



# GUILD NEWS

*The official newsletter of the Minot Prairie Quilters*

## UPCOMING MEETINGS

### GUILD MEETING

February 1, 2024  
Social at 6:30 PM  
Meeting at 7:00 PM

Vincent United Methodist Church  
1024 2nd St SE Minot, ND

### GUILD BOARD

February 15th at 6:00 PM  
Vincent United Methodist Church  
1024 2nd St SE Minot, ND

### FESTIVAL BOARD

February 15th at 7:00 PM  
Vincent United Methodist Church  
1024 2nd St SE Minot, ND

### MEETING SERVERS

Ginger Strand, Sheilla Anderson,  
Kim Block, Michelle Myers, Pam  
Abrahamson, Joyce Stuber, and  
Patty Bretheim.

## President's Message

*by Celeste Hauser*

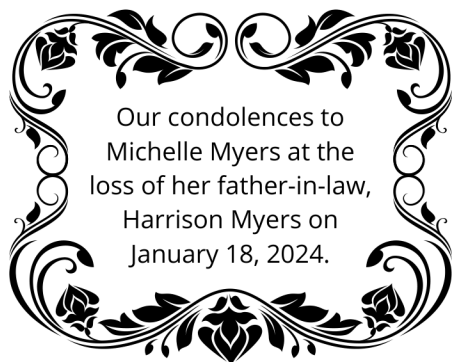
I hope everyone is having a great 2024 so far! I don't know about you, but with the sub-zero temperatures we have been experiencing, I am glad I am a quilter! It's nice to know that my loved ones have cozy quilts to cuddle under. And it warms my heart to know that through the generosity of our members and the dedication of those who have served and continue to serve on Community Service, there are countless people far and wide who could also snuggle up and stay warm under a quilt. Now all we can do is hope that the rest of the winter isn't so cold!

Even though Festival is a little later this year than it normally has been, it will soon be upon us. Challenge quilts will need to be completed and brought to the March meeting so guild members may vote on their favorites. If you have not yet submitted your registration for Festival, please keep in mind that registration is now open to the public and classes may start to fill up. Don't wait too long or you may miss out on a class or lecture that you want to attend. If you haven't already signed up to volunteer, please be sure to see Irene for areas and times that are still available.

We will be continuing special seating every other month at guild meetings. February will be a special seating month so remember to draw your table number when you sign in at the membership desk. Chelce Detert from Creative Dimensions Quilt Academy and Supply will be presenting during the Education and Programs portion of the meeting. I hope you can attend as I am sure she will be sharing something fun and informative!

As mentioned at the January meeting, there was not a quilt label attached to the 2023 raffle quilt. I am looking for someone who is willing to make an embroidered quilt label. It is important that each quilt the guild sends into the public has a label to preserve the history and origin of the quilt. Please contact me if you love doing machine embroidery and are willing to take on this task.

I look forward to seeing each of you at the February meeting!  
Celeste



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### Raffle Quilt Tickets

Janet Sabol

### Pet Beds

VACANT

## Education

by Sue Brown

Our special guest for February will be Chelce Detert from Creative Dimensions. She will give us some tips and tricks and have merchandise to purchase.

### Tips from our members

- Shelley Opland recommends you change your light bulbs! She went from sewing by candlelight to noon day sunlight. LEDs are where it's at!
- Michelle Myers uses a curtain rod with "S" hooks to hang each ruler.

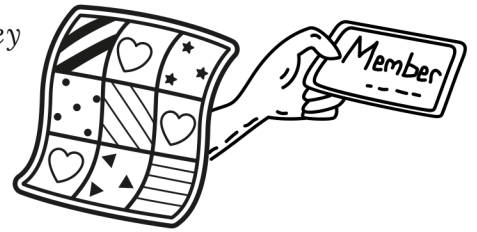


Keep those Tips and Tricks coming for a chance to be in the mystery bag drawing!

## Membership

by Katrina Schoeberl & Carolyn Rousey

In January we had 16 registrations for returning members and 2 new members. We would like to encourage everyone to get their



2024 membership dues paid as soon as possible. If you would like to receive your newsletter by email, the dues are \$20. If you would like to receive your newsletter by USPS, the dues are \$30. If you cannot attend the meeting, you can mail your dues to MPQG Membership, PO Box 306, Minot, ND 58702. Please make your check payable to Minot Prairie Quilt Guild.

Saturday Sewing 2024 Vincent United Methodist Church 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM		
January 13	February 10	March 23
April 20	May 18	June 15
September 14	October 12	November 16

## Stitching Sisters

by Carla Preston

We will be meeting at the Library on February 1st at 1:00. January was a fun time! Everyone shared some really beautiful projects they are working on. Jackie has gotten together with me and we found a project we thought everyone would have fun doing. I included the picture of the heart project. If you would bring a few scraps of your wool to make the hearts and some coordinating flosses. Jackie will bring the dies to cut out your hearts and she also has the keys. We mentioned bringing a small treat to share with the group if you want to celebrate Valentines. Jackie is bringing plates and napkins.

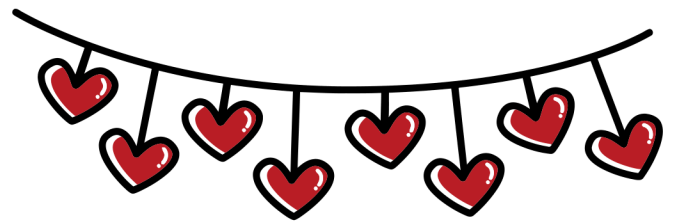
I hope this finds you all staying warm and getting lots of stitching done. Please pass this on to anyone you think might enjoy an afternoon of stitching. We meet the 1st Thursday of every month from 1:00-4:30 at the Minot Public Library. Everyone is welcome!



## Festival 2024

by Bev Cushing

Everything is going smoothly and all the committee members are fulfilling their assignments. Please register for classes and lectures as soon as possible. This helps Sheila with registration. Hope you are working on some small quilts and items to put into the quilt show.



## Raffle Quilt Tickets

by Janet Sabol

ANNOUNCING the 2024 Raffle Quilt!

This beautiful Kim Diehl quilt will win over the hearts of many. The fabrics are from Kim's "Right as Rain" collection for Henry Glass and her pattern *Starflakes* from the Simple Sampler book by Kim Diehl. The quilt is 95" square, a good-sized quilt for a queen bed.

The talents of our Guild members are shining with Gladys Lowell's piecing and quilting done by The Family Quilter, Mary Kohler. Mary finished the quilt with complimentary binding.

Pick up your tickets in February and sell now for the Early Bird Drawing April 6. I'll be out-of-state in early March so contact me before then at 701-340-4562 or [sabolnd@gmail.com](mailto:sabolnd@gmail.com).





# Minot Prairie Quilt Festival

## 2024 Festival Challenge Quilt Rules

**Theme:** Patriotic Fidget Quilt

**Must include:**

1. Button
2. Crunchy item
3. Elastic
4. Patriotic fabric
5. Pocket
6. Ribbon
7. Roll-up for portability
8. Velcro
9. Zipper
10. Quilting: must have three layers consisting of top, batting, and backing. Must be quilted. No ties or false backs.
11. Safety: all features must be safe for disabled children and elderly adults.
12. Size: starting at 108" perimeter up to 168" perimeter (i.e., 22" x 32" up to 36" by 48")
13. Techniques: you may use any technique for the quilt top.
14. Washable: must be machine washable.

**Donation:** You have the option of donating your fidget quilt after the festival. The recipient of the challenge fidget quilts is:

Primary: Total Behavior Support (10 fidget quilts)  
(Providing ABA Therapy for autistic children)  
1015 S Broadway #15, Minot, ND 58701

Secondary: Northern Plains Children's Advocacy Center  
(remainder quilts)  
(Providing services to children victimized by abuse)  
20 1st St SW Suite 202, Minot, ND 58701

**Tutorial Links:**

You Tube video. "Make a Fidget Quilt with Rob!" Man Sewing (Rob Appell).  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GhojSOjTAn4> (18 minutes)

You Tube video. "How to Make a Fidget Blanket". Jenn's Creativity Corner.  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KwShwnagm6M> (12 minutes)

Printed Instructions with Photographs. "Making Fidget Quilts for Dementia Patients". Madam Sew.  
<https://madamsew.com/blogs/sewing-blog/making-fidget-quilts-for-dementia-patients>

Printed Instructions with links for envelope or serge method, examples of quilted versions, machine binding tutorials, and making a felt flower. "Fidget Quilt Tutorial". Central Virginia Modern Quilt Guild.  
<https://cvamodernquiltguild.com/2017/03/09/fidget-quilt-tutorial/>

Printed Instructions with Photographs. "Alzheimer's Fidget Quilt". By Jody Grawey, Autodesk Instructables.  
<https://www.instructables.com/Alzheimers-Fidget-Quilt/>





**Minot Prairie Quilt Guild**  
**General Meeting - Draft Minutes Until Approved**  
**Vincent United Methodist Church**  
**January 4, 2024**

**Snacks and Members with January Birthdays** President Celeste Hauser announced the names of members with January birthdays and asked them to go through the potluck line first.

**Meeting was called to order by the President at 7:00 pm** All members were welcomed by the President. There were 57 members present.

**Introductions of any guests, visitors, or new members.** There were no guests or visitors at the January meeting.

**Secretary's Minutes** Celeste asked if there were any changes to the November 2, 2023, minutes as printed in the newsletter. Change was made to state that Gladys Kraft made 10 of the 69 pet beds donated in November 2023. Motion to approve the minutes with the noted changes in the newsletter made by Diane Cluever and seconded by Sharleen Larson. Voice vote carried.

**Treasurer's Report** Monthly income of \$1,171.38 and expenses \$2,188.83. YTD income \$60,186.08 and expenses \$52,059.95 for a Net Income of \$8,126.13. YTD audit needs 2 non-board members to audit 2023 books. The volunteers are Jackie Slagle and Natalie Mussell.

**Membership** The Name Tag drawing was held, and the winner was Sheila Latham. Katrina reported the total number of members is 139 but only 93 have paid to date.

**Correspondence** Celeste read a Thank You from the Mathew 25 Project, a holiday card from Trinity Health, a thank you note from Festival of Trees – Dakota Hope for making 2023 such a success (reminder we did not participate at Festival of Trees this year) and a bill from Lowe's that was given to Corrina.

**Quilting Dilemmas** Bonnie Berntson is on the lookout for a Leisure Arts Cross Stitch leaflet with the stitch being the "Month" for the top of the jar Lids.

**Hospitality** needed a few people to serve in February. Server's tonight were Judi Green, Jackie Slagle, Betty Ferguson, Natalie Mussell, Diane Stevens, Donna Nason and Pam Kolschefski. Diane Stevens won a Festival Gift card.

**2024 Raffle Quilt** Janet Sabol has the 2024 raffle tickets with her tonight. Tickets are \$1.00 each or a book for \$10.00. The 2024 raffle quilt is from the pattern "Starflakes" from the Simple Sampler book by Kim Diehl. The fabrics used are from Kim Diehl's "Right as Rain" collection for Henry Glass. The quilt was pieced with additional borders by Gladys Lowell, Minot. The quilt was quilted and bound by The Family Quilter, Mary Kohler, Benedict. The quilt measures 95" square. An early bird prize drawing is April 6. The drawing for the 2024 Raffle Quilt will be on December 5, 2024! **Note:** We need to get a label on the back of the quilt. If someone with an embroidery machine would be willing to make a label, please let us know. We as a guild should be labeling all the quilts we make and donate.

**Community Service** Sharleen thanked all the guild members for bringing back all the Community Service quilts. They have some kits available for piecing and binding. Community Service will be getting together to get more quilt kits made up. The Red Cross has been in touch with Judi Green about the possibility of getting some donated quilts for their cause.

**Festival 2024** Bev Cushing reported the catalogs have been mailed. Some have been returned for bad addresses. Sheila Latham will be taking the membership signups tonight, but you must have paid your 2024 MPQG dues to sign up early for the classes. All others can sign up after January 15th. Sheila also has extra catalogs if anyone needs extra. There is a time change for class 202, it's 12:45pm to 3:45pm. If you are working on de-stashing your quilt room, feel free to donate some of those items for the Gift Basket Bonanza. Reminder your challenge quilt needs to be done by March.

**Library** is open at every meeting. Feel free to look through it and check out what you'd like to borrow.

**Education** Sue Brown would like members to submit "Tips and Tricks" for all of us to learn from. If your tip is used, your name goes into a box. There will be a drawing held from that box for your chance to win prizes. Sue presented the following tips: using the cardboard from TP or paper towel rolls to wrap your binding around, push pins to hang a small quilt on the wall, and using a black light to see what the correct side of the fabric is when it's white on white. Display ideas included using ladders (use a pool noodle or tissue paper if you are worried about the finish on the ladder ruining your quilt), baskets, China hutches, curtain rods, and wreath hook & embroidery hoop. The winners this month were Janet Sabol & Sharleen Larson.

**Pet Beds** Need someone for Pet Beds. There was a correction to the December 2023 minutes as stated above.

**Saturday Sewing** First Saturday sewing is January 13th from 9:00am - 5:00pm at the church. Bring your own lunch.

**Facebook pages and Website** any member can upload recipes and other items on the member's only Facebook page.

**Flea Market** will be held at the March 7th meeting since there will NOT be a meeting in April due to Festival.

**Show and Tell** 9 members shared their projects.

**Newsletter** items need to be submitted to Jana by Sunday, January 21st.

**Stitching Sisters** Carla Preston reported there were 9 who attended. Anyone can attend. The group meets the 1st Thursday of the month (same as guild meeting) from 1:00pm – 4:30pm in the South Conference Room on the lower level of the Minot Public Library.

**Secretary Position** Susan Melgaard has accepted the position of secretary for the guild. Thank you, Susan!

**Adjournment** President Celeste Hauser gavelled the end of the meeting at 8:00pm. Respectfully submitted by *Michelle Myers, Vice President / Temporary Secretary*

## January 2024 Show & Tell

Name	Description/Name of Quilt
1. Susan Melgaard	Bugallo
2. Jackie Sage	Krista Mosser Quilt
3. Judi Green	Rainbow Quilt
4. Mary Ann Huff	Table Runner & placemats
5. Lene Huff	Chandelier
6. Connie Bush	projects using my Sun printed fabrics
7. Bonnie Benson	Mia Runner
8. Karlene Reddig	Morning Glory Quilt
9. Callie Randall	Crummy covid- Recycled (denim)

## Minot Prairie Quilt Guild

### Board Meeting - Draft Minutes Until Approved

### Vincent United Methodist Church

January 18, 2024

Meeting was called to order at 6pm by President Celeste Hauser

Board members in attendance were: Celeste Hauser, Susan Melgaard, Corrina Lemer, and Sharleen Larson for Judi Green, Sue Brown, Bev Cushing, and Katrina Schoeberl.

Non-voting members present: Luanne Duchsherer, Sheila Latham, Carla Preston.

Guests: Lynn Heald.

There were seven voting members present, thus constituting a quorum.

At this time Susan Melgaard was installed as Secretary for 2024.

**Secretary's Minutes** President Celeste Hauser asked if there were any corrections or additions to the November 16th, 2023 Board meeting minutes as printed in the January 2024 newsletter. Sue Brown stated the names of Lisa Krebsbach and Pam Abrahamson should be removed from the list of those in attendance. This being the only correction a motion was made by Corrina Lemer to approve the minutes as corrected. This was seconded by Bev Cushing and voice vote carried.

**Treasurer's Report** Corrina Lemer reported the amounts of income, expenses and balances of the Guild account and the current bills to be paid. A motion was made by Sue Brown and seconded by Bev Cushing to pay the bills and accept the report pending an annual audit for 2024. Voice vote carried.

**Community Service** Sharleen Larson reported that quilts will be delivered to a Lansford family who lost their house to a fire. They also have several quilts ready for donation as well as kits and quilts that need finishing.

**Festival** Bev Cushing reported that everything is going well. All positions are filled.

**Historian, Hospitality, Library, Newsletter, and Publicity** - No Report

**Membership** Katrina Schoeberl reported there were 139 paid members at the end of 2023 and we are currently at 124 for 2024.

### Standing Committee Reports

**Raffle quilt 2024** Celeste presented Janet Sabol's report that photos have been taken and will be ready for distribution at February meeting. Members may also pick up tickets at the February meeting.

**Facebook - Public & Members Only** - No report

**Saturday Sewing** Sheila Latham reported January sewing day was cancelled due to extreme cold weather.

**Website** Celeste Hauser gave Michelle Myer's report that information for Festival has been updated by Stacy Walz on the website. She also reported that the raffle quilt page has been up-dated with pictures and information on the quilt. Celeste Hauser also asked that if there are any pages on the website that are specific to a committee that the committees chair should review the page and provide updates to Michelle Myers.

**Stitching Sisters** No report

## Unfinished Business

**Audit Procedure** Celeste Hauser, Corinna Lemer and Michelle Myers will meet to create a draft of procedures that members can follow when completing the audit. They will bring it to a future Board meeting for discussion and approval.

**Job Descriptions** Final descriptions will be sent to the Board this weekend. Please report back to Celeste with your questions and comments. A brief discussion was held about combining Facebook and the Members-Only Facebook pages and Website and Publicity. As the Pet Bed position is open there may be changes made to that job description as well based on future discussions with Community Service committee members.

**Raffle Quilt 2024** Discussion was held about whether someone was put in charge of the raffle quilt at the time the pattern was selected. It was noted that no one specific was put in charge of it, only that Judi Green and Sharleen Larson had worked with Carmen at Prairie Rose Quilt shop to make it larger and that Gladys Lowell would be piecing it. It was noted that it is the responsibility of the President to appoint someone to this task. Celeste Hauser will look for a volunteer.

**Banner** A motion to purchase a new banner had been made last year but the banner was never ordered due to the poor quality of the graphics. Discussion was held at this time about using the name that is registered with the State of North Dakota rather than Minot Prairie Quilt Guild. The registered name of the guild is Minot Quilt Guild – “Prairie Quilters”. This item was tabled for further discussion. Celeste Hauser will talk to Stacy Walz regarding a new logo design to reflect the registered name.

## New Business

**Label for Quilt** At the next General meeting Celeste will ask again for a volunteer to make the label for the 2024 raffle quilt. Making and attaching a quilt label to the raffle quilt is something that will need to be added to the Raffle Quilt Coordinator's job description.

**Honorary Membership Guidelines** Celeste Hauser asked the Board to review the guidelines that were emailed to them and let her know if they have any questions as she has received a nomination for discussion at the February meeting.

**Pet Beds** Celeste Hauser reported that she and Judi Green discussed possibly bringing Pet Beds back under the responsibility of Community Service. Further discussion will be held with the committee and a recommendation brought back to the Board at a later date.

**Guild Business Cards** We still have a few on hand and more will be reordered as needed.

**2024 Budget** Corinna Lemer distributed copies of the proposed 2024 budget to the Board members. Proposed changes to amounts were discussed. Corinna will make updates and bring the budget back to the February meeting for approval.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:07pm

*Susan Melgaard, Secretary*

HAPPY  
*Valentines*  
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Sharon Henry (10)  
Britni Kraft (15)  
Connie Busch (18)  
Sheilla Anderson (19)  
Nancy Fry (27)







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