



# Prairie Threads

Prairie Piecemakers Newsletter

Web: <https://prairiepiecemakers.com>

February 2023

## Greetings

It was so wonderful to see such a large group at our January meeting featuring Debbie Roberts from the Quilted Moose. What even made it greater was the speaker system. I would like to send out A BIG THANK YOU to Pam Schroeder and Sue Arp for taking on the task to get it working properly. I have heard nothing but good reports that people all over the room and through Facebook Live could hear everything so clearly!

Looking forward, Stephanie True-Corr and Linda True will have a trunk show for us in February. This is a mother/daughter duo who have been sewing and quilting for years. Among other things, one of their passions is paper piecing. So prepared to see some beautiful quilts. I'm also asking for members of the guild to bring any of their paper piecing projects either past or present for show-n-tell.

As spring is just around the corner it is time for Prairie Piecemakers to elect officers and committee members for the next coming year. We will have the wonderful leadership of Anita Groh as our upcoming President. However, she will need a team to keep our guild running as smoothly and successfully as it has in the past. Please consider taking part as an officer or a committee member. This is a great way to meet many of our members and to become involved with the guild. Keep on Creating, it is good for the Soul.

Sue Steier, President

## Monday, February 27th

GREETERS: Leslie Parr, Julie Robinson, Sue Arp

HOSTESSES: \*Janet Divis, Bert Cowles, Marlene Priessler, Deb Schroeder

DOOR PRIZES: Leslie Parr, Deb Schroeder, Mary Lou Carlson, Anita Groh, Jill Norenberg

QUILT HOLDERS: Janet Divis, Deb Schroeder, Karen Schliefert, Marilyn Freeman, Teri Wolfe

*Bring your name tag. Remember to bring your own beverage with lid. Please, don't wrap the door prizes!*



## Community Service

Thank you to all who contributed to Life House. We collected 25 bath towels, 70 wash clothes and about a dozen hand towels. We also collected several sacks of deodorant, disposable razors, and other miscellaneous items.

**For February we will collect socks, underwear, sweatpants and sweatshirts for Fremont and Arlington schools.**

Mary Lou Carlson

**FEBRUARY 27, 2023**

**Stephanie True-Corr and Linda True**  
**“Bits and Pieces from our Lives”**

Linda and Stephanie are the TRUE mother-daughter quilting duo! They are both well known as “Judy Junkies” because of their love for Judy Niemeyer quilts. Their expertise is also seen in their quilts they create for charity. Both like to do piecing and Stephanie is known for her beautiful quilting and Linda does her final touches with binding.



### **Workshop: “Dresden”**

**March 27, 2023, 1-4pm**

NEBRASKA QUILT CO

COST \$30.00 PATTERN INCLUDED

Come and join us for the Dresden Plate workshop. Karen Hill from Granny Quilts will be teaching us how to make a Dresden Plate the easy way. We will be making a small wall hanging that can be completed or nearly completed during the workshop.

#### **SUPPLIES NEEDED:**

Basic sewing supplies including sewing machine, thread, scissors, etc.

1/2-yard background fabric

1 charm pack

30-degree Dresden ruler (optional)

Point turner (something to turn points to the outside such as a “purple thang”)

Roxanne glue



### **Challenge Project 2023**

Winter days are the perfect time to make plans for this year’s challenge project! Create your project from repurposed textiles and save fabric from the landfill 😊. Here are a few ideas to get you started:

- Have any orphan blocks? Create a quilt of your own design or use them to make a tote bag or embellish a garment.
- Have you saved those ends you trimmed off all those flying geese? Turn them into mini squares and make your own design for a table runner.
- Shop the consignment stores for fabric or garments to embellish with fabric from your stash.
- Have vintage linens but don’t know what to do with them? Create a small whole cloth quilt from a tablecloth or use them to make quilt blocks.

Here are some resources for you:

- [allpeoplequilt.com](http://allpeoplequilt.com) search for “sustainable sewing projects”
- [pattertrace.com](http://pattertrace.com) “Eco friendly sewing projects”
- [AllFreeSewing.com](http://AllFreeSewing.com) “recycled materials “
- Pinterest: 410 Sustainable: Sewing Upcycle & Sewing
- Recycle Ideas in 2023 [sewing.com](http://sewing.com): 101 Clever Sewing Projects To Upcycle Fabric Scraps
- T Shirt quilts, string quilts made from your scraps, orphan block projects, and mittens made from recycled sweaters are just a few more examples for you.

## Fremont Quilt of Valor Community Sew Day

Saturday, April 1, 2023 10am – 3pm



Fremont Quilts of Valor  
COMMUNITY SEW DAY

### Nebraska Quilt Company

Please join us in sewing kits together for awards to veterans. Kits will be provided. You will need to bring your sewing machine, sewing notions, neutral thread. Come for an hour or all day. Bring a lunch, drink of your choice. Coffee, water, snacks will be provided. Please RSVP to Nebraska Quilt Company, 402-721-7752 or [Nebraskaquiltcompany.com](http://Nebraskaquiltcompany.com) by Friday, March 24, 2023. Wanda Kruger

### What's Under Your Needle? (Quilt or Needlework)

We would love to have our members share their projects with each other on our member only Facebook group page: Prairie Piecemakers Fremont Quilt Group. On this page you will find videos of the monthly speakers and pictures from Show & Tell. Several members have shown projects they are currently working on just to get us inspired!

- To find group pages click on the outline picture of a group of people in the tool bar. Search for Prairie Piecemakers Fremont Quilt Group
- If you are not signed up, ask to “Join Group”.
- **Want help posting something or just navigating Facebook or the Website. Susan Williams will be available to help you from 6:00 pm to 6:30 the night of guild meetings. Bring your phone with picture you would like to post.**



Visit Our Newly Updated Website: <https://www.prairiepiecemakers.com>

- You will love the photos of speaker's programs, show-in-tell and retreats! It's our digital scrapbook.
- Find all your yearbook information online: membership, meetings, newsletters, service projects and more.
- Great information to share with prospective members.

### Events for Your Calendar

Omaha Quilters Guild **44<sup>th</sup> Annual Quilt Show**, June 22 – 24, 2023, LaVista Conference Center.

<https://www.omahaquiltersguild.org/quilt-show/>

Kansas City Regional Quilt Festival, Overland Park Convention Center, June 15-17, 2023.

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

Wolf Country Quilt Show and Garden Walk, Saturday July 15, 2023, Doug and Teri Wolfe

## Prairie Piecemakers Treasurers Report

01/01-01/31/2023

Certificate of Deposit	transfer to checking
Checking account Balance	\$17,108.41

### Income:

CD to checking	\$5,845.50
Total Income:	

### Expenses:

Retreat	\$1,048.79
Program	\$150.00
Total Expenses:	\$1,198.79

Ending Balance-Checking	\$21,755.12
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## Prairie Piecemakers Guild Meeting Minutes

January 30, 2022

The guild enjoyed a wonderful program given by Deb Roberts, owner of The Quilted Moose in Gretna. It was fascinating to hear about her quilt journey over the past 22 years and her trunk show was amazing. Thank you, Deb!

- Loren Paquette made a motion to call the business meeting to order, seconded by Marilyn Bonow.
- President Sue Steier welcomed everyone and was delighted to see so many members attend on such a cold night. She reminded members that it will soon be time to elect new officers and that she hopes everyone would consider taking a position.
- Vice President Anita Groh also welcomed everyone and was happy to see so many in attendance.
- A motion was made by Scott Flanagan to accept the minutes from the November meeting, seconded by Jill Norenberg.
- A motion was made by Lisa Braasch to accept the treasurers report, seconded by Julie Robinson.
- MaryLou Carlson reported a good number of items were collected and will be donated to Lifehouse. Next month items collected will be taken to Fremont and Arlington schools. See page 11 in the yearbook for those items.
- Teri Wolfe thanked the greeters (especially on such a cold night) and the holders and folders.
- Julie Joyce thanked the hostesses, who served such wonderful treats and had such a beautiful table.
- Pam Schroeder announced that there were 66 members, 3 guests and 2 new members in attendance with 10 members watching online.
- Pat Mommsen and Leslie Thompson reminded members of the Challenge Project that will be due at the April meeting. Pat posted some websites for ideas on the guild FB page. See page 13 of the yearbook for all the details.
- Wanda Kruger announced that there will be a Quilts of Valor sew day on April 1st at Nebraska Quilt Company.

- Julie Joyce reminded everyone of the Eco Fair that will be in April, she hopes to have more participation this year.
- Show and tell next month is paper pieced projects.
- A motion to adjourn was made by Leslie Parr, seconded by Pam Schroeder

Danielle Smith, secretary

## Steering Committee Meeting

February 6, 2023

A motion was made to call the meeting to order by Leslie Thompson, seconded by Susan Williams. Nine members were present.

- Programs are set for the coming year; contracts have been sent.
- Pat Mommsen posted some idea sites on Facebook for the April Challenge Project. A gift certificate from Nebraska Quilt Company will go to the winner.
- Send your items for the newsletter to Susan Williams by the 13th or 14th of February.
- A motion was made to reimburse Sue Arp \$426.93 for the purchase of the new headset for the sound system. Seconded by Pat Mommsen. A HUGE thank you to Sue Arp and Pam Schroeder for addressing this issue!
- Show and tell for February is paper pieced items.
- Some of the officers will speak at the February meeting about the positions they currently hold and hopefully encourage members to step up into some of these positions.
- A salad luncheon with a garage sale will be held on April 29th of 2024 with the proceeds going to the guild.
- The date of the next quilt show is October 18th and 19th of 2024.
- The committee would like to see members share more on Facebook.

A motion to adjourn was made by Anita Groh, seconded by Leslie Thompson.

Danielle Smith, secretary

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