



## Prairie Threads – Newsletter of Prairie Piecemakers

Join us on Monday, September 25, as Diane Gubbels shares her “Stories of Inspiration” with our Guild.

As her beautiful quilts unfold, so do the stories that lead to their creation. Diane is a talented designer and applique artist and uses her creative spirit to speak through her quilts, using fabric and design.

One of Diane’s greatest joy is to share the work of her hands as she unfolds the stories from her heart.

She asked for a two hour period of time to share her stories. Therefore, there will be no business meeting. Since her program will be starting at 7:00, please come a little early so that we can be finished with snacks and the kitchen can be cleared before that time.

This program should be an inspiration to all of us to take a little time to think about OUR STORY. What is YOUR quilting story?



# Fall is Here!

Greetings Quilting Friends!

As I write this, Christmas is 110 days away (I didn’t break down the number of shopping days)! Are you ready? I’m not!!! I have lots of great intentions but...my follow through needs work! To possibly help with that we have an opportunity for you! We have a workshop in November (at our favorite Country Traditions)! You will have an opportunity to meet Cathy Grier and make a landscape wall hanging. Please mark your calendar for November 27<sup>th</sup> (yes...the Monday after Thanksgiving).

Many thanks to the current Steering Committee. Appreciate your help! You make my job so much easier!

Happy Quilting! **Jill**

**Hostesses:** Colette Garton, Dee Bang, Loraine Smith, Sara Hoegemeyer, Pat Young and Elizabeth Stark

**Greeters:** Kaylene Krueger and Peggy Hansen

**Door Prizes:** Gloria Fink, Anita Groh, Bonnie LaMont and Peggy Hansen

**Community Service:** Non-perishable food items for Low Income Ministry Food Pantry

Prairie Piecemakers Meeting, August 28, 2017

President, Jill Norenberg, introduced our speaker for the evening, Carol Elmore of Manhattan, KS at 7:00 pm. "Gone To The Dogs" was the title of her presentation.

Business meeting was called to order at 8:20 pm. Motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes and Treasurers report as printed in the newsletter.

Sandy McDuffee reported membership for the evening as 64 members, 1 new member, and 4 visitors in attendance.

Sharon Sutton will be collecting registrations and payment for the January retreat.

Door prizes for the evening were won by Marj Porter, Gloria Fink, Janice Havranek, Margaret Hanson, Sue Steier, Kaylene Krueger, Sharon Strong, and Pam Schroeder.

Motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 pm.

Show and Tell concluded the evening.

The next Steering Committee meeting will be held Tuesday, September 5, 6:30 p.m. at First Lutheran Church.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sharon Strong, Recording Secretary

Steering Committee Minutes – September 5, 2017

Committee met at First Lutheran Church. Meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by President Jill Norenberg with 10 members present. Treasurer's report showed a balance of \$14,864.25 at time of meeting.

Marilyn Freeman requested newsletter items to be given to her at time of the Steering Committee meeting to give adequate time for publishing the newsletter.

Motion was made and seconded that presenters at Prairie Piecemakers' meetings can sell their patterns and/or tools at meetings. If function is at Country Traditions or at a business, selling of items needs to be approved by owner of business.

Much discussion was had regarding the 2018 Quilt Show.

New business was November meeting and speaker workshop.

At 7:30 pm, motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting,

Next Steering Committee meeting will be October 3, 6:30 pm at First Lutheran Church.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sharon Strong, Recording Secretary

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SHOW

The Committee Chairmen for 2018 is nearly complete. One still needed is someone to contact VENDORS and follow up with contracts, etc. This is a job that is done ahead of time and not too much work at Show. The second chair needed is DECORATIONS. This involves mostly displays at ends of rows and outside plus a few table decorations. Marilyn is waiting for your call. STEP UP!

The **Hope Center** is a non-profit organization that provides a safe after school and summer program where children and youth can take part in academic support, activities, youth development and employment training. The Hope Center was started in Omaha in 1998 by former Fremont Pastor Ty Schenzel to faithfully inspire hope in the lives of youth and children through education, employability, collaboration and faith. It expanded in 2014 to create a Fremont location.

At the August 28th meeting we collected 112 pouches of fruit snacks, 20 notebooks, 3 - 24 packs of crayons, 3 pencil/crayon sharpeners, 6 glue sticks, 82 pencils, 10 bic pens, 1 pkg filler paper, 1 ream of copy paper and 1 box of kleenex. These items were given to Hope Center/Fremont. **Great job quilters!**



**Feeding the Community**

At the upcoming September 25 meeting we will be collecting non-perishable food items for the Dodge County Low Income Ministry Food Pantry. The Low Income Ministry is an ecumenical, non-profit agency originally started in 1972 by church ladies collecting clothing for local families in need. Today the group provides food through their Food Pantry. In addition to food, the organization provides basic needs assistance, employability assistance, school supplies, box fans, clothing, housewares and hygiene items to those in need. Let's continue our generous support by sharing non-perishable food items at the September meeting.

**Pam Larsen— Community Service Chairman**

Prairie Piecemakers – Report for September 1, 2017

**Certificate of Deposit**

**\$5,687.02 Balance July 31, 2017**  
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**Checking Account**

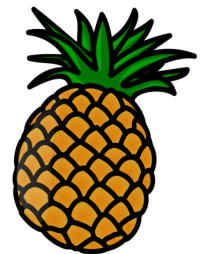
**\$10,074.58 Balance July 31, 2017**

**Income \$120.00 membership dues**  
**Total income \$120.00**

**Expenses \$ 50.00 Dianne Cook, repay**  
 Les Main gift cert  
 \$ 40.00 HQN – 3-year membership  
 \$400.00 Good Shepherd – 4 month's rent  
 \$490.00 Carol Elmore – speaker/mileage  
 \$ 37.35 Marilyn Freeman – supplies

**Total Expenses \$1,017.35**  
**Ending Balance August 31, 2017**  
**\$14,864.25**  
**\$14,864.25 Total on deposit**

*SEW'N'SEWS small group reminds you to bring your registration form (in the August newsletter) and your money to the September 25th meeting for the PINEAPPLE LUAU Retreat, January 12-13, 2018, at Country Traditions. The cost is \$45 for both day, and \$30 for one day.*



*If you have never been to a retreat, please go to this one! Within this time span you get acquainted with sister quilters, learn new techniques (or sew on your own), graze on great food and have FUN. A plus is that you get to go home at night and sleep in your own bed.*

*In October and November registrations will open up to other quilting friends. Reserve your space now!*

*This is one retreat you do not want to miss!*

Freeman

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**Guild Meeting:** September 25, 2017

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

Refreshments at 6:15, Meeting begins at 7:00

**Steering Committee:** October 3, 2017

First Lutheran Church, 3200 E. Military at 6:30

(Enter in the west office door)

**Be sure and bring with you:**

**September's Donations for**

**Community Service**

**Your coffee Mug and camera**

**Door Prizes**

**A friend!**

**Links to visit**

**Nebraska State Quilt Guild**

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

**International Quilt Study Center**

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

Wishing everyone a great bountiful fall, full of beautiful delicious APPLES, round bright orange PUMPKINS, and friends to share them with!

