

Newsletter #113, Week February 7, 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

For New Members Only

If you are new to Quilters II be sure you connect with Vel Peters after the meeting so she can give you a tour of the sewing room, explain what is what and answer any questions you may have.

From the Co-Editor (Maria Brower)

If you missed the January 31st meeting you missed a great "production" brought to you by the Voyager Quilt Show committee including Anne, Sharon K, Audrey, Susie, Pat R., Elaine, Billie and Julie Y. The four scenes reminded us what to do and what not to do as we prepare our quilts for entry, bring the entries in, proper show etiquette and quilt pick up. All the information is on the entry forms, but the live performance was a...o.k. you had to be there! Thanks ladies for hard work, sense of humor and reminders to make the Voyager quilt show successful.

Quilt drop off will be on Sunday, Feb. 27 between 4:00-5:00 p.m.

Quilt show on Monday, Feb 28th between 5:00 – 6:00 p.m. (maker it closer to 5:00 as these ladies are quick and won't be kept waiting for one or two people.

Voyager Quilt Show—February 28th

Our quilt show chairperson Susie Johansson announced that the quilt show entries are due on February 14. Get your quilts and items completed and be sure to turn your entry forms in. You will find both the Quilt Show Guidelines and the official Entry Form on Quilters II web page. If you need additional entry forms you can print as many as you need and if you are not Internet connected see Susie.

Pat Rapp is taking names for volunteering on the day of our show. She could still use a few extra people to relive the hostesses, door people and raffle ticket sellers and any unforeseen emergencies.

Missing

The box of “white gloves” for the quilt show is missing. If you know their whereabouts or have a clue as to who has them contact Pat Rapp ASAP.

Quilters II season 2010-2011 group photo was taken (in three groups) on Monday.

Karen Anderson showed us the new Block of the Month, Triple Four Patch, and passed out the pattern and beige strips to use to go with “any” print you may have, or get one from the boxes in the closet.

Voyager resident Ron Cochran donated quilt patterns that had belonged to his wife. Also Joyce McMahan also donated some nice patterns. Thank you both, they will go into our library.

It was announced that Hap, who has been sharpening rotary blades for us free (and told that they were not sharp enough) will re-sharpen any blades that he may have sharpened for you. He bought a rotary cutter and now has a better understanding of how they work and how sharp they need to be. You can reach him at 5777.

SAFETY ISSUES

Reminder-and speaking of rotary cutters, please make sure that you close rotary cutters after use so that anyone picking them up won't have an accident. We have found many instances where the rotary cutters have not been closed. Put used blades in the container located on the white shelf above the cutting table across from the HQ16 machine. Also Lynn reminds us not to cut and sew barefooted as she recently had a near-miss when she dropped her rotary cutter and barley missed her toes.

Susie Weaver's Lecture on February 7th

We need to be in the sewing room by 8:30 on Monday, February 7th so that Susie can start right at 9:00 a.m. It will be a long meeting from 9:00-12:00. Only Quilters II members that day due to space so please do not bring any quests to that meeting. Bring a NOTEBOOK to take notes.

Mesa Quilt Show

Jan Vessely is in charge of the bus going to the Mesa Quilt Show on March 11th. This bus holds 54 people and contains a bathroom. Cost is \$35 includes the bus, tip and show entry. Bus will leave Voyager at 7:30 a.m. and return 5:00-5:30 p.m. Make a check out to Quilters II and the deadline is Monday, February 21.

Tip of the Day

The tip drawn was by Ellie Briefer. When doing a lot of hand sewing, thread several needles when eyes are freshest. Great idea!

Art Quilt Group

Art Quilt Group meets at 1:30 on Sundays. This group is fun and educational as we try new techniques, materials and products. For any of our regular member who missed last Sunday, we are doing a challenge art quilt to be turned in next February 1st 2012. Bring ten (10) 6” squares of the same fabric to the meeting to pass out to everyone. You may want to cut a couple of extra. You will receive back 6” squares from all the members to use in your art quilt. The rules are that

there are no other rules or restrictions except to have it back next season completed by Feb. 1 and use at least a visible amount of each 6" square in your quilt.

FEBRUARY CLASSES--Check the sign-up sheets posted on the mirrors for more information

February 9th X-block by Jan (don't need ruler as there are several)

February 16 & 23 Sweatshirt/T-shirt class available with 2 styles to choose from, Barb and Shirley

February 23 Nanette teaching Paintsticks

Screen tote bag by Joan McCaffery