museum in Lincoln); **2nd Place: \$300; 3rd Place: \$200**

### RULES

1. Judging will be based on theme, design, overall appearance and workmanship.
2. All quilts must measure 24" x 24" (not be on point) and have a hanging sleeve and label.
3. Any techniques may be used. Quilts will be packed and shipped together, so please no large embellishments that could be damaged or cause damage to other quilts.
4. Quilts must be made entirely by the entrant. No group entries accepted.
5. There is no limit on the number of entries. A \$10 entry fee is required for each quilt entered.
6. The contest is open to Nebraska residents and individuals with a connection to Nebraska.
7. The top three winning quilts and honorable mention quilts will tour Nebraska in 2017.
8. Adherence to contest rules will be the judges' decision. All awards will be final.

### CALENDAR

January 15, 2017 - All entries must be received by this deadline (address below).

February 18, 2017 - Luncheon at the International Quilt Study Center & Museum to reveal winners.

March 1, 2017 - Statehood Day! Winning quilts will be displayed at the Nebraska State Capitol.

March 15, 2017 - Non-winning quilts will be returned to owners by mail or may be picked up in Lincoln.

March-December 2017 - Winning and honorable mention quilts will travel around the state.

### OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email address \_\_\_\_\_

Title of entry \_\_\_\_\_

Description of technique/s \_\_\_\_\_

Design Source or pattern \_\_\_\_\_

Please attach a paragraph (150 words or fewer) of how Nebraska has been a meaningful part of your life.

Mail quilt, entry form and \$10 handling fee for each quilt entered (payable to Nebraska State Quilt Guild) by **Jan. 15, 2017** to: Nebraska 150 Wall Quilt Contest, 7950 Cooper Ave., Lincoln, NE 68506

By my signature below:

- I agree to abide by all rules and conditions listed above.
- I understand and acknowledge that Nebraska State Quilt Guild and the NE 150 Commission assumes no liability (is not responsible if quilt is lost, stolen or damaged) and does not insure the entry.
- My entry is clean, smoke and odor free.
- A label will be permanently attached to the back of my entry (no ID on front of quilt).
- By entering this item in this quilt show, I give permission for photos to be taken of my entry and used on websites or other public venues.

NAME (Print) \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

DATE \_\_\_\_\_

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## Nebraska Events

**March 19, 2016**  
**National Quilting Day 2016**  
**Saturday, March 19, 2016.**

Plans are in the works for a fabulous day at the International Quilt Study Center & Museum in Lincoln. This will be our 7th annual event sponsored by the Lincoln Quilters Guild and the Nebraska State Quilt Guild. Contact Sheila Green if you are able to volunteer during the day. This is an exciting year as the construction of the \$7 million addition is complete and the museum's galleries have expanded to double their previous size! Cuddle Quilts will be our featured Outreach Project. Other displays will include Hand Stitching, Improvisational Quilting, Men's Quilts, tessellations. Our commercial exhibitors will have all the latest to show us!

**"Harmonics in the  
Community Showcase"**  
**March 22-April 16**

International Quilt Study Center-Museum  
33rd and Holdrege, Lincoln

**July 28 - 31, 2016**  
**QNE2016**

**Celebrate the diversity of Nebraska**

Located at the Cornhusker Hotel, Lincoln, NE; call for rooms after August 17, 2015 at 866-706-7706. Quilt Challenge, Quilt History Day, National and Regional Teachers! Come and bring your friends! Chairs are Bonnie Kucera, Karen Ruwe and Kathy Murphy. quiltnebraska.nsqg.org

## Omaha Quilters' Guild Give Over \$14,000

Some children in foster care are fortunate to be placed with families who are able to provide generously at Christmas time. But many years ago, it was apparent that other children were left out during the holidays, especially those who had just been placed in protective custody, and those who were in shelter care. Also in need were those moving from one family to another, or those who were moving back home around Christmas. The Omaha Quilters' Guild became aware of the need and in 1992, created the Children's Emergency Fund. The project originally focused on sewing Christmas stockings but has since grown into a multifaceted, annual event. There are four ways for members to participate in the project.

Our members make stockings and there are donations of stocking stuffers. The Angel Bags are filled with age and sex appropriate, unwrapped gifts to be delivered to Child Protection for distribution by the caseworkers.

We also have a mini-raffle where members make and donate items to be raffled to each other. The Caring Friends Auction draws friends together to make quilted projects, again to be auction to each other at our annual Christmas dinner. All the proceeds from these fun events benefit CPS.

The December meeting is one of the highlights of the year as members enjoy good food, good friends and a feeling of well-being. It's a great reward to use our talents and enthusiasm for such a meaningful cause. We each are reminded that working together, we can do so much to bring light into the life of a child.

The party this year was as successful as in the past. We had more than 503 stockings. It took a 17 foot u-haul for the toys and the stocking store was set up for two days for the caseworkers. Child Protective Services received a little over \$14,000 from the annual Christmas party.