

MINOT PRAIRIE QUILT GUILD

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September 2011

Thursday September 1, 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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From the President

I'm just back from retreat and what a great time I had! I wish you all could have been there. Julia and Sue did a great job. EVERYONE got at least one door prize and the food was excellent. I'm sure I gained 5 pounds. And then there was the sewing. There were so many beautiful tops completed, quilts finished and projects begun. I know I got some great ideas that I would like to try out. It's never too early to plan for next year so start planning and saving.

Speaking of planning and saving, Festival is not really that far away. Sharon really needs some help so please give some serious thought to helping her. Maybe you've got some great ideas you'd like to see at Festival. Well, she's looking for a co-chair so the next year would be your chance to implement what you would like to see happen.

Maybe Festival is not where you heart is. Please consider then helping with the Guild. A number of offices will be available next year and elections are just around the corner. Please, PLEASE think of how you might use your talents to enhance the Guild. The nomination committee may be calling you if you don't volunteer.

On a sad note, I would ask you to remember Maggie Mack and her family in your prayers. If you were not aware, Maggie's son was killed this past weekend in an automobile accident.

Stay safe and I'll see you at Guild.

Becky



August Board Meeting

The August board minutes will be in the October newsletter.

August 4, 2011, Guild Meeting

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order by President Becky Spies. Meeting was at Vincent Methodist Church at 7pm. We had 47 members in attendance.

This month we welcomed two new members and two guests.

Minutes: The minutes were approved as read. The motion to approve was made by Audrey Lunday. This was seconded by Marilyn Holdback. Voice vote carried.

Treasurer's report was given by Sally Mosser.

Hostess winner for the month of August was Jennifer Feller.

Name Tag winner was Merry Green.

There was no correspondence this month.

Quilting Dilemmas: We had one member needed a copy of the 2010 Festival catalog. A copy was found this evening.

Community Service: we will be working on this on sewing Saturday, August 27th, at Vincent, starting at 10 am. Audrey stated that all the quilts are safe from the flood. There are many that still need to be quilted.

Block of the Month: No blocks were done for this month due to the flood.

Library: Bonnie showed two books she purchased for the library by Deb Karasik.

Festival: Sharon Torgerson told us about the National teachers for 2011. The web sites for those teachers are:

Nancy Odom <http://nancyodom.biz/index> and Heidi Pridemore <http://www.thewhimsicalworkshop.com/>.

Sharon requested that more of the local guild members submit classes for the Festival. Every year it seems to get harder to find locals willing to share their talents. There are still a couple of co-chairs that are needed to.

Old Business:

- We will be sewing on the 2012 Raffle quilt on Saturday, August 27th at Vincent Methodist starting at 10 am. Please bring in the blocks.

New Business:

- Flood losses, who can use a little lift? Luanne Duchsherer has supplies available for those quilters who lost items in the flood. Please contact Luanne after the meeting.
- New JoAnn cards are now ready for the New Year. Stop in to pick one up.
- The Fargo show will be Sept. 15 – 18, 2011
- The Badlands Retreat will be October 7, 8 & 9, 2011
- Jan Hinzpeter will have a name tag design ready for the next months meeting.
- Julia Mehlhoff asks all those who might have finished the silk block she gave us to bring the completed item to next month's meeting.

Program: This evening's program was a couple of very cute games played for prizes.

Meeting Adjourned,

Susan Melgaard, Secretary

August Show and Tell

- Sally Mosser – Wall Hanging, quilt, table runner
- Lorraine Hanson – Quilt Throw
- Joan Mahoney – two quilt tops
- Debby Brothers – Baby quilt
- Patty Bretheim – three Community Service quilts
- Donna Nason – three Community Service quilts, twin quilt
- Christine Hunold – 2 quilts
- Pat McDaniel - quilt

August

New Members and Guests

- Pat McDaniel - New Member
- Christine K. Hunold - New Member
- Chelsuy Bruhn - Guest
- Lavra Klaczyk - Guest



Saturday Sewing at the Church: Saturday Sewing will be held at Vincent United Methodist Church for August Saturday quilting on August 27. We will be working on Community Service quilts, possibly sewing on labels if they are available by then, tying completed quilts and working on unfinished quilts. Block kits for the 2012 raffle quilt will also be available. We will start at 10:00 and go until you quit. You can bring a sack lunch and there's a refrigerator for your use. Hope to see you there.

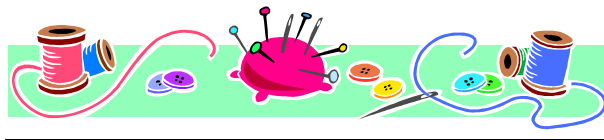
Breast Cancer Awareness Luncheon and Quilt Auction Minot AFB has announced a tentative date for its **annual Breast Cancer Awareness Luncheon and Quilt Auction**. If you would like to donate a quilt please contact Toni Freeman, home 839-7186, work 723-5135, cell 720-7186 or email

Work email: antoINETTE.freeman@minot.af.mil

Home email: freemen@minot.com

Items will be needed by Oct 1st. You can also contact Becky Spies for quilt donations or if you wish to contribute to the Quilter's Hodgepodge.

September Program: Our program will feature the "Button Ladies". They will have lots of buttons on display and for purchase, so bring some "cash" if you are interested in purchasing some wonderful, unique and interesting buttons to embellish your quilting projects. Come early and stay late!



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.

September Servers: Hostesses please arrive by 6:00 p.m. for set up. EVERYONE NEEDS TO STAY FOR CLEANUP WHICH CONSISTS OF WIPING TABLES OFF, KITCHEN COUNTER, PUSHING 6-8 CHAIRS AROUND EACH TABLE AND MAKING SURE DISHES ARE WASHED AND PUT IN CUPBOARDS, AND ALL SUPPLIES ARE PUT BACK IN TOTES IN STORAGE ROOM. If you cannot do your job call Judy 838-2727 or Sylvia 852-1845. Come and have a great time.

Bev Cushing will be at the membership desk for September meeting.

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 Search program #8926 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

Library News: The Library will be open by 5:30PM 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.

COMMUNITY SERVICE: THANK YOU so much to everyone who has helped get the community service quilts done. There are approximately 30 quilts completed. It was decided by the board members that the Community Service quilts will be given to the Red Cross for distribution to the flood victims so please try to finish up anything you may have. The Saturday sewing on August 27th has been set aside to help finish up and sew labels on the quilts. Becky will be there working on the raffle quilt as well. Please plan to attend if you are able. As always we are begging for backings and battings. Backings take 2 to 4 yards. Smaller pieces are great to make the tops. Thank you from the Community Service Ladies.

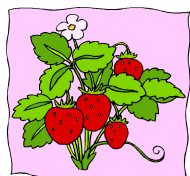
WANTED: 50 ladies to tie or quilt one quilt each. Tops and backs may be obtained at the September guild meeting. This will allow us another goodly bunch of quilts to give away in November. Also wanted: 25 ladies to sew together quilt tops; we have the backings ready to add. Thank you for your help. I'd also like to commend all guild members who helped us get the 30+ quilts ready to give the Red Cross. They have currently run out of quilts and blankets in the Minot area and are thrilled to get ours.

Festival News: 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, ie. 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

Victims of the 2011 Flood: For those of you who have lost some or all of your quilting supplies and/or stash of fabric to the flood, we have some good news. A guild in California has sent some rather wonderful replacements. Luanne Duchscherer, phone 839-4844, has charge of for now. She will be bringing it to guild and you may choose supplies then or make an appointment with her for a private viewing. Everything is going to be "first come, first served." August 26 the remaining supplies will be transferred to my care. You can reach me at home (if I'm there, please Lord!) 838-0270 or my cell 240-4900. I will bring the remaining supplies to Saturday Sewing at Vincent on August 27. At the end of the day on Sewing Saturday, leftover fabric will go to Community Service and other supplies will go to Flee Market to benefit the Guild. Becky Spies

Changes and Updates to Membership Roster: Returning Member: Christine Hunold, 107 16th Ave SE, Minot, ND 58701 701-739-4324; Birthday 08/26

New member: Pat McDaniel, 73 North Rice Lake Road, Douglas, ND 58735 701-722-8000; Birthday 09/24

New addresses: Kathy Burckhard is 2052 13th ST NW, Minot, 58703

Mary Russell, 10225 Sjule Rd, Bottineau, ND 58318, 701-228-2797



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.

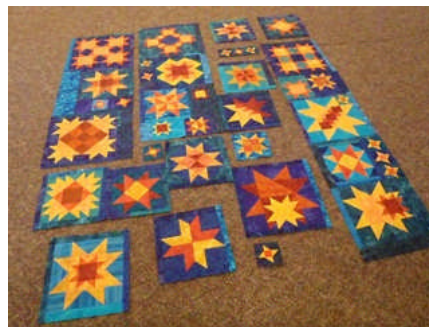
ACRONYMS used by Quilters

BOM ... Block of the Month
 DSM ... Domestic Sewing Machine
 FART ... Fabric Acquisition Road Trip
 FQ ... Fat Quarter
 HST ... Half Square Triangle
 PIGS ... Projects in Grocery Bags
 SABLE ... Stash accumulation Beyond Life Expectancy

STASH ... Special Treasures All Secretly Hidden
 TGIF ... Thank God It's Finished
 UFO ... UnFinished Object
 WHIMM ... Works Hidden in My Mind
 WIP ... Work in Progress
 WOMBAT ... Waste of Money, Batting and Time

Alan Jackson Concert?? I understand that if you go to the KX Facebook page, there's a place to click on to vote for Alan Jackson to come to Minot to give a concert as a flood recovery contribution. He'll do it for free and will be going to one of the disaster areas in the U.S.

PICTURES FROM THE 2011 QUILT RETREAT AT METIGOSHE MINISTRIES



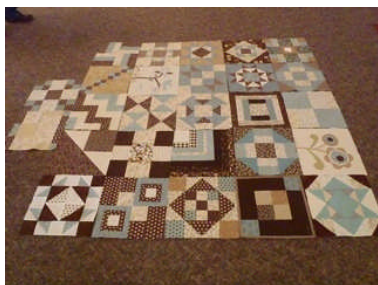
Pure & Simple Retreat... what a wonderful time we had!

Last week-end was one that many of us had been looking forward to for a long time. It all started Friday afternoon as everyone began setting up all their quilting stuff. The tables were placed so that we were able to talk to many gals at once without even getting up... as a quilter you know that's got to be good!

Friday afternoon we started drawing for prizes and everyone got to know what my alarm sounded like and some began to get smiles on their faces when it went off as that meant that it was time to draw a name! In addition to handmade items, we received donations from Prym, Shabby Fabrics, Simple Thread, Nancy's Notions, This & That Pattern Co., and Coats & Clark. Everyone went home with gifts and door prizes.

The weather was wonderful and several of us headed outside for walks. But who needs fresh air when there's a room full of sewing machines and friends? As usual, the retreat center was spectacular and provided wonderful rooms, delicious meals.

We enjoyed many events such as the Quilter's Flea Market - there were some great bargains there! We had several demonstrations and those were well attended. We kept the Message Therapist and Reflexologist very busy. They were tired but very happy by the time they went home too.



The Pure & Simple Block sharing event was a great success! We had two stacks of 27 - 12.5" blocks made using the Pure Fabric line. Each gal received fabric and could make whatever kind of block they wanted. Then on Sunday morning, we drew a block from each stack, whoever made that block won that stack. Donna Nason and Penny Atterton each won a stack of 27. It wasn't until then that we got to see what the blocks looked like. There were a lot of talented gals at this retreat - the blocks were very nicely made and very pretty. Donna and Penny were delighted!

We made great new friends as we got to know each other better this year! We sat together and talked and talked. I just hated for it to end... well, except for the fact that we were so tired from staying up late. Gosh, that was fun too!

Karen Dockter and Kathy Gregg have volunteered to organize the 2012 retreat. I believe the dates selected are August 17, 18, 19. And, I will let them expand on that when they're ready.

There were 28 of us. Sadly, Terri Lundberg was only able to attend on Saturday due an accident. Her terrific husband brought her up for a while so we were able to enjoy her company. Maggie Mack, Bev Bossert, and Tina Telehey lost their son and brother on Saturday morning in a tragic accident. They sadly left mid-day Saturday to be with family. Our thoughts and prayers are with them.



I am thankful to be given the opportunity to organize this 2011 event and am so looking forward to 2012. *I think I might just bring a sewing machine in 2012... haha!* Many thanks go to Sue for helping me. Thank you to Carol Kraft for being so easy to work in getting all the retreat information published timely and distributed to the members. I'd also like to thank the attendees for being considerate & helpful to me during the event - *it's greatly appreciated!*

Julia Mehlhoff

Julia's Source for the lavender scented bags:

Purple Haze Lavender-Sequim Washington-Organic Products & Farm

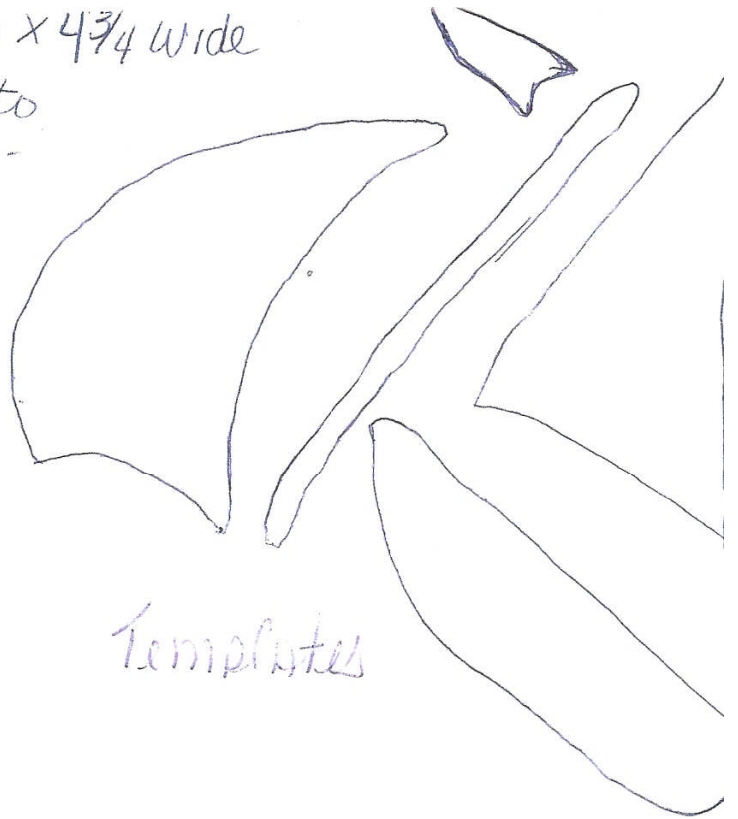
www.purplehazelavender.com/

Background piece $5\frac{1}{2}$ long \times $4\frac{3}{4}$ wide

Templates are reversed to
cutout using Fusibleweb-

Backing + batting $5\frac{1}{2} \times 4\frac{3}{4}$

quilt + bind
as you wish!



Templates



Vote for your favorite park!! Coke-Cola will donate \$100,000.00 to the park that receives the most votes. You can vote as many times a day as you like. The contest ends on Sept 6, 2011. Since our beautiful Oak Park here in Minot, ND has been ravaged by the flood we are asking everyone to vote for Oak Park. Currently Oak Park is in 1st place “yeah”.

The web site is www.livepositively.com

Your vote will be greatly appreciated

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