From the Day Directors
Welcome to all the new members that have joined since the Rochester Quilt Show.

For our October meeting we'll have lecturer Faye Labanaris, who specializes in dimensional appliqué. Her "quilts with a view" are breathtaking. For more information about Faye, see the lecture series article.

The Mystery Quilt is starting. See the first set of instructions on page 13. The vendor for the meeting is Quilts by the Falls. They will have packets available for this mystery project.

Tinkerville, in September, was well received by the members. The demonstrations were enlightening with both the new tools on the market and, as well, those that we have but forget how to use. Thank you Nancy, Elaine, Jolene, Leigh, and Rita for sharing. A special thank you to Joanne Holzknecht for demonstrating the Easy Angle, her favorite tool and frequently used in the Block of the Month.

A special thank you goes to Martha Eaves and Doris Kramer, the Co-Day Directors-Elect for keeping the treats and coffee flowing at the morning meeting. Those who volunteer to bring the treats and/or help at the meeting have their time recorded. When eight hours of volunteer time are accrued, individuals will receive an Angel pin.

Show & Tell is an important part of our meeting. We are asking that you sign in for this. It is our way of keeping track and of giving recognition to those who participate.

Calendar of Events

OCTOBER
October 5 Evening Meeting, 7 PM
October 5 MQ? Meeting 5:15 PM
October 6 Day Meeting, 9:30 AM
October 30 Board of Directors Mtg.

NOVEMBER
November 2 Evening Meeting, 7 PM
November 3 Day Meeting, 9:30 AM
November 27 Board of Directors Mtg.

DECEMBER
December 7 Holiday Party, 6:30 PM
December 8 Holiday Party, 8:30 AM
December 18 Board of Directors Mtg.

Both GENERAL MEETINGS and LECTURE SERIES meetings are free for members, $2.00 for non-members.

ATTENTION QUILT BOOK LOVERS
We need your help to catalog and automate our quilt library. No library or computer experience necessary!

On Thursday, October 5 and Friday, October 6 we are asking for a group of volunteers to come before the night meeting or stay after the day meeting to begin the process of organizing our library collection. There will be a simple form to fill out for each book, and Laura Nagel (librarian by day, quilter by night) will train the volunteers. We would like to have 10-12 people for each day.

Thursday hours: 3:00-6:00, Friday hours: 12:00-3:00, MQ will provide a light supper on Thursday and lunch on Friday for the crew. Please call Laura if you can help on this first phase at 952-997-6630 and leave a message with your name and phone number.

OCTOBER LECTURE SERIES
No tricks, only a treat in store for MQ members who attend one or both of the October Lecture series programs by Faye Labanaris.

On Thursday evening, Faye will explain the History and Mystery of the Hawaiian Kapa. Hawaiian quilting is one of her passions and you will learn about the history, philosophy, mystery and romance of this beautiful and unique form of quilting through slides and quilts.

Friday morning sit back with your cup of coffee and enjoy Quilts with a View-A Fabric Adventure Trunk Show. Based on her recently published book of the same name, Faye will show us intriguing and innovative ways to look at the fabric's design and create one-of-a-kind beauties. This concept will appeal to the fabric lover in all of us! After this presentation you'll never look at fabric the same way again. (No slides, just lots of quilts!)

Faye is the author of two books from AQS: Blossoms by the Sea, 1996, and Quilts with a View, 1998. She is an appliqué artist and you may have seen some of her work in Elly Sienkiewicz's Baltimore appliqué books. In addition to her writing, quilting, and international teaching schedule, Faye was selected as one of C&T Publishing's National Honored Teachers of the Year, several of her quilts have been national prize winners, and she has been the winner of the Great American Quilt Festival for New Hampshire twice.

It will be a pleasure to welcome Faye Labanaris as our guest lecturer in October.
Laura Nagel
Lecture Series Chair

If you know of any members who have had a death in the family or are ill, please call the Corresponding Secretary (Anne MacLennan, 612-522-4864, or email annthemac@yahoo.com) so that Minnesota Quilters can send a card. Thank you from the MQ Board.
Library Lines

Help us with library cataloguing. See the article on the first page. Please return those past due books!

One book may be checked out until the next meeting at Machinists Hall. This is a temporary situation until the library is catalogued. 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 Eustis Street, St. Paul, MN 55108. 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.

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. 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.

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Should be sent to: Karen O'Brien at 1125 Sherren St., Roseville, MN 55113. 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: 1100 means that your membership ends November 2000. Membership is $20.

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Business card size ad (3" by 2.5") is $15 per month, plus $5 per additional inch of length. Classified ad is $5 for 3 lines. All ads must be composed by editor, there will be an additional $10 charge. Make checks payable to Minnesota Quilters, Inc. No ads will be included in the newsletter unless they are accompanied by full payment with the order and handwritten, typed or computer output copy. All ads must be received by the newsletter editor, Sue Rutford, 5085 Morehead Avenue, White Bear Lake, MN 55110, by dates posted below.

The next issue of MQ News will be the November 2000 issue. The deadline for submitting ads and articles for MQ News is October 1, 2000.
NOTES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Fall is here and days are getting shorter. I am busy trying to get my tomatoes canned, get the boy back to school, keep my husband on task doing his chores before winter (fishing) and I am almost looking forward to those days when you "can't" do anything outdoors. The cobwebs in my sewing room testify to the fact that I am not getting much done in there and I may have to use them as decorations soon. My mother has always suggested throwing glitter onto the cobwebs.............you know, it just might work!

I know this is a busy time for all of you too but don't get so busy that you stop doing what you love. Quilting by yourself or with friends is such a satisfying pastime and wonderful way to play. We give ourselves permission to be exuberant about our colors, fabrics and friends and all those chores we have to do get done quicker when we have something to look forward to. So, be good to yourselves, work hard, play hard, kick some leaves and keep on quilting!

Happy Fall!

Susan MacLennan

October Block of the Month
"Jack in the Box"
12" Block (12.5" unfinished)
Please use 100% cotton fabrics.
Fabrics: Background--White on muslin

☑ Dark print of your choice
☑ Light print from the same color family

Pattern: Submitted by Joanne Holzknecht.
The drawing for this block will be held at the November daytime meeting.
• Add seam allowance to templates.
• Occasionally, printing distorts pattern pieces, please check for accuracy before marking!
• Print Name/Address, attach to back side 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.
  email: sewsewjo@spacestar.net
September Evening Meeting Show and Tell
The following gals presented Show 'N Tell. Once again, we thank those that have shared their accomplishments and treasures with us.

Carol Wagner, Roseville - Two small landscapes
Gayle Mundstock, St. Paul - Jumper (a truly lovely model!)
Dori Pierce, Anoka - Basket quilt and wall hanging and 9 patch
Elizabeth Pim & Kathy Ferry, Brooklyn Park and St. Paul - Baby quilt and the baby who received the quilt
Merie Kirby, South Minneapolis - First appliqué quilt top
Jennifer Burman, Oakdale - Baby quilt
Doris Bringold, South St. Paul - Quilt bag
Eileen Berg, Maplewood - Heavenly angel & crosses lace quilt
Marcy Luedtke, Roseville - Quilted jacket
Sandra Brekke, Minneapolis - Quilt made by 84 year old blind aunt
Gini Corrick, Minneapolis - Wall quilt collage
Paulette Marino, Minnetonka - Teddy Bear Baby Quilt
Karen O'Brien, Roseville - Antique churn dash

All of the work was great and we look forward more Show 'N Tell in the future. Don't forget to think about showing your wonderful pieces at Show 'N Tell and exhibiting your work in the MQ Quilt Show in Duluth, MN.

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Grab your partner, hold onto your hat and ride off to the 3rd annual

WILD WEST SHOP HOP

November 9, 10 & 11, 2000
Grand prizes - instant winner drawings -
- new Terry Atkinson quilt pattern -
-Trunk shows - Demos
-tote bags - surprises -
Hours: 9am - 8pm

Seven participating shops:
Aunt Annie's Quilts & Silks - Avon, Lady of the Lake - Buffalo
Grubers Quilt Shop - Waite Park, Quilted Treasures - Rogers
Country Treasures - Princeton, The Pine Cellar - Richmond
Cottage Quilts & Fabrics - Elk River

Come see the seven unique quilts that reflect the seven different shops in this western hop. These quilts are featured in Terry Atkinson's newest book, "Minnesota Hot Dish" available in October 2000.
Bulletin Board

Now through October 22, 2000

Women of Taste: A Collaboration Celebrating Quilt Artists and Chefs. A national search solicited culinary and fiber artists for this project, in which each chef was paired with a quiltermaker. The individual pairs collaborated to express their personal and professional ideas about food, careers, family, and creativity. Gallery hours: 11 AM-4 PM Tuesday and Wednesday, 11 AM-7:30 PM Thursday, 11 AM-4 PM Friday and Saturday, 1-5 PM Sunday; through Oct. 22; Second Floor Gallery, Landmark Center, 75 W. Fifth St., St. Paul; free; (651) 292-4355.

September 23-28, 2000
Redwood Area Quilters 10th Annual Quilt Show will be at Gilwood Haven, 219 South Mill Street, Redwood Falls, MN. Hours: Sept. 23-9 AM to 4 PM, Sept. 25 through 27-11 AM to 3 PM, Sept. 28-11 AM to 6 PM. Contact: Sharen Monahan, 308 Lake Drive, Redwood Falls MN 56283-1528.

September 29-October 1, 2000
The second annual Central Kansas Shop Hop, with 11 participating shops, will again feature drawings for prizes, trunk shows, demos, and patterns with fabric kits for this year’s shop hop quilt. For more info, call Debra Enns at the Quilt Barn, (316)654-3400 or email at qbarn@midusa.net.

October 5-7, 2000
Black Hills Quilters Guild Retreat at St. Martin’s Monastery in Rapid City, SD. The featured teacher will be Philomena Durcan of the Celtic Design Company. Other classes will be taught by Pattie Black, JoAnn Stearns, Cynthia Saunders, and Kim Ellis. The cost of the retreat is $150, which includes two nights lodging, five meals, snacks and your choice of two classes. For more information, call Roxene Powell at 605-342-0776 or Peggy Titze at 605-342-3242 or visit the website at www.rapidnet/com/bqquilts.

October 7-8, 2000
"Connecting the Centuries," a quilt show sponsored by the Mixed Sampler Quilt Guild of Frederic, WI, will be held at the Frederic 6-12 School, 1437 Clam Falls Drive. There will be vendors, a silent auction, raffle quilt, and challenge quilt display. Contact Bev Johnson, 7357 Alder St. E., Webster, WI 54893 for more information.

October 14-15, 2000
Historic Stillwater Quilt Show will be presented by the Thursday Evening Courthouse Quilters at the Stillwater National Guard Armory, 107 E. Chestnut St., Stillwater, MN. Admission $2, show hours Saturday 10-5, Sunday 11-4. For more information, send a SASE to Judy Symalla, 1316 Sunny Slope Lane, Stillwater, MN 55082, jsymalla@ix.netcom.com or visit our web site: www.angelfire.com/mn2/ quilt

October 14-15, 2000
Thread Benders Quilt Guild presents their 10th annual Quilt & Trunk show at the Marshall Area Senior Center, 107 S. 4th St, Marshall, MN. Show hours are 9:30 AM to 4 PM on Saturday, Noon to 4 PM on Sunday. Admission is $2. There will be a trunk show of "Family Quilts" by Emma Hennen on the 14th (note date correction from the August newsletter!) at 10 AM and 2 PM. Refreshments, prizes, and raffle. For more information, please call Catherine Verkinderen at (507)532-6069.

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Exhibits & Workshops
"Garden Gossip: The Work Of Diana Swim-Wessel" Oct. 2—Nov. 3
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New Workshop from Nancy Eha Winner of the Jewel Pearce Patterson Scholarship Award for Teachers of Excellence "Japanese Scroll With Beaded Sashiko And Dragonfly" Nov. 3 & 12

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DOREEN SPECKMANN SCHOLARSHIP FOR BEGINNING QUILTERS

Doreen Speckmann loved to inspire new quilters. Her classes were always geared for the beginning or intermediate student. We offer this scholarship in Doreen's name to continue her primary focus—encouraging all quilters, but especially the newly interested.

This scholarship, which consists of two free 6 hour classes, three lectures, a hotel room for four nights, one banquet ticket, one Fashion Show ticket and all Registration costs, will be awarded for use at the 2001 Minnesota Quilters Show and Conference, held in Duluth, Minnesota. The recipient will be decided upon by the Minnesota Quilters Board of Directors and announced before January 1st, 2001.

Entry Rules
1. You must be a beginning quilter—i.e.; have quilted for not more than two years, have started not more than three large quilts or four wall hangings.
2. You must write an essay of approximately 2,000 words of what you would like to learn with our scholarship and what quilting means to you.
3. Please submit dated photos of two of your quilts or wall hangings, with a description of each. They need not be finished.
4. Mail your essay, with photos and your name, address and telephone number, to be received no later than November 15th, 2000 to-
   Claudia C. Myers
   5715 Jean Duluth Road
   Duluth, MN  55803

All entrants will receive two free lecture tickets.

Meeting Highlights

Upcoming MQ meetings:
October 5 & 6--Mystery Quilt begins, Lecture Series meeting with Faye Labanaris
November 2 & 3--School House, featuring Copyrights, Behind the scenes of MQ, Preparation of a quilt show, and Publishing a pattern or book.
December 7 & 8--Holiday Party
January 3 & 4--Preview of the 2001 show
February 1 & 2--Lecture Series meeting, speaker TBA
March 1 & 2--Susan Cleveland
April 5 & 6--MQ Birthday party, Lecture Series meeting with Heidi Kaisand
May 3 & 4--Mystery Quilt revealed, Show and Tell related to mystery quilts
June--No Meeting
July 5 & 6--Business Meeting, introduction of 2001-02 Board.

Mark Your Calendar
JOIN YOUR MINNESOTA QUILTER FRIENDS AT A
HOMESPUN HOLIDAY BRUNCH

On
Friday, December 8, 2000
8:30 a.m.
OLSON CAMPUS CENTER—LUTHER SEMINARY

MENU
Baked Omelet
Sausage
Fruit Salad
Assorted Pastries
Beverage
   Juice
   Milk
   Coffee
   Tea

Registration deadline is November 16.  Cost $12

Ornament and block exchange

Reservation deadline November 16

Name____________________________________

MQ Number________________________________

Please make check for $12 payable to: MINNESOTA QUILTERS

Leave form and payment at the November meeting or
Send this form with your payment to: Betty Emerson
                                  1903 Furness Street
                                  St. Paul, MN  55109
Join Minnesota Quilters for a Festive Holiday Dinner!

Evening Meeting—6:30 PM
December 7, 2000
Olson Campus Center - Luther Seminary

Menu

Entrée: (Stuffed Chicken Breast, Roast Sirloin of Beef, or Roasted Vegetables with Pasta)

Served with: Caesar Salad, Potato, Vegetable, Bread, Dessert, Choice of Beverage

COST: $16.00
Reservations Due by November 16, 2000

Please Print Carefully
Reservation Deadline — November 16, 2000

Name: _______________________________ MQ # ________________

Please indicate your dinner choice:

□ Stuffed Chicken Breast □ Roast Sirloin of Beef □ Roasted Vegetables w/ Pasta

Please make check for $16.00, payable to: MINNESOTA QUILTERS
Send this form, with your payment to: Carolyn V. Peters, 1640 Quail Ridge Circle, Woodbury, MN 55125-8835
THE COMPUTERIZED QUILTER
By Cindy Thury Smith ©2000

Have you ever wanted to study quilts, to have an overall idea of the history of quilts, how they've changed, adapted, evolved? When I attended this year's Crazy Quilt Conference in Omaha, NE I was lucky enough to enroll in a field trip to visit the International Quilt Study Center at the University of Nebraska at Lincoln.

This Center was established in April 1997, with the gift of more than 900 antique and contemporary art quilts from Ardis and Robert James. The Center has since increased their collection to become the world's largest publicly-owned collection with quilts dating from the late 1700s to the 1990s. Visitors and groups can view the Center's state-of-the-art storage facility by calling ahead to make an appointment and see exhibitions in their quilt display space. While I was there the exhibit was "Expressions of Freedom: Quilts Celebrating Human Rights," a very nice contemporary exhibit with lots of embellished quilts. Visitors are encouraged to call ahead (402-472-6301) to schedule a tour. Ms. Carolyn Ducey, Curator of the International Quilt Study Center, gave us our tour. Ms. Ducey told us about a unique upcoming opportunity: a Summer 2001 course entitled "History of Quilts," which will be offered by Distance Education (via the Internet). The Professor teaching this upcoming class is Patricia Crews. Videotaped lectures will be mailed to students for viewing prior to once-a-week telephone discussions of the lectures and assigned readings via conference call.

The lectures will be given by top scholars in the field including Virginia Gunn, Jennifer Goldsborough, Jonathan Holstein, Janet Berlo and Dorothy Osler. Registration information regarding this course will be posted on their website (www.ianr.unl.edu/quiltstudy) in early October. UNL also offers one-week seminars and workshops each summer (information on these is at the above mentioned website). The University of Nebraska/Lincoln hopes to develop a full Master's program in quilt studies for distance delivery within the next five years.

Another unique opportunity UNL offers us quilters is their "Adopt-A-Quilt" program. Ms. Ducey explained to us the maintenance involved in quilt storage. Of course this maintenance, periodic examinations, cataloging, obtaining the quilt's history, photographing, etc., costs money. Individual quilters or quilt guilds can participate by donating money to "adopt" a quilt. The Center provides information on how your money is being used for which individual quilt (you can choose to "adopt" an antique quilt or an art quilt). Varying scales on contributions are provided, starting at $250.00 ($50.00 a year for 5 years).

For more information on the International Quilt Study Center or to sign up for their Quilt-of-the-Month program (highlighting one quilt from their collection each month plus current events at the Center) you can contact their website (URL given above) and sign up for their newsletter. If you will be passing by Lincoln, NE (it's only a day's drive from MN!) you'll want to stop in and see this national collection.

Another source for distance education on quiltmaking is a visit to Quilt University at http://www.quiltuniversity.com. This is an online classroom for quilters--yes, you can take a quilting class while in your fluffy slippers and you never leave a fabric behind because you're learning in your own home.

As the 21st century rolls on I'm sure more on-line educational opportunities for quilters will become available. Let's grab them while we can and live long and sew many quilts.

NOTE: Last month's column discussed organizing one's fabric stash and sewing room. I didn't have much luck locating URLs for you. Well, I've found a good one now. HGTV has a site, Organized Home, with a section specifically on sewing rooms; http://www.organizedhome.com/organized/sewroom.shtml. Good sewing!
Quilt Show or Bust!

It was my sister Glendia’s idea to take my husband’s red Mazda Miata convertible to the Rochester quilt show. What a sight! Two middle-aged quilters cruising down Highway 52 in our hot car. Larry, my husband, with good intentions decided to have the oil changed the day before we left. Well, the technician at the unnamed oil change place didn’t tighten the oil pan plug (I guess it’s called that.) Unknown to us quilters, the Miata dripped oil all the way down to Rochester. We made a pit stop at J.C.’s Connoco in Oronoco, only to walk out to a large pool of oil beneath the Miata. Panic and four-letter words colored the air around J.C.’s. Glendia had to be at Mary Ellen Hopkins’ workshop at 8 AM and it was 7:40 AM. I called Larry and could only leave a message. The folks at J.C.’s recommended Virgil’s, “Just 8 miles down the highway.” It might have well have been 1,000 miles as our spirits sunk. We settled in at J.C.’s for another cup of coffee, but the quilters’ juices were flowing. I said to Glendia, “Just walk out to the highway with a sign, ‘Quilt Show,’ and you will get a ride in a minute.” Well, Glendia didn’t get any farther than the gas pumps. The woman pumping gas was heading toward the Government Center, just across the street from the Civic Center. So Glendia abandoned her dear sister at J.C.’s Connoco, and hitched a ride to the Civic Center. She gave me a big hug and said, “I hate to leave you.” I thought, “I’ll bet!” Our mother always taught us NEVER to hitchhike, but Mom is a quilter too, so she would understand! We agreed to meet at noon at the Volunteers’ table. I was content to arrive at noon, at best. Virgil’s tow truck arrived at J.C.’s at 8:30 AM. Thad hooked up the red Miata, and off I went with Thad in the tow truck. We talked about Miatas, Corvettes, and quilting. Virgil’s was short of technicians, they weren’t sure they could fix the oil problem, maybe there was damage to the engine, and my spirits kept sinking. I asked Thad on the way in, how far Virgil’s was from the Civic Center. He replied, “We’ll get you there.” And they did! I was escorted to the Civic Center in Virgil’s courtesy van, arriving at 9 AM.

Glendia met me with another big hug at 1 PM, thinking I had just arrived. My arms were full of much-deserved purchases in the vendors’ area. When I called Virgil’s later in the afternoon, they informed me that the Miata was ready, after just replacing the oil pan plug with a new one and refilling all the spilled oil, and then the friendly dispatcher said to me, “Call us when you are ready.” Virgil’s courtesy van arrived to pick us up promptly at 5 PM at the Civic Center, and we were on our way back to the Twin Cities in our hot red sports car.

I sent the fine folks at Virgil’s a thank you note, and, as a token of appreciation, I also sent a swatch of my favorite quilt fabric from my stash, for them to share in their next group quilt.

So, dear quilter friends, remember the fine people at Virgil’s in Rochester if you have car trouble in Duluth next year. Just phone 507-288-3600 and you will be escorted to and from the quilt show with a smile. We were grateful we could laugh all the way home. Have no doubt, there are angels above who are quilters, too.

Cheryl Coulter, Proud MQ Member

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CLASSIFIED ADS

Excellent quality photo transfers to fabric. Colorfast, washable. Originals not harmed. Great for memory quilts, pillows, checkbook covers, etc. For a price list send SASE to Robbin’s Nest, PO Box 707, Lindstrom, MN 55045 or call 651-257-6638.

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FOR SALE:
Singer Featherweight machine in excellent condition. Call Susan at 952-929-9489.

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FROM THE BOARD

ANGEL PINS AWARDED

At the August membership meetings, MQ Angel Pins were awarded to MQ members who have put in 8 hours (and many more in most cases) of volunteer time for Minnesota Quilters. Our organization is run completely by volunteers and this is one small way we can recognize their generosity of spirit, time and energy. WE CANNOT DO THIS WITHOUT YOU and we thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

The tasks are varied and run from being on the Board to being a Holder/Folder at the MQ monthly meetings. The list is rather long because we were waiting for the new pins to come in and it took, as usual, longer than we thought, so here goes:

Gail Bakkom
Pat Cox
Martha Godby
Joanne Holzknecht
Peggy Koshennina
Susan MacLennan
Deb Newman
Sue Rutford
Jane Shattuck
Annmarie Yohnk
Irene Bjorklund
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Anne MacLennan
Laura Nagel
Carolyn Peters
David Shattuck
Linda Wines

On behalf of Minnesota Quilters, THANK YOU for your generosity.

Susan MacLennan, President

NOTE: If you want to check to see how much time you have accumulated toward your Angel Pin, please contact Karen O'Brien. Karen has just set up a database (Thank you, Karen!) to keep track of the time and activities, and we want to make sure that no one is missed in the changeover. Also note that the Angel Pin program is for activities other than our annual MQ Show. The show volunteers and committee are subject to a separate program.
VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES--THEY NEED YOU!

Festival of Trees 2000 will be held November 8-11 at the St. Paul Radisson Hotel in downtown St. Paul. MQ is one of many organizations and individuals who donate their time and creativity decorating Christmas trees, which are then auctioned to raise money for the HealthEast Foundation. This year’s event will benefit five HealthEast Senior Care Facilities, providing funds to incorporate The Eden Alternative—a concept which brings live-in pets to senior facilities, as well as gardening opportunities and time with children.

The theme for the MQ Tree will be BUTTONS and we are requesting handmade ornaments using buttons or buttonhole stitching as part of the design. Please make them 4" square (or rectangle, tree shaped, etc.) or less. This is the perfect opportunity to use those tiny paper piecing patterns you’ve been saving. We are also accepting donations of buttons to use for ornaments and garland. Lisa Hugo shared her method of making button garland, and we are open to suggestions for other ideas. The more the merrier!

Ornaments and buttons may be dropped off at the October MQ meeting, where you will find a tiny tree display and Festival of Trees information. The public viewing of trees is free! It will be Thursday, November 9th, 4-8 PM, and Friday, November 10th, 11AM-3PM. For more information, please call Rosemary Kessler, 651-699-4582, or Karen Asmundsen, 651-552-8832.

PROJECT LINUS

Project Linus is a non-profit volunteer organization dedicated to providing love and security to seriously ill and/or traumatized children through new, homemade blankets, quilts, and afghans. Project Linus was started by Karen Loucks of Parker, Colorado. She saw a photo of a little girl named Laura who was undergoing chemotherapy for cancer. Laura was clutching her blanket, which she said helped her get through the treatments. Karen contacted the Denver Rocky Mountain Children’s Cancer Center to see if they would be interested in receiving homemade blankets, and Project Linus was born.

Project Linus accepts blankets in all sizes, to donate to infants through teens. The only requirements for donated blankets are that they be new, homemade, and washable. All styles, whether quilted, tied, crocheted, or knitted, are accepted. They also accept donations of blanket making materials—fabric, batting, yarn, needles, thread, ribbon, floss, etc.

There are about 350 chapters of Project Linus worldwide. The local chapter, founded in 1998, has donated over 400 blankets to children in facilities such as the Minneapolis Children’s Hospital, Regions Hospital, Gillette Hospital, and the Ronald McDonald House. Two Minnesota Quilters, Martha and Mary Godby, have recently taken over as local coordinators. They have compiled a wish list of items (other than blanket making materials) large and small that will help them carry out this important outreach to sick children.

- Office supplies—paper, envelopes, cardstock.
- Gift certificates to Kinko’s, Copy Max, etc.
- Postage Stamps
- Clear plastic containers for storing fabric and blanket making supplies.
- Gift certificates to Target, Wal-Mart, etc. so they can purchase necessary supplies
- A computer, for word processing and so they can answer requests and questions by email.

Donations can be dropped off at evening or day MQ meetings, or call the Godbys at 651-644-3834. The coordinator for the Minneapolis and western suburbs is Jeanette Moritz. Her number is 952-285-4339.

There will be a blanket making event at the Mall of America September 25-October 1. Come out and make a square that will be turned into a quilt for a child. You can also visit the Project Linus website at www.projectlinus.org.
Welcome to the MQ Mystery Quilt

This is the first of five clues. The gals at Quilts by the Falls have provided Minnesota Quilters with these clues. You can choose your fabrics or you can purchase a fabric kit from Quilts by the Falls. They will be vending at the October MQ meeting. They will have kits with country, florals or contemporary fabrics. The kits will cost approximately $50.

The clues will end with the February MQ News. The MQ Mystery Quilts will be "exhibited" at the May MQ Meeting. We are hoping that there will be quite a few of the quilts at the May Mystery Night Show 'n Tell. Actually, the whole evening will be devoted to all kinds of mystery quilts, but more about that in a later MQ issue.

Please note that the clues are being provided to MQ News for MQ Members. The copyright for this MQ Mystery is held by Quilts by the Falls and MQ does not have the authority to grant the rights for any additional copies. Please do not copy these clues for your small quilt groups. If you wish to use this mystery for your guilds or groups, please contact Quilts by the Falls in Cannon Falls, MN.

FABRIC SELECTION
Hints for new mystery Quilters: Choose the dark focus fabric first. Take a piece of paper and tape a snip of each fabric next to the numbers 1-4. Also make sure you use a consistent quarter inch seam allowance. Note all measurements in this part are cutting measurements. Do not add seam allowances. A useful hint for keeping track of all your pieces -- label small plastic self sealing bags (like Ziplock bags or Glad bags) with the patch letter and keep your pieces in these labeled bags until they are needed in later clues.

Fabric #1: Light background - 1 5/8 yards
Fabric #2: Medium light - 1 1/4 yards
Fabric #3: Medium bright - 1 3/4 yards - cut borders first (there will be extra fabric)
Fabric #4: Dark focus fabric - 1 3/4 yards - cut borders first

Step 1--Cutting  Hint: Cut strips the size of first measurement then cut rectangles.

Fabric #1: (Light background)
Patch A: Cut 36 rectangles 2 1/2" by 6 1/2"
Patch B: Cut 72 rectangles 2 1/2" by 4 1/2"
Patch C: Cut 120 squares 2 1/2" x 2 1/2"

Fabric #2: (Medium light)
Patch D: Cut 36 rectangles 4 1/2" by 6 1/2"
Patch E: Cut 4 squares 4 1/2" by 4 1/2"
Patch F: Cut 8 squares 2 1/2" by 2 1/2"
Patch G: Cut 32 squares 2 7/8" by 2 7/8"

Fabric #3: (Medium bright)
Cut 4 border strips 2 1/2" by full length of fabric and set aside
Patch H: Cut 58 squares 2 7/8" by 2 7/8"
Patch I: Cut 64 squares 2 1/2" by 2 1/2"

Fabric #4: (Dark focus fabric)
Cut 2 border strips 4 1/2" wide and 2 strips 6 1/2" wide by full length of fabric and set aside
Patch J: Cut 24 rectangles 6 1/2" by 4 1/2"
Patch K: Cut 32 squares 2 1/2" by 2 1/2"
Patch L: Cut 26 squares 2 7/8" by 2 7/8"

See ya next month for Part II.
STATE FAIR WINNERS

Thank you to all who entered this year's Minnesota State Fair Quilt competition. This year there were 187 entries in the open competition and 31 entries in the Seniors competition. The following are the results of the competition.

Sweepstakes
Carol Schwankl, Bloomington
County Sweepstakes
Helen Sullivan, Monticello
Best Use Of Color
Judy Cusey, Monticello
Best Hand Quilting
Nita Whyte, Roseville
Best Machine Quilting
Kathy Munkelwitz, Isle
Best First Quilt
Jackie Dulea, St. Paul
Debbie Steckman, Apple Valley
Kay Wolfe, Wabasha

110 Applique Quilt—3 entries
1st Cindy Wilson, Lakeville
2nd Debbie Burk, Eagan
4th Gail Wold, Eden Prairie

111 Pieced Quilt—9 entries
1st Emmy Storcholm, Bemidji
2nd Kathy Munkelwitz, Isle
3rd Anne Johnson, Blaine
4th Carol Schwankl, Bloomington
5th Dawn Johnson, Pelican Rapids

112 Cross Stitch or Embroidered Quilt—2 entries
1st Jackie Dulea, St. Paul

113 Mixed Technique Quilt—3 entries
1st Barbara Gerde, Glenwood
2nd Sonja Palmer, Plymouth

114 Scrap Quilt—6 entries
1st Carol Schwankl, Bloomington
2nd Kathy Munkelwitz, Isle
3rd Kathryn Anderson, Braham
4th Debbie Steckman, Apple Valley
5th Heidi Duprez, Maplewood

115 Innovative or Embellished Quilt—3 entries
1st Carolyn Peters, Woodbury
2nd Michele Peine, St. Paul
3rd Patti Trygg, Maplewood

116 Machine Quilted Quilt—12 entries
1st Carol Schwankl, Bloomington
2nd Sonya Benson, W. St. Paul
3rd Nita Whyte, Roseville
4th Carolyn Peters, Woodbury

5th Andrea Funk, St. Paul
117 Commemorative Quilt—5 entries
1st Kate Miller, Eden Prairie
2nd Ellen Carter, Eden Prairie
3rd Lori Lippert, St. Paul
4th Mary Lunde, Ramsey
5th Dawn Norman, Crystal

118 Group Quilt—15 entries
1st Kathy Munkelwitz, Isle
2nd Nita Whyte, Roseville
3rd Carolyn Peters, Woodbury
4th Jim Widtfeldt, Edina

119 Whole Cloth Quilt—1 entry
1st Cheryl Lonske, Minneapolis

120 Youth Quilt—12 entries
1st Linda Johnson, Blaine
2nd Nita Whyte, Roseville
3rd Andrea Funk, St. Paul
4th Barb Borchert, Minneapolis

121 Crib Quilt - Hand Quilted—4 entries
1st Bernice Museh, Maple Grove
2nd Rene Heimer, White Bear Lake
3rd Barbara Storm, Onamia
4th Kathy Hammergren, Minneapolis

122 Crib Quilt - Machine Quilted—4 entries
1st Barbara Davidson, Minnetonka
2nd Karen Cope, Minneapolis
3rd Barb Borchert, Minneapolis
4th Michelle Hackett, Eagan

123 Wall Hanging - Pieced—13 entries
1st Bernice Museh, Maple Grove
2nd Sandra Lindquist, New Hope
3rd Rene Heimer, White Bear Lake
4th Anita Westerhold, Eagan
5th Becky Cassavant, Falcon Heights

124 Wall Hanging - Appliqued—10 entries
1st Dotrie Grubrich, Ramsey
2nd Pam Botten, St. Cloud
3rd Nancy Maki, Mounds View
4th Susan Shoaff, Savage
5th Judy Timm, Oakdale

125 Wall Hanging - Original Design—30 entries
1st Wendy Lazear, Golden Valley
2nd Victoria Miller, Northfield
3rd Holly Johnson, Apple Valley
4th Cindy Larsung, Minneapolis
5th Mary Harrison, St. Paul

126 Wall Hanging - Machine Quilted—17 entries
1st Marilyn Boros-Potts, Eagan

2nd Sharon Dunford, Rochester
3rd Cheryl Lonsk, Minneapolis
4th Wendy Lazear, Golden Valley
5th Carolyn Peters, Woodbury

127 Garment, Pieced or Appliqued (not quilted)—11 entries
1st Sandra Docks, Northfield
2nd Arlene Katalon, Prior Lake
3rd Pat Scholz, Cottage Grove
4th Barb Tiegs, Plymouth

128 Garment, Quilted—4 entries
1st Judy Cusey, Monticello
2nd Gail Huso-Johnson, Maple Grove
3rd Sharon Wells, White Bear Lake
4th Cindy Johnson, North Branch

129 Machine Applique - Quilt—1 entries
1st Nita Whyte, Roseville

129A Machine Applique - Wall Hanging—6 entries
1st Kathy Munkelwitz, Isle
2nd Cheryl Lonski, Minneapolis
3rd Cindy Johnson, North Branch
4th Mary Larson, Minneapolis

130 Miniature Doll House Quilt—2 entries
1st Ellen Carter, Eden Prairie
2nd Wendy Lazear, Golden Valley

132 County Sweepstakes Quilt—14 entries
1st Helen Sullivan, Monticello
2nd Victoria Miller, Northfield
3rd Lin Grinde, Willmar
4th Sharon Dunford, Rochester
5th Lori Schubert, White Bear Lake
6th Maggie Thompson, Eagan
7th Wilma Crawford, Brainerd

353 Crib Quilt - Seniors—4 entries
1st Mary Miller, Mahtomedi
2nd Nadene Johnson, Crystal
3rd Bernadine Matschak, Fridley
4th Laverne Beaudry, Albertville

354A Group Quilt - Seniors—1 entry
1st Mary Miller, Mahtomedi

355 Pieced Quilt - Seniors—10 entries
1st Emmy Storcholm, Bemidji
2nd Lee Bouton, Milaca
3rd Joanne Olson, Hastings
4th Ruth Tom, West St. Paul
5th Mary Miller, Mahtomedi

356 Appliqued Quilt - Seniors—3 entries
1st Joanne Olson, Hastings
2nd Emmy Storcholm, Bemidji
3rd Darlene Plattner, Staples
357A Single Bed Quilt - Seniors--2 entries
1st Mary Miller, Mahtomedi
2nd Gene Maluchnik, Burnsville

367A Wall Hanging, Quilted - Seniors--4 entries
1st Joan Baker, St. Paul
2nd St. Elizabeth Health Care, Wabasha

3rd Adele Davis, Minneapolis
4th Mary Miller, Mahtomedi

Congratulations to Renay Leone of Excelsior for being juried into the Fine Arts exhibit and receiving an Honorable Mention for her quilt "Music Was My Life."

REFLECTIONS
by Laura Sabiberg®2000

I have a niece, "Andrea." She is not only my niece, she is also my goddaughter. She is the apple of my eye. I have made her clothes, party dresses to Halloween costumes. I have taken her everywhere, from the circus to the Guthrie Theater. It has been like watching my sister grow up all over again--they are so much alike. So I was thrilled when she wanted me to help her make a quilt for her parents' 25th wedding anniversary.

We chose an easy pattern--this is her first quilt. We chose fabrics that would be perfect in their new camper, soft blues with a navy accent. Then the lessons began. The first and most important lesson--do not talk with an open rotary cutter in your hand! She learned about 1/4" seams, nine patches and what a little creative pressing can do to improve a block. After her first sewing session she had a pile of respectable nine patches.

As she left my house, she gave me a big hug "Auntie Laura, Mom and Dad won't believe that I sewed all those nine patches. I can't wait til next Tuesday. Thank you." Music to my ears.

It is one thing to teach a friend to make quilts and share all the good times of sewing and shopping together, but the joy of teaching someone you love is beyond words. We have shared so much, and now this thing, this quilting, that I love so much is my gift to her. I hope she grows to love it as much as I do and maybe someday she will know the joy of teaching it to someone she loves.

SMALL QUILT GROUP REQUESTS
Many new quilters search for a quilt group to join in their neighborhoods. MQ would like to keep a list of open small quilt groups to assist those callers. If your group is open to new members, please send us information about where you meet, how often and who new quilters can contact. Rosemary Kessler, 1665 Hillcrest Ave., St. Paul, MN 55116. E-mail: rkessler@pclip.com. Phone: 651/699-4582.

25th ANNIVERSARY PLANNING MEETING

In September we made a call to all members who are interested in being on the 2003 MQ 25th Anniversary show committee. I want to thank all who contacted me or came forward at the September meeting with your desire to serve. We are still looking for several more people to help with this special celebration. We are now at phase 2 of this call, we have scheduled our first organizational meeting for Sunday, November 5th meeting at Machinists' Hall from 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM--anyone interested should plan on attending this meeting.

I would appreciate anyone who is interested in helping with this show to contact me by phone at 651-644-1987 or preferably e-mail at JA.Shattuck@Juno.com

And this is what we mean!

Tuesday Night Group Looks for Quilters
Tuesday Night Quilters is looking for some quilters who would like to join our group. Our group is composed primarily of quilters in the northern suburbs of St. Paul...Roseville, Moundsview, Maplewood, Falcon Heights, Como, etc. We met the 4th Tuesday night of the month in each other's homes for quilting and conversation (and snacks, too). If you are interested, please call Carol Wagner for details, 651-488-6286.
REMINDER: CHECK YOUR MQ RENEW DATE! You must be a member on 12/31/00 to qualify for the 2001 Annual Show membership early registration. If the renewal date on the back of your newsletter is not at least 12/2000 currently, plan to renew by the end of December. Don't miss out on early registration!

BLOCK OF THE MONTH
At the September meeting, the winner of the 23 "Dove in the Window" blocks was Gail Hanson. At the October meeting, we will draw for the "Domino" block. Please join us in the block of the month drawing. See page 3 for the next block and how to become a winner!