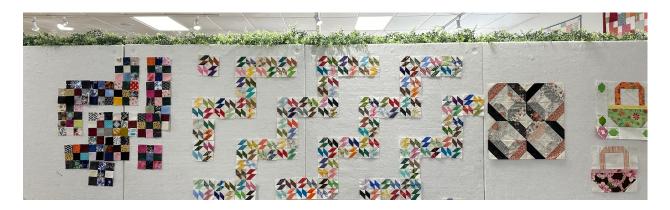
It was a retreat week! It was wonderful to get to meet so many people. I enjoyed listening to their experiences and getting to know them a little bit. I wish I had had more hours to visit.

There were many beginners and many expert quilters at the retreat. Each person working on creating a beautiful project. I was thinking about how each of us learn from one another. People who were very skilled were so helpful in teaching others who were not.



At some point however, each of us was a beginner. We all started quilting and all made our first quilt. Whether it was last year or 20 years ago we all started and have been learning along the way.

I have been thinking about this. People had so many wonderful ideas. Tips they have learned, projects that have challenged them and finishing projects along the way, only to take on another learning or challenging quilt.

This year I have goals to make several projects that have been intimidating to me. I'm excited to learn and have felt a lot of encouragement that I can do it.

Brody had "Bible with Brody" each morning. Many people joined together to talk about Jesus Christ and learn study together with Brody. Each person had something to share or a different insight based on their experience. Each person in the group has started a spiritually journey at some point to learn who our Savior Jesus Christ is. Some are further along the path and have felt a close relationship with Him for many years,

while others are just getting started and learning who the Savior is and the peace He brings into our lives.

We have all had different experiences that have challenged us in life. I feel grateful for everyone who is learning. Education is taught in many ways. Regardless of what we are learning, each time we learn something, we better ourselves. Learning to be a better quilter and learning a difficult technique actually makes us a better person.

I am grateful for everyone who is trying to learn spiritually as well. We build ourselves spiritually whenever we are willing to learn from our Savior. As we learn to hear our Savior's teachings we add beauty to ourselves.

Old Testament

Proverbs 19:20

20 Hear counsel, and receive instruction, that thou mayest be wise in thy latter end.

New Testament

John 5:39

39 Search the scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life: and they are they which testify of me.

Book of Mormon

1 Nephi 19:23

23 ... for I did liken all scriptures unto us, that it might be for our profit and learning.

With love, Leslie

Last night the kids set up for the destash. Everyone was tired from a long retreat week and looking forward to a quiet weekend. About an hour into the show, Ray called to have Zachary come home. He said Joy had broken her collar bone.

Kartor stepped in for Zach who headed home. Zachary and Belsy took Joy to the quick care. An X-ray showed a broken collar bone. Joy is such a tiny little thing. She is precious! Iron's head collided with Joy's shoulder just perfectly to snap it in two.



No rest this weekend for Zach but we are so grateful Joy will be okay!

