

# Fat Quarter News

February 2017

#### PROGRAMS AND WORKSHOPS



**FEBRUARY** brings a trunk show at our regular meeting and a workshop the following day, presented by Vivienne Moore from Salem, Oregon. Vivienne is a very experienced designer and quilter who has taught classes all around our area including many at the Sister's Quilt Show. On the following day, Vivienne presents a workshop that will focus on paper piecing, a good starting point for anyone wanting to learn paper piecing.

At the **March 9 OCQG meeting**, Karen Bates from Sew Creative in Ashland, Oregon will be presenting a program called Stitching Society, an activity that is going on in her shop. The Stitching Society features embroidery, wool appliqué, embellishment, and needlework. Karen will be happy to share her knowledge to answer any quilting questions you might have about any kind of quilting. On Friday, March 10 Karen presents two workshops.

(1) From 9-12, there will be a **Scrap Crazy workshop**. Using the Scrap Crazy 6 template, you will learn to play with your scraps! Leave with the start of a scrap crazy or pinwheel quilt. The possibilities are endless! Cost is \$44, which includes the Scrap Crazy 6 template. The optional Scrap Crazy 6 book will be available for purchase. A beginner friendly workshop.

(2) From 1-4 pm, Karen presents an **English Paper Piecing workshop**. Learn the hassle-free process of English Paper Piecing with elongated hexagons. Karen will give you tricks to make the process fun and easy! The outcomes are spectacular! Cost is \$22, which includes a \$3 material fee. A beginner-friendly workshop.

# SIGN UP FOR UPCOMING JUDY NIEMEYER SPRING MINI RETREAT

Date: May 25-27

Location: Newport Yacht Club

Cost: \$135 (\$50 Non-refundable deposit due at time of sign up)
Who: Taught by two certified instructors. All skill levels welcome.
What: Work on any Judy Niemeyer pattern at your own pace.

Contact: Jennifer Reinhart





(LEFT) Past president
Cindy McEntee was
presented her completed
President's Quilt at the
December meeting.
Lorne Pleger assembled
the quilt and Jennifer
Reinhart did the quilting.

#### APRIL MEETING DATE CHANGE

Please note that the April meeting will be held on April 6 instead of April 13 because of a conflict in the availability of the meeting room.

Please mark your calendars accordingly. Remember that the meeting time that month also changes to an evening meeting.

# FEBRUARY 2017 GUILD MEETING:

February 9, 2017, 1:00 pm,
Table Walk at 12:30 pm
Atonement Lutheran Church
Program: Vivienne Moore
Trunk Show
S.A.B.L.E.: Valentines
Also, remember to bring
money for Quilter's
Surprise, Nifty Notions,
Raffle Tickets, and
Workshops

## **QUILT SHOW UPDATE**

#### **QUILT SHOW POSITION NEEDS FILLING**

We are in need of someone to step up and fill a position that has just been vacated. This is something you can do from the comfort of your home, even in your PJs! It's called "Advanced Advertising." Basically, we need a member to work from a list of magazines and publications (that we provide to you), obtain info on their deadlines and advertising costs, and report that info back to the show chair. Then, after a decision has been made as to where best to spend our advertising dollars, you will forward the ad copy (provided to you) to the selected entities. It's not a difficult task, **but one that we need to fill asap** as many of these publications set their copy many months in advance. Please contact Sue (661-904-8130 or <a href="mailto:sooze@pobox.com">sooze@pobox.com</a>) right away if this sounds like something you can do. Thanks!



**QUILT SHOW SPONSORED RIBBONS.** \$10 Each. Deadline is July 1st. Members as well as non-members of the Guild may sponsor ribbons. OCQG members are also encouraged to sell the opportunity to sponsor a ribbon to community members and businesses.

Register on any line of the sign up board during meetings. One lucky pre-determined line will win a bag of goodies once the entire board is sold out!

Members are invited to attend a Ribbon Making Day on Saturday, April 8th from 11:30 am to 4 pm at SewHound fabric shop in Siletz. Contact Jennifer Reinhart to sign up or for more information.

#### **2017 FEATURED QUILTER NAMED**

At the January meeting, Lisa Taylor (at right in photo) was named the Guild's 2017 featured quilter. Velma Freudenthal (left), our 2016 Featured Quilter, passes on to Lisa some of the accoutrements of the "office." Lisa has been a member of the Guild since 2002. Her (quite substantial) body of work will be featured in a special display at our quilt show in August.



## RAFFLE TICKET REMINDER

Our raffle quilt for 2017 pictured at right— is "Fall Splendor." It is a lovely queen-size autumn leaf design. We hope to display it at the Oregon Garden during the Quilt Retreat. Be sure to pick up your ticket packet at the February 9 guild meeting. All members are asked to sell and/or buy at least one envelope of tickets. Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5. Each envelope has 18 tickets and costs \$15. Contact Janet Sylvester or Jan Hoffman.



## COMMUNITY QUILTS

**QUILTS NEEDED.** We need quilts for children in the Waldport area to sit on and/or hold. A good size quilt for these little people is 45" x 45". We also really need other *completed* quilts of any size, as our supply is running low. Quilts can be tied, simply quilted on your domestic machine,



hand quilted, or long-armed. **DOG BEDS.** The Community Quilts committee delivered 20 dog beds so far this month. **WORK MEETINGS.**Community Quilts meets the first Thursday of every month at the Nazarine Church on 11th St. Newport

month at the Nazarine Church on 11th St., Newport, from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm. We have enough room for 10 sewers, but our attendance has been low. Please consider joining us. **CONTACT**. If you have any questions please call Phyllis Mitchell at 541-270-3924.



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# **DECEMBER**WINNERS!

(NEAR RIGHT) Joann Simpson with a prize donated by Rosalie Raudsep's estate.
(FAR RIGHT) Ann Shaw pattern winners Marylynn Kleeman and Beverly Herganrader.
(BELOW LEFT) Nifty Notions winner Lisa Taylor.
(BELOW RIGHT) SABLE winners (left to right): Jan McQueen, Lucy Milliken, Teecia Cornelius, Lana Pries, Lisa Hall, Twy Hoch, and Beverly Hergenrader.









### JANUARY WINNERS!

(LEFT) Benita Goodheart won the Nifty Notion of a travel/class size iron. (CENTER) Linda Reeve, a brand new member, takes the Quilters Surprise of a Rowenta iron. (RIGHT) SABLE winners were Carol Nelson and Rene Dickerson. Renee was not available for a photograph.







### MEET OUR MEMBERS

written by Becky Mershon

PHYLLIS MITCHELL has lived in Toledo, Oregon for over 10 years. That is where she retired to after living in South Beach and Newport, so she is a Coastal Lady from way back. And she has been sewing about that long. Her sewing life began naturally as her mother sewed and Phyllis took all of the sewing classes offered in school. Sewing custom clothing for herself and others was where she began and is still going like crazy. The black/white jacket in the photo is a Phyllis custom item! Quilting came naturally while living in Newport, especially after her family was grown. Finishing her many quilt tops – and having lots more tops waiting – led to her interest in a adding a longarm machine to her arsenal in the late 1990s. Her daughter Teresa was also very interested in longarm quilting and they started PT Quilters together. Teresa has become the expert at "custom" work while Phyllis handles the pantograph and computer guided quilting. Theresa is now busy home schooling her children while Phyllis is very busy

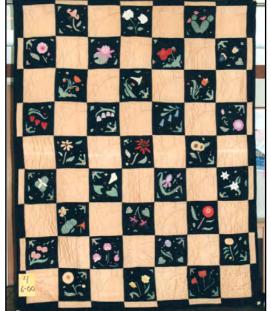


with the business of quilting. Phyllis says she didn't start PT Quilters to "make a lot of money—I just love to quilt." And the word has gotten around – in the second week of January she already had a dozen or so orders in the works. The real rush, of course, comes right before our quilt show each year.

Phyllis joined OCQG in August 2010 as part of a business plan and is active in Membership Committee as well as Community Quilts. Like many of us, Phyllis gives away most of the quilts she makes. There are only five quilts or so still in her home. Many of the quilts go to her grandkids in Toledo, Montana and North Carolina. Even with all of the work she has from clients, Phyllis still makes most of her Christmas gifts every year and those tend to be clothing and accessories such as rain ponchos and wallets.



by Velma Freudenthal



"Modernistic Flower," made in 1934 by Twy Hoch's mother.



Oregon Quilt Project and Quilt Index Update. As of this writing, the Oregon Quilt Project has entered 644 quilts on the Quilt Index with the help of paid data entry help and volunteers. The Quilt Index (www.quiltindex.org) is an online searchable database of over 80,000 quilts. The quilts are from state documentation projects, private and museum collections. The quilts may be browsed by Collection, Time Period, Style/Techniques, Purpose/Function, or Location. You may search by any keyword including maker or owner. You may see all of the Oregon Quilt Project's quilts by going to Collections and then Oregon Quilt Project.

**OCQG Documentation Quilts on the Quilt Index.** The Lincoln County Quilt Heritage Project (our guild committee) has begun to enter quilts on the index after 16 years of documenting. We have a backlog of 1,588 quilts. It will take a long time to get them on. A lot of our pictures were not digital. But we are starting at last. As Jennifer would say, Whoo Hoo!!

The first quilt entered is Modernistic Flower, owned by Twy Hoch and made by her mother in 1934. It was documented at one of the first sessions in 2000. Twy started our documentation committee and chaired it for ten years. You may view her quilt on the index if you search by its registration number, 6A-FD-28A. If you "Click to compare" and then search for 6A-FD-3F, you will see Ann Pfrender's Modernistic Flower. "Click to compare" then "Compare Now" and you will see them side by side. You will notice that Twy's mother added six blocks to hers. The quilt index is a wonderful tool to look at old and new quilts.



## **BLOCK OF THE MONTH**

X

by Jane Szabo



January was the month to pick up the 9-Patch Heart block to be delivered in February. I still have a couple of extras if anyone calls and wants to participate. There will be two winners of these blocks, which will make a great Valentine quilt. Please note: You will need to provide four 2½ inch black and white squares, not two squares. The instructions are in error.

The Prairie Flower block (left) is the next block to pick up in February. All the purple and gold will be provided. As I was putting together several Blocks of the Month this year I noticed we could use a few hints. I've listed a few below and I'm sure there are several more we could add.

#### Hints for accurate blocks:

- Press your fabric before cutting for accurate cuts.
- Make sure your seams are 1/4 inch; do a test seam and measure.
- Press the seams back and front to prevent any folds at seams.
- Press after each seam—finger pressing isn't enough.



Pin at intersections for accurate seams.
Hope this helps all our blocks go together smoothly.

(LEFT) At the December meeting, Jane Szabo shows the 9-Patch Heart block to be distributed at the January meeting and the Christmas block to be turned in in January.



The Committee started a project similar to the block of the month. Twy Hoch (right) showed a sawtooth star pattern that members who signed up in December received. The blocks will be returned the next month and donated to make a quilt for a veteran.





**DECEMBER APPLIQUE BOM WINNERS** were Cindy McEntee (left) and Marylynn Kleeman (right).



**DECEMBER PIECED BOM WINNERS** were Twy Hoch (left) and Lisa Hall (right).



The **JANUARY BOM WINNER** was Jean Amundson, who was not available for a photo.

## **DECEMBER SHOW AND SHARE**

See more December Show and Share photos in the FQN Online Extra Edition.

(ABOVE) Sheila Stevens. (RIGHT) Jane Szabo. (FAR RIGHT) Diane Tillotson shows a quilt for one of her teenage grandchildren. (BELOW) Lisa Taylor with a quilt she made for her daughter, who loves autumn fabric. Fabrics were from Rosalie Raudsep's and Marlene Westlind's stash.





(LEFT) Jean Amundson with her Louisville daughter's Christmas quilt, featuring poinsettias and cardinals. (RIGHT) Ruth Hutmacher with a Christmas gift for her daughter, featuring the NW land conservancy logo.



# JANUARY SHOW AND SHARE

(BELOW) This black/ white/red diamond quilt for Diane Tillotson's grandson drew lots of WOWs.





Jane Szabo made this memory quilt for the parents of her niece who passed away last year. Lovely memorial, Jane.

(RIGHT) Fran Whited will bring her McKenna Ryan ocean fishes quilt to Finishing School to learn how to do a facing edge rather than traditional binding.
(BELOW) Karen Donobedian did the Nancy Lee Chong pattern in purple and cream. One more of Fran's and three more of Karen's quilts are in the FQN Online Extra edition.



Lisa Taylor completed the quilting on this purple and green beauty made by Teecia Cornelius to be used as a fundraiser for Samaritan House.



(RIGHT) Jan
McQueen's
"Summer at the
Beach" is to go with
her on a year-long
travel around the US
in the family RV. A
well-traveled quilt!
Jan also showed a
Navy-themed
pillowcase (not
pictured).



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# MORE JANUARY SHOW AND SHARE









completed "French Roses" with raw edge applique, which will look softer after washing.
(ABOVE) Rose Shaw completed Nancy Lee Chong's Christmas tree pattern in bold red on white. Rose calls it "Tree of Hope."
(LEFT) Twy Hoch is a Beaver Believer now that she has completed the graduation gifts for twin grandchildren.

# RETREAT

#### AT THE JANUARY MEETING

Extra Edition.

(LEFT) Georgia Sabourin (left) organizes records for the Retreat and sells DVDs of quilt show photos. Georgia's husband, Virgil, took the photos and helped produce the DVD. Members can buy the DVD for \$5. Ginger Dale (seated, center) registers members for workshops.

(RIGHT) While other members take time for the tablewalk and inspect the silent auction tables, other members eagerly wait for the program to begin.

(RIGHT) Norma Horn (left) takes in community quilts, which are hung on the rails above her for display. Sonny Hamner (center) answers questions about quilts for veterans. Janet Sylvester has been busy selling 2017 raffle quilt tickets. Janet, along with Jan Hoffman also coordinate the display of the quilt at quilt shops before





the show.

Minutes of the January 12, 2017 OCQG General Membership Meeting

The regular meeting of the Oregon Coastal Quilters' Guild was called to order by President Phoebe Hein on January 12, 2017 at 1 p.m. Approval of December minutes The minutes from the regular meeting held December 8 were approved by a motion by Dee Hill and passed

ANNOUNCEMEN'TS. The mayors' art show is being held at the Newport Visual Arts Center from January 6 through 29. Member Janet Webster was invited to participate and has five pieces in the show.

The quild received a thank you letter from Shangri-La Corporation to whom we donated a quilt.

A lecture on quilting will take place in Portland at First United Methodist Church on February 18; it will be given by Beth Donaldson, the coordinator of the Quilt Index, from 1:30 p.m. until 3 p.m. The event is free and attendees are encouraged to bring their questions.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Membership: Gayle Vaughn reporting. We have one new member, Linda Reeve from Waldport. Three guests were in attendance as well as 81 members.

Documentation: Velma Freudenthal reporting. The next event will be February 18 at the Carriage House in Newport.

2017 Challenge Quilt: Nancy Terhaar reporting. Eighteen members have signed up for this challenge so far. Nancy reviewed the specifics of the challenge and showed the beginnings of her submission. She explained members get complete directions when they sign up. Pieces need to be completed before the July guild meeting when they will be displayed. Betty Jones and Nancy are sharing this responsibility and hope more members will sign up.

2017 Quilt Show: Sue Stephenson reporting. Next week on Thursday at 1 p.m. after the Board meeting will be the first quilt show meeting. She reminded members that someone needs to step up to take on the leadership of the quilt show for 2018. Beginning with the February guild meeting, members who sign up for show and share will see something new while signing up. There will be a box asking these participants whether their quilt will be entered in this year's show. If yes, you will not need to submit a photo of your quilt when registering it—the photo taken

for the newsletter will suffice.

2017 Quilt Show Sponsored Ribbons: Jennifer Reinhart reporting. Jennifer had a sign up sheet for sponsored ribbons available at the meeting; the cost to members is \$10. There are 43 ribbons available (more if more members wish to sign up) and the deadline for doing this is July 1. Members can get businesses involved in this as well—they can sponsor a ribbon for the \$10 fee, choose the name for the ribbon, and award it as members do. When the board is sold out, there will be a drawing from the names of those having purchased a ribbon—the winner will receive a gift and get the ribbon cost refunded. On April 8 the sponsored ribbons will be made at a workshop conducted at the Sew Hound quilt store in Siletz—member participation is encouraged.

Judy Niemeyer Mini Retreat: Jennifer Reinhart reporting. The spring mini-retreat will be held May 25-27 at Yaquina Bay Yacht Club in

Newport. Cost is \$135 and there will be two certified Judy Niemeyer teachers, both from JanniLou's Quilt Shop. A \$50 non-refundable deposit

holds your spot. Cindy McEntee is working with Jennifer on this activity.

2017 Raffle Quilt Tickets: Jan Hoffman reporting. Tickets are available for members to pick up in envelopes of 18 tickets. Sales price is \$1 per ticket or \$5 for 6 tickets. Jan stated that each member is encouraged to sell at least one envelope of tickets. The quilt this year is queen sized (response to a question)

Finishing School Will be held the fourth Thursday of the month, January through October from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. at the Carriage House in

Newport.

Quilt Hanging at the Newport Recreation Center Patsy Brookshire wants to hang a new batch of quilts at the location next week and wants them to be related to chickens or roosters. Please contact Patsy if you would like to lend a quilt to be on display at the center.

Guild Retreat Ginger Dale reporting. There are still a few openings so sign up right away if you want to attend. Ginger also has sign ups for two classes being offered at the retreat. She explained the dates for the retreat listed on the back of our directory are incorrect; the correct dates are January 29 until February 1. People can arrive on January 29 around noon and set up their sewing spaces; the rooms aren't available until around 3 p.m.

Members were advised about the death of member Polly Ostling which occurred December 25.

The Veterans' Quilt project was mentioned; Twy Hoch organized a block of the month for members to create blocks for this purpose. More information will be forthcoming.

Date of April Guild Meeting Changed The April 13 guild meeting cannot be held on this date due to unavailability of our room at the church;

the guild meeting will be held on April 6 instead.

**Workshops**: Deborah Cagle reporting. The February 10<sup>th</sup> workshop will be taught by Vivienne Moore of Salem, Oregon. It is a paper piecing workshop and is called Japanese Lanterns. On March 10<sup>th</sup> there will be two three-hour workshops. The morning class is called Scrap Crazy which is a great scrap buster; the cost is \$44 and includes a \$25 template. The afternoon class features English paper piecing, costs \$22 and includes a kit.

There was an announcement about the Stronger Together March to be held in Newport.

#### **PROGRAM**

orna Myers introduced the Silent Auction for members to purchase items put up for sale by other members.

#### DRAWINGS AND PRIZES

Benita Goodheart won the Nifty Notions, a mini-iron, and Linda Reeve won the Quilter's Surprise.

SABLE winners were Carol Nelson and Renee Dickerson.

Block of the Month: Jean Amundson won the pieced blocks. **SHOW AND SHARE** 

Twy Hoch showed two OSU quilts made for grandchildren. Nancy Terhaar shared her French Roses quilt featuring raw edge appliqué. Fran Whited brought two penny rugs and a McKenna Ryan quilt she made from a kit purchased at our quilt show. Jane Szabo showed a community quilt she made from leftovers from other quilts and a quilt she was making to honor the memory of her niece. Diane Tillotson shared a quilt made for her granddaughter and one made for her grandson. Jan McQueen displayed a quilt she made for their fifth wheel and will be well used in their upcoming trip. Lisa Taylor brought a quilt made by Teecia Cornelius which will be a fundraiser for Samaritan House. Rose Shaw had a lovely Nancy Chong piece. Karen Donobedian was featured last with four items: a project featuring tropical flowers created from extra blocks from a previous endeavor; a Nancy Chong Hawaiian quilt, handquilted by Bayshore, and beaded by Karen; a Judy Niemeyer pattern for a wall hanging which Karen changed to be a table runner, and another Judy Niemeyer pattern Karen calls Fire Dragon. The meeting was adjourned at 2:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Anne Hendrickson, OCQG Secretary

#### MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 19, 2017 OCQG EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

President Phoebe Hein called the meeting to order at 10 a.m. A quorum was present.

Jean Amundson made a motion to accept the November, 2016 Executive Board minutes, and the motion passed.

Treasurer's report: Treasurer Gail Chipman brought the report from December 1-31, 2016. Board members had several questions which could not be totally resolved without further study. It was agreed a policy needs to be developed for payments via credit cards. It was also clarified that funding for the Veterans quilt project for its first year (\$500) was to come from the amount budgeted for Block of the Month.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

2017 Raffle Quilt Janet Sylvester has the quilt; it is expected to begin circulating to quilt shops beginning in February.

**2018 Raffle Quilt** Nan Scott and Ruth Hutmacher have met and have been joined by new member, JoAnne Ballantyne. The design has been graphed and Ruth is working on appliqué portions.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Paulette Stenberg proposed an idea about having a featured quilter at our meetings for a brief segment (10 minutes) which would include having up to five of their quilts on display, showcasing their progress as a quilter. A related suggestion was to have a guild program highlighting several members and the story of their quilting paths. The program committee will look into this concept.

Nan Scott has had feedback suggesting we take steps to honor members who have recently died. One idea was to have a memorial page in the guild directory and continue this practice in future years. Another suggestion was to have a memorial page in the quilt show program. A final idea was to have a spot at the guilt show in the activities area to honor recently deceased members.

The Standing Rules contain text regarding memorials, part of which the board felt should be changed to reflect current practice. Jean Amundson moved to strike the words "the guild will make an appropriate donation to a charity or flowers will be sent" and substitute "a card will be sent to the family." The motion passed. Subsequent to the vote, it was brought to the attention of the board that this change should be a recommendation from the board and voted on by the general membership since it is one of the guild's Standing Rules. This action will be considered at the February meeting.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Audit** The books will go to the committee in February.

Block of the Month There was a mistake in the number of pieces of fabric members needed to provide:

instead of two-2 1/4" squares, it should be four of that dimension.

Challenge 22 members have signed up.

**Community Service** The committee is a little low on quilts to distribute, and they will prepare a notice on this for the newsletter. A Waldport agency working with children has requested smaller blankets. The committee will contact them for additional details.

**Documentation** The next event will be held on February 18 at the Carriage House. Knotty Ladies are handling the request for quilts for the North Lincoln County Historical Museum for display for their Antique Week celebration in February. Velma Freudenthal attended a meeting of the Oregon Quilt Project relating to the Quilt Index. Lincoln County's quilts are currently being entered into the Quilt Index. The first is a quilt made by Twy Hoch's mother. There will be more information in the newsletter.

Finishing School will be held February 26 from 10-4 at the Carriage House.

**Membership** This weekend is the cutoff for members to be included in the 2017 guild directory. We now have 206 members, down from 224 in November. This downward trend is typical at the beginning of a new year. Nan has 12 members yet to contact regarding renewals. She reported Velma Freudenthal did a great job with the advertising for the upcoming directory.

Merchandising Sue Stephenson reports she continues to get requests for posters. The guild needs someone to handle this part of the merchandising job. Diane Tillotson volunteered to do this. Mailing tubes are available online. Jennifer Reinhart and Nan Scott have worked together on an issue sparked by a request to purchase a quantity of the panels. Looking at the big picture, the guild needs to place an order for a large quantity for the quilt show from which the current request can be accommodated. So once the guild has a chairperson for the merchandising committee, the request can be addressed.

**Newsletter** Judy McCoy called attention to the document she created about the newsletter for committee chairpersons. She requested a committee presence in the newsletter. Suggestions were received regarding possible writers for future member profiles in the newsletter. **Veterans Quilt Project** Twy Hoch is the point person for blocks made to be given to Sonny Hamner. Grandma's Attic from Dallas donated several patterns for this effort. The committee wishes to have a sew-in at Bayshore in February.

Publicity Jean Amundson is awaiting information from the Programs/Workshops committee regarding the February class.

**Programs/Workshops** A few programs need to be selected. The annual list needs to be submitted for the directory, the newsletter, and the webpage.

**Quilt Show** Sue announced there will be no quilt show meeting in February or March and possibly April due to appointments she will have related to her husband's health. Rack cards are available. If members plan to visit quilt shops pre- or post-retreat, they are requested to bring a supply of these for distribution.

**Raffle Tickets** Ticket packets are ready now. Out-of-state members can get tickets via the website. The committee is reaching out to new quilt stores in hopes they will display our raffle quilt and sell tickets.

Retreat It begins just one week from this coming Sunday.

#### MISCELLANEOUS

The Judy Niemeyer mini-retreat to be held at the end of May has 11 people signed up but five more people are needed to meet the minimum number of participants.

Jennifer Reinhart reminded members to sign up for sponsored ribbons for the quilt show.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by Anne Hendrickson, Secretary

#### CARAMEL 'N CHOCOLATE PECAN BARS From www.Landolakes.com (reprinted with permission)

#### **INGREDIENTS**

#### Crust

2 cups all-purpose flour

1 cup firmly packed brown sugar

1/2 cup Land O Lakes® Butter, softened

1 cup pecan halves

#### **DIRECTIONS**

1. Heat oven to 350°F.

Caramel Layer

2/3 cup Land O Lakes® Butter 1/2 cup firmly packed brown

Chocolate

1 cup real semi-sweet chocolate chips

Note: Served at the December potluck; recipe submitted by Beverly Hergenrader, who says "I made 2 batches of the caramel layer and used dark chocolate in place of the semisweet."



2. Combine all crust ingredients except pecans in bowl. Beat at medium speed until mixture resembles fine crumbs.

3. Press onto bottom of ungreased 13x9-inch baking pan. Place pecans evenly over unbaked crust.

- 4. Combine 2/3 cup butter and 1/2 cup brown sugar in 1-guart saucepan. Cook over medium heat, stirring constantly, until entire surface of mixture comes to a boil. Boil 1 minute, stirring constantly. Pour evenly over pecans and crust.
- 5. Bake 18-22 minutes or until entire caramel layer is bubbly. (Do not overbake.) Remove from oven. Immediately sprinkle with chips; allow to melt slightly. Swirl chips leaving some whole for a marbled effect.
- 6. Cool completely; cut into bars. Store at room temperature in loosely covered container.

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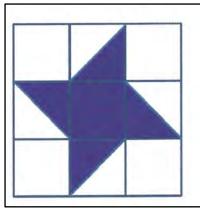
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#### **NEW OFFICERS BEGIN WORK**



Festive red and green holiday quilts decored the entire meeting space for the December meeting and potluck. Shown above is our new slate of officers: Phoebe Hein (right) presides over the meeting while (seated, left to right) Gail Chipman (treasurer), Cindy McEntee (past president), Anne Hendrickson (secretary), and Diane Tillotson (vice-president) look on.

# CHALLENGE QUILT 2017

At the January meeting, Nancy Terhaar, co-chair on the Challenge with Betty Jones, showed her welcome sampler in its early stages. Challenge samplers will be shown at the July meeting and hung together at the Quilt Show in August. Over 20 members have so far signed up to participate. Call Nancy if you want to add your name.



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