

Quilt Dreamers

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President's Letter

Well, spring is here, rains have fallen, flowers have bloomed and more are budding. It is a time of new beginnings. I guess it is the same way with quilting. I get inspired for new things when the spring colors come out. Let's get together and get inspired together for some new projects that are on the horizon.

Note: The guild retreat is also that weekend; so, for non-retreaters, how about a guild sewing day at the meeting this month? Bring your machines and we can work on some basket quilts or plan to tie what is already done.

See you at the meeting!

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Year End Financial Report

-- Submitted by your treasurer, Gwen Lundgren

Between the quilt show 2009 and the quilt show 2010, we took in \$1,259. Income was from the quilt show, dues, donations and a grant from Minnesota Quilters.

We spent \$1,379. \$806 for supplies to make quilts. \$140 for printing and gift certificates for the show. \$420 for use of the church. New checks cost \$13.

We had \$1,418 leftover from the previous year and we ended this year with \$1,298. This year's show took in \$556. And we have collected \$230 in dues and donations since then. We now have \$2,050.

APRIL MEETING

Saturday, May 15, 2010
9 a.m.

South Suburban
Evangelical Free Church
12600 Johnny Cake Ridge Rd
Apple Valley, MN

The church is located two blocks north of the corner of McAndrews (County 38) and Johnny Cake Ridge Road. Go in the side door located on the East Side of the building. Turn right and walk until you see the stairs. You may go up the stairs or take the elevator located to the right of the stairway - turn left from the stairs or elevator and then turn left into the hallway and go to room 255.

Newsletter Info Deadline:

Tuesday, June 8 -
please send content to Cindy
at priariemn@yahoo.com

Visit our website: www.prairieland.net/QuiltDreamers/

May Food Menu -- Liz Tarr

Since so many Quilt Dreamer members will be away at the retreat and not at the May meeting, the food theme this month is "bring whatever you want!"



Upcoming Events

Editor's note: The events below were mailed to the Guild for distribution in the newsletter or handed out at the meeting. Since so many members will be away in May, I have included them here:

3rd Annual Quilts in Bloom

June 12, 9am-3pm

310 Herman Terrace, Hopkins

www.myspace.co/qib2010

\$10 for adults, 12 and under free.

Explore the colors, sounds and fragrance of a summer garden bursting with blooms as you stroll the outdoor gallery of quilts.

Two-Day SE Section

Minnesota Bus Trip

July 31 and August 1

\$99 tickets include luxury motor coach transportation; motel accommodations (double-occupancy with continental breakfast); shopping galore at 13 shops; fun, friends, adventure; and a gourmet box lunch.

Each shop hopper completing the entire SE Minnesota Section receives a 10-yard stack of fabric.

The "Bright White and Midnight" bundle contains twenty half-yard cuts. Pick up your bundle at the last shop on the bus trip. To reserve your spot, contact Penny at PJ's Fabric & Crafts, Northfield MN, 507-301-3323.

Quilt Layering Update - Joyce Fagerness

Where did April go to? I can't believe it is May already.

Everyone was real busy at our April meeting and many quilts were tied. We are gradually catching up in tying the backlog of quilts we have been working on for several months. We also layered another 22 quilts. We are a very busy group. Gwen presented the first challenge of the year. It will be fun to see what everyone does with the fabric they took. I still need 3 cat blocks to finish the blocks I have at home. If anyone has any or wants to make them, that would be appreciated. See you next week.



2010-2011 Dues - Gwen Lundgren

The following people have donated a quilt or paid their dues. If your name is not on this list it means that you have not yet paid your dues or I made a mistake. Please send \$12 to Gwen Lundgren 14660 Dallara Av Rosemount MN 55068.

Vickie B, Geri C, Pat C, Marion D, Karen D, Zee E, Joyce F, Melinda H, Gail H, Carol J, Marilyn K, Mary K, Jana K, Shelly K, Zandy L, Judy Leshovsky, Gwen L, Valynda M, Shawn M, Joan M, Evelyn N, Joan N, Jamie R, Vivian S, Edna S, Liz T, Marge T, Janet T, Susan U, Carol W, Cindy W.



Chemo Cap Kits

-- Cindy Wilson

I'll be bringing a box of kits to the May meeting. There is a mix of all three designs, with one design per bag. Each bag has pre-cut fabric for several caps; some kits have partially completed caps.



Let's make a goal of being able to take 100 caps to the American Cancer Society in October. **Thanks!!**



May Birthdays

Dolly Hanson - 5/5
Valynda Machen - 5/28
Marilyn Kassube - 5/31

And Belated April Birthdays to new members:

Geri Claytor - 4/27
Melinda Hampton - 4/28

We all hope you had a
wonderful time on your birthday!

Quilt Distribution - Gwen Lundgren

This past year we made and gave 237 kid's quilts, 36 adult quilts, 128 preemie quilts, 69 cancer hats, 119 baby hats. They went to CAC (now 360 Communities), CAP, Ridges Hospital, Dakota Co. Foster Care, Trinity Care Center, Amnion, and the American Cancer Society.

Where the Quilts Go. - Gwen Lundgren

Last week I delivered 20 kid's quilts to CAC Rosemount Resource Center. While I was there the gal accepting the quilts mentioned that she had a mom and kid's there for food from the food shelf. She wanted to give them quilts. Although was a bit of a language barrier she made it clear that the kid's could each pick a quilt. One girl, about 5, chose one for herself and baby sister. She gave one to the baby and hugged hers. Then the 2-3 year old boy said, "Me?" When she said yes he excitedly chose his favorite and hugged it like it was the best thing in his life. He had the biggest grin you could imagine. It was so fun to see how happy it made them. I wish I had a video to show you all.

When I took quilts to the CAP agency I talked with Susan Hilla, Director of Family Services about the agency. I asked who the quilts were given to. One of their main programs is Head Start. Each child has a caseworker and it is at their discretion that the quilts are given. They have 466 poverty level kids in the program. I felt sad that I only had 20 quilts to give them. They also have a program for new young moms to teach them child health and development, positive parenting skills and a safe home environment. Most of them are very young and single. They have many other programs, most of them with some government control. Check their web site at: www.capagency.org/pages/dakota.htm They coordinate their efforts with CAC so that there is no duplication.

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