## Newsletter #108, Week January 3, 2011

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.

Reminders: We meet Monday mornings at 9:00 a.m. and will begin the meeting at 9:15. Sign-in sheets, Quarter for a Quarter raffle and the "Tip jar" are on the lay-out table at closest to the sink in the back of the room

## From the Co-Editor (Vel Peters)

"Life is not measured by the number of breaths we take, but by the moments that take our breath away."

Anne Gloeckler is updating the membership list. Email her with changes and corrections at areynolds@shaw.ca. The updated list will be published in mid January.

Classes with dates and times are posted on the board. Check them out.

Beginning quilting classes start on January 12th and will run for three weeks from 9-12. Cost is \$5.00 for the three weeks, the teachers are great and do a good job and you really can't get a better deal than that. If you're a new quilter, but not brand new to quilting, you might also want to join to learn new techniques and hints. Barb Atwell and Sue Patch are the teachers.

Valentine's Day is the deadline to turn in forms for the quilt show. Susie Johansson says "be a sweetheart and get your forms in."

The quilts for raffle this time are the very large black and multicolored batiks one and the appliqued 12-month quilt, there are sign-up sheets if you are able to sell tickets at the Saturday morning coffees and Market Days.

Before you use the long arm quilting machine, you MUST recertify, even if you've had classes before. The sign-up sheet is to the right of the Handiquilter, on the cabinet door. This does not apply to those who have just taken classes on it.

We have enough churn dash blocks to make two quilts. Thank you Louise, for the pattern. It's a very old pattern, but so pretty made up into scrappy quilts. Carol Zobrist will do BOM for January.

Adrienne made new quilt labels and left space on the label to sign your name if you worked on the quilt in any way.....quilting, binding, etc.

Thank you to the ladies who assembled quilt tops, backs and batting last week, readying them for quilting. I think they got 4 or 5 quilts ready. We now have polyester batting available if you prefer that to Warm 'N Natural and will soon be getting a roll of 80/20. We encourage you to try out the "new" batting and give feedback as to how you liked it and how it quilted up on the long arm.

## Tips:

When sewing long strips together, sew one in one direction and the next in the opposite direction, continuing to alternate. This keeps the sewn strips from becoming a "C" in shape. Susie Johansson

New way to sew a sleeve is to put triangles in the top corners. Since I can't draw this on my computer....see Karen Anderson for clarification.

Use one of those sticky rollers to pick up threads and bits of fabric that have fallen on the floor. Anonymous.

Wishing you all a very Happy New Year and, oh yes, will see you all NEXT YEAR.