



*Siouxland Samplers*  
*Quilt Guild Newsletter*  
*Meeting starts at 6:30 P.M.*

December 2011

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**December meeting is our Christmas Potluck. Meeting starts at 6:30.**

See below what you are supposed to bring. If your last name start with.....you will bring..... Also you will need to bring your own place setting.

A-G—Salad

H-N—Main Dish

O-Z—Dessert

**December Meeting Reminders:**

We will be collecting hats, mittens, gloves, and scarves at our December meeting. Please bring suggestions on what schools, or who to donate them to.

Also in December we will have a Christmas dishtowel exchange remember to bring it wrapped! I can't wait to see all the dish towels.

Ugly duckling fat quarter last call to make into a 12 1/2 in block to make into a charity quilt we will exchange at the potluck

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**Siouxland Samplers  
 Guild Board**

President—June DeVries  
 Vice President—Sherry Book  
 Treasurer—Willa Yates  
 Secretary—  
 Membership—Lorraine Smith  
 Special Projects—Jan Cook  
 Sunshine Quilts—Pat Calhoun  
 Newsletter—Vicky Johnson  
 Quilt Show Chair—Michelle Hayden  
 Webmaster—Mary Anne Nooney

**Siouxland Samplers Guild  
 Board Starting in 2012**

President—Pam Clark  
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 Secretary—Kay Dahlquist  
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**December Birthdays**

Lori Baldwin	12/30
Victoria Bata	12/11
Kathy Campbell	12/19
Georgia Diavastes	12/25
Jeanne Dooley	12/28
Kathy Duggan	12/10
Anietra Janssen	12/26
Vicky Johnson	12/28
Betty Pratt	12/17
Rhonda Reitz	12/2
Leslie Walker	12/30
Pam Wendte	12/11

**January Birthdays**

Pat Calhoun	1/11
Debbie Cramer	1/5
Julie Foster	1/10
Catherine Grigg	1/4
Pam Harvey	1/24
Alyce King	1/3
Robin Wright	1/28

**LOOKING FORWARD  
 TO THE NEW YEAR:**

For the January meeting, our program will be a game...hopefully it won't get snowed out like last year!

**January Meeting:**

**Greeters:** Rhonda Reitz, Pat Calhoun and Mary Stoneburg

**Monthly Mini:** Lorraine Smith

**December Meeting:**

**Greeters:** Alyce King and Nancy Neumann

**Monthly Mini:** Vicky Johnson

# Minutes from November Meeting

By Sherry Book, Acting Secretary

- The meeting of the Siouxland Samplers Quilt Guild was called to order by President June DeVries at 7:00 p.m. on November 14, 2011. There were 2 new members and 1 guest present.
- Robyn Wright made the monthly mini, which was won by Pam Melham. Vicky Johnson will make our December mini, and Lorraine Smith will make one for January.
- November greeters were Anietra Janssen and Robyn Wright. Alyce King and Nancy Neumann will greet in December, and Rhonda Reitz, Pat Calhoun and Mary Stoneburg will greet in January.
- There was a reminder that December's meeting will be a potluck, starting at 6:30 p.m. The list for bringing different types of dishes was read and will be posted in next month's newsletter.
- Membership forms for 2012 dues were available for members to fill out.
- Vicky Johnson reported on her recent findings for a retreat at the Hole in the Wall, a facility near Akron, Iowa. We need a minimum of 24 people to rent the facility, with a cost of \$145 plus tax per person for the weekend. The dates are October 19, 20 & 21, 2012. As meals are not included in the fee, groups of 4 would provide meals -- one meal for Friday, three for Saturday, and two for Sunday. The guild will provide the \$600 down payment to hold these dates. A show of hands showed about 17 interested; Vicky would like a definite commitment of attendees by the February meeting.
- There was discussion of reviving Secret Sisters for next year. A general limit of around \$10 for gifts was discussed. Deb Carson, although not present, was contacted and agreed to be in charge of this.
- LaTomah Hauff reported that the tree skirt for the Festival of Trees was done and she is working on the tree topper. The tree will be on display at the Terra Centre as of Monday, November 21 with an auction on December 1. Proceeds go to STARS, Inc. this year. Many ornaments were brought to the meeting, and any others not yet done can be dropped off by Friday, Nov. 18 at Heart & Hand or the Morningside branch library for Nancy Neumann to pick up.
- Ballots for voting were handed out as members arrived. June announced that in order to balance out the open positions for next year, the new Secretary and Newsletter positions would be for only a one-year term instead of two years for the other Board positions. The ballots were counted with the following positions announced: President – Pam Clark; Secretary – Kay Dahlquist; Treasurer – Lori Baldwin; Membership – Linda Book; Newsletter – Joni Castle; Quilt Show Chair – Michele Hayden.
- The dates for the next quilt show are September 21 and 22, 2013. Ami Simms will be the celebrity teacher, and Jennifer Perkins from Harlan, Iowa will be the show judge. Michele Hayden asked for ideas for a catchy name for the show, as well as a volunteer person or group that would be interested in making our raffle quilt. The Alzheimers Quilt Exhibit is available as a special display for the quilt show if we can find a sponsor; the Convention Center will need to be contacted to see if it can hang it, as the exhibit requires a large amount of wall space.
- Pam Clark mentioned a friend of Jennifer Claybaugh's was in a Sioux City hospital; a get-well card will be sent. She also reported that one of our members, Jan Johnson, is in New Zealand for a three week tour.
- Decorative pins that once belonged to Charlotte Wilber were available to anyone who would like one in remembrance of her; she was a long-time quilter who passed away recently.

- There is a need for 12-15 sunshine quilts for the Mary Treglia Center for a Christmas giveaway in December; bring any that you might have to the next meeting. Also in December, we will be collecting hats, mittens, gloves and scarves to give to school-aged children.
- Sherry Book announced that we would hold off until the December meeting to exchange the Ugly Duckling fat quarters, so everyone who wanted to could have one last chance to participate. Also at the December meeting, we will have a Christmas towel exchange; several examples of towels were displayed. Please wrap it and write your name on a tag for trading.
- Our speaker for the night was Beth Strub, a local author and publisher of The Quilt Ladies Books which she markets primarily online. Beth explained how she developed and grew her business through the years, and showed several quilts, which are intertwined with the stories in her books. Her books are available both as hard copy and as e-books.
- Following this, we had Show & Tell. Meeting was then adjourned.



### **Announcing the New Board members.**

Thank you all for taking this on. The old board would like to invite you to the board meeting in December. Please come at 5:30 if you are able.

President – Pam Clark

Secretary – Kay Dahlquist

Treasurer – Lori Baldwin

Membership – Linda Book

Newsletter – Joni Castle

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## Siouxland Sampler Membership Dues For 2012

Membership dues are owed on or before the January 2012 meeting.

Dues are \$20.00 and \$15.00 for seniors 65 and over. Renewals after the February meeting will pay a late fee of \$5.

**All membership dues must have this form filled out, with the exact change or a check made out to Siouxland Samplers.**

If mailing please send to:

**The Sampler—P.O. Box 162—Sioux City, IA 51102**

Membership cards and directories will be available at the February meeting.

If you would like your card mailed to you, please enclose a self addressed, stamped envelope.

Please print your information clearly.

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Work/Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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