MQ Meetings
August 1997

Minnesota Quilters welcome Ann Fahl of Racine, Wisconsin. Ann is an award winning quilting artist with a contemporary flair.

Thursday, Aug. 7, 7 PM
Ann will be presenting her lecture, "Quilts for All Seasons." She will offer a look at quilts being made today by quilt makers and quilt artists from all across the nation. There will be a broad variety of quilt slides shown and something for every quilter, traditional or contemporary.

Friday, Aug. 8, 9:30 AM
Ann will be presenting her lecture, "Ann’s Traveling Wall Quilt and Flower Show." She will offer slides and dialogue about her work as an artist and the sources of inspiration for her quilts. This should be a great source for new ideas!

NEW MEETING FORMAT BEGINS:
During the past year, many of you have only seen my face behind the coffee pot in the kitchen as I served you in my role as Day Director-Elect. My major role was to see that none of you fainted or became weak from lack of nourishment. I am now moving into my new role as Day Director for the year of 1997-98. As I observed the meetings during the past year, I thought of some things that might be improved upon. One of the challenges we had was to reserve enough time at our meetings for the guest lecturer to present her program. On several occasions, the membership has nearly disappeared before the lecture was completed because the program had run overtime. A good part of our Minnesota Quilters budget is spent on and much planning and effort is put into providing these nationally known lecturers for our meetings, and I would like to assure that our guest is appropriately treated when she is providing our program. Therefore, after discussion and agreement with our new president, Jackie Northrup, and the evening director, Paulette Marini, I am proposing a change in the order of our meetings. We will begin promptly at 9:30 for our morning meeting and 7 for our evening meeting, with no more than 15 minutes of business announcements. Our lecture will follow, and upon completion of the lecture, a short break. Show and Tell and Door Prizes will conclude the meeting.

Another innovation that we will attempt this year is to invite various quilt shops, one at a time, to be vendors at our meetings. We will introduce the shop at the meeting, discuss its special areas of interest, and have items available for sale before the meeting, during the break, and after the meeting. Plan to arrive early to get the bargains!

The first program following this format will be in August. We will be featuring Ann Fahl, our invited lecturer. The quilt shop invited will be Colorful Quilts. We hope you will attend, enjoy the lecture, feast your eyes on the quilts we show and tell, visit with other quilters, and go home with some new supplies purchased from our vendor. We look forward to our year as your Directors and as President. Please feel free to contact us with comments pro and con.

Karen Golden 730-5806
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BOARD OF DIRECTORS NOTES:
The following motions were made and passed at the May Board of Directors meeting:
1) A donation of $1,000 will be made to KMSQ-TV in Austin for sponsorship of quilting shows.
2) A donation of $100 will be made to the MN Crafts Council to sponsor the 1997 Fiber/Metal Arts Show.
Calendar of Events

AUGUST
August 7 Day Meeting, 9:30 AM,
August 8 Evening Meeting, 7PM
August 25 Board of Directors Mtg.

SEPTEMBER
September 4 Day Meeting, 9:30 AM,
Machinists’ Hall
September 5 Evening Meeting, 7 PM,
Machinists’ Hall
September 22 Board of Directors Mtg.

OCTOBER
October 2 Day Meeting, 9:30 AM,
Machinists’ Hall
October 3 Evening Meeting, 7PM,
Machinists’ Hall
October 9-12 Fall Get-Away
October 27 Board of Directors Mtg.

GENERAL MEETINGS are free for members. There is a $2.00 charge for non-members.
LECTURE SERIES meetings are $1.00 for members, $3.00 for non-members.

Library lines
Please check your books at home.
Some of the MQ books have found new homes away from Eustis Street. Please bring them back.

Speaking of new homes, enjoy our new library space. You will find the books you want more easily.

Thanks to those members for letting me know what books you're looking for, and would like the library to have. Look for them soon.

Are you a new member? Stop by the desk, or ask someone where the library is. You will surely get a warm hello and a "...let me help you find what you're looking for!" Welcome to MQ!

Volunteers are always appreciated at both the evening & daytime meetings.
The hours volunteered at the MQ Library count towards the Volunteer Pin.

Three books and four magazines may be checked out until the next meeting at Machinists Hall. They cannot be renewed unless returned at the next meeting, please mail them Fourth Class Book Rate to Minnesota Quilters, 1399 Eustis Street, St. Paul, MN 55108. Fines for overdue material are $1.00 per item, per month.
Please return items promptly.

This is YOUR library. If there is a book you want, please call me at 612/338-4360. A machine is waiting for your call.
Happy Quilting.

Peggy

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; dedicated to enhancing the knowledge and enjoyment of quilting. Membership Dues are $20.00 per year (U.S. funds only) and include monthly meetings tailored to the needs of beginning, advanced and professional quilters; the newsletter, workshop opportunities, and priority registration for the annual show. Minnesota Quilters pins are available for sale.
New Membership/Renewals should be sent to Jan Hempel, 6605 Cahill Rd., Edina, MN 55439. Watch for the expiration notice on your label. It will say: Please Renew. The number on the label indicates the month and year of expiration. Example: 0198 means that the membership ends January 1998.
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All Articles, Advertising, News, etc. are due the 1st of the month before publication. The next issue of MQ News will be the September 1997 issue. The deadline for submitting ads and articles for MQ News is August 1, 1997.

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A message from the 1997 Show Chairs:

I can't believe it's over!! The show went by so fast, sort of like being caught up in a Kansas whirlwind! I probably don't have to tell the many people who attended (more than 11,000 during the three day period) that the show was a huge success. Thanks to all of you who seemed to be having such a good time, "Quilts on the Waterfront" went beyond even our high expectations, in every category--classes filled, lectures attended, and of course, ice cream cones consumed. I want you to know that we quilters personally set the record for "most food consumed at the DECC in a three day period." I think there's talk of erecting a statue on the side lawn, in our honor. So, to all of you who shared with us your wonderful quilts so that we could be inspired to "quilt on," to those who tickled our imaginations with your entries in the challenges, and to those of you who came together with your joy of quilting...THANK YOU. We'll be back in the year 2002...we hope you will be, too. Shirley's in charge of the weather again.

CLAUDIA & SHIRLEY

P.S. Please remember to cash your refund checks from Quilts on the Waterfront as soon as possible. We will be closing our books September 1st. After that date, the checks will be invalid. Thank you.

AND THE WINNERS ARE:

**Viewer's Choice**

Amateur Quilt
1st place- Greta VanMeeteren, Maple Grove, MN "Holland Visits Baltimore"
2nd place- Bonnie Erickson, Granite Falls, MN "Minnesota Lily"
3rd place- Doug Webster, Sanford, MN "Autumn Leaves"

Amateur Wall Quilt
1st place- Marlyce Payne, Maple Grove, MN "Round Robin Quilt"
2nd place- Susan Slattery & Captain Tom Mackay, Duluth, MN "Seeking Safe Harbor"
3rd place- Julia Roskranz, Rochester, MN "Our Grandmother's Garden"

Professional Quilt
1st place- Sharon Dunford, Rochester, MN "Hanover Tulip"
2nd place- Gladys Raschka, Minneapolis, MN "Princess Feather"
3rd place- Barbara Pastman, Maple Grove, MN "Airplanes for Blake"

Professional Wall Hanging
1st place- Jackie Northrup, Isanti, MN "Wild Flowers in Bloom"
2nd place- Karla Spinks, Green Lake, WI "Gardener's Cottage"
3rd place- Patricia Cox, Minneapolis, MN "Round Robin Quilt"

Garment
1st place- Marilyn Badger, Brookings, OR "San Antonio Stroll"
2nd place- Nancy Balog, Chicago, IL "Almost Crazy Vest"
3rd place- Sue Rutford, White Bear Lake, MN "Winter Vests"

First Quilt
1st place- Betty Middleton, South Range, WI "Flower Basket Quilt"
2nd place- Mannett Hawkins, Cottage Grove, MN "Hearts all Around"
3rd place- Diana Edberg, Duluth, MN "Northwoods Quilt"

Judged Quilts

Pieced Quilt
1st place- Jackie Kuhn Reis, Lubbock, TX "Soddy Sampler"
2nd place- Kathy Munkelwitz, Isle, MN "Braced Bees"
3rd place- Shirley Green, Hermantown, MN "Northwoods"

Non-Traditional Quilt
1st place- Claudia Myers, Duluth, MN "Tiger by the Tail"
2nd place- Linda Saltzynski, Rome, PA "Tranquility"
3rd place- Pam Holland, Aldgate, SA, Australia "Reflections"

Non-Traditional Wall Quilt
1st place- Natalie P. Sewell, Madison, WI September
2nd place- Barbara Oliver Hartman, Flower Mound, TX "Alan's Excellent Adventure"
3rd place- Vikki Pignatelli, Reynoldsburg, OH "Tears on Blacklick Pond"

Traditional Wall Quilt
1st place- Jane McCabe, Shellybogan Falls, WI "Honoring Baltimore"
2nd place- Judy Schwarzmann, Concord, CA "Feathered Iris"
3rd place- Gloria Hansen, Hightstown, NJ "Directions"

Group Quilt
1st place- Kathy Munkelwitz, Isle, MN "Star Garden"
2nd place- Lisa Satermo, Fargo, ND "My, What Big Buds You Have"
3rd place- Kerry Finn, West Fargo, ND "Berries in the Woods"

Appliquéd Quilt
1st place- Betty Ekern Suiter, Racine, WI "Aubusson Jarden Partiere"
2nd place- Margaret Brilla, Superior, WI "Old Dishes"
3rd place- Sonja Palmer, Plymouth, MN "1990's Four Block"

Small Quilt
1st place- Susan Cleveland, West Concord, MN "Celestial Chocolate"
2nd place- Susan K. Nelson, Maple Grove, MN "A Study of Wildflowers"
3rd place- Patricia A. Ensey, Meadowlands, MN "The Old Red Mill"
Best of Show
Candy Goiff, Lolo MT "Timepiece"

Best Hand Quilting
Linda Roy, Corinth, MS "Arkansas Angels"

Best Machine Quilting
Vikki Pignatelli, Reynoldsburg, OH "Tears on Blacklick Pond"

Best Wall Hanging
Nancy S. Brown, Oakland, CA "Jaguar"

Judges’ Choice
#1- Susan Cleveland, West Concord, MN "Darin’s Slitherin Snakes"
#2- Pam Holland, Agedale, SA, Australia "Lisby’s Hope"
#3- Grace Forseth, Superior, WI "New York Softie"

Fashion Show
Carol Hanson, "Stones Broken Star"
Sonja Olson, "Narrative Needlework"
Julann Windsperger, "No Problem Man"

THE MQ RAFFLE
We sent out over 10,000 raffle tickets to MQ members and North Country Quilters. We got a good response, with over half of those people selling or buying their tickets and many asking for more. The person who won the Lake Superior Compass quilt was a MQ member who won with one of her five tickets. The remaining 6,000 tickets were sold by the Raffle Committee, the Show Committee, volunteers at the show and people competing for the Singer Featherweight sewing machine, which was the prize for selling the most tickets by June 1st. Our total income from the raffle was $11,016.00—a record! This money goes to support historical society and museum quilt collections, scholarships open to Minnesota Quilters, and other activities related to quilt education. We wish to send a huge thank you to all who sold or purchased tickets. Your support was truly outstanding.

The winners of the raffle are:
The Grand Prize: The "Lake Superior Compass"—a queen sized, hand/machine pieced and hand quilted/appliquéd quilt was won by Carol Guse of New Ulm, MN, a MQ member.
The First Prize: The book, "Lake Superior Images," by Craig Blacklock was won by Ruby Johnson of Duluth, MN, who purchased her winning ticket at the Duluth Needle Arts Guild meeting.

You won’t miss a single stitch with the OFFICIAL "Quilts on the Waterfront" Video. Hosted by Mary Ray of Ray Designs, you’ll see quilts, quilts and more quilts! The prize-winning entries; interviews with the winners, judges, spectators; the MN Jacket Challenge during the Fashion Show and more. Relive your experience at Quilts on the Waterfront anytime you like. Or buy one for a friend who was unable to attend. Any quilter will love it!

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NOTES FROM THE PRESIDENT

I can't believe how fast this year has flown by. The Duluth show is just a memory—What a great show! Everything about it was the best—the quilts, the vendors, the teachers, the food, all that space, what a wonderful place for a quilt show! Congratulations Claudia and Shirely, and your committee, you did an outstanding job. Now that my feet are back on the ground and I'm caught upon my sleep, it's time to get back to reality. I have quilts to make and board meetings to run. As President-Elect, the month of May was very exciting. Two events came up that Barb was unable to attend, so I went in her place. The first was an invitation from the University of Minnesota to accept a plaque and a membership in the "Minnesota 1,000 Club" because Minnesota Quilters has donated $1,000 to the Goldstein Gallery for their quilt exhibits. Jane and David Sharruck went with me, we had wine and appetizers in the courtyard, and then I met President Hasselmo, received the plaque, and had my picture taken with him. What an exciting afternoon! A couple of weeks later I attended a meeting with the Textile Council. They have a site committee that is working on finding a building where all the different fiber arts organizations can share space and resources. It was very informative and we will continue to work with them on the project, which will probably take several years to complete. In the meantime I have to start on my quilt for next year's show. It's a very ambitious project and I hope I get it done in time. I'll keep you posted on my progress.

Jackie Northrup,
MQ President

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES!

The Minnesota State Fair

Do you believe it's that time of year again? Yes, it's the Great Minnesota Get-Together—the MINNESOTA STATE FAIR. This year we get to show off our stuff for three days!! Last year you filled out the volunteer sheet in no time flat, which I really appreciated.
SO--what we need is people to volunteer on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, August 21-23. We demonstrate, talk with people, answer questions, and generally spread information about Minnesota Quilters and quilting to the Fair attendees. They love it. All you have to do is bring a simple project to work on, which will generate questions from the public.
We decorate our space in the Creative Activities building with quilts made by our members, so I will also need volunteers to loan their quilts, wall hangings, etc. There is also a glass case for the display of smaller items.
The hours are 9 AM to 9 PM for those three days. Last year we worked in four-hour shifts, with three to four people per shift, to allow for breaks. Some people volunteered for more hours because they were having so much fun!
Please call me at (612) 644-1038 if you miss the sign-up sheet at the meeting.
Thanks!! Judy Dahlin

Q is for Quilts

Volunteers Needed for Big Bee

Quilters, grab your needles! Quilting groups from around the state are needed to create an old-fashioned quilting bee at the Minnesota History Center in St. Paul.

Your group could participate in the exhibit program, The Great Saturday Quilting Bee, as part of "Q is for Quilts," in the Minnesota A to Z exhibit. Quilt groups of six to eight members will demonstrate quilting from 9:30 AM to 3:00 PM on the first and third Saturday of the month, beginning October 18. Each group would quilt one Saturday only, through October 1998.

Additional volunteers are also needed as facilitators for the program, greeting quilt groups and interpreting the quilting process as well as the group-their community, their history, their passion.
"Q is for Quilts" is a collaboration with the Minnesota Quilt Project and Minnesota Quilters and will showcase 14 quilts and their stories, shared by generous owners across Minnesota.

For more information on volunteering either as a quilter or a facilitator, please call Jackie Maas, Volunteer Coordinator, Minnesota Historical Society at (612) 296-2155.
AFRICAN AMERICAN QUILTS FEATURED AT MINNESOTA FOLK PREVIEW EVENT

The history and tradition of African American quilting will be the focus of a Minnesota Folk preview event on Saturday, August 9 at the Minnesota History Center in St. Paul. Featured speaker Dr. Caroline Mazloomi, founder and director of the Women of Color Quilters Network, will offer a free slide lecture on historical and contemporary African American Quilts. Her forthcoming book, "In the Spirit of the Cloth," will be published in early 1998 by Random House. In addition to slides, Dr. Mazloomi will display a variety of her quilts for participants to view and discuss.

Those interested in a more in-depth look at African American quilting techniques are invited to register for the afternoon workshops led by quilt experts Reni Douah and Wilma Gary. Participants will have a chance to meet local quilter Rita McBride and others to get a close-up look at a wide variety of quilt styles, and learn about various family quilting traditions, the symbols used and the stories illustrated. Lunch vouchers, redeemable at the History Center's Cafe Minnesota, are included in the $7.00 registration fee. For more information or a registration form, contact the Minnesota State Arts Board, Park Square Court, 400 Sibley Street, Suite 200, St. Paul, MN 55101-1928. Phone numbers are: (612) 215-1600, TTY: (612)215-6235. For toll-free access from outside the Twin Cities call (800) 8MN-ARTS (866-2787). Registration closes on August 4, 1997.

African American Quilting Day is jointly sponsored by the Minnesota State Arts Board and the Minnesota Historical society as a Minnesota Folk preview event. Minnesota Folk 97, a free outdoor festival of folk art, music, dance and food will take place on Sunday, August 12, 1997.

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The membership directory
The MQ directory will be printed in October 1997. We are also looking for quilt guilds, groups, etc. that have an open membership. If you would like to share your group information with new members, new neighbors and new talent in your community, they would surely want to know about you! Please return the form below by the deadline so your group information will be in the annual directory.

Local Quilting Groups
MQ is updating the regional circles and guilds list. Your group does not have to be members of Minnesota Quilters, as this list is to promote quilting and related activities in our communities.

- Deadline is August 15, 1997.
- Mail information to: Mary Drabik, 4258 Highland, Shoreview, MN 55126.
- Your group must have an open membership.
- Groups should send in the following information.
  Group Name:
  City:
  Meeting Date(s) and Time(s):
  (i.e., 1st Tues. at 2 PM)
  Contact Person:
  Contact Phone:
AUGUST
Block of the Month
"Audrey's Shoo-fly Flower"
6" block (6-1/2" unfinished). This block was designed by Joanne as a President's block for Audrey Mead. There will be two more "Audrey's flower blocks in the up-coming months.
Directions:
Use 100% Cotton Fabric
Background: White on white
Stem and Leaves:
Green print Flower:
Dark print for the petals and bud, light print for the center.
Submitted by Joanne Holzknecht, Brooklyn Center, MN

The drawing for this block will be held at the Sept. daytime meeting:
• Add seam allowance to templates.
• Occasionally, printing distorts pattern pieces
• Please check for accuracy before marking!
• Print Name/Address-Attach to backside of block.

• To participate, make one or more blocks. Your name will be entered in the monthly drawing.
• You need not be present to win.
• If you are unable to attend the meeting, please mail blocks before meeting date to Joanne Holzknecht, 2618 65th Ave. N., Brooklyn Center, MN 55430

THE PRESIDENT'S BLOCK
It is a tradition among Minnesota Quilters to present a block to the current president some time during her year of service, to say "Thank You" for all the hard work that being president entails. Jackie has requested that her blocks fit the following guidelines:
1) 12" finished
2) Make your favorite block.
3) Label with your name
Pretty simple! Let's all get going and make those President's blocks!

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Bulletin Board Notes...

May 31-September 6, 1997--A vibrant display of quilt art by members of the Contemporary QuiltArt Association, "On the Edge: Northwest Quilt Art," will be presented at the Museum of the American Quilter's Society in Paducah, Kentucky. 29 pieces by 29 quilt artists will hang in the show, making this one of the riches visual experiences of the year. For information, contact Heather W. Tewell, (360) 293-8349.


August 2 & 3, 1997--Join the South Minneapolis Quilters for their third annual quilt sale at THE POWDERHORN FESTIVAL OF THE ARTS, Saturday 10 AM - 6 PM, Sunday 11 AM-5 PM. SMQ quilts are near the south side of the lake at Powderhorn Park, 34th St. and 15th Ave., Minneapolis. Ticket will be available for the quilt "Pinwheel Garden." All proceeds benefit community charitable projects in the South Minneapolis area.

August 2 & 3, 1997--A Show of Quilts, Rhinelander Northwoods Quilters. Central Elementary School, Rhinelander, WI (corner of Timber Dr. and Pelham St.) Sat. 10 AM-4 PM, Sun. 10 AM-4 PM. Admission $3, handicapped accessible, raffle for a queen size Bear Paw quilt, and other prizes. Debbie Mumrn Trunk Show, silent auction, demonstrations, country store, door prizes. For further information: Claire Stangarone, 7930 South Alva Road, Harshaw, WI 54529, (715)277-3107.

August 9, 1997--A free slide lecture on historical and contemporary African American quilts, and afternoon workshops and lunch ($7 registration) are being offered as a Minnesota Folk preview event. For more information, see the article on page 6.

August 9, 1997--Women Hanging by a Thread. Benefit quilt auction for women in need sponsored by the School Sisters of Notre Dame. Quilt Review-9:00 to 11:30 AM. Auction 12:00 Noon, Northfield Ballroom, Northfield, MN.

August 15-17, 1997--Quilters' Weekend in Paducah, "Silk Ribbon Embroidery Flowers." Contact King's Quilting Studio, 119 North Fourth Street, Paducah, KY 42001-0709. Phone: (502)444-7577.

August 17, 1997--Luther Point Bible Camp, 11525 Luther Point Road, Grantsburg, WI, 54840. Quilts, craft & bake sale. Quilt Auction, pig roast & chapel service. 10 AM: Quilt viewing, craft & bake sale. Noon: pig roast-$6 adults, $4 ages 5-10, under 4 free. 1:30 PM: Quilt Auction. Contact person: Linda (715)689-2347 or (715)689-2348 fax.

September 12-14, 1997--Quilters' Weekend in Paducah, "Couple's Weekend." Contact King's Quilting Studio, 119 North Fourth Street, Paducah, KY 42001-0709. Phone: (502)444-7577.

September 13 & 14, 1997--Autumnfest Quilt Show and Classes. Lac Court Oreilles Casino Lodge & Convention Center, Hayward, WI. For more information send a LSASE to: Ann Degen, Rt. #5, Box 5308D, Hayward, WI 54843.


September 13 & 14, 1997--7th Annual Quilt Show by the Apple River Quilt Guild, First Lutheran Church, 240 Elm Street W., Amery, WI. Sat. 9-5 PM, Sun. Noon-4PM. $1 admission, show includes merchants and 3 raffle quilts. Held in conjunction with the Amery Fall Festival. For more info call (715)472-8596.


September 26, 27 & 29, 1997--Indian Summer Quilt Show and Conference sponsored by the Quilters' Guild of North Dakota at the Fargo Holiday Inn. Quilt show, workshops, lectures and vendors. For more information write: ISQSC, P.O. Box 2662, Fargo, ND 58108.

September 26 & 27, 1997--Patches - Past and Present Quilt Show, Rochester Quilters' Sew-ciyet, The Army Reserve Center, 1715 Marion Road SE, Rochester. Fri. 9 AM-8 PM, Sat. 9 AM-4 PM. Admission $3. For more information send SASE to: Rochester Quilters' Sew-ciyet, Kathy Teske, 738 Windemere Ct. NW, Oronoco, MN 55960.

October 3 & 4, 1997--Renville, MN. Quilters Along the Yellowstone Trail present their semi-annual quilt show, "Harvest of Quilts," at the Renville Community Center, Main Street, Renville, MN. Hours: Friday 10-5 PM; Saturday 10-4 PM. Vendors of quilted related items, door prizes, refreshments, special presentation, "Walk In The Park" Quilt. SASE: Dorothy H. Johnson, Route #1, Box 112, Hector, Minnesota 55342-9104.

October 4, October 6-9, 1997--Redwood Area Quilters 7th Annual Quilt Show, Gilwood Haven, 219 South Mill Street, Redwood Falls, MN. Sat.-Oct. 4, 9 AM-4 PM; Mon.-Wed. Oct. 6-8, 11 AM-3 PM, Thurs. Oct. 9, 11 AM-6 PM. For more information send a LSASE to: Ruth Zeise, 604 S. Dekalb Street, Redwood Falls, MN 56283 or call (507)637-3496.

October 11 & 12, 1997--St. Cloud Heritage Quilters-"Harvest of Quilts II." Arwood Memorial Center, Campus of St. Cloud State University, 720 South 4th Avenue, St. Cloud. Quilt display, raffle, merchant mall. For more information send SASE to: Publicity Committee, P.O. Box 7181, St. Cloud, MN 56302-7181.

October 17, 10 AM-8 PM, October 18, 10 AM-4PM--Autumn Splendor Quilt Show, Stillwater, MN. Silent Auction, Raffle Quilt, Demonstrations & Vendors. Admission $2, children under 12-$1 (No Strollers Please). Washington County Historic Courthouse, 101 West Pine Street, Stillwater, MN 55082. For information call (612) 430-1292, (612) 426-0063 or (612) 430-0233.
HARVEST TIME QUILT CONTEST

Wall quilts including full colors, patterns, or themes are sought for the contest, "Celebrate the Beauty of Autumn," running from October 1-15, 1997, in the Norwest Bank lobby, Whapeton, ND. Quilts are limited to a maximum perimeter size of 144," must be quilted, and have a fabric tag with name and address firmly attached to the back of the quilt. Quilts may be submitted (before 9/29) and picked up (after 10/16) at the following locations: Quilters Cottage, Fergus Falls, MN; Quilters Quarters, Fargo, ND; or Bear Patch Quilting Company, White Bear Lake, MN. They may also be mailed, with return postage included, to Pam Botten, 1504 Oakwood Ave, Whapeton, ND 58075. Call Pam for more information at (701)642-8169.

Time and time again
August 1997- Judi Smith®

When we first started to hear about it last June, it seemed like the quilt show in Duluth was so far away. But every month there was more information in the newsletter to get us excited about what we were going to see. While it was snowing and blowing outside and I was trying to finish up projects to hang in the exhibit, I knew that it would be warm (hopefully) in Duluth in June.

Then one day, it was June, and it was time to make the trek up to Duluth. With great anticipation at what I was about to see, I set the cruise control and didn’t slow down until I saw the exit sign to the DECC. After driving around the parking lot a few times, I found a space on the end (always easier to find the car), gathered up my bags, and went in on.

Overwhelming was the first word I thought of when I saw all of the quilts that were hanging. They were gorgeous, thought-provoking, fun and inspiring. It was great to see some of the groupings, like Broken Dishes quilts, Christmas wall hangings, and picture quilts hanging together. And the Challenge! Just goes to show what the combination of beautiful fabric and talented people can do.

So thank you Claudia Myers, Shirley Kirsch, and crew. You put on another wonderful show, complete with plenty of food (always important), great vendors, beautiful quilts and welcoming hospitality. You overwhelmed us with things to look at, fabric to buy, and fellow quilters to talk to. And I really, really liked the red bag.

We know that the St. Cloud group has already been working hard on the 1998 show. Linda Wines and her group will be putting in a lot of hours in the next year getting ready to show us another good time. I’ve even heard rumors about a garden party, but I’m sure we’ll get more information on that in the coming year.

You may think that that’s the end of the planning, but plans are already being made for the 1999 show. Gwen Lundgren and I have been working with Carolyn Peters for the last year, putting together a terrific list of prospective teachers for the show. Do you have a teacher you really like? Or one that hasn’t been here yet, but you have taken classes from somewhere else? Is there someone’s book you really like, and you would like to have them as a teacher? Please drop a postcard to Judi Smith, 16450 Imperial Circle, Lakeville, MN 55044 and let us know who you would like for a teacher. We will also be passing along the names of any teachers that we aren’t able to use to the 2000 (!) Show committee for their possible use. So send me a postcard today and you might be able to take a class from your favorite teacher in 1999.

Judi

"Birds in the Air" 77" x 85" Raffle Quilt donated to Ring-Around-The-Arts by Galaxie Quilters and Quilting, Etc. by Grandma D

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Be sure to send in your quilt show, exhibit, or contest information to the editor. Send in as soon as you find out your event dates; the deadline for this newsletter is the first day of the month before the newsletter is printed (e.g., Sept. 1 for the October newsletter). Your quilt show or exhibit does NOT have to be MQ sponsored. The only requirement is that it be quilt related.

Garden Quilting
Charlotte Wenger®

Quilting seems to be invading every aspect of our lives. Recently I saw an article entitled "Garden Quilting" in a Better Homes and Gardens® Special Interest Publication entitled Flower Gardening, Summer 1997. I thought I would share this wonderful analogy with Minnesota Quilters. The lead in to the article reads: "Daunted by the prospect of designing a whole garden? Take a tip from quilters, and tackle it one square at a time." The first few paragraphs started thus: "Quilters are on to something. They create their masterpieces, not all at once, but bit by bit, first designing a square, then working that square into a larger whole. Gardeners, too, can apply this downsized view of the world to their yards with the mini (4x4 foot) gardens shown here.

Plop the square of shade-loving plants on the north side of the house where light is low. Squeeze the bird-and-butterfly square into that tiny spot by the garage. Or place the squares side by side for a showy border.

Once you've tried out one or two of the squares shown here, try designing a few of your own. You'll be rewarded with a living quilt of flowers." The article went on to describe various small flower plots using what quilters know best-color, contrast, variety (of flowers or fabric) and background. The names of some of their "Garden Quilt Squares" were "Bird-and-Butterfly Magnet," "Cottage Charm," and "Flower Arranger's Delight." What a wonderful approach to gardening!! Quilt (or garden) on!!

Charlotte
This weekend of rest, relaxation and quilting (top Priority) is great fun for everyone, the experience and not so experienced quilter. It is a weekend to quilt, learn a new skill and meet new people. Plan to visit Gruber's Quilt Shop on Saturday evening for a special night of fun. Please fill out and mail, with a check made payable to Minnesota Quilter's, to:

Margaret Ballinger
11617 Wisconsin Ave. N.
Champlin, MN 55316
(1-612-427-5907 for questions)

Registration will NOT be accepted before September 1, 1997 or after October 1, 1997. (only by mail)

There are beds for 45 people who will stay at the St. Francis Dorm, and 6 people can stay at the retreat house which is on the premises. You may choose to stay Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights, with room and meals for $130.00. Check in on Thursday after 2:00 PM. The Thursday evening meal is NOT provided. Or you may stay Friday and Saturday nights, with room and meals for $87.00 (Friday dinner through Sunday breakfast). Classes are $25.00 for each of the all day classes. Classes meet 8:30 - 11:30 AM and 1 - 4 PM each day. The teachers and classes are:

Sue Stein - Learn to foundation paper piece on this colorful water lily wall hanging pattern by Karen Stone. Kits will be provided for a $20 fee. Machine pieced.

Shirley Krantz - 1930s Sampler (approximately 16' x 16'). Hand piecing and a little appliqué make up this miniature quilt. A chance to learn simple hand piecing, English piecing and appliqué, how to handle seams, templates, stitches, and anything else you wish to know about miniatures. Make all nine blocks or a few. We start with the easiest and progress to the more challenging. Nine blocks in all with pinwheel lattices and borders. Kits will be provided for a $18 fee.

Laura Sahlberg - Interlocking Maze. An interlocking maze is created using strip piecing techniques. One color (or two to give the interlocking effect) are used in conjunction with large prints. This is a great way to use the new scenery fabrics. Machine pieced.

Please register me for the Fall Get-A-Way Weekend.

I would prefer the quiet end of the hall _____ Doesn't matter _____

Roommate (if specified) _____
(There are a few rooms with three single beds)

Thursday, Friday, Saturday room and meals - $130.00 _____
Friday, Saturday room and meals - $87.00 _____
Sue Stein - Water Lily (Friday) Class ($25) _____
Sue Stein - Water Lily (Friday) Kit ($20) _____
Shirley Krantz - 1930s Sampler (Saturday) Class ($25) _____
Shirley Krantz - 1930s Sampler (Saturday) Kit ($18) _____
Laura Sahlberg - Interlocking Maze (Saturday) Class ($25) _____
Laura Sahlberg - Interlocking Maze (Saturday) No kit available.

Total _____

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Confirmation of registration will be sent along with chosen workshop(s), supply lists, map, and other supplies needed for the weekend.
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August Meeting: We will draw for the "Flower Star" block.

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