July Meeting Notes
Thursday, July 7, 7:00* p.m.
Saturday, July 9, 10:00* a.m.

“Once in a Lifetime”
Antique Quilt Exhibit & Lecture
Presented by Patricia Cox,
Minnesota Quilters & Minnesota Quilt Project

The importance of Pat Cox’s quilt collection has been recognized by the International Quilt Study Center and Museum in Lincoln, Nebraska, which has requested dozens of Pat’s quilts to add to their permanent collection. Before these works of art leave our state, we have invited Pat to present a lecture about her quilts on Thursday, July 7, and host an exhibit of 40+ quilts on Saturday and Sunday, July 9 & 10. Don’t miss this opportunity to view an extraordinary exhibit of antique quilts collected by Patricia Cox, a preeminent Minnesota quilter, international teacher, lecturer, author, and historian.

July 7 - 7:00 pm
Textile Center
Antique Quilt Trunk Show & Lecture
Pat will share her passion for collecting antique quilts and tell the history behind each treasured quilt. Admission free to MQ members; $5.00 for non-members.

July 9 - 10:00 am – 4:00 pm
Textile Center
Antique Quilt Exhibit
In place of the regular Saturday MQ membership meeting over 40 of Pat’s beautiful quilts will be on display for your viewing pleasure. Pat Cox will be available from 10:00-12:00 to answer questions about her quilts.

Refreshments will be available in the entryway, there will be time for brief announcements, but not show & tell. Admission is free to MQ members; $3.00 for non-members.

July 10 - 12:00 pm – 4:00 pm
Textile Center
Antique Quilt Exhibit
Over 40 of Pat’s beautiful quilts will be on display for your viewing pleasure. Pat Cox will be available from 1:00-2:00 to answer questions about her quilts. Admission free to MQ members; $3.00 for non-members.

August Meeting

“Once in a Lifetime” Antiqued Quilt Exhibit & Lecture

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“In the Good Old Summertime” is the theme for August. Think of all the fun things you eat in the summer, what is more delicious than ice cream! Come and enjoy an Ice Cream Social on Thursday, August 4th and Saturday, August 6th. On Thursday evening we will view an old fashioned bed turning of some of the most wonderful quilts from the collection of Suzanne Fisher. On Saturday, following the announcements and show & tell, we will unveil the ‘treasures’ at our MQ Garage Sale. Tables are available for $20.00. Sign up and pay on Cvent. For those of you who have a few items you no longer need, but not enough to buy a table, considering donating them to the MQ Table. Proceeds from items sold at the MQ table will go towards new library books and other needed items to benefit our MQ members.

*Coffee and treats will be served before each meeting to allow more time for socialization among our members. Coffee will be ready at 9:00 am on Saturday. Wear your name tags/membership cards so we can get to know each other.
Forming Small Quilt Groups!

I’m Debra Svedberg and I’m the current Office Assistant for MQ. If you haven’t met me yet, come introduce yourself! My MQ office hours are 10 to 4:30 Monday through Friday.

I think one of the best things about being a Quilter is participating in a small quilt group. I can’t emphasize enough that when I’m with my quilt group, it doesn’t matter what happens, I always have a great time! I’m in several myself, but sometimes it is difficult to find one if you’ve never been in one. I am setting up new quilt groups specifically for MQ Members!

I am going to put them together geographically and setting them up to start in the evening of the 3rd Thursday of the month (2 weeks after the MQ meetings) at a public place. Any changes regarding date, time, and place to meet will be made within the group and must happen later. I will set up the first meeting to be August 18th, but some may still be on vacation so September 15th will be the ‘official’ start up meeting.

If you are interested in being in a quilt group please send ALL of the information below to my email quilter@mnquilt.org or drop it in the mail or by the office.

Send these 5 items of information:

1. Your name, 2. Home street address, 3. Home and cell number, 4. Email address, and very important: 5. Closest freeway exit to your house! For example, I live near the “4th Street/University Ave exit off 35W” (No. 5 is for my use only).

(For those of you already in a quilt group who would like new members to join, send me your groups information and how many additional members your group can take.)

Board Meeting

The next meeting of the Board of Directors of Minnesota Quilters is July 14 at the Textile Center.

Membership Cards

Please contact Debra, the Office Assistant, at quilter@mnquilt.org if you have not gotten a Membership Card.

MQ Office Hours

Monday through Friday 10:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Visitors should call first to ensure staff is present.
Submitting Articles and Photographs for the Minnesota Quilter’s Newsletter

The Minnesota Quilter’s newsletter is assembled using Adobe InDesign software. This software is specially designed to turn the pages into an Adobe Acrobat file that can be published on the website and read by members with ease. This software, while magnificent for creating newsletters, does not always “play well with other” softwares. Articles need to be submitted in a Word document using Times New Roman 12 pt font, single spacing and no formatting – no tabs, no extra spaces between paragraphs, no photos, no columns, natta, nothing. Pictures and images need to be sent separately as a jpg or any commonly used digital image formats. The deadline for submitting articles and information is the first of the month prior to the month of the newsletter. For example, for the August newsletter (which is issued the 3rd week of July), you’ll want to submit by July 1st. Having stated that, the newsletter final deadline is the day after the monthly meeting. This allows the committee chair people and directors to recap the monthly program.

Volunteers Wanted for Minnesota State Fair Quilt Competition

Very few of the volunteers who staff the desks for entries into the Minnesota State Fair Creative Activities competitions know much about quilting, which means that quilt entries are often entered into the wrong categories. This causes delays in the judging process and can negatively impact a quilt’s ability to get an award.

MQ would like to improve this process by providing volunteers who do know something about quilts and quilt categories present during quilt take-in hours.

The acceptance hours at the Creative Activities building are:
- Sunday, August 14: 11:00 am to 5:00 pm
- Monday, August 15: 10:00 am to 7:00 pm
- Tuesday, August 16: 10:00 am to 7:00 pm
- Wednesday, August 17: 9:00 am to Noon

If you are willing to work shifts of 2 or more hours any of these days, please contact Kate Eelkema at kate538@gmail.com or 612.816.0365 for more details.

I wish to thank Minnesota Quilters and the show committee for all the support given to Quilts of Valor. The large booth area within the show was such a nice surprise. I always bring several quilts, not knowing how or if they can be displayed, and the booth allowed the display of many quilts. Many quilters admired the display and asked questions about Quilts of Valor. A few stood quietly for several moments and then told stories of how our program has impacted members of their families. These personal stories truly are the reason our program exists.

More often I have heard “thank-you” from quilters for the opportunity to help in some way. In times of war we all feel helpless. It’s gratifying for quilters to know that their efforts help to give back to the service men and women that give so much for our way of life.

Thank you again for the opportunity to take part in the Minnesota show this year.

Page Johnson

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33rd Annual Minnesota Quilters Show Awards - June 2011

CATEGORY AWARDS

PIECED - Large - 1 Person
1st Place: “Bali Hai” by Marilyn Badger
2nd Place: “Christmas All Around” by Sherry Reynolds
3rd Place: “Double Wedding Ring” by Beverly Willis
HM: “Sadie’s Song” by Sharyl Schlieckau

PIECED - Large - 2 Person
1st Place: “Maritime in Red” by Ann Helbling
2nd Place: “Midnight Star” by Terri Kohlbeck
3rd Place: “Not Your Grandma’s Quilt” by Kathleen Crabtree
HM: “Vintage Moments” by Karen Mommsen

PIECED - Small
1 or 2 Person
1st Place: “Color Wheel Threadplay” by Nancy Henderson
2nd Place: “256 Blocks” by Susan Ziel
3rd Place: “Spinning Girl Friend” by Fay Kuettel
HM: “Fly Me to the Moon” by Lori Allison
HM: “Morning Star” by Terri Kohlbeck

APPLIQUÉ - Large - 1 Person
1st Place: “Mutton But Letters” by Janet Stone
2nd Place: “Hearts a’Flutter” by Joanne Elwood
3rd Place: “Not So Far East” by Joanne Webb

APPLIQUÉ - Large - 2 Person
1st Place: “Homage to Mary Brown; Patience Rewarded” by Audrey Manning
2nd Place: “Through Grandmother’s Garden” by Leslie Milde
3rd Place: “Butterflies Over Baltimore” by Peggy Valitchka
HM: “Mom’s Dresden Plate Quilt” by Mary Jane Heng

APPLIQUÉ - Small
1 or 2 Person
1st Place: “Homage to Spring” by Susan Ziel
2nd Place: “Alive” by Mary Kay Price
3rd Place: “Victorian Visit” by Victoria Miller

MIXED TECHNIQUES
Large - 1 Person
1st Place: “Tree of Life” by Wilhelmina Vandervoorde
2nd Place: “Bay Side” by Loretta Painter
3rd Place: “Rhapsody in Rose” by Barbara Clem
HM: “Kathy’s Baskets” by Fay Kuettel

MIXED TECHNIQUES
Large - 2 Person
1st Place: “Wicahpi Waabigwan” by Cheri Merritt
2nd Place: “Flower Power” by Janet Knapp
3rd Place: “Mrs. Brown’s Monkey” by Colleen LaVenture
HM: Sunshine Rose Garden, by Sandy Nodes

MIXED TECHNIQUES
Small - 1 or 2 Person
1st Place: “Floral Tapestry” by Susan Nelson
2nd Place: “Fall in the Cherry Woods” by Kathy Reisinger
3rd Place: “Whimsical Leaves” by Susan K. Wolf Schwarz

OTHER TECHNIQUES
1 or 2 Person
1st Place: “Crazy With a Twist” by Mary Chalmers
2nd Place: “My Life is My Muse: Minnesota” by Nancy Eha
3rd Place: “Redwork” by Kathy Munkelwitz

PICTORIAL
1 or 2 Person
1st Place: “Woman in an Apothecary Shop” by Beverly Hunnicutt
2nd Place: “Sentinels of Fall” by Peggy Spitzer
3rd Place: “Spring in Tuscany” by Ludmila Gancova
HM: “Waterfall Symphony” by Elizabeth Lanzatella
HM: “Sunset” by Peggy Valitchka

ART - Small
1 or 2 Person
1st Place: “Really Wild Flowers” by Sharon Schlotzhauer
2nd Place: “Aunt Polly’s Porch” by Claudia Clark Myers
3rd Place: “Exposed” by Jeanne Pfister
HM: “Reflections” by Loris Goth

MINIATURE
1 Person
1st Place: “America the Beautiful II” by Sharon Schlotzhauer
2nd Place: “Saffron Offspring” by Barbara Lies
3rd Place: “Sugar Plum” by Jan Hutchison
HM: “O.M.G. (Oh, My Goodness)” by Twila Richter

GROUP - 3 or More People
1st Place: “Lunching with Butterflies” by Terri Krysan
2nd Place: “Fanfare For Our Friends” by Mona Harmann
3rd Place: “Christmas Homecoming” by Susan Zahasky
HM: “Bubble Tea” by Colleen LaVenture
BLUE DIAMOND
1st Place: “Gypsy Rosalie” by Ronda Beyer
2nd Place: “Botanical Fantasy” by Lorilynn King
3rd Place: “Crown Jewel” by Claudia Clark Myers
HM: “Let’s All Spring Forward” by Rosalie Baker
HM: “Sushi III” by Mary Kay Price

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MQ CHALLENGE 2011

Quilts
1st Place: C103 “Lily Von Schnauzer - Good Dog/Bad Dog” by Terri Krysan
2nd Place: C127 “Dianthus and the End of the Fairway” by Jane Shattuck
HM: C148 “Common Ground” by Mike Ellingson
HM: C115 “Genesis of a Cubic Trianguloid” by Karla Kilkelly
HM: C119 “Wallflowers” by Bonnie Swenson
HM: C137 “Forbidden Desire” by Nancy Kazlauckas

Clothing
1st Place: C106 “Central Fragments” by Lou Roos
2nd Place: C102 “Roses” by Janet Harvey
HM: C108 “Funky Feathers” by Lou Roos

Dolls & Accessories
1st Place: C104 “Clean Little Girls Attract Dirt” by Jennifer Bernard
2nd Place: C107 “Bagged Butterflies” by Lou Roos
HM: C111 “Thru the Looking Glass” by Yvonne Curran

SPECIAL AWARDS

BEST OF SHOW
Large Quilt: BD-103 “Star Berries” by Gail Stephanek
Small Quilt: MTS-102 “Red Letter Daze” by Janet Stone

HAND QUILTING
MTL1-102 “Tree of Life” by Wilhelmina Vandervoorde

MACHINE QUILTING
Stationary Machine
PL1-107 “Christmas All Around” by Sherry Reynolds

MACHINE QUILTING
Track Mounted Machine
BD-102 “Crown Jewel” quilted by Marilyn Badger
(Entered by Claudia Clark Myers)

FIRST ENTRY
MTL2-104 “Wicahpi Waabigwan” (Flower Star), by Cheri Merritt

JUDGE’S CHOICE
Doris Goins, NQACJ:
ART-115 “Seasons” by Liz Hickerson
Lorraine Covington, NQACJ:
MQ-105 “Saffron Offspring” by Barbara Lies
Marcia Knopp, NQACJ:
PIC-101 “Sentinels of Fall” by Peggy Spitzer

CAPITAL CITY

MQ Members Only
Large: NJQ-8 “Inspired By My Necklace” by Debra Bomstad
Small: APS-102 “Garden Serendipity” by Karen Puffett

VIEWER’S CHOICE

Chosen from Non-Judged
Large: NJQ-59 “Eagle Scout Soaring” by Linda Tregue
Small: NJW-38 “Heather Feather” by Nancy Wick

Special Recognition Ribbons Awarded by:

MQ President
Yvonne Curran:
NJQ-26 “Log Cabin Pizzazz” by Ladies of the Lake

2011 Show Chairs
Lou Roos:
NJW-04 “Friends” by Fran Andress
Kathy Brevig:
NJQ-25 “View From the Cockpit” by Rita Kay Jelinek

Show Faculty:
Debbie Bowles: NTW-33 “Cosmic Odyssey” by Kay Noland Smith
Kim Brunner: PS-108 “The Zebras Went Crazy” by Holly A. Watson
Judy Coates-Perez: BD-101 “Let’s All Spring Forward” by Rosalie Baker
Billie Lauder: NJQ-12 “Fabulous Nine Patch” by Pat Curtner
Bonnie Lundorff: C-06 “Frog in a Lily Pond” by Elsie Rodich
Gwen Lundgren: ART-108 “Corner Charm” by Shelli Ricci
Suzanne Marshall: BD-101 “Let’s All Spring Forward” by Rosalie Baker  Con’t on page 9
Volunteer Corner  by Nancy Hall

Hello to all our wonderful MQ members. Many thanks to all of you who volunteered this past month. We need and appreciate all of you. Be sure to record your hours on the white slips at the meetings. If any of you are interested in the following positions or have questions about them please send me an email  volunteer@mnquilt.org or talk to me at the meetings. We will also have more positions available at the start of our year on October 1.

Current available positions:

Photographers
We need one or two photographers to take pictures at both meetings for the newsletter.

Door Greeters
We need one or two at each meeting to greet people as they come in the door.

Co-Meeting Coordinator -- Evening
This is a very important position as they make the meetings run smoothly. We are still looking for one more person.

2012 & 2013 Show Committees
We have started signing up to be on the 2012 show committee in Rochester and the 2013 show committee in Duluth. The sign up posters will be at the meetings. Contact President Yvonne to see what is available.

Membership Co-coordinator -- Days
We need one more person to sit at the front table on Saturday mornings with Deborah to check memberships and give out tickets.

Newsletter Editor
Beginning with the October 2011 newsletter. Build your computer skills and make a contribution to Minnesota Quilters in this important way. Contact Lori Allison for details about the position.

Quilting for Others
Contact:Paulette Marini at cpmarini@msn.com Minnesota Quilter’s mission statement says that we are to “nurture the future of our time-honored traditional craft.” I can think of no better way to accomplish this than to teach our younger generation how to create a crib size quilt. Our organization supplies the fabric, batting and supplies needed to do the work. I just need enthusiastic people to work with groups of our youth and their moms. This is how it all works. I create packets of partially cut “kits.” The organization, such as Girl Scouts, arranges for a site for the program. The organization arranges registration. We arrange for sewing machines, usually from Associated Sewing, St Paul. I show up with my volunteers. We work with the youth and teach them how to create a quilt. When the quilt is completed it is donated to a shelter, hospital, police etc. This is a great project to do with a friend; it is a fun and fulfilling day!

2011 RAFFLE QUILT WINNER
“Shakespeare In The Park”
Congratulations to Karen Snaza from Richfield for winning our beautiful raffle quilt, Shakespeare in the Park. More information and a picture will be in next month’s newsletter.

Also, congratulations goes to Carrie D’Andrea for selling the most tickets. She won a $100 gift certificate to Glad Creations for her effort to sell 200 tickets.
Contributions to MQ – May/June 2011
Sandie D Beltran
Ellen Carter
Wynn Martin
Cheryl Plourde
Mary Rossi
Karen Stuhlfeier
Lynnette Wass

New/Renewing Memberships – May/June 2011
Lori Bilderback
Jane E Bizal
Deborah Blackbourn
Pat Blichfeldt
Faye Bodenhamer
Judith Bonhiver
Sharon Brick
Gayle Burton
Suellen Carroll
Ellen Carter
Terry Chandler
Jean Cline
Kate Coon
Nancy M Corbin
Pat Current
Carrie D’Andrea
Carol Dick
Jan Dolan
Michael O Ellingsen
Kathy Evenson
Beverly Everson
Judy Fabian
Wendy Fedie
Rebecca A Finch
Bonnie Fohrman
Kathryn M Foster
Janice L Gibson
Debbie Gordy
Debbie Grasley
Michele Gustafson
Virgie Hagen
Gail Hanson
Joyce Harder
Janet Hartje
Patti Jo Henry
Helen Catherine Host
Linda Jewison
Andrea E Johnson
Joan M Johnson
Sharon L Johnson
Rose Keller
Sandra Klinkhammer
Denice Knapp
Karen Koehle
Renelle Kunau
Helen Lanis
Geneane Larson
Sandra Lindquist
Cynthia Majewski
Ann Manly
Mary Manns
Paulette Marini
Phyllis Martens
Wendy Martin
Viki McCaleb
Anne McCandless
Marla Muckala
Claudia Clark Myers
Deloris Nielsen
Teresa Okeson-Prater
Marilyn Orlich
Mary Ann Ostroski
Cynthia L Reed
Jill Reilly
Amamda Roberts
Mark Roberts
Mary Rossi
Joanne M Schlaefer
Janice Schmidt
Mary Lou Schmitz
Mardene Schuling
Gayle Solheim
Naney Squires
Karen A St John
Peggy Stockwell
Karen Stuhlfeier
Lynn Swanson
Sandy Swanson
Karen Stuhlfeier
Judy Trempe
Lynnette Wass
Diana Wendorf
Bonnie Weinandt
Jan Wolfgram
Annemarie Yohnk
Lucy Zeldenrust
Block of the Month – August
Kathie Simon Frank (Kathie@umn.edu) and Jeanne LaMoore (jlamoore@gmail.com)

Each person may enter up to three blocks each month. If 24+ are entered, the drawing will be split in two. If 36+ are entered, there will be three winners!
For 2010-2011, all BOM patterns will be for 12” blocks (12½” unfinished). You may want to make an extra block in your favorite colors for a sampler.

Sunshine

Fabric:
Background / center – white or white-on-white
Center triangles – light shade of yellow, yellow batik, or tone-on-tone yellow
Points – dark yellow or orange batik, or tone-on-tone

Cutting:
A: (4) 2 ½” white squares for corners
B: (8) 3” white squares to make 16 half-square triangle patches
C: (1) 6 1/8” white square for center
D: (8) 3” dark squares to make 16 half-square triangle patches
E: (2) 4 7/8” light squares cut once diagonally

Directions:
1. Set aside A pieces.
2. Assemble 16 half-square triangle patches. Put together one 3” white square RST with one 3” dark yellow square. raw a line diagonally on the wrong side of the white square. Sew scant 1/4” on both sides of the diagonal line. Cut apart on the diagonal line. Repeat with remaining 3” squares. Press open, pressing the seam allowance on four of the half-square triangle patches the opposite direction from the others.
3. Trim each half-square triangle to 2 1/2” square. This step is important! It will help make your final assembly go together correctly.
4. Sew one triangle of the lighter yellow RST along one edge of the 6 1/8” white square. Sew a second triangle to the opposite side of the square. Open triangles and press. Sew the third and fourth triangles to the remaining sides of the white square. Open triangles and press. Measure this center piece and make sure it’s 8 1/2” square before proceeding.
5. Assemble four strips of half-square triangle patches making a “flying geese”-like center flanked by a half-square triangle on each side. (Refer to photo for proper alignment). Press. Attach two of these strips to opposite sides of the center square.
6. To the remaining two strips, attach a white 2½” square to each end of each strip. Press. Add one strip to each of the remaining sides of the center square.

If you pay attention to sewing consistent ¼” seams, you should end up with a block the right size (12½” unfinished). This block is a good one to make to discipline yourself to make consistent ¼” seams, matching points, and pressing seams so they fit together smoothly. It leaves you with a beautiful block and, when assembled, will leave great space for beautiful quilting.
FOR SALE: PFAFF GRAND QUILTER WITH INSPIRA QUILTING FRAME
$1600.00 ($3000.00 new) CALL MARY AT 612-819-1723. Please call or email me if you have any questions - Gramshane@yahoo.com or 763-441-8361 or 612-819-1723

MQ News

July 2011
**Bulletin Board**

**August 5, 2011  Braham, MN**  Hands All Around Quilters present their annual small quilt show at Braham City Hall. Hours are 10a.m.-7p.m. August 5 as part of Pie Day. Free admission. Raffle quilt. Viewers’ choice awards with cash prizes. Contact Nancy Neumann, 818 Shady Ridge Lane, Braham, MN 55006 for show registration information or e-mail ichsdirector@izoom.net.

**August 19, 20 & 21, 2011 Blue Earth Valley Quilters** will present the 27th annual Upper Midwest Woodcarvers and Quilt EXPO, August 19 (4-8), August 20 (10-5) and August 21 (12-4) at Blue Earth Area High School, 1125 Highway 169 South, Blue Earth MN 56013. Blue Earth Valley Quilter, Jude Edling, is the featured quilter. Over 150 quilts, vendors, quilt market, door prizes, and refreshments available. Admission $4 daily or $6 for all three days. Marilyn Foreman Trunk Show at 2 pm on Saturday afternoon. Contact Jude Edling at archaemom@hotmail.com. EXPO questions call Mike 507-526-5808 or e-mail at ellingsen@bevcomm.net.

**September 8-10, 2011**  Quilt Expo, Alliant Energy Center, Madison, WI. Presented by Wisconsin Public Television and Nancy Zieman Productions. Quilt contest and exhibits, workshops, lectures, vendors, special events. Website:  [http://wiquilutexpo.com/](http://wiquilutexpo.com/)

**Sept. 9 & 10, 2011 Prairie Star Quilters** will present a Quilt Show, September 9th (10-7) and Sept. 10th (10-4) at the Bethel Evangelical Free Church, South door entrance, 1125 South State Street, Fairmont, MN 56031. Prairie Star Quilting Guild Member, Kathy Luther, is the featured quilter. 150 quilts, vendors, gift boutique, quilt drawing, and refreshments available. Admission $5.00 (includes raffle ticket). Questions call Dorothy 507-375-4192. (dorothyhedberg@hotmail.com)

**September 24 & 25, 2011  New Richmond, WI.**  **Saturday 9 - 4 Sunday 11 - 4** Willow River Piecemakers Wisconsin Indianhead Technical College, Cashman Conference Center, New Richmond, WI, $3 Admission

**Sept 17 & 18, Amery, WI**  Apple River Quilt Guild 21st Annual Fall Festival Quilt Show: “A Sampling of Quilts!” Vendors, Guild Challenge, Raffle Quilts, Classroom Demonstrations. Homemade soup and pie available on Saturday. September 17, 9:00 –5:00, September 18, 11:00-4:00 St. Joseph’s Catholic Church, Amery WI. Admission $3.00, children under 16 free. For more information contact Nancy Drake at draken@amerytel.net

**October 7 & 8, 2011 Rochester, MN.**  Sew-Ciety presents “Quilts for All Seasons” at the Calvary Evangelical Free Church, 5500 25th Ave NW. Fri: 9a-8p, Sat: 9a – 3p. 200 Quilts Exhibited, Raffle Quilt, Door Prizes, Boutique, Challenge Quilts, Demos, Café, Small Quilt Auction. Admission $5.

**October 7-9, New Albin, Iowa**  Quilt Show 2011, New Albin Community Center, 137 Railroad Ave SW, Oct 7th, 2011 4-7, 8th 10 – 5, 9th 12 – 4, Over 200 quilted items on display! Quilt raffle, to Sew or not to Sew raffle, antique section, vendors, demonstrations and refreshments & more. Questions call Lisa 563-544-4325 or Karen 563-544-4699 Cost $4.00 Proceeds go to the New Albin Public Library.

**October 8 & 9, 2011.**  Mixed Sampler Quilt Guild’s 23rd Annual Quilt Show: “Quilts of the Northwoods”. Located at the Siren High School, 24022 4th Avenue North, Siren WI 54872 from 10a to 4p both days. Admission is $4.00, kids under 12 are FREE. Special Exhibits, Silent Auction, Quilt raffle, Hourly bed turning of antique quilts, and over 200 quilts on display. For more information, Jean M. Judd at sistersinstitches@mail.com or 715-566-0212

**October 15, 2011 Plymouth, MN.**  Women of the West presents “Pieces of our Lives” quilt show at the Plymouth Creek Center. For more information, see [www.wowquiltguild.com](http://www.wowquiltguild.com)

**Oct. 15 & 16, 2011 St. Cloud Heritage Quilters** will present a Quilt Show, “Not Your Grandma’s Quilts”. Hours are Saturday (9-5) and Sunday (10-4) at Haehn Center, College of St. Benedict in St. Joseph, MN. Admission is $7.00. Over 500 quilts, many great vendors, basket & small quilt raffle, handicap accessible, food available during show. Visit our website for more info and directions.  [www.stcloudheritagequilters.com](http://www.stcloudheritagequilters.com)


**November 12 & 13 Hudson, WI**  Quilt Show Patchwork Harvest Quilt Show Saturday, No. 12, 2011: 10 - 5, and Sunday, Nov. 13, 2011: 11 - 4 Hudson Middle School, 1300 Carmichael Road, Hudson, WI  Quilt Raffle at 3 pm, Sunday, Nov 13.
Hazle’s Hot Dish by Hazle DeBerg

Whew…..I just blew in from the MQ show in St. Paul and this year was a barn-burner!  Kudos to this year’s show crew!!  I always find myself wishing it would last “just one more day,” but this year I went with a new crowd and we were able to “divide and conquer!”  While at the show, I picked up a rockin’ tip that will make you the most popular girl in class and the toast of your next retreat!

We’ve all taken classes or been at a retreat only to find that somehow the community iron has been VIOLATED!  Yes, there is a sticky, gunky scorched mess on the bottom of the iron and the culprit has gone underground, vanished, si-o-nara.

Rather than taking down names/alibis and reenacting the crime, only to unplug the iron and reduce your efficiency; it’s time to hit the road!  Do a little “pre-event” shopping at your fav mass retailer….head to the cleaning supplies aisle….and look for the “man with the big muscles!”  Nab a box of Mr. Clean Magic Erasers!

Here’s where the magic happens!  Get your Mr. Clean Magic Eraser soaked (H2O)!  Place it on a folded washcloth, or handy dish towel folded into quarters (to catch the excess H2O).  Make sure your iron is really HOT!  Here’s where the magic happens.....firmly rub the sole of your iron over the soaked Magic Eraser a couple of times and Viola; it’s back to Squeaky Clean!

WHOA, but wait!  If you have a Teflon Coated sole plate, here’s a tip just for you and yours:  Grab a dryer sheet, sprinkle it liberally with salt and run your HOT iron over it.  Clean as a whistle!

Now, in all the excitement, remember safety first!  Make sure that you’re tackling this emergency on a surface that won’t be damaged by a HOT iron.  (I always return to the scene of the crime and use my ironing board as the operating table.)  This will only take a minute and you’ll be behind the needle again in no time.

Until next time…..mum’s the word!
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