



Pine Needle Quilters

Newsletter for November, 2005

Officers:

President: Deanna Tachick
Vice-President: Terri Petasek
Secretary: Terri Harris
Treasurer: Laurie Schoenebeck
Past President: Diana Napier

Regular Meeting:

3rd Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m. at Riverview Town Hall

Dues: \$15/year, payable in May.

Website: <http://www.pineneedlequilters.org>

Special Activities:

November 14 7:00 p.m. – **regular meeting** Easy gifts to make yet for Christmas giving.

Nov 29 12:30 p.m. Quilt Show Committee meeting

Dec 11 12:30 p.m. to 4 p.m. – December regular meeting – **Christmas Party**

Block of the Month for November:

12-inch Courthouse Steps

Theme Block Exchange for November:

12-inch Leaves

Birthday Squares (four 6½" squares):

Kathie Pelow Christmas colors

Fat Quarter Exchanges (quilt shop fabrics):

Kathie Pelow any

Fat Quarter Exchanges (regular fabrics):

Rosemary Risen anything

Terri Harris sage/greens

November Birthday Greetings to:

06 Gloria Fonder

07 Betty Sellhausen

12 Kathie Pelow

21 Donna Limberg

28 Kathleen Tokarczyk

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**At the October Meeting:** The raffle of fat quarters were won by Carol Renteria, Evelyn Kowalkowski, Deanna Tachick, and Mary Kay Thompson. The table runners donated by Sharon Soik were won by Ruth Kennedy and Tammy Ehlinger.

There were eight October Theme Blocks (theme was Pumpkins), and they were won by Lois Stanek.

There were twelve Log Cabin BOM blocks and they were won by Kathy Turk.

There were 51 members attending, and 1 guest. Four new members joined; they are Darlene Schultz, Barb Schneider, Tammy Ehlinger and Vivian Mathe. Two quilts made by Carol Renteria will be sent for the hurricane victims.

DorothyAnn Nelson, Rita Shores, and Marge Kasten demonstrated how to make some giveaways for our quilt show. Anyone wanting to help can get the patterns off the internet site and bring fabric and materials needed to the November sewing meeting. DorothyAnn donated some prizes that were won by Lorraine Wellens, Betty Sellhausen, and Marge Kasten. Rita also donated some of her Pocket Tissue Holders.

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November Meeting: Will have the raffle of fat quarters, BOM, and birthday club exchanges. The Moonlight Quilters will demonstrate easy gifts to make for Christmas Giving.

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**Friendship Quilts:** If anyone is willing to take home a Friendship Quilt, and applying the backing, tying it, and putting on the binding, please give Laurie Schonenbeck a call at 276-6143. Laurie will bring it to the meeting next week. We have 3 tops ready to be put finished. We are approaching winter, which is the time of year we usually have house fires in the region. We would like to get some of these quilts ready to give to fire victims.

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Christmas Party: Our party is on Sunday, December 11. You can start to arrive at 12:30 and we will eat at 1:00 p.m. At the November meeting we will have a sign up sheet for a **potluck lunch**. So mark your calendars and start thinking of a tasty, yummy, mouth-watering dish.

The **Christmas Challenge** is a highlight of our Christmas Party. As you bring in your quilt in an anonymous bag, it will be hung on clotheslines along the (inside) perimeter of the town hall. If you have a label on your wall hanging, please cover it so that it can remain nameless. Viewer's Choice ballots will be provided; the top three winners will be announced.

If you would like to participate in the **handmade Christmas Ornament Exchange**, bring your ornament wrapped. No rules, no signup, (no pressure). If you bring one, you get to choose one to take home.

The December **Show 'N Tell** session is generally jam-packed with lots of items that will be given as gifts on Christmas Day, or mailed off to family members living far away. It will be a real treat to see them all!

Our PNQ Logo Embroidered on Apparel: Top Notch Promotions in Mountain is having an anniversary promotion on November 25 and 26 (the 2 days after Thanksgiving). Any item in stock will get a **free left chest embroidery** included. So any of you who have wanted to order a shirt and have procrastinated, now would be a great time. She has lots of nice shirts, pullovers, jackets, etc. Mark the dates.

This is a good Christmas gift idea! Go to Top Notch Promotions ahead of the sale. Pick out the shirt or other item you would like, and note what the size is. Then, if your children are asking what you would like, you can tell them exactly what item and what size, and send them in on one of the two sale days.

Any of you who already have a shirt, jacket, etc., please wear them to the November meeting so that others can see what a good job Connie does on these embroidered items. We always get raves from other quilters when we wear our shirts to a quilt show.

Block of the Month (BOM): The directions for November's 12-inch **Courthouse Steps** block are on the website. Sew the block and bring it to the November meeting. One member will win all of the blocks brought in. The BOM's are 12-inches finished. Some members sew a block for Charity Quilts. If you missed a pattern, you can get it from the website on the **Patterns** page.

Looking ahead, we will begin a new BOM series for 2006 in January. Look for its announcement at the December meeting.

Theme Block Exchange: This is a theme block drawing. You may participate as often, or as little as you wish. Because the theme block drawing will operate on a month by month basis, your name will be in the drawing any month that you choose to participate, even if you have previously won.

Blocks must measure 12½" x 12½" unfinished. Bring your block to our regular meeting, with your name attached. Those are the only rules. So, if you enjoy paper piecing, appliqué, piecing blocks, the sky is the limit. Use your creativity to express yourself. Any questions, call Laurie 276-6143 or Deanna 842-2057.

November	Leaves
December	Angels

Birthday Squares: This mini-group is hosted by Peg Piepkorn, and runs July 2005 through June 2006. Those participating bring four 6½" squares of fabric in either (or both) of the colors requested by the member whose birthday is that month.

Fat Quarter Exchanges: Members exchange Fat Quarters. These groups started in July and continue through November. Coordinators are Rita Shores and Joann Saffran. You were given a sheet with labels to attach to your FatQ showing Recipient, Month Due, and Request.

Raffle: At each of our regular meetings we will be having a fat quarter raffle. Proceeds from this will go to the Town of Riverview, for allowing us to use the building. They are not charging us, but we thought it would be a good gesture of our appreciation to offer them a donation. Tickets will be one dollar.

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Introducing Darlene Schultz: I live on Munger Lake in Lakewood. My husband and I moved here from Appleton. I was a Food Service Director for 11 years, at Guardian Life Insurance Co. Cafeteria in Appleton. Due to restructuring of many company's, I lost my job and it caused us to make a change in our life. So we moved to Lakewood, as we like to fish, hunt and enjoy God's country (the forest and animals.) I am working as a cook at the Wabeno Schools. I love my job! I grew up in Gillett and attended elementary and High School there. I have 3 children. All grown and Married. I have 3 Grandchildren. My 2 daughters live in Illinois and a son that lives in Sheboygan, Wi. My hobbies are fishing, cooking, quilting, sewing, embroidery and crocheting. I think these hobbies will keep me busy when I retire. My husband is retired and does woodworking, but I keep him busy with the honey do list, which sometimes it makes him feel like he didn't retire yet.

Introducing Barb Scheider: After retirement, my husband and I moved from Manitowoc to our cottage on Bass Lake in Townsend. We love nature and all the outdoor activities, especially canoeing, swimming, and walking. When the weather forces

me indoors, I enjoy reading, cooking, knitting, sewing, and best of all, quilting! We are proud parents of 5 boys, and 4 grandkids.

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**From the President:**

Welcome to November Ladies,

Where has the year been going? This past month I really have been working on alot of projects-my stash is actually dwindling quite a bit, believe it or not.

With Thanksgiving and the holiday season not far away, I'm sure everyone is beginning to think Christmas present. I can't wait to see what ideas the Moonlight Quilters will demonstrate at our meeting. No doubt we'll come away with some good ideas.

With the weather getting colder, we'll be in the "fire season" and since we have no one specific on Community Service, it would be nice if groups of women could get together on their own so we have friendships quilts on hand. What a great way to spend an afternoon helping others who will unfortunately be in need. And as always thank you in advance; you ladies always rise to the challenge.

I hope all of you have a wonderful Thanksgiving holiday and a great but safe hunting season, if you're a hunter.

Gobble, gobble,  
Deanna

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Quilt Show Update: Letters have been sent out to vendors with 4 replies as of this writing. Letters also have been sent to thread and fabric companies for donations and replies of goodies have been arriving also. The raffle quilt is having the binding applied by Laurie Schoenebeck. Sheila Hixon did a wonderful job in quilting it. The tickets will be handed out at the February meeting.

Also a reminder of the next **quilt show committee meeting is November 29, (Tuesday) at 12:30 at Riverview Town Hall.** There will be **no** meeting for the quilt show committee in December, so we want to make sure we keep everything going.

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**Quilt Show Giveaways:** For those of you who couldn't make it to the November 7th sewing session to help make the giveaways, please don't hesitate on doing them on your own in your own time frame. When you have any done, just bring them to a meeting or drop them by my house (Deanna). Remember that patterns are on the website-everyone's help would be appreciated.

On Monday, we made many Tissue Holders, Chicken Pin Cushions, and some coin purses. We'll display them at the November meeting before giving them to Deanna to store.

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Sheila Hixon brought many sheets of magnetic business cards. So please, save any metal mint boxes and bring them to Rita; she will cut the magnetic cards to fit the bottoms. Then we'll have storage spots for pins.

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**Jennifer Chiaverini:** Her latest quilting-related novel is "The Christmas Quilt". It is not yet listed on her calendar, but Wisconsin Public Radio has noted that they will read this book on the "Chapter a Day" program Monday, December 12 through Friday December 30. This is broadcast every day (Monday -> Friday) on WPNE 89.3 FM at 12:30pm and rebroadcast at 11:00pm. If you miss an episode, the last 5



episodes are archived on <http://www.wpr.org> website. Click on "Listen online" and then on "Archives". You can listen at your convenience on your PC. Chapter a Day does not yet list how many days the book will be read, but I will put in on the PNQ website. Theme music played during the half-hour: excerpts from Christmas Traditions: Americana Collection (North Star Music NS203)

Jennifer Chiaverini gives her fans a long-hoped-for holiday-themed story in THE CHRISTMAS QUILT, a heartwarming novel filled with the memories and traditions of Elm Creek Manor's indomitable master quilter, Sylvia Bergstrom Compson. Infused with wisdom and rich with the flavors of the holidays, THE CHRISTMAS QUILT is a timeless tale that Elm Creek Quilts devotees are sure to cherish.

Fans should check out her website at <http://www.elmcreek.net> There you will be able to read her first chapter. Register to become an Elm Creek Reader and obtain access to the Elm Creek Readers' Circle for exclusive multimedia features and insider information.

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Quilt Racks: Standing quilt racks are being built by the Construction Department at Suring High School. They are available for \$25.00; you have a choice of natural, light, medium or dark stain and are made of oak.

If anyone care to order contact Deanna Tachick ASAP via email or phone at 842-2057. They are on a first-come first-serve basis.

What a wonderful gift for yourself or someone else!

Make Your Cookie Mark: A sweet and simple way to spruce up an ordinary sugar cookie: take an empty plastic spool, dip it in nonstick cooking spray, and press it firmly into the dough to create a pretty pattern. The trick works best when you're using homemade dough that contains butter – it holds its shape better, so the lines will be well defined.



Free Pattern: I found a free quilt pattern, Kaffe Fassett Quilt of Many Colors in the 11/15/05 *Woman's Day Magazine*.

Carol Renteria

Landscape Quilts: There is now a website on which you can purchase copies of Nancy Zieman's (*Sewing with Nancy* and *Nancy's Notions*) fabric landscape quilts. The URL is <http://www.nancyziemanlandscapes.com> Check it out!

[No Quilt shows for the next few months.]

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Rita