



## *Prairie Threads*

*Newsletter of Prairie Piecemakers November, 2018*

Dear Quilters:

The leaves are falling and there is a chill in the air. It's the season to be thankful for our friends & family, and the blessings we have received during the past year. I'm ready to spend more time in my sewing room, starting new projects, finishing UFO's, or maybe working on a Christmas project.

May your hearts be filled with thanks and giving. Keep on stitching – Teri

**Remember no meeting in December and I look forward to seeing you at the retreat.**

### **Steering Committee Meeting:**

**January 7, 2019**

First Lutheran Church

3200 East Military, Fremont, NE 68025

**Next Meeting: January 29, 2019**

Good Shepperd Lutheran Church

1440 E. Military, Fremont, NE 68025

Thanks to everyone, the Jefferson House will enjoy bath towels, washcloths, Lego sets, and a variety of lounge wear for both boys and girls in our community. Through your kindness and generosity, approximately 40 items were donated to help with emergency shelter care.

**Sue Arp**

### **Program: Quilting you Legacy**

**Speaker: Janie York**

Janie York remembers sitting beside her Grandmother York and watching her as she quilted in the light from a bay window. One day the little girl said, "Grandmother, teach me to quilt." "No," her grandmother replied, "It's something you can do as an old lady."

York decided not to wait that long. She has become a quilter with a mission and a vision. In the summer of 2003, York began the Women's Voices project. Using written excerpts from the stories that she had collected, York has been able to create "an artist whole that visually helps the viewer to understand how domestic violence affects a women's life."

**Scott Flannigan has had surgery.** If anyone wants to send him cards, his parent's address is: **Gary and Jean Flanagan, 1654 Judson Dr., Longmont, CO. 80501. (I have no idea when he will be back in Fremont.)**

**This is the LAST meeting before the January Retreat; be sure to turn in your registration or you will have to mail it by December 15; anyone you want to invite to join us? Thanks.**



*Wanda Kruger*

Dear Quilters,

The long, anticipated Quilt Show arrived and it was a tremendous success on all accounts. What I really enjoyed about the show was seeing the majority of our Guild working and visiting together. The Quilt Show and the Annual Retreats are the best ways to get to know each other. Thank you for giving me the privilege of being Show Chairman. It was a great experience. Thanks to everyone for making the set up and the days go smoothly. We all worked well together.

Thanks to Susan Williams, Julie Joyce, Sue Arp and Jill Norenberg for all their hard work. They made my job easy. The Scrappy Cafe was a big hit as were the PIES.

Someone told me it was like a Retreat....refreshing, relaxing and invigorating. See you all at the Retreat in January!

**Thanks again! Marilyn**

*Dear Quilters*

*Thanks to all the ladies who helped show the quilt over the past many months, including at the quilt show. Many hands make light work, and I really appreciate every one of you. So, thanks again, from the bottom of my heart.*

***Julie Joyce, Quilt Mom***

**P.S.** Thought like to know our quilt went to California. I sold a ticket to one of my sister's friends out there.

Dear Quilters,

As far as quilt shows go, it was my "first rodeo." I had attended a few shows, but never helped. When Marilyn needed help in the Café, it seemed like a perfect way to get more involved in the Prairie Piecemakers. Marilyn shared her dream of the Scrappy Café and everything fell in to place.

The centerpieces made from scrap items and used for gifts; the half umbrella and décor used to invite customers to enjoy a meal with us; the crew of cashiers/ hostesses and waitresses all intent on serving our guests; the display of appetizing pie slices under glass to entice everyone's sweet tooth, and the delicious aromas from our kitchen made the Café a great success.

Friday's totals for meals surpassed the two-day total of the 2016 quilt show. In the two days, we served approximately 190 chicken croissants and 90 hot beef sundaes. We were also able to give our vendors a free meal ticket for each day which they greatly appreciated. Carry out meals were also available and utilized.

Pies were delivered on Thursday afternoon and Saturday morning, fresh, cut, and ready to serve. We sold over 350 pieces of pie during our show. All 100 take out containers were used. The favorites were: sour cream raisin, coconut cream and lemon meringue, followed by chocolate and cherry raspberry. Apple pie came in last place. There were only 8 pieces of apple pie remaining at the end of the show, which were sold to a member, making dessert clean-up a snap.

My neighbor said it best, "The Prairie Piecemaker quilt show was TOP NOTCH from quilts, to featured quilter, to vendors, to auction items, to food.... everything. Possibly the best quilt show I have ever attended."

Thanks for letting me be a part of the show and thanks to all who helped with the Cafe.

**Sue Arp, Café Chairman**

**REMINDER:**

There will be **no quilt meeting in December**. Next meeting will be **January 29, 2019**. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to All!!



## SECRETARY MINUTES

**The Steering Committee Meeting** on November 5, 2018 was called to order by President Teri Wolfe at 6:30 with 13 members present.

Pam Schroeder, our Vice President, informed us that programs are being scheduled for next year. She encourages all to attend any workshops available.

Anita Groh gave the treasurers report. The successful quilt show will help with funding of future programs.

Some cute aprons with the guild's quilt block were found in the storage unit. They can be used for hosting any of the guild's events.

The theme for the retreat was revealed at the guild meeting. Those wanting to attend should have their registration forms and money submitted by next guild meeting on November 26, 2018.

Sue Arp, chairperson for our community service, has leftover Christmas stockings made in previous years. Please consider donating items to stuff in the stockings or money to purchase stocking stuffers.

Teri was informed by the State Fair committee that they will no longer be accepting sponsors for categories in the State Fair. Our guild will no longer donate money or ribbons to the State Fair.

Karen Ruwe encourages all guild members to join the Nebraska State Quilt Guild. Membership forms can be found at the guild's website: [nsqg.org](http://nsqg.org)

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 pm.

**Respectfully submitted Sue Steier, recording secretary.**

## WINNERS

**Here are the quilt show's Viewers Choice choices:**

Friday, Large Quilt - #150, Sue Steier, Vintage Rose; Small Quilt - #259, Sharon Strong, Pickle Dish; Miscellaneous- #406, Janet Scott, Harvest Wool Runner. Saturday, Large Quilt - #120, Anita Groh, Glacier Star; Small Quilt, #225, Janet Divis, The Raven; Miscellaneous - #407, Marilyn Bonow, Mr. Santa.

## **Prairie Piecemakers Guild Meeting, October 29, 2018**

At 7:00 Karen Burns was introduced as our guest speaker by President Teri Wolfe. Ten Things I Learned About Quilting was this night's subject.

The Business meeting was called to order at 8:25. Minutes for the previous guild meeting, steering committee meeting, and treasurers report was approved and seconded.

This year's quilt show proved to be a huge success. Teri thanked all who helped make it a wonderful show. The treasurer, Anita Groh, announced that specific dollar amounts will be published in the newsletter. However, a larger amount of dinners and pie were sold compared to previous years.

Wanda Kruger presented the theme of this year's guild retreat in January. --"Magic of the Disappearing 9-patch, Card Trick, and Pinwheels". Please sign up for the retreat by next guild meeting

At 8:45 the Guild Meeting was called to a close. We then had Show and Tell.

**Respectfully submitted by Sue Steier, recording secretary.**

RE-CAP FROM THE QUILT  
SHOW BY SUE WILLIAMS

## Adopt a Community -Thanks

The Adopt a Community publicity campaign for the 2018 Quilt Show was a huge success. Quilt show attendees told me they say our flyers in their communities in restaurants, coffee shops, beauty shops and community centers. We could not have gotten the word out without the great volunteers listed below. THANK YOU so much. The saying is true, “**Many hands make light work!**”.

Peggy Hansen, Leslie Parr – Arlington

Pam Schroeder, Linda True – Blair

Janet Scott – Cedar Bluffs

Dee Bang – Wahoo

Loraine Smith – Columbus, Shelby

Beth Berry, Marilyn Bonow, Sue Arp –  
Elkhorn, Bennington

Jill Norenberg, Jan Larsen - Fremont

Linda Wagner, Linda Kay Hermesch, Janet  
Divis –Gretna

Geri DeGroff – Ashland, Mead, Yutan

Cathy Driver, Ellen Vollmer - Morse  
Bluffs, North Bend, Schuyler

Teri Wolfe – Norfolk, Wakefield, Fullerton

Debra Schroeder – Oakland, Lyons,  
Bancroft, Scribner, Snyder, West Point,  
Wisner, Beemer

Loraine Smith, Marlene Preissler. Terry  
Scigo – Sioux City, Onawa, Hooper

Pat Young – Beatrice

Wanda Kruger – Seward, Lincoln, Hastings

## Newspaper and Radio Advertisements

A special thanks to Debra Schroeder who helped send the press releases to the area newspapers and radio stations. Our press releases appeared in several surrounding papers like North Bend and Arlington. Both the West Point and Fremont radio stations covered the event. Deb worked with the Fremont Tribune and many of you saw the great front-page coverage on our feature quilter Lisa Braasch.

## Invite a “New Quilter/Viewer” to the Show

We had 70 new quilters/viewers put one of our business cards in the drawing during the quilt show that equals \$350.00 in additional revenue. We drew five cards and gave the centerpieces from the café to five new quilters/viewers and the five club members who invited them. Twenty-two club members had people turn in cards. We know many more of you gave out cards, mailed cards to friends and even took photos of the cards and texted them to people who might want to attend. It proves that the best advertising is “**Word of Mouth**”. A big thank you to the following club members:

Bonnie Lamont, Lisa Braasch, Kaylene Krueger, Julie Joyce, Sue Arp, Marlene Preissler, Janet Shamburg, Anita Groh, Jeanette Stinemates, Beth Barry, Carol Nielsen, Jan Larson, Terri Lynch, Janet Scott, Loraine Smith, Terry Scigo, Debra Schroeder, Mary Lou Carlson, Teri Wolfe, Gloria Fink, Beth Barry, and Sheri Adams.



**Hostesses:**

Cathy Driver-Chairman, Mary Lou Carlson, Jill Norenberg, Teri Bliven, Janet Divis, and Marlene Preissler

**Door Prizes:**

Janet Divis, Elizabeth Stark, Leslie Thompson, and Pat Young.

**Greeters:**

Teri Bliven & Leslie Parr



# Feeding the Community

**Low Income Ministry/Food Pantry.... Community Services.** Needs are, Toilet paper, Paper Towels, cans of tuna, spaghetti sauce. and Beef Stew. Or you can bring items to fill some stockings. These will go to the Hope Center for children in the age group of 11-18.

## Financial update for Quilt Show

Income was \$11,071.00 with expenses \$3960.23 leaving a profit of \$7110.77. Quilt Raffle Tickets took in \$ 2885.00. Vendors were 965.00. Admissions was 458 for both days with a total of \$2290.00. Mini Raffle took in \$649.00. The Kitchen was \$2967.00. Silent Auction took in \$1295.00. Spreadsheet is on file with treasurer, Anita Groh.

Prairie Piecemakers - Report for October 2019

Certificate of Deposit  
\$5713.03 Balance September 30, 2018

checking account  
\$4421.77

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|---------------------|--------------------------------|
| Income              |                                |
| \$ 24.00            | Raffle Tickets                 |
| 65.00               | Vendor                         |
| 2967.00             | Kitchen                        |
| 245.00              | Cash on Hand                   |
| 50.00               | Membership                     |
| 2290.00             | Admissions                     |
| 649.00              | Mini Raffle                    |
| 557.00              | Quilt Raffle                   |
| 1295.00             | Silent Auction                 |
| <b>\$ 8142.00</b>   | <b>Total Deposit</b>           |
| Expenses            |                                |
| \$ 245.00           | Cash on Hand                   |
| 50.00               | Country Traditions Feature     |
| Quilter             |                                |
| 75.22               | Copy Shop                      |
| 825.00              | Blue Ribbon Pie                |
| 501.74              | Denice Hendrickson             |
| 112.17              | Teri Wolfe command hooks       |
| 47.23               | Marilyn Freeman                |
| 90.75               | Anita Groh reception           |
| 40.65               | Carol Nielsen ink              |
| 98.00               | Karen Burns                    |
| program/mileage     |                                |
| 25.00               | Pat Young silent auction       |
| 17.22               | Jill Norenberg viewer          |
| ballots             |                                |
| \$ 2127.98          | <b>Total Expenses</b>          |
| <b>\$ 10435.79</b>  | <b>Ending Balance</b>          |
| <b>\$ 16,148.82</b> | <b>Total on deposit and CD</b> |

**Respectfully submitted Anita Groh Treasurer**

Prairie Piecemakers

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Links to Visit:

**Nebraska State Guild**

[www.nsqg.org](http://www.nsqg.org)

**International Quilt Study  
Center**

[www.quiltstudy.org](http://www.quiltstudy.org)



HAPPY THANKSGIVING

**Be sure and bring with you:**

Donation for Community  
Service

**All the signs from quilt show**

Your Coffee Mug.....

Camera

Show and Tell ..... And a  
Friend

