Evening Meeting
January 5, 1989
Machinist’s Hall, 7:00 p.m.

The program will be “True Confessions of a Self-Taught Quilter” by Carol Wagner.

Carol will share her initial experiences as a self-taught quilter through a lecture and slides. Although she began quilting about 1974, it was not until six years later that she discovered Minnesota Quilters. As a self-taught quilter she learned from her mistakes. Carol will share with us her successes and failures—a chronology of her early quilts. Early failure is not a measure of future success as Carol has gone on to produce ribbon-winning quilts.

Daytime Meeting
January 13, 1989
Machinist’s Hall, 10 a.m.

Pat Cox will give the January Daytime Meeting. The topic will be “What is a Masterpiece Quilt?” She will show slides from collections around the country and will point out the various factors which give these quilts “Masterpiece” status.

Shelley Cords-Swanson, from Odin, MN, will show several quilts based on maps (cartography) as part of show-and-tell.

Please note that the February daytime meeting is being moved to the first Friday, February 3rd. This is being done so that we can share the evening speaker, Marilyn Woodin from Kalona, Iowa.

Machinist’s Hall
1399 Eustis, St. Paul

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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, 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 Expired—Please Renew Now. The number on the label indicates the month and year of expiration. Example: 07/89 means that the membership ends July 1989. 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, 8023 Cheyenne Spur, Chanhassen, MN 55317 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.

Treasurer's Report
November 30, 1989

Beginning checkbook balance 10-31-88 ............ 2,957.81

INCOME
Memberships (84) .................................. 1,260.00
Ads .................................................. 146.90
Lecture Series ........................................ 20.00
Fall Getaway ........................................... 2,160.25
Transfer from savings ................................ 5,000.00
Interest .................................................. 22.46
Total Income ........................................ 8,609.61

EXPENSES:
Lecture Series ........................................ 220.93
Fall Getaway ........................................... 2,496.12
Newsletter Postage ................................... 450.00
Newsletter Printing ................................... 795.00
Membership Directory Printing ................. 401.16
Rent-Machinist's Hall ................................ 300.00
Donation - MN Historical Society .............. 1,500.00
Committee expenses ................................ 151.28
Total Expenses ...................................... 6,314.49

Checking Balance as of 11-30-88 ................ 5,252.93
Savings Account Balance, 10-31-88 ............. 54,785.39
Interest ............................................... 248.61
Transferred to checking ................................ 5,000.00
Balance in savings account as of 11-30-88 .... 50,034.00

Respectfully Submitted,
Irene Coleman, Treasurer

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Jeannette’s Roots

Ah! New Year’s Day and all its resolutions.
I’m going to clean house more often (I’ll vacuum every Friday instead of once a month).
I’m going to exercise more (I’ll move the ironing board away from the sewing machine).
I’m going to cook better balanced meals (I’ll add bran to the hamburger mixture).
I’m going to keep my checkbook balanced (I’ll take the bank’s word for it).
I’m going to improve my job skills (I’ll take a class in stained glass).
I’m going to lose weight (I’ll get my hair cut and wear looser clothes).
I’m going to spend more time with my family (I’ll set up the quilt frame in the living room).
I’m going to use up the fabric I have before I buy more (aha, now we know why New Year’s resolutions are never kept).

Jeannette

Fifth Annual Snowflake Days Quilt Show

The First Bank of Coon Rapids and the Minnesota Quilters will co-sponsor a quilt show featuring doll quilts, wall hangings, and miniature size quilts at the First Bank of Coon Rapids from February 3-10, 1989 in celebration of Snowflake Days.

Entries will be open to the public. Viewers (the public) will be selecting the grand prize winner plus first, second, and third place. The grand prize winner will receive a $100 savings bond.

SNOWFLAKE DAYS ENTRY FORM AND RULES
1. Size—doll quilts, wall hangings, and miniature quilts up to 24”x36”
2. Each entry must have an identification tag firmly attached to the back of the quilt.
3. No more than two entries per person.
4. All entries must have been completed by the entrant.
5. No entry forms will be accepted after January 27, 1989.
6. Return entry form to:
   Margaret Ballinger
   11617 Wisconsin Ave. No.
   Champlin, MN 55316
   or for further information, call 427-5907.
All challenge blocks are eligible!

ENTRY FORM

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Phone ____________________________________________
Finished Size of Entry _______________________________

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Saturday 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

November Evening Division Meeting

At the November evening meeting, 34 of the people who accepted the “Quilt Challenge” in August presented what they had done with the fabric involved. The results were fantastic! We saw 34 examples of ingenuity, clever workmanship and beauty. Traditional patterns mixed with original designs and the results were delightful—everything from houses and flowers to bargello, crazy quilts and Maureen Heaney’s bathroom floor pattern! Plans are possibly to show them in the small quilt auction at our annual show or to have a special place to display them at the show. And those who didn’t bring theirs forth yet, please do. We’d love to see them!

During Show and Tell, Darlene Dols showed a poster of the Chaska Heritage Quilt which was shown and explained by Audree Sells at our September meeting. The quilt, which was designed by Audree and worked on by about 75 people in Chaska, won first prize in the Group Division at the Houston Quilt Show. The quilt will travel to the show in Lancaster, Pennsylvania and then to Paducah, Kentucky and then perhaps to its home in Chaska, Minnesota!

Another item:
Audree Sells of Chaska whose “Javanese Jungle” wall hanging has won prizes in both Lancaster and Paducah shows, placed third in the “mastaers applique” division of the Houston Quilt Show. Audree has been quilting two years!!

Mary Lou Murray, CSJ
Fabric Sale
January 18-28

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Scrapbook Donations Needed!
The Holiday Season is over, or nearly over, and now it's time for those New Year's Resolutions! Are you finally going to organize that pile of clippings, newsletters, and old magazines about quilting? Don't forget MQ when you do.We keep scrapbooks in which we record the activities of our organization and its members. If you've clipped an article (about a Minnesota quilt, a local quilter or quilt group, an area quilt show, etc.) and you no longer wish to keep it, send it along to the MQ Historian: Jeanne Tanamachi, 1887 Pleasant St., Lauderdale, MN 55113).
You can also give it to any board member at one of our meetings and ask them to pass it along.

If you've been the author or subject of an article, do you have an extra copy we could have? Or could you drop a note about where it appeared? Or maybe you've even had a special exhibit of your quilts—do you have an extra program? Let us know where and when this happened and we'll make sure it goes down in MQ history!

The Historian's file is missing a few copies of past newsletters, too. If you have these issues and care to spare them, a donation would be much appreciated: Feb. '84, Feb.-May '85, Aug. '85, Jul.-Aug. '87, and Feb. '88. Thank you for remembering MQ!
Jeanne Tanamachi

Calendar of Events

January 1-7 Charm Quilts, Glad Creations Quilt Block
January 4 Community Quilt Project, 9 a.m., Bethany Convent
January 5 Evening Meeting, 7 p.m., Machinist's Hall
January 6 Board Meeting, 9:30 a.m., Machinist's Hall
January 7 Very Special Arts Project, 1 p.m., Rochester
January 10 Very Special Arts Project, 1 p.m., Duluth
Jan. 12, 19, 26 Very Special Arts Project, 7 p.m., Courage Center
January 13 Daytime Meeting, 10 a.m., Machinist's Hall
January 18 Community Quilt Project, 9 a.m., Bethany Convent
February 2 Evening Meeting, 7 p.m., Machinist's Hall
February 3 Daytime Meeting, 10 a.m., Machinist's Hall
Feb. 3-10 Snowflake Days Quilt Show, Coon Rapids
Feb. 4-5 Pieces of the Past Quilt Show, Hutchinson
Feb. 6-8 Helen Kelley Seminar, New Prague Hotel
Feb. 17-19 Quilter's Escape, Clarion Hotel, Fond du Lac, WI
Mar. 29-Apr. 1 Nancy Crow Workshop, Duluth Art Institute

Daytime Meeting
November 11, 1988

Marsha Anderson of the Minnesota Historical Society was given a check by Minnesota Quilters to be used for new acquisitions. She was very grateful and informed us that her entire budget for new acquisitions is $2,000. Several quilts by Minnesota Quilters have been purchased by the Historical Society including one by Rosemary Root, our President's daughter. At the meeting the film "Quilts Like My Mama Did", which is about quilts made by black women in Georgetown County, South Carolina, was shown. These women use traditional patterns for the most part but they cut the pieces out free hand. In general, they talked about making quilts the way they felt like making them instead of according to traditional guidelines. Their quilts looked spontaneous and unique with lots of vitality.

Respectfully submitted,
Tina Hollerman
Recording Secretary
Very Special Arts—Minnesota Very Special Friendship Quilt Update

The VSA—MN quilt project got off to an enthusiastic start on November 17th with two very successful workshops, one at the V.A. Medical Center and another at Portland Residence.

Sixteen veterans made quilt blocks at the afternoon workshop sponsored by creative arts staff of the extended care department at the medical center. Veterans who attended were patients in either extended care or in the day hospital. Many had already developed a design beforehand and were ready to execute their images in fabric crayons and transfer them onto 10" muslin blocks. Images varied from freehand floral designs, to drawings representing the Korean War, to geometric patterns. At Portland Residence, a group home for developmentally delayed adults, most of whom work in sheltered workshop environments, 14 participants crayoned designs for the quilt. This group’s designs included self-portraits and geometric color patterns.

Minnesota Quilters volunteered to assist at both workshops. Their talents, extra hands, ideas and enthusiasm were appreciated by VSA—MN staff as well as by the staff at each workshop site. Their presence and energy made each workshop a very special kind of quilting bee. VSA—MN sends many thanks to all MQ volunteers who have helped—at workshops, with advice, by cutting and basting fabric, and with encouragement.

By the time the newsletter goes to press, there will have been a quilt workshop at Fraser House in Eden Prairie. Fraser House, another group home for developmentally delayed adults, is named for Louis Whitbeck Fraser, a pioneer in the field of service for special needs persons. The workshop will be in the evening to accommodate residents’ schedules, many of whom have jobs in the community.

Meanwhile, there is an on-going quilters’ group at White House Care Center, a residential facility in Roseville that serves geriatric clients. Some members of the group have made quilts in the past; all have a special interest in quilts. The group has chosen to focus on the Very Special Friendship Quilt project during their meetings for the next couple of months. Each member will make a block. Given the experience of these participants, it’s likely that the blocks will be worked in a variety of patterns and techniques.

Upcoming workshops include the following:

- Three-workshop series at Courage Center
  January 12, 19, 26
  (Thursdays) 7-8:30 p.m.

- Rochester Parks & Recreation Dept.
  Saturday, January 7, 1-3 p.m.

- Northwood Children’s Home, Duluth
  Tuesday, January 10, 1-3 p.m.

Each of these workshops serve different special needs populations. Courage Center’s Life Enrichment Program barings arts and other self-esteem enhancing programs to clients involved in any of the Courage Center’s rehabilitation services. This particular workshop series will be a continuation of a previous class in Tri-Chem fabric embroidery with the VSA quilt as its focus. The Rochester workshop will be co-sponsored by Rochester’s Adaptive Recreation and Community Education programs and offered for special needs children and adults in the community. Northwood Children’s Home is a residential treatment facility serving children from dysfunctional families.

Volunteers are still needed for any of these workshops—or for upcoming stages of the quilt process. After all the blocks are made, volunteers will be needed to help set and back the quilt. After the top is shown at the VSA Statewide Festival in March, volunteers will be needed for quilting. To volunteer, call or write Faye Bodenhamer, Public Relations Director, 7868 Lois Lane, Lino Lakes, MN 55014; (612) 784-4501. If you have questions, you may call Morgan Grayce Willow at VSA—MN (612) 922-1316.

Robert Horton Coming in April

Robert Horton will be the featured teacher and lecturer for Minnesota Quilter’s Spring Lecture Series. She will be giving workshops on Amish patchwork, Japanese patchwork, and the selection and use of fabrics. Her lectures will be Beyond Calico and More plus Japanese Patchwork. There will be three workshops and two lectures. The dates to mark on your calendar are April 27, 28, and 29, 1989. There will be more information in the upcoming newsletters. Watch for the details!
Nancy Crow Coming to Duluth

The Duluth Art Institute is sponsoring a workshop by Nancy Crow March 29-April 1, from 9-4. “Strip Piecing in Contemporary Quilt-Making” is designed for intermediate to advanced students with some experience in strip piecing, and will cost $100. Nancy’s goal is to help students’ intuitive use of color and design move towards a more personal statement. For more information write Pat Joyal, Duluth Art Institute, 506 W. Michigan St., Duluth, MN 55802 (home phone (218) 727-4356).

Minnesota Quilters will sponsor a lecture (TBA) by Nancy Crow in Duluth on March 31 or April 1.

3rd Annual Small Wonders Quilt Show

The Sampler’s third annual Small Wonders Quilt Show will be held during Excelsior Apple Days in September, 1989. This year we are adding a new category for your participation. It is called the Challenge Block and will prove to be exciting for you.

Please contact the Sampler at 474-4794 for more details.

We are challenging you ladies and gents. Any takers? . . .

HELEN KELLY SEMINAR

Helen Kelly, Minnesota’s own nationally known quilting instructor, will hold a four-day quilting seminar at Schumacher’s New Prague Hotel on:

February 5-8, 1989

The seminar will feature pieced and applique quilting based upon old world designs found within the Hotel.

Seminar also includes three overnight stays at Schumacher’s New Prague Hotel, three gourmet dinners, breakfasts, lunches, and pastry breaks.

For those concerned about the weather, we will be offering transportation to and from Minneapolis, St. Paul and the airport for $30 each round trip via a four-wheel drive Custom Suburban.

Please make all air reservations between 12:00 and 2:00 p.m.

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HIGHLIGHTS:


January 25-29: Hilton Head Island, South Carolina, 9th Annual Jiminy Breyer Quiltin Seminar at Mariner's Inn. For brochure and information write to Jiminy Breyer Quiltin Seminar, P.O. Box 488, Great Falls, VA 22066, or call Robyn Germainn at 803/842-8000.

Feb. 4-5, 1989: The Inland Empire Quilters Guild presents their 1989 All American Guild, P.O. Box 2232, Corona, CA 91720.

New Prague, Minnesota: Helen Kelley Seminar, New Prague Hotel, 212 W. Main St., New Prague, 56071, Feb. 6-8, 1989. (Kathleen Schumacher at the hotel; 612/758-2133.)

January 16-February 17: Great Midwest International Exhibition IV by Central Missouri State University Art Center Gallery, Warrensburg, MO. SASE: Central MO State Univ., Art Center Gallery, Warrensburg, MO 64093.

March 4, 1989: Oostburg, WI, Third Quilt Show & Competition, Oostburg Christian School, 610 Superior Ave., Oostburg, WI, 10-5 p.m. Send SASE to Lori Weavers, R2, Oostburg, WI 53070.


May 13-May 22, 1989: Mora, MN—"Pieces of Love" Quilt Competition & Show. Kanabec History Center. Admission fee. Additional show of Wallhangings/Miniatures to be held in October 1989. Send SASE to Kanabec History Center, P.O. Box 113, Mora, MN 55051.


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Quilter’s Escape
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Mark your calendars Feb. 17, 18 & 19, 1989 for the Quilter’s Escape at the Clarion Hotel in Fond du Lac, WI. Come relax and learn the latest quilting innovations, the best from the Houston Quilt Market.

The weekend begins on Friday night with a Wine & Cheese Party and the first workshop. Then retire in a luxurious hotel room, where you will be served milk and cookies. For the early risers, start your day on Saturday with Water Aerobics. Breakfast in the Hotel dining room (breakfasts are included with your room rental). Then begin a day full of workshops, enjoy Show ’N Tell over lunch, at the evening banquet you will learn lots of new things from lecturer Marilyn Doheny, creator of Rotary Magic. You’ll finish up the evening with demonstrations and trunk shows designed especially for your learning pleasure.

Sunday is another full day of workshops.

Trunk shows will include Roberta Horton’s Fabrics, Country Threads Patterns, Elizabeth Ann’s Appliques—“A Touch of Ultrasuede.” Some of the demonstrations will include: toothbrush rugs, picture transfer on fabric, band boxes—fabric covered boxes, machine quilting and much, much more. Don’t miss Marilyn Doheny, as she shows us how to use all of Omnigrid’s rulers, and Sharlene Jorgenson will be there to show us her latest templates for rotary cutting—they will include a fast, new precise double wedding ring.

The entire weekend is being offered as a package for $80 (this is a $5 savings for you). This registration price includes all weekend activities and meals. Hotel room rentals are separate. The Clarion Hotel is offering us a special flat room rate of $56 per room/room night (that’s only $14 apiece if you come with friends and have four in a room).

So beat the rush—to ensure that you get the workshops you want, register early. You may also reserve your hotel room at the Clarion by calling (414) 923-3000. Mention that you are with the Quilter’s Escape to receive the discount room rate.

To make it even easier to register, Quilter’s Escape will accept MasterCard or VISA. We look forward to seeing you there!

Quilter’s Escape Staff

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Stepping Through Time
1989 Show Treasurer’s Report
November 8, 1988

Beginning checkbook balance on 10-12-88 $9,490.54

INCOME
Bank Interest on Checking 42.74
Miscellaneous 21.00
63.74 9,554.28

EXPENSES
Printing 38.30
Postage 21.00
Telephone 30.51
Misc. Committee Expenses 1.50
91.31

Balance in checkbook on 11-8-88 9,462.97

Respectfully submitted,
Marjorie A. Herrington, Treasurer

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Minnesota Quilt Project

Treasurer’s Report, Month Ending November 30, 1988
Balance on October 31, 1988 $3,167.26

INCOME
Donations (memberships) 120.00
Interest for October 14.45
Total income 134.45

EXPENSES
10 rolls color film, 2 8.15 86.80
Folders for Quilt Discovery Days 16.49
Photocopies of forms for QDD 74.34
Mailing - UPS 2.03
Developing 8 rolls of slides 46.86
2 rolls film, 1 color, 1 B&W, for SSP 8.89
Total expenses 235.41

Balance on November 30, 1988 3,066.30

Respectfully submitted,
Jean Loken, Treasurer
A PARTY . . . AND YOU'RE INVITED !!!!
OUR TENTH ANNIVERSARY !!!!

January 10, 1989 (Tuesday)
9:30 A.M. TO 9:00 P.M. -- The Whole Day!

Trunk Shows, Register for 10th Anniversary Drawings and sign our Album Quilt. FREE Pattern -- Start your own 1989 Block-of-the-Month Sampler Quilt, beginner or advanced blocks. FREE instructions all day long, 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

That's just the beginning. We want to celebrate YOUR birthday, too!!! Sign up for our Birthday Surprise Club. On the 10th day of each month we'll have a birthday party all year long. We will feature either a special craft, doll, cross stitch or hardanger pattern each month. They will be geared to the seasons. We'll be one month ahead!

"Samplers 1989 Block-of-the-Month Sampler Participants," bring your completed quilt block back every month and you'll get extra chances for our 1989 Sampler Quilt Block-of-the-Month top to be given away on Dec. 15, 1989. Mark your calendar for the 10th day of every month as "Cotton Patch Day." Come and join the fun!!!

The
Cotton Patch
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The Holiday Quilt
'Twas the day after Christmas,
and all through the house
the children were running with
toy bugles in their mouths.
The T.V. was blaring,
and father was snoring,
and mother was wondering how
a quilt she could be sewing?
She picked up her needle,
and proceeded to sew,
while toddlers continued to
run to and fro.
A quilt was made,
though the chaos ran rampant.
The seams did not match,
and the piecing was slanted.
But she fondly remembers
in the years to come,
the quilt that was made
during that holiday fun.
Polly Kowitz

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