



January 2024

## Prairie Piecemakers Quilters' Guild

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First Tuesday of the month at 7 pm:

**January 2 2024\* Zoom**

February 6th 2024\*

March 5th 2024\*

April 2nd 2024

May 7th 2024

June 4th 2024

Zoom Meetings\*

### **Guild Officers and Directors**

President: Sharon G

Vice President: Fay H

Treasurer: Marlene SC

Secretary: Beth H

Library: Dianne P

Newsletter: Jill N

Program: Linda B

Communications: Jymmi Kaye D

Membership: Judy C

Workshop: Jacquie B

### **Guild Committees**

50/50 Draw Committee: Sheree S, Betty U

Retreats: Shannon B, Jacquie B.

UFO's: Renee B

Connecting Threads: Marlene SC

Library: Pat P, Mary O & Debbie W

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## President's Message

A new year brings new opportunities. And one of those opportunities is to be part of the Guild Executive. There are five positions that will be open for election in the spring - including Secretary, Communications, Program, Library and President.

This work isn't difficult, or really all that time consuming, but it's important for the guild to continue to exist and move forward. I can attest that it has been lots of fun at times. If you are interested in any position, or have questions about what's involved just ask me.

We also need people to be part of a Nominations Committee. Your job would be to help find people willing to put their name forward for the elections. Once you've found people willing to serve on the executive, your work is done.

Please give it some thought and consider taking a turn on the Executive. Remember that alone we can do very little, but together we can do so much! - Sharon G

## Agenda

Welcome and call to order  
Program introduction  
Program - 60 mins Q & A

Sharon  
Linda  
Timna Tarr

Break - 10 minutes

Approval of minutes of Sept/Oct 23 meeting  
Upcoming program  
Upcoming workshop  
Quick Quilt Show update  
Show and Share  
Door Prize  
Adjournment

Sharon  
Linda  
Jacquie  
Sharon/Tannis  
Everyone  
Sharon  
Sharon

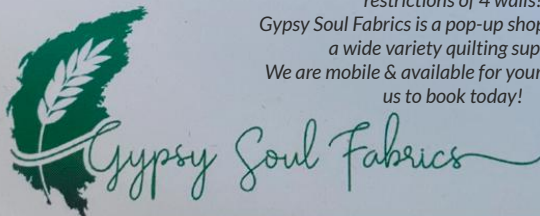
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## Program - Linda

**January Meeting** - Timna Tarr comes from a long line of quilters but did not begin quilting until after studying art history in college. She bought her first longarm in 2001 and began quilting clients' quilts shortly thereafter. Timna's own nationally award-winning quilts are in private and corporate collections and been seen in exhibits, publications, and on *The Quilt Show* and *Quilting Arts TV*. Timna is a designer for Studio e Fabrics, the author of *Stitched Photo Moic Quilting*, and is an in-teacher and speaker. She lives in South Hadley, Massachusetts.



**February Meeting**- Dana E. Jones, artist, quiltmaker and journalist, is author of *Pagtinabangay: The Quilts and Quiltmakers of Caohagan Island*, which shares the story of quilting on a 13-acre island in the central Philippines. Dana is a former editor of *Quilters Newsletter* magazine and the *Studio Art Quilt Associates Journal*. She has had articles and/or pattern and block designs published in numerous magazines.

She has spoken and taught at International Quilt Festival in Houston and American Quilter's Society shows. She is a regular teacher at Rocky Mountain Quilt Museum and quilt shops across Colorado, and has spoken and taught for quilt guilds and shops across the United States and Canada. Dana offers open enrollment classes via Zoom. The most popular are "Demystifying Design for Foundation Paper Piecing" and "Peace Cranes Over Hiroshima."

Her quilts have been exhibited at Rocky Mountain Quilt Museum and as part of the 2018 American Quilt Study Group traveling exhibition. She lives at 9,200 feet in the Rocky Mountains in Gilpin County, Colorado, northwest of Denver.

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# UFO's - Renee

Guild Challenge for 2023-24

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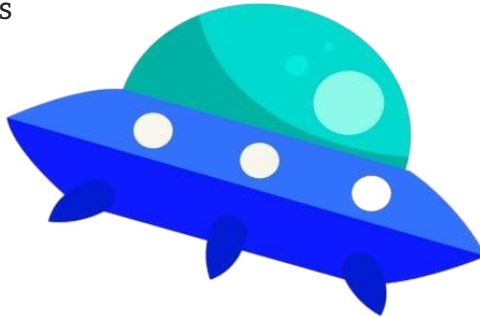
Beth  
Debbie  
Lynn  
Renee  
Robin  
Terri

TEAM B - 80 points

Jacque  
Joan  
Judy  
Leanne  
Shannon  
Sharon  
Sherrill

TEAM C - 48 points

Carol  
Colleen L  
Jill  
Lynne R  
Betty



The challenge this year is to repurpose fabric into something new. These fabrics can be used clothing, bedding, table linens, upholstery, etc. The quilted project must be made from at least 75% used materials with unused fabric scraps from your stash making up the remainder of the quilt. If you have to purchase any fabric for your project, it should come from a thrift shop, garage sale, etc.

The same rule will apply to the back of the quilt. Hint: bed sheets make great backing!

Your quilt or object must not be longer than 85 inches. It can be wearable, a quilted object, a bag, wall hanging, etc. Where ever your imagination takes you!

All projects will be shown at the May 2, 2024 meeting. Each person will be given a number and Guild members will vote for viewer choice. **Please do not put your name on the front of your project or the index card.**

Projects will be displayed at the quilt show. - Linda Brumwell

## Connecting Threads Update

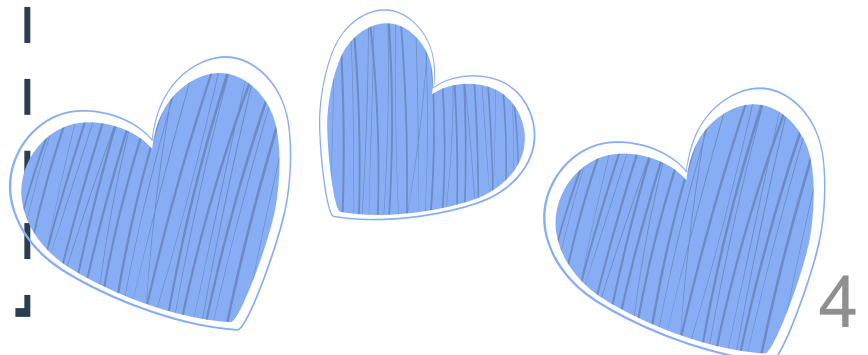
This year we donated 668 quilts - 1 more than last year.

Peds Units at RGH and WRC received 229, KidsFirst - 78, CadiaoScience - 28, 4 Directions - 81, Allan Blair - 82, NICU - 160 and 10 to other organizations and individuals. We also donated 253 pillowcases and 120 chemo bottle bags.

If all our donated quilts from the past 6 years were laid out, they would cover a football field.

Over the past 9 years, we have donated a total of 4877 quilts, 2079 pillowcases and 2458 placemats.

These donations would not be possible if not for the many donations of quilting fabric to make these items by the public and our Guild members. We also received a SaskEnergy "Share the Warmth" grant this year. We are very thankful for these as our group could not achieve the number of donations without this support



## Workshops - Jacquie B

There is space available in our **January 26th and 27th (\$20) Charity Sew Days at St Paul's Cathedral!** Sew for any charity of your choosing! St Paul's and PPQG welcomes everyone who wants to quilt/sew for charity. Bishop Helen Kennedy has graciously provided the beautiful and bright church hall at St Paul's Cathedral for our use during our 2 day charity event. There is a small \$20 per person fee to participate. Please bring a friend along and support the charity of your choice!

A hot soup lunch will be provided both days. You are free to bring a bagged lunch to store in the kitchen fridge if hamburger soup isn't your thing. Please consider packing along some yummy treats to share as well! Demos will be scheduled as requests come in. Hope to see you all there!

**January 13th - Lynn's Zoom Sew Social** - hot cocoa, or a splash of Bailey's in your coffee, quilting from home in your pyjamas and a lot of virtual fun! What could be better? Please pre-register!

**February 10th - Members Only Improv Appliqué by Zoom (\$50)** - Ohhhh this is an exciting workshop! Remember Cheryl Arkinson from Alberta? She did a zoom program for us last winter. Comments were, "she's so much fun. I'd love to do a workshop with her!" Well, we have her scheduled to do a zoom workshop on February 10th, 2024 @ 10am - 1pm, Regina time zone. Hand work is on trend these days, thanks to the designers like Tula Pink and Jen Kingwell. While this is not a hand piecing workshop (that IS on the 'future workshop list') this is an improv hand appliqué workshop. No sewing machine required! A small amount of fabric, scissors, hand needles, thread, etc and we are good to go. The beauty of this workshop, it's via zoom! And for those of us (like me) who are off on holiday some place warm and wonderful, we too can participate, from anywhere in the world!

Gonna be on a tropical island like me? Yep, we can take the workshop! Gonna be in Mexico? How's the wifi by the pool? Gonna be hanging out in Arizona? Yep, you too can hop on zoom and learn Cheryl's technique for improv appliqué! Just be sure to account for the time zone change wherever you happen to be, It's a shorter workshop, just 3 hours!

**Lynn's Zoom Sew Social** - February workshops are completely zoom sewing this month with Lynn's Zoom Social on February 17th. Please pre-register.

**March - Circles & Curves** with our very own Tannis Fahlman! She has agreed to walk us through curves... Those pesky scary seams that aren't straight. This is a technique only workshop... you will not go home with a finished project, you will go home with samples... and ideas on how to incorporate the techniques you learn in this workshop into your own projects!! Tannis is going to get us all designing our own quilts one way or another... I believe we will have time to work through 4 different curved technique styles. More details on dates and times along with registration for this workshop will be online very soon...

**April** - Mystery Quilt Revealed & Stump the Instructor

**May** - Brett Lewis. More details on dates and times along with registration for this workshop will be online very soon...





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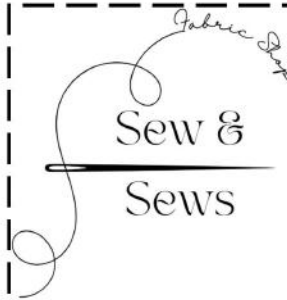
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Happy New Leap year 2024!

One bonus day for creativity! 366 days to decide on classes, workshops, retreats, to discover new/old stash projects, to have fun and creative time.

RDMQG will meet at the Kin Clubhouse at 5215 14 th Avenue on Sunday, January 7 and January 21 from 9:00-5:00 pm with new program, travelling quilt block exchange, creative and social time and completion of group challenges in preparation for the PPQG Quilt Show in May.

QuiltCon, the international show in Raleigh N.C. is calling in February 22-25. Lori has a challenge quilt entered in this juried show and will be attending.

Health, happiness and creative stitching ahead...

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Ruth B



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The Prairie Piecemakers Quilters' Guild in Regina is hosting our upcoming quilt show, **Look What We Made!** on **May 10 & 11, 2024** at the Caledonian Curling Club, 2225 Sandra Schmirler Way, Regina SK. We are excited to announce that our celebrity quilter for the show will be Brett Lewis, aka "Natural Born Quilter", from Edmonton, AB.

We are inviting you to participate as a sponsor and be acknowledged at the quilt show and on our website. Our biennial show costs us more than \$20,000 and includes a small army of dedicated volunteers who spend hours planning, preparing and ensuring it is successful. Your sponsorship is greatly appreciated and is integral in defraying the ever-increasing costs of our event.

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## The Connecting Threads Raffle

Our raffle is being held again this year. The prize is \$500!

Tickets are \$2 each or 3 for \$5.

The draw will be held at the quilt show in May.

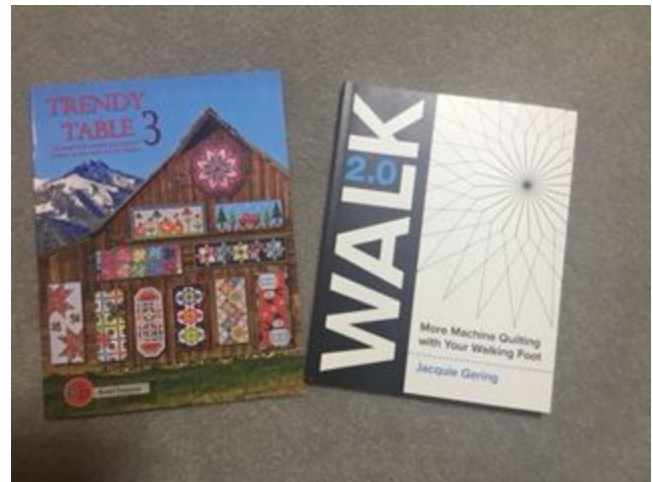
Tickets are available in books of 15 and can be picked up or returned at in-person guild meetings and any Thursday at Connecting Threads (Neil Balkiwell Centre 9:00 am to noon).

## Library - Dianne

We have two new books this month:

**WALK 2.0** by Jacquie Gering - this book continues to inspire you to do more than the usual machine quilting.

**TRENDY TABLE 3** by Anka's Treasures - this book contains 15 fresh table runner designs using 5 inch squares, 2.5 inch strips, fat eights and even better fabrics from your stash. Some of the patterns are shown in two colour ways.



### Quilt Show Raffle Basket Items needed:

**Themes:** think fabric, notions, gift cards, items, patterns, items that you create...

- \*Kids
- \*Beverage/food
- \*Sports
- \*Seasonal (Spring, Summer, Winter, fall)
- \*Holidays (other than Xmas)
- \*Christmas
- \*Floral
- \*Travel

Non quilting baskets:

- \*For the guys (tools, sports)
- \*Gardening
- \*Riders

Please bring your items to the meetings to give to Betty.  
Please remember that items must be new/unused. Thank you.



I sincerely apologize for any mistakes or omissions.  
Thank you for reading and see you next month! Jill N