



GUILD NEWS

The official newsletter of the Minot Prairie Quilters

UPCOMING MEETINGS

GUILD MEETING

August 3, 2023
Annual Picnic at 6:00 PM

Scandinavian Heritage Park
1020 S Broadway Minot, ND

GUILD BOARD

August 17th at 6:00 PM
Vincent United Methodist Church
1024 2nd St SE Minot, ND

FESTIVAL BOARD

August 17th at 7:00 PM
Vincent United Methodist Church
1024 2nd St SE Minot, ND

MEETING SERVERS

Members with last names M through Z should bring a food item to serve. Please see more information in the newsletter.



President's Message

by Sue Brown

Just a few thoughts...

I hope you are all having a wonderful summer! It always goes so fast!

I have been working at the fair this week. As usual there were a lot of beautiful entries! We had about 130 exhibits this year.

Consider entering next year if you didn't this year. Thanks to all who did enter and to those who worked with the judging and setup. It was a huge success!

Our next meeting will be August 3rd at the Scandinavian Park. Please note we start at 6 PM. Look for details in the newsletter.

Instead of "Fun Facts" look for "Quilting Quips" in the newsletter for a chance at a prize at the meeting.

After 6 amazing years Lynn Heald is resigning as treasurer effective at the end of the year. Thank you Lynn for your dedicated service! If you are interested in this position please let Celeste or me know.

See you at the picnic! Sue



Hospitality

by Lisa Krebsbach

The guild's annual potluck picnic will be Thursday August 3rd, at 6:00 PM at the Scandinavian Heritage Park (1020 S Broadway, Minot). Members with last names beginning with M through Z should bring a food item to serve. Please bring a serving utensil and have things cut if needed before you arrive.

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Education

by Jackie Slagle

Flea Market time is coming soon!

We will again have a flea market at the October Guild meeting. So, get your stuff together that you are ready to part with and make someone else happy to bring it home! Have all items marked with stringed tags that can be pinned on, if not pinned on, tape it on, placing tape over the string so it can be pulled off. Tape can make a difficult mess when going through tags in cash box, so please follow guidelines. Numbers should be on Members Only FB page. If you do not have a number, please contact me. Please have all things priced in dollar increments to help speed up check out. You will be able to set up at 6:15 prior to meeting. NO sales until after meeting, and you will need to take any left over items home with you that night.

September Education

Bernina Plus will be providing a demo at the September meeting with the help of Hahns Bodenbender. Various items will be shown including the cutting tables that can be adjusted to the proper height for each individual, the ergonomic rotary cutters, templates, and other great notions. This is your opportunity to try out these products first hand! Hahns will give us a demo during the meeting, but will also try to be set up by shortly after 6:00 so you can go and check it out. Julie may have other items for sale or on special that night.

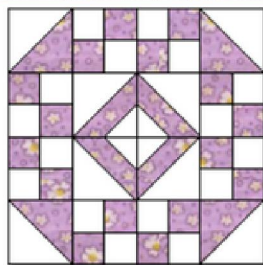
2023 Block of the Month

We are on the last blocks. I had added one additional block so if you have a problem with one, you can make sure you have 12 different blocks. You will need to have your BOM quilt completed including quilting and binding by the December meeting. So, you can make your quilting reservation for anytime after the September meeting. If you have not joined in yet, this is your last chance to start and get it done. Remember you can convert any square to a finished 6 inch block also. I will be gone for the August meeting, so we will check in all blocks at the September meeting. Any questions on where you are on your blocks feel free to call me.

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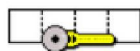
1930's Square

This makes a 12" block!

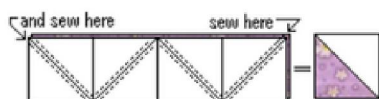


This is an original pattern. Please abide by the [Terms and Conditions of use!](#) :o)

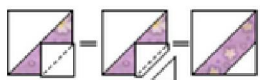
** Preparing the Pieces and Sewing the Block **



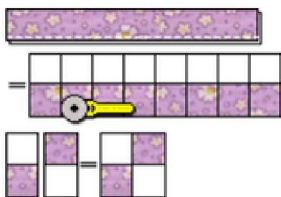
Start by cutting the Color 2 1-1/2" x 6" strip into four 1-1/2" squares...



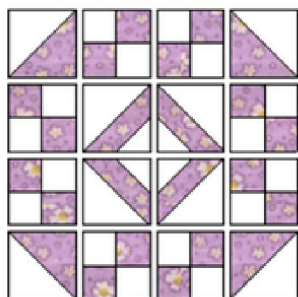
Next speed piece the half squares, by stacking the Color 1 and Color 2 3-7/8" x 15-1/2" strips, right sides together and all edges aligned. On the back of the top strip, lightly mark the 3-7/8" square lines and mark the diagonals in the direction shown at left. Now sew 1/4" above and below the marked diagonals, pivoting at the square lines. Now cut apart ON the marked diagonals, and on the 3-7/8" square lines. This will give you eight half squares. Press seam allowances towards the darker fabric. These should measure 3-1/2"...



Now, to make one center unit, place a Color 2 small square right sides together atop a half square on the purple side, with outer edges aligned. On the back of the small square lightly mark the diagonal. Sew ON this diagonal marking. Cut off the excess seam allowance. Press the remainder towards the corner triangle. Make four of these...

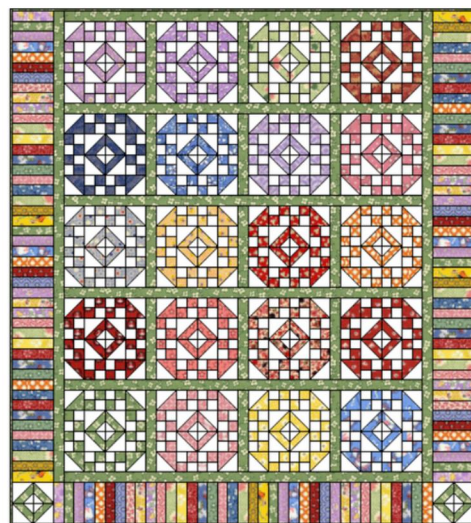


Next sew a Color 1 and a Color 2 2" x 16" strip right sides together along one long edge, in a 1/4" seam. Press to dark side. Trim this into eight 2" wide units. Repeat this with the other two 2" x 16" strips. Sew the pieced units together into four patch units: you need eight of them.



Lay out all units as shown at left. Sew four horizontal rows. Join the rows and your block is complete!

Here are four blocks by five with sashings and a piano key border!



** Supplies List **



Color 1

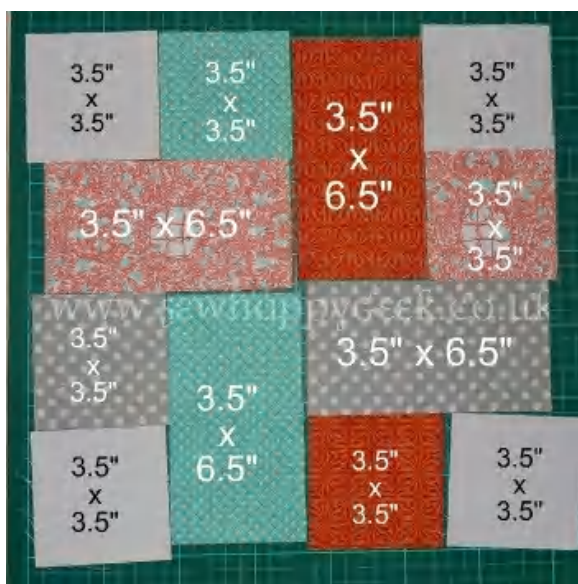


Color 2

Color 1 needs: one 3-7/8" x 15-1/2" strip AND two 2" x 16" strips

Color 2 needs: one 1-1/2" x 6" strip AND one 3-7/8" x 15-1/2" strip AND two 2" x 16" strips

WOVEN BLOCK



Then you'll sew those pairs to the rectangles.



Then sew those rectangles together as above.



And sew those rectangles together. Done!

4 background squares 3.5" x 3.5"

From each of four fabrics: {1} 3.5" x 3.5" square and {1} 3.5" x 6.5" rectangle

Construction: Lay out your fabrics and decide on placement. Sew your 3.5" x 3.5" background squares to the 3.5" x 3.5" feature fabric square next to it.



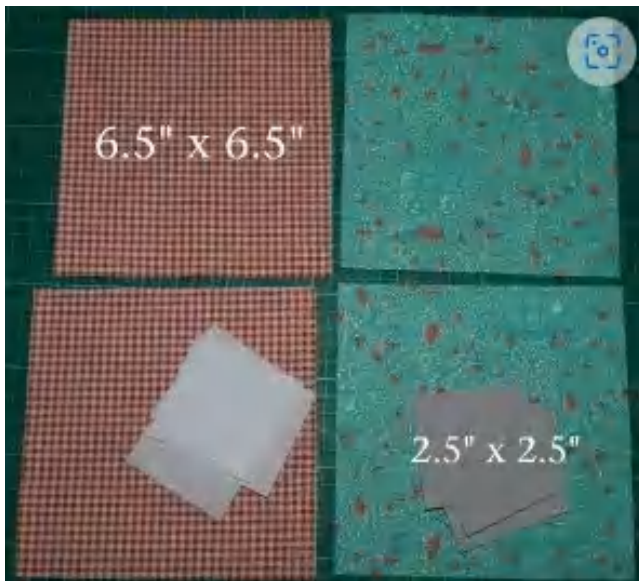


Here's the back – I gently press my seams open.

A WORD OF CAUTION FOR BEGINNERS:
Let's talk about what you do with your seams in quilting. When I say I GENTLY PRESS them

open, I really mean gently press. You know how when you're ironing your socks and underwear (isn't that what people use irons for when they're not quilting?) you use a back and forth, sweeping motion? You don't do that when you're piecing quilt blocks. The fabric is kinda flimsy and can easily stretch, which is what you really DON'T want! So if you are gentle and trust that the heat of your iron will do all the work, your patience will pay off. Now, many quilters will tell you that pressing your seams open is asking for disaster. The thinking is that if you press them to the side, there will be fabric underneath the seam. So if there's any stress on the seam, the 2 layers of fabric under it will take most of the stress and the seam stays intact. What I don't particularly like about pressing to the side is you always get this kind of fold thing. I'd rather everything lays flat, and it makes it easier for me to line seams up for blocks so they're perfectly matched up. So I guess it's best to experiment to find what you prefer.

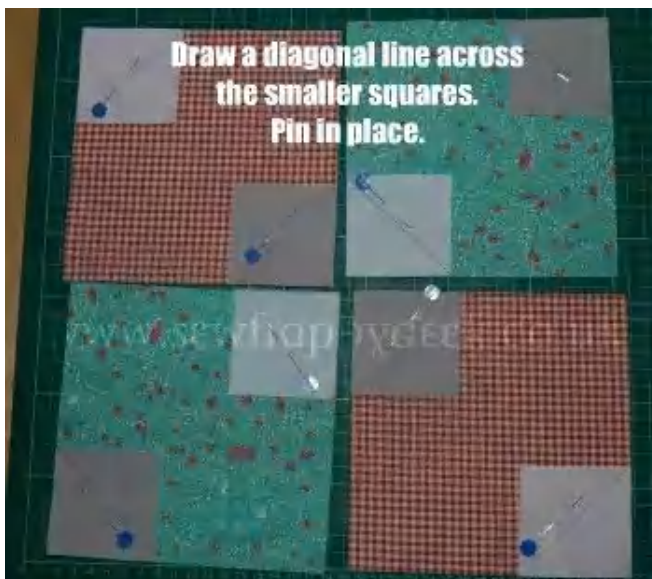
SNOWBALL BLOCK



You'll need 4 fabrics.

From the snowball fabrics, cut (2) 6.5" x 6.5" squares of each as shown above.

From the two other fabrics, cut (4) 2.5" x 2.5" squares of each (for a total of 8 squares).



Draw diagonal lines across your squares and pin them in place as shown.



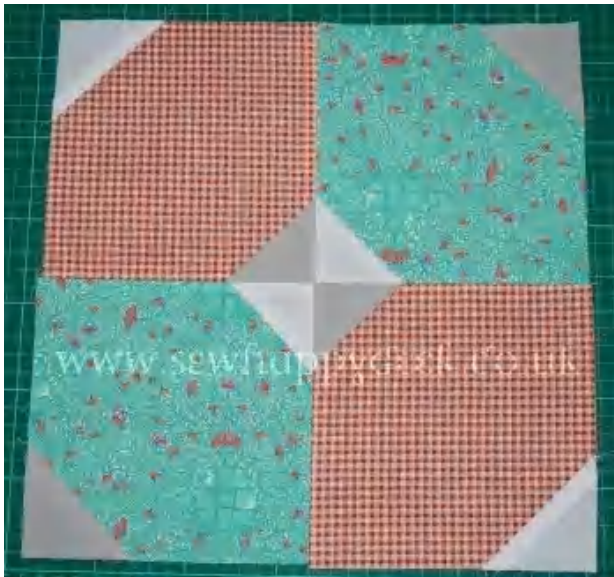
Sew along the diagonal line of each of the smaller squares. Then trim the excess to $\frac{1}{4}$ ". Press those squares to the outside as shown.



Sew the little snowballs together to make a bigger block.



When you're lining them up to sew the two larger pieces together, check your middle seams to make sure they're lined up perfectly. Because that's the center, that's where the eye will be drawn so you want to get it as close to perfect as possible.



Ta-Da!

(taken from: [Sew. Happy. Quilt QAL Week 1 – Woven & Snowball Block Tutorials](http://sewhappygeek.co.uk)
(sewhappygeek.co.uk))

Custom Prints from Solids

by Jackie Slagle

Special offering of "CUSTOM PRINTS FROM SOLIDS" by Carla Fettig on Friday, September 15, 5-9pm and Saturday, September 16, 9-5. Cost is \$75 which will include meals and handouts. You will need to purchase your own fabric. Carla is an amazing quilter and teacher. This is a chance to reach outside of your normal quilting box, and try something new and fun. Please contact Jackie at (701) 240-9333 to sign up. Supply list is included in the newsletter.



Stitching Sisters

by Carla Preston



Hello Stitching Sisters! It seems like it has been forever! Hope everyone is enjoying your summer. Time to get your stitching out and get a project going. We will be meeting Aug 3rd 1:00-4:30 PM at Minot Public Library. Looking forward to seeing what everyone has been working on.

"Chicks with Sticks"

by Luanne Duchsherer

The annual guild golf outing is scheduled for Thursday, August 3rd, the same day as our picnic. We will be at Wildwood Golf Course, near Burlington, and tee times begin at 11:00 a.m. Please arrive at least 20 minutes early to give yourself enough time to prepare and be placed in foursomes. Please call or text at 701-833-2844 by noon on August 1st if you plan to attend so that the correct number of tee times can be reserved. If you have any questions, feel free to give me a call.



Saturday Sewing 2023 Vincent United Methodist Church 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM		
— May 20 —	— June 10 —	August 19
September 16	October 14	November 4



**Minot Prairie Quilt Guild
General Meeting
Vincent United Methodist Church
June 1, 2023**

Snacks and Members with June and July Birthdays

President Sue Brown announced the names of members with June and July birthdays and asked them to go through the snack line first.

Meeting was called to order by the President at 7:00 pm

All members were welcomed by the President. There were 50 members present.

Secretary's Minutes

Sue asked if there were any changes to the May 4, 2023, minutes as printed in the newsletter. Motion to approve the minutes as printed in the newsletter made by Michelle Myers and seconded by Jackie Slagle. Voice vote carried.

Treasurer's Report

Lynn Heald reported the amounts of income, expenses, and final balance. Treasurer's monthly report was accepted pending annual audit.

Membership

The Name Tag drawing was held, and the winner was Debbie Brothers. Sue asked for the 'Fun Fact' printed in the newsletter. The correct answer was given by Joan Mahoney. The 'fun fact' was the most expensive quilt ever sold at auction. Linda reported the total number of members is 138.

Hostesses

The question for the hostesses was "What is your favorite restaurant and favorite food from that restaurant?" Debbie Brothers won the drawing. She will receive a \$10 certificate for the 2024 MPQG Festival.

Correspondence

Sue read the Thank You received from the kids who took the class at Festival. The card was passed to Lynn Heald, since she taught the class.

President's Lunch

Sue had lunch with Gerry Burns in May. Gerry reported they met at Applebee's and had a nice time. Sue reported she removed any duplicate entries from the names turned in. She reminded everyone not to fill out a slip if you have already put your name in for the monthly drawing.

Quilting Dilemmas

It was reported we have salvage edges for the person who had asked for them.

Hospitality

Lisa Krebsbach reported that our next meeting will be the picnic in August. She stated M-Z will bring a dish to share. The committee will provide beverages. The meeting will start at 6pm. There will be Chicks with Sticks prior to the meeting. Luanne Duchsherer will be putting an announcement in the newsletter.

2023 Raffle Tickets

Janet Sabol stated you can turn in any tickets and money to her tonight. She also has more tickets available if you need them. She still needs someone to help from 11am to 12 at the Midsummer raffle table. The quilt will be taken to the Annual Verendrye Electric meeting on June 8th from 3:30 pm to 6:30 pm. Raffle tickets will be sold.

Community Service

Sharleen Larson thanked those who have taken a kit and reminded everyone there are kits available. She doesn't want anyone to miss the opportunity to pick one up, since we won't be back at the church until September. She suggested the smaller quilts could be quilted on a home machine and a great way to get some practice.

Sew Saturdays

The next Saturday Sewing will be June 10th from 9am to 5pm at Vincent United. It will be bring your own lunch.

Festival 2024

Bev reported we will be at the Grand Hotel for the 2024 Festival. The dates will April 4-6, 2024. The theme will be "Red, White, and BOOM! Bev stated the Festival Committee still needs an Equipment Chair and Secretary.

Midsummer Event

Corrina Lemer reported the date will be June 17th. Our quilts will be displayed on the hill and we will have a Viking Market to sell items. It will run from 9am to 5pm. It was reported the sprinklers at the park will be turned 2 days prior to the event. Corrina has the forms available if you will be displaying a quilt, please turn in the form tonight. She stated if you will be selling items, you will need to sign up for a three-hour shift.

Library Debbie reported she had books available to give away.

Block of the Month

Jackie asked all those who completed blocks to be sure she had their names for the drawing. She reminded everyone there will be two blocks to complete for June. She said there is still time for you to catch up and turn in your blocks. The drawing for those who turned in blocks in June were won by Judy Valgren, Debbie Brothers, Jackie Slagle, Corrina Lemer and Gerry Burns.

August Quilt Retreat

August 18 to 20, 2023. There are spots available. It was reported that the arrival time is Friday at noon and can stay until Sunday at 3pm. If you would like to stay into the next week, you would need to contact the camp.

Education

Jackie showed a video on half rectangle triangles. She will post the link on the Member's only page. She stated these would work well to use around the edge of the quilt. Lynn Heald reported Bloc Loc has a ruler to square these type blocks up.

Stitching Sisters Carla Preston noted there were 7 individuals who came to the meeting today.

Lunch with the Pres

Sue had a slip of paper on each table for people to sign their name and number if they would like to have a lunch with her, if you did not submit your name last month. She keeps the previously submitted slips, so you only need to sign once. The new slips were collected and added to the names from prior months and a name was drawn for June. Lyla Kraft will have lunch with our president this month.

Show and Tell 11 members shared their projects.

Sue reminded everyone there will be no meeting in July and our next meeting will be August 3rd at the Scandinavian Heritage Park.

Adjournment President Sue Brown adjourned the meeting at 8:16 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Sheila Latham, Secretary

June 1, 2023 Show & Tell

Name	Description/Name of Quilt
1. Janice Talley	Thimble - picture
2. Pam Abrahamson Dorothy Glessing	Flower Farm Girl Vintage - Seed Pockets
3. Patricia	what ever carpenter table
4. Mary Heald	Quilt of Valor
5. Janet Sabal	Patriotic Ariel, Back Home table topper
6. Leanne Duckshorer	CS quilts, pitholders
7. Teri Hurly	Lots
8. Judy Valgren	wall hanging, small quilt large floral
9. Bev Cushing	Wedding quilt
10. Jan Kallstad	Baskets &
11. Patty Breheim	3 wool patriotic bowlpillows
12. Stacy Watz	9th myStars, Darcy, Navy & Yellow

Minot Prairie Quilt Guild Board Meeting Grand Hotel June 15, 2023

Meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by President Sue Brown

Board members in attendance were Sue Brown, Celeste Hauser, Lynn Heald, Sheila Latham, Linda Hoff, Sharleen Larson, Jackie Slagle, Carla Preston, Corrina Lemer, Michelle Myers, Debbie Brothers, Lisa Krebsbach, Judi Green, and Bev Cushing. There were thirteen voting members present, thus meeting the requirement for a quorum.

Secretary's Minutes

President Sue Brown asked if there were any additional corrections or additions to the May 18, 2023, Board meeting minutes as printed in the June/July 2023 newsletter. Motion to approve the minutes as printed was made by Michelle Myers and seconded by Debbie Brothers. Voice vote carried.

Treasurer's Report

Lynn Heald reported the amounts of income, expenses, and current balances of Guild accounts and 3 bills needing to be paid. A motion was made by Celeste Hauser and seconded by Linda Hoff to approve paying the 3 bills and accept the report pending annual audit for 2023. Voice vote carried.

Unfinished Business There was none reported.

Community Service No report.

Education

Jackie Slagle reported there are 23 participating in Block of the Month. She stated she plans to have Block of Month

done by September or October, so can be shown in November. She plans to do a Flea Market in October. Bernina Plus will be invited to come to the September meeting. She will not be at the August meeting, so Pam Kolchefska will do the Block of the Month and the game or activity for the meeting at the park.

Festival 2024

Bev Cushing reported she is working on the contract with the Grand. She stated we would be doing a walk through after the Festival Board meeting. She has a verbal agreement with the Grand Hotel for April 1-6, 2024. She reported we are still in need of an Equipment Chair and Secretary.

Historian No report.

Hospitality Lisa reported M-Z will provide potluck for the picnic for the August meeting. She reminded us to bring our own utensils.

Library Debbie had no report.

Membership Linda Hoff reported we currently have 138 members.

Facebook Corrina had no report.

Newsletter Reminder that the deadline for the newsletter is Sunday, July 23rd.

Standing Committee Reports

Raffle Quilt 2023

Janet Sabol sent in a report. She reported she and Sharleen Larson sold raffle tickets at Verendrye's Annual Meeting June 8 from 4-6 pm. 112 tickets were sold compared to 200 in 2022. Notes were recorded for additional signage for next year. The raffle quilt will be displayed, and tickets sold at Midsummer June 17.

Position Descriptions Sue stated we will relook at descriptions in the fall.

Web Liaison Michelle Myers had no report.

Pet Beds No report.

Midsummer Festival The event will be June 17 and opens at 9am.

Saturday Sewing

There will be no Saturday sewing in July. Quilts of Valor will have an event on July 15th at Creative Dimensions. Lynn will have kits for individuals to cut.

Stitching Sisters Wool Group

Carla Preston reported there were 8 in attendance in June with 1 guest. They meet the first Thursday of the month before the guild meeting from 1 to 4:30 pm at the library.

Retreat The retreat "Coffee, Tea and Quilting" from August 18 to 20th has spots available.

New Business none

Adjournment President Sue Brown adjourned the meeting at 6:34 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Sheila Latham, Secretary

Quilting Quips

A lady never discusses
the size of her stash.



HaPPY BiRTHDay



Jennifer Feller (1)
Roxy Denney (5)
Amber Chance-Brookie (17)
Kathryn Fiske (17)
Bonnie Berntson (27)

Deborah Brothers (27)
Barbara Brookie (30)
Susan Melgaard (30)
Vicki Reile (30)



Custom Prints from Solids supply list

This class is based on Maria Shell's print making techniques from her book, *Improv Patchwork: Dynamic Quilts Made with Line & Shape*. The book isn't a requirement however, it is an excellent resource.

Supplies:

Rotary cutter and mat

Iron and iron mat -You will be pressing many strip sets, so having your own pressing station will be convenient.

Rulers: 12 ½" x 12 ½" , 6" x 24"

Sewing machine, basic sewing tools and supplies

Thread – generally a neutral works well with a collection of solids

Notebook or journal for planning/sketching

Fabric:

1. A piece of flannel fabric large enough to cover your pressing surface.
2. 12-14 solid fabrics - ¼ - ½ yard by WOF (width of fabric)
 - The fabrics you choose should have a range of values – a third light value, a third medium value, a third dark value
 - Consider some neutrals- white, black, gray, taupe, or brown --- If you choose a dark gray or taupe, select a lighter brown. If you choose a light gray or taupe, select a darker brown.
 - OR... just choose 12-14 solid fabrics you like ;]

Maria's suggested color palette:

1. Black
2. White
3. Grey
4. Brown
5. Red
6. Pink
7. Orange
8. Yellow
9. Green
10. Blue
11. Turquoise
12. Purple



** See a sample
color palette next
page

** This is your project/quilt. If you want to explore monochromatic, analogous, split-complimentary or any other color plan, go for it!

Why solids? *"Batiks or fabrics that read as solids, but have a light print or texture to them, are not predictable when cut up. To create the most graphic prints and patterns, use pure, solid fabrics."* Maria Shells

**This is your project/quilt. If you'd like to use prints, tonals, or batiks, please add them to your palette.

Will fat quarters work? *Yes, however, fat quarters will produce prints with a maximum width of 18-20 inches. The WOF provides greater flexibility in designing prints.*

To explore some of Maria's creations and color palettes, go to her website: mariashell.com
or her blog: talesofastitcher.com

If you have any questions, feel free to contact Carla Fettig at cjfettig1120@gmail.com

My Sample palette - See fabric layout on the additional attachment
There is also a suggested color tool on the additional attachment.

Black - dark value
White – light value
Brown – dark value
Grey - medium value
Red – dark value
Blue - light value
Turquoise – dark value
Yellow - medium value
Green - light value
Purple – medium value
Pink – medium value
Orange - light value



Coffee, Tea, and Quilting Retreat

Come join us for a relaxing few days at the end of summer to unwind with friends at the Minot Prairie Quilt Guild retreat. Once again it will be held at Metigoshe Ministries just north of Bottineau, ND on beautiful lake Metigoshe. This year we are celebrating the friendships we develop over **Coffee, Tea, and Quilting**. The retreat officially starts on Friday, August 18th at 1:00 PM and ends at 3:00 PM on Sunday, August 20th. Registration is on a first-come, first-served basis. The fee is \$140 for overnight quilters in themed rooms (bedding and towels included) and \$100 for daytime quilters.

Meals included are Friday dinner, Saturday lunch and dinner, and Sunday brunch. Continental breakfast will be served to all overnight guests. Bringing a snack to share is encouraged but not mandatory.

Nametags, cutting tables, and ironing stations will be furnished. A flea market will be available Friday and Saturday.

Payment: deposit of 50% is due at registration. Checks to be made out to MPQG and given to Jackie Case at the May 4th guild meeting or mailed to her address: 2405 14th St NW, Minot, ND 58703. Mailed registrations must be postmarked after May 4, 2023 or they will not be accepted. Balance is due by the August 3rd guild meeting.

If you plan to arrive early, you must make your own arrangements with Maddie at Metigoshe Ministries at (701) 263-4788 Ext 29.

Refund Policy: Refunds are issued for family or medical emergencies only. Any other cancellation must be made two weeks prior to the retreat. Contact CeeCee Thompson at (701) 240-7316 with any changes.

REGISTRATION

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

I'd like to room with: _____

Dietary restrictions or handicap room: _____





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