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FROM YOUR PRESIDENT SANDY GARD

Hey Quilters,

This is my last official newsletter as the president of OKMQA. I have enjoyed serving and now am looking forward to taking time off. I like to be on quilt boards because it makes me accountable for showing up. It is too easy to say I need to go shopping, I need to mow the yard, I need to eat bon bons. I am always glad I go to the meetings and get to see all my quilting friends. You guys are so fun and I get such good advice from you. At our next meeting I have ask Colleen Billen to speak. I think you will love hearing what she has to say. Our group seems to be getting larger and I think we have a lot of new things to look forward to. Journey Quilt location is fabulous!!!!

Lady Bird quilts store was very accommodating to our group and she has wonderful fabrics. Thanks for supporting her. Enjoy the new fall season coming in and be sure to look at the beautiful quilts that have been entered in the fair. I know several of our gals enter and win ribbons.

Piece out for now,

Sandy

MINUTES FROM THE LAST MEETING

Secretary Diane Cerny

OKMQA Minutes of July 20, 2019

1. Meeting called to order at 10:07 a.m. by Sandy Gard, President. 23 were present, including 3 guests.
2. Treasurer's Report – Colleen Billens reported no expenses since the last meeting. She discussed the Treasurer's Report and Budget. Sandy explained the reason for reducing the Library budget from \$200 to \$100 was because the Library will be contained in a suitcase that will be stored at the Librarian's home. The Librarian will bring the suitcase to meetings. Sandy also explained we would get rid of old library materials by having a sale at the end of the meeting. Items were \$3 each. In addition, a discussion was held regarding how to handle discretionary spending when the need arises. Lea Alspaugh made a motion that discretionary spending up to \$300 may be approved by the Board. Annette Bean seconded the motion. Motion passed.
3. Committee Reports:
 - a. Same but Different – Anna Liese Blankenship gave an overview of the program and stated she had been in contact with a quilt designer and had 2 options for us. The quilt designer will discount the price of the quilt pattern we choose, and will even discount the other pattern if some wish to buy it, too. Anna Liese had us look at the 2 patterns and vote for our favorite. When Anna Liese has all the kit details set we will sign up online to participate and the quilt kits will be available at the October meeting. The cost will be similar to Same but Different kits from the past – approximately \$20 to \$25.
 - b. Newsletter – please send newsletter items to Audrey Gramling at audreylms@yahoo.com
 - c. Library – Rita Torneten showed some of the items that were to be sold from the library. She has several new books ready for check out.
 - d. Membership – Colleen Billens spoke on behalf of Brenda Williams and Nancy Griffin. Colleen passed a paper around for everyone to sign in. She had membership forms available for visitors to complete and mail to Nancy Griffin. Colleen also had membership lists available.
 - e. Small Groups –
 - i. Al Coster reported the group that meets at Beth's in Blanchard will meet the 3rd Monday in August, then will meet the 2nd Monday in both September and October. The group will not meet in November and December. The meetings begin at 1 p.m. and focus on small projects, with no business meeting. All members of OKMQA are welcome to attend. Beth charges a \$5 fee per person to attend the meetings.
4. Old Business:
 - a. Sandy will have business cards made for OKMQA and will bring them to the October meeting.
 - b. Officers will be voted upon at the October meeting. These officers will serve for one, 2 year term.
 - i. These members volunteered to serve, and will be voted upon at the October 2019 meeting: Diane Cerny – President; Annaliese Blankenship – Vice President; Colleen Billen – Treasurer; Annette Bean – Secretary. Nancy Griffin will chair Membership, and Audrey & Cathy Gramling will serve as chairs for the Newsletter. The following members volunteered to host a Program: Colleen

Billen – October 2019; Megan Lundgren – January 2020; Joyce Curtis – April 2020; Rita Torneten – July 2020; and Kerry Fisbeck – whenever needed.

- c. Journey Quilts has offered her workspace to us free of charge for our quarterly meetings. All Trish Maxwell asks is positive word-of-mouth promotion of her business. Journey Quilts is located in the Fenwick Shopping Center at 16516 N. Pennsylvania Ave., Oklahoma City.
5. Next meeting October 19, 2019 – 10 a.m. – Journey Quilts
6. Door Prizes
7. Business Meeting adjourned 10:51 p.m.
8. Show and Share
9. Library Sale

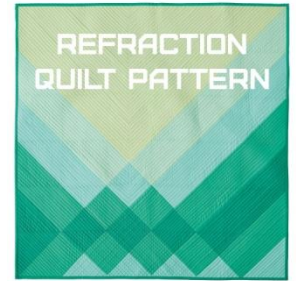
Membership Renewal Reminder We start the renewal process for membership for 2020 in October. Renewals are due no later than Jan 1, 2020. You can print off the renewal form from the website. Please send form and your check to

Nancy Griffin
P.O. Box 642
Newalla OK 74857

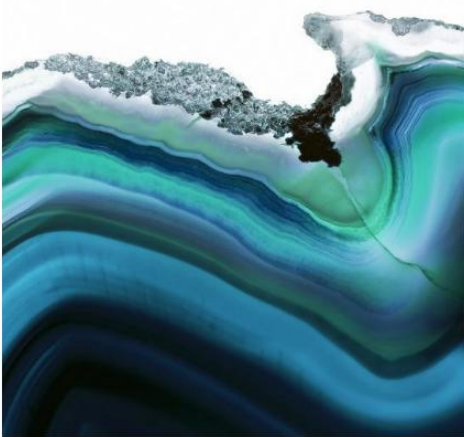
REMINDERS

Next Meeting: Saturday, October 19, 2019 [10 a.m.]
Journey Quilts
16516 North Pennsylvania Avenue

Hi Quilters! I am so excited to share the details about our 2020 Same but Different challenge with you! Thank you everyone who looked at the patterns at our June meeting- the verdict is in and we will be sewing the “Refraction” pattern by Yvonne of Jedi Quilting Girl. Yvonne writes, “*Refraction is a phenomenon of light as it deflects and passes through objects of different density, and I like to imagine this quilt representing the spreading of not just light but ideas as they ripple, shift, and change at such a high rate in our online, digital world.*”



Our quilts' color palette was inspired by the luminescent colors of Turquoise Agate Geodes.



Size: 36 1/2 x 36 1/2 ”

Backing: Each quilter will choose/provide the backing fabric for their quilt. If you'd like 4" overage on all sides, you will need 1 1/4 yards fabric for your backing.

Quilting: This is where you get to play! Quilting design and style is 100% yours to choose... However, please do *not* include beads, buttons, crystals or 3D embellishments.

Labels: Matching labels will be attached to the front of the quilt after the quilt has been turned in. If you would like to add a permanent label on the back, you can, but it is not required.

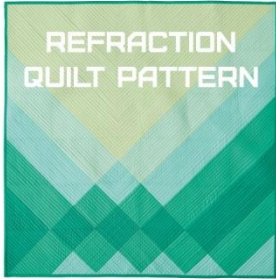
Important Dates:

- Order kits via paper (pg 2) or via the online form: <https://forms.gle/27QjeY5DeBZiXVyw7>
 - Kits will be distributed starting at the October 2019 meeting
 - Return your completed quilts in the original plastic bag
 - Completed quilts are due at the April 2020 meeting, or you may arrange an in person hand-off with Anna Liese
 - The collection of Quilts will be available as a traveling exhibit We have interest in showing them at the Norman Area Quilt show in May 2020. If you know of any shows or events that may want to display them, please let Anna Liese know.
 - **HAVE FUN!** I cannot wait to see how you all put your special touch on this project. If you have questions you can reach me, Anna Liese, at (405)256-2266 or at pewteracornquilts@gmail.com
- Happy Quilting!

2020 SBD KIT ORDER FORM

Name _____

Email Address _____

Select your Quilt Kit Package  Top Kit (Fabric + Refraction Pattern) - \$22

- Or -

 Top Kit + Batting (45x45" Pellon 80/20 with Scrim) - \$25**Would you like to purchase a bonus pattern from the designer for \$3?**

**This pattern is being offered at special discount for members of our group from the designer. The Wayward Transparency pattern has 6 layout options. It is NOT required for the challenge!

 Yes, please! - \$3 No thanks**Kit Delivery Method**

- OKMQA meeting on October 19th @ Journey Quilt Co.
 Local pickup in Moore or Norman (Sat/Sun, by appointment)
 Local pickup in OKC (Mon-Friday, by appointment)
 Mail kit via USPS (\$12-covers postage and packaging)

Payment Method

- Mail check made out to "Annaliese Blankenship" to: PO Box 5795, Norman OK 730703
 Cash or Check in person when kit is picked up

Notes:

Kit	\$ 22 - or - \$ 25
Bonus pattern	\$ 3 - or - n/a
Postage (only if you chose Mail for delivery)	\$ 12 - or - n/a
Total:	

Photos from July meeting courtesy of Colleen Billen:





