



Women Of the West QUILTERS

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DECEMBER 2012

DECEMBER PROGRAM Monday, December 10th, 2012 @ 7 p.m.

Come enjoy the holiday season with a Make-N-Take felt pin cushion, scissor sheath, or needle case. Along with some coffee and cake.

President's Column

Thank you so much for the fun year I have had as your president. I have enjoyed getting to know everyone better!

This month our meeting is early! December 10th, join us for coffee and cake, and a fun make and take pincushion, scissor sheath, or needle case. We will supply the felt, some floss for decorating, and beads for embellishment. Please bring your own fabric scissors, and any other embellishments you may like. I am looking forward to a fun and relaxed evening of socializing!

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Yours in Stitches and Giggles,

Patti Mannin, President



*Friendship is sewn with love and
measured by kindness*

Contest - There will be a contest for the most "Christmasy" sweater, over-the-top headgear, and outrageous accessory. There will be prizes.

President's Block – This year's out-going president has chosen the eight-pointed star for block of choice. The fabrics to be used are Asian-style prints. The worksheet is available from Lori Allison or page 5 of the November newsletter. Blocks will be presented to Patti at the December meeting.

Block of the Month

Sue Nelson won the (6) blocks for November. This month, the pattern is any star pattern in 6" to 12" finished block. The directions can be found on the website.

Dawn Bryant/Carol Henderson

New Small Group: Make It Modern: A Contemporary Quilt Group. The group will meet at Make It Sew Tuesday, December 18th, between 6:30-8:00pm. Bring one of your project(s) to show and be prepared to meet new friends. Cost is \$7.00. Address: Make It Sew, 600 Market St., Ste. 110, Chanhassen. I hope to see you there.

Mickey Ellis, Activities Coordinator

Correction to October newsletter – It was Lone Botts with the vintage flower garden remake.

There was no November board meeting. December board meeting will be at the Plymouth Library, December 4th 7:00pm

Guild Meeting – Medina Entertainment Center
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-*President Patti Marrin started the evening with lots of announcements.

-12/3 is the date for quilt shopping for the raffle quilt beginning at Blue Bamboo at 3 pm and continuing on to Four Seasons and possibly Make It Sew.

-12/15 will be the first workday at Four Seasons from 9:30 to 5. Interested participants can either show up or email Patti so she has an idea of how many. Ironing boards will be provided but you can bring your own irons.

-Bids are being taken for quilting the raffle quilt. Finished quilt size is 80x80.

-The retreat at Green Lake was a great success with fun had by all. Many mentioned wanting one more day so please contact the coordinators to let them know your preference. Scheduled dates for next year are Sept 19-22.

-The next meeting of the WOW Quilt Show committee is Jan 21. Julie Harstad mentioned that anyone wanting to help out may come to this meeting at the Plymouth Library at 7 pm. The date for the Quilt Show will be October 12th at the Plymouth Creek Center as previous years.

-Shawn Taylor asked that when making your Christmas gifts to make a second one for the boutique at the Quilt Show. Other holiday ideas are helpful as well.

-Patti mentioned the fact that we need to find a new secretary for the guild since Elaine Franks has volunteered to be the Vice President next year. Angela Coleman then volunteered to continue as secretary.

-Patti welcomed the (2) visitors and (1) new member to our meeting. She also waved the nametag requirement for door prizes for the evening.

-Since tonight is the challenge quilt competition, The Road I Traveled, she reminded everyone to peruse and vote.

-Next month's meeting will be on Dec 10th with a Make N Take of a pincushion. Felt will be provided but bring scissors, needles and whatever else you might need for embellishing.

-Community Service mentioned that they needed placemats for Meals on Wheels. Deane Gradous mentioned that Christmas fabric ones would be nice but any kind would be appreciated. They need these by December 10th. There is also a list available of where all our donation quilts and items were given during the last year.

-It was brought to Patti's attention that we needed to vote on the positions of Vice President and Secretary for next year. Ayes were voted for both positions for Elaine and Angela.

-The next board meeting will be held on Dec 4th at Plymouth Library at 7 pm for all outgoing and incoming officers and committee chairs. Position binders will be handed off at this meeting.

-Linda Bloudek and LuAnn Sing will be our new Secret Sister coordinators for next year. We then had the Secret Sister reveal for this year's participants.

-Birthday Club reminded everyone that you bring a gift bag during your birthday month to help out with the room fee. Tonight's intake was \$73.25.

-After the break Patti mentioned that the membership dues would remain the same. Also there will still be a visitor fee of \$5 next month for Make N Take supplies.

-Patti has a calendar of barn quilts of Carver County for sale for \$18.

-Resolution quilts need to be turned in by the Dec 10th meeting.

-Lori Allison made the announcement that President blocks needed to be turned in by the Dec meeting for outgoing president, Patti Marrin. She continued by having the 8 participants of the challenge, The Road I Traveled; explain the stories of their quilt. The winners were Best Artistry – Mary Gunness, Most Creative – Nancy Joens, Best Workmanship – Patty Morris. Winners were given a \$50 check to their favorite quilt store.

*Door prizes were given out to 4 lucky winners.

-Suzanne Nelson won Block of the Month. Next month will be a star of choice in any color with a dark background and light center. Finished size can be 9-12" and up to 3 per person can be made.

-Julie announced the quilt categories for the Quilt Show so we can plan our quilts now. The four categories are piecing, appliqué, stars and art or contemporary.

-The meeting concluded with Show and Share.

-A special tribute was spoken about the loss of one of our guild members and friend, Florine Koning.

Respectfully submitted,

Patty Morris. Co-Secretary

The Road I Have Traveled Challenge Quilts



Best Artistry - Mary Gunness – A quilt with flying geese and a tree representing her interest in her family genealogy



Most Creative – Nancy Joens showing a road starting in Iowa on a farm and continuing in Minnesota.



Dean Davis' entry – A quilt of world travel memories.



Best Workmanship – Patty Morris life road represented as a tree with arms outstretched and new beginnings represented by the butterfly.



?? entry representing the "empty nest" and patchy road along the way.



Lori Allison's entry - A modern road with "paths not taken and rough spots along the way".



Mickey Eliis' entry with patches of memorable garments and the entwined circles representing family.



Julie Harstad's entry of her quilting road using fabrics and blocks from past projects.

Show & Share Sampler



Lori Allison's block of the month made with Kaffe Fassett fabrics



Mary Gunness Christmas bells quilt.



Shawn Taylor's fall quilt with center panel.



A very striking black & white quilt.



Nancy Johnson 2011 quilt retreat leaf quilt



Karen Peterson's appliqued Christmas tree skirt

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✓ December CHECKLIST:

- Block of the month
- Your Nametag
- Birthday Club Donations
- Show and Share
- Tools and supplies for Take –N-Make project
- Community Service projects or donations
- Free books, magazine and fabric to share

The *Women of the West Quilt Guild* was organized in December of 1997 to encourage and support all levels of quilters. The guild offers education, programs, fellowship, communication and community service while providing a place to be among people that share the same interest of the art of quilting. Meetings are held the 4th Monday monthly at 7 p.m. at the Medina Entertainment Center. If there is a conflict with a holiday, another night will be scheduled. The Medina Entertainment Center is on Highway 55 in Medina.

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