

MINOT PRAIRIE QUILT GUILD

PO Box 306, Minot ND 58702

www.minotquilters.com

Like us on Facebook!

February 2018

Thursday February 1, 2018

Refreshments Served @ 6:45 P.M. – Meeting @ 7:00 P.M.

LOCATION: Vincent United Methodist Church

1024 2nd St SE, Minot, ND

GUILD BOARD MEMBERS

PRESIDENT

Luanne Duchsherer

guildpresident@minotquilters.com

VICE-PRESIDENT

Jacque Younger

PAST PRESIDENT

Jennifer Feller

SECRETARY

Lacey McCarten

TREASURER

Lynn Heald

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Carol Kraft

Deb Frost

Britni Kraft

BLOCK OF THE MONTH

Jennifer Cartier

EDUCATION & PROGRAMS

Janet Sabol

Nancy Fry

FESTIVAL

Beverly Cushing

HISTORIAN

Stacy Walz

Cameon Eisenzimmer

guildhistorian@minotquilters.com

HOSPITALITY

Sue Brown

Pam Abrahamson

LIBRARIANS

Debby Brothers

MEMBERSHIP

Ramanda Nash

Pearl Shriock

Diane Stevens

guildmembership@minotquilters.com

NEWSLETTER

Jennifer Cartier

PUBLICITY

Janet Clark

WEB LIAISON

Cameon Eisenzimmer

FACEBOOK

Celeste Hauser

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

We've accomplished a lot this past month, but the best is yet to come as we plan for the 2018 Festival. Get those registration forms in early to assure a spot in your favorite class or lecture. Some are already full! The sign-up sheets for volunteering will be available at the February meeting and we encourage you to help fill the nearly 300 time slots needed to make this Festival run smoothly. Our education in February will be the presentation of teacher samples for the classes at Festival. This should make your decision process much easier if you are uncertain about the information or project being presented at Festival.

We are again hosting the Peace Garden Quilt Show in August. We are in need someone to organize this event. If you would like to help out in anyway, please contact me, and we will put your talents to work.

The Accu-Quilt is up and ready to go. This is a wonderful asset to our guild and it is hoped everyone will take the opportunity to train and utilize this machine. It can do so many things! I encourage you to schedule your time with Irene Ost and learn how easy your cutting can be.

A number of challenges were presented at the January meeting. Community Service has the wheelchair quilts (36x36 to 36x45) for the Lisbon Veterans Home and others. The "one-hour" challenge to all members to work on quilts for community service, there was the raffle ticket appeal that was ramped up by the generous donation from Flint of three "fabric" layer-cakes for the top ticket sellers, and the request that every member fill at least one time slot at Festival and the final one,



The Brown Bag Challenge. Can't wait for December to announce all the winners! We are a VERY active guild, but I've never seen a challenge/appeal/request go unanswered. Thank you to all for the hours of work you do for the guild. Lastly, I would like to ask you to consider displaying a quilt at the Library during the month of

February. What a great opportunity this is to promote our Festival. Becky will be available at the February meeting to take those quilts. Let's fill the trunk of her car!

Luanne Duchsherer, Guild President

**Minot Prairie Quilt Guild
Vincent United Methodist Church
January 4th, 2018**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by President Luanne Duchsherer. There were 62 members present. There were zero guests and new members.

Secretary Minutes: There were three corrections to the minutes. First, the dates of January Board meeting said January 21st, but should be January 18th. Second, UFO Challenges started prior to 2017 to be considered a UFO should say "started prior to 2018". Third, a hot iron cleaner is by Faultless not fault. Motion to approve minutes of the December meeting was made by Janice Talley and seconded by Jennifer Cartier. Voice vote carried.

Treasurer' Report: Jackie Case reported on income and expenses for the past two months (November and December). Jackie said the books are scheduled to be audited January 10th, 2018.

Name Tag Winner: This month's winner was Kay Haugen.

Hostess Winner: The four hostesses answered the question "Have you made any resolutions, and are they to stop doing something, or to try and do more of something." The four hostesses were Becky Spies, Deb Ledoux, Sharleen Larson, and Janice Talley, Becky Spies won the \$10.00 certificate for the 2018 Festival.

Correspondence: No correspondence. President Luanne Duchsherer asked everyone to keep Sharon Torgerson and her husband in our prayers. Husband is battling health problems.

Quilting Dilemmas: No Dilemmas.

BOM: 10 members turned in the bowtie block, totaling 48 blocks done. February's BOM will be a Basket block.

Community Service: Deb Frost went over the number of quilts given out in 2017. In May, Manor Care received 4 quilts and the Homeless Coalition received 21 quilts. In June, American Legion received 18 quilts, Men's Refuge received 8 and Metigoshie Ministries received 1 for auction. In October, Vincent Bizarre received 1. In December, Lisbon Vet Center received 1, Cancer Care received 7, and Domestic Violence received 12. Estimating at \$0.085 per square inch amounted to \$19,287.46 donated in quilts for 2017. A challenge has been made to guild members to bring one wheelchair quilt for February's meeting to donate to Lisbon Veterans Home. Ask the minimum size to be 36"x36" and maximum size to be 36"x45". It was thought that about only 30% of the members helped with community service last year. The President has presented a challenge to the members to a one-hour challenge. That if each member donated one hour to community service 130 hours of work would be done by all members. Flint Forsberg will donate three "layer-cake" fabric sets for a drawing at the end of the year for everyone who puts in one hour of service by the end of this year. Becky Spies also said Saturday Sewing is a good time to come in to get your hour in.

Festival: Bev Cushing reminded everyone to get their Festival registrations in tonight for early registration. It has been asked if you are assigned as a teacher's assistant to please arrive at least 10 minutes before class to greet everyone there in class. Everything has been moved into the new storage unit from the old one and is much better. Bev said Janet asks to remind teachers to bring their samples for their classes' next meeting to show the guild and then the samples will be taken to the library to display. Nonmembers can start registering for class January 15th, 2018. Note: Tonight is the last night to pre-order shirts, in order to receive by February.

Tags are ready to sign up for flea market to sell. On tags, it is asked that your registered number is written on one side and the price is marked and highlighted on the other side.

Alex is in charge of sign up for volunteering for the festival. There are 267 spots to fill. The President challenged the guild members to please have everyone sign up to at least cover one shift; this would make a huge difference.

Historians: Introduced Cameon Eisenzimmer and Stacy Walz as this year's historians. The President reminded members if they have photos of events, etc. that they should send to GuildHistorian@minotquilters.com.

Hospitality: All spots have been signed up for February.

Library: Debby Brothers showed two new books donated to the library on miniature quilting. Asked everyone to check their books at home to see if they have any library books not turned in and overdue. The library will be open prior to and after the close of the meeting. Becky Spies noted she will be there at 6pm every meeting to allow more time to look at the library.

Membership: Please pick up your membership cards if you have paid. If you have not paid your dues, please do so. It was asked to have the Honorary Member Nominations handed in to Registration tonight, or get them to the President before the January board meeting on the 18th of January.

Publicity/Facebook: Historians will send their items to Celeste to put on Facebook, members are also welcome to send Celeste any ideas or tips they find to post as well. Please note to send all photos through the Historians first in order to have everything in the scrapbook.

Website: No report

Raffle Quilt 2018 Tickets: Janet Williams and Kim Block will be in charge of the tickets. Please see them to pick up books to sell. It is asked that everyone take at least one book of tickets and sell. This is a requirement of membership, to sell one book of tickets. Please see Membership Book. The President wanted to state we only sold about 2,500 last year- that was down. This is the fundraiser that allows us to provide for programs, do projects, bring in teachers, etc.

Raffle Quilt 2019: Will have ideas at the next board meeting and decide in February.

Saturday Sewing: Becky Spies spoke to the guild, the next Saturday Sewing is January 27th beginning at 10:30 am at the Library. Saturday Sewing is held every 4th Saturday of the month. The Accu-Cut will be available and will be doing muslin foundation piecing. Irene Ost commented there will be a sign up sheet with half hour increments. It is asked to please bring strips of fabric ready and pressed. Patterns are online to see what pattern and size of fabric you will need. The last slot to sign up to use the Accu-Cut is 1:00pm. The President will also be there at 10:30 am to have Question and Answers for new members about the Guild.

Library Display: Becky Spies asked to please have all quilts labeled on the back who they belong to, especially if you will not be there to help put up and take down. Becky has tags available if you need one. It is voluntary if you would like to put a label on the front of your quilt about who made it, pattern, etc. Set up will be on Friday, February 2nd, 2018 at 10:30 am and take down will be Wednesday, February 28th at 10:30 am.

2018 Retreat Committee: The retreat is scheduled for August 17, 18, and 19, 2018. Lynn is still in need of 22 zippers for a total of 30.

Education: Irene Ost introduced Gladys Lowell for a talk on miniature quilts.

Old Business: The challenge to grow will continue this year.

New Business: Chelce's new business will be opening February 15th. She will be moving to a new place with 2200 square feet and will be carrying wide back fabric and offering classes. She has a few classes scheduled.

Brown Bag Challenge: Members will bring in fat quarters, which will be turned into Celeste Hauser. She will redo the bags and you will pick one up on your way out. You will not know whose fat quarters you are taking home. In December, you will bring back a completed project of your choosing. A little like a secret Santa.

UFO Show and Tell: It is asked this year to bring in Completed UFO's. Two people who brought UFOs to show.

Regular Show and Tell: There were 4 members who brought an item to show. Please see box below.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:12 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Lacey McCarten, Secretary

Meeting Schedule

**NEXT GUILD MEETING IS February 1, at
Vincent United Methodist Church**

**GUILD BOARD MEETING is Thursday, January
18, at 7:00 pm.**

**FESTIVAL BOARD MEETING is January 18
at 6:00**

UFO Projects:

1. Britni Kraft – Spinner Runner
2. Jen Cartier – Row by Row Pillow

Show and Tell

1. Judi Green – Mystery Quilt
2. Debby Brothers – Buddy Quilt
3. Roberta Flannigan – Pillowcase
4. Karlee Rauschenberger – Family Quilt

**Minot Prairie Quilt Guild Board Minutes
Vincent United Methodist Church
January 18th, 2018**

The meeting was called to order at 7:12pm by President Luanne Duchsherer.

Voting Members of the Board Present: President: Luanne Duchsherer, Secretary: Lacey McCarten, Treasurer: Lynn Heald, Community Service: Carol Kraft/Deb Frost/Britni Kraft, Newsletter/Block of the Month: Jennifer Cartier, Education & Programs: Janet Sabol/Nancy Fry, Festival: Beverly Cushing/Chelce Detert, Historian: Stacy Walz, Hospitality: Sue Brown, Librarian: Debby Brothers, Membership: Ramanda Nash, Publicity: Janet Clark. There were 16 members present at this meeting thus constituting a quorum.

Non-Voting members of the Board present: Jackie Case and Saturday Sew: Becky Spies

REPORTS:

Secretary: Lacey McCarten is due to expect March 8th, will need a volunteer to take minutes for months of March/April. Motion to approve the minutes of the December Board meeting was made by Britni Kraft and seconded by Deb Frost, motion carried

Treasurer: Lynn Heald said on January 5th bank account names were changed over and Books were taken care of last week. MACA membership is due soon, cost will be \$60.00. The board decided to sign up again this year. The Prairie Public Bill will be paid by Festival and has already been paid.

Saturday Sewing: Becky Spies said they have permission from the Library to display the raffle quilt with a label saying where raffle tickets can be purchased. The board decided to protect the quilt from damage and getting dirty to print a large scale photo to hang up at the library instead. Becky asked if any board members had any books that talk about going through your stash to display at the library. Becky will cover new member education this Saturday. Library Quilt set up is February 2nd and tear down is February 28th.

Library: Debby Brothers stated there is still a problem with books not being returned. There are 3 books missing currently and quite a few old cards remaining from over the years of books that are no longer on the inventory.

Membership: Asked to try and send postcards out to non-paid members as a reminder and to say we would like them to come back. There have been two Honorary Member applications submitted for review. The board will look at them next meeting after making sure they qualify. The membership book will need to be updated and handed out to all new members and to have Jenifer Cartier email the updated copy to all current members.

Block of the Month: Jennifer Cartier said that the final quilt has to only have one block from each month but may have more if you want it bigger. February 1st the 2nd BOM is due, and the link for the 3rd block of the month will be sent in the newsletter.

Newsletter: Jennifer Cartier said the deadline is the Sunday January 21st, get any info and articles to her by then. Jennifer brought up members and non-members asking to advertise in our newsletter. The board discussed this but it was tabled until further information can be obtained.

Community Service: It is asked that the quilts being donated for the wheelchair quilt challenge to be finished quilts if possible in order to get them out. Milton Young Towers are out of quilts and asked if the Guild will be donating any more quilts in the future. In February's meeting Deb and Carol will challenge members if they have a quilt to donate or help finish a community quilt in order to donate. Quilts can be any size. There are currently 2

quilts that need binding and 4 that need quilting and binding done. Deb asked if Jen could send a separate email out to the members before the February meeting.

Historian: Stacy Walz presented her research for a camera and it was decided to purchase the Cannon together with a bag and memory card. Stacy presented and the board discussed the use of Shutterfly for the scrapbook. The idea will be discussed again next meeting. A motion was made to buy the camera by Bev Cushing and seconded by Janet Sabol, motion carried.

Pet Beds: Britni – Nothing new to report.

Festival: Bev Cushing/Chelce Detert – Registrations are starting to come in. It is asked if planning on showing a quilt to get the information in right away. Two classes are almost full, Applique': The Lori Holt Way and Introduction to Pantographs. Alex has asked everyone to please check their schedules and see if they can sign up to volunteer for a spot.

Publicity: We have a new contact at the paper, Shyanne Belzer. Will be submitting who won the 2017 quilt and will be taking pictures at the Library as quilts are being hung to send to the newspaper.

Hospitality: Asked the board to think about if they want the picini to be in July or August and if there will be a meeting in July with the 4th being on a Wednesday, will revisit next meeting.

Education: Will just have teachers show their samples for class. Janet asked if anyone has blocks they don't want or need from the Penny Haron classes if they could donate them in order to possibly make a community quilt. On comment cards it has been asked in order to shorten the meetings to not do drawings for UFOs and BOM. The board discussed to look at doing prizes for participants at the end of the year.

Website: Sharon Torgerson's husband passed away; please keep her in your prayers. Jeff has been able to put the catalog and registration form for the festival on the website.

Accu-Quilt Training: January 27th, 2018. The board discussed how the Accu-Quilt should be stored if it should be loaned out at all by having a deposit, and if a new line item should be added to the budget for it. The board will revisit the idea of how to have access to the Accu-Quilt for members at a later date, for now will plan to have it available to use at Saturday Sew.

Additional Topics:

Peace Garden Quilt Show contacted the Guild to see if we want to host again. It will be the 3rd weekend in August. Board decided to go ahead and host.

The board discussed mailing letters with a book of raffle tickets to members.

Decided not to try and sell raffle tickets at the Big One Craft Show, to rent a table is very expensive.

The board is still deciding to ask local quilt shop owners if they would be willing to post a picture of the raffle quilt and sell tickets for the guild.

2018 Budget: The board went through and looked at changes to the budget. Will revisit and look over the changes next meeting.

Raffle Quilt 2019: Several kits with fabric and patterns were brought for the Board to look at possibly using for the next Raffle Quilt. Will decide next meeting.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Lacey McCarten, Secretary



February Program and Education: Festival Class samples will be shown by the Teacher Chairs Marie Watts & Janet Sabol. If you're wondering about what classes to take, be sure to come and check these out. Also, bring any UFOs (Unfinished Objects) that you have completed to show! We're keeping track of who is completing them & how many. Prizes will be awarded later in the year.

For those of you who attended Penny Haren's classes in October, and 1) have finished the blocks but don't know what to do with them OR 2) haven't finished the blocks and don't want to OR 3) any variation of the before mentioned options; bring them to the February meeting, and they'll be made into Community Service quilts. Thanks, Janet and Nancy

February Hostesses/Servers: Hostesses for February are Sheilla Anderson, Kathy Burckard, Kayla Redding, Janet Williams, Lacey McCarten, Stacy Walz. Bring anything you like. Valentines theme items would be nice.

Library: The library is open and books are available for check-out by any guild member at the monthly guild meetings. There are a wide variety of books to choose from. There is an inventory of the books in the library, listed alphabetically by title and numerically by inventory number. Authors are listed, as well as a category for some books, such as scrap, Christmas, applique, etc. Books can be checked out for one month at a time. Check out a book at a monthly meeting and return it the following month. Stop by before or after the meeting to check it out. Debby Brothers, Librarian

Block Of The Month: Please bring your finished block to the meeting. Here is the link for February's block: https://www.quiltingcompany.com/qm-bitty-blocks-bitty-baskets-quilty-pleasures-blog/?fw_campaign=tqc-ftw-hm-welcome-new . March's block will be a Bitty Basket. Here is the link: <https://www.quiltingcompany.com/qm-bitty-blocks-home-sweet-home-quilty-pleasures-blog/>

Community Service: We have issued several challenges for the new year: The first one is that President Luanne has challenged everyone to work at least one hour on a Community Service quilt. We would love to have a record year for giving away quilts.

The second quilt challenge was put out at the last meeting for wheelchair quilts for the the Veteran Home in Lisbon, ND. The size is max 36" wide and 36" to 45" in length. We would like to have those quilted and bound so they would be ready to be given away.

Challenge No 3: I received a telephone call from Milton Young Towers in Minot asking if we were planning on giving them quilts any time soon. We had given them quilts in 2016. We gave away the quilts we had in December 2017 to Domestic Violence and the Cancer Care Center at Trinity. Milton Young Towers take in homeless families and low income. They stated they could use any size quilts. Between the words it sounded like they were pretty desperate and with this cold winter we have been having, I could feel the need. So we are asking any size completed quilts, bring them to the February meeting. We would like to get some quilts to them as soon as possible. Thank you so much for your help and participation. Deb, Carol & Britni

Saturday Sewing: Sewing at the library will be Saturday, February 24, 2018 beginning at 10:30 am. If you are not sure what we are talking about or just want more details, contact Becky Spies, phone 838-0270. Hope to see you there.

Upcoming February display at the library: This is it! We will be hanging quilts, etc. on Friday, February 2, beginning at 10:30. Quilts will come down on Wednesday, February 28, also at 10:30. If you need a tag for the front or the back of your quilt, I will have them at the February Guild meeting. Many hands make lite work so I hope that you can bring your quilts, large and small, to the library on the 2nd. If not, you can bring them to the Guild meeting on the 1st and I'll collect them then. Thanks, Becky.

Pet Beds: As you fill the beds please remember to cut up large scraps and add batting so that they don't get too heavy to launder. Please do not overstuff them, they cannot be washed when too full! Return the full pillows to me at a future meeting or drop off at the Souris Valley Animal Shelter, if you drop them off yourself get me the measurements for our Community Service records. Contact me with any questions britnichase@yahoo.com. Thank you, Britni

Historian: Please submit any guild related photos you have to GuildHistorian@minotquilters.com

MINOT PRAIRIE QUILT FESTIVAL



Workin Thru My Stash: Celebrating 25 Years Festival is March 16,17, and 18. Mark your calendars. Sign up for classes and lets all make this Festival one to remember. Our Quilt Show Chair, Judi Green, is asking all Guild members to please send in your entry forms for entries into the quilt show as soon as possible. That will help Judi to get them into the computer before the rush comes. We have more than 200 spots to fill with volunteers. With a little over 100 members that is 2 slots per person, but we know that committee members are already volunteering. Please consider signing up at the next meeting. Alex will help you with times and different areas that need workers and even give you a reminder. Let the excitement begin!!!



FESTIVAL CHALLENGE GUIDELINES:

- At least 25 different fabrics (mostly from your stash)
- Perimeter measuring between 125-225 inches
- Scrappy style or pattern (nothing that makes too much sense)

Save the Date!

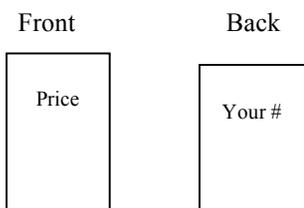
Just a reminder—this year’s quilting retreat will be August 17-19 at Metigoshe Ministries. The theme this year is “Bodacious Quilting Divas Retreat” which means we will have an “excellent” time, with “admirable” pieces being created, in an “awesome” environment with some being “brave in action” constructing “remarkable works of art! That’s pretty “impressive”. More details will be given in the April newsletter.



WANTED: The Retreat Committee is looking for 30 zippers, at least 9-inches long. If you have any extra zippers that you would like to part with, please bring them to a guild meeting. Zippers can be given to Lynn Heald or Susan Melgaard.

Instructions for Flea Market Consignees

- Must be a member to consign. Check with Sandy or Debby to confirm your number.
- **Festival is not responsible for lost or stolen items.**
- Items must be dropped off Thursday evening or Friday at the Grand International Inn.
- Pin or tie ticket securely onto items. Do not use yarn to tie books and magazines together as yarn stretches.
- You will be paid the amount collected as shown on ticket, less 10% for festival expenses. Sales taxes are charged on all items at time of purchase. Put your number on one side of the tag and your price on the other side of the tag, with a brief description for higher priced items. **Highlight the price with yellow highlighter.**
- Pick up unsold items Sunday starting at 3:00 p.m.



Debby Brothers
Sandy Duchscherer

WE NEED YOU!

Volunteers are needed for the Festival. Please consider donating an hour or two during the weekend to help us make our 25th Festival a great one! We need volunteers for the Registration Table, the Entrance Doors, the Tea Room, Raffle Tickets, the Flea Market, and the Lecture Suites. Sign-up sheets will be available through the March guild meeting. You can also e-mail Alex Fairaizl at alex@f@mowbrayandson.com or call her at 701-240-2345 to sign up. Don't forget that there will be a drawing for a prize at the April guild meeting and you get one entry per hour volunteered (also the person with the most hours gets a prize as well)! Thank you in advance for your time and assistance!



Minot Prairie Quilt Guild
P.O. Box 306
Minot, ND 58702
www.minotquilters.com

