EVENING MEETING

"MACHINE PIECING - QUICK AND ACCURATE"

Thurs. evening, March 12, 1987 - 7:00 P.M.

A one-hour slide lecture will show in detail the process of machine piecing from block design and template making to actual work on the machine. The special problems inherent to machine work will be graphically explored. This lecture is designed for both the novice and advanced quilter with emphasis on the quality details that make machine piecing fun and rewarding.

Doreen Speckmann began quiltmaking ten years ago after many years as an expert knitter, needlepointer, cross-stitcher, and spinner (all of which have fallen by the way since discovering quilting). Her quilts are noted for being innovative adaptations of traditional patterns. They have been shown extensively throughout the midwest and more recently in national shows. Doreen is becoming increasingly well known for her sense of humor and often offbeat perspectives on quilting. She teaches and lectures for many quilt guilds, and conferences including Quilt Festival in Houston, Texas, and Vermont Quilt Festival. She conducts week-long classes at Sievers School of Fiber Arts on Washington Island, Wisconsin in the summer months.

DAYTIME MEETING

"SOMETHING OLD, SOMETHING NEW"

Fri. morning, March 13, 1987 - 10:00 A.M.

This one-hour lecture traces the development of quilt design with slides of antique quilts, their modern reproductions and contemporary adaptations. Doreen will share her personal reflections on creativity as it relates to making new "original" quilts from old traditional patterns.

Judy Petersen

Lecture Series Meetings to be held at Zion Lutheran Church, 4th Ave. and Adam St., Anoka, MN.
Minnesota Quilters News is the monthly newsletter of the Minnesota Quilters, Inc., a nonprofit 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 per year and include the following: 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 Gail Sweeney, 2504 114th St., Burnsville, MN 55337.

Watch for the expiration notice on your label. It will say: Membership Expiring - Please Renew or Membership Expired - Please Renew Now.

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Librarian Jean Loken, 11909 Baypoint, Burnsville, MN 55337

Correction:
The correct address for the video librarian is: Donna Falconer
Box 2478, Rt. 1
Brookwood Hills
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BOARD MEETING

Friday, March 6, 1987 9:30 am
Machinists Hall (possible permanent home) at 280 and Como Ave. If you want to see the facilities, come 20 minutes early.

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MINNESOTA QUILT HISTORY

The MQ historical interest group invites Minnesota Quilters to an open meeting on Sunday, March 1 at 1 pm at the Dakota County Library in Eagan, 1430 Wescott Rd. (about 1 mile south on Pilot Knob Road from Pilot Knob exit off I-35E.)

We will discuss plans for a long-range project to document and preserve quilts in Minnesota, in cooperation with the Minnesota Historical Society and other interested groups throughout the state.

Marcia Anderson will show slides of the Minnesota Historical Society quilt collection and present some ideas for a statewide project.

Initial plans are to develop a standard format for documentation, to practice interviewing and photography, to prepare a demonstration videotape on quilt documentation, and to promote systematic collection of slides of current quilts.

Suggestions may also be sent to MQ at 5053 Nine Mile Creek Circle, Bloomington, 55437, if you cannot attend the meeting.

MEET THE JACKSON RIVERBEND QUILTERS

The Jackson Riverbend Quilters have very generously donated their time to make the raffle quilt for the quilt show this June. They are shown in the picture working on the quilt which was pieced by 8 members and quilted in 12 days by eighteen quilters. Approximately 225 hours were spent around the frame by these active members.

The Riverbend Quilters have 35 current members from the surrounding area whose ages range from the 20's to the 70's. They put on their first quilt show in September, 1986 which displayed over 200 items and had an attendance of 525.

The sharing of quilts, projects, books and quilt show pictures is the highlight of their meetings held the third Monday of every month in the First Presbyterian Church basement.

The raffle quilt is based on an original block, "The Road To St. Peter's", designed by Jeannie Spears. The fabrics used are cranberry, creme and forest green prints from St. Nicole.

A BIG THANK-YOU to the Riverbend Quilters of Jackson for a beautiful job!
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Goldstein Gallery Exhibition, Eugene Larkin, Professor from the Dept. of Design, Housing, Apparel at the University of Mn, exhibiting 35 recent examples of graphic art made up of woodcuts and collages, in techniques he has developed over the past twenty years. Jan. 18-March 1, 1987.


Creative Ideas for Living are looking for Great American Quilts. Write to Sandra L. O'Brien, 500 Office Park Drive, Birmingham, AL 35223.

Quilt and Needlecraft Books - ordering information.


Children's Craft, a new magazine of crafts for young people ages 6-14 is seeking original ideas for this age group. Details on Board.


Brainerd Area Arts Alliance sponsoring the twelfth annual "Arts in the Park", July 5, 1987, from 10 AM to 4:30 PM. Exhibitors wishing to show and sell their wares, write to BAAA, PO Box 7, Brainerd, MN 56401. Entry deadline is May 11.

Spicer, MN - 6th annual Green Lake Quilters Seminar, September 9, 10, 11, 12 at Green Lake Bible Camp, Spicer. Special guest Sheri Cole from New Zealand on "Pacific Projects". For further information, legal SASE to: Carreen Pierson, RR #2, Box 75, Truman, MN 56083, 507-776-4646.

St. Paul Civic Center - Upper Midwest Quilt Contest, sponsored by Trade Show, Inc. All quilters are invited to participate in this special contest. The quilts will be displayed at the 1987 Fall Home Show on Oct. 9, 10, 11, 1987. First prize $1000. For details and entry form, send a LSASE to: Upper Midwest Quilt Contest, 1148 Autumn St., Roseville, MN 55113, 488-6286.

Quiltours of Britain, Oct. 8-10, 1987 - tours of the major historic centers of quilting. Prices and schedules on Bulletin Board.

15th Anniversary Sampler, a celebration of MN Needlework Guild, May 14-17, 1987 at Gabberts in the Galleria, Edina, MN.

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COTTON FABRICS
STEIN'S (pen) STROKES

First of all, thank you for all your good wishes following my surgery - watch for my hysterectomy quilt in the "Sentimental Journey" show.

Next, a progress report on all the exciting things happening in MQ. The historical quilt documentation project is off to a wonderful start after a meeting February 3rd. There has been interest from several parts of the state so that makes the project doubly exciting. Call Norm Steere for more information. Another indication of our state-wide growth is the offer of the Little Falls quilters (under DeAnna Gehant) to hostess the next fall getaway.

Here in the Cities, we are busy choosing the site of the 1988 quilt show, after Lyn Steere has researched dozens of possibilities. Also, in the works is consideration of a permanent meeting place. As the meetings become larger and offer more activities the job of lugging public address systems, coffee pots, and library books becomes overwhelming. Our increased costs will be more than offset by convenience, not getting lost finding meeting locations, and always knowing facilities are clean and matched to our needs.

The question of excess money in our accounts has again come up but I think it becomes clear as soon as you realize how much we are doing that funds will be constantly in use for underwriting shows, the historical project, the lecture series (Flavin Glover cost almost $1000), meeting places (at least $100 per month), donations to Public TV (Willmar area most recently), a video library, and the newsletter. We are healthy and growing; your support of the quilt shows is a fun way to ensure that growth will continue. Remember our dues do not even cover the cost of the newsletter. I look forward to the June show as a great way to get away from it all and really eat and breathe quilting while someone else cooks and cleans.

See you at meetings!

TREASURER'S REPORT

February 1987

| Income: | $ 931.18 |
| Expenses: | $ 1,446.38 |
| Checking Balance: | 6,154.20 |
| Savings Balance: | 30,388.96 |

Expenses:
- Telephone: 25.10
- Committee Expenses: 158.48
- Meeting Expenses: 128.50
- Video Library: 222.75
- Newsletter: 500.87
- Minnesota Sales Tax: 410.68
- $1,446.38

Income:
- 55 memberships: 825.00
- Newsletter Advertising: 60.75
- Resource Directory Sales: 32.50
- Bank Interest: 32.93
- $ 931.18

Respectfully Submitted,
G. Sweeney, Treasurer

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MINE INHABITANCE

Helen Kelley

I am sitting here sewing on my unicorn quilt. I've just stitched in place the great brown-black island, a large area of deep, deep rich color, lovely and unmarred. It is 5:30 in the morning. I would never in the world have planned to get up this early, but I read the clock wrong and besides, I woke quivering with the anticipation of getting to work again on this quilt. I have loved every snip and stitch of it.

My husband is dressing for work.
"Here!" he says, standing in front of me and fingerling his tie, "Here, what in heaven's name is the matter with this thing? It's a mess."

He wrestles with the tie around his neck. Yanking at the end of it, he snatches it off and drops it into the middle of my work.

He's right. The tie is a mess. It is growing something. The tie is all silvery-colored. It has tiny, silky horsehoes embroidered over it and the horsehoes are fuzzy. They are more than fuzzy. Some of them have sprouted hairs at least 2" long.

"Hm!" says I, tugging at a hair with my fingernails. It comes out. It clings to my fingers. I rub it off onto the brown-black island on my quilt. "Hm!" I say again. I pull out another hair and another and another. "Maybe I can give it a haircut," I say.

This is a curious thing. The hairs are filled with static electricity. They are gossamer, soft, endless, and they cling, clinging to my fingers, to my dress, to my quilt.....

I have trimmed the tie. It is clean, but there are horseshoe hairs over the front of my nightie, up my nose and, most tenacious of all, over the brown-black island of my quilt.

In this house we have a lint problem. It has been years since we took the time to clean the furnace filter and my quilts attract all sorts of debris: bits of thread, dog fuzz, and snippets. I keep a clothes brush handy, but it is hardly worth the time to clean my quilts until I am done, unless, of course, I find that I am tacking the lint into my seams. Usually, I do one massive cleaning when I am done, brushing meticulously and sometimes tumbling the quilt in the dryer to draw off the lint.

I have heard of cat hair, camels' hair, baby's hair, angel hair, true love's hair, Jeannie's light brown hair and wash-that-man-right-out-my hair, hair of the dog, haircloth, hair-splitting, and making one's hair stand on end. I have never before heard of horseshoe hair. I suppose that one thing that will make this unicorn quilt unique is that this is the first time in the history of man and beast that a quilt has been trimmed with horseshoe hair.

HELP WANTED

Machine sewers to help hem table covers for Crystal Quilt. Work will be completed by March 10th. Contact Judy Petersen - 427-8659.

Lecture Series Committee - people to plan future programs and hostess these programs. Contact Judy Petersen - 427-8659.

Chairman for Members Boutique at Sentimental Journey Quilt Show. Call Ann Degen at 831-4145.

Learn to make Blue Ribbon Quilts with "Mastering The Basics of Quiltmaking" by Jeannie Spears. $7 postpaid. Oliver Press, Box 4096-10, St. Paul, MN 55104. Send SASE for free brochure.

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Bring bag lunch. Marg Belinger, 427-5907

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Bloomington – Pins & Needles, 4th Wed, Adelle Madsen, 831-8560; Irene Soeffker, 831-7789

Buffalo Lake/Granite Falls, Hwy 212, 2nd Monday 9AM, Sept through May
Quilters Along the Yellowstone Trail, Beverly Keltgen, 507 E. DePue Ave, Olivia, MN 56277

Brainerd – The Pine Tree Patchworkers Quilt Club, P.O. Box 935, Brainerd
56401; Joyce Meier, Star Rt 328, Program Chairwoman

Brooklyn Center – Friendship Quilters, Brooklyn Center Com. Center, 6301
Shingle Creek Parkway, Joanne Holzknecht, 561-1219

Contemporary Quilters – Faye Hall, 633-5889

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Eagan Area – Minnesota River Valley Quilters Guild – Ann Degan, Quilters
Clutter, 454-7072

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Fergus Falls – Country Quilters, 3rd Tues, Sept–June, Janis Erlandson,
736-4777, Mary Arntsen, 736-6815

Forest Lake – Memorial Quilt Club, 3rd Thurs, 7PM, Sr. Cit. Center, Welthea
Griemen, 464-2254, Eleanor Elstrom, 464-3514

Grand Rapids – Loon Country Quilters, 3rd Tues 7PM, Brice Bauer Rm, YMCA,
Emma LaBock, Box 153, Coleraine, 55722, 218-245-1356

Hudson, WI – Hudson Heritage Quilters, one Sat. morn per month, Thurs morn
group. Tues eve group, Sally Kriewall, 386-2959

Hutchinson – Crow River Quilters, Sr. Center, 115 Jefferson S., 3rd
Thurs’ 7 PM, Bonnie Eng, 587-5628

International Falls – Northern Lights Quilters Guild, 2nd Monday 7:30PM
Helen Caswell, Rt 9, Box 518, International Falls, MN 56649, 218-377-4437

Isle – The Isle Patchworkers Quilt Club, Kathy Hunkelwitz, 676-3359
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Little Falls – Log Cabin Quilters, DeAnna Gehant

Mankato – Deep Valley Quilters, 2nd Thurs 7PM, Unitarian Center, 114 Pohl
Rd, Marcia Schuster, 625-6314

Minnetonka – West Area Committed Blockheads, Fri. 9:30 AM, 474-4538

Moorehead – Minnesota Mavericks, 3rd Tues, 7:30 PM, Ada Fick, 1403 S. 14th
St, Moorehead, MN 56560, 232-7155 for date and place

Mora – More Patchwork Quilters, Arlene Anderman, 507 Fair Ave, Rt 5, Mora,
MN 55055-1702

Oseco – Hand of Friendship Quilters, weekly Wed AMs, Myrt Kenjoski, 117
5th Ave NE, 425-5495

Princeton – Calico Quilt, Fabric Center, HWY 95 downtown, 4th Wed, 12:30-3:00
Rochester – Quilters’ Sew–ciety – 1st Tues, 7PM, Peace United Church of
Christ, 1503 NE 2nd Ave, Anne Knox, 288-9126, Barb Feldt, 282-0610
Roseville – Tuesday Night Quilters, 2nd Tues, 7-10, Carol Wagner, 488-6286

South Central MN (Fairmont Area) – Prairie Star Quilters, Evangelical Covenant
Church, West Woodland Av, Fairmont, 2nd Monday 1:30 and 7PM, Connie
Haack, Fairmont, 235-5989

South MPLS/Southern Suburbs – Starlight Quilters, 4th Wed 7:30, Kathy Horton
934-0966

Spring Grove – The Piecemakers, 3rd Mon, 1 PM Tweeter Memorial Mtg Room
St. Paul Area – Daytime quilt meeting. 644-1003
St. Paul/Northern Suburbs – Tuesday Night Quilters, 7:30 PM, Vicki 739-0696,
Carol 488-6286

Stillwater – Courthouse Quilters, 4th & Pine, Fri 10-12, except 2nd Fri ea
month, Nelle Breeden, 439-8684

Waconia/West Area – West Area Quilters – Wilma Nohse, 442-4790
Wilmal – Wilmal Country Quilters, Lila Ray, 612-235-3642/summer 235-0538

Worthington – Prairie Piecers, Nobles County Courthouse, 4th Thurs 7:30 PM,
Jean Wenas, 372-2660

Address corrections/additions to: MQ, Inc.,
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HELP WANTED

Individuals or a quilt group to make a quilt wall hanging. St. Therese Nursing Home of New Hope is celebrating their 20th anniversary in 1988.

Let us help the celebration with a new wall hanging for the home.

Thank you,

Irene Coleman  544-8533
Public Relations

Arlene Walsh, our Newsletter Editor for the past year, resigned after the last edition. Regretfully, the board accepted her resignation. We thank Arlene for taking care of the newsletter for the past year.

The piecing together of a quilt and a newsletter have a lot in common. They are both intriguing and satisfying. Feel good - volunteer to be the Newsletter Editor. Call Carol Adleman at 757-2449.

Lecture Series Meeting
March 2, 1987 - 10:00 A.M. at
Judy Petersen's home
801 - 38th Ave.
Anoka, MN  55303
427-8659
Please call if can attend & for directions.

Mar. 1 History Project Open Meeting
1 pm at Dakota County Library
Eagan Branch, 1340 Wescott Rd.
Eagan. (Near 35E & Pilot Knob).

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FIRST CLASS
WORKSHOP: "SET 'EM UP"
Thursday, March 12, 1987 9:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.
Fee: $20.00

This all-day workshop is designed to acquaint the participants with all the setting possibilities that can make a quilt interesting and unique. Besides the most traditional methods of setting blocks (straight, diagonal, garden maze), we will work out new and innovative ways to arrange blocks. The technical aspects of setting blocks together will be demonstrated. This is primarily a design and lecture-demonstration class (no sewing machines) but participants are encouraged to bring in already completed blocks or unusual fabrics for discussion.

Materials to be supplied by participants

- 1/4 inch graph paper
- fine point marker
- paper scissors
- glue stick, rubber cement or spray adhesive
- color pencils or markers

WORKSHOP: "NEW QUILTS FROM GRAND TRADITIONS"
Friday, March 13, 1987 2:00 P.M. - 5:00 P.M.
Fee: $10.00

Participants in this workshop will explore the wonders and ease of designing new quilt blocks and quilts from the basic components of traditional pieced design. This is a paper and pen class for anyone; from one who has 'fear of graph paper' to a more advanced student in search of new perspectives.

Materials to be supplied by participants

- fine point marker
- 1/4 inch graph paper
- color pencils or markers
- ruler
- glue stick, rubber cement or tape
- paper scissors
- Optional: Quilter's Album of Blocks and Borders or any book with block designs

Registration for Doreen Speckmann Workshops

Registrations post-marked on or after Feb. 22, 1987 will be accepted. (Any postmarks before Feb. 22, 1987 will be returned). Class sizes limited to 25.

Questions and registrations should be directed to:
Marilee Soderquist
116 - 91st Lane N.E.
Blaine, MN  55434
Phone: 612-784-7109 (if unable to reach, call Judy Petersen - 427-8659)

Name ________________________________
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Thurs. March 12, 1987, 9 am - 3 pm, "Set 'Em Up" - Cost $20.00
Fri. March 13, 1987, 2 pm - 5 pm, "New Quilts from Grand Traditions" - Cost $10.00
Fee must accompany registration.

Lunch - available in Anoka, but might run into time bind; suggest bring own lunch.