Newsletter #66, Week of March 16, 2009

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.

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 of Mar 9, 2009 Q2 meeting

About 60 women attended the March 9, Quilter's 2 meeting starting at 9am.

Fran welcomed new visitors including Barb Scheele's sister Margaret from CA who is visiting while Barb is in the hospital. A card was passed for Susie Johansson who recently underwent a mastectomy.

CLASSES

Jan Brink's March 11 class was announced and an apology issued for omitting it from last week's newsletter. Hope it went well. Also,

Vest or jacket from sweatshirt class 3/11. Sue Patch sits in for Susie.

PLANNING:

Joan Lichtenberg invited all next year's head officers to her home 3/11 for a planning meeting. Carol Zobrist (in lieu of Julie Young) reported on Habitat quilt deliveries. The second family received their quilts Tuesday the 10th.

PHOENIX SHOW

JoAnn Brown announced that a few tickets are still available for the bus trip to the Phoenix Quilt Show on Saturday 3/14. Bus leaves at 8:30 sharp.

CLASS

Cheryl Votapka's hand quilting class 3/18th. Get signed up – she's expert.

QUILT-A-THON

Quilt-a-thon 3/21 – Come early, stay late, sew your fingers to the bone and bring food.

Pat Wade and Maureen Roberts won the fat quarters drawing.

RAFFLE QUILT

Jeanette Hooper was able to fill all her empty slots for raffle quilt ticket sellers – this includes 2 market daze sessions and 3 more Saturdays. Winning ticket will be drawn March 28th at the morning Saturday coffee.

SHOW 'N TELL

A big thank you to Judy Jamison for heading up the park wide Show 'n Tell display in the ballroom March 4. We had lots of personal quilts displayed, some charity quilts and a computer slide show.

PROGRAM March 9

Applique Round Robin demos were stationed around both rooms.

We had Maria Brower showing how to use Wunder Under and other fusibles along with special rotary cutters (pinking blade, wave blade etc.) to cut free form shapes.

Billye Reynolds brought her machine, discussed light weight fusibles and demonstrated appliqué of a heart shape using the blind hem stitch and clear thread.

Louise Dukes shared her scrapbook photos of personalized quilts she has made. Her specialty is hand embroidered lettering including original poems to make her quilts "one-of-a-kind."

Bev Polito displayed her methods of appliquéing flowers, leaves and other motifs. She brought many beautiful samples.

And finally, Norma Kindseth, Maureen Herran and Adrienne Bortell were at station 5 showing off our newest acquisition – the AccuQuilt die cutter.

The raffle quilt packets were distributed. Raffle idea was taken from the Block of the Month (BOM) with these differences. The raffle block will come out at 13" sewn and after cutting apart and re-sewing it, it will measure 12.5".

There were 10 people at each learning station not including instructors. Round Robins are proving to be very popular. Thanks go to each of these very talented women.

DOOR PRIZE

Carol Larsen won the door prize as the person best able to explain the term "Calico", its history and where it received its name. (Calicut, India in the 10th century – cotton cloth.)

Block of the Month (BOM) for March is the Church Dash (plain and reconstructed).

Instructions: Make two blocks of the pattern given: Save one as is. It makes a 12.5" block. Take the other one, cut in half (up and down and sideways NOT diagonal). Sew together to make an 11-3/4" block. This will make 2 quilts – one with 12.5" blocks and the other with the 11-3/4" block – it will come out a little smaller, but interesting and reconstructed.

FASHION SHOW AND TEA

Karen Anderson still has tickets for the Quilt-for-a-Cause Fashion Show and Tea on March 28th. Tickets are \$10. All the money goes to the above named charity which supports research of causes of breast cancer/gynecological cancers in women. This is a good cause, a great chocolate dessert, a fashion show and it's fun! Let's fill all these tables.

Charity Quilts:

The Habitat families have received their quilts. The Brent family was very pleased with the gift that Quilters 2 gave them. The picture below shows the family after receiving the quilts.



The Kontic family, was a special treat as Olivera was a Bosnian refugee. She and her mother (grandma) have both received their American citizenship and have achieved the American dream of owning their own home. When the quilts were brought out, Grandma knew which quilt she wanted and she took it. It was really cute. Arlie, the 6 year old, loved the pinwheels as she kept folding and unfolding the quilt to look at it. The 12 year olds were more reserved. The pictures below tell the story.

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Thank you all for your special efforts to complete all the quilts for Habitat this year. It was a real priviledge for all of us who attended the home dedication. Next year I encourage other folks to participate.

Julie Young

WANTED:

We would like to find people who are interested in scrapbooking for Quilters 2 and a photographer to keep the photo albums. Please contact me.

Thank you.

Julie

From the Editor

This is a reminder that the newsletter input form has been repaied, and should be used for all routine submissions.

Also, the January and February financial reports have been posted in the Members section of the website.