2014 HOLIDAY BRUNCH
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Holiday Stockings for St. Joseph’s Home for Children
Holiday Block Exchange
Holiday Brunch Quilt Block Challenge
St. Thomas Binz Refectory
St. Paul, Minnesota

We hope to see you at the annual Minnesota Quilters winter holiday tradition—our Holiday Brunch. The new Quilter of the Year for 2015 will be introduced. We will again be collecting handmade Christmas stockings for St. Joseph’s Home for Children in Minneapolis. Stocking stuffers are needed for the stockings, especially for teenagers. When you make your stocking donations, please make a list of the items along with your name and address so St. Joseph’s can acknowledge your contribution. The pattern for the Christmas stocking is available on the Minnesota Quilters website, http://www.mnquilt.org/documents/HolidayStockingPattern.pdf

The Holiday Brunch Challenge this year is "Get Those Holiday Brunch Quilt Blocks" out of your stash and into a completed holiday item. There are plans to have the projects from this challenge displayed at the 2015 MQ show in Duluth. Don't have Minnesota Quilters holiday brunch quilt blocks? Dig out a holiday UFO and join the challenge.

There will again be a quilt block exchange. The blocks are 12 1/2" x 12 1/2" unfinished, with a white or off-white background. Each quilter may contribute up to three blocks for the challenge. Use good quality cottons and submit only a block you would like to keep yourself. Appliqué blocks are welcome, but please know if you spend precious time on an appliquéd block, you may not receive an appliquéd block in return. Prewash all fabrics.

Registration for the Holiday Brunch is a link on the MQ website, or call the office to register at 612-436-0449. Payment is by credit card or check. There will not be paper registrations for this event. Ticket cost for members is $28.50 and non-members $33.50.

Show and Tell will be on the agenda, please bring your beautiful quilted projects to share.

Due to a limited amount of room at the University of St Thomas, reservations will be taken on a first come, first served basis. A waiting list will be established so if a member can't attend, the next in line will be informed.

Parking is limited, please car pool if possible.

Directions to Binz Hall are on page 13. Maps, stocking pattern, parking and registration information are on the MQ website and on the email invitation sent on October 28.

The Holiday Brunch Committee: Sally Lajon, Arlene Albrecht, Kara Albrecht, Sharon Peterson, Tina Hollerman, Beth Coulombe, Ruth Herbst & Pamela Plocek
Upcoming Events

December 6, Holiday Brunch, University of St. Thomas. Information on page 3, directions to Binz Hall on page 13. No Thursday meeting in December.

January 8 & 10, 2015, 2015 Quilt Show and Conference Kick-Off
February 5 & 7, Presented by Minnesota Quilt Project
March 3 & 7, MQ Meetings
March 9-11, MQ Retreat in Anoka
April 9 & 11, MQ Meetings
April 12-15, Retreat at Camp Wapo in Amery, Wisconsin

MQ Board of Directors meetings: Combined Board and Finance Meeting—December 16. All meetings are at 6 pm. Please notify Bonnie, president@mnquilt.org if you have an agenda item and/or wish to attend.
Deadline for December Newsletter: Tuesday, December 9, 2014. Please send newsletter articles to editor@mnquilt.org.

Bring Guests!
Each time you bring a guest to a monthly meeting, your name will be entered in the annual March drawing for a free membership renewal. Spread the word!

Highlights from the October MQ Board Meeting

The Board voted to accept the raffle quilt proposal received from the Blue Earth Block Swappers. They will make the raffle quilt for the 2016 quilt show. The Treasurer presented the financials. Audit dates have been set. Linda Wines, show director, is planning to attend the Road to California quilt show in January to learn how they do their show.

The Board approved the recommended grant requests for the year. The Board extended the scholarship application period to November 11. The Board approved a motion that if a member serves on the board and show committee the same year, the member will receive only one year of free membership for their services.

St. Lawrence Church will not be renewing our lease in 2016; it wants to increase its outreach programs. The Board will be looking for new meeting and office space immediately. See page 17 for a questionnaire to give us your input.

We still need Show Coordinators for the 2016 quilt show.

The Education Directors reported that Cloquet will not be available for the next two years and they are considering other facilities. We will have a new Spring Getaway this year at Camp Wapogasset in Amery on April 12-15, 2015. Our In-Town retreat will be at Millie P’s March 12-14, 2015.

The Communications Director made a plea to everyone to please get your newsletter articles to the Editor on time, or even early!

The next combined Finance/Board Meeting will be November 18, 2014 at 6:00 pm in Classroom A.

ALL MEMBERS ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND.

Respectfully submitted,
Jill Schultz, Secretary
**RAFFLE TICKETS WILL BE SOLD AT THE HOLIDAY BRUNCH**

“**Stars on the Water**” was designed, pieced and quilted by Sandi Irish of The Irish Chain. Thank you to Sandi for donating your time and skills. **The quilt was designed to represent the stars over the Duluth Harbor, reflecting the waters of Lake Superior.** The fabric is by Cherrywood.

This quilt is just beautiful! Now is the time to pick up some tickets and give them as hostess gifts. **Buy raffle tickets as holiday gifts. Why not a Thanksgiving surprise?** We will have postcards that show the quilt and can be given with the tickets.

Raffle tickets are $2.00. We are unable to accept credit card payment for them, but we will be very happy to accept cash or a check. To request raffle tickets, please contact the MQ office by phone 612-436-0449 or e-mail quilter@mnquilt.org. If you are unable to pick up tickets at the office, tickets can be mailed to you. Tickets will be available for purchase at the MQ office, at MQ monthly meetings and during the MQ Quilt Show and Conference in Duluth.

We encourage you to check out the raffle quilt to take to your guild or quilt show. This provides extra opportunities to share the quilt and sell raffle tickets. Please contact the MQ office to let them know when you would like to reserve the quilt.

Minnesota Quilters, Inc. uses the proceeds from the raffle quilt to support its mission to celebrate the art of quilting. The raffle drawing will be held on Saturday, June 13th, 2015 at 4 pm at the DECC in Duluth, MN. **YOU NEED NOT BE PRESENT TO WIN.**

If you have any questions, please contact Jill Schultz and Mary Pozzini at rafflequilt2015@mnquilt.org.

Thank you for your generosity in making this fundraiser a success.

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**January Meetings ~ Quilt Show Preview, January 8 & 10**

Make plans now to attend the January MQ meetings for a preview of the 2015 Minnesota Quilters Annual Quilt show and Conference in Duluth. You won’t want to miss it!

Keep an eye on the MQ website and our Facebook page for exciting show information, classes, lectures, quilt exhibits, special events, registration and hotel information.

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**February Meetings ~ Minnesota Quilt Project, February 5 & 7**

The Minnesota Quilt Project committee will be presenting two programs at the February MQ meetings. One program will showcase the collection of log cabin quilt variations owned by Pat Cox. **Plan to bring your own log cabin quilt for show and tell.**

The second program will feature Gail Bakkom's research on quilts that contain large scale letters and names. If you have a "letter" quilt that you would like to share for the program, please contact Gail at gbakkom@earthlink.net.

MQP meetings are held on Saturdays at 8:30 a.m. prior to the MQ meeting. **Please join us in Classroom A if you would like to learn more about our projects.**

Carolyn Silflow

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**Message From Our President**

The Minnesota Quilters Board of Directors and I all wish you and yours a Happy Holiday season. Stay safe, stay warm and enjoy the season!

Bonnie Ellis

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December 2014
November Meetings Highlights ~Thursday ~ TELL ME ABOUT YOUR DOLL QUILT!

Thank you to Annemarie Yohnk who delighted us with her very enjoyable presentation.

About 75 people enjoyed seeing her collection of doll quilts from the past and were amazed at how small the pieces were in the small quilts. Annemarie's collection of doll quilts spans over 100 years and many of the colors are still wonderful. Her quilts are from all parts of the US. She has found them in flea markets, antique shops, roadside sales, the internet, and she has received gifts from friends. Her trunk show included over 75 quilts and the display of doll furniture was wonderful. We could almost see the little girls sitting playing with their dolls and keeping them warm with their little quilts.

The women and girls of years past would be proud to see their quilts at our meeting. However they did not sign their quilts so we will never know who they were or what the stories are behind the little quilts. That is one of the reasons we should sign our quilts so in 100 years a Minnesota Quilters guild meeting can see when and who made the quilts.

Linda Mummah-Schendel won the volunteer drawing. Door prizes were won by Molly O’Dea, Leila Horazdovsky, Roxanne Meyers, Wanda Shelton and Louise Somers.

Saturday ~ Victoria Findlay Wolfe, “15 Minutes of Play”

About 120 people came to hear author Victoria Findlay Wolfe of “15 Minutes of Play.” She was an inspirational guest speaker! We were all able to glean new ideas on how to work with those scraps in our studios. Her concept is to “make fabric” from her scraps. Then she uses various templates to sew very interesting quilts.

Hearing Victoria speak about how she was inspired by her grandmother’s polyester quilts immediately brought back images of the polyester clothes of the 70s. Her use of colors and her charisma were infectious. Her ability to work with negative spaces that cause the quilt blocks to pop is a talent. Victoria has been able to utilize that to create beautiful works of art. Her books will be in the MQ library.

Janet Harvey won the volunteer drawing. Fat quarter winners were Becca Brackett and Kerry Phillips. Mary Pozzini and Kerry Phillips won the Block of the Month blocks. Door prizes were won by Janet Watt, Nancy Broshat, Karen Hall and Patty Von Arx.

A BIG THANK YOU TO KATHIE SIMON FRANK, PATTY VON ARX, ELISE FREDERICK, KAREN KNOLL, MOLLY O’DEA, AND BONITA JOHNSON FOR KEEPING THE PARKING SPOTS OPEN FOR MINNESOTA QUILTERS. There was a Gophers game and parking was at a premium.

See pictures from her class on page 9.
Hello to all our wonderful MQ members. Many thanks to all of you who volunteered this past month. We need and appreciate all of you. All volunteers need to record their hours on the white slips at the meetings. Since our fiscal year started on October 1, 2013 you have turned in 1377 volunteer hours on the white slips for the year. This does not include the board or show committee. Keep up the good work! If any of you are interested in the following positions or have questions about them please send us an email or talk to us at the meetings. If you would like to volunteer for any position that is not listed, please let us know. Our fiscal year starts on Oct 1, 2014 and there are some positions open. Please let us know if you would be interested in volunteering for a position this year.

Current available positions:

Historian: This person keeps a scrapbook of newsletters and any interesting articles or information about us. If you like to scrapbook this might be the position for you. For more information see Martha Eaves (President Elect) at our next meeting.

Membership co-Coordinator, Evening: We need two people for this. These people work with the Board Membership Directors to set up the Membership table on Thursday night and help check in people. For more information see Anne McCandless at the Membership table at our next meeting.

Meeting co-Coordinator, Evening: This person helps the other meeting coordinator run meetings and hand out door prizes. For more information talk to Sue Sandager at the meeting.

Nancy Hall and Cathy Goset, Volunteer Coordinators

Nominations for Upcoming Board Positions

The nominating committee has met and is beginning their mission of finding nominees for the 2015-2016 board positions. If you are interested in participating on the board of directors please send an email to nomcom@mnquilt.org with your name and phone number. We will contact you to discuss the open positions. Look for more information from the nominating committee in upcoming newsletters.
November Show and Tell

November Show and Tell (cont.)


December 2014
On October 9th 42 women traveled up to the University of Minnesota Forestry Center in Cloquet on a spectacular fall day. They were equipped with machines, fabrics and multiple ideas. Mary Lueders and Ellen Carter headed up the event and injected their enthusiasm and special touches, like mixers, fall table flowers, and some very useful gifts. They also conducted several workshops.

A wagon ride was available on Saturday and afterward there was a bonfire with s'mores. As always, the fun and fellowship were enjoyable and the food was delicious.

On October 12th, 42 tired but happy quilters went back home with their machines and beautiful creations. Thank you Mary and Ellen for organizing this great event!
Victoria Findlay Wolfe Class

About 30 quilters spent a wonderful, enjoyable day with Victoria Findlay Wolfe learning about her system of “making fabric” and then seeing how she uses those “made fabrics” to make beautiful quilt creations.

Victoria was a full time fine arts painter, but after her daughter was born she needed an artistic expression that she could do in short segments of time. Sewing and quilting have now become her full time creative work. She has written two books, *15 Minutes of Play* and *Double Wedding Rings*, and travels extensively for lectures and workshops.

Victoria believes in using her scraps! Her advice is to sew, cut, sew again. Make friends with your scissors. If you don’t like what you made, cut it off, save it for the next piece.

Thank You!!

I just wanted to express my thanks for the class registration that I won through the drawing in Blue Earth for the class “15 Minutes of Play” with Victoria Findlay Wolfe.

I enjoyed the day so much! I learned new techniques as well as Victoria’s approach to creating my own fabric with scraps and its many different uses in blocks and quilts.

Thank you for your welcoming hospitality!

In gratitude,
Marsha Blom
**Block of the Month ~ January 2015 ~ Buttoned Up** Wynn Martin and Jeanne LaMoore, [botm@mnquilt.org](mailto:botm@mnquilt.org)

**Theme: Quick & Easy – Scrappy Contrast**

Fabric: We decided to make this really quick and easy by encouraging use of scraps! Find two shirts that contrast and button one shirt to the other. For this block, you may use shirts of any weight that works for quilting (flannel, poly/cotton blends, silk, 100% cotton, etc.) For the star parts, pick any two colors that contrast with one another. Although the sample has just one purple and one gold, you may choose any scraps that will work with your shirt pieces. Have the lighter fabric(s) form the points (C) and the darker fabric(s) form the outer edges (A, B).

**Cutting:**
- A – (4) 3 ½” x 3 ½” squares of the darker fabric(s)
- B – (4) 3 ½” x 6 ½” rectangles of darker fabric(s)
- OR you can make flying geese with less waste if you know other methods.
- C – (8) 3 ½” x 3 ½” squares of the lighter fabric(s)
- OR you can use a different method to make your flying geese

**SHIRTS** - Cut a square that is at least 8” x 8”.

**Assembly:**
1. After buttoning the two contrasting shirts to one another, cut out a square that is 8” x 8”. Stitch the two shirts together, being careful of the buttons. Sew ¼” from the edge of the placket. Cut your shirt square to 6 ½” x 6 ½” with the edge of the placket at the center line. “If you wish to take on a challenge, do not sew the shirts shut, but add a “peekaboo” element of fabric behind the shirts so when you unbutton them an image is on view.

2. Make your flying geese blocks by placing the C pieces right sides together (RST) with the B pieces. You can chain piece these, one square at a time. Cut off the excess fabric ¼” past your stitch line, removing the outer triangles. Press the first side open before adding the square on the other side. You can save the triangle scraps for other projects or incorporate them into a funky border! If you have never made flying geese before, there are great tutorials on YouTube. Quilters Cache shows three main methods at [http://www.quilterscache.com/H/Howtomakegeese.html](http://www.quilterscache.com/H/Howtomakegeese.html)

3. Sew each row together (A+goose block+A / goose + shirts + goose / A + goose + A), using pins to get them lined up properly.

4. Sew the rows together!

**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) for the winner (a border or other finishing touches). 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 drawings. Block of the Month, Minnesota Quilters, Inc., 1203 Fifth St. SE, Minneapolis, MN 55414

We will have a drawing at each meeting (Thursday and Saturday). 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.

**Block of the Month Winners**

In October, Patty Von Arx won 9 of the pumpkin patch blocks. There was no Saturday drawing since the meeting was “on the road”. At the Thursday meeting in November, Glendia Fulkerson won 10 of the October pumpkin patch blocks. On Saturday, November 8, there were two winners, Mary Pozzini and Markey Dwyer each won 12 holiday frame blocks.
**MQ 2015 Show News**

**Judged Quilt Competition**

Karen Kopitzke (Afton) and Miki Peine (St Paul) have been busy updating the Judged Quilt Competition for the 2015 quilt show. We love showing off our contestants' creativity and workmanship; Minnesota is blessed with outstanding award-winning quilters. Minnesota Quilters is accepting up to 200 quilts this year. You may complete your entry form online at [www.mnquilt.org/mq2015](http://www.mnquilt.org/mq2015). Also, as always we will accept the paper registration form from the Registration booklet.

We are adding two new and exciting categories:

**Teen Quilter (age 13-19)** This is the first time we have offered teens a chance to win prize money. All types and sizes of quilts are accepted into this new category (including tied). One person or two person quilts are eligible to compete.

**Modern** These quilts are functional, and inspired by modern design. Minimalism, asymmetry, expansive negative space, and alternative grid work are often part of the composition, as are improvisational piecing, high contrast and solid fabrics. One person or two person quilts of any size are eligible to compete in this category.

It is with great regret that we are retiring these three categories due to low participation last year.

- Blue Diamond
- First Time Entrant
- Wearable Arts

We welcome all new contestants and all of our returning contestants.

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**Gallery Exhibits and Challenges**

Minnesota Quilters now has a Gallery Exhibits Committee, and we have arranged three exhibits where we will display challenge quilts from the 2015 Minnesota Quilters Conference. The exhibits will take place after the June conference. The challenges and exhibits are as follows:

**Scrap Quilt Challenge** - The challenge is to make scrap quilts using at least 20 fabrics, 80% of which should be from previous projects. We are asking for quilts no smaller than 60" x 60" with an upper limit of 81" x 89" (double bed size). We are asking that the makers consider donating the quilts so that we can sell them at the 2015 conference and at the Textile Center exhibit following the conference. The proceeds will be used to benefit MQ Quilting for Others. You do not need to donate your quilt to exhibit it at the conference or the Textile Center. If you want your quilt returned to you, please indicate on your registration form that the quilt is not for sale. The Textile Center exhibit will be curated if we get more quilts than can be accommodated at that facility.

**2015 Challenge Quilt** - These are quilts that should be made from the Kaffe Fassett fabric sold in the challenge packets, following the instructions in the packet. Unfortunately, all of these packets have been sold out. We are hopeful that a large percentage of those who purchased the packets will participate in the challenge, as we have scheduled two exhibits to accommodate as many of these quilts as possible. Again, the exhibits will be curated if we get more quilts than can be accommodated in the space available. The exhibits are scheduled for the Eagan Community Center and the Eagan Public Library for July and August 2015 and for the Minneapolis Public Library's Cargill Room in September and October 2015. At the library exhibits, books on quilting will be displayed and members of Minnesota Quilters will do demonstrations and "docent" tours of the quilts explaining how they are made. We will publish more on that later on.

Registration forms for the challenges will be in the registration booklets that are distributed in January.

Finally, we need a couple additional volunteers to help on this committee. There is not a lot that needs to be done right now, but we will need help publicizing the events, hanging the quilts, and organizing to get all the quilts back to their owners. If you are interested in helping with this please send email to rebeccafinchmq@gmail.com.

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**Gallery Exhibits: Show and Sell Your Quilts!**

With the establishment of the Gallery Exhibits committee to facilitate quilt exhibits in venues beyond our annual quilt show, members who enter the 2015 Fabric Challenge will have an opportunity to exhibit and, if they wish, sell their quilts. Members may provide a sale price on the signage of their quilt. Potential buyers indicate their interest in a particular quilt by contacting the MQ office which will pass that information on the quilter. Final sales and quilt delivery will be negotiated between the buyer and the seller. MQ will charge the seller a $15 administration fee for any quilt sold through this process. If the quilt is being sold at a venue that charges its own commission (such as the Textile Center, which charges 40% of the cost of the sale), the administration fee will not apply. Quilters submitting 2015 Fabric Challenge quilts will be contacted regarding their interest in participating in this new Gallery Exhibits activity.

Members interested in being a part of the Gallery Exhibits committee may contact Rebecca Finch at luvkimono@yahoo.com.

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**Minnesota Quilters Retreats Planned for 2015**

Mark your calendars!

**March 9-11,** In-town Retreat at Pearl & Myrtle’s Retreat Center, located one block from Millie P’s Quilt Shop in Historic Downtown Anoka, 2012 ½ First Avenue. One, two or three day registrations available.

**April 12-15,** Spring Getaway at Camp Wapo, Amery, Wisc.

**September 17-19,** In-town Retreat at Pearl & Myrtle’s Retreat Center. One, two or three day registrations available.

Announcements and more details will be published soon. We are looking for people to help host and plan the retreats in 2015. If you are interested please contact Sharon Peterson or Charlette Pittman at ed@mnquilts.org
Going to the Holiday Brunch?

Directions to the University of St. Thomas, Binz Refectory, St. Paul, MN 55105
(651) 962-6150 or (800) 328-6819, Ext. 2-6150

If you are familiar with the area, simply use your favorite route to reach the corner of Cretin and Grand. Go west past the Anderson Parking Facility and watch for the entrance to the street level parking lot. Turn left into the lot and proceed to the Binz Refectory at the south end of the lot.

From the west: East on I-94, exit at Cretin Avenue. Go right (south) about one mile to Grand Avenue. Take a right at the Grand Avenue stop light. The Anderson Parking Facility will be on your left. Drive past the parking facility and watch to your left for the entrance to a large parking lot. Turn left into the lot. Binz Refectory is the low building at the south end and the entrance faces the parking lot.

From the east: Take I-94 west to the Cretin/Vandalia exit. Go left (south) on Cretin Avenue about one mile to Grand Avenue. Take a right at the Grand Avenue stop light. The Anderson Parking Facility will be on your left. Drive past the parking facility and watch to your left for the entrance to a large parking lot. Turn left into the lot. Binz Refectory is the low building at the south end and the entrance faces the parking lot.

From the North: When I-35 splits into 35E and 35W, follow 35E. Take 35E to Exit I-94 going west. Take I-94 west to the Cretin/Vandalia exit. Go left (south) on Cretin Avenue about one mile to Grand Avenue. Take a right at the Grand Avenue stop light. The Anderson Parking Facility will be on your left. Drive past the parking facility and watch to your left for the entrance to a large parking lot. Turn left into the lot. Binz Refectory is the low building at the south end and the entrance faces the parking lot.

From the North (35W south of the 35E split): Take 35W south to Hwy 36 East. Follow Hwy 36 east to Snelling Ave and go South. Follow Snelling to I-94 and go West I-94 west to the Cretin/Vandalia exit. Go left (south) on Cretin Avenue about one mile to Grand Avenue. Take a right at the Grand Avenue stop light. The Anderson Parking Facility will be on your left. Drive past the parking facility and watch to your left for the entrance to a large parking lot. Turn left into the lot. Binz Refectory is the low building at the south end and the entrance faces the parking lot.

From the south: When I-35 splits into 35E and 35W, follow 35E. Take 35E north to the Randolph exit. Make a left on Randolph (crossing over 35E) and follow Randolph for approximately two miles to Cretin Avenue. Take a right on Cretin Avenue and go approximately 1.5 miles to Grand Avenue. Take a left at the Grand Avenue stop light. The Anderson Parking Facility will be on your left. Drive past the parking facility and watch to your left for the entrance to a large parking lot. Turn left into the lot. Binz Refectory is the low building at the south end and the entrance faces the parking lot.
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SPICY CHRISTMAS CUTOUTS

1 c. butter 4 1/2 c. sifted flour
2/3 c. packed light brown sugar 1 tsp. baking soda
2/3 c. light corn syrup 1 tsp. salt
1/3 c. honey 1 tsp. cinnamon
1 tsp. grated lemon rind 3/4 tsp. ground ginger

Cream butter, sugar until fluffy. Gradually add syrup and honey. Add Rind.

Add flour, soda, salt sifted together. Add cinnamon, ginger and
cloves. Chill.

Roll out 1/8 inch thick. Cut with cookie cutter. Bake at 350°
8 to 10 minutes. Decorate.
Minnesota Quilters just learned that we cannot renew our lease when it expires in September 2016. The church has plans for the spaces we currently occupy. Bonnie Ellis, MQ President, appointed a Search Committee to begin to look for new space for our office, membership meetings, classroom, and storage. The Committee consists of Suzanne Fisher, Martha Eaves, Kathie Simon Frank, Anne McCandless, and Mary Ann Baraibar.

Before beginning the search, the committee would like to hear from our membership. Please answer the following questions and send your response to ops@mnquilt.org, or mail your responses to the MQ Office before January 15, 2015. Minnesota Quilters, Inc., 1203 5th Street SE, Minneapolis, MN 55414-2030

We seek your input and appreciate your suggestions.

Where do you live? (mark one)
____Inner city Minneapolis?_________ or St. Paul? __________
____Northern suburb Which?____________________
____Southern suburb Which?____________________
____Eastern suburb Which?____________________
____Western suburb Which?____________________
____Other. Where? ____________________________

How many miles do you live from our present meeting space at St. Lawrence Church in Minneapolis?________
How many miles are you willing to travel to an MQ meeting?_______

How do you get to meetings?
____Drive?     ____Take public transportation?     ____Ride your bike? ___Other?

Please indicate your first (#1), second (#2), and third (#3) priorities that the Search Committee should consider when choosing a new space:
____Distance I must drive
____Office and meeting space in the same location
____Office, meeting space, classroom and library space in same location
____On a bus line
____Lots of parking
____Well-lit parking
____Treats at meetings (That is, should we try to get a meeting space with a kitchen?)
____Space for In-Town Retreats

Do you know of any suitable space(s) that we might consider? If so, where and who should we contact?
____________________________________________________________________________________________
____________________________________________________________________________________________

Optional:
Your name:______________________________________________________
Phone number:___________________________________________________
E-mail address:___________________________________________________

Thank you for helping us understand the will of our membership! We look forward to hearing from you. Please respond by January 15, 2015.

Mail this form to: Minnesota Quilters, Inc
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2015 Duluth – June 11-13
2016 St Cloud – June 9-11
2017 Duluth – June 8-10
2018 St Cloud – June 14-16
2019 Rochester – June 13-15 *
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2021 Rochester – June 10-12 *

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HOLIDAY BUFFET ~ DECEMBER 6

Did you miss the November 8th meeting?
Victoria Findlay Wolfe ROCKS!
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