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Minnesota Quilters

PRESENTS: Jean Johnson, well known New Jersey
quiltmaker who specializes in extremely
imaginative uses of traditional patterns
and strip piecing

SPEAKING ON: Representational Quiltmaking
includes slides and demonstration to illustrate the
making of pictorial quilts using piecing instead of
applique

Jean V. Johnson is a quilt
artist, lecturer, teacher,
and judge. Her work has been
included in many shows, both
juried and by invitation. She
often works on commission and
her wall quilts find their
way into public buildings
and private homes.

Pictured is a recent quilt
titled "PRIDE AT SUNSET".

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YOUR FRIENDS!

DATE: December 1    7:30 p.m.

LOCATION: Gloria Dei Lutheran Church
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ADMISSION: Free with 1983 MQ membership card or
$2.00 at door
MINNESOTA QUILTERS NEWS is the monthly newsletter of the Minnesota Quilters Inc., a non-profit organization formed to find and unite quilters and quilt enthusiasts throughout the State of Minnesota and elsewhere; and dedicated to enhancing the knowledge and enjoyment of quilting.

MEMBERSHIP DUES are $15.00 per year and include the following: Year round monthly meetings tailored to suit the needs of beginners, advanced and professional quilters, the newsletter, a Resource Directory of shops and services for quilters, workshop opportunities, and an "I'm a Minnesota Quilter" button.

NEW MEMBERSHIPS AND RENEWALS should be sent to Mary Gillette, 6070 Sunnyfield Rd. E., Mound, MN 55364. Address labels are prepared on the first day of the month.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS - a yellow underliner on your address label of the newsletter tells you that your membership is expiring. Because of our large membership, it may take 2 months or so before you receive your newsletter if membership lapses, so watch for that yellow marker.

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From the President

Dear Mother,

So sorry you missed the Hutchinson meeting....it was expertly arranged by the quilters in that area, and so well attended - - we reached out to many in the west central area. Reaching out makes me think of our membership, about 680, and the fact that perhaps 275 or so are able to attend our day and evening meetings. Communication with the remainder must be done through our newsletter. Recently at a day general meeting, I reported on the general finances of MQ - those of you unable to attend are also due this information.

As our membership and activities have grown, so, too, has our inventory: quilt hanging frames for the quilt shows, microphones, slide film projector and carousels, valuable collection quilts, the historic quilt block collection, library.....these and other investments need protection and perhaps insurance. For our general meetings we are looking into liability insurance protection.

Our savings program is well established, and it does have a purpose. From our current savings, $6,000 will be deposited in a special account as 'seed' money for the 1984 annual MQ quilt show. This is essential in budgeting for and planning another excellent show. An additional $2,000 has been dedicated to the library over the next 2 years for purchases and maintenance. The library is available to all members attending both the day and evening meetings for check out of books and periodicals.

Future plans to use some of our savings for the advantage of the greatest number of members include a lecture series. The first of these will be held in December....the lecture by a nationally recognized quilter will be free to members (with cards) and the workshops presented the next day will have a minimal charge. More such activities will be planned - we will be interested in your participation and response.

Our capable newsletter editor, Nancy Schell has resigned: a new editor will be appointed. Nancy has done a superb job and we hope to continue the good work of all past (cont. on page 4)
**Daytime Meeting**

Take time out from your holiday rushing to enjoy our traditional Christmas meeting, December 9, 1983, at 10:00 a.m. at the Brooklyn Center Community Center.

We'll start with show and tell, we'll have a marvelous style show narrated by Janet Duebner, Christmas music, our ornament exchange, block exchange and potluck lunch.

And no doubt Santa will find time in his busy schedule to make his visit. The success of this fun meeting is always up to you... If you have a garment to wear in the style show please let me know by December 1st. It doesn't necessarily have to be quilted - it might even be an old treasure you've had for years that you'd like to share with us...the ornament exchange is always fun - please have it be one you have made...and the Christmas block exchange gets better every year - bring a 12" finished block in Christmas colors and/or motif.

Bring a dish to pass, your own plate and fork and enjoy our party.

I'll be waiting for your call for the style show! Phone: 559-4692.

Darlene Myers

**Evening Division Meeting**

Be sure and mark your calendar now for our 1983 December meeting. This will be our annual Holiday Season Meeting with an ornament and pieced block exchange. Trudy Finden will be joining us again with her harp music. And, our refreshments will be special and 'of the season'. It should be a festive and entertaining evening with lots of good cheer among old and new quilting friends.

To participate in the Christmas exchange, just bring a homemade Christmas ornament and/or Christmas block (12" X 12" finished). Please wrap separately your ornament and block. We always see a wonderful variety of creative ornaments and the blocks are becoming 'collectors items' - so beautiful!

If you have Christmas presents quilted or stitched, don't wrap them too early. Do come, share them with all of us for Show and Tell.

This should be a stimulating evening - will we be dreaming of sugar plums or exquisite quilt blocks and ornaments all through the night a few hours later?

Hope to see you all
Thursday, December 8, 1983
Richfield Community Center, 70th and Nicollet Ave. So.

Vicky Stachura

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**NEW BRIDGE & RAMPS**

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Brookdale

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**DRUNKARD’S PATH**

"Those knock out drops work great when you need them!"
FROM THE PRESIDENT - cont. from page 2.

newsletter editors in contacting and informing our membership. Your board has a big job in budgeting for all of our activities and maintaining a sound financial base. Concerned, worthwhile, constructive comments are appreciated...board members are volunteers working for the advancement and betterment of MQ.

Celebrating your 91st birthday with you was a treat, Mom, - all 28 of us enjoyed it. Maybe next year, more of the family can join us. See you soon'.

Love,
Mary

New Members

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Membership Report

The advance show registration will be mailed the first part of January. If your membership expired before January 1, 1984, and you are renewing late, please request the show mailing. Those whose memberships expire before the show and want the privilege of advance registration will have a highlighted label. Please make sure your membership is renewed in order to maintain your preferred status.

Connie Pluhar

Treasurer's Report

As of 10-31-83

Income $ 3,488.62
Expenses 2,450.17
Checking Bal. 10,206.64
Savings Bal. 10,301.39
Show Account 6,000.00

Income for the month included: Getway registrations ($1600), 64 memberships (960), cookbook sales (250.94), as well as newsletter advertising (125.90), rental of quilt frames and bank account interest.

Expenses for the month included Getway expenses (766.83), printing of newsletter (415.82), mailing of newsletter(197.82), printing of membership directories (367.24), auditor's salary (260.00), bookkeeper's salary (131.00), MQ membership buttons (112.50), bulk mailing permit (90.00), plus miscellaneous committee expenses.

Submitted by,
Mary Gillette

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BUSINESS MEETING OCTOBER 14,1983 - SYNOPSIS

Treasurer's report, future programs and announcements pertaining to special committee meetings are listed in other sections of the Newsletter.

The MQ Board and meeting minutes will be posted on the bulletin board at each meeting. 94 members and 82 visitors were present at the meeting, as reported by Connie Pluhar. MQ directories are being distributed at this time. The MQ librarians are offering MQ members a special reduced price for purchasing KENTUCKY QUILTS 1800-1900—see librarians for details.

MQ members presented quilting demonstrations at Dodge Nature Center on October 15, and at Brooklyn Park Farms on October 16th.

Margaret Maki,
Recording Secretary

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From the Editor

It is with great regret that this will be my last newsletter as editor.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you who have so graciously cooperated with me during my tenure as the Minnesota Quilters Newsletter editor.

The following is a copy of my resignation submitted to the M.Q. Board of Directors, which is self-explanatory as to the reasons I have found it necessary to resign:

"I find it necessary to resign as editor of the Minnesota Quilters Newsletter effective with the December issue, unless a replacement can be found sooner, at which time I will relinquish all responsibilities.

It has been reported by some members of the board that the newsletter could be printed at less expense to our organization in the cities. I feel that the additional travel and expense on my part would be prohibitive at this time because of other personal circumstances."

Several members have asked if an increase in salary would have made a difference in my decision to resign. Not only have I NOT received a salary as editor, but I found it necessary to request only partial reimbursement for my actual expenses in order to keep the cost of the newsletter down. I was only too happy to contribute personal expenses, in order to provide as much as possible to an informative newsletter, bearing in mind that many of the M.Q. members are unable to attend any meetings.

However, the additional expenses and time away from home with my father's deteriorating health make it impossible to continue.

THE RAVING by Edgar Helen Poe
(optional)

Helen Kelley

Sitting at my frame a-quilting, listening to the birds a-lilting
There without my springtime window, singing, singing evermore.
Here I ponder o'er my stitchin', dirty dishes in my kitchen,
Bits of thread and shiny needles scattered, scattered on the floor.
   Bits of thread forevermore.

Still I'm stitching, and I'm listening, birds still singing, dew is glistening.
I would rather quilt than polish, polish up my kitchen floor.
Dirty dishes all are crusty; windows cloudy, house is dusty.
Laundry piled in basement basket, and the broom behind the door.

   Household chores are nevermore.

Bird is singing. Still I'm sewing. Watch my quilting pattern growing.
Stitching, stitching as I'm sitting. Back is stiff and finger sore.
Soon the stitching will be ended, and my body be unbended.
Soon the quilting lines will cover all my quilt forever more.

   Feathered plumes forevermore.

Battered finger! Never mind it. Now, take out the quilt and bind it.
Winter quilt in springtime blooming. It has roses, blues and more.
Little pieces fitting neatly. Quilting swirling round completely.
Spread it out upon the bed to sleep beneath it evermore.
   Oh, the glory evermore!
   Oh, the glory evermore!

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"QUILTERS' DAY OUT" in NEW ULM

By Joyce Aufderheide

Open letter to all who attended, "Quilters' Day Out" in New Ulm.

Ann and I wish to thank all who supported our effort to show the "good, better, and best" in quilting, 600 of them between 10:00 and 6:00. They came from 80 towns and cities of Minnesota, plus Wisconsin, Iowa, So. Dakota, Indiana and Michigan. It was quite a day!

We were thrilled to show eight of Jane Blair's Medallions and Nancy Donahue's Tulip quilt, plus many other famous name quilters' examples. And, of course, antique quilts, some masterpieces in the real sense of the word.

The puzzle quilt's name was "Couch Shell", an early 1900's pattern, and no one guessed it. Some thought they had to name the quilt and one was "Show me the way to go Home", far more apt than the original name. As a quilt historian, it was probably kind of mean to pick a quilt that resembles "Virginia Keel" or "Monkey Wrench", the two most popular guesses.

My apologies for the Holiday Inn who promised poolside luncheon of light and heavy salads, and backed out the night before, an inconvenience to many. They simply wouldn't believe so many women would come to see quilts.

A special "thank you" to those dedicated 46 Duluth quilters who came so far, a vote of confidence I won't forget.

It was quite a project for two of us to take on, Ann with a broken leg, and in a wheelchair. We are exhausted but it's a good feeling. Now I don't know whether to go lay down again or unpack boxes!
QUILTS ON DISPLAY AT LIBRARY

Minnesota Quilters was asked to submit quilted items and tools for a display which celebrated National Hobby Month at the Minneapolis Public Library downtown. Included was an antique Grandmothers Flower Garden quilt, a sampler, a stained glass applique wallhanging, a stencilled hanging, an applique tabard vest and a hoop with quilting in progress, plus books and supplies. Other windows in the display showed dolls, toys, woodworking, needlework, and etc. Sue Stein organizer of the quilting window, was told that response to the exhibit was overwhelming. Below is a picture of the quilted display.

Dec. 1. - Lecture, "Representational Quiltmaking" at Gloria Dei Lutheran Church at 7:30 p.m.
Dec. 1. - West Area Quilters at Island View Country Club in Waconia at 10:00 a.m.
Dec. 2. - Workshops with Jean Johnson.
Dec. 2. - M.Q. Board Meeting will be at the home of Carolyn Sidebottom at 9:30 a.m.
Dec. 6. - Tuesday Night Quilting Society* at the home of Dorothy Stish at 7:30 p.m.
Dec. 8. - M.Q. Evening Meeting at Richfield Community Center at 7:00 p.m.
Dec. 9. - M.Q. Daytime Meeting at Brooklyn Center Community Center at 10:00 a.m.
Dec. 16. - "Naturally, Minnesota!" Committee at the home of Carolyn Sidebottom at 9:30 a.m.
Jan. 20. - Historic Quilt Block Collection Committee at Betty Flannigan's home.
Jan. 25. - Starlight Quilters at the home of Irene Soeffker at 7:30 p.m.
Jan. 28. - Mid Winter Workshops at St. Phillip Deacon Lutheran Church.
June 22-23. - Pinetree Patchworkers 2nd BiAnnual Quilt Show, Brainerd, MN.
June 23-24. - Minnesota Crafts Festival at St. Catherine College, St. Paul, MN.

CHAMPAGNE PREVIEW of South/Southwest Quilt Assn.

Judy Cloning of Seabrook, Texas walked off with the top awards in the S/SWOA quilt competition. In addition to winning first prize in the pieced quilt category, Judy's quilt "Shiraz" also won the best-in-show competition.

Virginia Avery, well-known quilter and designer, was the judge for the juried S/SWOA quilt competition. The awards were presented at the S/SWOA Champagne Preview, which was held on Thursday evening.

In addition to winning the two awards, Judy also was the winner of the Founders Award.

The quilt is pictured to the left. Off white, tan, rust, dark brown, light orange and navy blue were the colors Judy used. Many small pieces and lots of quilting.
STARRYLIGHT QUILTERS will meet at the home of Irene Soeffker, 8627 Harrison Circle, Mpls at 7:30 p.m. on January 25th. Phone: 831-7789

MQ BOARD MEETING will be held at Carolyn Sidebottom, 11845 26th Ave. No., Plymouth on December 2nd, at 9:30 a.m.

COOKBOOK CORRECTION
On page 123, Applesauce Brownies. Add to ingredients: 2 Tbsp. Cocoa
Thank you, Alice Lyons

PINETREE PATCHWORKERS 2nd BI-ANNUAL QUILT SHOW at the Brainerd Senior High School, 5th and Oak Street entrance on June 22-23. (SASE Arlene Fitzpatrick, 415 Bluff; Brainerd, MN 56401)

"NATURALLY, MINNESOTA!" COMMITTEE will meet at the home of Carolyn Sidebottom on December 16, 1983, at 9:30 a.m.

Dear Nancy,

Last August, our daughter, Penny, showed me a quilt pictured in a Better Homes and Gardens magazine. It was folded and on a hassock. We could not find any mention of it in the credits.

It was very striking and unusual in design and set. At first we took it for a Grandmother's Fan, but unlike that pattern, the sections extended all the way into the corners. I would guess from the colors that it was Amish.

The background was black, and black was also used for the sashing. Six colors were used in the corners and were very light pastels with rainbow effect. Perhaps the design consisted of 4 12" blocks; seams were not visible. I made one in 24" with the pieced corners appliqued in place.

Perhaps our members would be interested.

As ever,
Kay Bailey
Homeart
Box 447
Maple Plain, MN 55359

TUESDAY NIGHT QUILTING SOCIETY will meet at the home of Dorothy Stish, 3511 Maplewood Dr. NE, Mpls on December 5th at 7:30 p.m. Phone 789-4983


MINNESOTA QUILTERS extend a 'THANK YOU' to the anonymous donor who presented our group with a set of slides. These are pictures of style show fashions presented at the Houston Quilt Market. Dorothy Stish, who attended the market, presented the slides to the board at the November meeting. The slides will be in the custody of the Historian—Parliamentarian.
MINNESOTA QUILTERS PRESENT MID-WINTER WORKSHOPS**********

Date: Saturday, January 28, 1984

Location: St. Phillip the Deacon Lutheran Church
17205 Co. Rd. 6, Plymouth, Mn.
(½ block east of intersection Hwy 101 and Cty. Rd. 6)

Workshop: **A Tee for All Seasons** by Gloria Linnell

In this workshop the student will learn how to draft a perfect fitting pattern for a shirt or dress based on the tee shape. Although this easy to make garment is ideal for everyday wear, its architectural design makes it ideal for embellishment and various techniques will be discussed and examples shown. Included in the workshop materials are a six page guide for the basic with or without hood shirt or dress and several pattern sheets for the Tee Variations, including assorted neckline facings. Materials fees to be collected in class.

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WISHING YOU MERRY HOLIDAYS! Trudy Finden, Harpist. Phone: 729-2068

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