Jinny Beyer!
Minnesota Quilters is excited about the opportunity to welcome Jinny Beyer as a guest lecturer May 7 and 8. She is visiting us from Great Falls, VA. On May 7, the lecture is titled "Color Confidence." In this lecture, Jinny’s exciting color system will be discussed. Attendees should go away with a feeling of increased confidence in their own ability to put colors together. Her May 8 lecture is titled "Border Basics." This lecture will focus on how border prints can enhance patchwork design and how to plan borders for quilts. For this Lecture Series meeting, we will be at Christ the King Lutheran Church, 1900 7th St. NW, New Brighton. See the map below for directions to the church. The cost for members to attend the lecture is $1, and for non members the cost is $3. Be sure to mark your calendars...you will not want to miss this event!

MQ Board News
BOARD MOTIONS
At the February meeting, the Board voted to fund the following State Fair prizes: First Place, $20. We will match the Fair Premiums for Second and Third Place. First, Second and Third Place winners in the First Quilt category will receive a one year MQ membership. The Sweepstakes and County Sweepstakes winner will receive $50.

For $20, MQ will have a booth at the Stitch-In for Breast Cancer.

The January minutes were amended to change the amount of the Split Rock scholarship donation to $990.

Calendar of Events

MAY
May 7 Evening Meeting, 7 PM
May 8 Day Meeting, 9:30 AM
May 18 Board of Directors Mtg.

JUNE
June 4 Evening Meeting, 7 PM
June 5 Day Meeting, 9:30 AM
June 18-20 MQ Show in St. Cloud
June 29 Board of Directors Mtg.

JULY
No monthly meetings!
July 20 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

If you checked out books in April, they are not due until June because we are meeting away from Machinists' Hall. Repeat. Do not return library books at the Jinny Beyer lectures in May. Wait until the June meetings or mail them to Machinists' Hall.

The Jinny Beyer lectures should be terrific. If you have always wanted to draft your own blocks, try working with her Patchwork Patterns. She uses both folded paper and pencil and paper methods. The directions are clear and many patterns are illustrated. Now you can finally draft that 3" block into a 12" block, or just the reverse. Jinny's books on medallions and color selection are among our most popular books, so take a look yourself next time you are in the library.

It is hard to believe the St. Cloud show is almost here. The final stitches in our projects are finally, at long last, going in. The needed photos have been submitted, and we are starting to assemble all the stuff we need to take along. April has been a busy month; the Breast Cancer Stitch-In and other shows to see. The garden is waiting and migrating birds are returning quickly. There are some great bird patterns in Margaret Rolf's books Go Wild With Quilts and Go Wild With Quilts Again. All straight line piecing, too.

Please continue to volunteer in the library. Volunteers are always appreciated at both the evening & daytime meetings. The past few months have seen several new volunteers at the library. Please continue to volunteer. We always appreciate the effort.

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. If you are unable to return them at the next meeting, please mail them Fourth Class Book Rate to Minnesota Quilters, 1399 Rustic 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 suit 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 Memberships, Renewals, and Changes of Address

Should be sent to: Irene Bjorklund, 2749 Seminary Drive, New Brighton, MN 55112-2576. 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: 0698 means that the membership ends June 1998.

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The next issue of MQ News will be the June/July 1998 issue. The deadline for submitting ads and articles for MQ News is May 1, 1998.

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NOTES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Can you believe it's almost time for the Quilt Show? This past year has gone by so fast. What's the old saying--time flies when you're having fun? I had such a good time putting my quilt together for the Show, but I had to face a hard reality last week--it won't be finished this year. It took me a few days to accept that but now that I have, I feel like such a burden has been lifted that I'm getting all kinds of things accomplished and I'm really enjoying quilting on it. I still plan to have a quilt in the show, I have a wall hanging that I can finish in time, so I don't feel like a total failure. I've been totally involved in our Quilt Show since 1987 so it's just become a natural part of my life. My family accepts the fact that for 4 or 5 days in June--I'm gone--no matter where the show is, I'm there from start to finish. Watching it all come together is so exciting, seeing it all end is so sad, but what happens in between is the best part of my year. If you haven't been involved in the Show before, make the effort, it's more than worth it.

To those of you who work so hard every year, you've made our Show what it is today and we are eternally grateful. We get bigger and better every year and N.Q.A. and A.Q.S. are watching us, cause we're catching up.

Happy Stitching!

Jackie Northrop
MQ President

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Do You Have An Adventurous
Spirit?

The Phipps Center for the Arts in Hudson, WI has agreed to present a contemporary-style quilt exhibit from May 21-June 28 1999. The exhibit committee--Charlene Burningham, Barbara Otto, Norman Steere, and Judy Fletcher--is currently preparing the prospectus for submitting slides of quilts for possible selection for this exhibit. The invitational brochure is available now--send an SASE to Judy Fletcher, 927 Osceola, St. Paul, MN 55105 if you'd like to receive one. All work must be of original design. This is an invitational show, and all quilters are invited to submit slides. The Phipps is a beautiful building, and we'll have use of its galleries, overlook, and commons areas. This is a wonderful opportunity for quilters in our region.

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DreamSacks

The Junior League of Saint Paul Inc. will be hosting a DreamSacks production at the Mall of America's rotunda on July 27 through July 30. DreamSacks are zipperless, buttonless, quilted sleeping bags. They will be made at the Mall of America and later distributed to children in crisis shelters. No sewing experience is required and volunteers of all ages are needed. For additional information regarding the project or to volunteer, please call the Junior League of Saint Paul office at 291-7377.

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May Block
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8" Block (8.5" unfinished)
Please use 100% cotton fabrics
Squares: Medium to dark prints
Triangle Squares: White on muslin
and assorted prints

Submitted by Joanne Holzknecht,
Brooklyn Center, MN
The drawing for this block will be held at the June
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.

Fall 1998 MQ Retreat

Oh Boy! So much is going on in the quilt world, especially for us Minnesotans. We know you are all saving
your pennies for the MQ Show in June. We are so sure you will be inspired and motivated by the show, that you
will want to get started on new projects or perhaps finish up some old ones. The MQ Fall Retreat is the
PERFECT place to do this. Relaxing, non-interrupted days of sewing are food for the mind and body (less sleep
deprivation for those who pull the notorious "ALL-NIGHTER.") The dates are October 8-11, 1998. We hope
you will be there!
Jenni Krosnowski and Carol Jacobson
Bulletin Board

May through September, 1998

THE WHOLE CLOTH is a cooperative effort by the visual arts community to celebrate the summer arrival of QUILT NATIONAL '97 (Collection B), and THE ELEMENTS: Earth, Wind, Fire & Chocolate, from the association of Pacific Northwest Quilters, and RISING TO THE SURFACE, a surface design exhibit to complement QN '97. Call 1-800-767-3489 for a brochure to help you with travel plans.


Come to a "Pieceful" retreat with Klaudeen Hansen in Madison, WI. There are two sessions, both with two days of sewing and instruction, private room, and meals, in a peaceful, serene setting. You can work on the pattern offered, or work on your own project for two days of uninterrupted quilting. LSASE to "Pieceful" Retreat, 900 Woodview Drive, Sun Prairie, WI 53590

June 5-7, 1998

Black Hills Quilters Guild 24th annual quilt show at the South Dakota School of Mines, Subreek Center Ballroom, 501 East St. Joe St, Rapid City, SD. Show begins 9 AM on Friday, June 5 and ends 5 PM on Sunday, June 7. Classes and vendors. LSASE to BHQC, P.O. Box 2495, Rapid City, 57709 or call Carol Doyle at (605)342-4126.

June 12-14, 1998

Lincoln Quilters Guild and the Mad Doll Makers present their show, The Enchanted Forest. The show runs 9-5 daily at the John Lux Middle School in Lincoln, Nebraska. There will be over 200 quilts and 150 dolls, special displays, the Woodland Shoppe, a quilt and doll auction, and a raffle quilt. LSASE to Kathi Kinnaman, 4830 Starling Drive, Lincoln, NE 68516. (402)488-4295.

June 13-26, 1998

The Ninth Annual Quilt/Surface Design Symposium and the Fabric '98 Juried Exhibition will be held on the Campus of The Pontifical College Josephinum in Columbus, OH. The symposium will offer more than 25 classes in a wide variety of quilting and surface design subjects. For more info, send a large SASE with 2 first class stamps to: Linda Fowler, 464 Vermont Place, Columbus, OH 43201. The Fabric '98 Juried Exhibition is a competition whose purpose is to encourage the production of unusual fabrics designed specifically for quilt makers. For entry forms, send a large SASE with 2 first class stamps to: FABRIC '98, 10545 Snyder Church Road, Baltimore, OH 43105.

June 19-20, 1998

The East Ooterra Historical Society will be sponsoring its 11th Annual Quilt Competition and Show at Pioneer Village, 1 mile north on county road #8 in Perham, MN. LSASE to Linda Boedigheimer, 112-2nd Ave, SW, Perham MN 56573, or call (218) 346-7272 (work) (218) 346-2537 (home)

June 27-28, 1998

Piecemakers' Heritage Days Quilt show, Saturday 10-5, Sunday 12-4. Sacred Heart School Gym, 617 NW 3rd Ave, Faribault, MN. Antique and new quilts, quilt raffle, small quilt auction, demos and door prizes. Admission $2.50, no strollers. Contact person: Marjene Smith, 632 SW 5th Ave, Faribault, MN 55021. Phone: (507)334-7140

July 11, 1998

Annual Quilt Show and Auction at Luther Crest Bible Camp, 8321 Co. Rd 11 NE, Alexandria, MN. Over 100 hand and tied quilts to be sold. Quilt Review and craft show: 10 AM, Lunch at 11:15 AM, Auction at 12:30 PM. Contact Kathy Norum, 346 Birchwood Rd NW, Alexandria, MN 56308. (218)846-1325

July 24-25, 1998

Mennonite Quilts and Handmade Furniture Auctions. Get something for yourself and feed the hungry!!! 2 Auction Blocks going at the same time. Booths: Woodcraft, Needle and Handwork, Ten Thousand Village (Third World Crafts), Native American Crafts, Baked Goods, Ethnic Foods--Verehike, Pluma Mos Pie (apple, peach, gooseberry, mulberry, rhubarb), Zwieback, Peppernuts, Perishiki, Noodles, Jams and Jellies, activities for kids. For more information go to Mennonite Central Committee (MCC). All expenses from the sale are paid for by special fund raising projects. Friday, July 24, 4-10 PM, Saturday, July 25-7 AM, to 3 PM. Sioux Falls Arena, I-29, Exit 81, Sioux Falls, South Dakota

August 4-6, 1998

The Redwood Area Quilters present their Farmfest Quilt Show. The show runs 9 AM to 5 PM on the 4th and 5th, and 9 AM to 4 PM on the 6th. It is at Farmfest '98, located on the Gilfillan estate between Redwood Falls and Morgan, MN. Contact Maureen Oland, 105 E. Bridge St, Redwood Falls, MN 56283-2607 with a LSASE for more information.

August 7-9, 1998

The 1998 Great Pacific Northwest Quilt Show, produced by the non-profit Association of Pacific Northwest Quilters, will be presented in Seattle, Washington. The juried and judged international exhibition will showcase approximately 250 premier quilts and wearable art pieces stitched by quilters from Alaska, Idaho, Montana, Oregon, and Washington in the United States, and from Alberta, British Columbia and the Yukon Territory in Canada. The entry deadline is April 10, 1998. For more information, contact Jill Christenson at (206) 622-2826

September 19-20, 1998

Autumnfest Quilt Show and Classes will be held at the Lac Court Oreilles Casino Lodge & Convention Center Hayward, WI. LSASE to: Ann Degan, 7759 N. Wilkie Rd, Hayward, WI 54843 (715) 634-3336

September 19-20, 1998

The Apple River Quilt Guild is having their 8th annual Quilt Show at the First Lutheran Church, 240 Elm St, Amery WI, on Saturday, September 19 from 9 AM to 5 PM and Sunday, September 20 from 12 noon to 4 PM. There is a $1 admission charge. The show includes merchants and three raffle quits and is held in conjunctions with the Amery Fall Festival. For information, call (715) 268-7866.

October 3, 5-7, 8, 1998

Redwood Area Quilters present their 8th annual Quilt show at Gilwood Haven, 219 South Mill St, Redwood Falls, MN. Show times are Oct. 3, 9 AM to 4 PM, Oct. 5-7 11 AM to 3 PM, and Oct. 8 11 AM to 6 PM. LSASE to: Sharon Monahan, 308 Lake Drive, Redwood Falls, MN 56283-1528

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., April 1 for the May newsletter). Your quilt show or exhibit does NOT have to be MQ sponsored. The only requirement is that it be quilt related.
Time and time again
May 1998- Judi Smith

How many Packer fans does it take to change a light bulb? Two. One to pop the top on the Miller’s, and one to call the electrician.

When I was down at my parents’ house at Christmas last year, I was filling up water glasses for dinner. My parents have one of those fancy refrigerators with water and ice in the door, so I was holding the glasses up to the door, attempting to fill them. It seemed to take forever, the water was going so slowly.

"Mom," I said, "what’s wrong with the refrigerator?"

"The water softener is running," came the reply.

"Why is the water softener running at 1:00 in the afternoon?" I replied.

"Because the electricity went out."

I pondered that answer for a few minutes, and then had to ask the question, "What does that have to do with the water softener running at 1:00 in the afternoon?"

She gave me that look that mothers give you even though you haven’t lived at home for over half your life and said, "The electricity went out one night. It shut off the timer on the water softener. Your father doesn’t know how to change the time. We’re waiting for Derek (my nephew) to come over and change the time so it works again right."

It all made sense then. This is the same nephew who comes over after every electrical outage and changes the time on the VCR so it doesn’t blink 12:00 anymore. He just hadn’t gotten around to changing the time on the water softener.

A few days after Christmas I’m doing laundry and while a load is going around in the dryer, it starts making a screeching noise. I was happily sewing up in my quilting room two floors away and didn’t hear anything until I went downstairs to get the clothes out of the dryer. Instead of my clothes turning merrily in the dryer, I found them in a wet heap in the basket and my dryer in pieces on the floor.

"What happened here?" I asked with the how-much-is-it-going-to-cost-me voice.

"Your dryer was making noise and I took it apart to see what was wrong," my husband replied with a look similar to the one my mother had given me a few days before.

So he finished taking apart my dryer, found it needed a new belt, called around to find one and picked it up (this whole process took about a week). He brought it back home and threaded it through the pulleys. He put the dryer back together and announced that the dryer was cured and would again work. Not meaning to be a skeptic, but wanting to make sure it worked before I washed another load of clothes that would have to hang all over the basement to dry, I put a couple of dirty towels in the dryer and pressed the start button. Nothing happened. So he took the dryer apart again and tried to figure out the problem. While we were doing that I went upstairs, got out the local phone book and called the nearest repair service. A gentleman was at my house within 15 minutes. He quickly re-threaded the belt and had the dryer working in five minutes. I wrote out the check for $22.00 and considered it well worth the money.

That’s when I realized that Gwen was right. I had married my father!

Judi

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A Garden of Quilts  
June 18-20 1998  
Saint Cloud MN

**CHALLENGE**

Are your Challenge projects finished and ready to turn in? Remember that those who turn in their projects at or before the April and May meetings will be eligible for the drawings for 10 fat quarters. The last turn in date to be eligible for the Grand, First and Second prizes will be June 10, 1998. After this date any projects turned in will be eligible for the Viewers’ Choice Award. Projects may be turned in at the MQ meetings to Shelley Zbikowski or any show committee member. Entries may also be mailed to Shelley at 9021 Shannon Lane, Corcoran, MN 55340. Any questions, contact Shelley at 612-420-2177.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

There are lots of openings left for Quilt Watching (White Glove Ladies) for afternoons on THURSDAY, FRIDAY, & SATURDAY. Also, helpers are needed for takedown on Saturday from 5 to 7 PM. For every two hour shift you volunteer, your name will go into a drawing for fabric and a PFAFF sewing machine. Also, all volunteers receive a special volunteer pin. Please call or write to Faye Bodenhamer, 7868 Lois Lane, Lino Lakes, MN 55014, phone (612) 784-4501.

**CLASS CLOSINGS**

The following classes are now closed:

**Thursday - All Day**
1031 - Perfectly Charming Scrap Quilts (Doreen Burbank)
1081 - Paper Piecing Tricks of the Trade (Carol Doak)
1101 - Machine Quilt as You Go (Beth Donaldson)
1281 - In Bloom Sampler (Gabrielle Swain)
1291 - Landscapes, Seascapes, and Farms; Making a Pictorial Quilt (Carol Wagner)
1301 - Curves On The Whole (Joen Wolfrom)

**Thursday - Morning**
1142 - A Celebration of Cats (Nancy Johnson-Srebro)
1222 - Blind Appliqué (Maurine Noble)
1242 - Beautiful Borders (Paulette Peters)
1252 - How to Improve Your Quilting Stitch (Ami Simms)

**Thursday - Afternoon**
1143 - Stars at an Angle (Nancy Johnson-Srebro)
1253 - How to Improve Your Quilting Stitch (Ami Simms)

**Thursday - Evening**
1014 - Classic Machine Cutwork (Jennifer Amor)
1044 - Organization Workshop (Christal Carter)
1054 - Fabric Selection for Scrap Quilts (Darlene Christopherson)
1074 - Grandma’s Quilting Stitch (Nancy Brenan Daniel)
1204 - New Labels (Sara Nephew)
1214 - Detecting the Date (Sharon Newman)
CLASS CLOSINGS, continued

Friday - All Day
2061 - Crazy Quilts (Pat Cox)
2091 - Op-Art Illusions (Marilyn Doheny-Smith)
2121 - The Celtic Tree (Donna Harjes)
2141 - Mini Sampler Explosion (Nancy Johnson-Srebro)
2181 - Strips that Sizzle! (Margaret Miller)
2221 - Machine Quilting Made Easy (Maurine Noble)
2261 - Strip Pieced Watercolor Magic II (Deanna Spingola)
2305 - The Visual Dance (Joen Wolfrom - Friday/Saturday 2 Day)

Friday - Morning
2082 - Hand Quilting Tricks of the Trade (Carol Doak)
2132 - Northern Lights (Sharon Hultgren)
2162 - Appliqué Borders: An Added Grace (Jeana Kimball)
2292 - Hawaiian Appliqué/Quilting (Carol Wagner)

Friday - Afternoon
2102 - Drafting Made Easy (Beth Donaldson)
2163 - Hand Quilting: What and How To Quilt (Jeana Kimball)

Saturday - All Day
3221 - Machine Quilting With Decorative Threads (Maurine Noble)

Saturday - Morning
3142 - Rotary Cutting - Measure the Possibilities (Nancy Johnson-Srebro)
3162 - 19th Century Scrap Bag Quilts (Jeana Kimball)
3292 - Sashiko - Japanese Decorative Stitching (Carol Wagner)

Saturday - Afternoon
3073 - Frontier Quilts - Mission Lodge Style (Nancy Brenan Daniel)
3253 - Invisible Appliqué (Ami Simms)

In addition, the Banquet is closed.
Pinetree Patchworkers Present "Down The Garden Path"

Walk down the garden path with us and you will discover colors, designs, ideas, inspiration, textures, beauty... The garden is a peaceful, calming place where one can reflect on the beauty of the world around her. As quilters, we look to Mother Nature for inspiration. A simple idea will grow and blossom into something quite wonderful in the hands of a creative quilter. Quilts, no matter how simple or complex, are expressions of ourselves. We hope you will be inspired as you stroll with us "Down The Garden Path."

You are cordially invited to the Pinetree Patchworkers Ninth Biennial Quilt Show on June 12 and 13, 1998. Get inspired for the MN Quilt Show the following week! "Down The Garden Path" will be held at the Brainerd High School at 702 South Fifth Street, Brainerd, MN. Hours are 10-8 on Friday and 10-4 on Saturday. Many beautiful quilts will be displayed by category including garden theme quilts, miniatures, Folk Art, watercolor, landscapes, baby/juvenille, holiday themes, antique quilts and more. Stop by the Small Quilt Silent Auction and make a bid on a wall hanging - who knows, you may take it home! Once you get inspired by the beautiful quilts, you will want to check out our Merchant Mall to satisfy your urge to buy more fabric and patterns.

You won't be able to miss our impressive raffle quilt, "A Trip Around The Garden." This Trip Around The World pattern is done in hand-dyed fabrics and floral prints. The gradations of blues and greens provide the background for a vine of hand-appliqued flowers, also using hand-dyed fabrics. The result is simply stunning and you will want to purchase a few postcards to send to friends or keep for yourself. Raffle tickets are only $1, so buy a bunch to increase your chances!

A new and exciting addition to our show is daily classes. There are a wide variety of subjects for all levels of quilters, dollmakers and crafters. Classes are very reasonably priced and will be open to non-members on April 1. For a complete listing, send a LSASE to Cindy Grotzke, 2231 Excelsior Road North, Baxter, MN 56425 or call (218) 828-1533. Some class sizes are limited so register soon. Demonstrations will also be on-going during both days of the show, so you are bound to learn something during your visit!

All this, refreshments, and no admission fee. A perfect way to start your summer! If you have questions about the show, contact Karla Overland, 1731 Graydon Avenue, Brainerd, MN 56401 or Email: karla@russlerder.com.

The Pinetree Patchworkers Quilt Club has been in existence since September 1980. We welcome and invite all quilt enthusiasts of all skill levels to join us. Community service projects include donating placemats for Meals on Wheels, quilts for Habitat for Humanity and Crow Wing County Child Protection Team, quilt books for the local library and funding for quilt shows on public television. Our regular meeting is held on the second Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m. at the Brainerd Public Library. An informal working meeting, for the purpose of working on group and individual projects, is held on the third Tuesday of the month at 9:00 a.m. at the Presbyterian Church Hall. Membership dues for one year are $10. This includes a bi-monthly newsletter, access to the club library, and demonstrations or hands-on instruction at our regular meetings by club members or invited guests.

CLASSIFIEDS


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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!

Just so you can get a head start, we have found out Jane Shattuck’s preferences for her President’s blocks. Jane’s guidelines are:
1) Any size.
2) White background.
3) Use red and purple.
4) Jane prefers appliqué, but any technique is fine.

QUILTING NEWS AND NOTES. . .

ADOPT-A-QUILT REQUEST

MQ has received a request from the University of Nebraska Foundation that we adopt a quilt from the James collection recently acquired. The board would like the membership to vote on this proposal at the June meeting. In April of 1997, Robert and Ardis James donated 950 antique and contemporary quilts from their collection. This collection is one of the largest and most comprehensive in the world and features quilts dating from the 1700’s to 1992 from the United States, Europe and Japan.

The University of Nebraska Foundation is seeking an additional $2 million to develop the International Quilt Study Center. The Adopt-A-Quilt Program has been created to directly involve supporters of the quilting world in the development of the Center.

There are three levels available for those wishing to adopt a quilt. They are: Silver--$200 a year for 5 years or $1000 outright, Bronze--$100 a year for 5 years or $500 outright, and Pewter, $50 a year for 5 years or $250 outright. Benefits of sponsorship include a picture, description, and history of a selected quilt and collection exhibition announcements.

Tours of the collection will be offered by appointment, for small groups of 10-12 people and can be scheduled by calling 402-472-6342. If you have any additional questions, feel free to call Rachelle Humiston at 402-472-2151 or visit their web site at http://ianrwww.unl.edu/ianr/tcd/gallery/quilts.htm.

Guild Directory

MQ is updating the regional circles and guilds list (the data submitted last year was lost). Your group does not have to belong to Minnesota Quilters, as this list is to promote quilting and related activities throughout the state. The group does need to have open membership. The updated list will appear in the next Minnesota Quilters directory.

* Deadline for mailing your information is July 15.
* Mail information to Sue Rutford, 5085 Morehead Ave, White Bear Lake, MN 55110

Group Name:

City:

Meeting Date(s) and Time(s):

Contact Person (Name, Address, Phone):
BLOCK OF THE MONTH

At the May meeting, we will draw for the "Scotty Dog" block.

CONGRATULATIONS!!
Two people divided the 62 "True Blue" blocks entered for the drawing at the March meeting. They were Glendia Faulkerson and Joanne Holzknecht. Thanks to the 31 participants! Please join us in the block of the month drawing. See page 4 for the next block and how to become a winner!