Newsletter #53, Week of December 15, 2008

The Quilters II Newsletter is published weekly during the season, and monthly during the off season. This is the first weekly newsletter of the new 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.

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 Coordinator(s)

From Fran –

Minutes from December 8, 2008 Q2 meeting

Calendar items first: Mark these two dates on your personal calendar please.

Our Quilt Show is February 23. Our Fashion Show/Tea is March 28.

Joan Lichtenberg started the meeting while Fran worked in the back room explaining the CIRCLES project.

Round Robin Program:

- Elaine Vanier showed pressing and ironing.

- Jan Tuttle demonstrated the x-block template. She showed several quilts that had been made from that block.

- Adrienne Bortell demonstrated the circle cutter by making a half circle Christmas napkin. (The instructions for this are in the Demonstrations book).

- Sue Patch demonstrated more Billie Lauder techniques, in particular the 16 patch block.

"Quattah project"

Marion Rathwell sold enough chances for .25 cents to draw for several fat quarters. Jeanette Hooper will be handling this next week

Thank you's: A card was passed for Quilter's Market shop.

Raffle:

Sara Nichols got enough workers to sell raffle tickets for next Saturday, December 13th. This is the Saturday the winning ticket is drawn for our beautiful Christmas quilt and the 3 small ones

Please note in the organization chart the following empty spots:

Need Welcome Committee Chairmen: Can be more than one. Was thinking of the Nicholson's - put pressure on them if you see them before I do. The job is to welcome members/visitors at the door. Keep sufficient new member packets on hand (I have extra and A/O will copy more). Give visitors/new members a packet. These can be found at the door.

Need one more supply purchaser to accompany Adrienne and Carol Monthei on shopping trips. What a deal!

Need many volunteers for the March 5, Voyager show'n tell activity. At least two to start and then delegate. This is a one time activity. Sharon Jewitt already has the beautiful poster done. We will have two tables next to the stage with quilts artfully laid on besides the ones on racks on the stage. This year would like to add a computer slide-show. Be thinking about this - it's 3 months away and our quilt show is first, but we need quilts and slides ahead of time. Let's get this one set in stone.

Karen Anderson and Susie J. will have a list of jobs for you by January to make our Feb quilt show a success.

Re Quilt for a Cause tea: Be thinking what you would like to make and model i.e. vest, bag, scarf, belt, skirt, jacket or beaded necklace purse. I'm finding out it takes time to make these things! Thanks to all of you. See you Monday.

HANDY HINT:

The best hint I've read lately is to copy the instructions that come with a new ruler or template that you purchase and keep it separate from the ruler and its instructions.

So, if you notice some of the instructions gone from the rulers hanging on the door, I have borrowed them to copy the instructions and place them in our DEMONSTRATIONS book.

From the Members

From Adrienne Bortell -

As many of you know, my husband works for the State of Arizona. Employees recently received an email about a new law for vehicles licensed in Arizona, effective 1/1/09.

Starting Jan 1, it will be illegal to have a license frame that covers "Arizona" at the top of the plate. If the state name is even partly covered, or in any way not clearly legible, you could be pulled over and cited. The fine in Tucson is \$160, in the county it's \$151. Also, it is a primary offense, meaning you can be pulled over just for this.

I did a survey the last time I was in town and about 50% of the plates had frames that covered at least part of "Arizona". The biggest culprits are the car dealers.

Also..... the Summer financial report has been posted on the financial page in the Members section of the website.

From Karen Anderson –

As many of us visit loved ones for the holidays please remember to return to us with quilted items you wish to have on display in our quilt show in February. Don't forget those art quilts, quilted jackets, purses, throws, wall hangings and bed sized quilts. Did I forget any? Bring them too! Happy Holidays from our house to yours.