



Prairie Threads – Newsletter of Prairie Piecemakers

Greetings Friends!

I hope the cold and snow days have given you an opportunity to sew or do hand work! I'm inspired by all of the publications (and quilt stores) that feature beautiful spring colors as we look around at dreary winter. Our "round robin" turned out to be a wonderful presentation by our own Leslie Main. Many thanks to Leslie for being available on such short notice. I learned so much!

I hope you are working on your Challenge Project to be shared at our April meeting.

This month we welcome Jennifer Dick from Harrison, MO to talk to us about traditional quilts with a modern interpretation. I hope you can join us!

Happy Quilting! JILL

"Traditional Roots-Modern Interpretations" is the program for our February 26 meeting.

When Jennifer Dick of Harrisonville, MO discovered quilting and applique in the early 1990s she was hooked. She has since gone on to teaching her innovating piecing techniques

*She has many blogs that showcase her designs and how to make them. In them she shows how to make a block two ways—modern or traditional. Check out her **92 Quilts** website for more information.*

This should be a very interesting and informative program you will not want to miss!

womens' Honor Flight

Women who fought in various wars are going to be honored in September with their own FLIGHT of Valor.

Quilt Guilds across Nebraska are being asked to participate in this event by making Valor Quilts for 135 eligible women. This would be a great use for your patriotic fabric. The quilts need to be made and turned in to Linda Kay Kermesch, Wanda Kruger or Country Traditions by the end of July.

If you have any left over Valor Blocks or patriotic fabric, it can be taken to Country Traditions and it will be used at one of the Valor workdays.

Linda Kay Kermesch is forming a Womens' Valor Group here in Fremont. If interested in this project, contact her.

A QOV sewing day is every second Tuesday of the month at Country Traditions. Time is 10:30 a.m.—2:30 p.m. Every one welcome!



Greeters: Susan Williams
and Jan Larsen

Hostesses: Sharon Strong,
Kathy Murphy, Teri Wolke,
Pam Schroeder and Gloria Fink

Door Prizes : Wanda Kruger,
Jan Larsen and Sue Steier

Community Service: Jefferson
House—socks and underwear for
pre-teens and teens

Prairie Piecemakers Meeting, January 29, 2018

At 7:00 p.m., President Jill Norenberg introduced Leslie Main from Country Traditions to present the program for the evening. She shared an informative presentation covering change in sewing the last 20 years as Country Traditions is celebrating their 20th anniversary.

The business meeting was called to order at 8:10 p.m. The Challenge Project – Birthday – All About ‘you’ was promoted and everyone encouraged to participate.

Sandy McDuffee reported membership for the evening as 43 members and 1 guest. Beth Berry is a new member who joined at the January retreat.

Door prizes for the evening were won by Dee Bang, Pat Young, Linda Hermesch, Elisabeth Stark, Marlene Preissler, Nancy Spahn, Bert Cowles and Jill Norenberg.

Wanda Kruger from the Sew and Sews gave a detailed account of the Quilt Retreat held in January.

Marilyn Freeman announced the featured quilter for the upcoming Quilt Show in October. It is Lisa Braasch.

The next Steering Committee meeting will be held, Tuesday, February 6, 6:30 p.m. at First Lutheran Church.

Motion was made and seconded to approve the Secretary and Treasurers report as printed in the newsletter.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 and concluded with Show and Tell.

Respectfully Submitted, Sharon Strong, Recording Secretary

Steering Committee Meeting February 6, 2018 at First Lutheran Church

Steering committee meeting was called to order by President Jill Norenberg at 6:35pm with seven members present.

Teri Wolfe reported that all programs for next year are completed and our first meeting in August 2018 will have a workshop. Marilyn Freeman had several details on up coming Quilt Show next October 2018. Pam Larsen stated that community service collections for public schools were overwhelming. Thank you to all! Pam stated she will ask her small group members about helping Julie Joyce with Eco Fair in April 2018. Suggestion of having a summer retreat to make Quilts of Valor quilts for women service people. Dianne Cook has resigned due to health issues. Motion and seconded to nominate Anita Groh as interim treasurer. Marilyn Bonow discussed a bus trip at future date, possibly Fall 2019. Nominating Committee for future officers will be tabled until March Steering Committee. Next Steering Committee Meeting Tuesday, March 5, 2018, at First Lutheran Church at 6:30pm. Motion made and seconded to adjourn meeting at 7:45pm.

Respectfully submitted, Anita Groh recording for Sharon Strong, secretary.

Prairie Piecemakers – Report for February 1, 2018

Certificate of Deposit

\$5,687.02 Balance December 31, 2017

26.01 Interest

\$5,713.03 Balance January 31, 2018

Checking Account

\$7,802.31 Balance December 31, 2017

Income

\$.09 Check misread by bank

202.50 Retreat

\$202.59 Total income

Expenses

\$ 230.05 Max D – yearbooks

49.00 Marilyn Freeman-stamps

135.00 Retreat refunds

102.72 Pam Larson-Christmas stockings

400.00 Good Shepherd-4 months

25.00 NSQG

25.00 Leslie Main-speaker

951.71 Retreat expenses

\$1,918.48 Total Expenses

\$6,086.42 Ending Balance January 31, 2018

Thank you so much, quilters, for another successful month of giving to the Fremont community. Because of your generosity I was able to deliver to Fremont Public Schools 28 boxes of Kleenex, 74 pair of girls underwear, 28 pair of boys underwear and 10 pair of girls socks.

I'm told this is much appreciated by students and teachers alike as teachers and staff often provide these items on their own.

At the February meeting we will be collecting socks and underwear for pre-teens and teens at Jefferson House. The Jefferson House provides emergency shelter, care and group home services for children in the Fremont and surrounding communities.

Also, don't forget to be working on fleece blankets and kid size quilts to bring to the March 26 meeting. These will be given to Project Harmony at the Bridge.

Thanks You! Pam Larson

Quilt Show News 2018

Dates: October 10 – 13

Place: Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

Wednesday evening October 10 is for bringing in your quilts.

Thursday, October 11, is set up day.

Thursday evening, October 11, is the **Featured Quilter Reception** for **Lisa Braasch**. **Time is 7:00 p.m.**

All Guild members are invited. This is the time for all of us to honor Lisa for her many talents.

SHOW DAYS are Friday: 9:00 a.m.—6:00 p.m. Saturday: 9:00 a.m. — 4:00 p.m.

TAKE DOWN will commence Saturday at 4:00 p.m. If everyone pitches in, the racks can be down in a hurry. No one leaves until the work is finished. Then, you can get your quilts, etc. , go home and relax.

A lot of fun things for the show are in the planning stages. As a group, we need to show more hospitality to our vendors, etc. For this we will need all of you to plan to keep these days open. The Quilt Show is a great time to get acquainted with our sister quilters. This happens when we volunteer our time and talents. Everyone should be eager to be a part of this event.

THE **QUILT SHOW QUILT** will be revealed at this this meeting. **Thanks to Linda True** and her friends for creating this quilt and **Sue Steier** for her fantastic quilting.

RAFFLE TICKETS are printed and will be distributed at meeting. Everyone will receive an envelope that contains 20 Raffle Tickets plus a picture of the quilt. At this time you will pay for the 20 tickets. As a participating member of Prairie Piecemakers, who enjoys our many speakers, you are urged to help pay for them. This is done by selling tickets. Keep the tickets with you. Wherever you go, show the quilt picture and talk up the show.

CHAIRPERSONS FOR 2018 QUILT SHOW

Admissions: Sue Steier

White Glove/Viewers Choice: Wanda Kruger, Tracy Katt & Judi Adams

Advertising/Publicity: Susan Williams

Kitchen: Denise Hendrickson

Small Items: Janet Shamburg

Mimi Raffle: Marilyn Bonow

Quilt Check in/out: Mary Lou Carlson

Quilt Labels placing: Eileen Cash

Quilt Mom/Ticket Sales: Julie Joyce

Reception Anita Groh and Sue Steier

Featured Quilter and Set up: Anita Groh and Sue Steier

Set up/Take Down: Geri DeGross

Raffle Quilt Designer and Maker: Linda True

Raffle Quilt Quilter: Sue Steier

Vendors: Sue Williams and Marilyn Freeman

Quilt Tags: Jill Norenberg

Decorations???

All of these committees will be depending on your help! If you would like to work on one of these, just talk to the person listed. Sign up will not be until August but it would be nice to get your pick of where you work!

Please keep this sheet of SHOW INFO and NAMES on your bulletin board as reference. More info will be in forthcoming newsletters.

Musical Theater: "Quilters"

Presented by Southeast Community College March 9—10 @ 7:30 p.m. Tickets \$15.00

Freeman
3245 Marian Lane
Fremont, Ne 68025

Guild Meeting: February 28, 2018
Good Shepherd Lutheran Church
Refreshments at 6:30 p.m. Meeting follows.

Steering Committee Meeting:
Tuesday, March 6, 2018 at 6:30 p.m.
First Lutheran Church, 3200 East Military

Be sure and bring with you:
Donation for Community Service
\$20 for Raffle Quilt Tickets
Your Coffee Mug
Camera
Show and Tell
A Friend

Links to visit

Nebraska State Quilt Guild

www.nsqg.org

International Quilt Study Center

www.quiltstudy.org

*Happy
Valentine's
Day
Quilters*