

Newsletter #102, Week of November 22, 2010

The Quilters II Newsletter is published weekly during the season, and monthly during the off season.

The purpose of the newsletter is to provide information, in advance of the Monday meeting, to reduce the amount of announcements and discussion at the meeting. Submissions for publication in the newsletter can be made through the Newsletter Submission form located in the Members Only section of the website, or in an e-mail to Frank Fuqua <confuqua@gmail.com>.

The deadline for submissions is 5 p.m. on the Thursday preceding the relevant week. The newsletter will then be placed on the website as soon as possible thereafter.

From the Co-Editor (Maria Brower)

Welcome back to all returning members and new members. For those who are new to Quilters II and need "Quilters II" name badges see our Coordinator, Lynn Jensen.

The Quilters II scrap books are being passed around at each meeting so we can all enjoy them.

Pat Davis is also passing around books from our library during the meetings to remind us that Quilters II has an extensive library. You can check out books on all aspects of Quilting and the collection even includes some fiction titles that have quilters or quilts as the theme.

Hap Chandler who sharpened rotary blades for Quilters II will also sharpen your scissors and rotary blades. The cost for Scissors is only \$2.00 each!

Audrey Young announced that there are packs in the closet with backings and tops that need to be put together.

It was announced that we will be ordering polyester batting that you can use for charity quilts if you are allergic to chemicals used in the cotton batting.

If anyone needs the October Block of the Month, Kay has made additional copies.

Tip of the Week

Our tip of the week came from Nanette: Use curtain hangers to hang your rulers.

Two weeks ago Ellie Briefer's tip was to publish all past hints and current ones on the Quilters II web site.

Quilters II Art Quilt Group

The Art Quilt group met on Sunday for a preliminary planning meeting. We will change the time to 1:30 on Sunday afternoons as Quilters I meets in the room earlier and when we come in we are “chatty.” For the next five weeks we will be doing an Art Quilt Challenge led by Audrey... If you want to be a part of this and missed the meeting contact Audrey Young for Instructions. It is not too late to become a part of this fun and informative group learning about techniques and products that can enhance all our projects. After the challenge is completed we will be using the workbook “Fabric Art Workshop, Exploring Techniques & Materials for Fabric Artists and Quilters” by Susan Stein. We will be ordering the books together soon.

Classes

A Stained Glass class will be taught by Sue Patch on Wed. November 24th see the sign-up sheet for more information.

Susie Weaver will teach Double Diamond quilt on Wednesday, December 1 at Voyager. Cost is \$40 and there are only two spots left and then there will be a waiting list.

Binding class on December 15th at 9:00 a.m. You will need to bring a project to bind. You can get something from the closet for charity placemats if you don't have anything ready to bind. Cost is \$5.00.

Anyone interested in a long arm class? Contact Elaine Vanier at 574-1509.

Million Pillowcase Challenge

There is still time to contribute to the MPC. The Quilters Market has joined the challenge and they will be making pillowcases for our servicemen and women overseas. The local group coordinating this is Heads at Ease and they suggest we make STANDARD size in patriot colors or bright cheerful prints suitable for men and women.

Christmas Luncheon

It was decided that we have our Christmas Luncheon on December 6th at the Voyager Restaurant. The cost will be \$6.99 and there will be a choice of 4-5 entries.

We have been told that the service and the food are better than it has been in the last couple of years. More details will be fourth coming from Louise if we need to bring anything like an ugly Fat Quarter or maybe a pretty Fat Quarter! Or something else??

Important Reminders

Our Quilters II Quilt Show at Voyager will be on February 28th. Plan on entering at least one item – quilt, wall hanging, art quilt or other quilt related item. Each year our talented members

have produced and entered many other lovely items besides quilts, including aprons, purses, and jackets. A sign-up sheet will be out for you to volunteer to help at the show. You can address any questions to Susie Johansson, 574-5017.

Don't forget to bring a quarter (25¢), block of the month if you have completed, your quilting hints-to win a prize, and wear your name tag!