



# Prairie Threads

Prairie Piecemakers Newsletter

Web: <https://prairiepiecemakers.com>

November 2022

## Greetings

I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday season with family and friends despite the rash of bad weather and travel woes we had to endure. As the calendar turned to January 1, 2023, I was inspired to clean things out and get all my unfinished projects completed. Then the calendar turned to January 2, 2023, and the feeling passed. However, the Prairie Piecemakers Quilt retreat held January 13th and 14th helped to inspire me once again. A Big Thank You to Shirley Kunce and Sue Augustine for all their creativity and work to make the retreat a huge success once again.

On January 30th we will be hosting Deb Roberts from the Quilted Moose. She will be bringing many of her quilts and current projects to present in her beautiful trunk show.

I have been very honored and proud to serve as the Prairie Piecemakers current president. My term will be ending in a few short months when I hand the gavel over to Anita Groh who is our current vice president. In order to keep our guild running successfully we are in need of guild members to fulfill openings as officers and committee chairmen for next year. Please take time to consider being a part of the leadership of this wonderful Quilt Guild when asked.

Show and Tell is always one of my favorite parts of our guild meetings. This month I'm asking members to bring their Winter Theme projects. Also, of course, bring what you have been working on and would like to share. Especially the members that completed their projects and the quilt retreat.

Sue Steier, President

## Monday, January 30

### Deb Roberts, "Quilted Moose-Gretna Trunk Show"

Deb Roberts, the owner of the Quilted Moose in Gretna, will be bringing many of her quilts and current projects to present in her trunk show.

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

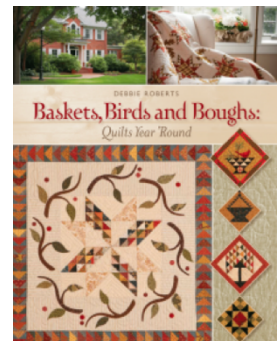
GREETERS: Bert Cowles, Anita Groh, Teri Wolfe

HOSTESSES: \*Julie Robinson, Rhonda Ehrisman, Luann Franzluebbbers, Marilyn Freeman

DOOR PRIZES: Sally Snodgrass, Sierra Walling, Teri Wolfe, Lisa Braasch, Therese Hoyle

QUILT HOLDERS: Teri Wolfe, Therese Hoyle, Pam Schroeder, Sally Christiansen, Lisa Braasch

COMMUNITY SERVICE: Life House – towels and washcloths (new or lightly used), deodorant, razors



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



### **Community Service**

Approximately 50 quilts and fleece blankets were donated to the Bridge to help keep people warm in this cold weather. Thank you for all your donations.

The community service project for **January is towels and washcloths (new or lightly used), razors and deodorant** to be donated to the Life House homeless shelter. Mary Lou Carlson

### **Challenge Project 2023**

Winter days are the perfect time to make plans for this years' 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.

Use those left-over scraps we all have and let your creativity show. Can't wait to see what you create! Projects due at the April meeting.

### **Fremont Quilt of Valor Community Sew Day**

**Saturday, April 1, 2023 10am – 3pm**

#### **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

### **Workshop: “Dresden”**

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

Karen Hill, Granny K Quilts, Spring Hill, Kansas, will present a workshop for Guild members on how to make Dresden blocks and the best way to applique. Class members will be able to complete a small wall hanging. Check your calendars! Workshops are a fun way to meet people and learn from experts.

**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.

### **Public Facebook Page: [Prairiepiecemakersfremont](https://www.facebook.com/Prairiepiecemakersfremont)**

- Go to Facebook and in the search bar type: [Prairiepiecemakersfremont](https://www.facebook.com/Prairiepiecemakersfremont).

- This is our public page with pictures of Quilt Guild activities and notices about upcoming meetings and events.
- You can share these posts on your Facebook page so your friends and family can see what we are doing. This page is a way to market our Guild to perspective members!

**Member Only Facebook Group Page: Prairie Piecemakers Fremont Quilt Group**

Join our private Facebook Group to **watch meetings when you cannot attend**. These events will air live and be posted on the site for viewing later (find them under Media then click on Videos.

- 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
- Ask to **“Join Group”**. If you have paid your dues, you will get a notice that you are accepted.
- You are welcome to share project ideas on this page with other members.

**Prairie Piecemakers Treasurers Report**

12/01-12/31/2022

Certificate of Deposit	\$5,841.94
Checking account Balance 10/31/22	\$16,973.41

Income:	
Retreat 2023	\$135.00
Total Income:	\$135.00

Expenses:	
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Ending Balance-Checking	\$17,108.41
Total on Deposit	\$22,950.35

**Prairie Piecemakers Guild Meeting Minutes**

**November 28 , 2022**

What a fun guild program with Lynn Doyle of “Bloomin’ Minds”! Her patterns and stories had us all in stitches!! (Pun intended). She was so entertaining, and her trunk show of quilts was wonderful. She explained that with her patterns and kits you could get started right away with a project and have it finished in no time. She had so many to choose from to suit any style or holiday. THANK YOU, LYNN!

- A motion to call the business meeting to order was made by Deb Schroeder, seconded by Scott Flanagan. \*President Sue Steier welcomed everyone to the meeting.
- Vice President Anita Grow requested that everyone hold on to their extra stash and hinted at a possible garage sale next year.
- A motion to accept the minutes from the October meeting was made by Pat Mommsen, seconded by Tina Mommens. \*A motion to accept the treasurers report was made by Lisa Braasch, seconded by Julie Robinson.
- MaryLou Carlson announced that 50 quilts/blankets were brought in to be donated to The Bridge. Check page 10 of your yearbook for information on community service items for January. \*Thank you’s were given to the greeters, holders and folders and hostesses. \*Pam Schroeder announced there were 67 members present with 2 new members and 3 guests. 15 members watched via Facebook live.

- The Christmas gathering and challenge will be held at Big Red Keno on Monday December 12th, at 6:30 p.m. If you choose to participate in the potholder exchange, bring two unwrapped. More information is on page 10 in the yearbook.
- Shirley Kunce and Sue Augustine reported 34 have signed up for the January retreat. You still have till the December gathering to sign up. See page 14 of the yearbook for all the details.
- The guild is looking for a couple more members who would like to help with the sound and computer equipment. If you're interested, please contact Susan Williams. The plan is to meet at 6:00 before the meeting in January.
- If you are interested in volunteering to organize an after school sewing program, please contact Susan Williams for more information.

There is no steering committee in December. Steering committee will meet January 2nd. \*Show and Tell for January is a winter theme. Snowmen, snowflakes, flannel etc. \*Door prizes were handed out. Thank you's to those who donated items for the prizes. \*A motion to adjourn was made by Loren Maquette, seconded by Tina Mommens. Danielle Smith, secretary

## Steering Committee Meeting

January 9, 2023

A motion to call the business meeting to order was made by Pat Mommsen, seconded by Pam Schroeder.

- President Sue Steier welcomed the 11 members who were in attendance.
- Vice President Anita Groh reported the programs are all set for the coming year, with discussion ranging from: a garage sale, to the opportunity of sewing your own Prairie Piecemakers Logo block, to having a library and/or book exchange.
- Treasurer Sue Arp that she cashed out the CD and has put it into the checking account.
- Mary Lou Carlson reported that 50 quilts were donated to the Bridge.
- Pam Schroeder reported our guild has 103 members.
- Pat Mommsen and Leslie Thompson are encouraging everyone to participate in the Challenge Project which is a sustainable sewing item.
- Shirley Kunce announced that there are 42 people signed up for the upcoming retreat.
- There was a lot of discussion about the current headset and sound system. A motion was made to have a technician come to the guild meeting, but that motion was withdrawn as more discussion ensued. A motion was made by Deb Schroeder to take the headset in to the store for maintenance, but if the problems still occur then a technician will be called to come to a meeting and help on site. The motion was seconded by Pam Schroeder, a vote was taken and passed.
- New officers will be voted on in April. Those serving on the nominating committee are: Sue Steier, Lisa Braasch and Mary Lou Carlson

A motion to adjourn was made by Susan Williams, seconded by Pam Schroeder.  
Danielle Smith, secretary

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