Marilyn Woodin Joins Us for the February Meetings
February 2, 7 p.m.
February 3, 10 a.m. (Note Change in Date)
Machinist’s Hall

Marilyn Woodin will be the guest speaker. Each spring bus loads of tourists, quilters and some reluctant spouses flock to Kalona, IA, to the annual Kalona Quilt Show and Sale. Hundreds of new and old quilts, many made by the local Amish women, are hung for viewing and sale in the old school gymnasium.

Marilyn Woodin, guest speaker for both the evening and daytime meetings, has been director of this show for the past 16 years. Armed with approximately 30 quilts and slides, she will speak to the Evening group about Amish Women and Their Textiles and to the Daytime Group on Quilts and Related Items.

Woodin and her family have lived in Kalona for 22 years. She is a collector of textiles and has researched the history of the area extensively. Woodin founded the Kalona Historical Village and Kalona Historical Tours. She is also the originator of the Kalona Kountry Kreations. It was sold 18 years ago and she began the Woodin Wheel Antiques, which she has operated the past 18 years.

Machinist’s Hall
1399 Eustis, St. Paul

From Highway 280 take Como Ave. exit. If coming from I-94, turn right at bottom of ramp. If coming north, turn right on Eustis (by Group Health). Building is light colored brick with flagpole.

Roberta Horton Here in April

Circle April 27, 28, and 29, 1989 on your calendar. Those are the dates when Roberta Horton will be our guest teacher and lecturer for the Spring Lecture Series. She will be offering 3 workshops and giving 2 lectures. Please note that this is a change from our usual Minnesota Quilting meeting dates.

Thursday, April 27, she will teach “Beginning Amish,” which will concentrate on color use and the more traditional designs associated with the Amish’s dynamite use of solid colors.

On Friday, April 28, she will teach “Selection and Use of Prints in Quilts.” This workshop will help the quilter explore the new ways to look at prints through a series of guided exercises that can add true dash to your quilts.

On April 29 she will teach a workshop, “Japanese Patchwork” which explores the use of fabric beyond the calico—fabrics such as large scale prints, geometrics, stripes, plaids, batiks, and Yukata. This is an extremely exciting workshop that should aid quilters to make smashing quilts, and trigger the imagination.

Registration details will be in the March newsletter. Please watch for it, but if you have questions please call Sylvia Stroup, 476-0119 or Carol Wagner, 488-6286.
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Motions Made at Dec. 2, 1988
Board Meeting

MOTION: That MQ donate $350 to help defray the costs of a lecture by Nancy Crow in Duluth. Her lecture will be in March and will be open to the public. Passed.

MOTION: That MQ donate $200 to Very Special Arts Minnesota for materials to use for the service project. Passed.

MOTION: That MQ donate $500 to WDSE Duluth to underwrite the Georgia Bonesteel Series. Passed.

MOTION: That MQ donate $250 to Pioneer TV on a matching grant basis for Georgia Bonesteel Series in Appleton, MN. Passed.

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; and dedicated to enhancing the knowledge and enjoyment of quilting.

Membership Dues are $15.00 per year and include the following: monthly meetings tailored to suit the needs of beginners, advanced and professional quilters; the newsletter, workshop opportunities, and an "I'm a Minnesota Quilter" button.

New Membership Renewals should be sent to Irene Coleman, 2809 Aquila Ave. N., New Hope, MN 55427. Watch for the expiration notice on your label. It will say: Membership Expiring—Please Renew or Membership Expired—Please Renew Now. The number on the label indicates the month and year of expiration. Example: 0789 means that the membership ends July 1989. Send change of address to David Shattuck, 1526 Sheldon St., St. Paul, MN 55108.

Advertising Rates: Classified ads: 15 cents per word with no charge for name and address. Display ads: 1/8 page, $6; 1/4 page, $12; 1/2 page, $25; 3/4 page, $37; Full page $50; business cards, $4.50. Ads placed for 12 consecutive issues will be given a 15% discount. Make checks payable to Minnesota Quilters, Inc. PLEASE NOTE: No ads will be included in the newsletter unless they are accompanied by full payment with the order.

Deadline for Ads: All ads for the coming month must be received by the newsletter editor, Joy Eastman, 8023 Cheyenne Spur, Chanhassen, MN 55317 by the first Friday of the preceding month (i.e., ads to be placed in September issue must be received by the first Friday in August).

Librarian: Jean Loken, 11909 Baypoint, Burnsville, MN 55337.

Day Meeting
December 9, 1988

Wendy Richardson, our president-elect, planned another fun Christmas party for MQ. It was the best show and tell of the year, lasting well over an hour and featuring many fabulous quilts. During the Christmas block exchange a trio of talented musicians played classical music to a receptive crowd of listeners. Suddenly Santa arrived and passed out treats to lots of good little girls. Both the good girls and the not-as-good girls ate a delicious lunch together and had a very good time at the party.

Respectfully submitted,
Tina Hollerman, Recording Secretary

Quilting & Smocking Supplies
European Window Lace · Handmade Gifts
Treasurer's Report
December 31, 1988

Beginning checkbook balance 11-30-88 ............... 5,252.93

INCOME
Interest .................................................. 22.84
Memberships (49) .................................. 735.00
Pin Sales .................................................. 42.40
Ads .................................................. 93.20

Total Income ........................................... $ 893.44

EXPENSES:
Bulk Mail Permit ...................................... 60.00
Machinist Hall Rent .................................. 300.00
Machinist Hall Setup Fee .......................... 100.00
Fall Getaway .......................................... 19.25
Very Special Arts Donation ................. 200.00
WDSE TV Donation .................................. 500.00
Newsletter Printing ................................. 865.00
Newsletter Postage .................................. 250.00
Directory Mailing ..................................... 126.92
Duluth Art Institute .................................. 350.00
December Day Meeting Expense .......... 134.63
Misc. Committee Expense .................... 149.05

Total Expenses ......................................... 3,054.85
Checking Balance as of 12-31-88 .............. 3,091.52
Savings Account Balance, 11-30-88 .......... 50,034.00
Interest ................................................ 242.89
Balance in savings account as of 12-31-88 .... 50,276.89

Respectfully Submitted,
Irene Coleman, Treasurer

"Stepping Through Time"
1989 Quilt Show

We are in the process of firming up advertising for the show booklet. If you would like to place an advertisement in the show booklet contact Mary Tilley at (612) 665-3076 after 5 p.m. Deadline for submitting advertisements is February 28, 1989.

Mary Tilley, 1989 Show Chairman

Quilt Show Door Prizes Needed

This year's quilt show, "Stepping Through Time," is rapidly approaching. The Committee in charge of door prizes is looking for your help in acquiring interesting and unusual gifts to be distributed at the banquets. It is always such fun to win something special. Perhaps you have something that you would be willing to donate to help make this a special evening for someone lucky person.

Any donations would be tax deductible and greatly appreciated by the Guild. Please let us know by April 1 of your intentions, so that we may include your name with the list of donors in the program book. Actual items would not need to be sent until sometime between May 1 and May 15.

You can send your items to Nancy Krenik, Route 1, Box 410, Madison Lake, MN 56063 or give them to Jeannette Root at the guild monthly meeting. If you have any questions or need to arrange for pick-up, call Nancy at (507) 931-4009.

Treasurer's Report
December 8, 1988

Checkbook balance 11-8-88 ....................... 9,462.97

INCOME
Bank Interest on Checking ....................... 41.70

EXPENSES
Raffle Quilt ............................................ 121.16

Checkbook balance 12-8-88 ....................... 9,383.51

Respectfully submitted
Marjorie A. Herrington, Treasurer

“Surface Design Showcase—
A Slide and Fashion Show”

The Feb. 23 program for the American Sewing Guild will be “Surface Design Showcase—A Slide and Fashion Show.” About 35 garments designed and made by members of Surface Design Minnesota will be modeled; slides will be of the artists at work.

Where: Roseville Lutheran Church
1966 Fernwood, Roseville
When: Thursday, Feb. 23 at 7 p.m.
Cost: $5 (tickets at the door)
$4 for Am. Sewing Guild members

After the program there will be a display and sale of works by Surface Design Minn. members and an opportunity to meet the artists.
Jeannette’s Roots

Everybody has a list of favorite sayings. Don’t we all have in our sewing area “A creative mess is better than an idle neatness”? Or one of my favorites, “An immaculate house is a sign of a mis-spent life.” Or the classic “Ask not what your Mother can do for you, but what you can do for your Mother.”

How about Sandi Bard’s “Rule #1: Don’t sweat the small things. Rule #2: Most things are small things.” Or Georgia Bonesteel’s “Can you see it from a galloping horse?”

And the greatest of them all from my dear Father, “Nothing is a total waste. It can always serve as a horrible example!”

That’s why it’s fun to pack away your projects that didn’t quite make it. Pull them out two or three years later and amaze yourself at how you have improved.

THEN you can experience a real glow of triumph as you consign them to the incinerator.

Jeannette

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Very Special Arts-Minnesota
Very Special Friendship Quilt
January Update

January 1989 has been a month of very special quilt workshops. As another issue of the MQ newsletter goes to press, plans are being finalized for VSA-MN quilting bees all around the state: at Courage Center in Golden Valley, the Rochester Parks and Recreation Adaptive Recreation Program, Northwood Children’s Home in Duluth, and Anoka-Hennepin Community Education’s New Horizons program. By the time you read this issue, all the squares will be finished!

Now another phase of fun begins. In early February there will be a Very Special Piecing Bee, to which all interested Minnesota Quilters are enthusiastically invited. On this occasion we will lay out all the blocks, plan the finished quilt top, and devise a plan for sewing it all together. We’ll have only a month to piece the top since we plan to show it during the VSA-MN Statewide Festival in March.

Naturally, we still need help. If you are interested in:
—Details of the Piecing Bee
—Helping set the quilt
—Helping organize and/or hang the quilt for showing
—Banking and quilting starting in April
please write or call either:
—Faye Bodenhamer
MQ Public Relations Director
7868 Lois Lane
Lino Lakes, MN 55014
(612) 785-9680

—Morgan Grayce Willow
VSA-MN Program Director
5701 Normandale Road, Suite 308
Minneapolis, MN 55424
(612) 922-2928 or 922-1316

In case you’re wondering how much fun we’re having, simply ask another Minnesota Quilter. Chances are someone you know has been involved in a workshop or has helped out in some way. Very Special Arts-Minnesota wishes to thank Minnesota Quilters, both individuals who have volunteered their time and expertise, and the organization as a whole for the offer of support through a donation toward supplies. Without Minnesota Quilters, there wouldn’t be a Very Special Friendship Quilt.
Regional Circles and Guilds

January, 1989

Alexandria—Crazy Quilters, United Methodist Church, 2210 Lincoln Avenue East, 7:30 p.m. on 3rd Monday; Sandi Monahan, 763-7952.

Anoka—Chatter Blocks, MN Federal Bank, Comm. Rm. 3rd Thurs., 10-2; Bring bag lunch, Margaret Ballinger, 427-5907.

Austin—Two groups at the YWCA, 2nd Wed. 9:30 a.m. and 2nd Thurs. 7 p.m., one in homes twice a month; contact Marjorie Zimmerman, 100 NW 9th Ave., Austin, MN 55912.

Blaine/Fridley—Northside Bag Ladies, 3rd Wed. 7-9 p.m., Alice Quale 572-8431, Susan Antell 757-8895.

Bloomington—Pins and Needles, 3rd Thurs. 7 p.m., Barb Christiansen, 881-3341, or Irene Soeffker, 831-7789.

Buffalo Lake/Granite Falls, Hwy 212, 2nd Mon. 9 a.m., Sept thru May, Quilters Along the Yellowstone Trail, Beverly Keltgen, 507 E. DePue Ave., Olivia, MN 56277.

Brainerd—The Pine Tree Patchworkers Quilt Club, P.O. Box 935, Brainerd, MN 56401, Joyce Meier, Star Rt. 328 Prog. Chr.

Brooklyn Center—Friendship Quilters, Brooklyn Center Comm. Center, 6301 Shingle Creek Parkway, Joanne Holzknecht, 561-1219.

Diverse Directions—Contemporary quilters, Faye Hall, 633-5889.

Duluth Area—North Country Quilters, Shirley Kirsch, 724-3387, Karla Freeman, 724-6907.

Eagan Area—Minnesota River Valley Quilters Guild, Cedarvale Mall, Ann Degan, 831-4145.

Elk River—Town and Country Quilters, Ellie Kretsch, 441-5419.

Fairmont—Prairie Star Quilters of South Central Minnesota, Evangelical Covenant Church, 901 Woodland Ave., Fairmont, MN 56031, 507/238-1311, or Jean Hach, Rt. 1, Box 176, Trimont, MN 56176, 507/639-3253. Meet 2nd Mon., 1:30 p.m. and 7 p.m.

Fergus Falls—Country Quilters, 3rd Tues., Sept.-June, Janis Erlandson, 736-4777, Mary Arntson, 736-6815.

Forest Lake—Memorial Quilt Club, 3rd Thurs. 7 p.m., Sr. Cit. Center, Welthea Frieman, 464-2254.

Freeborn County Quilt Guild meets the first Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. in the cafeteria of Southwest Junior High School. Go to the back or east entrance for easy access. We do not meet July and August. Betty Gavere, 507/373-5985.

Grand Rapids—Loon Country Quilters, 3rd Tues., 7 p.m., Brice Bauer Rm., YMCA, Emma LaRock, Box 153M, Cikeraubum 55722, 218/245-1356.

Ham Lake—Piecemakers Quilt Club, Ham Lake City Hall, 15544 Central Ave. NE, 1st and 3rd Thurs. 7:30 p.m., Linda Johnson 757-5758.

Hudson, WI—Hudson Heritage Quilters, 3rd Sat. 9:30-11:30, Nancy Strang, 715/386-5930.

Hutchinson—Crow River Quilters, Sr. Center, 115 Jefferson St., 3rd Thurs. 7 p.m., Bonnie Eng, 587-5428.

International Falls—Northern Lights Quilter's Guild, 2nd Mon., 7:30 p.m., Helen Caswell, Rt. 9, Box 518, International Falls, MN 56649, 218/377-4437.

Isle—The Isle Patchworkers Quilt Club, Kathy Munkelwitz, 676-3359.

Jackson—River Bend Quilters, Dianne Beske, 507/695-2736.

Little Falls—Log Cabin Quilters, DeAnna Gehant, 632-8619.

Long Lake/Wayzata/Minnetonka Area—Crazy Quilters, 1st Wed. 9 a.m. to noon, Sylvia Stroup, 476-0019, Cinde Dumas, 476-2256.

Mankato—Deep Valley Quilters, 2nd Thurs., 7 p.m., Unitarian Center, M. Montgomery, 219 Beech St., Mankato, MN 56001.

Minnetonka—West Area Commmitted Blockheads, Fri. 9:30 a.m. 474-4538.

Moorhead Area—Quilter's Guild of North Dakota, Box 2662, Fargo, ND, 58108, 3rd Sat. 1 p.m., usually at West Acres Community Rm., Fargo, 218/287-2615.

Mora—Mora Patchwork Quilters, Arlene Anderman, 597 Fair Ave., Rt. 5, Mora, MN.

Princeton—Calico Gals, 3rd Wed., 1-3 p.m. at homes of members, Neomie Webb, Rt. 1, Princeton, MN 55371, 389-2279.


Roseville—Tuesday Night Quilters, 2nd Tues. 7-10 p.m., Carol Wagner, 488-6286.

Silver Bay—Crazy Quilters, Eleanor Elmstrom 218/225-4642.

South Mpls./Southern Suburbs—Starlight Quilters, 4th Wed. 7:30 p.m., Kathy Morton, 934-0966.

Spring Grove—The Piecemakers Guild of Spring Grove, 3rd Mon., 1 p.m., Tweeten Memorial Hospital Rm. Rm.

St. Paul—Daytime Quilters, 4th Thurs., 10 a.m., bag lungh, Beth Wagner, 645-7244.

St. Paul/Northern Suburbs—Tuesday Night Quilters, 7:30 p.m., Carol Wagner, 488-6286, Beth Wagner, 645-7244.

Stillwater—Courthouse Quilters, 4th and Pine St., Fridays, except 2nd Fri. each month, 10-12 a.m., old Courthouse Bldg.

Waconia/West Area—West Area Quilters, Ellen Dubbe, 442-4290.


Worthington—Prairie Piecers, Nobles County Courthouse, 4th Thurs., 7 p.m. Jean Werness, 372-2660.

Bulletin Board Ravelings

Highlights:

**QUILT NATIONAL**: Touring Exhibition from Nov. 1988-Dec. 1989 schedule: DE; 3/1/89-4/15/89 at the Stocker Art Center, Elyria, OH.

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

January 16-February 17: Great Midwest International Exhibition IV by Central Missouri State University Art Center Gallery, Warrensburg, MO. SASE: Central MO State Univ., Art Center Gallery, Warrensburg, MO 64090.

Fresno, California: Needle Expressions '88, including lectures, workshops, and exhibits, Fresno Arts Center and Museum, Jan. 10-March 26. (Write the museum, 2233 N. 1st St., Fresno, CA 93703; 209/485-4810.)

Feb. 4-5: “Pieces of the Past” Quilt Show sponsored by Crow River Quilters, 1st State Federal Bldg., 201 Main St. S., Hutchinson, MN 55350. Feb. 4, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., and Feb. 5, 12-4 p.m.

February 9, 1989, Unitarian Center, Careen Pierson has recently patented a new quilting aid. It’s a template stamp that replaces the bother of marking around templates on your fabric. Careen will be here to talk about her invention and the process that took her from an idea to a completed product. Careen is also a member of the Prairie Star Quilters. Thurs., Feb. 9, 7 p.m., 114 Pohl Road, Mankato, MN.

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

Jonesville, WI: Mar. 11-12. The 9th YWCA Quilt Show will be held at the YWCA, 220 St. Lawrence Ave. SASE to Anita Wilcox, 1423 Memorial Dr., Jonesville, WI 55345.

Grand Forks, ND: Mar. 13-18. The North Star Quilter’s Guild will hold their show at the Columbia Mall, SASE to Linda Johnson, Columbia Mall, 2800 Columbia Rd., Grand Forks, ND 58201.

Sun Prairie, WI: Prairie Heritage Quilters' Quilt Celebration including displays at St. Albert’s Parish Center, Crosse House and Historical Museum, and Downtown Bank Gallery, April 3-4. (Klaudeen Hansen, P.O. Box 253, Sun Prairie, WI 53900; 608/837-2298.)


April 29, 1989: Mukwonago, WI, Second Annual Quilt Show of Crazy Quilters Guild, St. James Activity Center, Hwy 83 & N. Mukwonago, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Christmas quilts, prizes. Send SASE to Kelly Kroon, 512 Briody St., Burlington, WI 53105.

May 13-22, 1989: Mora, MN, “Pieces of Love” Quilt Competition & Show, Kanabec History Center. Admission fee, additional show of wallhangings/miniatures to be held in October 1989. Send SASE to Kanabec History Center, P.O. Box 113, Mora, MN 55051.


Saturday, June 10: 8 a.m.-9 p.m. and Sunday, June 11: 8 a.m.-5 p.m. are the dates for the Timber City Quilt Quest. For additional information regarding schedule of events, instruction course offerings and workshop/quilt registration procedures, send a self addressed stamped envelope to Denise D’Agostino, coordinator, Timber City Quilt Quest, 308 So. Niagara Maquoketa, IL 52060; 319/652-4895.

Tacom, WA: 20th NQA Show, Sheraton Hotel/Bicentennial Pavilion, June 13-18. SASE with 65¢ postage to Gerene Simmons, P.O. Box 842, Port Orchard, WA 98366.

Rice County Piecemakers Second Annual Quilt Show: June 24-25, 1989 at the Guild House of the Cathedral of Our Merciful Saviour, 101 N.W. 6th Street, Faribault, MN 55021. SASE to Carol Badgett-Mahoney, 852 S.W. 4th Avenue, Faribault, MN 55021.

Isleworth, Middlesex, England: 5th National Patchwork Championships, Syon House, June 29-July 2. National Patchwork Championships, P.O. Box 300 Hethersett, Morwich NR93DB, Enland; Tel: 0603/812259.


Armidale, N.S.W., Australia: Quilt Symposium and Exhibition, University of New England, Sept. 17-Oct. 1. Barbara Meredith, Australian Quilters, P.O. Box 479, Armidale, NSW 2350, Australia.

Houston, TX: Quilt Market, Oct. 28-31, Quilt Festival, Nov. 1-5, George Brown Convention Center. Linda Joiner, Quilt Festival, 14520 Memorial Drive #54, Houston, TX 77079; 713/496-6864.
Contests

Deadline Feb. 15, 1989: Go Fly A Kite, a just-for-fun challenge project. Winners will be displayed at the 1989 American Quilter's Society Quilt Show in Paducah, KY. (No prizes awarded for kites.) Write to AQS at P.O. Box 3290, Paducah, KY 42002-3290.

The Anchor Bay Quilter's Guild of New Baltimore, MI, announces a wall-hanging challenge. Participants are asked to construct a 30" wall hanging using any technique and four of six peach and blue fabrics selected by the guild. First prizes are a $100 U.S. Savings Bond. The contest is limited to non-professionals. All quilts entered will be shown on Feb. 25, 1989 at the Heritage Square Fabric and Quilt Shop in New Baltimore. Send a large SASE for contest rules to Barb Sellect, ABPQG, 3828 Murdicks, New Baltimore, MI 48407.

The 9th Smoky Mountain Quilt Competition and Show will be held March 31-April 9, 1989 at the American Museum of Science and Energy in Oak Ridge, TN. Sponsored by the Smoky Mountain Chapter of the Tennessee Valley Quilter's Association, the competition offers prize money and ribbons. For information and entry forms send a large SASE to Jean Lester, 3829 Maloney Road, Knoxville, TN 37920.

March 15 is the slide deadline for Expressions in Quilting '89. Quilts will be displayed from June through August. For information send a SASE to Barrington Area Arts Council, P.O. Box 1266, Barrington, IL 60011.

Entry deadline is March 31, 1989, for the Quilts U.K. Open Four Day Competitive Quilt Show to be held at the Three Counties Showgrounds, Malvern, Worcestershire, England, on May 11-14. Write to Dianne Huck, Quilts U.K., 1 Highfield Close, Malvern Link, Worcestershire WR14 1SH, England, for more information and entry forms.

The Trumbull Piecemakers in Connecticut announce their second Quilt Block Contest. The theme is Pre-Civil War Southern States. Blocks will be shown in April at the guild's quilt show. For information send an SASE to Barbara Fisher, 386 Moose Hill Rd., Monroe, CT 06468; 203/261-4037.

In conjunction with their upcoming book on Album Quilts, Elly Sienkiewicz and Susan McKeVey are sponsoring a Sentimental Contest. Slides of Album Quilts celebrating a specific person of occasion are due by May 1, 1989. Winning quilts will be awarded cash prizes and be featured in the book. For additional rules, send an SASE to Susan McKeVey, 1573 Millersville Rd., Millersville, MD 21108.

A $1000 Grand Prize is offered in the Road to California quilt contest to be held at Folk Art and Celebration on May 12-14 in Santa Rosa, CA. Quilts should depict your interpretation of how you, your family, or people in general came to California, traveled or settled throughout the state—past, present, or future time. Seven categories are offered. Slides or photographs are due Feb. 15, 1989. For an entry form send a large SASE with 45¢ postage to California Heritage Quilt Project, 55 Arroyo Way, San Francisco, CA 94127; 415/585-6361.


A $50 first prize and 19 $15 runner-up prizes will be awarded in the fifth Marshfield, MA, Fair Quilt Block Contest. The theme is "Your Favorite House: Where You Live or Wish You Lived." Entry deadline is June 1, 1989, for the 12" blocks. For entry information send a large SASE to MFQB, Box 168, Marshfield Hills, MA 02051.

Pieces of the Past quilt contest will be held in conjunction with the Dutchess Heritage Quilt Show IV on June 3-4, 1989, at Dutchess Community College, Poughkeepsie, NY. For more information contact Dutchess Heritage Quilters, P.O. Box 3042, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603.

June 15 is the deadline for a quilt-block contest as part of the Heritage Quilt Competition and Sale at the Lambton Heritage Museum in Ontario, Canada. The competition and sale will be held July 1-6. Additional information is available by sending an SASE to Lambton Heritage Museum, RR 2, Grand Bend, Ontario N0M 1T0, Canada; 514/243-2600.

June 30, 1989, is the deadline for a block contest celebrating Washington State University's first 100 years. Contest rules are available from WSU Alumni Center, P.O. Box 2036 C.S., Pullman, WA 99161, 509/335-3514.

Down on the Farm is the theme of Fairfield Processing Corporation's quilt block contest to be held now through July 1. Entry information is available by contacting Donna Wilder, Fairfield Processing Corporation, 88 Rose Mill Ave., P.O. Drawer 1157, Danbury, CT 06810-1157; 203/744-2090.

Long Island Quilters' Society is sponsoring a fabric challenge. Finished quilts will be displayed at the Society's 14th Convention to be held Aug. 19-20. Prizes will be awarded. For additional information send an SASE to Paula Lederkramer, 25 Swing Lane, Levittown, NY 11756.

Musical Medley II, a contest to interpret musical pieces in a Quilt Design, will be held in 1989. Winners will be exhibited at Cazenovia College in August 1989. For information write Quilting by the Lake, Musical Medley II, Cox 282, Cazenovia, NY 13035.

Quilt San Diego is sponsoring Visions: A New Decade quilt show to be held May 19-July 15, 1990. Slide entry deadline is Sept. 26, 1989. Information is available by sending a large SASE to Quilt San Diego, P.O. Box 26902-C, San Diego, CA 92126.

A quilt contest and show will be held in Guthrie Nov. 17-19, 1989, in connection with the Centennial of the Oklahoma Land Run. Prizes will be awarded in the contest with $500 for first prize, $300 for second prize, and $200 for third prize. Deadline for entries June 1, 1989. Entry forms are available by sending a SASE to Quilts, c/o E. Waner, P.O. Box 992, Guthrie, OK 73044.

Block contest offering $450 for first prize. SASE: Carolyn Bettis, Rt. 1, Box 13, St. Joe, AR 72675.

[Image of a quilt block]
The Video Library
The Video Library address: Donna Falconer, Box 247E Route 1, Brookwood Hills, La Crescent, MN 55947.

Twelve tapes are available in the video library at the present time. The procedure for borrowing from the video library is: The program runs by reservation and is carried out by mail only. The member will send in request for a tape. The confirmation from the librarian will be a form letter (contract) with instructions for check deposit and mailing including dates and the member's responsibility for return postage and insurance.

The check-out time will be 10 days. The member will deposit the retail cost of the video (usually $50-60) one week prior to the confirmed reservation date. MQ will pay the postage and insurance one way. When the tape is returned within the limit of 10 days, in good condition, the member's check will be returned. If the tape is damaged or lost by the member, the check will be sent to the MQ treasurer for cashing. MQ cannot be responsible for damage to personal equipment due to use of MQ video tapes.

If the reservation is local and the mail is not used, it is up to the renter to pick up and deliver the tape at the convenience of the librarian. Tapes will not be checked out at meetings like the books are.

Tapes available are:
101 Quick Machine Techniques
Quick cutting and piecing. 60 min.

102 Quilting Basics IV & V
Hexagons, 60 degree diamonds, English piecing, 8 pointed stars.

103 Step By Step to a Sampler Quilt
Basics for making a sampler quilt and pointers on pattern drafting.

104 Fast Log Cabin Quilt
Quick piecing methods and uses for log cabin quilts. 60 min.

105 ABC of Quilting-Applique
All the basics of hand applique and hand quilting, plus quilt planning. 120 min.

106 Stained Glass Quilting
Basics and adapting your own designs. 60 mins.

107 Fast Lone Star
Quick cutting and piecing. 60 min.

108 Jinny Beyers Video Workshop
Palettes for Patchwork (2 copies)

109 Log Cabin Triangles by Kaye Wood

110 Reversible Quilts by Kaye Wood

111 Basic Log Cabin by Kaye Wood

112 Mastering Patchwork by Jinny Beyers

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Notice:
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Minnesota Quilt Project

Thanks to members of Minnesota Quilters and many quilt guilds across Minnesota who helped on the quilt history project in 1988. In an exciting first year we have had eight Quilt Discovery Days and seen and documented more than 950 quilts. Ten requests have already been received for Quilt Discovery Days in 1989.

Volunteers are working to tabulate the patterns of quilts documented so far, and to list the names of all the quilters and when and where the quilts were made. The summary of information will be shared with quilt owners, MQ members and volunteers. When all of the slides have been reviewed, a slide show will be prepared for MQ, quilt guilds and others who may be interested.

Calling All Minnesota Quilters!

As a Minnesota Quilter you have a special role and responsibility in getting Minnesota's quilts documented. A good start has been made in 1988. Let's keep the momentum going.

Many members of Minnesota Quilters, Inc. are also members of local quilt guilds throughout the state. These are the logical groups to sponsor Quilt Discovery Days in their areas. Guild members know those people who have quilts which should be documented, have the background to appreciate fully the histories of quilt makers, and are prepared to enjoy and learn from the process of documenting.

Most guilds have as one of their objectives that of promoting awareness and appreciation of quilting as an art. Giving quilt owners the opportunity to bring their quilts to be documented at a Quilt Discovery Day is one of the most effective ways of achieving that goal. Over and over we have seen quilt owners leave a QDD glowing with excitement from what they have learned about their quilts.

Involving local historical societies in co-sponsoring a QDD is often a way of getting them to take a more appreciative look at the quilts in their collections.

Will you, as a quilter in Minnesota, take person initiative in talking to your local group's board about assuming responsibility for documenting the quilts in your area of the state? The Minnesota Quilt Project team is now scheduling dates on a first come basis and need time to make sure some team members will be available to serve your QDD. A team of experienced volunteers will come to your QDD to help, but these are busy people who need time to plan it into their schedules.

Even if you aren't certain when you will be having a QDD, send several members to the February 25 training session announced elsewhere in this newsletter. Find out what's involved and go home and sell the project to your guild.

Get the support of your historical society from the beginning. Co-sponsorship is most desirable.

Find a suitable site—a school or church which would have a large gym or social hall to accommodate at least eight banquet-size tables and space for photography plus a separate room for interviewing quilt owners. Also needed is a spacious receiving area for registering quilts.

Set a date with the Minnesota Quilt History Project staff who will tell you how to prepare, what kinds of volunteer help you need, and will send a team of trained volunteers to help.

Plan to get a core group of your workers to another QDD if possible before your scheduled QDD so you can experience the process.

If you would like to talk to people who have chaired QDD's, Jean Werness, Worthington (507) 372-2660, or Jean Hatch, Trimont (507) 639-3253, would be glad to share from their experiences.

The Minnesota Quilt Project address is P.O. Box 14668, Minneapolis, MN 55441. It will take some organization and work, but nothing you can do as a guild, not even a quilt show, will give you such a sense of being part of the community of quilters, past and present, as involvement in a Quilt Discovery Day.

Jean Hatch

Quilt Discovery Day for MQ Members

MQ members are invited to a Quilt Discovery Day on Saturday, February 25, at the White Bear High School-South Campus, 3551 N. McKnight Road. Members who have quilts made before 1976 are invited to bring one of them in between noon and 3 p.m. to document the history of the quilt and the person who made it. Quilts will be examined in detail and photographed before they are returned to their owners. (Take I-94 to White Bear Avenue; exit north to County Road E; go east to McKnight Road; turn south to White Bear High School-South Campus.)

This half-day event, the first in the metropolitan area this year, is part of a series being planned for 1989 and 1990. Quilt photographs and histories will be added to the information being gathered by the Minnesota Quilt Project.

Quilt Discovery Training and Practice

The Minnesota Quilt Project invites MQ members and friends who are interested in learning more about documenting quilt history to a program from 9 a.m. to noon on February 25 at the White Bear High School-South Campus. Bring an old quilt, comfortable shoes, and a bag lunch. We will demonstrate how quilt history is recorded and let you practice on your quilts. After the training and practice you are invited to help document other MQ members' quilts (which may take until 4 p.m.).
Calendar of Events

January 28  Show Committee Meeting, 9:30 a.m., Le Sueur
February 1  Community Quilt Project, 9 a.m., Bethany Convent
February 2  Evening Meeting, 7 p.m., Machinist's Hall
February 3  Daytime Meeting, 10 a.m., Machinist's Hall
February 3  Board meeting, to follow daytime meeting, Machinist's Hall
Feb. 3-10  Snowflake Days Quilt Show, First Bank of Coon Rapids
Feb. 4-5  Pieces of the Past Quilt Show, Hutchinson
Feb. 6-8  Helen Kelley Seminar, New Prague Hotel
Feb. 10-28  Quilting II, KTCA Channel 2
February 15  Community Quilt Project, 9 a.m., Bethany Convent
Feb. 17-19  Quilter's Escape, Clarion Hotel, Fond du Lac, WI
February 23  American Sewing Guild, 7 p.m., Roseville
February 25  Quilt History Project Training and Practice, 9-12 a.m. at White Bear High School - South Campus

February 25  Quilt Discovery Day for MQ members, 12-3 p.m. at White Bear High School - South Campus
March 2  Evening Meeting, 7 p.m., Machinist's Hall
March 10  Daytime Meeting, 10 a.m., Machinist's Hall
April 1  Nancy Crow Lecture, 6 p.m. Duluth Art Institute
April 27  Evening Meeting, 7 p.m., Machinist's Hall
April 28  Daytime Meeting, 10 a.m., Machinist's Hall
May 6  Quilt Discovery Day in Rochester sponsored by the Quilters' Sew-ciety
June 10-12  MQ Annual Quilt Show, "Stepping Through Time," Mankato

Coming Attractions

NANCY CROW LECTURE: "Contemporary Quiltmaker: My Own Experience." Free! Saturday, April 1, 1989, 6 p.m., Duluth. Map in next newsletter.

Note: No regularly scheduled daytime meeting in April. Watch for Lecture Series Schedule.

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