



Prairie Threads

Prairie Piecemakers Newsletter

Web: <https://prairiepiecemakers.com>

March 2023

Karen Hill, “Degree of Dresden”

Monday, March 27 6:30pm

First Lutheran Church, Fremont



Karen Hill, quilt designer from Granny K Quilts, Spring Hill, Kansas, is a self-declared “expert” on Dresden Quilts based on the very large number she has made. Her lecture defines the degrees that are available when making Dresden Blocks and identifies the ruler required for each. This trunk show is extensive enough to inspire every quilter.

GREETERS: Marlene Preissler, Mary Lou Carlson, Jan Larsen

HOSTESSES: *Pat Young, Sue Arp, Pat Mommsen, Jill Norenberg

DOOR PRIZES: Bert Cowles, Janet Divis, Marlene Priessler, Julie Robinson, Pat Mommsen

QUILT HOLDERS: Wanda Kruger, LuAnn Franzluebbbers, Shirley Kunce, Loraine Smith, Teri Wolfe

COMMUNITY SERVICE: Nursing homes – small stuffed animals, door decorations or small wall hangings

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

March Show & Tell – Block of the Month or Sampler Quilt (as always anything you would like to share).

Workshop: “Dresden”

March 27, 2023, 1-4pm

Karen 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. Cost \$30.00 Pattern included. Call Sue Stier to sign up. Held at Nebraska Quilt Company.

Great news – Salad Supper is Back!

We are going to go back to having our annual salad potluck supper this April, at our last meeting of the year. Everyone is being asked to bring their own drink. It should be a fun evening!

Julie Joyce

We will meet at 6:30 for supper.

If your last name begins with:

- A-I please bring crackers, cheese, bread (or if you like you can bring charcuterie)
- J-S please bring salads
- T-Z please bring desserts

Community Service Sew Day
Tuesday, March 16 at Acme in Blair
9 am – 4pm

Come for the day or as long a time as fits your schedule. Join the Loose Threads quilt group to make small wall-hangings for nursing home residents. This will be a fun day and a good way to use up some of your leftover fabrics. There is no special pattern or size. You may make anything that you think people would enjoy using to decorate their doors. Sue Arp will be providing lunch. Please let her know if you will join the group so she knows how many people to plan for. Sue Arp arpcc@abbnebraska.com 402-660-5882

If you have any questions, you may contact Mary Lou Carlson marylc421@outlook.com 402-719-1989



Challenge Project Reminder

Just a few short weeks until the April meeting when your challenge project is due. Don't forget each entry **must include an index card describing how textiles were repurposed to make your project.**



Need inspiration? Check out “repurposed textiles” on Pinterest.

- 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.
- 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.

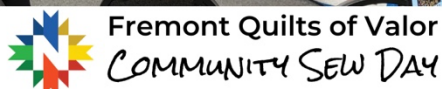
What's Under Your Needle? (Quilt or Needlework)

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.

Membership Forms for 2023-2024 are attached with this newsletter. Sign up by the deadline to receive guild newsletter in August. There are lots of opportunities to be involved!

Congratulations to ACME for winning the Local Quilt Shop Contest by Annie.com. A **Thank You to Nebraska Quilt Company** for being a sponsor of the National Quilt Day at the International Quilt Museum.

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 by Friday, March 24, 2023. Wanda Kruger

Eco-Fair 2023

Thursday, April 20th 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

The Eco Fair is a great way to educate 4th grade students about recycle/upcycle, something all of us have experience with. The kids are great, and very excited to make a T-shirt braided dog chew toy for either their own dog, or we donate the remainder to the pet shelter here in Fremont. The fair will be held at Christensen Field Main Arena, 1730 West 16th Street in Fremont. Approximately 120 students will visit our booth during the fair.

Jill Norenberg, Evelyn Eldridge, and Julie Joyce plan to be there. We **need about three more volunteers**. You can work a shift or all day – it's fun. Julie will have a **table at the March meeting** to answer all your questions. We **need recycled/upcycled/repurposed items**. I'm sure you all have something. If it's valuable to you, it could get damaged, so please don't bring it. For more information contact Julie at 626-665-6222. To drop off items she lives at 824 N. Day Dr.

Event Schedule

8 – 9am	Setup with coffee and pastries
9 – 10:15	Group One
10:30 – 11:45	Group Two
11:45 – 12:30	Lunch (meatloaf or chicken salad)
12:45 – 2:00	Group Three
2:00 – 3:00	Clean-u



Events for Your Calendar

- Celebrate **National Quilting Day at the International Quilt Museum** in Lincoln on Sat., March 18, 2023, from 9:00am to 4:00pm. It is a FREE community event. Tour the IQM quilt exhibitions and view a quilt exhibition featuring quilts celebrating Lincoln Quilters Guild's 50th Anniversary. The Dillow Conservation Workroom will be open to view collection care in action. Learn to Quilt, for all ages; View handwork demonstrations and sit and stitch! Attend special topic lectures. Ala carte lunch will be available for purchase. **FREE Parking:** All University parking lots north of the museum and Hardin Hall at 33rd & Holdrege St. (including restricted lots).
<https://www.internationalquiltmuseum.org/national-quilting-day-0>
- Omaha Quilters Guild 44th 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
- Wolf Country Quilt Show and Garden Walk, Saturday July 15, 2023, Doug, and Teri Wolfe, Follow on Facebook
- Cottonwood Quilt Show 2023; Thur. Oct. 5, 3-7pm; Fri. Oct. 6, 9am –7pm; and Sat. Oct. 7, 9am – 3pm. Lutheran Church of the Master, West Campus, 1200 N 181 Ct. Elkhorn

Prairie Piecemakers Treasurers Report

02/01-02/28/2023

Checking account Balance \$21,755.12

Income:

Winter Retreat \$108.00

Membership \$40.00

Office \$25.00

Total Income: \$173.00

Expenses:

Misc./Headset speaker \$426.93

Program \$200.00

Rent-First Lutheran – 4 months \$600.00

Total Expenses: \$1,226.93

Ending Balance-Checking \$20,701.19

Prairie Piecemakers Guild Meeting Minutes

February 27, 2022

It was a “superhero” kind of night at the February guild meeting. The dynamic mother daughter duo of Stephanie True-Corr and Linda True wowed the members with their stunning array of quilts, including their Judy Niemeyer quilts which are favorites of the duo. A huge thank you to both for sharing these wonderful treasures!

- A motion to call the business meeting to order was made by Scott Flanagan, seconded by LuAnn Franzluebbers.

- A motion to approve the minutes from the January meeting was made by Bert Cowles, seconded by Tina Mommsen.
- A motion to approve the treasurers report was made by Lisa Braasch, seconded by Pat Mommsen.
- MaryLou Carlson thanked those who brought items for community service. Items will be distributed to Arlington and Fremont schools. There will be a sew day again this year at Acme in Blair, March 21st.
- Teri Wolfe thanked the greeters, holders, and folders.
- Kathy Murphy announced that March 18th is National Quilting Day and there will be free admission to the IQM that day.
- Pam Schroeder announced one new member, 7 guests and 72 members were in attendance.
- Julie Joyce thanked the hostesses for the wonderful treats and beautiful table. She reminded the members about the Eco Fair on April 20th.
- April 1st is Quilts of Valor sewing at Nebraska Quilt Company.
- Pat Mommsen asked for a show of hands of those planning on participating in the April challenge project. A new suggestion she gave was "Crumb Quilts". Pat has shared great ideas for inspiration for this project.
- A few of the current officers spoke about what their positions entail and that they have enjoyed serving the guild in this way. There was an emphasis on co/chairing and what fun it has been to work with someone on a committee. There are many resources for the officers and committees to go to for help.
- Show and tell will be Sampler Quilts or Block of the Month.

A motion to adjourn was made by Pam Schroeder, seconded by Loren Paquette.
Danielle Smith, secretary

Steering Committee Meeting Minutes

Monday March 6, 2023

A motion to call the officers meeting to order was made by Pat Mommsen, seconded by Anita Groh.

- Anita Groh reported most of the contracts for speakers for next year are in.
- Mary Lou Carlson reported we collected 70 pairs of socks and 50 pairs of underpants for area schools. Community Service for next month is Door Hangers for Nursing Homes. There will be a workday on Tuesday, March 21 at ACME in Blair hosted by Loose Threads.
- Julie Joyce discussed plans on our Salad Supper at 6:30 for the April Meeting. Julie will organize details and work with the hostesses. Bring your own drink.
- Kathy Murphy indicated that IQM is sponsoring an Open House on Saturday, March 18 for National Quilt Day and Nebraska Quilt Company is a sponsor.
- Pam Schroeder said memberships forms will be sent with the March and April newsletter and posted on the website. Members will have the option to mark a spot to get the yearbook via email instead of print. Members who provide long arm services will be able to list that also.
- Pat Mommsen reminded us that the Challenge Project entries must include a card telling how the textile item was repurposed.
- Sue Steier indicated the Show-in-tell would be a Sampler or BOM.
- Sue Steier reported we are still looking for a Vice President and Quilt Show Chairs.
- The Quilt Show will be October 18 & 19, 2024. Raffle tickets will be printed with the drawing date in time for the Wolfe Country Quilt Show and Garden Walk on Sat. July 15th.
- Motion was made by Debra Schroeder and seconded by Mary Lou Carlson to pay the church for setting up and taking down the tables and chairs for the monthly meetings. Motion passed.
- Julie Joyce will have a table at the meeting for people to sign up to help with the ECO Fair on Thurs. April 20th. She needs repurposed items to display. Youth will make dog chew toys.

- Sue Arp indicated our Non-Profit Corporation Registered Agent needed to be updated. Vice President Anita Groh volunteered and will complete the paperwork.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Pam Schroeder and seconded by Debra Schroeder. Submitted by Susan Williams for Danielle Smith, secretary

2023-2024 Steering Committee

Elected Officers (April Meeting)

President	Anita Groh
Vice President,	
Secretary	Karen Schliefrt
Treasurer	Sue Arp
Members at Large	Lisa Braasch, Pat Mommsen



Appointed Officers

Community Service	Jill Noremberg
Door Prizes	
Greeters/ HOLDERS & Folders	Ann Martin, Terri Wolfe
Hostesses	Danielle Smith
IQM	Kathy Murphy
Membership	Pam Schroeder
Challenge Project	Tina Mommens, Julie Robinson, Luann Franzlubbers
Newsletter	Susan Williams, Debra Schroeder
Yearbook	Chris Hoffman
Publicity Social Media	Carrol Welte
Publicity Print Media	
January Retreat	Sue Steier
December Christmas Party	Loraine Smith, Colette Garton
Quilt Show Chairs	
Garage Sale	Lisa Braasch, Pat Mommsen
Nominating Committee	Lisa Braasch, Mary Lou Carlson, Sue Steier

New Members

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