

MINOT PRAIRIE QUILT GUILD

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June 2011

Thursday June 2, 2011

Refreshments served at 6:45 p.m. – Meeting at 7:00 p.m.

**LOCATION: Vincent United Methodist Church
1024 2nd Street SE, Minot, ND**

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WEB LIAISON

Bonnie Deutch

From the President

I am still marveling at the wonderful program presented by Julia Mehlhoff last month. Her “favorite things” were so colorful with such interesting back-stories. And those antique sewing machines were so interesting! I am considering now what to do with the lovely silk square she gifted each of us.

How are your State Fair projects coming along? As you know, we need all of your entries to make this a success. And besides, we all love to look at all of those quilts and get new ideas for our own projects.

I would like to take this opportunity to remind you about the Quilter’s Hodge Podge basket I am sponsoring. It is my intention to donate the basket to the Air Base’s Breast Cancer Awareness fund raiser. I really believe in this cause and feel that we have all been affected by this disease in one way or another.

Okay, off the soapbox now. I hope to see you all at the meeting.

Becky



May 5, 2011 Minot Prairie Quilt Guild Minutes

Meeting was called to order at 7:05pm by President Becky Spies. We had 64 members present this month.

Welcome to all guests and new and old members. We had three guests and one new member present this month.

At this time we had our guild program. Julia Mehlhoff displayed many of her antique sewing machines, small items of interest and many quilts. Julia gave every guild member in attendance a gift of a Patriotic silk square and some ideas of how to use them. She then gave us a great Trunk show with many of her quilts.

A motion to accept the **April minutes** as published in the newsletter was made by Janice Talley. This was seconded by Vonnie Dehnke.

Treasurer's report was given by Sally Mosser and accepted.

This month's **Hostess winner** is Lyla Kraft

Name Tag winner is Pam Abrahamson

BOM: Roberta Flanagan had members show the House blocks for May. Becky Spies won the May drawing.

Library: Bonnie Deutch showed a new Library book called Free Motion Quilting

Festival: Sharon Torgerson spoke to the membership asking for help with Festival 2012. New helpers are very welcome. She is still looking for a theme and chair people to fill out the Festival Board.

Membership: We are looking for a Membership chairman.

Newsletter: All new members have been added and changes for 2011 have been made to the mailing list for the newsletter. If any member is not getting the newsletter, please let Carol know so she can get that fixed for you.

Community Service: Audrey Lunday thanked the guild for the help. There are still many quilts that need to be quilted.

Old Business:

- See Patty Bretheim if you wish to order the Gizmo tool from Sally Schneider.
- Next month will be the last month for guild members to find their leftover items from the 2011 Festival Flea Market. All remaining items will be turned over to the Vincent Methodist Church at that time.

New Business:

- Becky explained the Quilters Hodge Podge.
- State Fair; don't forget to have those entries ready!
- Raffle quilt blocks. *Please be very careful and check illustration before cutting.* They are due back **NOT LATER THAN** the July guild meeting on the 7th.
- Becky Spies will be away on vacation from May 14 through May 27. Please contact another board member if you have questions, especially Jean Knudson or Jan Hinzpeter.

Show and Tell: See list below.

May Basket Exchange had many members taking part.

Reminders: Everyone please tidy your area before you leave. All current hostesses please report to the kitchen for cleanup. All June hostesses please meet with Judy.

Next Board meeting is May 19.

Next Guild meeting is June 2.

Meeting Adjourned at 9 pm

Susan Melgaard, Secretary

May Guests and New Members

Colleen Sherven – guest
Daren Dockter – guest
Sue Brown – new member
Lori Jilkihoy - guest

May SHOW and TELL

Lynn Heald – Retreat Community Service Quilt
Diane Stevens – Mystery Quilt
Patty Bretheim – 10 Minute Table Runner, Sally's
Scrap quilt
Mavis Meyer – Com. Service quilt
Luanne Duchsherer – Border quilt, Easter Runner
Donna Nason – Twister quilt
Jackie Slagle – quilts
Maggie Mack – Underground Railroad quilt
Sandy Duchscherer – Table Cloth
Nancy Fry – Vintage antique quilt tops
Diana Reiner – Batik quilt
Irene – Community Service

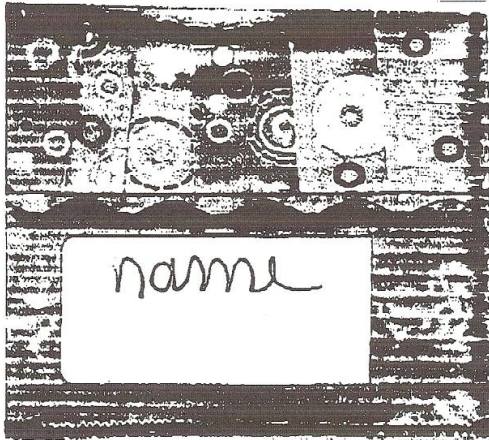
Name Tags for May, June & July Submitted by Jan Hinzpeter

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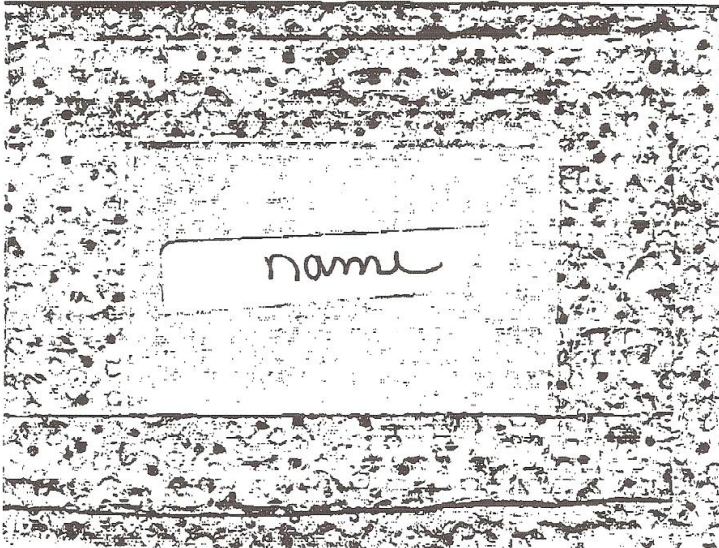
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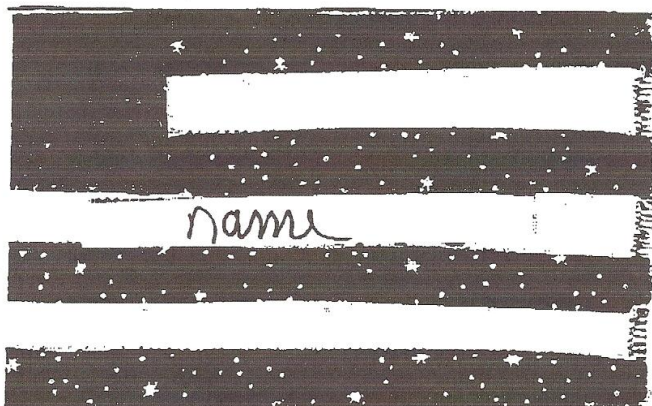
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May Name Tag
 use scraps!
 Sew top section strips + cut to $1\frac{1}{2}'' \times 3\frac{1}{2}''$
 cut bottom section $1\frac{3}{4}'' \times 3\frac{1}{2}''$
 cut back $3'' \times 3\frac{1}{2}''$ + batting $3'' \times 3\frac{1}{2}''$
 Sew together - quilt as desired.
 Zig zag edges - add name on front
 attach pin to the back.



June
 center pc $2\frac{1}{2}'' \times 3''$
 Borders $1\frac{1}{4}''$ wide
 Attach sides then
 top + bottom - quilt
 and bind as
 desired -



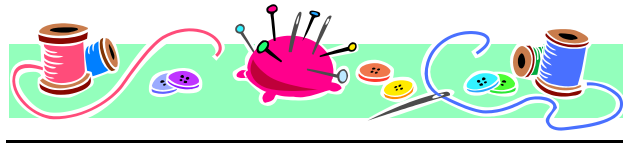
July
 cut 1 Blue square $1\frac{1}{2}'' \times 1\frac{1}{2}''$
 Red fabric cut 2 $1'' \times 5''$
 cut 2 $1'' \times 3\frac{1}{2}''$
 white fabric cut 2 $1'' \times 5''$
 cut 1 $1'' \times 3\frac{1}{2}''$
 Sew the $1'' \times 3''$ strips together
 Attach Blue square
 attach remaining strips
 quilt and bind as desired



SATURDAY SEWING AT THE LIBRARY: PLEASE NOTE: [There will no Saturday sewing in May due to the Memorial Day Weekend.](#)

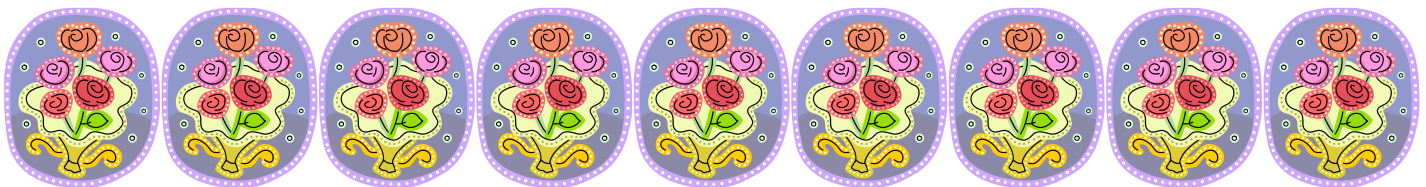
Quilter's Hodge Podge: Becky Spies will be collecting items for a basket to be auctioned at the Minot Air Force Base Breast Cancer Awareness Luncheon and Quilt Auction. The "basket" will be brought to the June, July and August guild meetings. If you wish to contribute please bring only new books, patterns and fabrics to one of these meetings or contact Becky.

JUNE PROGRAM: Bev and Merry will continue with lessons from the Quilter's Academy by Harriet Hargrave. The lesson includes the following topics from CLASS 13: Why 1/4" Seams Don't Work, Measuring for accuracy (seams), Sewing for Accuracy and Pressing for Success. Also at the June meeting there will be a presentation as follows:



Buttons. A whole world of buttons. Small buttons, big buttons, round buttons, square buttons, green buttons, red buttons, metal buttons, glass buttons, white buttons, black buttons, old buttons, new buttons, American buttons, Czech buttons, hand made buttons, machine made buttons, expensive buttons, cheap buttons, yellow buttons, pink buttons, bright buttons, dull buttons. Explore the world of buttons with Liz Hoppman and Kae Watson of 183 Trading Company. We will share with you our first adventure in the world of buttons, a trip to Prague Czech Republic to search for glass buttons. Find out which member of the Prairie Quilt Guild went on our first Button adventure. Experience the world of the insignificant magnificent buttons.

30th Anniversary Kick-off ... July is the start of our 30th year anniversary. We will be planning anniversary activities throughout the program year. We'd like to start out with a "NAMETAG CONTEST". Create a nametag that celebrates our 30 years as a Quilt Guild. Wear the nametag to our July meeting.



JUNE SERVERS: . Hostesses for this month are: Fern Laudenschlager, Gerry Burns, Carol Kraft, Pam Brooks, Leone Nera, Evelyn Presky, Mikki Regstad, Marge Westphal and Shawn. Setup is Shawn, Carol and Marge. All others are on cleanup (pushing chairs in, wipe tables and counters off, wash coffee pots and put in totes and back in closet). You may bring whatever you would like. Any questions call 838-2727 or 852-1845. Judy

THANK YOU TO THOSE HOSTESS THAT HELPED WITH SETUP AND CLEANUP FOR THE MAY TEA AND THE WONDERFUL LUNCH

Membership Desk: Deb Frost and Lynn Sys will be manning the membership desk for the June Meeting. Thank You, Ladies.

Note From Agnes Faul: My sister is doing a quilt retreat (tour) Oct. 2 - 7, 2011 at Rapid City. S.D.

If anyone is interested in your guild or area, the info is on i-net

Road Scholar.org

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click on Quilts - Fabric Stories Would be great to see you there!! I have missed attending the Quilt Festival in March, we've been spending time in AZ. So have attended quilt shows there.

Have a great day

Agnes Faul



BOOK NOOK NEWS

By Librarian Bonnie Deutch

I want to thank all our members that have been supporting and utilizing our Guild Library. Above all else we want to acquire books and materials that will inspire you to create many beautiful quilts so please let us know what books you would like to see us acquire. I welcome all suggestions.

As a reminder we want to inform members that the Library will be open starting at 6:15 PM and will remain open after our regular meeting ends as long as people want to peruse our Library materials.

We will have two new books to feature at our June meeting. The quilter is Deb Karasik from Quilt Mavens. She is the featured quilter at the "Badlands Quilters Retreat" to be held in Medora in the fall. You can go to www.quiltmavens.com and see many of her amazing quilts featured in this website.

The first book is Quilt Mavens, Perfect Paper Piecing by Deb Karasik and Janet Mednick complete with a Pattern CD. For all you quilters that love paper piecing or want to learn the technique here is a wonderful book that will give you lots of inspiration, and don't forget to look at the Gallery of quilts starting on page 83.

The second book is Quilts with Attitude by Deb Karasik also complete with a Pattern CD. If you like working with Batiks this book features some beautiful quilts using this fabric. I especially liked the quilts featured in Chapter 3, "The Zen of it All". Until next month Happy Quilting and see you at the Library.

Be A Pal: Are you a long-time member who has looked around and noticed that you don't know all the names to go with the faces you see at Guild meetings? Are you a new member and want to get to know the faces that go with the names you hear? Well, I have the answer for you, Be A Pal!! To be a Pal, just sign up on one of the slips of paper at the Membership table. You will be matched with another member who is your Pal. Hopefully you will make a pal for life but for this program the term runs 3 months. During the 3 months you are asked to sit with your pal at meetings and get to know each other. No gifts are expected or required. If you choose, you may want to get together additionally outside of meetings, say Saturday sewing, but it is not required. At the end of 3 months, if the members have enjoyed it and want to, we'll start all over again. It is hoped that everyone will have at least one 3-month period during the year that they would like to play. **Names were drawn at the April meeting for May, June and July. Think about being a pal and submitting your name in August.**

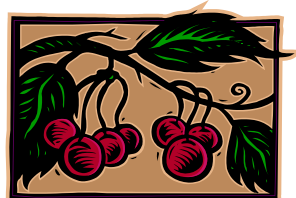
COMMUNITY SERVICE: THANK YOU so much to everyone who has helped get the community service quilts done. And if you bring your rotary cutters, mats and rulers to the May meeting, you can help cut pieces to make the next future quilts. Cutting would be greatly appreciated, as my old wrists aren't quite what they used to be! We have some quilts ready to be bound so if you're up for putting on bindings, please take an unbound quilt home to work on. If you're not into binding, we have kits ready for you to take and sew together making us more tops. As always we are begging for backings and batings. Just bring them to the meeting. Backings take anyplace from 2 to 4 yards. Smaller pieces are great to make the tops. Thank you from the Community Service Ladies.

Quilt Festival Flea Market Lost and Found Items: There are still a number of items left from the Flea Market, which are missing their tags. The box of these items will be at the June meeting. After that any items left will be donated to the Vincent UMC Rummage Sale. If you have any questions, please call Debby Brothers (839-6470) or Sandy Duchsherer (838-0167).

2012 Festival News: I hope everyone is looking forward to the 2012 "Quilters Are "Berry" Special quilt festival. Yes, ladies we have the theme for 2012 and it will be filled with berries of all kinds; cherries, strawberries, raspberries, blueberries, cranberries and etc. Look for more information on the theme, quilt challenge and etc in the upcoming months. We still have a few openings on the board - Co-chair for one and there might still be a couple more. If you are interested in serving on the board please contact me ASAP. We also need to have our books audited. If anyone is interested in volunteering to help us with this project please contact me or Bonnie Deutch.

Happy Quilting!!

Sharon Torgerson, Festival Chair.





2011 BLOCK OF THE MONTH
“Year of the Houses”

We have been seeing some very creative house blocks each month. Great job! Keep those creative thoughts flowing. For those of you who have not made any house blocks, it is not too late. Bring any house block to the meeting i.e. birdhouse, farmhouse, outhouse, well you get the idea. Everyone who brings a block gets their name put in a hat for a drawing for a fat quarter and you get to keep your block for future use.

Memo to: MPQG Membership from Julia Mehlhoff

Believe it or not, the Pure & Simple Retreat is just around the corner! The number of MPQG participants is wonderful!

At this time, we can all start to notify those quilters who are not MPQG members and let them know that they are invited by the Membership to join us in August. We only have openings for a few more, so they will need to send their registration and fee asap! If you want a hand-out to give them please print the attachment - it provides retreat information and registration instructions for non-members.

Ladies, we will have a wonderful time! Approximately July 1, you will receive a Pure & Simple Retreat Packet containing fabrics with instructions about how to participate in a fun exchange as well as some hints as to what you might expect at the retreat. So, for those of you who have made a partial payment please try to have your registration paid in full as soon as you can so that your packet can be sent to you!

It will be nice to see everyone at Metigoshe in August!

Thanks everyone!



**PURE & SIMPLE
Quilting Retreat
August 19 - 21, 2011**

Held at Metigoshe Ministries Retreat Center, Lake Metigoshe, North Dakota

Gifts

Drawings

Block sharing

Sewing and visiting with friends at your leisure...

Oh, yes ...and a unique and fun challenge you might want to take part in!

Overnighter's Package \$115.00 Daytimer's Package \$55.00

Overnighter's Package includes all meals & overnight lodging in shared theme room.

Daytimer's Package includes all meals - No overnight stay.

Make your reservation soon! Send roommate requests, Theme Room Preferences

& full payment or at a minimum a 50% deposit.

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Breaking News before Printing!!!!

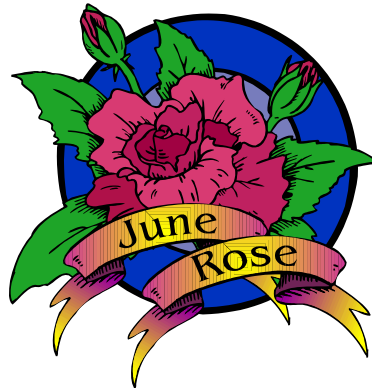
OKAY... THE PURE & SIMPLE RETREAT IS FULL !

All PURE & SIMPLE registrants that owe balances must be paid in full no later than July 1.

Payment in full must be made in order to receive important Retreat Packets that will be sent to registrants or about July 1st.

Thanks much!

Julia



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