Minnesota Quilters, Inc.
2019 Annual Report
October 1, 2017 to September 30, 2018
Board of Directors

- **President** ................................................................. Adrianne Lemberg
  - Employees:
    - Administrative Assistant Debra Svedberg
    - Bookkeeper Renee Shields
    - Show Director Brenda Lyseng
      - Show Committee Coordinator Laura Nagel
  - Standing Committee:
    - Minnesota Quilt Project Pat Cox & Carolyn Silflow

- **Past Presidents** ........................................................ Pat Curtner & Rose Allen
  - Standing Committee:
    - Nominating Committee

- **President Elect** ...................................................... Elise Frederick
  - Committee:
    - Donations and Door prizes Kathy Grinstein & Linda Huntzicker
    - Grants
    - Scholarship

- **Treasurer** ............................................................... Vicci Mattsfield
  - Standing Committee:
    - Finance Committee

- **Secretary** ............................................................. Sharon Lawrence

- **Communications Co-Directors** .................................... Karen Knoll
  - Committees:
    - Cvent / Electronic Communications Karen Kopitzke
    - Newsletter Wanda Shelton
    - Photographer Carrie D’Andrea & Ellen Wold
    - State Fair Booth Sue Rutford
    - Social Media Sharon Peterson
    - Website Karen Knoll & June Hoffa

- **Education Co-Directors** .......................................... Merle Pratt & Diane Rose
  - Committees:
    - Block of the Month Kathie Simon Frank & Jeanne LaMoore
    - Meeting Coordinators–Day Loretta Stone
    - Meeting Coordinators–Evening Sue Sandagar & Kate Jones
    - Fall Getaway Adriane Lemberg and Yvonne Curran
    - Historian Kathy Morse
    - Holiday Brunch Charlette Pittman
    - Library Gayle Cedarblade Cmiel, Martha Eaves & Suzanne Zander
    - Quilting for Others Sharon Peterson, Pam Plocek, & Linda Wines

- **Membership Co-Directors** .......................................... Lynnette Wass & Mary Tague
  - Committees:
    - Business Member Coordinator Mary Tague
    - Meeting Hospitality-Day Sharon Lawrence & Joyce Ruppert
    - Membership Coordinators-Day Amy Lange-Thorsett, Charlette Pittman, & Lynnette Wass
    - Meeting Hospitality–Evening Mimi Goodwin & Amy Lange-Thorsett
    - Membership Coordinators–Evening Nancy Bakeda & Sue Weiby
    - Volunteer Coordinator Nancy Hall

- **Operations Co-Directors** .......................................... Kathie S Frank & Karen Newman
President's Report
By Adrianne Lemberg

Minnesota Quilters celebrated their 40th Ruby Anniversary year in 2017-2018. Activities throughout the year accentuated that accomplishment, as a roll-back membership drive and ruby themed raffle quilts. Efforts were made to be mindful of our financial planning to preserve and increase our fiscal assets as well respecting all the time and effort of our board members and all volunteers in this organization. Difficult decisions made to improve our fiscal status included reigning in our yearly expenses and adjusting various show and class fees to fit the cost of those events.

A strategic plan was developed in September for the future success of Minnesota Quilters, Inc. as a membership organization considering member services, finance, infrastructure and supporting services. Goals/objectives developed for 2018 and 2019 were:

*(Social (Mission) Strategies – Provide educational, enjoyable, welcoming, and inspirational meetings for members and future members.
*Financial Strategies – Assure adequate resources are available to do the work of MN Quilters Inc. and manage those resources effectively.
*Operational Strategies – Address the gap between the board, staff and all committees (i.e. communications of board decisions, committees, who owns it and how it is tracked), so board can focus on mission rather than running smoothly by 2019.

Vision statement was adopted: *Minnesota Quilters will be a state-wide leader in providing creative quilting education, activities, and mentoring through a welcoming multi-generational community of quilters with various skills and abilities.*

Quilter of the Year

Minnesota Quilters proudly announces Mary Chalmers as our 2018 Quilter of the Year. Mary, of Wilmar, Minnesota, has been honored with many local, state, and national quilting awards of the years. Mary, a light-hearted speaker, is extremely generous of using her time and knowledge to promote quilting in Minnesota.

President's Invitational

Quilters donated over fifty quilts in response to the President's invitation to make bed size quilts for previously homeless youth now living at Prior Crossing in St. Paul. The young adults living there with the help of supportive services, are adjusting to stability and creating a sense of community. Quilts were displayed at the annual show.

Presidents Elect Report
By Elise Frederick

Grants:

Minnesota Quilters, Inc. FY 2017 – 2018 budget included $7000 for grants. MQ received grant applications requesting a total of $8,199 that would reach up to 12,050 people for a variety of educational, service project, and educational program donations. The Minnesota Contemporary Quilters grant request was changed from a grant to a joint MQ and Minnesota Contemporary Quilters educational program. The board approved $5450 in funds for grant checks and reallocated $1000 from the Grant budget to the Education budget, leaving a balance of $550 unallocated.

- Textile Center: Circuit Maker Machine for Library Tools checkout program, Quilt books
- Lakeland Public Television: MQ educational donation for broadcast of quilting programs
- Heart in the Country Quilters: Funding for educational programming
- Burnsville Senior Quilters: Funding for charity service project
- Pioneer Public TV: MQ educational donation for broadcast of quilting programs

Minnesota Quilters’ 2018 Quilt Show and Conference - Charter Members Scholarship:

The board approved two winners this year, an adult recipient, Lori Foix, and a youth recipient, Niyema Davitt-Liu. The FY Budget included funding for one winner. Anonymous donations from MQ members sponsored the youth winner.
Financial: (Budget, LRPP, fundraising, finance committee)
- Provided budget input for one 2019 Scholarship, $7000 grants, and $x for new wireless microphone/speakers system and quilt stands.
- Wrote newsletter articles to solicit grant and scholarship applications, and solicit Mystery Quilt proposals for fundraising.

LRPP: Chaired the Long Range Planning Committee.
- Member Meeting/Workshop improvements: purchased 2 quilt stands, and made recommendations for next year’s budget
- Meetings were held on the 3rd Monday of the month, Oct, Nov, Jan, Feb, Apr, Aug, Sep.

Parliamentarian: There were no changes to the By-Laws this year. Volunteer hours: 217

Treasurer’s Report
By Vicci Mattsfield

Organizational Net Assets

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<tr>
<th>Show Location</th>
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The financial position of Minnesota Quilters was positive in 2017-2018

The steps that we took in the previous year, increasing the fees at the show, changing the credit card company, changing the phone company, and getting more members, helped bring us to a positive position. We, as the board, are tasked with keeping these results the same going forward.
# MINNESOTA QUILTERS, INC.
## STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES
### YEARS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2018 AND 2017
(SEE INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS’ REVIEW REPORT)

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## EXPENSES

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## NET ASSETS - END OF YEAR

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### STATEMENTS OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES
#### YEARS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2018 AND 2017
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### 2018

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**Total Expenses**  
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$88,910  
$428,014

### 2017

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**Total Expenses**  
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June 2019  
Minnesota Quilters, Inc. Annual Report for Fiscal Year 2017-2018
Communications Report
By Karen Knoll and Peggy Stockwell

Kay Genelin resigned as Co-Communications director in January, Peggy Stockwell volunteered for and was approved to complete her term.

Four Amazon Fire tablets were donated for use by member checkin and merchandise sales at the monthly meetings.

Cvent: MQ has been using Cvent since 2009 for event online registration, meeting and newsletter notifications, and membership management. In August, 2018, our contract was renewed for 5 years. Karen Kopitzke continued as our Cvent support volunteer.

Facebook: Sharon Peterson continued posting items to our Facebook page. Over 19 thousand people have liked our page, we have over 2 thousand members of our group page.

Newsletter: Wanda Shelton continued as editor with formatting assistance from MQ Administrative Assistant Debra Svedberg. Carrie D'Andrea, Ellen Wold, and Peggy Stockwell were the photographers. The newsletters are sent by email. Less than 20 newsletters are still printed and mailed.

State Fair: Sue Rutford easily filled all of our volunteer slots folks in the Creative Activities building with new and returning volunteers. MQ paid more than $1500 to the State Fair to supplement the premiums given to ribbon winners in the quilting categories in Creative Activities, and continued to sponsor an award in the Textile/Fiber category of the Fine Arts exhibit.

Education Report
By Merle Pratt and Diane Rose

This past year we have focused on monthly meetings, lectures, workshops and other activities that enhance the Minnesota Quilters experience. We have planned the calendar well into 2019 to be able to have great teachers under contract. Our focus was to plan workshops that appeal to varied groups and to have activities that also reached out to many people and create a fun learning environment to share our work.

There have been several events that have been especially well received, such as the Combined Meeting with the Rochester Sew-ciety Guild with the bus trip and shop hop. We tried some different types of meetings and found that the jelly roll race and the ufo sharing time were enjoyable opportunities to be able to visit and share in a casual environment.

Quilting For Others continues to be a large part of MQ and has now established a presence at the MQ Show. There is now a monthly sew day on the third Monday of every month at Pearl and Myrtle's Retreat Center thanks to Becky and Millie P's Quilt Shop. We are continuing our donations to Meals On Wheels, HCMC Visiting Nurses, Harriet Tubman Home for Women, and St Joseph's Children's Homes.

We have started on the process of returning to and reworking the job descriptions of committee members to encourage more involvement and redistribution of work load.

Below is an outline of what we did this past year and what has already been planned for next year.

Respectfully submitted
Merle Pratt
Education Director 2016-2018

October 2017-September 2018
Oct. 5 – Jean Wakely – Women of the West Quilt
Oct 6 – Quilting For Others
Oct 7 – Jean Wakely – Purple Sandwich Quilt
Nov 2 - Doris Deutmeyer – Creative Fused Applique
Nov 3 – Workshop = Raw Edge Applique – Birch Forest
Nov 4 – Doris Deutmeyer- Creative Ways to Display Small Quilts
Nov 4 – Workshop - Raw Edge Applique – Sunset/Winter
Dec 2 - Holiday Brunch – Edinburg

Committee: Patty Von Arx, Laura Nagel, Suzanne Fisher, Sharon Birnbaum, Karen Knoll, Elise Frederick, Debbie Craig

January 4 and 6 – Introducing 2018 Show Faculty
January 3 – Quilting For Others
Feb 1 and 3 – Amanda Jean Nyberg – new book – No Scrap Left Behind
February 2 – Workshop with Amanda Jean Nyberg – Spin Class
February 15, 16, 17 In town Retreat – Millie P’s
March 1 (MQP) Lori Triplett
March 2 – Workshop with Lori Triplett – African Indigo Resist Techniques
March 3 (MQP) Lori Triplett
Mar 3 – Class – Chintz Up Close and Personal
March 4 – 7 Spring Retreat – Camp Wapo – Sandi Irish
April 5,7 – Birthday – Bonnie Ellis
April 6 – Quilting For Others
May 3,5 – Pam Dinndoff
May 4 – Workshop with Pam Dinndorff – Mandela Floor Pillow
June – Show
*July 12, 14 – (Note date change to second week due to holiday)
  Thursday – UFO night
  Saturday – Jelly Roll Race and Picnic
Aug 2 – Anne Marcellus – My Journey
Aug 4– Bus Trip with Rochester Guild – Lecture by Heather Mulder Peterson, Shop Hop to All In Stitches, Pine Needles, and The Quilting Cupboard
Sept 6, 8 – School House – Diane Rose, Sharron Resvick, Jan Schmidt, Kathie Simon Frank and Mary Tague
Sept 7 – Quilting For Others
Sept 17 – Quilting For Others at Pearl and Myrtle’s *** Starting in Nov 2018 Quilting For Others will meet at Pearl and Myrtle’s Retreat Center on the 3rd Monday of every month

Membership Report
By Lynnette Wass and Mary Tague
At the start of the year we implemented an electronic meeting check-in process.
  • This process was initiated at the request of MQ Office Staff.
  • This process has been met with some challenges at the check-in desk including lengthier check-in process.
  • We have been using 3 kindles (we were recently given a fourth) for this process.
  • Many members continue to need assistance using the kindles. This has resulted in a need for more volunteers at the check-in desk to keep things flowing at an acceptable level.

Membership recruitment activities:
  • 40th Anniversary Membership Roll Back
    • We accepted and implemented the idea presented by Wynn Martin to offer special memberships to new members, offered at a roll back price of $10, which were the dues collected when MQ was first formed.
    • We sold 156 special memberships between October and February.
    • One hundred and forty-three (143) of the roll-back memberships that were sold were redeemed.
    • Debra has initiated a “Why MQ?” article for the newsletter to remind these special members (as well as the rest of us) of the many benefits enjoyed by continuing membership in MQ at the current regular dues rate.
  • Anniversary Party
    • In April at both membership meetings we had cake and coffee to celebrate MQ’s 40th Birthday / Anniversary.
    • We purchased 2 sheet cakes from Costco for each meeting. This was an appropriate amount of cake. (We recommend 1 chocolate and 1 vanilla for each meeting for future.)
  • Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast (held the same Saturday as the Anniversary party)
    • Prior to the April Saturday meeting, we hosted our annual volunteer appreciation breakfast. All volunteers were invited.
    • We served cinnamon rolls, various sweet breads, fresh fruit, hard boiled eggs, juice and coffee. We use an estimate for 45 to 60 people for food planning.
    • This event was enjoyed and appreciated by our wonderful volunteers!
  • We hosted the Pot Luck at the July Saturday meeting including set up and making sure we had adequate plates and dinnerware.
  • We assisted with the review and revision of our reporting committees: Membership Coordinators, Business Member Coordinator, Volunteer Coordinators, and Hospitality Coordinators.
  • The Business Member Coordinator has been an ongoing vacancy during this reporting period.
  • Outstanding Volunteer – there was no Outstanding Volunteer recognized during this reporting period.
  • Current membership, as of 9/26/2018, is 974 members. 712 are renewing members and 262 are new members. 143 of the new members redeemed ‘roll-back’ gift memberships.

Operations Report
By Kathie Simon Frank and Karen Newman
As Operations began its 2nd of a 3-year lease at Recovery Church (RC), the MQ Executive Committee negotiated with Recovery Church Board liaisons regarding options to obtain additional office and storage space. By the middle of the year, RC offered us a third small office in the same area as our current offices and offered to build us a larger storage space near the meeting room. Both will become available during Fall 2018. Operations Directors Kathie Simon Frank and Karen Newman built the increased cost of the added space into the 2018-19 budget. The Church told us they are satisfied with our tenancy, and, therefore, they will renew our lease for an additional 2 years to August 1, 2021 when our present 3-year lease ends in August 2019.
Operations worked diligently all year to manage the limited storage space at Recovery Church and at All-American Storage in Minneapolis. We sold or donated items we no longer needed, including 2 toaster ovens and 2 microwave ovens used at previous shows, 2 standing magazine racks, some design walls, a file cabinet, and with Reo Pratt’s assistance, we donated the non-working Plotter (sign printer) to Staples for parts.

We got a wall cabinet for the MQ office and had it installed for Debra to store printing ink.

While contents of our All-American lockers were at the St. Cloud show, we rearranged both the lockers, designating Locker 194 to the show and Locker 235 to office files and MQ committee items (State Fair Ribbons, the State Fair Demonstrators materials; Historians’ records; Holiday Brunch supplies box, and the like). For now, Minnesota Quilt Project files remain in Locker 194 with the Show items. MQ quilts are also stored in Locker 194.

Minnesota Quilters rented a 3rd locker at All-American for extra show storage from May 1 through June 30, 2018. We hope that we won’t need to rent additional space going forward with the additional space we will rent at Recovery Church. Merchandise will benefit from the additional RC storage for their stock so they can eliminate their monthly visits to All-American before each MQ meeting.

Operations worked with Education to coordinate with our set-up crew, contractors Victoria Stone and Nathan Glime, for monthly meeting set-up and take-down.

We renewed our contract for technology oversight with Cadan.

We arranged for a contract for insurance coverage of quilts at the MQ show in June.

We began to see real savings as a result of the previous year’s negotiations to get better credit card processing fees. We were able to negotiate better credit card processing for the 2018 show in St. Cloud, also, as a result of our new arrangement with USBank.

We worked with the bookkeeper, Renae Shields, to order the right arrangement of cash registers and credit card machines for the show.

We successfully enlisted the assistance of several husband/wife teams to do some of the moving and rearranging of the storage at RC and at All-American. All were extremely helpful. Thank you to Mike and Kay Genelin, Adrianne and Mike Lemberg, Aileen Lively, Merle and Reo Pratt, and Mary and Dennis Tague. Apologies to anyone we inadvertently left off the list.

**Minnesota Quilt Project**

**Minnesota Quilt Project (MQP) Annual Report for Fiscal Year 2017-2018**

**MQP Goals:**
- Identify and document quilts that have a Minnesota connection (quilt documentation)
- Preserve photographs and information that MQP has collected (maintain documentation records)
- Make our collected data available to interested parties (transfer information to The Quilt Index; post information on MQP website; facilitate review of documentation records by interested persons)
- Disseminate information on the history of quilt making and quilt makers (MQP booth at the MQ show)
- Collect and share the stories of Minnesota quilters (“Remember Me” stories in the MQ newsletter and website)

Monthly meetings were held in the Bill Wilson room at 9:00 a.m. prior to the Saturday MQ meeting. Average attendance was six - eight persons.

**MQP Leadership for 2017-2018**
- Co-Chairs: Pat Cox, Carolyn Silflow
- Secretary: Carolyn Silflow
- Websmith: Karen Knoll
- The Quilt Index liason: Kelly Willis
- Block book organizers: Mary Hinz, Pat Cox
- Books for MQ library: Kelly Willis, Martha Eaves
- Show Booth: Carolyn Silflow, Pat Cox, Martha Eaves, Kelly Willis, Mary Hinz, Dawn Cook-Ronnigen, Sandy Johnson, Bernadine Kaufhold, Jennifer Cruise
- MQ Board liason: Martha Eaves
- Textile Center liason: Jennifer Cruise
- Long range planning committee liason: Carolyn Silflow
- Spotlight on Quilters project “Remember me stories”: Pat Cox, Martha Eaves

**Quilt Documentation**
- Quilts were documented after some MQ meetings.
- Four winning quilts by Minnesota quilters were documented at the 2017 MQ show.
- A total of ~4000 Minnesota quilts are listed on the Quilt Index database; updating continues.
- We received and responded to requests for information about Minnesota quilts on the quilt index.
• We are planning a documentation session on Sept. 22 2018 at the Cultural Center in New York Mills

Grant from the Minnesota Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund
A grant request prepared by Kelly Willis was submitted to obtain funding for a conservator to examine the documentation records and make suggestions for their long-term maintenance. The grant was funded for $1750. Conservator Loris Gregory (“Beautiful Necessity”) was selected to work on the project. Loris reviewed the locker materials in August and will provide suggestions on future steps to preserve the materials and make them more accessible.

Remember Me…Stories about MN Quilters
Minnesota quilters were interviewed orally or in written interviews. The interviews along with a picture of the quilter were published in the monthly MQ newsletter and were posted on the MQP website.

MQ 40th Anniversary Quilt
Pat Cox and Mary Hinz designed and constructed a red and white quilt to commemorate the 40th anniversary MQ. Signatures of members were collected at meetings and the show. MQP recommends that the quilt become part of the MQ quilt collection.

Lectures
MQP sponsored the March MQ meeting programs, featuring Lori Lee Triplett from Quilt & Textile Collections on “Exploring the Poos Collection” and “Chintz Quilts”. Workshops on Friday (“African Indigo Resist” and Saturday afternoon “Chintz Quilts Up Close and Personal” were well attended.

Minnesota Quilts Permanent Quilt Collection
• The ~20 quilts in the MQ collection are properly folded and stored in the MQ storage locker along with a record of display and folding for each quilt.
• Two additional storage boxes were purchased to relieve compaction of the quilts.
• Notebooks with quilt descriptions and appraisal forms are placed in the MQ office and storage locker.
• The collection is displayed in the gallery on the MQP website.
• Three quilts were displayed at the MQ programs in April. Most of the quilts were displayed at the Quilt show in June to celebrate the 40th anniversary of MQ.
• MQP recommends to the MQ board that quilt appraisal updates should be considered for insurance purposes.

Public Outreach
Several persons contacted MQP (through MQ) to donate family quilts or obtain quilt-related information. Donated items were priced by MQP and sold at the Quilt Show or on-line; proceeds went to MQ.

2017 show activities
• Exhibited a display in the MQP booth of antique “Red and White” quilts owned by Pat Cox and Dawn Cook-Ronnigen (see pictures below)
• Provided advice on care and storage of vintage/antique quilts
• Displayed quilt block books
• Sold copies of the Minnesota quilt book and books related to red and white quilts
• Sold vintage quilts and tops donated to MQ. After the show, Dawn continued to sell items on-line. Net income for the show sales was $2196 (after deducting cost for renting credit card reader).
• Dawn presented a talk about MQP activities at the Learning Stage.

Plans for display of the Lavina Fedderly quilts
As an outreach activity in Otter Tail County, MQP will display the original Lavina Fedderly quilt along with the reproduction quilt from at the Cultural Center in New York Mills, Sept. 19 – Oct. 27, 2018 as part of the Weaving Waters Fiber Arts Trail.

Plans for Quilt Study Group meetings
MQP has discussed the possibility of setting up “quilt study group” events once or twice a year. These would be held at the MQ site, possibly on a Friday or Saturday when the meeting space is free. The purpose would be an in-depth study of some aspect of quilting, led by a knowledgeable local teacher. There would be a participation fee and the funds raised with go to support MQP activities such as MQ program speakers. Dawn has a list of persons who voiced an interest in attending the sessions.

Plans for MQP-sponsored MQ programs in 2019
The MQP group plans to sponsor programs by Dorry van Osch from the Netherlands for MQ meetings in November. She will speak about the history of Dutch quilting and about modern-day Dutch quilting. She will offer classes on Friday and on Saturday afternoon.

Submitted by Carolyn Silflow
MQP Booth at 2018 Show:

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  9171 Upland Ln N
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  556 W Annapolis
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  703 Brown St
  Norway MI 49870-1239
- Jubilee Quilting Services
  2262 Stephani Cir
  Little Canada MN 55117-1766
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  4124 W Division St, Suite 2
  St Cloud MN 56301-6194
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  23560 Lillehei Ave
  Hampton MN 55031-8733
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  Farmington MN 55024
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  Inver Grove Heights MN 55076
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  7 N Main St
  Hutchinson MN 55350-1805
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  8009 Florida Ave North
  Brooklyn Park MN 55445-2629
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  105 E 4th St # 205
  Northfield MN 55057-2047
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