April Lecture Series Meeting

April's Lecture Series welcomes Heidi Kaisand, editor of American Patchwork & Quilting. Those of you who read this magazine know that Heidi's heart is definitely in quilting. She not only brings us inspiring patterns and projects every month, but is actively involved in the quilt world, promotes quilt study and education, sponsors donation quilt activities, and encourages young people to discover the wonderful world of quilting.

In addition to her monthly publication, she also organizes the Quilt Sampler, a much-anticipated annual issue that highlights ten of the best quilt shops across the country. This year the 7th Annual issue is due at the end of May, but we are offering our members a sneak preview in April!

At the evening and day meetings, Heidi will give us a sneak preview of this year's Ten Best Shops and show us the quilt project that will be featured from each shop. How exciting to be the first to know! Don't be surprised if one of our own Minnesota shops is included.

April is also MQ's Birthday Month. We promise to have the best dessert in town so don't miss the party.
Laura Nagel
Lecture Chair

Message from the Day Directors

April is upon us. The Anniversary of the founding of Minnesota Quilters is a perfect occasion to celebrate with cake at both the Day and Evening meetings.
Heidi Kaisand from American Patchwork and Quilting will be our lecturer. See Laura Nagel's article on this page. Our vendor for the meetings will be Quilter's Cottage from Fergus Falls.
We hope to see you all at the April meetings!
Jan Herfindal & Betty Emerson

If you know of any members who have had a death in the family or are ill, please call the Corresponding Secretary (Anne MacLennan, 612-623-4459, or email annethemac@yahoo.com) so that Minnesota Quilters can send a card. Thank you from the MQ Board.

Calendar of Events

APRIL
April 5 Evening Meeting, 7:00 PM
April 6 Day Meeting, 9:30 AM
April 23 Board of Directors Mtg.

MAY
May 3 Evening Meeting, 7:00 PM
May 4 Day Meeting, 9:30 AM
May 21 Board of Directors Mtg.

JUNE
No meetings, see you at the Show!
June 25 Board of Directors Mtg.

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

How do I get to an MQ Meeting??

Machinists' Hall is at 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. The Health Partners (was Group Health) building is on the right.

PROJECT LINUS THANKS YOU!

Several of the families who have received quilts or blankets from Project Linus have written their thanks. Here is just a small sampling of the moving letters and notes.

From Nikki:

Thank you for the QUILT. It made me feel like I was at my grandma's. It made my surgery go a lot easier. Thanks again.

From a family:

Thank you so very much for the beautiful blanket for Joseph M. There had to be much time put in to it. It's nice to know that there's people who care about little kids they don't even know.

From "Michael the Yacker:"

Thank you so much for the wonderful afghan! I love all kinds of cuddly blankets! Thank you for taking the time to think of me! I will use the blanket when I am cold. It will always remind me of your kindness! Thank you again!

From the parents of William, aged 5:

Our family was very moved by your gesture of kindness. The Quilt is so beautifully done and has become a bright spot in our hospital room.

We will keep this quilt and knitted bear so that when our son is older and able to understand kindness on a greater level—along with other who thought of him during his long and difficult recovery. Our Sincere thanks once again.

From Jeffrey's mother:

I would like to thank you for the beautiful blanket you gave my son during his hospital stay. So soft and warm—so beautiful. This was Jeff's 13th surgery and it was the first time that I could not stay with Jeff at the hospital the entire time. I do think the blanket helped! Thanks so much for the kindness. I wish I could give you all a hug. God Bless.
Quilters' Bookshelf

Last week, with the help of 3 volunteers, we finished the first round of cataloged books. Soon we will be ready to start on the second batch. On March 14th I'm attending a library meeting with the Textile Center to determine how we will merge all the textile books. This is an exciting time for MQ and the library resources. Our first goal will always be to have our quilt materials accessible to our membership. So we will continue to process our collection so it can be checked out during this time of transition.

We do not need volunteers before the April meeting, but plan on helping out before the May evening meeting and after the May morning meeting. Thanks for all your help so far. We're beginning to see the light at the end of the tunnel (bookshelf?).

Laura Nagel

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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. If editor must compose ads, 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 May 2001 issue. The deadline for submitting ads and articles for MQ News is April 1, 2001.
NOTES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Spring is in the air! Birds are chirping, grasses and plants are beginning to peek out from under their winter blanket of snow and ice and it is a time of renewal for all creatures.

Quilters are no exception. We are invigorated by the sunshine and warm weather and shed our winter coats at the hint of a sunny day. 37 degrees is absolutely balmy in April even though we found it utterly frigid just a few months before. Curious, isn’t it. Then we take new found energy, jump into our cars to get to the quilts shops, without having to hurdle over five-foot snow-banks, in search of the fabrics that reflect the spring fever that hits us all. We can’t seem to get enough of the leafy spring greens, sunny yellows, bright sky blues and all manner of flower colors from pink to red and bright purple to lavender. We go in search of all of them as if they will disappear overnight. We touch them all, buy many and take them home to make a special spring project or just put them into our fabric stash to be brought out on a dreary, rainy day...and who knows?, maybe hiding a bit of spring in our closets is just what we need to keep us growing.

April is also MQ birthday month and this year we are 23 years young. We are revitalized each year by the creativity and enthusiasm of our members who bring new ideas to our group and to quilting as an art, and by the people who step forward to help run our organization. A big thank you to you and to those who have stepped forward to serve on the Board in the coming year. The new slate of officers is listed in this issue and it looks like a talented crew and I feel that we can look forward to another successful and stimulating year. We still have many challenges and changes to face and they will need your support.

Another thing to congratulate yourselves on is the capital campaign for the Textile Center. I received word before the March meetings that MQ members are sending in their contributions and pledges. 130 out of our 1600+ MQ members had been heard from with donations and pledges totaling $25,000.00 as of the March meeting. WOW! Good job Quilters! A total of $279,000.00 has been collected by all the groups and these funds will greatly reduce the loan requirements at the closing in March. We will keep you informed as we receive updates from the Textile Center and you can contact Renay Leone, our liaison for the capital campaign, or me, if you have any questions or need any additional information.

In closing, I just want to remind you that when you are out buying yourself a little bit of spring fabric, buy a little more because it’s our BIRTHDAY and you deserve a present! Wishing you a Happy Birthday and Happy Spring!

Susan MacLennan, President

Join in the Fun of the 3rd Annual

Wild Goose Chase

Shop Hop
April 5, 6, & 7, 2001

Grand Prize: $1000 Shopping Spree
- Other great major prizes
- Free Quilt Block pattern at each shop
- Door prize drawings
- 9 participating shops
- 2 “Top 10” shops!
- 20% off regularly priced fabric (one yard minimum cuts off bolts)

Hours: Thursday & Friday 9am – 8pm, Saturday 9am – 6pm
Maps available at all 9 shops

All In Stitches
Rochester, MN
Jacobson’s
Northfield, MN
Quilts By The Falls
Cannon Falls, MN
A Stitch In Time
LaCrosse, WI
Just A Little Something
Rochester, MN
Rather Bee Quilting
Lake City, MN
The Common Thread
Red Wing, MN
The Cotton Patch
Owatonna, MN
Aunt Sukey’s
Zumbrota, MN
The Computerized Quilter
Cindy Thury Smith ©2001

Quilts used to be relatively two-dimensional pieces of art, but nowadays, through advances in technology and raw materials, they can truly become three-dimensional. They can become three dimensional in several ways: by the illusion of dimension (done through color manipulation), by folding and stitching the fabric pieces to make them stand up (as in the 3-D Bow Tie or the 3-D Prairie Point), and by adding embellishments on top of piecework.

We’re all familiar with some dimensional illusion quilts such as Tumbling Blocks and the recent landscape quilts. Pat Coulter’s website has a free online class, Frigid Piecing, which uses freezer paper in the construction (located at http://yourpage.sus.com/net/pcoulter/PCRclass.html); you can see several examples of her and her students’ dimensional illusion quilts.

A search on Amazon.com under dimensional quilts will turn up several books available such as "Fantastic Fabric Folding" by Rebecca Wat, "The Enchanted Garden" by Cindy Zlotnik Oravec (ruched flowers), and, of course, "Fabled Flowers" by Kumiko Sudo. If you’d like to try a 3-D sunflower with easily made petals and a ruched center visit http://www.sewing.org and search their site using the word sunflower. Another 3-D flower that uses sewn in pieces is at http://www.quiltville.com/foldy/foldedflowerclass.html. You can also visit the Foldin’ Oldies website at http://www.rebahpub.net/fold/?esig to see their various traditional blocks made by folding fabric and their Square Cuts only series. Also at that site you can see their new pattern, Prairie Butterfly, which is a sewn block with butterfly wings made from prairie points.

For dimension added by embellishing on top of piecing you can see many flower designs done using fused petals at www.petalplay.com. Beading also obviously adds dimension and glitz to a quilt. At www.blackgiraffe.com they offer a book on beaded Baltimore Album blocks. Nancy Eha, nationally known beading artist, has translated dozens of embroidery stitches commonly used on crazy quilts into beads. You can see her Ultrasuede and beads crazy quilt at her website at www.beadcreative.com. Click on her Art Quilts and check out All Things Old are New Again and Jungle Rhythm.

Will we live long enough to sew all the quilts in our imagination? Probably not, but it sure is fun trying.

REFLECTIONS
Laura Sahlberg ©2001

"Daddy, why does the snow sparkle so?"
"My dear, it is the dust from angel’s wings".

I love to shovel snow, and this year we have had plenty. When I was a little girl, after a big snowstorm the whole family (three kids and a dog) would bundle up, grab a shovel and start "clearing a path”. We had a long steep driveway and lots of sidewalk up to and in front of the house. It was hard work, but it was great fun too. When all the snow had been moved and the paths to our house were cleared, we would all stomp into the house. Stomping and shaking off snow. As we got off our snow suits and into our flannel pajamas, my mother would make hot chocolate and my dad would start a fire in the fireplace. We would all sit on the living room floor around the fire, cheeks tingling and red from the cold snow filled air. Sometimes they would take out the old-fashioned popcorn popper and pop popcorn over the fire. Sweet rewards for an evening’s hard work.

This week when I was "clearing a path" under the light of our amber colored street light, I couldn’t help but think of my dad as the snow sparkled. It was so peaceful outside as I shoveled the snow. It was that light fluffy snow, not that heavy wet "heart attack" snow. It was falling like big feathers, and I was enjoying myself.

Paths cleared, I stomped into the house and shook the snow from my hair. I put the teapot on to boil and headed upstairs to draw a hot bath. We have one of those old-fashioned claw foot tubs that you can immerse your entire body in. As my sleepy time tea brewed in a cup, I soaked. I soaked away all the sore muscles, along with the stresses of the day. I crawled into my flannel pajamas and took my cup of tea and the quilt magazine that arrived in the mail that day to bed with me. I sipped on that soothing hot tea and browsed through the pages of fabric and quilts. Before long I was asleep. Sweet rewards for an evening’s hard work.
April 20-June 9, 2001
The Contemporary quilt group presents
their show, ON (AND OFF) THE WALL, at the Bloomington Art Center,
10206 Penn Ave. So. Artists' Reception:
Sunday, June 22

April 27 - 29, 2001
The Thunder Bay Quilters Guild will present
their semi-annual Quilt Show - Superior Quilts 2001 - at the Thunder
Bay Historical Museum, 425 Donald Street East, Thunder Bay, Ontario. The
Show will include a display of quilts, wallhangings, art quilts, quilted
clothing, antique quilts and comfort quilts, as well as ongoing
demonstrations. Admission: $2. For
further information, contact - Chip Styles, 539 Egan Street, Thunder Bay, ON
P7A 2X6 or email jstyles@tbaytel.net

May 4-6, 2001
Prairie Point Quilters present their quilt show at the Charles A.
Weyerhaeuser Memorial Museum, 215 Lindbergh Drive S., Little Falls, MN.
Quilts of all sizes and shapes, wall hangings, wearable art, tableware and
heirloom quilts will be displayed amidst the museum's artifacts. Stack-N-Whack
quilts created by the Prairie Point Quilters will be featured this year.
Show hours: Friday 10-7, Saturday 10-5, and Sunday 1-4. Admission is free.

May 5-6, 2001
The Northfield Quilters Quilt Show will be held at Bridgewater Elementary
School, 401 Jefferson Parkway, Northfield, MN 55057, Saturday, May 5,
9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., and Sunday, May 6, 11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Pieced
Quilts, Appliquéd Quilts, Vintage Quilts, a Retrospective of Betty
Kaminska, Small Quilt Silent Auction, Raffle Quilt, Jumble Sale, and Door
Prizes will be featured. For more information send a SASE to Mary
Warner, 411 9th St. W, Northfield, MN 55057, or maryw@rconnect.com.

June 2-3, 2001
The North Star Quilters' Guild celebrates 20 years of quilting with their
Quilting on the Red Quilt Show, held in the Red River High School Commons,
2211-17th Ave. South, Grand Forks, ND. Show hours are 9
AM to 5 PM on Saturday and 11 AM to 4 PM on Sunday. Admission $2. Quilts,
Boutique, Merchants, and Classes will be featured. Contact Bobbie Shields at
701-775-5310 or email at quiltbobbin@aol.com.

June 7-9, 2001
Watch for the Contemporary Quilters' exhibit: ROCK THE BOAT, at the
Minnesota Quilters' Conference, Duluth, Minnesota.

June 22-23, 2001
East Ottertail Historical Society sponsors the 14th annual competition
and quilt show at Pioneer Village, Road #8 NE., Perham, MN. For
more information, send a SASE to Linda Boedigheimer, 116 2nd Ave. SW.,
Perham, MN 56573.

August 2001
PLUM CREEK QUILT RETREAT will be held on August 6-8 and repeated on
August 16-18 at Shalom Hills Farm Retreat Center, in rural Windom, MN.
Johanna Wilson of Plum Creek Patchwork has designed a Prairie Quilt
Sampler especially for the Retreat featuring her new fall fabric line
"Shades of Autumn." Join us for 3 days of quilting in this peaceful hillside
setting of rural Windom. Retreat includes two nights lodging (double occupancy-bedding included), 5 meals,
workshop, quilt pattern plus "R's for Quiltmaking Seminar" on last
morning. The last day also includes a side trip to Walnut Grove, childhood
home of Laura Ingalls Wilder. Shop, visit the LIW museum and tour the
studio of Plum Creek Patchwork. There are surprises planned sure to
please.
Send $50 non-refundable deposit by check or call with credit card to reserve
your place for the First Plum Creek Patchwork Retreat. Limited enrollment
offers one on one instruction throughout the retreat. Total cost is
$175, full payment is due by July 1. Quilt diagram and cutting directions
will be sent upon receipt of deposit. Fabric kits will be available July 1, 2001
at an additional charge yet to be
determined. You may view fabric
swatches on the Plum Creek Patchwork
web site as soon as it is available.
Plum Creek Patchwork
14160 County Highway 5
Walnut Grove, MN 56180

September 7-8, 2001
Prairie Star Quilt Guild will be hosting "The Quilted Prairie" quilt show at the
Bethel Evangelical Free Church, 1125 S. State St, Fairmont, MN. For
more info, contact Lin Hilgendorf, 1579 120th Ave, Welcome, MN, 56181, 507-
728-8489 or wgmill@bevcomm.net.

September 15-16, 2001
Hayward Piecemakers and Wild River Quilters from Spooner will be presenting our 6th annual Autumnfest
Quilt Show at the Lac Court Oreilles Casino Lodge & Convention Center,
Hayward, WI. For more info please send a SASE to Ann Degen, 7759 N.
Willkie Rd, Hayward, WI, 54843 or call 715-634-3336.

September 21-22, 2001
Ladies of the Lake Quilting Society, Mahtomedi /White Bear Lake area,
present their quilt show "Stitches in Time" Raffle quilt, small quilt auction,
quilter's garage sale, vendors, refreshments. Hours: 10-8 Friday, 10-4
Saturday. Mahtomedi District Education Center, 1520 Mahtomedi
Avenue, Mahtomedi. Admission $2.00.

Be sure to send in your information to
the editor as soon as you find out your event dates; the deadline for this
text to the newsletter is the first day of the month
before the newsletter is printed (e.g. April 1 for the May newsletter). Your
quilt show or exhibit does NOT have to be
MQ sponsored. The only
requirement is that it be quilt related.
MINNESOTA QUILTERS
NEWS AND NOTES

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

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Attention, all "snowbirds!" It will soon be time for you to come back to Minnesota for the warmer months (yes, it WILL get warmer!) Minnesota Quilters has begun maintaining seasonal addresses for our members who have different mailing addresses during the course of the year.

If you would like to take advantage of this program in order to get your newsletters in the timeliest fashion possible, please send Karen O'Brien the following information: (1) full winter address, (2) winter address "from" and "to" dates, (3) summer address. Karen will assume that you'll be at your summer address during the months that you're NOT at your winter address, unless you specify otherwise.

MQ 2002 SHOW -- NEW DATE FOR ADVANCED REGISTRATION !

Effective this year, DECEMBER 1 is the important membership requirement date for advanced registration in the 2002 show. The reason for the change is that quite a lot of folks were waiting until very late in the month of December to join or to renew their MQ memberships and it was very difficult to process all of the applications in that timeframe. We'll keep reminding you throughout the year to make sure that your membership is valid on DECEMBER 1 (the date on your membership card will be 12/01 or later).

Minnesota Quilt Project
Spring Update

The Minnesota Quilt Project (MQP) is a standing committee of Minnesota Quilters. The purpose of MQP is to identify and document quilts that have a Minnesota connection.

MQP has several exciting projects that we are working on. A project that is very close to completion is the exclusive MQP quilt "Meandering Leaves." This quilt was designed by the 2001 Minnesota Quilter of the Year, Patricia Cox, as a fund-raising opportunity for MQP. Some of you may remember seeing the quilt top on display at the Rochester show, along with the pattern. We are almost finished with the hand quilting, and will display it (hopefully with binding!) at the Duluth Show. The patterns will also be available for purchase (and are available for purchase at regular MQ meetings).

MQP is looking for quilts in the Duluth area that were documented during Quilt Discovery Days. We want to display and showcase about 12 quilts at the Duluth show in June. If you own one of these quilts, or know someone who does, please contact Paulette Marini, 952-938-5652 or Jean Loken, 952-890-7299 as soon as possible.

Currently, MQP is updating and expanding our database and converting our photo slides to CDs. Past and present dedicated members have photographed and collected information on more than 3500 quilts, during Quilt Discovery Days and at various historical museums. All of this interesting and valuable information will be stored in the MQ computer, and will be available to the general MQ membership.

The committee is also planning a program that will be presented at an MQ meeting in 2001-2002. This program will demonstrate the process that MQP goes through to document a quilt. We are selecting slides and quilts to show at the meeting, and MQ members will have the opportunity to bring in pre-1976 quilts and have MQP document them. We'll provide more details in a future newsletter.
Linda Kosfeld, MQP Chair
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To vote for these candidates, mark an X on the line and bring your ballot to the April 2001 meetings or mail by April 13 to: Laura Sahlberg, 834 Sherwood Ave, St. Paul, MN 55106
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St. Paul, MN 55106
Where Can I Stay in Duluth?

Here are some alternate suggestions if you are having difficulty finding hotel rooms for the Duluth Quilt show. These businesses do not have room blocks or special quilter's prices and all will require you to have your own transportation. Remember parking at the DECC is plentiful and only $3.00 a day.

Duluth has many fabulous bed and breakfast businesses in some of our beautiful old homes. Make your quilt show trip an extra special treat and try one of them. They will take good care of you!
- A. Charles Weiss Inn-218-724-7016 or 800-525-5243, dglee@earthlink.net
- A.G. Thomson House, 877-807-8077
- The Ellery House, 218-724-7639
- The Firelight Inn on Oregon Creek, 218-724-0272
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- The Mansion, 218-724-0739
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- The Olcott House, 218-728-1339 or 800-715-1339
- PJ's Bed and Breakfast, 218-525-2508
- Spinnaker Inn, 218-525-2838
- Stanford Inn, 218-724-3044
- A Timberpeg Bed and Breakfast, 218-628-0517

Some other hotels and motels are:
- Canal Park Inn, 218-727-8821
- Fitger's Inn, 218-722-8826
- Voyageur Lakewalk Inn, 218-722-3911
- Chalet Motel, 218-728-4238
- Motel 6, 218-723-1123
- Mountain Villas, 218-628-3691
- Spirit Mountain Travelodge, 218-628-3691
- Buena Vista Motel, 218-722-7796
- Days Inn, 218-727-3110
- Fairfield Inn by Marriott, 218-723-8607

In Superior-
- Barker's Island Inn, 715-392-7152
- Holiday Inn Express, 715-392-3444

You can also go to the Duluth Convention and Visitors Bureau website at www.visitduluth.com for more information and availability or call 1-800-438-5884.
SEWING MACHINE GIVE-AWAYS!
The Minnesota Quilters show in Duluth, through our generous sponsors, is giving away five sewing machines, this year. The names of those pre-registered for classes will go into a drawing for a terrific Viking machine and will be announced at the Meet the Teachers. For every two hour stint you volunteer at the show, your name will be put into the drawing for the great Pfaff. If you sell the most raffle tickets, you will win a re-conditioned vintage Singer Featherweight. You need not be present to win any of these machines. You must however, be present to win the fabulous Janome New Home at the Fashion Show or the coveted Bernina at the Banquet. We are also continuing the tradition of giving an iron-this year Euro-Pro- at all the lectures and special Events. Don't forget that all the sewing machines so generously provided by our sponsors, to eight of our classrooms, will be for sale at Show Special prices. Please see individual dealers at their show booths for information.

Special Opportunity!
We have another show-special for you! Because we had to order large numbers of 40" X 60" Foamcore boards for use in the classrooms that called for design walls, we will be selling them at show's end-$6.00 a sheet-less than half of retail. Create your own design wall! Place your order ahead of time to reserve a Foamcore sheet with Jessica Torvinen at jttorv@epinternet.duluth.mn, 218-525-1362 or see someone at the information table at the show.

Claudia Comments:

Are your quilts getting done? I sure hope so, because mine isn't! Don't forget that there will be digital photos taken for you at the April meeting so you can send them along with your entries, both for judged or non-judged.

The Special Exhibit committee still has space for a few more "Piece O' Cake" quilts. So if you took the class with Becky Goldschmidt in Rochester, or have done one on your own, please contact Diane Nyman at quilter.man@prodigy.net or 218-624-0260

Please remember to share your quilts in the Judged or Non-Judged Show. We want to see what quilters all over our region are doing! Entry forms are on pages 11 or 35 of the show booklet.

MQ CHALLENGE
April has many important deadline dates and April 13th is an important one for quilters! All entry forms for "Quilts on the Waterfront" are due by APRIL 13th! We're hoping you are working on your quilt challenge project. We are anxiously awaiting the postman to come to our front door to deliver your quilt project! We have wonderful prizes for each category: Quilt/Wall Hanging, Wearable Art, Three Dimensional, and Viewers' Choice, as well as the random drawing ($125 gift certificate] just for getting your project finished and delivered! Finished entries are due May 26 (not the 13th as we said last month!)

DOOR PRIZES WANTED
There are 3 reasons people come to the annual MQ show. One is to see amazing quilts and displays. A second reason is to take new and challenging classes by nationally known teachers. The third reason, of course, is to win FABULOUS door prizes! We know that you are hard at work on your quilt show entries and have selected your classes, but have you thought of what you might donate to this year's show? The Door Prize Committee is looking for new items to be used as door prizes for lectures and classes. All items valued over $75.00 will be given out at our 2 special events, the Fashion Show and the Banquet. What a great way to advertise your business, shop, or guild! Send your items to: Michelle Bowker, 1825 Wallace Ave., Duluth, MN 55803, or (218) 728-2976 or mbot@aol.com.
CLASSIFIED ADS
FOR SALE-
Hard-to-find Bernina 830, complete with attachments, bed extension and knee lift, excellent condition, workhorse machine. $500.00 plus shipping (if necessary) Call Jessica Torvinen 218-525-1382 or e-mail jttorv@cp.duluth.mn.us

Janome MemoryCraft 4800 Computer Sewing Machine. 233 built-in stitches, decorative and 2 alphabets. Incl. are many extra items such as 1/4" foot, walking foot, and soft carry case. $700.00. Dawn Jensen 952-997-7424

WAYZATA Quilting Emporium
Wayzata Bay Center, 927 E. Lake St., Wayzata 952-475-2138

Your complete quilt shop - quality cotton fabrics, huge selection of books and patterns, the latest notions, kits, block of the month, rug hooking kits and supplies, and beginner to advanced classes.
Store hours: Monday-Thursday 9-8:30, Friday & Saturday 9-5

GATHERING friends QUILT SHOP
We carry over 2000 bolts of quality cotton fabrics with knowledgeable, helpful service

Midnight Madness Sale
Friday April 6 9am-Midnight
20% off Storewide
Empty the Bolt and get 30% off
Large Selection of Bolts at 40% off

Hours: Mon-Fri 9:00-5:00 Sat 9:00-3:00
101 South Main Street · PO Box 189 · Bird Island, MN 55310
1-320/365-4670 · e-mail: gfriends@willmar.com

Store Closing Sale
Lots of Fabric, linens, fixtures and misc.

GRAND REMNANTS
1136 GRAND AVENUE
ST. PAUL, MN 55105
651-222-0221

Sale starts Wednesday April 4th 10-6
Saturdays April 7, 14, 21 11-5
Sundays April 8, 15 12-4
Call for additional store hours in April

Grand Remnants will continue to be
Online at www.grandremnants.com and
as eBay seller grandremnants and in
Canal Park Antique Mall in Duluth
2nd floor, Booth #18 open 7 days a week

2817 NORTH HAMLIN AVE
ROSEVILLE, MN 55113
651-628-9664
### Minnesota Quilters Treasurer's Report
#### July 2000 - December 2000

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| Cost of Goods Sold               |             |
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April Block of the Month
"Star Variation"
8" finished (8.5" unfinished)
Please use 100% cotton fabrics.
Fabrics
Background of light tan print
Star of blue print
Cutting
Background: cut 1 square 4.5 by 4.5 inches
cut 2 squares 2.5 by 2.5 inches
cut 2 rectangles 2.5 by 4.5 inches
cut 2 rectangles 2.5 by 6.5 inches

Star: Cut 6 squares 2.5 by 2.5 inches and sew 2 of these on the large square. Sew the rest on the rectangles. Check the drawn pattern to sew them on the correct angle. Diagram A--Stitch from corner to corner. Diagram B--Trim, then flip up and press.

Pattern submitted by Joanne Holzknecht.
The drawing for this block will be held at the May 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 55440. email: sewsewo@spacestar.net
MINNESOTA QUILTERS VIDEO LIBRARY
A Member Service

The MQ video library is operated by mail only. The procedure for borrowing from the video library is:

1) The member sends a request for a tape along with a deposit check in the amount of $30.00 per tape (minimum $132.00 per 191-194 & 208-215) payable to Minnesota Quilters. The mailing address for videos is: Linda Wines, 6632 Quantico Lane N, Maple Grove MN 55311-3200

2) The librarian will send the tape as soon as it becomes available or on a date you specify (see #4)

3) MQ will pay the postage one way ($1.28), and the member will be responsible for the return postage.

4) You may reserve a tape for use at a later date (useful for a group program or a quilting afternoon).

5) You may select a whole list of tapes you wish to view, send in a deposit for one tape, and the librarian will mail them to you in sequence as you return the prior one to her.

6) Normal checkout time is 10 days from the date you receive it. When the tape is returned within the 10 day limit, in good condition, the next tape you have selected will be mailed, or, if none is indicated, your deposit check will be returned to you.

7) If the tape is damaged or lost by the member, the check will be forwarded to the MQ treasurer for deposit.

8) Tapes are NOT checked out at the monthly MQ meetings as the MQ library books are.

If you know of a good quilting video that is not on our list, please send the information to Linda Wines so she can consider purchasing it for the library. We hope you enjoy the tapes!

Tapes Available:

101 Quick Machine Piecing Techniques, HB Enterprises. 1 hr
102 Quilting Basics V & VI. Hexagons, 60 Degree Diamonds, English Piecing, 8 pt Stars. Lois Caldwell. 55 min
103 Step by Step to a Sampler Quilt. HB Enterprises. 1:45
104 Fast Log Cabin, HB Enterprises. 1 hr
105 ABC's of Quiltmaking; Applique Quilts. HB Enterprises. 2 hr
106 Stained Glass Quilting. HB Enterprises. 1 hr
107 Fast Lone Star. HB Enterprises. 1 hr
108 Palettes for Patchwork. Junior Beyer. 1 hr
109 Log Cabin Triangles. Kaye Wood. 55 min
110 Reversible Quilts. Kaye Wood. 55 min
111 Basic Log Cabin. Kaye Wood. 55 min
112 Mastering Patchwork. Junior Beyer. 2 hr
113 Quick Strip Quilting: Double Wedding Ring. Sharr Jorgenson. 1 hr
114 Lap Quilting. Georgia Bonsteel. 1 hr
115 Quilting with Erica Wilson. 51 min
116 Quilts in Women's Lives. Pat Ferraro. 28 min
117 Quiltmaking Basics I & II. Beginning Hand Piecing and Quilting. Lois Caldwell. 2 hr
118 Quiltmaking Basics III & IV. Log Cabin, Stencil Piecing, and Applique. Lois Caldwell. 2 hr
119 Pineapple Made Simple. Mary Ellen Hopkins. 1 hr
120 Quilting with Marston and Cunningham, V. 1: Basic Piecing and Applique. 55 min
121 Quilting with Marston and Cunningham, V. 2: Sets and Borders 1 hr
122 Basic Applique Technique. Pat Cox. 1 hr
123 Strip Piecing the Double Wedding Ring. Betty Boyink. 1 hr
124 Shortcuts to America's Best-Loved Quilts. Nancy Martin. 1 hr
125 Quick Strip Quilting: Dresden Plate, Endless Chain, Tumbler & Grandmother's Flower Garden. Sharr Jorgenson. 55 min
126 Self Portrait: A Walking Tour of Gwen Marston's Small Quilts. 30 min
127 1990 AQF Show. 1 hr
128 Quilting with Marston and Cunningham, V.4: Basting and Quilting in a Frame. 1 hr
129 Quilting with Marston and Cunningham, V.6: Caring For and Displaying Quilts. 1 hr
130 Heart and Hands. Ferraro Films. 63 min
131 Log Cabin Diamonds. Kaye Wood. 55 min
132 Starmaker Quilt Designs. Kaye Wood. 50
133 Template Applique. J. Cooke, R. Benker-Ritchey. 31 min
134 A Video Guide to Quilting. New England Quilters Guild. 2 hr
135 Quick Piecing the Diamond Starburst. Betty Boyink. 1 hr
136 The Hawaiian Quilt. Hawaiian Craftsmen. 56 min
137 Color Confidence. Junior Beyer. 40 min
138 1991 AQF Quilt Show. 1 hr
139 Designer Sweatshirts. Mary Mulari. 90 min
140 Quilt Care in the Home. Austin Area Quilters Guild. 30 min
141 Quilting with Marston and Cunningham, V.3: Making and Marking Quilting Designs. 1 hr
142 1991 International Quilt Festival (Houston). 1 hr
143 Crazy Quilting with Merry Nader. V.1: Getting Started and Seamline Embroidery. 100 min
144 Crazy Quilting with Merry Nader, V.2: Embellishments. 135 min
145 Introduction to Fast Patch. Anita Hallock. 1 hr
146 Arizona Quilts: Pieces of Time. Arizona Quilt Project. 30 min
147 1982 AQF Quilt Show and Contest. 1 hr
148 Quilting From the Heartland 1-3: Dble Wedding Ring, Glorified 9-Patch, Diamond Dble Wedding Ring. Sharr Jorgenson. 85 min
149 Quilting From the Heartland 4-6: Star Flower, Clover All Over, Patchwork Pines. Sharr Jorgenson. 85 min
150 Quilting From the Heartland 7-9: Flying Geese, Inner City, Chinese Checkers. Shar Jorgenson. 85 min
151 Quilting From the Heartland 10-13: Crazy Quilt, Bow Tie, Kaleidoscope, Drunkard's Path. Shar Jorgenson. 2 hr
152 Tulip Quilt. Eleanor Burns. 55 min
153 How to Become a Rotary Whiz. Marnie Allard. 58 min
154 1993 AQS Show. 1 hr
155 Quilting Options. Sewing with Nancy. 1 hr
156 Lover's Knot Quilt. Eleanor Burns. 60 min
157 Scrap Quilt. Eleanor Burns. 52 min
158 Trip Around the World. Eleanor Burns. 38 min
159 Flying Geese Quilt. Eleanor Burns. 28 min
160 Machine Quilting. Judith Dahlin. 30 min
161-172 At Home With Georgia. Georgia Bonesteel. 30 min each, 12 tapes (order separately)
173 1993 Minnesota Quilters' Quilt Show
174-186 The Great American Quilt Series. Penny McMorris. 30 min each, 13 tapes (order separately)
187-188 Hawaiian Quilting: How-To Lessons. Elizabeth Akana, 91 & 54 min, 2 tapes (order separately)
189 Liberated House Block. Gwen Marston. 30 min
190 Liberated Log Cabin Block. Gwen Marston. 30 min
191 Quilting from the Heartland 201-203: Planned Dble Wedding Ring, Pillows for Special Occasions, Curved Two Patch. 85 min
192 Quilting from the Heartland 204-206: Picket Fences, Bear's Paw & Bear's Crossing, Love Doves. Shar Jorgenson. 85 min
193 Quilting from the Heartland 207-209: Baskets, Grandmother's Flower Garden, Rising Star. Shar Jorgenson. 85 min
194 Quilting from the Heartland 210-213: Double X, Pin Wheel, Friendship Star, Dutch Rose. Shar Jorgenson. 2 hr
195 1994 AQS Show and Contest. 1 hr
196 Welcome To My Garden (Hawaiian Quilting). Sonja Obersl. 38 min
197 Quilting Stars: Mary Hickey. 1 hr
198 Best Tips and Techniques for Quick Country Quilting. Debbie Mumm. 50 min
199 The Basics: Introduction to Quilting 101. Sharon Hultgren. 43 Min
200 Beyond the Basics. Sharon Hultgren. 68 min
201 1995 AQS Show and Contest. 1 hr
202 1996 AQS Show and Contest. 1 hr
203 How to Make an American Quilt (This is the audio book on cassettes). 3 hr
204 How to Make an American Quilt (The movie). Universal. 2 hr
205 Patchwork Quilts Made Easy. Jean Walls. 1 hr
206 Silk Ribbon Embroidery. Judith Baker Montana. 1 hr
207 Crazy Quilting. Judith Baker Montana. 1 hr
208 Quilting from the Heartland 401-403: Renaissance Romance, Uneven 9-Patch, Jack-in-the-Pulpit. Shar Jorgenson. 85 min
209 Quilting from the Heartland 404-406: Baby Blocks, Sail Boats, Sugar 'n Spice. Shar Jorgenson. 85 min
210 Quilting from the Heartland 407-409: Log Cabin, Cactus, Dresden Plate. Shar Jorgenson. 85 min
211 Quilting from the Heartland 410-413: Wheel of Mystery, Oriental Fans, Christmas Stockings, Gammill Quilting Machine. 2 hr
212 Quilting from the Heartland 501-503: Fan Sampler Part #1, Part #2, Woven Fans. Shar Jorgenson. 85 min
213 Quilting from the Heartland 504-506: Christmas Tree Skirt/Table Cloth, Coasters, Crazy Quilt. Shar Jorgenson. 85 min
214 Quilting from the Heartland 507-509: Crazy Quilt Vests, Christmas in the Village Part #1, Part #2. Shar Jorgenson. 85 min
215 Quilting from the Heartland 510-512: SW Log Cabin, Christmas Ornaments & Pkg Toppers & Gift Pockets, Traveling Quilter. 2 hr
216 1997 AQS Show and Contest. 1 hr
217 1997 Minnesota Quilters Show.
218 HGTV's Simply Quilts: Bear Paw Block
219 HGTV's Simply Quilts: Blockbender Quilts
220 HGTV's Simply Quilts: Soft Edge Piecing
221 HGTV's Simply Quilts: Card Trick
222 HGTV's Simply Quilts: Amish Traditions
223 HGTV's Simply Quilts: Watercolor Quilts
224 HGTV's Simply Quilts: Friendship & Memorial Quilts
225 HGTV's Simply Quilts: Water Music
226 HGTV's Simply Quilts: Log Cabin Block
227 HGTV's Simply Quilts: Applique
228 HGTV's Simply Quilts: Scrap Irish Chain
229 HGTV's Simply Quilts: Peaky & Spike with Night & Noon
230 HGTV's Simply Quilts: Quilt Names & Drunkard's Path Block
231 1998 AQS Show and Contest. 1 hr
232 Completely Quilted — A step-by-step guide successful Machine Quilting with Barbara Barber. 1 hr
233 That Perfect Stitch with Dierdra McEldroy. 1 hr
234 1999 AQS Show and Contest. 1 hr
BLOCK OF THE MONTH
At the March meeting, the winner of the "Four H" blocks was Heidi Pipkin (a first time entrant!) There were 17 participants and 33 blocks. At the April meeting, we will draw for the "Capital T" block. Please join us in the block of the month drawing. See page 13 for the next block and how to become a winner!

PRESIDENT'S BLOCKS
It is a Minnesota Quilters tradition to make President's blocks for our serving President. Susan MacLennan (who should get twice as many blocks for serving two terms!) would like her blocks to be 12 inch (finished) crazy quilt blocks.