


# Thimbles and Friends Quilt Guild

## "News & Notes"

*Welcome to the New Millennium!*

*January 2000*

 The Executive Board asked that this mailing go out to inform members who may have missed the last meeting about the January meeting and to let everyone know about upcoming events. There has been much discussion about a monthly newsletter, which can be a time consuming undertaking. We haven't decided yet if this will be a monthly venture (anyone want to volunteer?!); perhaps we can talk about it at an upcoming Guild meeting.


The member questionnaires have been very useful in helping us determine the direction our meetings should go. Some of the plans we've made were taken directly from your suggestions. If you have other ideas for the future, please don't hesitate to share them during the business portions of our meetings. Thimbles & Friends *is* what we make of it.

### **JANUARY 29 MEETING PLANS**

It's a new millennium (or is it? The debate rages on). Whatever the case, let's party! Please bring some refreshment to share (and recipes as well!). If you have leftover holiday paperware, bring it along. Beverages and cups will be provided. We will have a gift exchange. If you want to receive a gift, bring one for the exchange. The gift should be quilting-related and no more than \$20.00.

In addition to the gift exchange, we'll do a block grab. Members are asked to bring five 8 inch squares of fabric (each square should be a different fabric). The squares should be 100% cotton and prewashed. Please put your squares in a brown paper bag so we can't see them. We'll put them all together and then you'll grab a bag and get new squares to add to your stash!

We'll have other announcements for the remainder of our year and "Show & Tell." Bring in your items so we can see what you've been up to!

 **REMINDER: GUILD MEETINGS**  
**ARE 10:15 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.**  
**(unless otherwise specified)**

### **RAFFLE REPORT**

Our raffle quilt top raised over \$60.00 at the Gathering in Westford. Plans are currently underway to investigate other opportunities for selling tickets (*please note:* any ideas/suggestions are welcome! Please share during the business portion of our meetings.)

We will be taking polaroid photos of the quilt top that members can take, along with tickets, to sell to friends and relatives. There will be prizes given (1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> place) for the most tickets sold!!! (psst, I've seen the first place prize...a heart-shaped Longaberger basket containing sewing notions...it's terrific!!)

*Joyce Hochstrasser, Shirley MacLeod, and Sandy Brazders have consented to serve as the quilting committee for the 1999 raffle quilt. Thank you, ladies!*

### ***Looking ahead.....***

And speaking of our raffle quilt...we are already thinking of what to do for next year so that we'll have plenty of time to work on it. A preliminary pattern has been chosen and a letter has been sent to the designer to ask her permission to use the design. It's a

