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News from Mad City Quilt Guild www.madcityquilters.org January 2016

Dee's Dispatch

Brrrr! We were certainly spoiled by the mostly mild December temps, and now we're being *forced* to snuggle under the warmth of the quilts we're working on! Not a bad "predicament"!

I can't remember such a busy holiday time as the one just past! I knew I planned way more projects than I could ever hope to get done and still actually sleep a few hours each night. Maybe I just needed to be reminded to think more realistically: that I'm NOT 20 or even 30 or 40 anymore; that spending quiet time with my grandchildren – and with my own grown sons – counts so much more than stressing about what doesn't get done; that unstructured minutes can produce as much or more than a full calendar. I'm looking forward to practicing this recent "awareness" by sometimes leaving things un-done, by taking time to just breathe, see and experience life.

De-construct – *and feel the weight lift off your mind.*

~~ Dee

Upcoming Evening Programs for 2015 – 2016 – 7 pm

Jan 25, 2016 **Susan Liimatta – "Domestic Machine Quilting (and Why You Should Try It)"**; Join guild member Susan Liimatta for a trunk show and lecture on the joys of machine quilting. Susan quilts on both domestic and long-arm machines. She began her quilting life as a hand-quilter and loved the process, but had her "aha" moment when she saw one of Diane Gaudynski's quilts at a show. The texture, pattern, and line pulled her in, and she knew she would learn the art of machine quilting. Her quilts have been juried into both AQS in Paducah and IQA in Houston, where she has won awards for her work, including a 2nd place ribbon in the bed quilt category at Paducah, in April 2015. You'll learn the basics of quilting on your home sewing machine, as Susan presents her quilts.

Feb 22, 2016 **Rhonda Mossner – "The Quilter Cook's Quirky Journey";** Guild member Rhonda Mossner has been quilting for 25 years and loves everything about it, from designing to instructing. She began writing "The Adventures of the Roseville Quilters" online novels in January 2010. The popularity of those novels led to many opportunities including national speaking engagements and hosting a Roseville Retreat. Most recently, she combined her love of baking and quilting into a new business, "The Quilter Cook." Rhonda will share all the details behind her journey, along with a quilt trunk show.

Upcoming Afternoon Programs for 2015 – 2016 – 1 pm

Feb 2, 2016 **Jane Vaughan – "You Too Can Be a Designer"**; Did you ever think you could design your own quilt? Could you design the block, the layout, and figure out the yardage? What does it take to be a designer? Guild member and author of Thornberry Quilt Patterns, Jane Vaughan will show us what it takes. You would be surprised how much you already know. Bring a pair of paper-cutting scissors and some crayons or markers, and let's give it a try.

March 1, 2016 **Melissa Wraalstad – "Treasures from the Vault: Wisconsin Museum of Quilt & Fiber Arts"**; Take a journey through quilting history and see some of the highlights from the Wisconsin Museum of Quilts and Fiber Arts' permanent collection. Melissa will share stories behind the quilts not often exhibited.

7th Annual Lodi Valley Quilt Academy
Sat, April 16; 7:45 – 3:30
Lodi High School, 1100 Sauk St, Lodi

$40 pays for 3 classes, lunch, 17 vendors, door prizes, sewing machine giveaways!
Sign up soon, as spaces fill quickly!
For brochure & enrollment form: **LVQG.org**

Prairie Heritage Quilters
Quilt Show & Competition
March 6, 7, 8, 2016
St. Albert's Center, Sun Prairie
$6 Admission

200+ Competition quilts, vendors, prizes, lunch
Entries due: February 6, 2016
sunprairiequiltshow.com
for entry forms

Quilt Expo in Madison, WI
Exhibition Hall at Alliant Energy Center
September 8-10, 2016
$10,000 in prizes/ Juried & Judged Quilts
Entry deadline: June 30, 2016
wiquiltexpo.com for entry forms & info

One-Day Retreat in January

Sat, Jan 23, 2016
8:00 – 5:00
Middleton Community
United Church of Christ
645 Schewe Rd, Middleton
(W – from Attic Angel & Pleasant View Rd – on Old Sauk, S on Schewe)

Remember to bring your lunch, or go out to eat with friends.

It's almost time! Have you planned your projects for this one-day retreat?

Contact Lara Romine (lararomine@gmail.com) with any questions.
See you on Saturday!

MCQG members have been quite generous to the Hmong quilters over the past few years, donating a lot of fabric and batting pieces. Thank you!

Now, the women's piecing skills have progressed to the point that most of them can make use of rotary cutting equipment. If you have a spare, older, and/or unused rotary cutter, ruler, or mat, please consider donating them to the women at Kajsiab House. Don't worry if the rotary cutter is dull; I will provide new blades. Please call or email me, and I can pick your donations up at your home or a guild event.

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MCQG Board Meeting Minutes – January 16, 2016 at Dee's

Present: Julayne Jelle, Derrith Wieman, Dee Van Driel, Lois and Tom Jarvis, Barb Mayhew, Diane Fulton, Janet Bailey, Kristin Gumbinger, Heather Matanock

Officer/Committee Reports:

President – **Dee Van Driel**: The *holiday party* went well, although attendance was low (50).

Meeting dates for 2016-2017 are confirmed as follows: Afternoon: Sept 6, Oct 4, Nov 1, Jan 3, Feb 7, Mar 7, Apr 4, May 2; Evening: Aug 22, Sept 26, Oct 24, Nov 28, Jan 23, Feb 27, Mar 27, Apr 24, May 22; Holiday Party: Dec 6.

Ricky Tims' Super Seminar will be in St Charles, IL in October. Discussion was held on whether we want to become a promotional partner. It was decided that we will. More information to follow.

There was discussion about a *possible bus trip to Missouri Star Quilts*. Both the Monona group and a Lodi group are planning trips. Dee is looking into whether we may be able to join them.

Secretary – **Diane Fulton**: Minutes of the last meeting were approved.

Afternoon Vice President – **Barb Mayhew**: Rhonda will run the meetings in Feb and March, in Barb's absence. Barb is working on setting up round robin small groups.

Evening Vice President – **Rhonda Mossner**: Not present. She needs a replacement for the upcoming year as her 2 years are up. Rhonda would like to set up social events such as coffee, lunches, dinners out etc. The group decided this was a good idea. Stay tuned for Rhonda's ideas.

Programs, Workshops, Retreats – **Janet Bailey**: **Derrith Wieman** will be taking over for Janet. The speaker for the May evening meeting has cancelled. Janet and committee will find another speaker.

Equipment:There was continued discussion about computer adapters for speakers. Heather will order what we need.

Workshops: The Jan 23 retreat has 19/20 signed up. **Jane Vaughan**'s workshop is full. **Mary Joy**'s and Laura Wasilowski's workshops have openings.

Treasurer – **Nancy Pederson**: Provided a copy of the current budget and checkbook register.

Membership – **Mary Joy Johnson**: 180 members; have requested all chairs to be set up.

Librarian – **Mary Larscheid**: Not present. New books have been added; no more will be ordered this year. **Barb Roe** will be taking over for Mary next year.

Newsletter – **Dee Van Driel**: Next deadline 2/15. The next member spotlight is on **Derrith Wieman**. The board would like these to be no more than a page, given mailing restrictions.

Community Projects – **Julayne Jelle**: Several guild members have helped with long-arming and binding. Julayne houses the design wall and irons that are used for workshops.

Quilt Expo – **Dorothy Vesperman** and **Gretchen Rodefeld**: The 2016 Expo theme is “T is for...” Challenge theme and details will be promoted beginning in the January newsletter. The Expo challenge page has been updated on the MCQG website.

Social Media – **Kristin Gumbinger** and **Heather Matanock**: All Facebook invitations for meetings have been entered. Kristin will add the workshops to Facebook. Heather is making a flyer for the Laura Wasilowski workshop.

Website – **Lois** and **Tom Jarvis**: Tom continues to keep the website up to date.

Next Board Meeting Saturday March 19, 2016

~~ submitted by Diane Fulton, secretary

Small Groups

Several of you are interested in forming small groups. These groups tend to divide out by location and time, common interests and goals, experience. Some members make blocks for each other or for charity quilts; some emphasize a style or technique (modern, appliqué, fabric or thread painting); other groups are primarily social, but embrace the differences of all their attendees. I will contact you prior to the next meeting, so you can begin to focus on the aspects that are of higher priority for you, then you can decide how you want to form your groups. – *Dee*

Library News *by Mary Larscheid, Mad City Quilt Guild Librarian*

Thank you for voting on the new books you would like to see in our library. Here are the books that had 8 votes or higher, and have been purchased for the library:

- "Stash Lab: Simple Solutions for Scrap Quilts" by Tonya Alexander.
- "Quilted Purses & Totes (6445)" by Annies Publishing.
- "Patchwork Essentials: The Half-Square Triangle" by Jeni Baker.
- "Kaffe Fassett's Quilts in Morocco" by Kaffe Fassett, Westminster Fabric, Inc.
- "Best of Fons & Porter Scrap Explosion Quilts" by Marianne Fons and Liz Porter.
- "Free-Motion Quilting for Beginners and DVD" by Molly Hanson.
- "Best of Circle of Nine" by Janet Houts and Jean Ann Wright.
- "New Ways with Jelly Rolls: 12 Reversible Modern Jelly Roll Quilts" by Pam and Nicky Lintott.
- "Foolproof Walking-Foot Quilting Designs: Visual Guide Idea Book" by Mary Mashuta.
- "Quilts from the House of Tula Pink" by Tula Pink.
- "The Big Book of Scrappy Quilts: Crib-size to King-size" by Martingale & Co.
- "Machine Quilting With Style" by Christa Watson.
- "Beginning Landscape Quilting and DVD" by Nancy Zieman and Natalie Sewell.

We have received two more Missouri Star Quilt Magazines:
-BLOCK magazine, Vol. 2, Issue 5 - Fall 2015
-BLOCK magazine, Vol. 2, Issue 6 - Holiday 2015

My favorites in the Fall Issue are Dresden Squared, The Everything Bag, and Flutterby which can use up a lot of scrap 2 1/2" strips and pieces.

If you want to see all of the books available in our library, go to the Mad City Quilt Guild website: http://www.madcityquilters.org/HomePage, click on "Mad City Quilt Guild Library Book List by Author" tab on the left side of the page. You will find a .pdf spreadsheet of all the books in our library that you can download.

Community Projects

We continue our commitment to provide quilts for teens graduating from the Foster Care Program through the Linus Project. We welcome quilts of all sizes for Linus, in addition to lap quilts and shawls for Attic Angel Memory Care, and UW Hospital Dolls. (Sizes for each are posted on our website; the UW Hospital Doll pattern is available upon request.) A bin is set up at meetings for donations of fabric and batting. Kits are also available to take home and assemble.

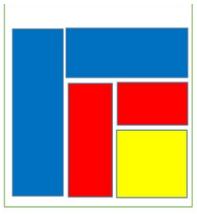
Any longarmer interested in machine quilting a Linus quilt will be provided backing and batting along with the quilt top. Please contact me (Julayne) in advance so I can assemble the items and bring them to the meetings or make arrangements for delivery or pickup.

Totals for the 2015/2016 season:

Incoming quilts	75
Quilts to Linus	47
Lap Quilts and shawls	12
UW Hospital Dolls	36

If you are interested in making a few blocks to be assembled into a bigger quilt for donation to Linus, follow the example below. You can put these in the donation bin. Remember that teens like bright colors!!

4 1/2 inch square
2 1/2 inch strips
Squared-up: 8 1/2 inch block



Julayne Jelle, coordinator 273-3620 julayne@tds.net

"BLOTTO!" / The Block Lottery Challenge Continues!

Brought to you by Dorothea Murphy and Kim Eighmy, the Blotto Buddies

REMEMBER, WE WILL HAVE THE DRAWING FOR THE SECOND BLOCK, "A JAPANESE GARDEN" ON THE FOLLOWING DATES:

Monday, January 25th, 7:00 pm
Drawing for "Blotto" block #2 – "A Japanese Garden"
Presentation of "Blotto" block #3

Tuesday, February 2nd, 1:00 pm
Drawing for "Blotto" block #2 – "A Japanese Garden"
Presentation of "Blotto" block #3

You still have time to make this block, "A Japanese Garden," which is a lantern pattern, and the pattern can be found on the website – under the Blotto tab. It uses a beige background, black for the lantern top and bottom, a few scraps for contrasting bands, and **Asian fabric** for the lantern. We ask that you please **use an Asian fabric** for the block. You only need one fat quarter of **Asian fabric** for each block, but will have plenty left to share with someone else. **Check the website: www.madcityquilters.org for the pattern.**

So remember:

Bring the completed block(s) #2 on either or both of the dates listed above. All of the blocks for that meeting will be displayed. Write your name on one slip of paper per block submitted. If your name is drawn, you win ALL the blocks. Then you can make a quilt using the pre-made blocks and bring it back for Show and Tell.

Remember, there will be two drawings, one at the afternoon meeting and one at the evening meeting. It doesn't matter which one you participate in, or both, just know that if you enter a block(s) you have a chance to win! And YES, you can make more than one block to increase your chances of winning!

And Now For Block #3!

For our third Blotto Block, we will try out a little appliqué. This block, "Garden Blooms," can be done with either machine or hand appliqué -- you decide! Choose your favorite fabrics but, please use a **POLKA DOT fabric** for the borders. The pattern gives the option of appliquéing three different types of flowers, so pick your favorite flower, and appliqué in whatever method you prefer.

Dorothea and Kim will present this third block at both the evening meeting (Jan 25) and the afternoon meeting (Feb 2).

When are the drawings for the "Garden Blooms" block?

Monday, February 22nd, 7:00 pm
Drawing for "Blotto" block #3 – "Garden Blooms"
Presentation of "Blotto" block #4

Tuesday, March 1st, 1:00 pm
Drawing for "Blotto" block #3 – "Garden Blooms"
Presentation of "Blotto" block #4

Enjoy trying out this pretty little block, and may it give you visions of a warm spring day!

2016 Quilt Expo Mini-Quilt Challenge – "T is for…"

This year's mini-quilt challenge theme is **"T is for . . ."**

- 12" x 12", any technique, quilted
- Quilt front must represent, or be inspired by, something that starts with the letter T.
- Quilts are due on or before the first evening meeting, in August.

Challenge quilts will be displayed in the MCQG booth during Quilt Expo, September 8-10, 2016.

Dorothy Vesperman (608-628-8042 or madves@aol.com)
Gretchen Rodefeld (608-221-2501 or gmrodefeld@charter.net)

Show and Tell

November 23

Kim Eighmy: 60" square Thanksgiving quilt, l.a.-quilted by **Mary Ann Aylesworth**
Kristin Gumbinger: on-point quilt, started 2 wks ago: chevrons in yellow & grays for co-worker w/ cancer, minkee back
Karen Mandt: Red/turq/gray Charm Magic baby quilt
Sharon Raimondo: tablerunner for credenza, Christmas gift for dtr in law
Geri Torti: Dora quilt top for Linus
Kathy Stroshane: Round Robin w/ Judy Hasheider group, met every other month for a year, adding 5+ "frames", took 1 year to hand quilt
Dianne Larson: GB Packer throw/sleeping bag w/ fleece back, for Mpls grandson
Jane Vaughan: Pretzel Twist, a newer design of interlocking square frames
Julayne/Comm Projects: Nine quilts – lots of oohs & aahs!
Mary Gehrmann: trees throw for grandson, l.a.-quilted by **Mary Ann Aylesworth**; Bargello: she picked colors (pink, yellow, blue) w/ flannel back
Dorothy Vesperman: 1st quilt! Orange & yellow four-patches w/ print squares between, l.a.-qu by Phil in Evansville
Chris Motl: yoyo's on pillow top (NOT a garland, which takes too many!); Christmas panel in "bedrunner" over Christmas quilt
Lois Jarvis: 12"x16" Christmas tree WH, w/ embellishments
Suzanne Myers Otto: Fabric proofs printed from Suzanne's own pictures by Spoonflower site, for fabric printed on demand
Gini Ewers: Modern, fabrics that make her happy: "Streamers" on white; Poinsettia Wreath, Black Mountain design, w/ needleturn appliqué, will also try trapunto; big quilt for sister, of 16 Edyta Sitar blocks, added wide border for asymmetrical-appliqué border, l.a.-qu by **Pat Geishirt** ("artistry in quilting!"), part of Gini's 1st solo quilt show in Mpls, hanging all of December; retires at end of Dec, after 36 years w/ state
Gretchen Rodefeld: brights in toddler quilt
Nancy Pederson: throw, started as Mill House bale challenge, to be Christmas gift, in purples, olives, lights
Mary Joy Johnson: Wacky Bird pillow, for across-the-hall neighbor; taupe fabrics in "Modulations" quilt (still has enough taupes for 3-4 more quilts)

Holiday Party / Dec 8 **Julie Fagan:** pieced & heavily l.a.quilted tree skirt

January 5, 2016

Mary Joy Johnson: Peaceful Nights top (was a BOM Club pattern, before MJ joined the group), scrappy
Julayne/Comm Projects: 4 Linus quilts collaborated on by **Karen Makowski, Jean Muehlemann, Barb Mayhew, Barb Roe, Mary Jackson, Wanda Nelson, Bertie Davis**
Derrith Wieman: Winter/Jan doorhanger: white & lt blue checkerboard background, w/ photo-printed cardinal
Helen Flores: big quilt:orange/tan/red Amish design, started in 1980, l.a.-qu by **Pat Geishirt** 30 years after top was made
Victoria Peetz: "Waste Not" big quilt, Mill House scrap quilt from last month
Doris Ast: this month scrap club project w/ ½ square triangles/all stash scraps; caring quilts for St John's: 2 flannel baby quilt tops (1 boy/1girl)
Sharon Raimondo: twin quilt in gray/red/with cardinals on lt gray, from Quilter's World magazine
Janet Bailey: bo't 2 yards of 75% off Joann fleece for 4 lap quilts to donate; "Serious Fun" Stephanie Nordlin pattern: make 2 dog "pictures" in bright fabrics/cut in half/swap tops and bottoms/sew back together, called "Poker Tails" WH (Janet's title based on cartoon in paper)
Kerry Jewison: "Turtle", small WH, quilted by **Julayne**
Diane Fulton: Angel quilt WH, finished in time for Christmas; quilt-sister came and they sewed "5 Lakes of Madison"/Row by row quilt from Mill House
Julie Fitzpatrick: In 2004-5, transferred students' drawings onto fabric, added brights w/ black
Gini Ewers: tall knitting bag (to keep cats out) for sis: chickadees, gray w/red accent (Charlie Harper fabric)
Kathy Stroshane: large Amish-design quilt for (chemist) husband: star in brights w/ chemist themes, surrounded by light green batik + black/white border – she quilted it herself, in pieces
Sue Jackan: 9 hospital dolls; Little Boy in Cameroon (son was there in Peace Corps): face is pieced, then painted, threadwork, detailed, 30"x50"
Jane Vaughan: scrappy, strip club pinwheels w/ 30s reproductions, for class Saturday at MH, called Windsor Park
Maxine Austin: large Comm Project quilt kit in greens and white, pieced by Alice Honeywell

Member Spotlight: Derrith Wieman



A more unlikely background for quilting than Derrith Wieman's might be hard to find. In spite of her background as a young tomboy, a horticultural professor and master gardener, a deckhand, and a furniture builder—among other things--, she also has a background in quilting, knitting, and weaving.

Derrith was born in Stillwater, Oklahoma where her professor father taught philosophy. However, he and other faculty at the Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical College refused to take the McCarthy-era state loyalty oath and became party to a U.S. Supreme Court case, Wieman v. Updegraff, 344 U.S. 183 (1952). Paul W. Updegraff, an Oklahoma citizen, sued in the District Court of Oklahoma County to prevent the state from paying these individuals their salaries. The faculty and staff members argued that the Act violated the due process clause of the 14th Amendment to the Constitution, and the Supreme Court agreed unanimously.

Following her father's teaching jobs, the family moved to California and then Athens, Ohio, home of Ohio University. From the age of 4, Derrith grew up on the edge of town near the woods as a "free range" kid and a tomboy. Her father's child-rearing philosophy was "turn them loose." With her pocket knife, she whittled spears, made a bow and arrows, built tepees, and developed an early appreciation for science and plants.

At her progressive junior high school, boys and girls all took cooking, sewing, mechanical drawing and woodworking. Domestic arts Derrith learned from family. "Mom had a Wilcox and Gibbs chain stitch sewing machine with no bobbin. Dad electrified it from treadle. Mom sewed clothes and had baskets of scraps. Eventually by the age of 9 or 10, I could use it." An aunt taught her to knit, and her grandmother had looms, so she learned to weave. "Not successful at tatting though," she says.

"There were lots of professors in the family," says Derrith, including grandparents, aunts and uncles, and they instilled a love of learning and expectations of higher education in their younger relatives. Her father put 11 kids through college, including his children and step-children. Derrith did her undergraduate work in botany at Ohio University. In her sophomore year, she met her future husband Todd. "He tried to date both my roommates but they turned him down. I accepted." They dated for 3 years and agreed to marry after grad school.

Between college and grad school, Derrith spent a year on a working farm in Virginia. She drove tractors, plowed, disked, harrowed, built barns, reroofed buildings and re-made fences to enclose thoroughbreds. She enjoyed the outdoors and went on to pursue graduate work in olericulture, a vegetable crops specialty of horticulture.

Marriage to Todd followed, and with it travel. Todd's work as a petroleum geologist led them to many parts of the world. They lived in a small village in Surrey, England for five years--the only Americans in town--while Todd did exploratory geology in Africa, Asia, Oceania, Europe, North and South America. They moved in and out of Houston, Texas three times while Todd was involved in the oil industry.

Though Derrith used her organizational skills and computer literacy to manage an 11-lawyer law office for nine years, her favorite job was teaching horticulture as an adjunct professor at Houston Community College. Outside interests and volunteering also kept her busy. In Houston Derrith became a Master Gardener. Between 1984 and 2014 she spent time aboard the Elissa, an historic square-rigged sailing ship. Now at the Texas Seaport Museum, the Elissa still undertakes annual sailing trips. Derrith volunteered as a deckhand, climbed rigging, worked aloft and served as quartermaster at times. At one time, she did a bit of furniture building. How did she begin quilting? When a neighbor lady decided to teach quilting to make a quilt for a retiring school principal. "Before we moved to England, I bought a Bernina, to sew clothes for my family. When I started quilting I also started going to the Houston Quilt Festival for 25 years or so." She also designed a queen-sized quilt that was auctioned for $1200 for a Houston parish church fund raiser.

Derrith and Todd's two daughters both have medical goals. Mariah is an ER nurse at the UW Hospitals. Before nursing school, she spent a five-year apprenticeship as a blacksmith in Nova Scotia. Derrith made a special quilt for her by drafting a block each day with 80 different stars, an anvil and a maple leaf. Eartha, their older daughter, graduated in neurobiology from the UW last May and is aiming for medical school. She would like to be a gerontologist. Derrith explained how the couple decided to name their first born. "When Todd takes a walk, he sees the geology of the earth, while I see the plants on top of it, so Eartha Zoë" And what does the name "Derrith" mean? "You tell me," she says. "It was the name of my Mom's best friend. All my brothers and sisters have normal names."

What drew Derrith and Todd to Madison? Todd first visited Madison for a museum conference when he was Museum Geology Curator at the Dayton Natural History Museum before they got married. They returned often when their daughters were in school, and finally decided to retire to the area in 2014. They moved to an apartment in Yorktown Estates on Madison's west side, and enjoy the welcoming community there, as well as bicycling, kayaking, and the fitness center. Since the last move, they gave up their TV, deciding it would waste too much of their retirement time. Shortly after they moved to Madison, Derrith joined the Mad City Quilt Guild and Madison Knitters Guild.

So, what now? Derrith uses a knitting machine and makes beautiful socks and lots of hats, including protest hats (Madison Capitol protests in 2011). "I give away virtually all my quilts," she says. She has also been making Linus quilts and monthly door hangers for the apartment. And she participates in Mad City fabric challenges. Derrith Wieman's busy life continues!

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News from Mad City Quilt Guild

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Quintessential Quilts of Madison and Reedsburg are taking a bus to the ***International Quilt Festival*** *in Rosemont (near Chicago) on* ***Friday, April 8****.*
Cost is $60. Sign up soon as seating is limited.
To register for boarding in Reedsburg at 6 am, call 608/524-8435;
for boarding in Madison at 7 am, call 608/242-8555.

Upcoming Afternoon Guild Meetings
Feb 2, 2016 1 pm
Mar 1, 2016 1 pm

Upcoming Evening Guild Meetings
Jan 25, 2016 7 pm
Feb 22, 2016 7 pm

Jan 23 Retreat 8:00 – 5:00
Middleton Comm. United Church of Christ
645 Schewe Rd, Middleton
(W of Attic Angel & Pleasant View, S on Schewe)

Meeting location: Attic Angel Place
8301 Old Sauk Road
From Beltline (Hwys 12/14), go west on Old Sauk Rd; past Junction Rd, take next left onto Attic Angel Circle. Entrance is 2nd left.



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