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## Lincoln Quilters Guild Quilting since 1973

Meeting the *second Monday*  
of each month

**September through May**  
(except December)

**Gathering at 6:30 p.m.**  
**Program & Meeting**  
**at 7:00 p.m.**

College View Seventh-Day  
Adventist Church  
4015 South 49<sup>th</sup> Street  
Lincoln, Nebraska

On the Internet at  
[www.lincolnquiltersguild.org](http://www.lincolnquiltersguild.org)

## Evening Speaker **Vikki Pignatelli**

Monday, November 12, 2007 • 7:00 pm

### *10 Attributes that make a "Good" Quilter "Better"*

Passion, humor, persistence, courage, and faith in your work... these five attributes and others all play a role in your quilt making. What does it take to be a great quilter? Vikki will discuss how she learned these attributes the hard way while creating her quilts. Vikki is also founder and chairwoman of the Sacred Threads Quilt Exhibition. The national exhibit held biennially, displays work from all over the United States and Canada and features themes of spirituality, inspiration, healing and grief.



## November Class - "Crazy about Curves"

Tuesday, November 13, 2007 • 9 am to 4 pm

Vikki Pignatelli of Reynoldsburg, Ohio: *Finally, curves are FUN to do!* In this class students explore in-depth Vikki's easy Crazy about Curves technique... a combination piecing/appliqué method of creating even sharp curves and narrow points effortlessly and with precision but without the hassle of measuring seam allowances or easing seams! All construction work, color choices and stitching are done on the quilt top surface." Check out Vikki's website [www.vikkipignatelli.com](http://www.vikkipignatelli.com) and Vikki's latest book, *Quilting by Improvisation*.

## November 13, 2007 Class Registration

Who/What: *Vikki Pignatelli* teaching "Crazy about Curves "

Date/Time/Cost: Tuesday, November 13, 2007  
9:00 a.m. to 4:00 pm  
\$40/per person

Location: Sheridan Lutheran Church 70<sup>th</sup> and Old Cheney • Room 113

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Your Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Your Phone #: Daytime \_\_\_\_\_ Night \_\_\_\_\_

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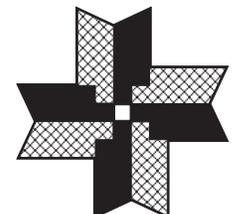
**Send check payable to LQG plus a business sized self addressed stamped envelope to**  
Cathie Miller, 6701 S. 84th Street • Lincoln, NE 68516 • (402) 489-7230 • [cm44437@alltel.net](mailto:cm44437@alltel.net)

## November Holders and Folders:

Betsy Shipley Rosalind Carr  
Kathy Phillip Janiece Goin  
Marcia Malone

## November Greeters

Becky Haynes  
Megan Patent-Nygren



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ads for inclusion in the *Plain Print* is  
the Wednesday following the Guild  
meeting.

**Next January  
newsletter deadline:  
November 14**

**ADVERTISING**

**Business Ad Rates:**

A 3 1/2 " x 2" sized ad is \$20 for the  
first month and \$15 per month for  
subsequent months.

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subsequent months.

Ads must be camera-ready.

**Classified Ad Rates:**

Any individual may place a classified  
quilt-related ad in the *"Quilters'  
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words. Send exact text for ads.  
Send articles and ads with payment  
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to:

Lin Gowin-O'Brien  
642 S. 28th Street  
Lincoln, NE 68510  
Telephone: (402) 477-6545  
Cellular: (402) 304-8438  
Email: Linobrien@aim.com

**Nancy Crow**

coming to Lincoln

March 31-April 4, 2008

NSQG is pleased to offer a one-  
week workshop at the  
International Quilt Study Center  
and Museum, 33rd and Holdrege  
Streets.

Maximum number of students will  
be 15 people.

Register by January 12, 2008 to  
guarantee your seat in class with  
this world famous contemporary  
quilt maker and teacher. For class  
details, go to

[www.nancycrow.com](http://www.nancycrow.com)

Contact: Kathy Moore at  
[kathymoore@neb.rr.com](mailto:kathymoore@neb.rr.com) or call  
488-5620.

## President's Message

There is a children's book, *Fortunately*, by Remy Charlip, which was written in 1964. Throughout the story, there is a series of events referred to as "Unfortunately...." and then "Fortunately....", sets of challenges/obstacles followed by solutions/new possibilities. It was like that on Monday morning, October 8 when Vice President Cathie Miller and I learned that "unfortunately" Fellowship Hall (our former meeting room) had no air conditioning. We were not scheduled to move the guild meeting to the new addition until November. "Fortunately" the new room was ready enough for the guild to meet there and we quickly decided to "go for it."

It required e-mails, phone calls, sign making, and a quick set up. It worked and by 7:00 p.m. that evening, the October meeting of LQG was called to order in Heartland Hall.

We received many positive comments and here is one from a newer member that said it especially well (shared with permission): *"I just joined LQG last year and I loved everything except the room (Fellowship Hall). I enjoyed every minute last night in that beautiful spacious room (Heartland Hall). I felt like it was a real treat. I am a person who suffers from back pain, but last night I could walk around and order a sweatshirt and sit in a comfortable chair. I loved the high ceiling, windows, parking and the getting in and out. Thank you to everyone involved!"* Carrie Knight

Thank you, Carrie, for your supportive comments. Thank you, indeed, to everyone involved in making that move a positive experience! We really are a busy and far-reaching guild. I am impressed with all the service and the skills so apparent in members.

Judy Bucklin Lane



### January 15, 2007 Class Registration

Who/What: *Lynda Milligan and Nancy Smith* teaching *Positively Pineapple*

Date/Time/Cost: **Tuesday, January 15, 2008**

9:00 a.m. to 3:00 pm

\$35/per person

Location: Sheridan Lutheran Church 70<sup>th</sup> and Old Cheney • Room 113

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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Your Phone #: Daytime \_\_\_\_\_ Night \_\_\_\_\_

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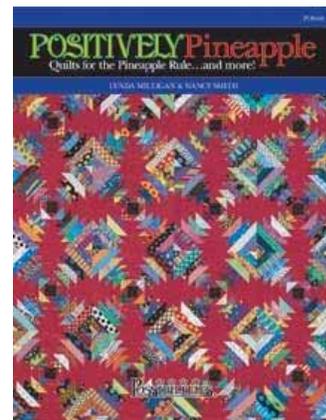
## January Class

### Positively Pineapple

**Tuesday, January 15, 2008 • 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.**

Lynda Milligan and Nancy Smith of *Possibilities and the Great American Quilt Factory*, Denver, Colorado: "Designed by Lynda and Nancy, the Pineapple Rule will make your Pineapple quilts a snap! You'll wonder how you made them without this amazing tool! Learn to make perfect Pineapples without using templates, so that you can get started on your quilt right away. Projects will be created from Lynda and Nancy's complete Pineapple book, *Positively Pineapple*."

Students will need to purchase the book *Positively Pineapple* and the *Pineapple Rule* (If not available at your local quilt shop you can purchase them online at [www.possibilitiesquilt.com](http://www.possibilitiesquilt.com)). Nancy and Lynda are teaching the scrappy looking *Barn Dance* quilt from their book.





# LQG Treasurer Report September 2007

Beginning Checking Balance 9/1/2007 \$21,759.90

INCOME	
Checking Interest	6.36
Annual Fall Retreat*	5,760.00
Mini Raffle Quilts	82.00
Newsletter Advertisements	\$120.00
Programs and Classes	935.00
University Press Book Royalties	38.49
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$6,941.85</b>

EXPENSES	
American Quilt Study Group membership	100.00
Bank Service Charge	.90
Cuddle Quilts	44.94
Discover Nebraska	85.60
Fair Awards	100.00
Meeting Room Rent	150.00
Membership book	433.36
Newsletter printing and postage	323.60
Postage	1.14
Programs and Classes	1,046.70
Quilt Show 2008	63.13
Resource Room Rent	\$100.00
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$2,449.37</b>

OVERALL TOTAL \$4,492.48

Ending Checking Account Balance 9/30/2007 \$26,251.98

(note: \$311.52 is Fall Retreat to be carried to October 2007)

Total CD's (matures 10-29-07) 10/29/2007 \$19,737.66

TOTAL ASSETS 9/30/2007 \$45,989.64

Kimberly Shelley, 2007-2008 LQG Treasurer

## LQG NICKEL SWAP

We're still doing the Nickel Swap and you can still participate! All you have to do is follow the instructions below.

- ONE YARD 100% pre-washed cotton fabric – (28 pairs).
- Yes, you can use yardage from your stash – but be kind!
- We need Darks and Lights as well as Mediums
- Trim selvages off
- Cut 5 inch squares
- Stack fabric squares in twos – alter each pair at a 45 degree angle so it's easy to grab just two at a time.
- Place all trades in large "zip-lock type" bag labeled with your name.
- BRING TO MEETING – Pick up your swap (27 pairs) at the following meeting!

Submitted by Doni Boyd  
nequilter@hotmail.com

For Disappearing 9-patch tutorial, check out this website:  
<http://quiltsatcs.blogspot.com/2007/04/disappearing-9-patch-tutorial.html>

Also see the BENTO BOX BLOCKS you can make on page 7  
in this newsletter

## Spring 2008 Bus Trip

We will be doing the Kansas City Shop Hop. Please note the date is Saturday, April 5, 2008.

Glenda Johnson, Joni Sauter and Nanci Quick

## Santa Socks 2007



BRING your Santa Socks and Sacks to the NOVEMBER meeting. Any holiday stocking will be greatly appreciated!

These will be on display before the meeting so you may vote for your favorite one. Voting is done by stuffing money into the stocking of your choice. Remember to bring lots of dollars! We do have many stocking stuffer donations this year but we will still need to buy some items to make our stockings overflow.

We will also be collecting Santa Socks and any donation items at this meeting. Sandy and I will be distributing all your donations in early December.

The Santa Socks and Sacks are donated to various local organizations such as Friendship Home, Cedars and Fresh Start. These places help women and children in our community. Let's make the holidays a little brighter for as many people as we can.

Gloria Smith and Sandy Gruntorad

## Member Services

Recently, the Vision Committee recommended that the guild consider matching up members willing to provide transportation with members who are unable to get to guild meetings because they no longer can drive at night. The Executive Board felt this was a worthy idea.

Joyce Donlan has agreed to coordinate transportation. The first request is for persons who would be willing to provide transportation. If a number of you are willing to do this, then Joyce can put out a notice for persons who need a ride. The persons involved need to live within a reasonable distance of one another in order for the idea to be practical.

This is a voluntary program, no fees involved. Please contact Joyce (486-3822 or joycedonlan@yahoo.com) if you are willing to provide transportation. If you have questions about insurance issues, contact your agent.



## IQSC News

A new rotation of quilts for the Nebraska History Museum joint exhibition "Quilts A to Z" will be installed by October 30. A Quilt ID Day is scheduled for November 3 at the museum, call 472-6549 to make reservations.

The IQSC is looking for new volunteers, but due to the move the next training will not be scheduled until January 2008, and will be held in the new building. Anyone interested in learning more about volunteer opportunities should contact IQSC Education Coordinator, Angela Konin at 472-7232.

Elizabeth Andrews is the new Graduate Curatorial Assistant at the IQSC. Elizabeth is a graduate of Cornell College in Mt. Vernon, Iowa, and is currently working on an MA in Textile History with emphasis in Quilt Studies at UNL. As the IQSC Curatorial Assistant she will be helping with the Center's upcoming move and learning all she can about quilts and quilting.

Keep watching the progress at 33<sup>rd</sup> and Holdrege.

Lois Wilson, IQSC Liaison

# Minutes of the Lincoln Quilters Guild – October 8, 2007

## College View Seventh-Day Adventist Church – Lincoln, Nebraska

President Judy Lane called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM and welcomed everyone. She thanked LaDonna Pankoke, Jan Gustafson, and the additional people that greeted and guided members at our new meeting room.

Judy started a clipboard around the room for people interested in taking a bus to the NSQG meeting to be held next summer in Chadron. Katy Coleman from Seward wants to find out the number of people that are interested in riding the bus.

Vice President, Cathie Miller introduced our speakers Cathy Miller and John Bunge – “Songs, Stories, and Quilts.”

### Minutes

The minutes of the September meeting were in the October Plain Print. The minutes stand approved as printed.

### Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's report for September was in the October Plain Print. The Treasurer's report was remanded for audit.

### Announcements – Martha Lane

The guild has had thank notes and accounting of expenditures from LQG scholarship recipients Jonathan Gregory, Wendy Ray, and LynDee Lombardo.

Three thank you notes were received for Cuddle Quilts – two from St. Elizabeth Hospital and one from a family.

A thank you note for use of guild Y-frames from Ceresco Eastern Star #198 was received from Jean Ang and Glenda Johnson, Co-Chairs. They sent LQG a \$25.00 donation for the use of the frames.

In August, a note from a quilt group in Lincoln, England was received. The group is interested in communicating with quilters in Lincoln, Nebraska.

The September speaker, Judith Kessler Smith, sent LQG a friendly and encouraging note.

All the correspondence is on the bulletin board so that guild members can read the notes in their entirety.

There was an excellent article about the Guild's Cuddle Quilt Project with a photo of Anita Ahrens, Cora Whelan, and Vicki Skuodas in the Lincoln Journal-Star Neighborhood Extra in September. Thanks to Jane Grabenstein-Chandler for the authorship.

Plain Print deadline is Wednesday, October 10.

There are numerous quilt shows in Nebraska and beyond during the fall:

October 19-21 – Elkhorn

September 29-October 14: 31<sup>st</sup> Annual Heart of America Quilt Show – KCMO

October 25-27 – Original Sewing and Quilt Expo – KCMO

October-January – Quilts from the Shelburne Museum – Wichita, Kansas

Fall – Daughters of the American Revolution Museum – Washington, D.C.

March, 2008 is Birthday Month for LQG. Planning committee members, Janet Johnson, Shirley Chaffin, and Carol Vermeer, invite guild members to once again bring a quilt for the Cuddle Quilt Project to the March meeting. This can be a completed crib quilt, a completed preemie quilt, or crib liners. If you cannot finish a quilt, we will take tops too! Kits for cuddle quilts are available at guild meetings or in the Resource Room at First United Methodist Church. Details about quilt types and sizes and a website with quilt patterns will be in the November Plain Print. This is an opportunity to participate in the Cuddle Quilt Project and give a quilt to a child who needs comfort and warmth.

Join in the fun with the Nickel exchange this year. Check at the Nickel Exchange table for details. Each month participants will get instructions for a block or project using nickel squares. This month it is criss-cross coasters...a quick stocking stuffer possibility.

A minor correction for the new membership book: Hearts and Hand afternoon workshop at Christ Lutheran Church meets in Room 008 instead of Fellowship Hall.

Nearly two years ago, LQG members voted to co-host the Fall 2009 American Quilt Study Group Seminar. We have recently been informed that the seminar will not be in Lincoln after all. Any future requests to help host an AQSG Seminar would require a new vote by the guild membership.

Remember to keep stashin' the cash for Shop Hop Around Kansas City, April 5, 2008.

A Mini Shop Hop is October 15-31 with 10 shops in Southeast Nebraska participating.

Shelly Burge announced Fall Retreat at Greta 4-H Center October 12-14. There are still a few spaces available. The Seams to Be Quilt Shop in Plattsmouth is giving a 20% discount for people stating they are attending fall retreat.

### Committee Reports

Judy Lane announced the Challenge Exhibit and Panel Presentation – Saturday, October 27, at Museum of Nebraska History, Gilmore Room, 15<sup>th</sup> & P, in Lincoln.

Judy Lane requested that persons who want to put flyers on chairs at meetings request permission from the President. After the meeting, the left over flyers are to be picked up by the person who distributed them.

*No Bus Bus Trip*, Kate Laucomer and Martha Lane. Plan to go to attend the Challenge Exhibit at 8:30 first. Many of the stores will be

offering specials and surprises. The Quilted Kitty store has moved near 48<sup>th</sup> & Normal.

Raffle Quilt Moms, Kate Laucomer and Martha Lane. Kate said 534 raffle quilt tickets have been sold. Chris Taylor has sold more than 100 tickets. Jaynee Wolfe made a mini quilt for a drawing for the individuals that quilted on the raffle quilt. Millie Fauquet won the mini quilt.

Cuddle Quilts, Anita Ahrens. Announced batting that machine quilters like to use in quilts is now available. She hopes that we make as many quilts this year as we did last year, which she thinks is 369 quilts. The current need is for preemie quilts size 24 or 30 inches square, backed with flannel. They also need crib liners. She encouraged everyone to bring a finished quilt for the LQG birthday celebration in March.

International Quilt Study Center/Nebraska State Quilt Guild, Sheila Green. Sheila showed different ways to dress up the sweatshirts and t-shirts that can be purchased for the IQSC. She is selling and/or taking orders for sweatshirts and t-shirts. Eight dollars from every item sold is going to the IQSC, which is 100% profit.

Santa Socks, Gloria Smith and Sandy Gruntorad. Socks will be hung at the November meeting for Viewers' Choice. Come prepared to put money in the socks so more items can be purchased to fill the socks. The Shelleys are here tonight from Texas. They donated 50 Santa Socks. Gloria challenged LQG members to make more than 50 socks.

Friendship blocks, Anita Dover and Donna Welte. Batik squares were won by Sharlee Green, Rae Jean Ziegelbein, Jane Grabenstein-Chandler, and Ruth Hicks. Liberated log cabins will be the November Friendship Block.

Quilter's Compass challenge, Marilyn Rembolt and Linda Gapp. Marilyn said they still have 2 color ways of challenge fabric still available for \$5.00. There are no guidelines for the size of the piece of challenge fabric used but it must be easily identified.

Quilt Show Auction, Sandy Anderson. There will be three events at the show: active auction, silent auction and daily raffles. If donating a quilt, put a label on the back of it.

Quilt Raffle, Dana Attebery. We raised \$111.00 tonight. Item donated by Sharlee Green was won by Kathy Bennetch. Item donated by Ellie Chambers was won by Jane Grabenstein-Chandler. Item donated by Judy Lane was won by Mary Swinton. Item donated by Carol Rystrom was won by Ellie Chambers.

### Unfinished Business

Judy described the different entrances to the

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Heartland Hall. She requested that we be aware that there are two trash cans in the back. The Courtesy Table will be in the entry area as it was tonight. She will know at a later date if we will be able to move our resource room to the Seventh-Day Adventist Church.

### New Business

Vice President, Cathie Miller. The November class with Vikki Pignatelli has only two spots left. Cathie will bring a class sample for the January class with Lynda Milligan and Nancy Smith to the November guild meeting.

President Judy Lane announced a policy to avoid over-solicitation. The new policy is as follows: We will establish a policy that no soliciting of Lincoln quilt related merchants by committee or individuals in Lincoln Quilters Guild's name will be permitted without Executive Board permission. Judy stated that

it is acceptable if merchants volunteer to give merchandise.

Judy Lane announced a new project: Member Services – The Executive Board received a recommendation from the Vision Committee regarding transportation for members who are not able to drive to meetings. It was suggested that the guild try to match drivers with people who need a ride. The Board felt this was a good idea. Joyce Donlan has agreed to work with this suggestion. Please watch the Plain Print for more information.

Meeting adjourned. The evening ended with Show and Tell.

Minutes submitted by  
Joni Sauter, LQG  
secretary



## 2009 Quilt Nebraska

Fellow Lincoln Quilters — HELP! The 2009 Nebraska State Quilt Convention will be in Lincoln at the Cornhusker Marriott Hotel.

I am the chairperson and I need help. I am hoping that the great spirit of past Quilt Nebraska gatherings will be a big part of the 2009 Quilt Nebraska event. The pleasure in getting together, learning through classes and presentations, and the celebration of quilting builds that spirit. I want to remind people why they like to quilt: the companionship, the pleasure in seeing, feeling and being associated with great fabrics and great people.

Quilt Nebraska is one of the reminders of the joy that quilting brings not only to ourselves, but also to other people. A really great quilting weekend revives and renews us.

I need your great minds and helping hands to make this happen at 2009 Quilt Nebraska! I am looking forward to getting to know all of you through the guild meetings and other activities around town. Please consider being a part of the 2009 convention planning.

Carol Brandl  
jbrandl1958@windstream.net  
420-9917  
work: 481-8406

### Plain Print by Email

We have established a Yahoo Group named LincolnQuiltersGuild. We're trying to move into this century and make it easier for Plain Print and other important messages to be sent out to LQG members.

Each person signed up to receive Plain Print by email will receive an email from

[PlainPrint@LincolnQuiltersGuild.org](mailto:PlainPrint@LincolnQuiltersGuild.org).

It will have a link to click on that takes you straight to the LQG web site Newsletter page. You select the newsletter you want to print. Click on the link. It loads on Adobe Reader. You can read or print it.

IF YOU DID NOT RECEIVE YOUR PLAIN PRINT VIA THIS EMAIL METHOD, PLEASE EMAIL KATE at [katequilt@yahoo.com](mailto:katequilt@yahoo.com) AND LET HER KNOW.

### LQG Fabric Exchange Table

- No money is involved (beyond your initial cost for fabric).
- The table will consist of an assortment of fabrics in these sizes:
  - 9" squares
  - ¼ yards – straight cuts or fat quarters
  - ½ yards
- You trade one-for-one.
  - one 9" square for one 9" square, one ¼ yard for a ¼ yard, one ½ yard for a ½ yard.
  - You cannot trade a ½ yard for two ¼ yard pieces or vice versa.
  - The trade must be "like for like".
- If you contribute a "unit", but don't find one you want that month, you will be given a coupon to redeem at a later meeting. Coupons do not expire; neither will they be replaced if lost.



Many people were a part of moving our guild meeting to Heartland Hall in such a hospitable way:

*Cathie Miller* – helping with decisions, sign making

*Ardyce Bullock and Jim Green* – church staff, set up in Heartland Hall

*Kate Laucomer* – email to guild Yahoo group to inform them of move

*Lois Wilson* – guide at new south entrance

*Ellie Chambers* – guide at new north entrance

*Rosalind Carr, Brenda Carlson, Linda Loker* – guided people toward the new parking area.

*Committee/"table" people* – kept their pre-meeting activities going without missing a beat.

*Les Lane* – made 10 new sign stands for the tables on Monday afternoon

*LaDonna Pankoke and Jan Gustafson* – did their guild greeting in the new location.

*All members* – for your patience, flexibility, and sense of adventure with this change of location.

Thank you again and again, we couldn't have done it without everyone's help! See you at the November meeting in Heartland Hall!

### Afternoon Workshops

#### Hearts and Hands

##### Christ Lutheran Church

4325 Sumner Street

1:00 pm • 4th Monday of the Month Room 008, down the hall from the Fellowship Hall.

For more information call: Judy Edwards 489-7395 or Arlene Lynn 466-5148.

#### Piecemakers

##### Sew Creative • 5221 S. 48th Street

November meeting will be

1:00 pm • 5th Thursday of the month

For more information call: *Willa Smith* 420-2422.

Please leave a message and I will return your call. Or email me at [rswd660@inebraska.com](mailto:rswd660@inebraska.com)

### Evening Workshop

#### Evening Stars

##### Sew Creative • 5221 S. 48th Street

6:30 pm • 4th Monday of the month

During June, July and August this group also meets on the 2nd Monday at the same time and location. For more information, contact Dana Atteberry at 474-1150.



## The Connie Strope Memorial Award

Connie Strope was a past president of Lincoln Quilters Guild and a recipient of the "Lifetime Member" Award from LQG. She was also a member of several small quilt groups: the Faded Blossoms, the Basket Cases, Heart & Hands afternoon workshop, Evening Stars workshop, Discover Nebraska Educational Group, and other organizations outside of quilting.

She was a Charter member of the Nebraska State Quilt Guild, and a Radiant Star Award winner with NSQG. Connie loved being a volunteer with the International Quilt Study Center. She was a retired rural route postal carrier of 30 years service.

Connie loved quilts, quilting and quilters! She loved people! With a strong arm and shoulder to help where needed, Connie gave support that was unconditional. She had a great sense of humor! With charm and wisdom, and always with a smile, she had a joke or two to share with any group, for she knew laughter as a magic tool and used it often in the ribbons of friendship.

In April 2006, knowing Connie needed some "special sunshine" and TLC, a group of 30 quilters gathered (in secret) to create a Wild & Wacky, Warmth & Comfort Quilt (of humor) for Connie. We had a "Log Cabin Polka," and the group created a quilt of only ..POLKA DOTS!

Through Connie's illness, she cherished her quilt. She enjoyed the humor of the Polka Dots (and their cousins), and the wild colors. Connie's quilt is titled "Dare to be Different." The label on the back has a small Dalmatian puppy with colored dots.

A new award for the 2008 Nebraska State Fair Quilt Exhibit will be titled the "**Connie Strope Memorial Award - Best Quilt with Polka Dots**". This Award will be \$25.00 in cash and a special handcrafted ribbon.

*The requirements:*

- 60% of the top or surface must be *Polka Dots*
- Any technique: Appliquéd or Pieced

- with a traditional or creative twist
- Hand or machine quilted – must be quilted
- Minimum size: 140 inches perimeter (example 35 x 35 inches or larger) – no limit on how large

Please watch your newsletters and State Fair Books for additional information on State Fair requirements pertaining to Division, Class, Competition Class, etc. on the entry forms.

Members of the small quilt group, *The Basket Cases*, are sponsoring this new award. They are: *Sandy Anderson, Rosey Beekman, Gloria Hall, Pat King, Kathi Kinnaman, Roxann O'Hare, Kari Ronning, Sonja Schneider and Lois Wilson.*

In May 2008, our guild will be hosting our quilt show – *A Quilters Compass: Turning Freely on a Pivot*. We encourage our members to create and complete a piece for display at our May quilt show, and then to enter this item into the 2008 State Fair Competition.

### New Member Gathering

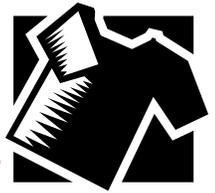
The Material Girls welcomed an enthusiastic group of 25 new and returning members to the Lincoln Quilters Guild! The Gathering was held on October 4th at the *Bernina Sewing Studio*. We got to know each other, learned about the Guild, it's committees, activities, outreach programs and ways to get involved. Small groups were formed, an evening group and a daytime group. Additional "Gatherings" will be held in the future. Welcome the new members with the bright pink nametags! The newly formed Evening Group plans to meet on the Thursday night following the regular LQG meeting. They'll meet **Thursday, November 15, 6:30pm** at the *Bernina Sewing Studio*. Anyone is welcome.

For more information, contact the Material Girls: Sheila Green, Jo Anne Bair, Brenda Carlson, Carolyn Meter, Elaine Nielsen and Bev Vogel.

### Habitat for Humanity

Thanks to Linda Loker and Charlotte Hoke who donated "house" themed wallhangings for new Habitat for Humanity homeowners! For more information, contact Sheila Green.

## I QSC/ NSQG Shirt Orders



WOW!!! What a fantastic response at the October meeting to the Sweatshirt and T-Shirt orders that will benefit the International Quilt Study Center. 60 shirts were purchased or ordered!! You may pick up your pre-ordered shirts at the November 12th Lincoln Quilters Guild meeting. Let me know if you'd like instructions on how to turn your sweatshirt into a jacket. If you can't attend the meeting, call Sheila Green, 483-0453 for shirt pick up.



## Patriotic Neck Cooler Project

My husband, who works for the Veterans Administration

Medical Center here in Lincoln, has issued a challenge for me.

The National Wheelchair Veteran's Olympics will be held in Omaha next July. My husband has asked that I try to get several women from my quilting groups to make and donate neck coolers for the veterans participating in this event. The last Olympics had about 600 participants. To make 600 neck coolers figures out to about 85 yards of fabric as the pattern says you can get 8 neck coolers from 1 yard of fabric. I am asking members of the Guild if they would be willing to help out. There are three ways you can help out:

- 1) Donate some patriotic fabric. (Needs to be from selvage to selvage).
- 2) Give a donation towards some polymer granules to put in the neck coolers.
- 3) Donate some of your time in sewing some of the neck coolers (pattern, fabric and crystals would be provided). You would have until June 2008 to get these made. If you are willing to do this, just let me know what size kit you would like (8 neck coolers per yard).

If you would be willing to help out with the project in any way, please contact me ASAP at [cb@nebpress.com](mailto:cb@nebpress.com) or 402-489-4601.

Carolyn Bowman

# 2008 Quilt Show Auctions and Raffle Information

We will be having three (3) Events under the Auction umbrella:

**Active** – Sunday, May 25th at 1:00 pm;

**Silent** – Friday and Saturday; and

**Raffles** – 2 each day and maybe one on Sunday.

Your help is pivotal in making all of these events a success. We need your creative donations, so keep those needles (*the ones in your hands and the ones in your sewing machines*) stitching away.

I will be at the Quilt Show table at each Guild meeting to receive your donations. Thank you for what has been donated and what will be donated.

One request please: Make a label identifying the maker of each donated item and attach it to the back of the donated item. I am looking forward to seeing you at the Quilt Show table. If you have any questions call me.

Sandy Anderson at 483-5496



## Raffle Ticket Sales

If I counted correctly, (having to use my fingers and toes), we have sold 598 raffle tickets as of October 8th.

applause applause applause

Reality check: 4402 to go!

Keep up the good work and keep on selling.



Kate Laucomer



## LQG Birthday

All guild members are invited to share in the observance of LQG's birthday at the March, 2008 meeting. Once again, you are invited to bring a quilt for the Cuddle Quilt project to the March meeting.

**Crib Quilt** – 42" x 56"

**Preemie Quilt** - 24" square – 30" square, one side flannel, bind or envelope turn, light quilting

**Crib Liner** – 18" x 24", both sides flannel, no batting, envelope turn, no binding.

If you cannot finish a quilt, we will take tops too!

Kits for cuddle quilts are available at guild meetings or in the Resource Room at First United Methodist Church.

This is an opportunity to participate in the Cuddle Quilt Project and give a quilt to a child who needs warmth and comfort. See this website for possible block patterns.

<http://www.quiltville.com/bricksandstones.shtml>

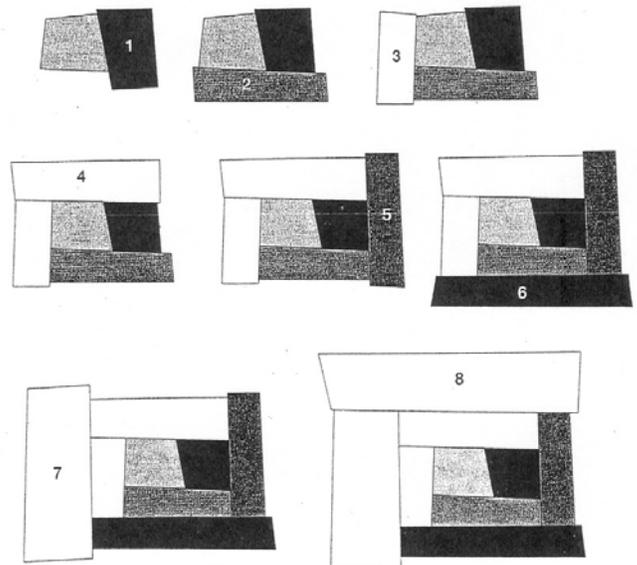
Janet Johnson, Shirley Chaffin  
and Carol Vermeer

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## Friendship Blocks

Liberated Log Cabin blocks • Red, Green and Cream

1. The name of this game is to be inconsistent.
2. Use scraps or strips from other projects if available. Otherwise cut the strips (logs) different widths and not necessarily the same width from one end of a strip to the other. You can even piece them if necessary.
3. Begin with a free cut square or rectangle no larger than two inches for the center. (*Free cut means using a scissors*). Centers need not be the exact same size or shape.
4. A suggestion is to use a red center with strips in cream and green and a green center with red and cream strips.
5. Logs can be built up more on one side than the other.
6. Make blocks approximately 7½ inches square. They don't have to be perfectly square when you turn them in as they will be trimmed to size by the person receiving them in November.



## Bento Box – Nickel style

- 2 pair of nickel squares – 1 light / 1 dark
- Cut two 2¼" strips from each square.
- Take ONE strip of each fabric
- Cut two 2¼" squares from each strip
- (Fig. 1) Sew 2¼" square to other fabric's 2¼" square
- (Fig. 2) Take 1 of the other strips and sew to 2 patch
- (Fig. 3) Take last 2 strips and finish last round of each Bento Box.
- Trim



Fig. 1

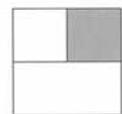
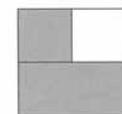


Fig. 2

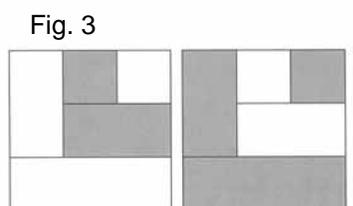


Fig. 3



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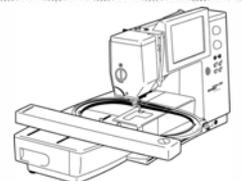
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