

Newsletter #44, Month of August, 2008

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

From the Coordinator(s)

Hope all of you are having a superb summer. We hear that Alice Kelly is doing well after her knee replacement surgery and Joan Buswell is also recovering nicely after hip surgery. We're all thinking of you and wishing you both a speedy recovery.

Helen Jubenville sent us her latest contributions ... 5 quilts and 29 placemats. What a woman!!! We certainly appreciate her efforts on our behalf. We may not be doing an enormous amount of quilts this summer but we have been working. We got a huge donation of fabric two weeks ago, about half of which we were able to use. Most of the usable stuff consisted of large pieces suitable for backing, some 60" wide. Nimble fingers took some nice, heavier weight fabric and the rest we donated to Big Brothers, Big Sisters ... lots of double knits. Nimble Fingers got into the spirit of things and cleaned up their end of the room so now there aren't piles of fabrics all over. It looks really good.

We would like to make a request. Our new cutting table is incredible ... and we love it ... but we need another one. The fact that it is close to the closets makes it pretty busy for activities other than cutting, and we're a very small group right now. During the season it will be _____ - fill in the blank. Please consider removing the second table from the ironing department which it has never been used as ... pardon my poor grammar ... and make a second cutting table. It was suggested at a meeting that we could make that one a little lower so everyone is comfortable. It is true that one can cut on the second table but the padding for the 'ironing board' makes a very springy mat.

Comments about the quarter for a quarter at our meeting were generally favorable. Fran will have to spell it out in detail when she returns. One suggestion was to have several fat quarters for the winner to choose from ... different tastes abound in our group.

I am developing a letter for people who donate a finished quilt for charitable distribution so they can use the cost of making it as a tax deduction. Just another incentive ... in case you need one.

And, finally, we have heard that the quilts entered into the Hoffman Challenge will be exhibited in Northern Colorado on August 23, 24, and maybe 25. There are five separate shows that travel all over the country and this is the first time all the quilts will be exhibited together. If you'll be in Colorado at that time, and can check it out ... lucky you! You can confirm the specifics (where and when) at hoffmanchallenge.com.

Happy quilting,

Adrienne

Activity Schedule

During the off season, the rooms will be available during the normal hours on Monday, Wednesday and Saturday. The normal meeting agendas will be followed, but on a much more informal basis.

From the Members

From Fran Walthall:

Please don't forget "Quarter for a Quarter" which will start in October. Details can be found in Newsletter 43.

Thanks much.

From Lynn Parker:

We CHALLENGE you...

See Newsletter 43 for details of the small quilt raffle challenge.

From Karen Anderson:

QUILTERS II QUILT SHOW UPDATE:

Remember the quilt show we will be putting on this next season. The projects you have completed at your summer residence or projects you are working on now will be great additions to our show. Plan on bringing them with you when you return to your winter home. We are interested in small quilts (ie. wall hangings, post cards, wearable art, quilted bags, etc.) as well as lap quilts and bed sized quilts.

From the Editor

Some of the pictures taken at the 2008 Quilters II Quilt Show are available for viewing on the website. However, many more were taken. Sharon Jewett has produced a CD which contains 98 photos taken at the show. It is available in the QII library, and is available for check out.

Frank