

## North Country Quilters Guild

January 7, 2020

The first meeting of 2020 was brought to order by outgoing co-president, Chris Reed at 6:35 PM. A sign-up sheet for meeting refreshments was passed around. There was no Secretary's report of the December gathering.

### Show and Tell:

- **Noreen Hinton** shared three photo albums that she recently updated that contained information about all her quilting and creating activity. She also shared three Granny Squares Quilts and a paper-pieced animal quilt with 50 different animals. Finally, she shared a hand pieced star quilt, Rainbow Stars
- **Roberta Prokop** shared a small quilted snowman wall hanging that she had finished to represent January. She also shared that if she quilted the background then stitched the applique; she was happier with how it turned out. She also wanted advice on the borders for her Connections Mystery Quilt that she was finishing up.
- **Linda Gariepy** shared her Enchanted Garden Block of the Month quilt which was created with patchwork and appliqué.
- New member **Marie Sinkiewicz** was introduced and welcomed.
- Roseanne Toohey showed her Baby Animals quilt.
- **Lois Carbonneau** shared some mug rugs that she created, and a table runner that she quilted herself.
- **Cindy Richards** shared a puff quilt and a Cardinal Wall Hanging.
- **Linda Quarmby** showed us two tote bags with zippered closures.
- **Sue Ward** shared an ingenious zippered tool carrier that she made with a pattern found on Etsy.
- **Martha Kinsey** shared a tote bag she had made.

The treasurer's report was accepted showing a balance of \$1,671. A question was asked and answered about the Christmas Dinner at Pie and Pasta and it was suggested that next December we may want to collect \$25.00 for each member to defray the cost of the evening.

Martha Kinsley generously volunteered to organize the Fat Quarter of the Month drawing. For February, please bring Plaids and Checks of any color.

## Shop Corner

- **Country Thyme** is having sales in preparation of their move. They are offering 40% off everything on the first floor. Kay hopes to close the shop in Derby at the end of January and open in Troy mid to late February. She wants the new location to be fully stocked and operational for the Shop Hop in March.

## Days for Girls

- This organization provides hygienic supplies for women and girls in Africa. Representatives will be returning to Africa in the late summer to distribute the supplies. They are asking for donations, either money or dark colored flannel fabric. They will announce a workday at our next meeting.

## Election of Officers

Evelyn resented the slate of officers:

President: Valerie Rittershausen

Vice President: Noreen Hinton

Treasurer: Judy Dunklee

Secretary: Kathy Nolan

The president opened the meeting for nominations from the floor but there were no additional nominations. It was suggested the secretary cast one vote for the presented slate, and this passed unanimously.

## Program

- **Deb Prue** taught us how to make an easy potholder which could be made in many sizes. She earned this method in a You Tube video, Quick Easy Cute Hot Pads. The easy part is that the potholder is finished with no binding,
- **Jeanne Prue** showed us how to minimize the creation of permanent folds when folding fabrics or quilts by using bias folds. She also talked about different ways of folding stash fabrics.
- **Jeanne** created a section on the guild website called **Meeting Extras** that will allow members easy access to all techniques mentioned in the program.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:57. The next meeting is on February 4, 2020.