

# MINOT PRAIRIE QUILT GUILD

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November 2011

**Thursday November 3, 2011**

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

**LOCATION: Vincent United Methodist Church  
1024 2<sup>nd</sup> Street SE, Minot, ND**

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Vacant

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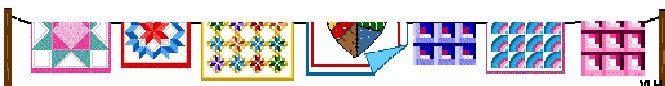
Bonnie Deutch

From the President

“The leaves of brown came tumbling down, remember?” Yep, my yard is full of leaves. How about you? It is hard for me to believe that Thanksgiving is less than a month away and then Christmas will be hard on its heels. This year has really flown for me.

I have been reflecting on this year and wondering. If this year were a quilt how would I make it? Certainly there would be plenty of color, bright splashes of it. That would represent my friends and the color they bring to me. Maybe some really intricate blocks to represent those odd twists and turns the year has taken. There absolutely would have to be at least one snowflake kind of block for the lovely blizzard we had that canceled one of our meetings. And the flood? I think that would have to be some dark colors with a little bit of yellow. The yellow would represent the sunshine that came through. It would also stand for the warmth of all those who helped me through a very hard time. The block itself? I’m thinking, Noah’s ark on the top of the mountain. And now, some warm colors and an easy flowing block. That would probably be a log cabin of some sort. After all this year has built on the small beginning square of January.

Well, just some thoughts this time, no lectures. Happy sewing, see you at guild.  
Becky



## October Guild Meeting

**Call to Order:** Meeting was called to order by President Becky Spies. Meeting was at Vincent Methodist Church October 6<sup>th</sup>, 2011 at 7 p.m. We had 49 members in attendance and 1 guest.

**Minutes:** The minutes were approved as read. The motion to approve was made by Marilyn Holbach. This was seconded by Evelyn Preskey.

**Treasurer's report** was given by Sally Mosser.

**Hostess winner** for the month of October was Joanne Mahoney.

**Name Tag winner** was Lorraine Hanson.

**Correspondence:** The North Star Quilt Guild, "Quilting on the Red," submitted a door prize to our guild. A name was drawn from members in attendance and the winner was Lyla Kraft.

**Quilting Dilemmas:** Kathy Gregg purchased a pattern "Very Merry Christmas Trees" but, when she opened up the pattern at home there was no pattern. She was asking if anyone had the pattern that she could borrow. *Note: Kathy Gregg did obtain the pattern.*

**Community Service:** There are many quilts that still need to be quilted and there are many kits to be completed.

**Block of the Month:** Roberta Flannigan showed a couple house blocks and stated there will be a contest utilizing the house blocks at the December meeting. Christina Hunold showed a birdhouse block for Block of the Month.

**Library:** Please bring books back that have been checked out. Tonight is Bonnie's last night as librarian.

**Festival:** Sharon still needs a co-chair for festival. 2012 will be the end without a co-chair. It is important to get the experience as a co-chair before becoming the chair for festival. Please turn in any bills you have incurred for festival to Bonnie Deutch.

### Old Business:

- Saturday Sewing to be held at Vincent Methodist has been cancelled for the month of
- Flood relief: Those effected by the flood, please let Becky know names and needs. The guild has received an offer of help from the Grand Forks, North Star Quilters Guild and need the information to respond to them.
- See Sharon Strube for raffle tickets. Drawing for the raffle quilt will be at the December meeting.
- The Challenge to Change and Travel Tales programs are still in effect. Challenge to Change is new techniques that have been discovered. Travel tales is to let the guild know about quilt shops you visited around the country.
- New and old officers for 2012 were introduced. There are still vacancies for Historian, Publicity. There are still several empty spots that need to be filled.

### New Business:

**Program:** Oh, the wonderful things an EQ7 can do...! This evening's program was by Gladys Garrison who did a presentation on EQ7, a computer software program for quilt design. It was fascinating to see how fast and easy you can make up new quilt designs and the computer also calculates how much fabric to purchase. For more information you can visit website:

[www.electricquilt.com/shop/EQ7](http://www.electricquilt.com/shop/EQ7) .

Meeting Adjourned,  
Carol Kraft, Interim Secretary

### October Show and Tell

Janet Sabol – Fall runner	Jan Hinzpeter –
Lorraine Hanson – Throw & Community Service	Maggi Mack – Community Service – Raffle quilt for church
Kathy Gregg – Iron Caddy	Christina Hunold – Fall table runner, cherry wallhanging
Lynn Sys – Table Runners	Mavis Meyer – Charity quilts
Joan Mahoney & Lorraine – Quilts	Gladys Lowell – Flannel quilt for Community Service
Patty Bretheim – Mosaic glass	

### October

New Member  
Amy Lindquist

Guest  
Michelle Thomas

October 20, 2011 Board Meeting

**Call to order:** By President Becky Spies.

**Members present:** Becky Spies, Jean Knudson, Susan Melgaard, Audrey Lunday, Vonnie Dehnke, Roberta Flannigan, Merry Green, Sharon Torgerson, Carol Kraft, Janet Sabol and Luanne Duchsherer.

**Officer Reports:**

**Secretary** (Susan Melgaard): Motion to approve the minutes as written was made by Audrey Lunday and seconded by Vonnie Dehnke. Voice vote carried.

**Treasurer** (Sally Mosser): No official report was given.

**Community Service** (Audrey Lunday) All quilts have been measured and photographed. There will be 30 quilts given for Community Service at this November meeting. The need for batting was discussed. It was agreed to try something new to raise money for batting. A motion was made and seconded to solicit the funds for batting by doing Loose Change for batting donations at the next couple of meetings. Voice vote carried. Audrey needs suggestions by Oct. 24<sup>th</sup> for places to give our C.S. quilts.

**Block of the Month** (Roberta Flannigan) Prizes for this year's BOM were discussed. I was agreed to use the guild lines Roberta had drawn up.

**Education and Programs** (Merry Green) Plans for the November and December programs were discussed.

**Festival** (Sharon Torgerson) Classes are looking great. A 2012 Co-Chair is still needed.

**Historian** (Patty Brethem) No report. The Board discussed this at length. It will be missed if we do not have someone to take pictures for posterity.

**Hospitality** (Judy Slater) No report.

**Library** (Bonnie Deutch) No report.

**Membership** (Janet Sabol & Carol Kraft) Roberta F. and Lyla K. will sit at the membership table for November. Susan M. and Luanne D. will sit for December. Dues will be collected by Janet and Carol at a separate table.

**Newsletter** (Carol Kraft) October 24<sup>th</sup> is the due date. December newsletter will be done by Deb Frost.

**Publicity** (Janet Sabol) Discussed information to be published for the Community Service and the Raffle quilt giveaway.

**State Fair** (Fern Laudenschlager) No report.

**Old Business**

LAPTOPS!!! Our two new laptops were given to Carol Kraft and Janet Sabol.

The officer reports were discussed. These reports are to be given to new officers joining us in November. Please have your instructions ready for the November Board meeting.

**New Business**

Information for the North Star guild of Grand Forks, re: the flood victims were discussed. The Board listed all the members they could think of and will ask at the next meeting for any more people with losses due to the flood. This listing will be submitted to the Grand Forks guild for their flood relief contributions.

The Wisconsin quilt donated to the guild was not sold at the Hostfest. We will now try to sell it at the Vincent United Methodist silent auction. This auction will be held on October 29<sup>th</sup>. We will put a minimum bid price on the quilt.

Saturday Sewing has been cancelled for November and also for December.

Next Guild meeting is November 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Next Board meeting is November 17<sup>th</sup>.

Meeting adjourned,

Susan Melgaard, Secretary

**Proposed Guild Board Members 2012**

**PRESIDENT**

Becky Spies

**VICE-PRESIDENT**

Leone Nera

**SECRETARY**

Susan Melgaard

**TREASURER**

Jackie Case

**COMMUNITY SERVICE**

Chair: Audrey Lundy

Co: Vonnie Dehnke

**BLOCK OF THE MONTH**

Chair: Jackie Slagle

Co: Irene Ost

**EDUCATION & PROGRAMS**

Chair: Merry Green

Co: Bev Cushing

**HISTORIAN**

Chair:

**HOSPITALITY**

Chair: Kathy Gregg

Co: Clara Ide

**LIBRARIANS**

Chair:

Co:

**MEMBERSHIP**

Chair: Janet Sabol

Co: Carol Kraft

**NEWSLETTER**

Chair: Bonnie Deutch

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**Condolences from MPQG:** The Minot Prairie Quilt Guild would like to express sincere condolences to Lynn Heald for the loss of her mother-in-law, to Pam Abrahamson for the loss of her husband and to Merry Green for the loss of her father. Please keep all of these families in your prayers.

Dear Members of the Prairie Quilt Guild

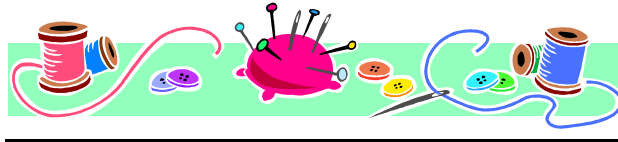
Thank you so much for your support thoughtfulness, kindness and prayers during this time.

Sincerely Pam Abrahamson



**Pay 2012 Dues Early and Get a Discount:** Janet Sabol and Carol Kraft will be accepting 2012 membership dues at the November meeting. Pay before January and dues will be \$18.00. Pay after January 2012 and dues will be \$20.00.

**November Program:** The November program is in the works. Community Service will be giving away quilts to local groups. Merry Green and Bev Cushing will be giving a demo on ¼” seams . Something near and dear to every quilter’s heart.



**We will be playing BINGO at the December meeting. Putting the instructions in now to give you some time to make your BINGO cards.**

Quilter’s Bingo Game Card instructions:

Materials for 1 (10 ½”) card. (Each fabric must be chosen from one of the following categories: batik, floral, geometric, heart, leaf, metallic, holiday, novelty, paisley, plaid, solid, star, stripe, or 1930’s print. Use a black print for the center square.)

- 5 (2 ½”) squares assorted red prints
- 5 (2 ½”) squares assorted yellow and orange prints
- 5 (2 ½”) squares assorted blue prints
- 5 (2 ½”) squares assorted green prints
- 4 (2 ½”) squares assorted pink and purple prints
- 1 (2 ½”) square black print

Block Assembly

1. Join 5 yellow/orange print squares to make 1 row. In the same manner, make 1 red, 1 blue, and 1 green row.
2. Join 2 pink/purple squares. Make 2 pink/purple pairs. Join one pink/purple pair to each side of the black square to complete the pink/purple row.
3. Join rows, placing pink/purple row in center to complete 1 Bingo game card.

Each member will be allowed to play up to 6 “cards” at a time.

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**Saturday Sewing at the Church:** There will be no Saturday sewing at Vincent Church for November and December. Saturday sewing will resume in January 2012.

**Beware When Purchasing Patterns:** Kathy Gregg asked at our last quilt meeting for a pattern to borrow because she purchased a pattern but when she opened up the plastic bag to use it – Alas! No pattern! Apparently this is a problem in the quilting world that we have pattern snatchers..... so, a word to the wise, when purchasing a pattern...open the plastic ziplock bag and make sure there is a pattern inside. Kathy luckily was able to obtain another copy of the pattern from the company.

**November Hostesses/Servers:** Thank you all for bringing lunch and setting up and cleaning up. GOOD JOB WELL DONE! November hostess are Donna Nason, Rose Bishop, Meni Jo Connole, Sharon Strube, Deb Frost, Judi Green, and Cynthia Geyer. The setup crew is Donna Nason and Rose Bishop. Potluck will be served so hostesses can bring whatever they wish. Setup is at 6:20 to set up food. Cleanup is Meni Jo, Sharon, Deb, Judi, and Cynthia. Cleanup consists of wiping off tables and doing dishes and putting all supplies away in totes and put in closet. Make sure all dishes are also put away. Any questions call Judy 838-2727 or Sylvia 852-1845.

Roberta Flannigan and Lyla Kraft will be at the membership desk for the November meeting.
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**Library News:** The Library will be open at the guild meeting. Please stop by to browse or check out books. Anyone who has not returned books previously checked out please remember to bring them with you to the meeting.

**Raffle Quilt:** Please turn raffle tickets and money to Sharon Strube and Marge Arnold. There are more raffle tickets available.

**GOING BATTY?** Ooops! That is we are looking for battING. Community Service could really use any extra batting that you may have. In addition, we are going to give you an opportunity to loose weight!! Yes, that's right AND it's going to be easy and pain free. No counting calories or exercise, just drop your lose change in the ice cream pails provided and see how much lighter you feel (or at least carrying your purse will be lighter.) The money will go strictly batty, err, that is batting. Thank you for your assistance

**Community Service:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU. Community service is happy to announce that another 30 quilts will be given away at the November 3rd meeting. Thank you to all the ladies who helped in any way to pull off so much quilt making this year. In spite of the time involvement and activities related to the flood you had time to finish 60 quilts, another 2 dozen tops and 4 quilts yet to bind. Thank you. Lets rest now until the January meeting when we will begin our sewing for next year. Donations are welcome anytime, batting is our biggest need at the moment. Thank you and Happy Holidays. Audrey L. C S Co-

**Festival Update:** I am so excited and hope you are too!! The 19<sup>th</sup> annual Minot Prairie Quilt Festival is less than four months away. Just in case you missed the dates that were printed in previous newsletters; they are March 16, 17 & 18, 2012. The class selections are wonderful and we're sure you won't be disappointed. Our National Teachers this year are Nancy Odom and Heidi Pridemore and they both have much to share with those who take their classes. The conference catalog goes to print in early November and all Guild members should plan to attend the December meeting so they can pick up their catalog. Don't forget you pay your Guild dues for 2012 right away so can register at the January 2012 meeting before we open it up to the public. That's just one of the great perks for being a Guild member. Please volunteer to be a teacher's helper in a class or lecture, work a shift at Registration, Quilt Show entrance, sell raffle tickets, or help in our Tea Room or the Flea Market. Other areas we need help in are quilt judge scribes, hanging quilts for our beautiful quilt show and tearing down after the Festival is over. We need your help to put on another great show. I hope you are all working on a little something for this year's challenge. If you have any questions please feel free to email me at [sktorgerson@hotmail.com](mailto:sktorgerson@hotmail.com).

**Remember "Quilter's are 'Berry' Special!"**

**Sharon**

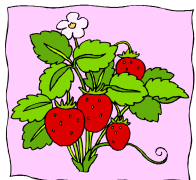
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**Festival Committee Need Metal Zippers:** The Hospitality Committee for festival is looking for metal zippers all colors welcome and at least 9-12" or longer. New or used are fine. Thanks, Patty Bretheim

## Quilters Are Berry Special quilt challenge for 2012 Festival



1. The challenge item may be of any type, technique, or size provided that it contains three layers held together with quilting.
  2. The challenge item must contain at least one 6-inch or larger quilt square that features a basket.
  3. The challenge item must contain at least one fabric that features a berry or berries.
  4. Berries are defined (by the festival board) to be cherries, blueberries, strawberries or any other fruit specifically named as berry, i.e. raspberry.
  5. The challenge item will be judged on originality, overall appearance, color and design, construction, quilting and finishing.
  6. The challenge item will be eligible for "Viewer's Choice Award."
- Guild members are encouraged to participate as we will have our annual View's Choice contest at the March Guild meeting. First prize is \$25, second place is \$15 and third place is \$10



**Memory Quilts for Departing Members:** Our club has two members that are moving out of state. Jeanette Wold and Lois Jensen will be moving. So a memory quilt top is in order for each person. A 6 ½" by 2 ½" block made from three fabrics. One piece should be a white on white or cream on cream and the two pieces should be of a medium or dark fabric and sew these two pieces to each cream or white piece top and bottom. Write a message and sign your name. A permanent marker that is water proof works best. If you don't have a pen, I will bring some to the next meeting when you bring your blocks to the meeting in November. Any questions call Sally Mosser at 838-4612. Thank you.



### 2011 BLOCK OF THE MONTH "Year of the Houses"

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.

### DECEMBER MEETING

There will be a contest again this year at the December meeting. You must use the house block(s) as indicated above.

- Categories are as follows:
1. Bed size over 70" wide by 80" long
  2. Throw size under 70" wide by 80" long.
  3. Baby under 50" wide by 60" long.
  4. Household items: Table Runner, Wallhanging, Purse, etc.
  5. Christmas Theme House Block

One prize will be given for each category. One entry per category. Any questions, contact Roberta Flannigan or Lyla Kraft.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

5-6 November 2011	Sioux Falls Quilters Guild: Dakota Pieces XI	www.siouxfallsquiltersguild.com	
11-12 November 2011	Longarm Quilt Camp	Doublewood Inn, Bismarck, ND	Instructor Nanc Christopherson (See Page 7 for more info)



*Nanc Christopherson*

A Handi Quilter National Educator  
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**November 11-12, 2011**

Come join Nanc Christopherson  
@ the Longarm Quilt Camp  
Doublewood Inn, Bismark ND

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