

# MINOT PRAIRIE QUILT GUILD

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July 2010

**Thursday July 1st**

**TIME:** Picnic starts at 6:00 p.m.

**LOCATION:** Roosevelt Park #2 Site

1219 Burdick Expressway E, Minot, ND

## GUILD BOARD MEMBERS

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### **NEWSLETTER**

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### **PUBLICITY**

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### **WEBMASTER**

### From the President

The calendar says it's summer, but as I write this, the rain continues to fall and I'm sure we are all wondering if summer will ever arrive. We are being very hopeful in keeping with our plans to have the golf outing prior to the July meeting and our picnic is still scheduled for Roosevelt Park. If we ban together, possibly our collective positive energy will disperse the negative ions in the clouds and produce a beautiful day for our July guild meeting.

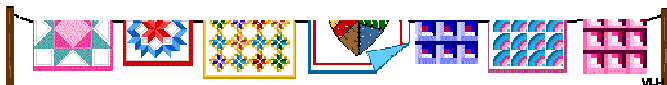
The guild board voted some time ago not to host a lecture by this year's State Fair Judge, Valerie Boman. However, we can still show our support for Valerie by attending one of her trunk shows while she is in North Dakota. Valerie will be in Garrison on Monday, July 19th at the SACA Lodge, at 7:00 p.m.; in Williston on the 18<sup>th</sup> and in Grand Forks on the 21<sup>st</sup>. With the State Fair just around the corner, a reminder that you can quickly obtain your quilt entry blanks online; or stop by the State Fair office and pick up a State Fair booklet. Either way, you won't want to miss the July 12th entry deadline.

The completion of a number of Community Service quilts is very encouraging. We have a ways to go, however, to meet Lynn's challenge. Let's rev up those sewing machines and head for the finish line in style.

A note for your calendar - we have cancelled our July and August Saturday Sewing days due to the State Fair and our guild retreat, both of which happen to fall on the same weekend as our previously scheduled Saturdays at the Library. We will resume those Sewing Saturdays in September.

"On the links" of Apple Grove, or under the band shelter at the Park, either way, we'll see YOU July 1st!

*Luanne*



## **PLEASE NOTE ALTERNATE MEETING LOCATION FOR THE JULY MEETING!!!!!!**

### **General Meeting Minutes for June 3, 2010.**

Meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm. Our meeting was held at Head Start. There were 45 members present. No guests came this month.

President Luanne extended condolences from the guild to Joan Mahoney and Roberta Flannigan and get well wishes to Jackie Slagle for her son's recovery.

President Luanne read a poem to open the meeting.

There were eight hostesses this month. Verla Geinert won the gift certificate. The question was: Do you have anything to enter for the State Fair? Answers were: one yes and seven no's.

Name Tag drawing was won by Merry Green.

A motion to accept the minutes as printed in the newsletter was made by Patty Bretheim and seconded by Jen Moe. Voice vote carried.

Sally Mosser gave the Treasurer's report. Sally asked everyone to let her know if they needed forms to submit for payment or for deposits of guild funds.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

B.O.M.: A basket block was left at the May meeting please check to see if you are missing your block.

Quilting Dilemmas: none

Challenge to Change: Nita Korgel showed her "Simple Simon" pattern.

Travel Tales: Book is here and 'Tales' canvasses are ready to be picked up for your entries.

Festival Update: A thank you for the Festival's National Teacher award was received from Eileen Solberg and read to the membership. There will no Festival Board meeting in June or July.

August Retreat: Lynn Heald reported five beds are still available.

Community Service: Lynn Heald told us she has kits on site for anyone who wanted to take one. President Luanne presented two wall hanging sized children's quilts to Diana Reiner who accepted on behalf of Head Start as a thank you for allowing us to use their building for our meetings.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Arts in the Park was promoted. Posters were here for anyone wanting to help advertise.

A game of Name That Block was played. There were four winners.

State Fair: We were reminded to get our entries ready.

Saturday Sewing: Vice President Becky Spies reported about the pet pads that were done on the May Saturday Sewing day. The Animal Shelter was very pleased with the 15+ pads they received. There will be no Saturday sewing in July because it falls during Fair Week. Merry Green explained the apron she would be teaching at the June Saturday Sewing on the 26th.

Raffle Quilt: We need volunteers to sell tickets for the 4:30 – 6:30 shift at the SRT annual meeting.

Library: A large amount of books and magazines were given to the guild library by Phyllis Tonnenson. There were also many magazines donated by Marlene Rasmusson for the members to take home after the meeting. A thank you to each of you ladies for your generous gift.

Show and Tell: Eleven members showed. Sylvia Rau told us more about the afternoon English Tea and concert to be presented in Oak Park on June 13<sup>th</sup>. The Tea will start at 3pm and will be \$5 a plate. The Band will play at 4 pm. Last person to show was Vice President Becky Spies who displayed the 2009 Presidents quilt. It was then presented to President Luanne.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Our July guild meeting will be the Picnic at the Park. If you plan to attend, please bring a dish to share. There will be a golf outing prior to the picnic. Call Lynn Sys at 837-6211 to sign up so we can notify the golf course on how many will be playing.

Next Guild meeting will be July 1<sup>st</sup>.

Next Board meeting will be June 17<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm. Note the time change. Location to be announced.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:05 pm

Susan Melgaard, Secretary

#### **June Show and Tell**

1. Lorraine Hanson - Flag wall hanging
2. Sylvia Rau - Tea in the Park
3. Janice Talley – Butterfly wall hanging
4. Nita Korgel – Simple Simon
5. Kathy Burckhard – Puzzle quilt
6. Sharon Strube – John Deere quilt and Metigoshe quilt
7. Donna Nason - bag
8. Pam Abrahamson - Motif 'star'
9. Diana Reiner – Nathan's wedding quilt
10. Donna Vangsness – Casey's' quilt
11. Susan Melgaard – mystery class quilt
12. Becky Spies – President's quilt

## June 17, 2010 – Board meeting

Meeting was called to order at 6 pm by President Luanne. Meeting was held at Luanne's home.

Those present were: Luanne Duchsherer, Becky Spies, Susan Melgaard, Sally Mosser and Lynn Heald. We did not have the necessary six members for a quorum. No votes were taken. There was a low turnout due to the heavy rain event Minot experienced today.

Those present discussed the statement presented by Brady Martz for Federal and State compliance work done on our behalf.

Treasurer Sally Mosser provided a verbal report. Treasury balance is \$8,937.70

**Newsletter:** Next deadline will be June 21<sup>st</sup>. Committee Chairs should always have an article to submit.

The New Member Spotlight this month will be Merri Jo Connole.

**Programs:** Everything is in place for the July guild programs.

Saturday Sewing day apron lesson will be given June 25. Still room for a few more members. An e-message will be sent out asking for additional sign ups.

**Membership:** 'Homecoming' postcards will be sent to past members to join us at the October meeting and Shop Hop.

**Library:** There are new books.

**Publicity:** Nothing to report.

**Historian:** No report

**Comm. Service:** Labeling of the quilts was discussed. The Guild Retreat still has room for 5 people. The Theme has been well received. Gifts/prizes were discussed.

**Festival:** No report.

**Hospitality:** Everything is set for the picnic.

**B.O.M.:** State Fair block is set to go.

**Website Update:** Luanne asked if anyone had pages from the old website. She is working on the information.

**Sewing at the Library:** Merry Green will be in charge for June. There will be no Library sewing during July or August.

**2011 Raffle Quilt:** President Luanne sold tickets at SRT and reported that sales will be down due to the weather.

**NDSQC:** Group discussed the NDSQC closing and how this will affect the State Fair Quilt judging. It was decided to wait for more information.

The elections for 2011 were discussed. Becky will work on this herself before calling for a committee.

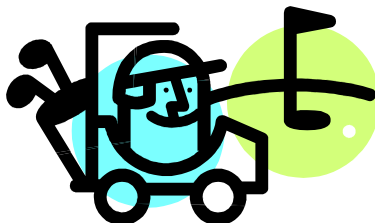
A short discussion was held regarding Board meetings and who was eligible to vote at those meetings.

Meeting adjourned, 7pm

Susan Melgaard, Secretary

## Festival 2011 – Teacher Sighting

This morning I was indulging my quilting cravings while waiting for the Fathers day cake I had in the oven to bake. I had my feet up, enjoying a cup of coffee while looking at the latest issue of Fons & Porter's Love of Quilting. To my surprise I spied a new pattern by one of our National teachers for 2011. Sally Schneider's pattern called Scrap Happy is on pages 63 – 65 of the July/August issue. Sally is the author of ten books, including her latest, Crazy for Scraps plus a line of patterns for quilts with built-in borders. She is also the inventor of two tools useful for quilt makers: the Gizmo for making half-square triangles from rectangles and the Magic Triangle ruler for making Shaded Four Patch blocks two at a time. She teaches classes throughout the US, using her easily-accomplished techniques that create complicated-looking patterns. Her web site is [www.SallySchneider.com](http://www.SallySchneider.com) If you have scraps sitting around and want to try Sally's fun way of quilting here is your chance. Susan Melgaard



**JULY PROGRAM:** Our July meeting will be at Roosevelt Park in the #2 Shelter (same location as last year). Picnic is potluck. There will be golfing before the picnic so be sure and sign up for that. There will be some "fun and games" with prizes! Hope to see everyone there!



**JULY SERVERS:** Everyone coming to the picnic is to bring a food item to share (potluck). Disposable plates, forks, napkins, glasses, beverages and coffee will be provided. July hostesses are asked to come a little early to help set up and to bring a tablecloth which can be used on the rather rough outdoor tables. The July hostesses are Patty Brethem, Kathleen Burckhard, Bev Cushing, Sandra Duchsherer, Roberta Flannigan, Deb Frost, Jean Hennessy, Jan Hinzpeter, Joan Peterson, LuAnn Roise, and Sharon Strube.

**Calling All 1930's Fans:** Anyone interested in joining a small quilting group focusing on 1930's retro prints and patterns? Contact Patty Brethem at 838-0589.

**Shantel's Custom Quilting** --Shantel Hughes, Sawyer, ND, has a longarm quilting business. If you need custom "free motion" quilting (no pantographs), you can call Shantel at 624-5438 for a quote. Shantel currently displays her work at The Quilted Bean in Velva.

### **RAFFLE TICKETS**

We have tickets available for each member to sell in support of this project. If you are unable to attend the July meeting, and have not yet picked up your book of tickets, please call one of us to make arrangements.

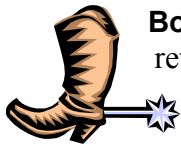
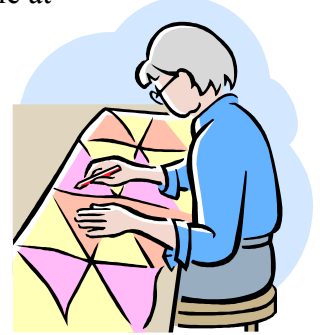
*Sharon Strube*  
839-8554

*Marjorie Arnold*  
858-1824

Saturday One Day Retreat at the Library - There will be no Saturday retreats for July or August. They will resume in September.

**Home on the Range:** We received a request from Home on the Range for a quilt or wall hanging for their auction to be held on October 30, 2010. The donated items need to reach them by August 27<sup>th</sup> to have a photo included in their booklet. The event will be at the Eagles Club in Bismarck. Viewing of the quilts at Home on the Range will be Friday October 29<sup>th</sup> from 1:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Any donated items should be sent to Home on the Range at 16351 I-94, Sentinel Butte, ND 58654. If you need to call them the number is 701-872-3745 and ask for Robin Johnson, the Administrative Assistant. The guild board has decided to again donate a quilt for this cause. But, individual members can also donate if they wish.

**Community Service:** Thank you to all the quilters that have picked up quilt kits and have returned them completed. Our thanks also to our quilters who have helped finish quilts and to those who have completed donations of their own creation. There are always Community Service quilt kits available at every meeting. Is there a service organization that you would like for us to consider this year to receive some of our Community Service quilts in November? We are starting to compile our list so that we can contact these agencies to see if they have a need for quilts. Let us know who you would like added to the list and we will make the contact.



**Boot Scootin' Retreat:** The Bunk House is just about full for a root-tootin' good time at this year's retreat, August 27-29 at Metigoshe Ministries. Y'all round up your schedules and plan to join us.

Wranglers will be working on Boot Scooting Community Service squares, and rumor has it that some will be sporting their cowboy/cowgirl evening duds! Make no mistakes about it, this is going to be a boot scooting retreat you don't want to miss.



### **NEW MEMBER SPOTLIGHT – Merri Jo Connole:**

I was a member of the Guild a number of years ago but rejoined about 2 years ago.

My mom (Helen Peterson) taught me to sew when I was very young. I still have the little Singer sewing machine my uncle bought me for Christmas when I was about 8 years old. My mom made all my clothes growing up and I concentrated my sewing on Barbie clothes. Quilting seemed like the next natural step. I took my first beginners quilting class about 20 years ago. (I just finished that sampler quilt about 5 years ago!)

I enjoy both traditional piecing and paper piecing and also love wool appliqué. I'm a frustrated hand quilter but I can still hear my mother's

voice "if you would just sit down and practice for a while, you'll get the hang of it" so I know there is hope for me. I usually finish one to two throw quilts a year along with a few table toppers. I have usually favored the darker colors in quilts but have recently become attached to the color themes of the "American Jane" line of fabrics and have some of that ready for a new project. I also love the books and fabrics by Heather Mulder Peterson (Anka's Treasures). I had knee replacement surgery in Rochester last November which gave me an opportunity to visit the Thimbleberries Studio in Hutchinson.

What I love about quilting is the camaraderie of not only the members of our guild but of quilters everywhere. I have never felt ashamed to ask a question in a quilt shop because everyone has always been so helpful and willing to share information.

I'm a graduate of Minot State University and have worked as a Financial Aid Counselor at MSU for the last 13 years. I'm involved with Altar Society at Our Lady of Grace Church and also the YWCA of Minot. I'm married to Kevin and have three children; Erin in Frederick, MD; Marcie (James) Burns in Minot, and Rebecca (Steven) Knutson in Fargo. I love spending time with my grandkids, Tyler (3) and Lauren (1). My weekends are usually spent at Lake Metigoshe where we recently finished a year-round home.

There must be a beginning of any  
great matter, but the continuing to the  
end until it be thoroughly finished  
yields the true glory.

Francis Drake

Happy Quilting and Happy Summer 2010



Celebrate the 4<sup>th</sup> of July  
Freedom Isn't Free

# July BOM , State Fair Block

## Material

from dark color fabric cut

4 dark 2 1/2x 2 1/2inch

from light color fabric cut

12 2 1/2x 2 1/2inch

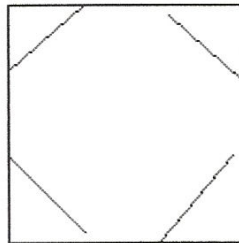
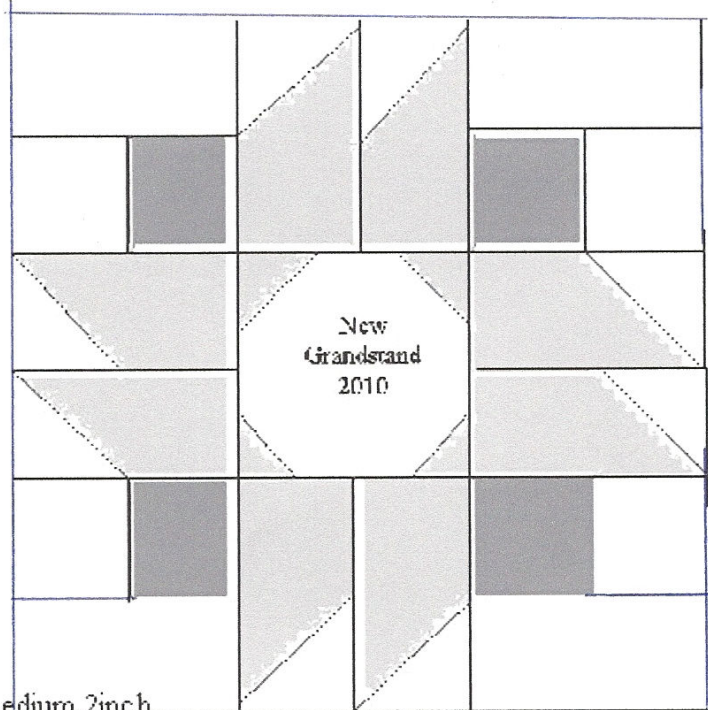
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1 4 1/2x 4 1/2 inch

from medium color fabric

4 2x2 inch

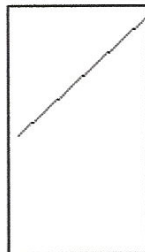
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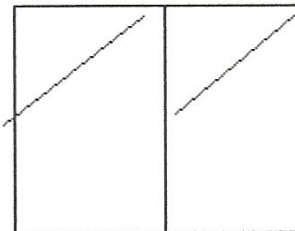
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sew the medium 2inch squares in each corner and flip them

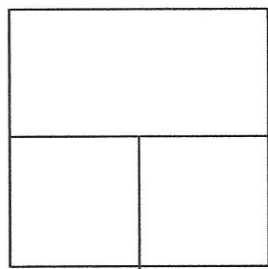
Center can be embroidered



Sew 2 1/2 inch square of light fabric on end of 2 1/2x 4 1/2 inch medium fabric and flip.



Make 8 of these and sew them together in pairs.



Sew a light fabric 2 1/2 square to a 2 1/2 inch square of dark fabric, then add the 2 1/2x 4 1/2inch of light fabric to this. Make 4 of these.

**SEE YOU AT THE PICNIC AT ROOSEVELT PARK!**



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