Evening Meeting

The December 3, 1987 meeting will be held at Machinist’s Hall in St. Paul. Handicapped accessible. Visitors are welcome.

Our December meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m. with a short program from St. Nichole Fabrics introducing the 1988 Christmas line from the Walnut Grove Collection, fresh from the Houston Quilt Market.

Marlys Gresecke, a MQ member from Columbia Heights, will share her music with us.

There will also be the annual ornament and block exchange for those who wish to participate. Following will be refreshments and socializing. Please come and join us and start the Christmas season with your special quilting friends.

Daytime Meeting
December 11, 1987

The December 11, 1987 meeting will be held at Machinist’s Hall in St. Paul.

An old fashioned nostalgic program is planned for our 10:00 a.m. December meeting. To set the holiday mood, Trudy Finden, a member of Minnesota Quilters, will be playing Christmas music on her harp. Our traditional exchange will take place. Don’t forget to bring your homemade ornament and/or Christmas block. Blocks should be of Christmas fabrics or design, 12” finished or 12½” unfinished.

The entertainment will be performed by Sharon Bobgan and Abby Walden. They have put together an interesting program for us by using readings, poetry, and diaries chosen to explore the thoughts and feelings of those who make and love quilts.

Our annual Christmas luncheon will be served immediately following the program. The cost of the ticket is $3.25 and may be purchased from Jeanette Root before December 5 (309-18th Avenue, South St. Paul, MN 55075).

Machinist’s Hall/1399 Eustis

From Highway 280 take Como Ave. exit. If coming from I-94, turn right at bottom of ramp. If coming north, turn right on Eustis (by Group Health). Building is light colored brick with flagpole.

Christmas Luncheon

“Christmas is a-coming and the goose is hangin’ high!”
And I need to know how many people want to share Christmas lunch at the December daytime meeting. Price is $3.25. Please make checks payable to Jeanette Root. I MUST receive your reservation no later than December 5th.

The Luncheon will be served after the meeting at approximately 11:30 a.m. on December 11th. Please join us!

Merry Christmas!
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Motions Made at Recent Board Meeting
October 2, 1987

MOTION: That MQ donate $500 to Pioneer PBS for the outstate area for quilt programming, on the condition that our logo and address appear in recognition. Passed.

MOTION: That we take the $50 profit from this year’s Get-A-Way and return it to the Sisters of St. Francis in Little Falls as a deposit for a Get-A-Way next November. Passed.

Minneapolis 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: monthly meetings tailored to suit the needs of beginners, advanced and professional quilters, the newsletter, a Resource Director of shops and services for quilters, workshop opportunities, and an "I'm a Minnesota Quilter" button.

New Membership Renewals should be sent to Irene Coleman, 2809 Aquila Ave. N., New Hope, MN 55427. Watch for the expiration notice on your label. It will say: Membership Expiring—Please Renew or Membership Expiring—Please Renew Now. The number on the label indicates the month and year of expiration. Example: 0788 means that the membership ends July 1988. Send change of address to David Shattuck, 1526 Sheldon St., St. Paul, MN 55108.

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Deadline for Ads: All ads for the coming month must be received by the newsletter editor, Joy Eastman, 16751 North Hillcrest Court, Eden Prairie, MN 55344 by the first Friday of the preceding month (i.e., ads to be placed in September issue must be received by the first Friday in August).

Librarian: Jean Loken, 11909 Baypoint, Burnsville, MN 55337.

A Word from the Editor

Now that a few issues are behind me and I am in somewhat of a routine, I wanted to share some thoughts with you. Thank you to all who have contributed to our newsletters. Remember, this is your newsletter! If you have news or views please let me know about them and I will see that they get printed. Your topics should be quilt or fabric related.

Please do your best to honor the First Friday of the month deadline. This way I can keep on a schedule and you will get your newsletter in a timely manner. The newsletter goes through many hands before it arrives in your mailbox.

When submitting news try to have it typed or printed neatly so I can make sure names and places are spelled correctly. If you have any questions, suggestions, comments or concerns about the newsletter please give me a call. I appreciate your input!

Joy Eastman
MQ Newsletter Editor
Degen’s Doodles

It’s the busy time of the year again (when isn’t it a busy time?) … shopping, baking, sewing, cleaning, getting everything ready for a family Christmas. I hope to see many of you at both of the December Minnesota Quilters meetings. We have very nice parties planned to help get us all in the spirit. Don’t forget to take part in the Christmas ornament and/or block exchange. I’ve been doing it for many years and am close to a very nice Christmas wallhanging with all the blocks I have received.

We have received a sincere apology from the Machinist’s Hall for the inconvenience of the hall not being open for us for the November evening meeting. They have an internal problem they are trying to solve and promised us it won’t happen again. I was very glad it wasn’t a subzero evening. Actually it was a very nice night.

We publish the time and date of the Board meetings, as we try to do with all the committee meetings, and anyone is welcome to attend these meetings. If you ever have any questions, criticisms, or suggestions, we need and appreciate your views. As a group of volunteers, we do our best and unless we hear from you we have to assume everything is okay. The Board changes every year (approximately one-half of the members are replaced with new members every year. Some of the positions run for 2 years and some for one), therefore the personality changes every year. We are living with decisions made by previous Boards, as they will have to live with our decisions for years to come. We all do what we feel is right for the future of Minnesota Quilters and we do solicit your input. This exchange is healthy for MQ.

There was an error in my letter in November’s issue. We gave $1500 to KTCA-Channel 2 and $500 to Pioneer Public TV in the western part of Minnesota.

Congratulations to Carol Wagner for having her Christmas List published in the November/December Quilters Newsletter. We all concur with her list, I’m sure.

Also, a belated congratulations to Betty Gavere of Albert Lea for her two Third Place ribbons for a baby sweater and a group quilt, and two Fourth Place ribbons for her Northern Star Quilt and a baby sweater, all in the Senior Division at the Minnesota State Fair.

Happy Holidays!

Ann

December Board Meeting—
Machinist’s Hall, Fri., Dec. 4 at 9 a.m.

Treasurer’s Report
October 31, 1987

Beginning checkbook balance 9-30-87 ..................... 6,650.35

INCOME
Interest .................................................................. 432.07
Memberships (65) ............................................. 975.00
Ads ...................................................................... 80.00
Trade show admissions .................................. 4.50

Total Income .............................. $ 1,491.57

EXPENSES:
Video Library ................................................ 31.95
Nov. Meeting Speaker ................................ 35.00
Lecture Series Speaker .............................. 300.00
St. Francis Dev. Center .............................. 50.00
Newsletter Postage .................................. 230.00
Newsletter Printing 2 mo. ......................... 1306.90
Nov. Rent Machinist’s Hall ................. 300.00
State of Mn. Tax ........................................ 34.59
Trade Show Adm. .................................. 4.50
Committee expenses ......................... 289.01

Total Expenses .................................. 2,581.95
Checking Balance as of 10-31-87 .............. 5,559.97
Savings account, 9-30-87 .......................... 50,005.23
Interest through 9-30 .................. 446.68

Balance as of 10-31-87 ............... $50,451.91

SHOW ACCOUNT
Checkbook Balance 9-28-87 ..................... 6,000.00
Income ........................................... 81.21

Total .............................................. $6,081.21

EXPENSES
Committee expenses .............................. 104.53
Refunds - 1987 Show ....................... 12.00
Photography - 1987 ................... 141.49

Total Expense .................................. 258.02
Balance as of 10-31-87 .......................... 5,823.19

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Irene Coleman, Treasurer

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Day Meeting Minutes
October 9, 1987
Civic Center, St. Paul

Judy Peterson, chairperson of the Lecture Series Committee, welcomed everyone attending the meeting and lecture. The meeting began with the following announcements:

Jean Loken—Minnesota Quilt Project and Practice Quilt Documentation Day, Friday, Nov. 13
Jeanne Tanamachi—Collection Quilt
Carol Flash—Fabric donations for quilting class for senior Hispanic women, 774-1492
Carolyn Doden—Fall Home Show
Margaret Ballinger—Evening Meeting
Sue Stein—Fiber Minnesota
Faye Bodenhamer—Volunteers needed for demonstrations
Jeanette Root—December Daytime Luncheon
Sheila Lee—November Daytime Program
Ann Degan—Recent MQ donations to KTCA-TV, Pioneer PBS-TV and Minnesota Quilt Project

The Lecture Series Committee presented Katy Christopherson lecturing on the “Other Kentucky Quilts.” Katy is a member of the Kentucky Quilt project. This project has completed most of its formal work and a traveling quilt show and book has been the result. Katy showed slides of those quilts that were discovered during the project’s Discovery Days, but were not included in the publications. She also offered some insight into the process of beginning and coordinating quilt history projects.

Respectfully submitted,
Diane Quinn
Recording Secretary

Snowflake Days are Coming!
February 5th through the 12th, 1988
Look for registration forms in the January newsletter.

Evening Meeting Minutes

The evening meeting of MQ was held November 5, 1987 at the Machinist’s Hall. The weather was fair—but not warm enough to hold our meeting in the parking lot!! The powers that be messed up and the doors were locked very securely. Finally Margaret Ballinger called the security people who had their little label on the door and they had someone come out and let us in. Those fortunate ones who had brought a quilt for Show and Tell were wearing them while standing in front of the door! The less brave sat in their cars—since it was dark I doubt that anyone could even quilt a stitch while waiting.

Thirteen-plus people brought items for Show and Tell. A former MQ who lives in Colorado displayed a quilt she had purchased at a thrift shop here while visiting. We had a variety of items—some old, some new, some that were winners at various shows. One quilt done in the Rosegate pattern was especially nice and received many oohs and ahhs—a butterfly wallhanging was lovely—and there was a red and white quilt made by a 92 year old lady. Elaine Johnson and Dorie Pierce were the winners of the drawing for Show and Tell.

Our program was Carol Adelman who showed us slides of her trip to England this past summer and of the quilt show that she attended while there. She also brought her quilt which she had entered in the contest—Pipes. She had purchased some fabric while there and displayed it, along with an English quilting book and magazine. Carol has corresponded with a penpal in England since she was in the 4th grade and had visited with her while in England. She did not tell us how many years she has corresponded with her English penpal. Carol mentioned that many of the quilt books and fabrics were those that we have here and that the price of the fabrics was about double what we pay.

Announcements were made. Progress on the Quilt Documentation was given. That project seems to be progressing very well. They can still use volunteers to help if anyone is interested.

Our next meeting is December 3—the CHRISTMAS MEETING. Bring your quilt block and/or ornament for the exchange. Christmas cookies will be served so plan to stay and get in the spirit of the holidays with your MQ friends. Make an attempt to get to know a new MQ member (we all tend to stay in our little groups) and make them feel a little more welcome.

Happy Holidays!
Darlene Dols
Evening Division Secretary
Bulletin Board Ravelings

I've just spent a restful and enjoyable hour or two re-reading the newsletters that came in from across the country. Fall is definitely here! Guilds all over are making plans for their Christmas ornament and block exchanges, quilters are busy stitching up Christmas gifts, and there seem to be no shows coming up in the next few weeks or even months.

Hurray for our Twins!! Who do you think will be the first MQ member to stitch up a Homer Hankie into a quilt or make a special quilt or wall hanging in tribute of the winning of the World Series?

Highlights

Great American Quilt Festival II, Memories of Childhood: Crib Quilt, Contact Karla Friedlich, Museum of American Folk Art, 444 Park Ave. South, New York, NY 10016-7321.

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Now until December 4, 1987, Paul Whitney Gallery, St. Paul Student Center, University of Minnesota. (St. Paul Campus, Buford near Cleveland Ave.) "Quilts: Tradition in Transition" by Barbara Caron. Hours. M-F, 10-4, W, 10-8, and Sunday, 1-5.

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Hennepin County Historical Society is looking for volunteers to help make minor repairs to the textiles at the museum. The museum is located on Third Avenue South near Franklin Avenue and they have a parking lot so parking's no problem. If you would like to help out call John Baule at the Historical Society, 870-1329.

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American Quilting Society Show, April 21-24, 1988. Plans are being made so nothing definite is available. Consolidated Tours has booked a block of rooms for us at Drury Inn. Exact dates, costs, and details will be made available as soon as they are completed. For latest information call Carol Wagner, 488-6286.

If you have an announcement that you want listed or posted, contact me with the information.

Carol Wagner, Corresponding Secretary

Sweaters with Quilt Block Designs

The two magazines mentioned below have sweater patterns with block designs featured.


McCall's Needlework and Crafts, August 1987, pinwheel vest for men, a design by Kaffe Fassett.

All instructions are complete and free in each magazine.

Submitted by Cindy Thury Smith, Hastings

The Video Library

The Video Library address: Donna Falconer, Box 247E Route 1, Brookwood Hills, La Crescent, MN 55947.

Seven tapes are available in the video library at the present time. The procedure for borrowing from the video library is: The program runs by reservation and is carried out by mail only. The member will send in request for a tape. The confirmation from the librarian will be a form letter (contract) with instructions for check deposit and mailing including dates and the member's responsibility for return postage and insurance.

The check-out time will be 10 days. The member will deposit the retail cost of the video (usually $50-60) one week prior to the confirmed reservation date. MQ will pay the postage and insurance and return tape. If the tape is returned within the limit of 10 days, in good condition, the member's check will be returned. If the tape is damaged or lost by the member, the check will be sent to the MQ treasurer for cashing.

If the reservation is local and the mail is not used, it is up to the renter to pick up and deliver the tape at the convenience of the librarian. Tapes will not be checked out at meetings like the books are.

Tapes available are:

101 Quick Machine Techniques
Quick cutting and piecing. 60 min.

102 Quilting Basics IV & V
Hexagons, 60 degree diamonds, English piecing, 8 pointed stars.

103 Step By Step to a Sampler Quilt
Basics for making a sampler quilt and pointers on pattern drafting.

104 Fast Log Cabin Quilt
Quick piecing methods and uses for log cabin quilts. 60 min.

105 ABC of Quiltmaking-Applique
All the basics of hand applique and hand quilting, plus quilt planning. 120 min.

106 Stained Glass Quilting
Basics and adapting your own designs. 60 mins.

107 Fast Lone Star
Quick cutting and piecing. 60 min.

MQ cannot be responsible for damage to personal equipment due to use of MQ video tapes.

MQ Scrapbook

Minnesota Quilters keeps an annual scrapbook about our activities and those of our members. We include articles and pictures about MQ or any member who has been written about in the local or national media. If you have any clippings you'd like to donate to the scrapbook, especially from the last year or two, send them to: Jeanne Tanamachi, 1887 Pleasant Street, St. Paul, MN 55113.
While the Memory Still Lingers

by Helen Kelley

She was quite a lady, standing there in the antique shop. It was hard to tell her age because her eyes held the adventure of youth but her skin looked as if it had weathered perhaps seventy blistering summers and as many wind-battering winters. I was fingering quilt blocks at the time. There was a stack of assorted patterns pieced in fabrics that spanned a hundred years. I examined churn dashes and stars, touching the material, studying the stitches. We chatted, she and I, about quilts and she was intrigued by my interest in "those old things." I explained that I was studying how to "date quilts" by identifying fabrics and styles. She threw back her head in laughter.

"Funniest thing I ever heard!" she exclaimed. "Whoever cares how old a quilt is?"

Well, we do. And there is a multitude of others like you and me who care. We have an honest reverence for things that were so wondrously made that families have treasured them over the years, using them to warm the children or preserving them carefully in hidden places. There, too, are those quilts that were separated from their families in auctions, sales, discard piles and thus were separated from the stories of their creators.

All of those quilts have stories to tell, of the times when they were born, how they lived...the needs of the families who owned them, the clothing they wore, the stressful times, the good times, the talented and sometimes the not-so-talented hands that made them, but always they were needed, either to keep someone warm or to warm the heart.

I believe that the Minnesota Quilt Project is just in the nick of time with their plans to find and document quilts in Minnesota. The memories are fading. Many of the old quilts are the products of "my grandmother's grandmother." They were made a long time ago. When we can capture the stories of these quilts, we don't have to guess about the quiltmakers, what they sewed with, what were the circumstances. We can know WHO made this quilt and WHY and WHERE. There is no need to conjecture about the joy of quilting in salvaged moments, where the scraps came from, how many months went into the saving of fabrics or pennies for border pieces, who slept beneath them through meases and mumps, and all of the generations that have since treasured, mended and used the, albeit, sometimes tattered quilts.

I have never, ever heard a story of a crotchety old lady who stitched a quilt in loneliness. It is only a matter of how one did, and her quilt was lost or discarded because nobody cared. But, of the quilts I have seen, every single one, without exception, has had an aura of affection about it, whether it brings with it a memory of vitality or gentleness of the creator, or the simple fact that it has survived these years because of its intrinsic value, whether that is because it holds memories, is wondrously beautiful, or simply because it is warm.

I think we are just in time to catch the memories of those oldest Minnesota quilts, and to write down the stories, too, of the quilts that our mothers and favorite aunts stitched. Like you and me, as they get older, these memories get thinner, a bit wrinkled and pale. The Minnesota Quilt Project will be finding quilts that are in danger of drifting into forgottenness and catching those wispy memories, just in time.

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Minnesota Quilt Project Update

Following the regular October meeting of the Minnesota Quilters, Katy Christopherson was retained by the MQP to conduct two six-hour seminars to train volunteers. On Saturday, October 10th and Sunday, October 11th, a total of 36 persons from throughout the state gathered to hear and be taught by Katy on the ins and outs of conducting a Quilt Discovery Day. Through the efforts of Ann Degan, the Community Room at the Cedarvale Shopping Center was secured for this purpose at no charge to the group. Katy was involved in Kentucky with one of the first quilt search and dating projects from which the first book on state quilts emerged. Since that time, she has been involved in conducting seminars to help other states get started. She is a very able and knowledgeable speaker. All present were enthusiastic, the six-hour days went by quickly and left us all eager to get started on our Quilt Dating Days. Katy felt our group showed great promise for the project and was very encouraging, however she warned us that we had lots of hard work ahead but that our efforts would be amply rewarded.

On January 10 and 11, two six-hour workshops on Quilt Dating will be held again at the Cedarvale Shopping Center with Helen Kelly, our local expert, leading these days. We urge everyone who is interested in helping with the Minnesota Quilt Discovery Days to attend one of these days.

Marilyn Hann
Secretary
Minnesota Quilt Project

Barbara Caron’s Quilts Featured

Barbara Caron’s quilts will be on exhibit at the Paul Whitney Gallery, St. Paul Student Center, University of Minnesota. Caron is a Minnesota Quilter and a National Quilting Association certified quilter. The 16 wall quilts by Barbara Caron begin with shapes and patterns tradition to quiltmaking. Then color and two-dimensional design strategies are applied to achieve a non-traditional look. This exhibit titled “Quilts: Tradition in Transition” will be at the gallery until December 4, 1987. The hours are M-F, 10 to 4, W, 10-8, and Sunday 1-5. There is no admission charge.

Quilt Guilds Contribute to Quilt Project

The first three of many local quilt guilds in Minnesota have “signed on” to support the effort to document quilts and quilters throughout Minnesota. The Prairie Star Quilting Guild in St. James, which sponsored a quilt show in Fairmont in September, sent a very generous donation of $500 and a note: “We want to share the profits from our quilt show for this worthy project.”

The Country Quilters Guild in Fergus Falls sent a donation of $250 to help the Minnesota Quilt Project, and the Piecemakers Quilt Guild in the Fulda/Dundee area sent a donation of $15 to help the documentation project.

Donations to the Minnesota Quilt Project

Many members of Minnesota Quilters and several other interested people have contributed to the work planned by the Minnesota Quilt Project to document quilts and quilters in Minnesota.

Donors who have made a donation of $250 include Ferne Liberty of Duluth who asked that the contribution be made in honor of Josephine Liberty. Sponsors who have made a donation of $100 include Ruth (Rousy) Harris of Edina, Helen Kelley of Minneapolis, and an anonymous donor from Minnetonka.

Donors who have made a donation of $50 include Mary Eblom of Duluth, Jean Grussing of Excelsior, Sandi Monahan of Alexandria, and Carol Slama of Annandale. Carol’s donation is in honor of her great grandmother, Tina Smith.

Donors who have made a donation of $35 include Carol Adelman, Coon Rapids; Linda Carlson, Chanhassen; Lynn Glesne, Carlos (near Alexandria); Lena Homme, Willmar; Irma Klug, Caledonia; Betty B. Newhall, Wayzata, in memory of Carrie Bartholomew Wright; Katie Simonton, Minneapolis; Norman Steere, Minneapolis; B. Verhey, Delano and an anonymous donor from St. Paul.

Donors who have made a donation of $15 include Eileen Elkin, Golden Valley; Elda Johnson, Sauk Center; and Joan Tschida, Shoreview.

The Minnesota Quilt Project has applied for a grant from the Minnesota Historical Society to match these and other donations of money and volunteer labor.
Fascinating Facts...

Dear Fellow Quilter,

Do you know that a quilt owner will receive one kiss under a quilt for each time that someone unintentionally pricks her finger while working on it? They do add up!

Do you know that it is considered bad luck to give anyone a new quilt? To break the spell, sleep under a new quilt for one night before giving it away. This insures that your love goes with the gift.

Do you know that the Drunkard’s Path was a pattern which wasn’t made for a boy’s bed lest he develop “an unhealthy interest in strong drink”?

These are a few of the quilting superstitions I found while preparing a talk on that subject for my quilt guild this fall.

Since there is no one book in which all of this quilting folklore is collected, I would like to write such a book—with your help.

As the names of quilt patterns changed as settlers moved west, I’m sure that quilting superstitions and customs vary from place to place, too. There must be many that are unique to your region.

Will you help me share them with the quilters of America? Please send me any superstitions, customs and beliefs that have been passed on to you by family members or by folks in your region. Perhaps you have read some bit of quilting folklore somewhere. If your tale is from a book, please tell me the title and author so that I can give proper credit to the author. I will certainly mention you in my book if I use your story.

The research I have done thus far is fascinating—but far from complete. I can’t wait to hear all of your wonderful stories!!

Thanks from a superstitious quilter,

Lois F. Horbal
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HELP WANTED:

The Show Committee needs someone to recruit and supervise volunteers for the June Show EXPRESSIONS OF JOY! Work will begin in February and continue through June 5th. We would appreciate your help!

Lynn Steere
Show Chairperson
(612) 378-2711

Stitchers Needed!

Hennepin County Historical Society is looking for some volunteers interested in helping with repairs to textile pieces in their collection. This would include repairing minor tears, opened seams, loose lace trimmings and work on some of the quilts. If you would like to lend a hand (and needle) please contact John Baule, Hennepin County Historical Society, 870-1329.

To Educate and Promote Quilting

As Public Relations Director, I have been getting a lot of requests for quilt demonstrations or talks on quilting for community events, schools, church groups, etc. Many times these requests are not received in time to have something printed in the newsletter or announced at the regular meetings. I would like to compile a list of names of persons who might be interested in doing this on a volunteer basis. As a public service of MQ to educate and promote quilting in your area. This could be done individually or with a friend. This would in no way commit you to anything, but would give me a network of names to draw from. If you are in any way interested in this please call me!

Faye Bodenhamer 784-4501
Public Relations

Going to the International Quilt Festival in Austria in June of 1988? Call Faye for the name of someone else who’s going. Maybe you can get together. Phone 784-4501.

Paducah Trip Being Planned

The American Quilting Society show will be held April 21-24, and Consolidated Tours is currently working on the plans for that trip. Rooms for Minnesota Quilters have been reserved at the Drury Inn. (The Executive Inn was already booked solid by the end of the 1986 show!) The bus will accommodate 44 passengers and reservations will be accepted after December 15th with a $50 deposit. Complete details are not quite completed at this time as to site trips and the cost. Those are in the planning stage. However, the tour will make another stop at Sara Miller’s Kountry Kreation Quilt Shop in Kolona, Iowa, and probably include a stay at the Amana colonies where there is a new motel, new shops, and a very fine woolen mill. For details, call Carol Wagner, 488-6286 or Mary Lou Schmitz, 488-3560. They will have the latest information as it develops. Cost has not been determined but may be in the area of $325 double occupancy. Cost will be dependent upon length of stay, mileage and number of side trips.
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Quilter Seeks a Group

Are there any quilters in the Golden Valley area? If you are interested in starting a small group of quilters who would like to get together informally and quilt, please contact Lisa Hanton. She lives in the Golden Valley area and she would like to start an evening group. Call Lisa at 529-8167.

Our Face is Red!

When the list of State Fair winners was printed in our newsletter, there was an omission. Marion Halloran, a Minnesota Quilter member from Rochester, was the County Sweepstakes winner. Congratulations to Marion! We apologize for not including her among the winning quilters.

Calendar of Events

December 2  Community Quilt Project, 9:00 a.m.
           Bethany Convent, St. Catherine's College, St. Paul

December 3  Evening Meeting, 7:00 p.m.,
           Machinist's Hall

December 4  Board Meeting, 9:30 a.m., Machinist's Hall

December 11 Daytime Meeting, 10:00 a.m.,
             Machinist's Hall

January 9   Quilt Dating Workshop, 8:30 a.m.,
             Cedarvale Community Room, Eagan

January 10  Quilt Documentation Workshop, 8:30 a.m.,
             Cedarvale Community Room, Eagan

Show Announcement

Kanabec County Historical Museum, Mora, Minnesota, presents the Fifth Annual Pieces of Love Quilt Competition and Show, May 14 through May 22, 1988. Admission is free.

Competition information and registration forms are available. Entries must be pre-registered by April 29, 1988. $5 fee per quilt. Five categories. Over $750 prize money. Ribbons.

Send a stamped, self-addressed business-size envelope to:

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