



Women Of the West

QUILTERS

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NOVEMBER 2016

NOVEMBER PROGRAM

Monday, November 28, 2016 @ Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church
Challenge Quilt Display, Voting and Prizes!

President's Column

Happy Thanksgiving! Yes, November is here which means Thanksgiving is only a few weeks away. As I'm writing this article I can't help but feel thankful for all the people I have met and gotten to know since I joined WOW. You ladies never cease to amaze me with your creative talents and your commitment to helping others. I am so proud to be part of this organization and thankful that you are all a part of my life. As the Thanksgiving holiday approaches, I hope that you will take a few moments to consider all that you are thankful for this year.

I hope you enjoyed the meeting last month with Vicki Pignatelli as much as I did. In addition to hearing her interesting theories on quilting I also enjoyed seeing all her amazing quilts. Not only is she a talented quilter--she is a very inspirational speaker as well.

At the November meeting we will be voting for the 2017 WOW Board of Directors. The good news is that the four officer positions have been filled. However, a number of other positions remain open. Please review the list of positions on page two and take time to consider whether you can help.

Thank you everyone for giving me the opportunity to be involved with Women of the West over the past several years. I feel so fortunate and am thankful to have met all of you, and I cherish the time we have spent together over the past several months. You ladies Rock!

May your bobbin always be full!

Renelle Kunau, President

November 28th Program Challenge Quilts—The Big Reveal!

We hope all of you have been working hard to finish your challenge quilts, because the big reveal will be at our November meeting. We will display the quilts and people will have a chance to share a bit about their entry before ribbons and prizes are awarded. We'll celebrate and have time for fellowship over cake and lemonade. Some very nice prizes have been donated by the following retailers. Please stop by their establishments when you can, and thank them for their support!

Five Swans, Wayzata, 315 Lake St. E., Wayzata:
\$25 Gift Certificate

Starbuck's, 740 East Lake Street, Wayzata:
1 lb Coffee, Coffee Mug

Candlelight Floral & Gifts, 275 East Lake St., Wayzata: Silk Arrangement

COV, events@covwayzata.com:
\$25 Gift Certificate

Nothing Bundt Cakes, 12987 Ridgedale Drive, Wayzata: 10 Bundlets, 1 Bundt Cake

Wayzata Brew Works, 294 Grove Lane East:
Gift Basket

Wayzata Salon & Day Spa: \$25 Gift Certificate.

Lunds & Byerlys: \$50 Gift Certificate

Wayzata Car Works: 5 Car Washes



Please consider taking on a position with the guild. Perhaps ask a friend to share the role with you to have some fun.

Here is a list of our officers and committee chairs for 2017. There are still openings!

- President: Angela Coleman
- Vice President: Audrey Fresh
- Secretary: Connie Falkenstein
- Treasurer: Brenda Dunlavy
- Community Service: Nancy Miller and Maple Grove Quilters
- Retreat Coordinator: Dawn Bryant and group
- Small Groups: Carole Olson
- Membership: Sonja Folven and Judy Mages
- Sunshine & Shadows: Edith Lejonvarn
- Secret Sister: Marcey Fahrenholtz
- Activities Coordinator: **OPEN**
- Web Mistress: Student volunteer
- Newsletter: **OPEN**
- Birthday Club: **OPEN**
- Social Media: **OPEN**

What is Birthday Club and why do we do it?

Birthday Club was designed as a **FUN** and easy way for our guild to raise additional revenue each month and help keep our monthly dues down. At the guild meeting during their birthday month, guild members bring an item to the meeting that they would like to donate. It can be a fat quarter from your stash or anything else you would like to donate. Chocolate is always a huge hit. Members purchase "raffle" tickets for a **quarter** (25¢), and use the tickets to bid on the items that are available that month.

Let's Revive Birthday Club. All we need to do is **remember to bring an item to donate to the guild meeting the month of your Birthday.** Also, please know that you can bring donations any time, no special occasion needed!

2016 Secret Sister Reveal

The moment we have all been waiting for is coming! The 2016 Secret Sister reveal will be at the WOW January 2017 meeting. Please save one special gift to give to your Secret Sister during the reveal that night.

2017 Secret Sister Sign-up

You are invited to join the fun! 2017 Secret Sister sign-up is available now through the January 2017 WOW meeting. Please download the attached information form and return it to Marcey Fahrenholtz, Secret Sister Coordinator.

Marcey Fahrenholtz, Secret Sister Coordinator

Angela's Activities

UFOs and Small Projects Challenge

Last month to participate in UFO and Small Project Challenge. This month's Small Project is two pot holders, any shape or size. I'm thankful for all you participated. It was very challenging for me to make sure to complete all the small projects. My UFO list still has two items on it. How's your list? My Christmas gift projects are starting to stack up and things are getting very busy and my sewing room is getting messy again! Have a blessed Thanksgiving. See you at the monthly meeting.



Angela Coleman, Activities Coordinator

Quilt Show News

Janna Laumann and Terri Good have volunteered to Co-Chair the Quilt Show committee next year.

Also, Shawn Taylor, Karen Gallagher, Sue Haug, Brenda Dunlavy, Jan Blackstad are the ladies in our group working on the raffle quilt and perhaps a few more. There are many other volunteer opportunities for the show, so come join us! Together, WOW will have another terrific show.

SMALL GROUP NEWS:

Quilts of Valor

Small group meets at Blue Bamboo Quilt Shop in Plymouth, MN the Second Saturday of the month from 10am-3:30 pm (or whatever part of that you have time for.) We supply the fabric and the friendship and even have kits ready if you would like to take one home to work on. Come check us out! For more information, contact Terri Good: tgood@tcfbank.com)

English Paper Piecing

Small Group meets at the Lunds in Plymouth on Hwy 55 and Vicksburg Lane. All are welcome from 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM, the second Friday of the month. For more information contact Sandra Johnson at sandyrnj@aol.com or 763-535-0872.

Dear Jane Small Group is Forming

A brand new small group called "Dear Jane" is forming. The group will focus on traditional quilts using techniques including English paper piecing and hand piecing. The focus will be entirely devoted to Civil War Quilts (The Civil War Diary Quilt, The Civil War Love Letters Quilt), Farmer's Wife Pony Quilts (The Farmer's Wife Pony Club Sampler Quilt, The Farmer's Wife 1930's Sampler Quilt), and Jane Austen's Quilt, Inspired by her novels.

They propose meeting at Blue Bamboo Open Sew Session (Monday's) or Creative Sewing Center of Minnetonka Open Sew Sessions (T.B.D.)

They also hope to hold an annual Dear Jane retreat. New Members Welcome! Contact Audrey Fresh audrey@thefreshfamily.com to join!

October Speaker Vicki Pignatelli, below, shared her amazing quilts and talked about "Nurturing Your Creative Spirit: Personal Traits That Inspire Great Quilts". Earlier in the day she led a workshop teaching her curved construction techniques.



NOVEMBER CHECKLIST:

- Your Name tag
- Your Challenge Quilt
- UFO's & Small Project Challenge
- Birthday Club Donations
- Secret Sister Surprises
- Show and Share items
- Free books, magazines, & Fabrics
- Your donation/service quilt



At left are three of the quilts Angela Coleman shared during Member Spotlight.

October Show & Share



Robin Kohls showed her finished project from the Cynthia England Workshop



Mary Havisto showed a quilt made from pink Kaffe fabrics & a churn dash quilt



Connie Falkenstein showed "PoPoRi" and "Oh Christmas Tree"



Renelle Kunau showed a quilt made of vibrant batiiks



Sharon Peterson showed a string quilt & a dutchman's puzzle.



Carole Olson showed some table toppers she was making for gifts.



At left, Donna Champion showed an overnight travel bag and a crane quilt

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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 monthly on the 4th Monday, at 7 p.m. at Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church, 5005 Northwest Blvd, in Plymouth. If there is a conflict with a holiday, or other changes in schedule, they will be noted in the newsletter and on our website which can be found here:

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