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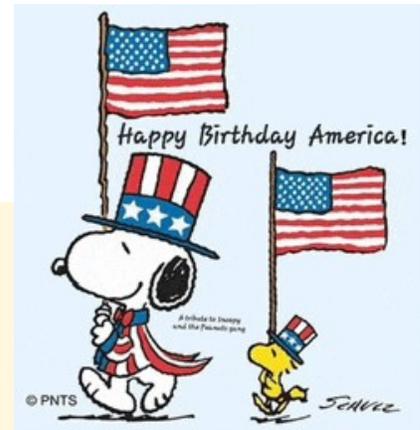
President's Message:

Quilters –

Polly's fashion show of quilted garments at our July meeting was quite the contrast to the weather we've been having lately. But what an inspiration. While we are hiding from the heat we can be working on a quilted garment for this winter.

Given the heat, it's hard to believe that schools are already back in session! The back-to-school sales however make August the perfect time for Pam Beard to present her program, Crayon Quilts. During our August meeting she will lead us in a hands-on project using crayons. If you have a light box and/or electric reel, we would appreciate you bringing either of them to the August 4th meeting.

See you soon.
Pam



July 7, 2025 minutes -

The meeting was called to order by president Pam Avara. There were 42 members in attendance, including two new members Judy Neese and Chastity Kennan and visit two visitors—Melissa Martz and Jennifer Stewart.

Pam asked for approval of the June minutes as noted in the June newsletter— Karen Petrigani made a motion to approve, Ruby Lowe made the second and all approved.

Ann Callender gave the Treasurer report, we currently have a balance of \$10,005.69 (this includes our retreat and UFO funds), \$5,501.83 are the current available funds. Expense for the month of June was the MQA door prize.

Polly Duggan continues to accumulate community quilts, planning deliveries to the Children's Safe Center, Star Fire Department and VA Home soon.

There were 17 in attendance at our July 5th Sit-n-Sew.

Per Beth Sonnier, no current news from MQA.

GSQA is to have their quarterly meeting on July 19th with a class on the Pinecone quilt to be held on the day before. Local GSQA members can register for their November 19-27 retreat. See the GSQA website for details.



July 7, 2025 minutes *continued* -

Ann Williams reminded us of the monthly Wynndale Quilters meeting on the second Thursday of each month, 9:00am– 4:00pm at the Wynndale Baptist Church. Please bring your machine, projects, beverages and lunch.

The Clinton Quilters meet the second Saturday of each month at 10am for demonstrations and then sit-n-sew at the Clinton library—The Quisenberry Library.

Pamela Kirby announced that 68 dog beds and 2 bandanas have been delivered year-to-date.

Debbie Wilson reminded us that the final payment for our annual retreat at Lake Tiak O’Khata in September is due at our August meeting.

Beth Sonnier presented Tips and Tricks—the Clam Shell quilt block template

Pam Avara shared the 7th clue to our 2025 Mystery Quilt.

Pam brought up for discussion the possibility of bringing in a teacher sometime in 2026. She asked what type of class guild members would like to participate in. The following were suggestions— Scrapy quilts, Picture quilts, Quilt as you go, Paper piecing, Trapunto and the Pinecone quilt. Guild leadership will research for teachers for these suggestions and costs and then get back to the guild.

Our program for the night was presented by Polly Duggan on quilted clothing.

Regular Sew-n-Tell was shared and afterwards our meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Welsch

Brandon Quilters Secretary/Newsletter



Mystery Quilt—Clue 7

Pam shared clue 7 for our mystery quilt. 4.5 inch blocks are cut from fabric A and sewn between two blocks of Clue 5.

The components from Clue 6 are then attached to the top and bottom of this new piece to make a 12.5 inch square. Four for the small quilt and 15 for the large one.





Tips, Tricks and Tools—



Beth demoed how to use the acrylic clamshell template that came with the clamshell quilt pattern she purchased from Focus On Quilts, creator Irene Blanck of Australia. Cutting out fabric with the template, basting the top of the shell and then using glue is the Irene’s easy-peasy method with no papers, grids or background fabrics.



Program—Quilted Garments



Polly Duggan spoke to us on quilted garments. Inspirations can be found with holiday fabrics and fabric panels. She suggested using simple patterns for jackets and vests. One of her favorites is Butterick S359. Be sure to start your creation with a muslin foundation. View quilt magazines for ideas. Add lace, embellishments, beads and whatever speaks to you. Have fun with your creation.

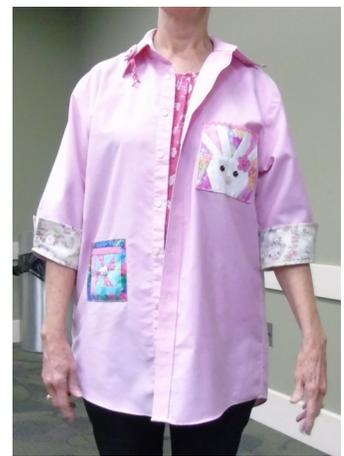


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Thanks to Pamela Kirby and Karen Petrignana for being tonight's models.
Great Job ladies!





Sew-n-Tell—Patriotic quilts



Some of the patriotic quilts to be displayed in the library during July and August, created and shown by Pamela Kirby, Martha Ludke and Karin Brown (Stars & Stripes rag quilt)





Sew-n-Tell



Cynthia Simpson—cute bags



Ruby Lowe—Baby quilt



Marilyn Rose—Diamonds & Drama Queens and Flea Market Flowers



Search Lori Holt's blog for *Flea Market Flowers*—Free Sew Along



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Sew-n-Tell



Sarah Ketchum—MSU quilt

Cindy Pannier—Pizza Box Challenge—UFO

Marcella Comans—Baby quilt—UFO

Pam Avara—Dancing Dragonflies, Wonky trees and Dragon Emerald Reign





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Sew-n-Tell



Pam Kirby -
All About ME
Key West
New School Year
Golden Love



Melissa Martz (visitor) -
Quilted Heirloom blazer
She combined two different quilts
to make the blazer.
(Karen Petrigiani, modeling)



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Sew-n-Tell



Karin Brown -

Rag quilt and pillow

Eclectica Set Spinning



Dawn Taylor -
Midnight June
Grandpa's Prayer
Walk About





Sew-n-Tell



Diana Carey-Smith

2024 Brandon Quilters Block of the Month (new members these blocks still available on our website)



Patricia Welsch -

Barn quilt from MQA class
Mini iron caddy



Goods and Services provided by our members:

Quilting related:

Danielle Butler, owner Ritzy Quilting Company, quilting fabric, accessories & long arm services - 601-850-7913; Ritzyquilting@yahoo.com

Paulette Walley, owner Twin Oaks Crafts, sewing and quilting machines, fabric, accessories & long arm services - 601-506-7514; twinoakscrafts20@gmail.com

Judy Stanley, computerized E2E longarm quilting and makes t-shirt quilts, 601-942-9882. Also has ETSY page: <https://handmadesbyjudith.etsy.com> for her thread catchers.

Other:

Jo Patterson, artisan jewelry, metalsmithing and lapidary artist (text) 601-842-3139;
Facebook - Jo Patterson Artist

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Dates to Remember

Sit n’ Sew

Saturday, August 2nd at the MSU Extension-Rankin County Bldg

**Guild meeting—Monday, August 4th at the Brandon Library - Social Time at 6:00 pm;
Meeting begins at 6:30 pm**