MAY MEETINGS “INNOVATIONS IN QUILTMKING”
Diane McAnaney, progressive quilt artist and designer.

Diane originally hails from New Hampshire where she owned a quilt shop and design studio for 15 years.

Many of her courses are processed based with an emphasis on instinct, improvisation and intuition.

She is also known for her surface design for quilters, which includes dyeing, painting, fabric manipulation and embellishment.

Diane is a delightful teacher because she is so encouraging and gives lots of feedback. For the last 3 years her classes have been offered throughout the Twin Cities, in shops, guilds and art centers.

QUILTS ON THE WATERFRONT
DOOR PRIZE COMMITTEE

Let us introduce ourselves, we are the dynamic duo coordinating the door prize committee, Marcia & Michelle Bowker. We are sisters not only in flesh and blood, but also in our passion for quilting. Those who know us know that we are famous in our theory of “quilting as a competitive sport” (actually, this is Marcia’s theory, with Michelle being a reluctant participant.) We could spend time telling you about our quilts or spending enough money to pay off a few houses, but that would detract from our mission...

WE WANT/NEED ARE WISHING FOR-DOOR PRIZES:

Please consider donating. Be creative, cutting boards, books, patterns, or maybe a back brace for Michelle’s poor mailman would be appropriate. Smaller items will be given out at classes and lectures, with larger items getting more exposure at the banquet and fashion show.

Please bring your donation to the next MQ meeting or send to: Michelle, Bowker, 1825 Wallace Ave., Duluth, MN 55803. Or call Marcia if you have any questions (218) 728-2976. Please consider donating for the show; Michelle, her mailman, and I anxiously await your package or call! Thank you.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Do you like to show off your quilts? Minneapolis Public Schools need you. You don’t have to prepare a speech - just talk about quilting to kids, show them your quilts, and tell them how you made them. Once in a while you might have to throw in something about pioneers! If you are willing to help, please call the Minneapolis Public Schools Wise Resource Volunteers at 627-2242 and ask for Chris.

MEMBERS IN THE NEWS

St. Paul played host to the 11th Annual 1997 American Craft Council (ACC) Craft Fair and featured two MQ members at it’s show, April 11-13, 1997. Congratulations to Wendy Richardson and Diane Bartels. Wendy & Diane were among 250 exhibitors at the St. Paul Civic Center. Their quilted projects were beautiful.

MINNESOTA QUILTER’S WELCOME ALL NEW MEMBERS!

MQ is having monthly meetings as noted on page 2. Please join us and bring your quilts for show & tell! Bring a friend or let us know your new, we’ll find you a great seat at the meeting. Oh yes, the coffee and tea will be ready!

HOW DO I GET TO AN MQ MEETING??– DIRECTIONS

Machinists’ Hall — 1399 Eustis Street, St. Paul. From Highway 280 take Como Ave. exit. If coming from I-94, turn right at the bottom of the ramp. If coming from the north, turn right on Eustis Street. (Health Partners [was Group Health] building is on the right.

April Showers bring May flowers & Jane will have quilts at the Duluth Show!

THE MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY

The MQ directory will be printed in October 1997. Be sure to look inside this issue for an update form. The form will also be in the June/July and August issues. Don’t miss the deadline, it’s August 15, 1997.

We are also looking for quilt guilds, groups, etc. that have an open membership. If you would like to share your group information to new members, new neighbors and new talent in your community, they would surely want to know about you! Please send in the form on page 4 by August 15, 1997, it will be in the annual directory.

NOTE:

Be sure to review page 6 for any late updates about the Duluth show in June!

MINNESOTA QUILTER’S NEWS

is published 11 months each year. The June/July issue is combined. If you are planning any advertising in the newsletter your ad counts as one month in the June/July newsletter. If you have any questions, please contact the editor.

The August issue will be compiled by the new editor, deadline is July 1, 1997. Please watch the next newsletter for information regarding the new editor & her/his address.

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LIBRARY LINES
ARE YOU NEW TO MQ? Members are invited to check out books at the MQ monthly meeting, see more details below.
Now that the gardens are growing and the quilt show is almost upon us, please consider what you want to make for next year’s show. We have loads of new books, so be sure to ask about them when you stop in. That Patchwork Place has sent us "Miniature Baltimore Album Quilts," by Jennifer Buechel. "Quilts Say It Best," by Eileen Westfall, and "Applique To Go," by Tonee White.
The theme at St. Cloud in 1998 will be "A Garden of Quilts." We have many books with flower patterns of a wide variety to choose from. Take a look at Jeana Kimball’s "Nature’s Chorus." We also have Mimi Dietrich’s, "Quilts: An American Legacy."
We now have a copy of "Dear Jane." Many of you have asked for this book, which has wonderful original pieced blocks.
Volunteers are always appreciated at both the evening & daytime meetings. Remember, the hours volunteered at the MQ Library count towards the Volunteer Pin.
Three books and four magazines may be checked out until the next meeting at Machinists Hall. They cannot be renewed. 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. Fines for overdue material is $1.00 per item, per month. Please return items promptly.
This is YOUR library. If there is a book you want, please call me at 612-338-4360. A machine is waiting for your call.

HAPPY QUILTING,
PEGGY
(Special thanks to Peggy, who coordinates the Library each month for all MQ members. Her dedication is inspiring, be sure to stop by the library, give her a HIGH FIVE, she'll be surprised, because she doesn't know this is in the newsletter yet! ...Joan)

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 $20.00 per year (U.S. funds only) and includes the following: monthly meetings tailored to suit the needs of beginners, advanced and professional quilters; the newsletter and workshop opportunities. Minnesota Quilters pins are available for sale.
New Membership/Renewals should be sent to Jane Shattuck, 1526 Sheldon St., St. Paul, MN 55108. 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: "0197" means that the membership ends January 1997. Send changes of address and phone number to: Mary Drabik, 4258 Highland, Shoreview, MN 55126.
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NOTES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Quilter's,

I had a dream. Yes a strange dream. How strange? Well... no one in my dream had ever heard of a quilt! (Can you imagine that?) It wasn't even in their vocabulary - like a fictious word! THERE were no quilt shops. THERE were no quilt shows. THERE were no quilt groups. THERE were no quilt forums for women to express themselves. THERE was no history of women and their quilting experiences. THERE was no quilting connection between the generations. No quilts to hand down to daughters and sons. And no husband to rave about quilt obsessions.

WITHOUT quilting it would take me a long time to find so many friends. A long time to find someone who can enjoy quilting and other hobbies to share. WITHOUT quilting, the fabrics of today doesn't go to the next generation. WITHOUT quilting, no shows to experience and enjoy. WITHOUT quilting we wouldn't have such wonderful quilting fabrics and supplies to use. WITHOUT quilting, I wouldn't be writing this letter.

Join in the celebration of quilting at the next MQ meeting, at your next local group meeting, at your sewing machine, or at the annual MQ show in Duluth in June.

We are so lucky to be here with opportunities to enjoy such wonderful hobbies, and to share it all with someone else! Thank goodness it was only a dream!

Piece,
Barb

ON ANOTHER NOTE...
If you would like to order a raffle ticket for the Twins quilt that MQ made, you can call 33-Twins. The drawing will be August 30, 1997.

Use 100% Cotton Fabric
E HOLZKNECHT, 2618 65th Ave North -
Brooklyn Center, Minnesota 55430

Emailed: the "Propeller Plane" block (April 1997 issue)
March: printing distorted pattern pieces
April: Allowance to templates.
May: Address-Attach to backside of block
June: No allowance to templates.
July: Printing distorted pattern pieces
August: accuracy before marking:
September: Allowance to templates.
October: Printing distorted pattern pieces
November: Accuracy before marking.
December: No allowance to templates.

Coverlet Block
would look great when setting them together
with dark blue print connecting blocks.

Meet

ELEONOR BURNS
May 6th at Cruee's in Columbia
Topic: 'Stones Across America' book about 12 women that made a difference.
Late quilt blocks to commemorate each of them
$6.00: begins at 10 AM
Lunch at Noon $9.00
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NOTES...

The weather is always a topic of conversation in Minnesota (though quilts take a close second, though Ida insisted quilts took first place!). Since quilting is the name of the game in this newsletter, I get another chance to encourage you to submit your quilt for the Duluth show.

Did you know that I’ve got one more newsletter to publish? Yup! Ida & Ima are going to let go of my hand and will hold onto someone else’s!

I’ve had a chance to be a photographer (Okay, so that won’t be my next career!). Showing off the quilts that I found. And some that you’ve found too.

I’ve had an opportunity to share my Mom with you, did I mention my 5 sisters? None of them sew! Or quilt! Now you know what my next mission might be!

I’ve met some grand folks on the board and the general membership too. What a great chance to be active and interested in the world of quilts.

I’ve probably stammered at the microphone, slipped on the stage steps, mis-spelled a name or two/three, and have forgotten an advertisement.

But I’ve enjoyed the last two years as editor. I made some great discoveries, and had some members say thank you too! How very patient you have all been, not to mention how kind-hearted!

I want to send a thank you to each and everyone of you for your good spirits, encouragement, thanks and I wish all of you the very best fabric you can find, unlimited amount of inspiration, and more time to do quilting!

Please welcome the new Editor in June. She/he will have a challenge ahead. Share your warmth and kindness again. Keep the photo’s and notes coming in. Or the new editor will have to write even more than I do! You all made this newsletter great, keep up the grand effort, I know that you can do it, you’re quilters!!!

Respectfully yours, Joan

(.GOSSIP: if plans go well, I’ll have a quilt in the 1998 show—my friend Anne and I have a challenge! Oh yes, my son is getting married in October 1997, so I’ve really GOT to get busy quilting!)
MARCH BLOCK OF THE MONTH
"COVERLET" 9" BLOCK (9-1/2" unfinished)

Background: White on Muslin
Pattern
Dark Blue Print
PRESS CAREFULLY

JUNE-DULUTH-QUILTS!
Are you getting ready for the Duluth show?
Be sure to make a check list.
(Examine your class supply list too.)
Start now and get really excited about the
biggest news in Minnesota!

Use 100% Cotton Fabric
JOANNE HOLZKNECHT, 2618 65th Ave North -
Brooklyn Center, Minnesota 55430
Submitted by Joanne Holzknecht, Brooklyn Center, MN
Drawing for the "Propeller Plane" block (April 1997 issue)
will be held at the May 1997 daytime meeting.
- Add seam allowance to templates.
- Occasionally, printing distorts pattern pieces
- Please check for accuracy before marking!
- Print Name/Address-Attach to backside of block
- To participate, make one or more blocks. Your name will
  be entered in the monthly drawing.
- You need not be present to win.
- If you are unable to attend the meeting, please mail blocks
  before meeting date to Joanne.

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These blocks would look great when setting them together
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Meet
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This is a book about 12 women that made a difference,
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“QUILTS ON THE WATERFRONT”
DULUTH - JUNE 12, 13 & 14, 1997

BANQUET COMMITTEE -
CHERYL DENNISON &
JESSICA TORVINEN

CHERYL DENNISON
Cheryl remembers piecing her first quilt in 1975 for her first child. The child didn’t arrive until three years later. On the other hand, the second child didn’t get a quilt until he was seven. Like many quilters, once hooked on quilting we always seem to be a little behind in finishing our quilting projects.

The primary focus for Cheryl’s quilting these days is to keep family and friends supplied with quilts and wall hangings, and to regularly sell work to support the quilting habit. Cheryl, her husband, Paul, and their two children, Theresa and David; moved last summer into an artists cooperative. In this environment, inspiration abounds and new quilting ideas are endless.

When Cheryl Dennison was paired with Jessica Torvinen to Co-Chair the Banquet/Food Committee, they decided to practice feeding a large crowd by serving breakfast to their church congregation. The breakfast was a success but not to worry, they won’t be serving you egg McMuffins at the “Quilts on the Waterfront” Banquet!

Sincerely, Cheryl

JESSICA TORVINEN
Hi! I am Jessica Torvinen, half of the Banquet and Food Committee. I am a fairly new quilter. I was dragged into the quilting world kicking and screaming by my mom, Claudia Myers, who has been trying to convince me that sewing is fun, for most of my life. The rebel that I am, I resisted until my first baby was coming and I wanted a quilt for him. My mom pieced it, but somehow she tricked me into hand quilting it. Six years and umpteen quilts later, I am proud to say, “My name is Jessica Torvinen and I am a QUILTER.”

In my previous life, (before husband, kids, hockey, soccer, etc.) I was in the Hospitality Management business so working on the banquet and planning the food for the show has been a bit of the good ‘ole days for me. I am looking forward to a fabulous food-filled show!

Tastefully yours, Jessica

RAFFLE COMMITTEE
The Raffle Committee is very grateful and pleased at the wonderful response they have had from you all. They wish to say “thank you” to everyone who returned money and ticket stubs, especially those who took on extra tickets. If you are not going to be selling your raffle tickets that were sent to you, it would be greatly appreciated if you would mail them back, so someone else could sell them. Just return them to: Carol Jean Brooks, 507 North 22nd Avenue West, Duluth, Minnesota 55806. We understand that selling raffle tickets is not for everybody. Thank you very much.

HELP!!!
We are having a quilt show, and we don’t have any quilts!!

I guess this happens every year, but that doesn’t make it any less scary! We need your quilts, your wall hangings, your children’s quilts, your jackets, in the non-judged exhibit, the judged exhibit, or the jacket challenge. We’re sure, if you think about it, you have something special you would like to show, and we’d be very pleased to show it. After all, the quilts are the very most important part... seeing what everyone else is doing!

THERE IS A TERRIBLE RUMOR GOING AROUND...
That all our classes taught by great teachers are full. THERE ARE STILL PLACES AVAILABLE, ONE THAT IS JUST THE VERY THING YOU MIGHT WANT TO TRY. See the list of open classes at the right!

SMALL QUILT COMMITTEE
The Small Quilt & Challenge Committees have had their drawings for the months of March and April. The Small Quilt Winner:

MARCH EAVES, ST. PAUL
For the Challenge, the winner is:
CAROL GOMAN, DULUTH
There is one more deadline, May 15th; so get your quilts and Challenges in!

INCENTIVE PRIZE -
SMALL QUILT COMMITTEE
MARY EBLOM, COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON
Martha Eaves, St. Paul, was the winner of the March drawing for the incentive prize from the Small Quilt Committee of the Duluth show. Martha won a $25 gift certificate to the Keepsake Quilting catalogue. There will be two more drawings, April 15th and May 15th.

CLASSES STILL AVAILABLE (4/4/97)
1011 - Curved Seam Piecing (1/2 day) - Sonya Lee Barrington
1032 - Dales Decagon Delight (1/2 day) - Judy Dales
1061 - Travel to Africa - Kaye England
1071 - Mason Dixon Memories - Marianne Fons
1122 - Liberated Block Construction - Gwen Marston
1221 - Cutout Trampunto - Sue Rodgers
1251 - Card Trick ala Granny Squares - Doreen Speckman
1261 - Transformations - Judi Warren
1271 - Many Trips - Blanche Young
2011 - Color Waves - Sonya Lee Barrington
2161 - Piecing Possibilities - Linda McGeehe
2191 - Babette - Suzanna Oroyan
2241 - Fractured Squares - Lois Smith
2271 - Country Lanes - Blanche Young
3011 - Tesselations - Sonya Lee Barrington
3031 - Clothing for the Body and Soul - Rachel Kincy Clark
3041 - Twist and Turn - Sharon Craig
3051 - Kaleidomosaics - Judy Dales
3071 - Hit or Miss Diamonds - Marianne Fons
3111 - Pinwheels, Checkerboards and Stars - Carole Liebzeit
3121 - 19th Century Folk Art Applique - Gwen Marston
3143 - Nature of Yellow - Marsha Mclloskey
3151 - Pattern on Pattern - Ruth McDowell
3191 - Modela the Mannequin - Suzanne Oroyan
3201 - Innovative Machine Applique and Fabric Manipulation - Yvonne Porcella
3251 - Wild Lily Rags - Doreen Speckman
May 18, 1997, Viewer’s Choice Quilt Show, Community Center, Camp Douglas, Wisconsin, 10AM – 4PM
Open to everyone. No entry fee is required. Advance registration appreciated. Items must be brought to the Community Center between 11AM – 2PM, Saturday, May 17, 1997. Winner of the $25 Viewer’s Choice Award will be announced at 3:00PM on Sunday, March 18. To enter your quilted items, send your name, address, phone number, and a short description of your item to: Jeanette Kay, 208 West Monroe, Tomah, WI 54660-1923. For more information and or an entry form/rules please send a LSASE to Jeanette.

June 7, 1997 - Landmark Center, 75 W. 5th Street, St. Paul (292-3225) 10AM-4PM
June 14, 1997 - The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints Plymouth Chapel, 330 Vicksburg Lane, Plymouth (475-3136) 10AM-4PM

Event Chairperson, Gail Crookston says, “…quilts have been stitched by both individuals, groups and family generations. Two of the featured quilts include a State Fair Blue Ribbon winner and a 150-year-old pioneer quilt.”

The exhibit is open to everyone. Admission is free; however, a donation of $2 per person or a non-perishable food item is suggested. Proceeds will go to local food shelves and a battered women’s shelter. The June 7th exhibit is being hosted jointly with Minnesota Landmark Center.

This quilting exhibition is in conjunction with a year long celebration commemorating the 150th Anniversary of the first Mormon pioneers to settle in Minnesota and the first Latter-day Saints to arrive in the Salt Lake Valley.

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


September 13 & 14, 1997, AUTUMNFEST QUILT SHOW AND CLASSES. Lac Court Oreilles Casino Lodge & Convention Center, Hayward, Wisc. For more information send a LSASE to: Ann Degen, Rt. #5, Box 5308D, Hayward, WI 54843.

September 13 & 14, 1997, Prairie Star Quilter’s present “Heart of the Prairie” Quilt Show, St. John Vianney School, 901 S. Prairie. Hours: Sat. 10-5PM, Sun. Noon-4PM. Special exhibits, vendors, demonstrations, boutique, door prizes. SASE Patty, 131 Eltinge Place, Fairmont, MN 56031.

October 3 & 4, 1997, Renville, MN QUILTER’S ALONG THE YELLOWSTONE TRAIL presents their semi-annual quilt show, “Harvest of Quilts” at the Renville Community Center, Main Street, Renville, MN. Hours: Friday 10-5 p.m.; Saturday 10-4 p.m. Vendors of quilted related items, door prizes, refreshments, special presentation.

“Walk In The Park” Quilt. SASE: DOROTHY H. JOHNSON, Route #1, Box 112, Hector, Minnesota 55342-9104

September 26, 27 & 29, 1997; INDIAN SUMMER QUILT SHOW AND CONFERENCE sponsored by the Quilters’ Guild of North Dakota at the Fargo Holiday Inn. Quilt show, workshops, lectures and vendors. For more information write: ISQSC, P.O. Box 2662, Fargo, ND 58108.

October 17, 10AM-5PM, October 18,10AM-4PM, AUTUMN SPLENDOR QUILT SHOW, Stillwater, MN. Silent Auction, Raffle Quilt, Demonstrations & Vendors. Admission $2, children under 12-$1 (No Strollers Please). Washington County Historic Courthouse, 101 West Pine Street, Stillwater, MN 55082. For information call (612) 430-1292, (612) 426-0063 or (612) 430-6233.

Be sure to send in your quilting group show or exhibit information to the editor. Send is as soon as you find out your event dates, the deadline for this newsletter is the first of the month (post-dated), it will be printed in the newsletter and sent to all members by the end of that month. Your quilt show or exhibit DOES NOT have to be MQ sponsored. Only requirement is that it be quilt related.

**PRESIDENT’S BLOCK**

(Also in the 1996-1997 MQ Directory)

These are 12-1/2” (unfinished) blocks that are made by members and given to the MQ President as a personal “thank you” for working so hard for the Minnesota Quilter’s organization.

I know that Barb Pastman, our 1996-1997 President would just love to get quilt blocks from our membership:

a) Some yellow in them, any amount!
b) Let’s use a white on muslin background
c) 12-1/2” unfinished block size
d) Attach a piece of paper to each block with your name and address.

If you would like to make a block for Barb, please send it directly to Barb at her address in the newsletter/directory, she will take those to the monthly meetings and share them at “Show & Tell”. Or bring them to the monthly meetings. You can share at Show & Tell and present to Barb then or ask the evening or daytime director to present it to Barb for you. How exciting to share our time with someone who shares their time.
MEMBER IN THE NEWS

Congratulations goes to Laura Murray, Minneapolis. Laura won Best of Show for her quilt *Helical Rise*; at the recent Mid-Atlantic Quilt Festival in Williamsburg, Virginia.

CHARM ROUND ROBMIN

*Time to re-shuffle our CHARM ROUND ROBIN!*

If you are interested in exchanging ten 6″ squares of 100% cotton fabric, this is for you! Each Round Robin will have 5 or 6 names. When you receive your packet select the ones (or all) you want to keep, replenish the stack and mail ten 6″ squares to the next name on your list. We only ask that you mail the packet within one week. Our most successful rounds are those who mail promptly. This is a great way to finish (or start) a charm quilt.

Please call or write me if you would like to be included. *IF YOU ARE CURRENTLY IN OUR ROUND ROBIN, AND WANT TO BE INCLUDED IN THIS NEW SHUFFLE OF NAMES, PLEASE LET ME KNOW.*

**DONNA HENNINGSEN**
15717 Woodgate Road North
Minnetonka, Minnesota 55345
(612) 938-5050

(My apologies to Donna for mis-spelling her name in the April issue. Please update your information, Joan)

THERE ARE QUILTING GROUPS ALL AROUND MINNESOTA.

*Did you know that there is a quilting group in Fairmont?*

If you are new to the area, new to quilting, or just want to get involved in quilting at a local group, this could be it! If you have any questions, contact the president below and include a LSASE to:

Pat Witty, President
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