

## ***Newsletter #10, Month of May, 2007***

The Quilters II newsletter is published weekly during the season, and monthly during the off season. Information on scheduled events will be restricted to the coming week (or month), unless advance planning is required.

### **From the Coordinator**

I want to take this opportunity to thank everyone who worked on my quilt! I need to apologize to Jan Brink for making her job so difficult! She kept coming into the quilt room to assemble the blocks and I would appear. It will long serve to remind me of my year of service to Quilters 2. I will treasure it always. It will be available next Fall for signatures from those of you who left us early.

It has been another year of growth and change for our Group and you all rose to the challenges before us. Quilters 2 will continue to grow because we are providing what all you quilters want. At least I feel we tried. Next year is appearing on the horizon and sounds like it will be filled with even more fun stuff so rest up over the summer!

Fran Walthall closed the quilt count for the year with the following:

Quilts-----161

Placemats-----70

Doggie-----47

WE ARE ALL TO BE CONGRATULATED! There was a lot of team effort in getting this to happen! We needed all of you to make it happen.

If you need to get into the air-conditioned quilt room over the summer, get the key from one of The Key People . The following have keys..... Claire Fuqua, Anna McFadden, Adrienne Bortell, & Vel Peters.

I hope you are all enjoying Spring wherever this Newsletter finds you.

Elaine Vanier

### **Meeting Agenda for the Month of May**

- Quick announcements
- Introductions
- Show and tell
- Work stations:

The work stations will usually consist of:

- A small quilt mounted on the HQ16, ready for quilting
- Cutting batting & backs for quilt tops
- Quilted tops needing to be trimmed
- Quilts needing binding & labels
- Certification on the Pfaff & Bernina machines by Sue Patch & Audrey Young

### **Demonstrations**

No demonstrations are scheduled.

### **Class Schedule for the Month of May**

No classes are scheduled until the new season begins in the fall.

### **CLASS SUMMARY INFORMATION**

In 2004, Quilters II established the policy of charging \$5.00 per class as assurance to the teacher, and the other students, that those who signed up for a class were serious about attending. (This was motivated by the fact that classes had been planned, some had waiting lists and one or two people would not show up.)

The fees are used to cover supplies used in class. All the teachers volunteer their time and in no way benefit financially from the \$5 fee. Remaining funds are used to provide resources for any of us to use.

The education committee continues to request suggestions for needs of the group. The following lists the supplies these fees have made possible:

60 mm rotary cutter/blades	45 mm rotary cutter/blades
miter ruler	32" ruler
freezer paper	slotter ruler
office chair for long arm machine	tapes for marking rulers
lead system for long arm machine	subscription to "Quilt" magazine
Box of parchment squares	Alex Anderson's "Hand Applique" book
Roll of parchment paper	Roll of newsprint
Quilt scissors	2-free-motion feet for Kenmore machine
Pfaff 1473 computerized sewing machine	Additional clamps
Education policy folders	1 gross machine needles
printing, supplies, etc. used in classes	Quilting foot
	Walking foot/w guide
	Wood molding for quilt block display

Is there a product you feel we could use? Let the education committee know.

We should be proud of what the group has accomplished and provided to make quilting more fun, easier for all of us. Isn't it wonderful we have this opportunity to try out so many quilting products without a major investment?

Sue Patch

### **Wednesday Activity**

Open quilting

### **Saturday Activity**

The big room is available all day. If you can't get in, call one of the "key" people.

### **Committee Reports**

No committee reports were submitted.

### **General Interest**

Barbara Atwell is collecting packages of NEW socks and underwear as part of a Nimble Fingers duffel bag project. This will be an on-going activity, so keep your eyes open for super sales, close outs, etc., and pick up whatever you can to donate to this effort. The sizes needed are toddler to young adult. Snow birds are encouraged to accumulate packages of new socks and underwear over the summer, and bring them with you when you return.

A reminder for those who work late in the Handi Quilter room..... Security locks the swimming pool gates at 10 p.m. If you are there after 10, and you have a set of keys, your only option will be to unlock the folding doors, and exit through the Palo Verde room door. This is not acceptable because it will leave the Handi Quilter room unsecured. Even worse, if you don't have a set of keys, you will have no choice but to exit the Handi Quilter room into the locked pool area. At that point, you will have to use the pool telephone to call security to come unlock the gate. They will not be pleased.

### **Comments from the Members**

From **Bev Polito**

Our two year old granddaughter & I delivered the quilts to Fisher House. Jan Griffiths was very appreciative of the quilts. She said they would be put to good use in October. Right now it's been in the high 70s and 80s---not quilt time. In fact Jan's husband works for National Parks in Teton Park during the winter months. Julie would like to hear that. By the way, it was first time that Addison kept her mouth shut. She is a talker and her favorite words are "ok" "I can do it" and, of course, "NO". Remember those days!

We were given a tour of the house and little of the background of the founding of the

house. Says that there will be about 25 more houses throughout the country by year 2010.

She will contact Julie and if there is another need and our group still wants to donate I will be happy to deliver again.

Hope all is going well. Miss the group but having a great time with these two little ones, Bev.

From **Pat Davis**

I have taken on the challenge of making our library more "user friendly". I have started by making an inventory of all of our books, and updating the binders containing patterns. I have listed the names of the patterns on each binder to make it easier to browse and to locate specific items. The books will be filed in alphabetical order in separate categories(seasonal, applique, etc.) and I will have a complete inventory posted next to the sign out sheet. I believe the only way we can maintain this system, is for me to re-file all of the books, so there is a basket on top of the bookcase marked "returns/donations" for returned items. This is a work in progress, and by the end of summer, I hope to have it running smoothly. Thanks for your patience, Pat

From **Susie Johansson**

I was reading my newsletter from Jackie Robinson & found these things about that binding miter tool in the letter. Not only is the information for ordering the tool, but a nice video showing how to use it. I had left out a step when I showed the gals at the latest quiltathon. More of Jackie's stuff can be seen & ordered at [jackie@animas.com](mailto:jackie@animas.com) <[jackie@animas.com](mailto:jackie@animas.com)>. There are several other neat short demos that can be watched, too.

Susie Johansson

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From **Karen Anderson**

Quilters II is planning a quilt show next year. If you have a quilt back home, which you want to have in the show, please bring it back with you next season. Quilts include wall hangings and wearable art as well as regular quilts.

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Members are encouraged to submit comments or suggestions for possible publication in this newsletter. Publication discretion will rest with the editor at all times.

**Comments from the Editor**

Do you have a favorite web site related to quilting? If so, please send the web address to me. We are building a "Useful Link" list which will be available on our own web site when it becomes operational.

Speaking of our web site, it is currently being created, and has been partially tested. It will be very useful for us, and will be a good public relations piece for the Voyager. If all goes well, the next newsletter will be made available on the web site during the first week of June. Information regarding how to access the site will be distributed as soon as the site is declared operational.