MINNESOTA QUILT SHOW AND CONFERENCE

JUNE 14-16, 2012

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15 Nationally Known and Local Faculty

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6 Lectures

35 Sponsors

86 Vendors!

135 Judged Quilts

Over $25,000 in Awards

Over 100 Non-Judged Quilts

8 Special Exhibits

Quilt Raffle

Small Quilt Auction

Fat Quarter Stroll

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Pre registration ends May 31st!
Upcoming MQ 2012 Events:

June 14 to 16  Minnesota Quilters’ 34th Annual Quilt Show and Conference

July 12 & 14 (a week later to avoid 4th of July) - Christmas in July

Our speaker will provide a trunk show of inspiring holiday ideas to motivate you to get a head start on your gift list. A class or Holiday Sew-in will be scheduled for Friday, July 13th, 9:00-3:00 and Saturday, July 14th, 12:30-4:00. Watch the newsletter for more details.

August 2 & 4 - Sandy Klop, aka American Jane, National Quilt and Fabric Designer

Join us for an entertaining lecture about “The American Jane Story in Fabric” and trunk show. Sandy will be teaching “Pretzel Party” on August 3. Visit her website to see the pattern and view her prolific body of work. http://www.americanjane.com

September 6 & 8 - Quilters’ Schoolhouse

Spent too much time at the cabin or in the garden? Then it’s time to get back to class and learn some new techniques. There will be six learning/demo-stations you won’t want to miss.

The MQ Board Needs You!

Immediate openings for the following Board positions:

- President Elect
- Treasurer
- Operations Co-Director
- Membership Co-Director

Please check the MQ website for the job descriptions; or contact Debra at the MQ office for details. More information on page 7.
From your President

Dear Friends,

What can I say? It’s show time! Just a few short weeks and we get to meet at the annual show and conference in Rochester, MN. I was just down at the Mayo Civic Center for the pre-show walk through and realized I need to get new walking shoes. I also need to do some pre-show walking and get those leg muscles in shape!

Every day I am reminded that so many volunteers commit time and talent to creating a great show. As we get closer to our show, you will be hearing and seeing requests for more volunteer help. Not only do we need volunteers to help during the show, we also need volunteers to help with set up and take down. To show our appreciation for volunteering you will receive a volunteer pin. For every two hours you work, you will be entered into the daily prize drawings. You will also get your name into the drawing for the sewing machine—again one chance for each two hours worked.

We cannot put on this show without our volunteers. If you would like to find out about volunteering or want to sign up to help, please contact the MQ Office at 612-439-0449 and Debra will connect you with the volunteer committee. See the volunteer form on page 18.

Thanks again to the Show Committee for all you have done already and thank you to everyone who is and will help make our show a success.

See you at the show and remember to bring a friend!

Wynn Martin

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**SCHEDULE OF SHOW EVENTS**

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2012 Show Committee

Show Chair - Sue Rutford
Bus Tours - Deb Werle
Challenge - Gail Hanson & Paulette Marini
Door Prizes - Lynne Heuton
Faculty - Carla Kilkelly & Mary Kay Wyckoff-Harcus
Fat Quarter Stroll - Jeanne LaMoore & Louise Somers
Information Desk - Kathie Simon Frank & Loretta Stone
Judged Quilts - Kathy Hagen & Carol Graves
Merchandise - Mary Pozzini & Jill Schultz
Non-Judged Quilts - Martha Eaves & Dianne Conner
Photography - Kim Petroske
Printing & Publishing - Karen Knoll & Kathy Brevig
Raffle Quilt Makers - Judy Bowers & Jackie Northrop
Raffle Ticket Managers - Vicci Mattfield & Karen O'Brien
Registration at Show - Virginia Gleason
Secretary - Patty Von Arx
Signage - Virginia Gleason & Jan Wolfgram
Small Quilt Auction - Doris Kraemer & Kay Harrell
Special Events - Your Name Could Go Here!!
Special Exhibits - Suzanne Fisher & Patty Von Arx
Vendors - Cathy Goset & Nancy Hall
Volunteers - Jan Walstrom & Janet Malinowski
Website - Pat Curtner
MQ President - Wynn Martin
MQ Staff - Doris Hareland & Debra Svedberg & Linda Wines

2012 Raffle Quilt

MQ 2012 Raffle Quilt -- “Frosted Window Panes”
Designed by Brenda Riddle
Pieced by many Minnesota Quilters
Quilted by Carol Schwankl

The 2012 raffle quilt is a hand-appliquéd and machine pieced 84” x 84” quilt in creams, teals and reds made using a pattern from Acorn Quilt & Gift Company.

Minnesota Quilters, Inc. uses the proceeds from the raffle quilt to support its mission to celebrate the art of quilting. Raffle tickets are $1 each and are available from the MQ office, at MQ meetings and will be available during the Annual Quilt Show and Conference. Please pay for your raffle tickets with cash or checks; we are unable to accept credit card payment for them.

To request raffle tickets, please contact the MQ Office at 1203 5th Street SE, Minneapolis, MN 55414-2030 or by phone 612-436-0449 or email quilter@mnquilt.org. You may also order raffle tickets as a part of your advance registration.

You can check out the raffle quilt to take to your guild or show to sell tickets. Please contact the raffle quilt committee to let them know when you want it.

The email is rafflequilt2012@mnquilt.org.
Registration is now open to all, members and non-members. The most current information about the show can be found at www.mnquilt.org Don’t forget! Online registration ends at midnight on May 31st! To request a registration book please contact us at quilter@mnquilt.org or 612-436-0449.

We know that life does happen so remember you have the opportunity to purchase registration insurance. If you purchase this insurance ($20) when you register, you will receive a 100% refund for classes, lectures, and special events as long as you cancel before June 1, 2012. This insurance will not cover the registration fee, the insurance itself, or box lunches.

Online registration is in real time so you will know immediately whether or not you are registered for the class.

Class sessions, lectures, and events, will calculate automatically as you add items, and you will be able to see the total before you pay.

You will be able to register for others. You will be able to purchase as many tickets as you like for lectures and special events. So, if you want to bring guests, just buy them a ticket.

The check-out process is easy and secure. Once you complete your order and payment information, you simply click the Finish button and then wait patiently. All those banking computers need to talk to each other and this can take several seconds. Once the gears on the screen have disappeared, you will know all has gone properly and you will receive a confirmation email almost immediately.

If you don’t have access to the internet, don’t worry, you can still register by sending your completed form and payment into the MQ office. Just be sure to select a 2nd class choice in case your first class choice is filled.

Call for Volunteers for the Show

It takes many volunteers and busy hands to put together and present our nationally known show!

The 2012 Committee is hard at work but we always need volunteers to make the show fabulous.

And remember, 2 hours of Volunteering at the Show gives you a chance to win a Sewing Machine. More 2 hour shifts, more chances!

For questions about volunteering at the 2012 quilt show, contact us at volunteers2012@mnquilt.org

The Volunteer Form is on page 18 of this newsletter, in the show registration booklet, and on www.mnquilt.org/mq2012 under Forms. There are listings of volunteer opportunities and times.

Many thanks!
2012 Show News/Reminders

There are still lots of classes open at our 2012 Show in Rochester! Reward yourself! Make a new friend! Use your stash! Find a reason to add to your stash! Learn a new technique that will change your quilting life!

There are still rooms available at the special MQ discount rate at the Kahler Grand Hotel (the site of our Friday night banquet), the Kahler Inn & Suites, and the Rochester Marriott. The Double Tree Hilton and the Hilton Garden Inn in Rochester have filled our discounted room block, but you may still get a room there or at many other Rochester hotels.

Our Thursday night event is the play ‘Quilters’. We are providing bus transportation from and to the Mayo Civic Center for this event so you don’t have to drive (but if you do, there is a large parking lot at the theatre). Our Friday Banquet Speaker is Jennifer Keltner, Executive Editor of American Patchwork & Quilting. It promises to be a fun and interesting evening – do join us for one or both of these events.

We’re looking for a couple volunteers to help with set-up at the Friday Banquet, so if you are interested in volunteering, we’d welcome you. As always, there are many ways you can help by volunteering. Contact volunteers2012@mnquilt.org to volunteer.

Door Prizes

We all love to be the lucky recipient of a door prize. A door prize says “Thank You for being here” or “Thank You for volunteering”. MQ gives these door prizes throughout the year: at the show, at the guild meetings, to volunteers, and other special events. Please consider donating a door prize. Minnesota Quilters, Inc. is a 501 (c)(3) non-profit organization which qualifies your donation as tax deductible.

Door Prizes can be delivered or sent to Minnesota Quilters, Inc., 1203 5th St. SE, Minneapolis MN 55414-2030. Upon receipt we will acknowledge your donation, and you have the opportunity to let us announce you as the donor when it is awarded.

If you have any questions about door prizes, please contact us at: doorprizes2012@mnquilt.org.

Thank you for your consideration.

Small Quilt Auction

At each annual show, Minnesota Quilters offers over one hundred quilted and quilt-related items in a silent auction. The proceeds are used to support the Minnesota Quilters Education mission.

Do you have blocks that will likely not make it into a quilt? Why not make something for the small quilt auction? To each item please attach your name, address, telephone number, and a title with a safety pin.

Each month one name will be drawn as the winner of a $25 gift card to a favorite quilt shop. Then in early June all donors will be eligible for a $300 drawing, which can be divided into $100 certificates to quilt shops of the winner’s choice. To be eligible, submit your small quilt auction donation before June 1, 2012.

To date we have 88 SQA items. Mail your donated items to: Minnesota Quilters, 1203 5th Street SE, Minneapolis, MN 55414-2030.

Thanks for contributing, and bidding at the show!
Board of Directors- Open Position Nominees

The Minnesota Quilters Board of Directors has a number of positions open for the year starting Oct. 1, 2012. The following is a list of those positions, how long the term runs and those people that are currently nominated for these positions.

VOTING: All MQ members are encouraged to vote for the new Board members. We will vote at the Annual Meeting, Friday, June 15, 2012, during the quilt show in Rochester, or you can vote at the Board of Directors table at the Show, or you can request a ballot from the MQ Office. If you choose to vote in this manner, your ballot will need to be returned to the MQ Office by June 30, 2012.

- **President**- 1 year term with 1 year as Past President (two years total). Nominee- since we didn’t have a President Elect, there is no one for President.
- **President-Elect**- 1 year term with 1 year as President and 1 year as Past President (three years total). Nominee- we do not have a nominee as of newsletter printing.
- **Treasurer**- 2 year term- we do not have a nominee as of newsletter printing.
- **Operations Co-Director**- 1 year term- Nominee- Mary Pozzini, 2 year term- Nominee- June Kolodzieski
- **Communications Co-Director**- 2 year term- Nominee- Kathy Brevig
- **Education Co-Director**- 2 year term- Nominee- Laura Nagel
- **Membership Co-Director**- 1 year term- Nominee- Karen Kopitzke, 2-year term- Gail Hanson

Mary Pozzini – Operations Co-Director - MQ has become my favorite volunteer organization. I am a retired RN and vertically challenged. I have been making quilts for 30 years and it is my favorite activity. I am in my 2nd year as an Operations Director and would like to do a 3rd year so there will be a carryover in the operations position, since there was no co-director this year.

June Kolodzieski - Operations Co-Director - Like most women of my generation I worked when I could and how I could depending on family obligations. Originally from Illinois, my husband and I recently relocated to Stillwater, MN to be closer to our children and grandkids. I’ve held positions as an art teacher, retail shop keeper, university academic advisor, systems and business analyst. For fun - In addition to the usual myriad of PTO, church, and business committees, I’ve served on the board of the Spina Bifida Association of Illinois, raised and trained a puppy for Canine Companions for Independence, and spent many enjoyable hours as a Prairie Steward for Sugar Grove Nature Center.

I’ve always loved quilts. Growing up my brother and I slept under a quilts made by my grandmother. My mother bought me a copy of “The Patchwork Girl of Oz”. It was a quirky story, but nevertheless inspired me to pester my grandmother to make a crazy patchwork quilt for me. Years after she passed away I found a box with my name on it. Inside was a wonderful 9 patch quilt top made from scraps of used clothing! She had left a note for me apologizing for not finishing the quilting. Although it was not a crazy patchwork quilt, I could tell there was a lot of love in it. Last year I added an appropriate border and hand quilted the whole thing. You can see it on my blog (which I have been too busy to update lately): http://winterofmylife.com/

I’m a past member of the central Illinois guild: Hands All Around Quilt Guild, http://haaqq.tripod.com/quiltshow.htm where I helped with show setup. I am currently a member of Sun Life Quilters, Mesa, AZ, where I’ve also done show space allocation.

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Kathy Brevig - Communications Co-Director - I made my first quilts in 1973 – a baby quilt for my son, and a quilt to fit a narrow bunk bed on a submarine for my husband. Fast forward to 1996 when I joined Pieceful Hearts Quilt Club. My life was forever changed: I joined Snowflakes Stitchers, joined MQ, worked at Cottage Quilts & Fabric, and attended quilt shows all over the country with my sister. I worked for a pattern designer, made dozens of quilts, attended four International Quilt Markets, worked on four MQ Show Committees, including co-chairing the 2011 Show with Lou Roos, demonstrated at two MQ Schoolhouses, and taught four years of quilting classes for Anoka-Hennepin Community Education. I’m now a Quality Assurance Editor for BestMark, Inc., a job that ties in well with the Communications Co-Director position.

Laura Nagel - Education Co-Director - I have been quilting since 1982 when I took a quilting class to finish my great-grandmother’s crazy quilt. I was totally hooked, and gave away all my other hobby/craft supplies and have focused on quilting ever since. I was actively involved in my Colorado quilt group, and joined Minnesota Quilters in 1988 before I moved here. It didn’t take long to become involved on show committees and board positions. I have worked on Door Prizes, Facilities Coordinator and Special Events committees, and Co-Chaired two shows. As a board member I have served several times as Evening Director and lecture series coordinator. When not working on my own projects, I teach Civil War classes at Eagle Creek and Fabric Town. I have an ever-growing stash, more ideas than I’ll ever get to and UFOs to last a lifetime, but that never stops me from getting excited about new fabrics, new patterns, or new techniques. I look forward to continue working with Minnesota Quilters as we look to the future of our organization and our influence in the quilting community.

Gail Hanson - Membership Co-Director - I was originally an English teacher, then special education, then administration, then back to graduate school for a PHD in organizational communication, after which I taught at the U of M and did some consulting until retirement. Since then I have been an active volunteer and on a number of boards, among them the League of Women Voters Minneapolis and Minnesota Quilters, Inc. My passions are voters' rights and quilting, and, now, my grandson!

Karen Kopitzke - Membership Co-Director - I live in Afton, Minnesota, and have been a member of Minnesota Quilters since around 2001. I have been active with the Minnesota Quilt Project, and I have volunteered on Show Committees since 2006. In 2011, I became Communication Co-Director.

You can go on-line at [www.mnquilt.org/MQBoard/index.html](http://www.mnquilt.org/MQBoard/index.html) to see the job descriptions of each position.

Meet other Quilters and make new friends!

By volunteering at MQ you make life-long friendships with other Quilters. Get on a committee and help shape the future of MQ and have fun along the way!

That may sound corny, but ask anyone who came to MQ not knowing a soul and joined a committee; they found new friends instantly.

There are lots of opportunities at MQ with different needs. Are you free for a few hours a week, a month or maybe just during the summer while you’re off from school? Are you friendly and outgoing or would you rather work closely with a few people? Are you good on the computer? Are you free to come into the office with only 1 days notice? Or do you need to be scheduled to help out a committee?

I could say things like “Ask not what your guild can do for you, but what you can do for your guild” or maybe (truthfully and literally) “Without Volunteers there is no MQ”; but the reasons you volunteer must bring you something in return. Hopefully you volunteer because you enjoy MQ but what’s better than having lots of quilt friends?

Debra Svedberg, MQ Administrative Assistant,  612-436-0449, quilter@mnquilt.org
Block of the Month  July 2012  Friendly Flag

**Fabric:** blue for star background; white for star and stripes; red for stripes

**Cutting Directions:**
Cut white: (1) 1 1/2" x 1 1/2" square  
(1) 1 1/2" x 6 1/2" rectangle  
(2) 2" x 2" squares  
(3) 1 1/2" x 9 1/2" rectangles  
Cut red: (2) 1 1/2" x 6 1/2" rectangles  
(3) 1 1/2" x 9 1/2" rectangles  
Cut blue: (2) 2" x 2" squares  
(4) 1 1/2" x 1 1/2" squares

**Make the flag:**
Make four half-square triangles by putting the 2" blue and white squares right sides together. Draw a diagonal line on the wrong side of the white 2" squares. Sew a scant 1/4" on either side of the line, then cut on the line. Measure and trim each blue & white square to 1 1/2" x 1 1/2".

Assemble the star with the blue 1 1/2" squares in each corner, the white 1 1/2" square in the center, and the half-square triangles, as shown, for the star-points. Press seams to one side as you assemble the star block, making sure seams in adjacent rows are opposite so they fit together nicely and smoothly. Trim finished star block to 3 1/2" square. Set aside.

Sew together, alternating red and white, the 1 1/2" x 6 1/2" red and white rectangles, alternating color. The reds should be on the outside. Press seams toward the red, making sure they are opposite to the seams on the star, so they fit together nice and snug and smooth when stitched. The top of the flag is done and should measure 9 1/2" x 3 1/2".

Now sew the remaining 1 1/2" x 9 1/2" rectangles of red and white together, ending up with red on one side and white on the other. This piece will be 6 1/2" x 9 1/2". Press seams as you go, trying to press seams toward the red. Sew this piece to the stars and stripes you've already assembled. Press seam allowance toward the striped bottom. Measure and trim to 9 1/2" if necessary.

The April kites were won by Mariana Campbell and Pam Scott.

**BOM basics:**
Each person may enter up to three blocks each month.

Please include your name on your block(s)! Many of us just use a mailing label.

If you have nice scraps left over, consider including them with your block (pinned on or in a baggie) so that the winner can use them for a border or other finishing touches.

For 2012-13, all BOM pattern directions will sew up as 9” blocks (9 ½” unfinished).

Consider making a block or two in your favorite colors each month to keep for making a sampler quilt.

If you cannot bring the blocks to the quilt meeting, you may mail them to the MQ office. Please allow adequate time for them to arrive before the July Saturday drawing.

Block of the Month, Minnesota Quilters, Inc., 1203 Fifth St. SE, Minneapolis, MN 55414

To help us celebrate more winners, we will draw two names if we have over 24 blocks (3 if we have 36+, 4 if we have 48+). Drawings are held at the Saturday meeting. If the winner(s) are not present, the blocks will either be mailed or left at the MQ office for the winner to pick up. We will call to notify winners. Questions? Contact Kathie Simon-Frank (Kathie@umn.edu) or Jeanne LaMoore (jlamoore@gmail.com).
**BLOCK PARTY!!! BLOW YOUR HORN!**

Char Wenger, MQ Secretary

This is an ongoing feature in the MQ Newsletter. We would like to recognize MQ members who have had something special happen to them relating to quilting. We know that we have many talented members who enter shows, win awards and exhibit their work. If you have received an award; had one of your quilts juried into a show or been featured in a magazine, etc., please let us know about it so that all of our membership can celebrate with you! Send your information to me at secretary@mnquilt.org or call the office if you do not have e-mail.

**PAM BOTTEN** of Prior Lake, Minnesota. Pam is a long-time member of MQ, a former Day Director and former Board member. We recently heard that Pam’s quilt, “Batik Bouquets” is among the prize-winning quilts featured in the 2012 Quilt Art Engagement Calendar by Klaudeen Hanson, published by the American Quilters Society.

Congratulations, Pam!

**TERRI KRYSAN**

Terri’s quilt, “Spring is in the Air” (pictured right) placed 2nd in the Large Wall Quilt category at the AQS/Paducah, KY Show last month. Terri designed the quilt and it was quilted by Page Johnson.

Congratulations to Terri and congratulations to Page for her contribution to this award winning quilt.

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**What’s Hiding in Your Closet??**

I know that we ALL have hidden “sewing treasures” that lurk in the corners of our quilt studios, in closets and (HORRORS) even the basement. Is it possible that you have a sewing machine that is just sitting on a dark shelf looking for a purpose?? If you have a sewing machine that is in good working condition that can sew a straight-stitch seam (no fancy stitches required) and that you would like to donate….MQ would love to be the recipient!

As part of our charitable giving, we’ve asked all MQ members to bring their “scraps/snips/bits” to the monthly MQ meetings. Those “extras” are thrown into pre-sewn bags that become dog and cat beds for animals spending time in a shelter. In order to complete the beds on-site, rather than having to lug a machine or take the beds home to sew one little seam, it would be extremely helpful to have a sewing machine at the MQ office.

So, if you would like to make a little space in your home and donate that sewing machine to a good cause….we would be happy to accept! Please contact Debra at the MQ office at 612-436-0449.

Thank you so much for your generosity!!
Quilt Guild Information Wanted

As a service to quilters, MQ has a quilt guild listing on our website and in our office.

It’s located online at: www.mnquilt.org/guilds.html

This information is long overdue for an update. Many people use this list to send out information about upcoming quilt events and many people use this list to find a local guild to join. If you would like to have your information updated or included on this list, please send it to secretary@mnquilt.org or mail it to the MQ Office at 1203 Fifth Street SE, Minneapolis MN 55414. We would welcome information from neighboring border states, too. If your quilt guild is on our list and has disbanded, please let us know that too, so that we can remove your guild from our list.

The minimum amount of information we need is the name of your guild and a contact person with address and phone number. Ideally, we would like more detailed information such as when and where you meet, how many members you have, web address, e-mail address, etc, but it is up to you how much information you want listed.

Thank you in advance for helping us gather this information.

MQ Underwrites Programming on Public Television State Wide

Almost the entire state of Minnesota has access to the programs we sponsor!

WDSE and WRPT in Duluth and Hibbing MN

Watch Saturdays from 11 to 11:30 am on Saturdays on channels 8.1 or 31.1. Program alternates between Quilting Arts and Fons and Porter.

KSMQ in Austin MN

We sponsor 2 times a week for the 11:30 am weekday showing of these programs on channel 15.1:

Mondays-Sewing with Nancy, Tuesdays-America Sews with Sue Hausmann, Wednesdays-Fons and Porter Love of Quilting, Thursdays-Scrapbook Memories, Fridays-Martha's Sewing Room

LPTV in Bemidji and Brainerd MN

Broadcast on channel 9 from Bemidji and channel 22 from Brainerd.

Dish and DirecTV Satellite on Channel 22 in Minneapolis.

Saturday mornings:

10:00 Fons & Porter Love of Quilting, 10:30 Sewing with Nancy, 11:00 Quilting Arts

Pioneer Public Television in Fergus Falls, Alexandria, Appleton and Worthington MN; and Watertown, Sioux Falls SD which also serves the very NW corner of Iowa.

There are various channels they are on, see www.pioneer.org for the exact channel near you and on the television provider you use.

Fridays at 1:30 is Fons and Porter, Saturdays at 3 pm is Quilt In A Day
May Meeting Highlights

Our speakers, Ann Zemke and Diane Entrikin, paid tribute to our vanishing landscape of barns by sharing the stories and memories of the men and women who built them and decorated them with quilt block patterns. There are over 32 states with 3200 barns decorated with quilt blocks which form the Quilt Barn Trails of America [http://www.americanquiltbarns.com/](http://www.americanquiltbarns.com/).

We learned the history of the various shapes that barns were built in and why they were painted red. There were humorous as well as heart-warming tales that led Ann and Diane to record the stories, write the book, and design sampler blocks that represent each one. In addition to the stories and quilt blocks patterned in their book *Every Barn Tells a Story*, there are several projects including aprons, small quilts, and two sampler settings for the barn blocks. They even give detailed directions for painting your own – which you could use anywhere, inside or out, even if you don’t have a barn.

If you would like to see some of these barns in person, Eagle Creek Quilt Shop is hosting a Barn Quilt Tour on Saturday, July 28, 2012. Call 952.233.3774 for details.

May Show and Tells
Bulletin Board

June 14 - 16 Minnesota Quilters Annual Quilt Show and Conference, Mayo Civic Center, Rochester, Minnesota.

HAVE FUN AT THE SHOW!

Now until June 17 Minnesota Discovery Center presents “Going to Pieces: Quilting Traditions Continue” with 90 quilts and quilted objects from the Going to Pieces Quilt Guild of Virginia. For more information go to www.mndiscoverycenter.com.

August 10 -11 Heart of the Woods Quilt Show, St. Anthony’s Catholic Church Hall, 231 E. Camp Street, Ely, MN 55731, 10 am to 5 pm.


October 3 -7 American Quilt Study Group Seminar. Lincoln, NE www.americanquiltstudygroup.org

October 11 - 14 Minnesota Quilters Fall Retreat, Cloquet Forestry Center.

If you are a member of another guild and have an event coming up you can have it listed here by sending the information to editor@mnquilt.org You can also put any quilt related announcement on our FB page: www.facebook.com/MinnesotaQuilters

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<th>Heart of the Woods Quilt Show August 10 -11</th>
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<td>231 E. Camp Street, Ely, MN 55731, 10 am to 5 pm.</td>
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MQ Sponsors Awards at the Minnesota State Fair

Did you know that MQ sponsors several awards at the Minnesota State Fair? Here is an explanation of the awards:

MQ will award a Rosette and a $100 cash prize to the winner of the Sweepstakes award (Best of Show).

MQ will award a Rosette and $50 cash prize to the winners in the following categories: Best Machine Quilting and Best Use of Color. New for 2012 are the same awards for Best Hand-appliquéd Quilt and Best Quilted Clothing.

MQ also awards a new or continuing membership to winners in the categories for First Pieced Quilt and First Appliquéd Quilt (this means first ever made, not first ever entered in the State Fair).

In addition, MQ offers $20 to each first place winner in several categories and has matched the State Fair premiums for second and third placings in these categories.

Did you know that you do not have to win at the County level in order to enter your quilts in the State Fair? There is a specific category for county fair winners, but it is only one category of many. The only requirement for entering quilts is that you are a Minnesota resident.

Pre-registration for the Creative Activities started May 1. You do not have to pre-register for the Creative Activities, but it speeds up the intake process.

MQ also sponsors a $100 award in the Fine Arts category for fiber art. The Fine Arts exhibit is a juried exhibit and you must register your entries by July 1, 2012.

Check out www.mnstatefair.org and click on Competitions to see more information and all the rules regarding these two competitions. You can also call the Competition Office at 651-288-4417 and request a Rules and Premiums booklet to be mailed to you.
New and Renewing Members April 2012

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**Be part of the 35th Annual Minnesota Quilters, Inc. Show & Conference Committee!**

Show Dates are: June 13 - 15, 2013  
Location: DECC, Duluth MN  
This is a great experience for all who are a part of creating our wonderful annual quilt show and conference. It’s a great way to work together to make each show be consistent in some things but unique in others. We welcome creativity and fun. Almost all committees work best with two people co-chairing them to share the ideas and responsibilities – so urge a friend to join the committee with you, or make a new friend by signing up with someone you don’t know.

To thank you for your volunteer show committee participation you will receive:

- 2013 Show registration fee waived
- Priority registration for the 2013 show
- At-cost ticket for the Friday event
- Volunteer show pin
- 1 year free MQ membership renewal
- Priority registration for the 2014 show

Committees where help is needed:

- Show Chair  
- Show Secretary  
- Bus Tours  
- 2014 Challenge  
- Door Prizes  
- Merchandise  
- Non-Judged Exhibit  
- Photos & Power Point  
- Registration  
- Small Quilt Auction  
- Special Events  
- Vendors  
- Volunteers

If you have any questions about these committees, or want to help Make the 2013 Show Happen, please contact me!

Linda Wines, MQ Show Director, showdirector@mnquilt.org, 612-910-7127

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**President’s Quilt Block**

*MQ has a tradition of presenting your President with “Thank You” blocks for their 3 year term of service.*

*Wynn would like any red and white block.*

*Past President Yvonne Curran would like any 6”, 9” or 12” Christmas block.*
Volunteer Registration Form

Our show is brought to you entirely by Volunteers. YOU are the most valued and treasured resource Minnesota Quilters has. It will take over 600 volunteers working together to put on a successful quilt show in June, 2012. Each volunteer with 2 hours of service will receive a Volunteer Pin as a token of appreciation for time given. We have volunteer shifts of one hour for white gloving, and two hours for other duties. We have start times on the half hour, so you will have more opportunities to volunteer and enjoy the show. For each two hours you volunteer, your name will be entered into daily prize drawings. In addition, your name will be entered into the drawing for the Grand Prize Drawing of a Pfaff Sewing Machine!

Call, write or e-mail your volunteer registration information to:
MQ Show Volunteers
1203 5th Street SE
Minneapolis, MN 55414-2030
612-436-0449
e-mail volunteers2012@mnquilt.org or find the form online at www.mnquilt.org/mq2012.

Name

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City, State ZIP or Postal Code

e-mail __________ Day Phone __________ Evening Phone __________

Please check Volunteer Opportunities where you can help us.

___ White Glove - We have one hour shifts available starting at half hour intervals.

___ Ticket Taker ___ Door Guard ___ Registration ___ Small Quilt Auction ___ Information Booth

___ MQ Merchandise ___ Raffle Quilt ___ Volunteer Table ___ 2013 Challenge ___ Bag Check

___ Set-Up MONDAY ___ Set-Up TUESDAY ___ Set Up WEDNESDAY ___ As Needed

___ Thursday Night Event Set-Up ___ Friday Night Event Set-Up ___ Take-Down SATURDAY

Class Room Helper – MUST BE SIGNED UP FOR THE CLASS or Class Room Ass’t (not enrolled in class)

Class Number(s) and Names(s) ______________________________

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Please list the times you are available to volunteer.

Monday June 11th

Tuesday June 12th

Wednesday June 13th

Thursday June 14th

Friday June 15th

Saturday June 16th

Saturday Take Down (4:00pm start)

Many thanks to all the hard-working 2012 Show Committee members. As the largest all-volunteer show in the nation, we can’t say thank-you enough to those who give so much time and talent to this event. If you’d like to lend a hand before, during or after the show please send in the completed form above.
LIBRARY SURVEY

The survey below has been sent to all MQ members because the board wants your opinion on where the MQ book collection should be housed.

Background:
When the search committee began seeking a new location for our monthly membership meetings, one of the priorities was to find a desirable site with room for our quilt library collection so members would have access to our books and quilting magazines when they attend meetings and other MQ functions. While we found great parking, office space, a flexible meeting room with kitchen facilities and a classroom, it wasn’t immediately apparent when or where we could relocate the library collection. As a result the Board decided to make moving the office and meetings to the Newman Center a priority and continue the library discussion after we were settled. At this time we are looking at two options for our library materials.

The options for your consideration:
Option 1 would be to move the books to the Newman Center where they would be available to the membership during monthly meetings. How the books would be accessed during the rest of the month will be determined in part by where they will be located in the building.
Option 2 would be to leave the books in the Textile Center library. This means the books are not accessible during the meetings, but may be accessed throughout the month during Textile Center Library hours of operations.

Minnesota Quilters Inc is a member of the Textile Center and we plan to continue that membership. Our library membership is a separate fee and we have paid the per capita membership assessment for the use of the Textile Center library through September 30, 2012. The Textile Center library is available to everyone for research, but only library members are allowed to check books out.

It is our desire to hear the opinions of all MQ members. This survey will be open through May 31, 2012 and the results will be compiled and presented at the Annual Meeting Friday June 15, 2012 during the MQ Annual Quilt Show and Conference in Rochester, Minnesota.

Below is a list of the questions that appeared on the survey. If you did not already receive the survey please contact Lou Roos at lou_mnquilter@hotmail.com immediately.

1. Did you know Minnesota Quilters maintains a valuable collection of reference and circulating (can be checked out by members) quilting resources currently housed at the Textile Center?
2. Have you ever spent time in the Textile Center Library and used these resources?
3. Have you ever checked out resources from the Textile Center Library?
4. How often have you used or checked books out of the Textile Center Library?
5. I have used MQ resources at the Textile Center Library only on meeting days, or only on my own – not during MQ meetings, or both, or neither.
6. Have you used the MQ resources at the Textile Center Library in the last 6 months – since we moved the meetings to the Newman Center?
7. Would you be likely to use the MQ library resources more frequently if they were at the Newman Center?
8. Would you be likely to use the MQ library resources more frequently if they remain at the Textile Center Library?
9. Would the books be more accessible to you if they were available at our monthly meetings?
10. Would the books be more accessible to you if they remained at the Textile Center?
11. If the MQ library resources are moved to the Newman Center, would you still like to have access to other resources at the Textile Center Library?
12. Would you be willing to volunteer at the MQ Library at the Newman Center?
13. Would you be willing to volunteer at the Textile Center Library if the MQ resources remained there?
14. Please share any other thoughts or comments you may have about the future location of the MQ Library resources.
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