On Point

News from Mad City Quilt Guild www.madcityquilters.org September 2013

From the President

A Community of Quilters

In the past couple of months, I became even more aware of the joys of hanging out with quilters.

I attended two retreats in August. The first was an informal gathering in a delightful house in the woods where four of us spent more than three days happily sitting at our sewing machines. The second gathering was fairly large with more than 70 women attending, participating in several classes or working on their own projects.

As has been the tradition since I moved to Madison six years ago, a number of friends from my Michigan guild joined me for Quilt Expo the first week of this month. We sleep, slumber party style, on floors and beds, eat well, enjoy the vendors and display quilts. Every evening we gather around the living room for show and tell—and delight in each other's purchases for the day.

I hope all of you can find a way to spend some sewing time with other quilters. While Mad City Quilters meetings feature great presentations, they offer little time for one-on-one sharing. However, the guild does offer opportunities for smaller group get-togethers: Community Service work days, this month on Saturday, Sept.28; a workshop on a fun-to-make star quilt on October 16; and a three-night retreat from November 11 – 14. See the rest of this newsletter for more detailed information on these and other events. I hope you can join us!

~~ Mary Joy

Mad City Quilters at 2013 Quilt Expo *by Lara Romine*

Thank you so much to everyone who participated in the 2013 Quilt Expo! We had 29 quilts submitted, and 23 volunteers. You made our booth a huge success!

I also want to take a minute to thank our amazing sponsors. They donated some terrific prizes!

The Sewcial Lounge - fat quarter bundle
Mill House Quilts - fat quarter bundle
Lois Jarvis - Dyed fabric by Frieda Anderson
Patches & Petals - gift certificate
Stitchers Crossing - 2 pattern sets from Once Upon a Time in X-Blocks Land

The amazing mini quilts will be on display at the Sept 23rd evening meeting. Any that are not claimed that evening will be at the October 1st afternoon meeting for pickup. We had approximately 800 visitors come into our booth to vote for their favorite quilts! And with all of those votes, I am happy to announce the winners:

1st Place - *"My Sewing Room"* by Donna Dennis
2nd Place - *"Notions"* by Wanda Nelson
3rd Place - *"Crafting a Tomato Pie"* by Susan Jackan
Honorable Mentions: *"Emmett the Owl"* by Marcia Friedman; *"Rolling Rollups"* by Donna Willadsen; *"Pope Farm Sunflowers"* by Rhonda Mossner

Congratulations to the winners and thank you again to all who submitted quilts and volunteered at the Expo in our booth. Be prepared for next year when our theme will be ***"R is for... "***. Apparently people liked when we did the letter "p" so we are trying that again. I asked my 18-month-old daughter to pick the letter from her magnets, so you can blame her for the choice!

Evening Programs for 2013 - 2014 – 7 pm

September 23, 2013 **Dianne Larson – International Quilt Market**; A backstage view of International Quilt Market, a four-day extravaganza of quilt sensory overload! The newest of the new in every department is there to be noticed, analyzed, and purchased. What strategy works? How are decisions made? What is sample spree? Come get a backstage view of this exciting event.

October 28, 2013 **Beth Rietveld – Oregon Fiber Arts Scene**; Beth will fill us in on the Oregon quilt and fiber art guilds, as well as the Sisters' Outdoor Quilt Show.

Afternoon Programs for 2013 - 2014 – 1 pm

October 1, 2013 **Eileen Daniels – Orphan Blocks with Sentimental Endings**; Collaged fabric art, designer pillows, fabulous quilts, wearable garments and accessories, all using orphan blocks will be shown in this humor-filled trunk show. Orphan blocks will be used with "found items" for embellishments, and vintage fabrics will be showcased with construction details shared. New ideas for using leftover blocks will be the focus, with the "how-to" always the emphasis, so quilters will want to start using those orphan blocks in a variety of ways. There will be several antique quilts with their stories, along with the inspired orphan block art quilts. ***Bring along your own orphan blocks for a swap with a fellow guild member, then bring your finished quilt for show-and-tell at our annual meeting in June.***

November 5, 2013 **Ann Wanke – Tricks for Treats**: Using "sweet" pieces of fabric: jelly rolls, charms, cakes and more

Community Projects

Saturday Sewing Sessions will begin Sept 28th, from 10 - 3 at Attic Angel in the Garden Room (directly behind our regular meeting room). We will concentrate on making smaller quilts this year, as we have many in reserve for foster care graduates now.

Also keep in mind donations for Attic Angel Memory care: Lap Quilts for wheel chair use (24"x 36") and shawls (approx. 24"x 60"). In addition, UW Hospital doll patterns are available at the meetings or upon request.

A bin will be available at the meetings for donations of fabric, etc. Thanks so much for your continued participation!

Check out all the fabulous changes to our website: madcityquilters.org!!!!

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Check the guild website **madcityquilters.org** to download patterns for options for Community Project quilts.

Mad City Library News *by Mary Larscheid*

Thank you to all the members who have donated books, magazines and patterns. As librarian, I have kept 5 books and 1 pattern to be available for checkout:

Pattern **"We Love Our Wisconsin Badgers"** by Kathleen Parman, published 1997 and licensed with the University of Wisconsin. The quilt is 37" x 45". The pattern includes appliques of a Badger football helmet, basketball, football, hockey sticks and puck. Small sections of 4-patches, 9-patches, half-square triangles, etc. could be added to this quilt to make it a little bigger for your favorite Badger fan.

Book **"Foundation-Pieced Quilt Labels"** by Linda Causee, published 2001. Many of the patterns could also be used for name tags.

Book **"Freddy & Gwen Collaborate Again"** by Gwen Marston and Freddy Moran, published 2009 and a sequel to Collaborative Quilting. Great ideas for scrap quilters and modern quilters, or anyone looking for ideas to put blocks and fabrics together to make unique quilts. Many of the samples include today's favorite black and white fabrics.

Book **"More Nickel Quilts"** by Pat Speth, published 2004, and a sequel to Nickel Quilts. This is a scrap quilting book that uses 5" squares, or yardage cut into 5" squares. It contains directions to make 20 quilts. Patterns include Jacob's Ladder, Beach Party, Path and Stiles, and Butterfly Waltz.

Book **"Pieced Borders: The Complete Resource"** by Judy Martin and Marsha McCloskey, published 1994. Contains a dozen complete quilt patterns and 200 border patterns. Great patterns for scrap quilting and ideas to add a pieced border to liven up or stretch your quilt.

Book **"Quilts! Quilts!! Quilts!!!"** by Diana McClun and Laura Nownes, published 1988, printed 1996, first edition. There are 32 patterns for beginners through expert quilters. This book contains templates and some rotary cutting instructions. But most of you will be able to use a rotary cutter with your regular or special rulers to make most of these quilts. Patterns include Thousand Pyramids (scrap, I Spy quilts), Star of Bethlehem, Ocean Waves, Tumbling Block (traditional Baby Block), Drunkard's Path, Roman Square (Rail Fence block), All Stars (6 different star blocks), Dresden Plate, Attic Windows, and Kaleidoscope. Many patterns can be used to make scrap quilts or modify the patterns to create a modern quilt. The authors have published a 2nd edition of this book that is currently available, and a new 3rd edition is due out in November 2013.

Our library contains several books that can be checked out for 1 month. It is located at the back of the meeting room before, at break, and after the meetings. A book list is on our website http://www.madcityquilters.org, select "Library" on the homepage.

Odds & Ends

Congrats to prizewinners at Quilt Expo: 3rd Hand-qu/Bed, Pcd: Amy Caes; HM Mach-qu/Bed, Appl: Karen Capps; HM Mach-qu/Bed, Other: Deb Cavanaugh; Expo exhibitors: Helen Flores, Dee Van Driel (2), Loretta Holman, Marlene Messling (2), Ellen Wallen, Martha Sumi; Susan Jackan, Ruth Seger

100+ quilters have renewed their membership in MCQG so far. Please submit 2013-14 dues by Sept 30 to Mary Jackson. Form is available on our website.

St. John's Piecemakers quilt show; Oct. 25-26; 9-4; $3; St John's school gym, 114 E 3rd St, Waunakee

AQS-Des Moines show, Oct 2-5; spaces still available on Mill House bus; look for 2 pieces by Dee

Pieceful Retreat w/ Klaudeen Hansen; Oct 18-19; Voyager Inn, Reedsburg; janell.weinberger@gmail.com

Show & Tell *September 3*

Barb Emmerich: BOM sampler/quilt-as-you-go class at Quintessential Quilts, using machine specialty stitches; first quilt she's quilted

Anita Grue???: just retired; new member: quilt top

Pam Bell: 6th of 7 graduation-from-HS quilts: for boy (future graduate): string quilt w/ black; "last big quilt for my bed" made w/ 3 Kaffe Fassett jelly rolls of yellow & pinks, plus other color shifts, backed w/ bold black & white print

Victoria Peetz: flannel baby quilt kit, plus another service project quilt

Rhonda Mossner: finished a UFO from last year: red/black/white throw, w/ fleece back; small quilt from shop hop purchases of "food fabrics"

Nancy Pederson: 2 tops for service project

Jane Vaughan: "stripping queen"; her pattern: golden rectangles surrounded by scrappy squares

Kathy Stroshane: sewed binding on svc proj: large Logpile quilt in blues

Dorothea Murphy: quilt of light green w/ pink-mauve print blocks, for son & wife

SHOW & TELL *September 3 (continued)*

Donna Corcoran: special wallquilt w/ owls to honor 2 Katies (daughter & new baby); large quilt made from kitchen towels she cross-stitched as a kid
Mary Ann (guest of Sarah Oosterhous): Cobblestone, large top made w/ leftovers from lots of WHs for grandchildren – wants to find a handquilter
Janet Carruthers: Hidden Boxes, small top of "tumbling blocks", even background is diamonds
Carol Mathis: Tilted Star blocks and "woven" blocks from 2 classes by Mary Joy at Mt. Morris camp

August 26: ***Expo minis:*** **Karen Mandt**: Gave blood for mini quilt (blood donor pins); **Gini Marsh**: rug hooking; **Dorothea Murphy**: Consashi Flowers; **Mary Joy Johnson**: Art Deco stained glass; **Jane Vaughan**: Before there were quilts, there was macrame; **Shirley Abel**: Art of Baltimore; **Donna Willadson**: Rolling Rollups; **Pat Geishirt**: Arts & Cats; **Marlene Messling**: Golden Summer, entirely in gold w/ lame & embroidery; **Sue Jackan**: Crafting a Tomato Pie; **Barb Lulack**: Hearts of Gold #2, tribute to AZ Hotshot firefighters; **Gini Ewers**: stained glass w/ flowers; Crazy Quilt, w/ *her* tatting; **Rhonda Mossner**: Pope Farm Sunflowers; **Jean Leeson**: stained glass; **Jeanette Koch**: Button, button, Who's got the button?

Heather Matanock: 2 big quilts: modern one w/ 4-patch blocks & white sashing, & scrappy "tumbler"
Barb Roe: Megan's Flower Patch w/ Japanese border, for daughter's last-year graduation
Helen Flores: "You don't have to finish everything!" Dresden to give away; Coming Home: houses in blue & white for Habitat for Humanity raffle; split 9-patch (lt side/dark side) as wedding quilt for "bonus grandchild; Doreen's Tulips, started in Doreen's class 30 yrs ago (red fabric bled, but came out w/ 4 color catchers & Zout)
Dorothea Murphy: Urban Log Cabin top (blocky modern) in Marcia Derse fabric
Rhonda Mossner: bright baby quilt, from stash
Diane Fulton: zigzags in greens/turquoise lap quilt; WH w/ circles; from Victoria Findley Wolfe class at Mill House: twin-size quilt with "made" fabric stars on yellow background, quilted at Electric Needle
Loretta Holman: small WH w/ 1 star block leftover from BOM; cathedral window tablerunner for 2nd graduating granddaughter
Kathy Stroshane: Round Robin big quilt: made center block, then passed it to 5 others; hers is hand-quilted and is the only one finished in the group!; Karen Stone's New York Beauty large WH
Donna Willadsen: WH w/ machine-appliqued circles; WH w/ set-in circles: "challenging!"
Marilee Gardner: Service project kit: top
Chris Motl: large Disappearing 9-patch from Giggle Feathers charm packs – Chris's quilt won a special award at the state fair
Service Project: 4 quilts w/ help from Sat group, Barb Mayhew, Camie Johnson, Dee Van Driel
Dave Garcia: "Lone Star addict!" – made one for friends w/ autumn leaves & colors, quilted it at Elec Needle
Nancy Pederson: made a wedding quilt for daughter's friend (a landscaper) from 2nd grade, in "land" colors
Pat Geishirt: Double disappearing 9-patch; row/frame WH
Jean Leeson: quilt made to "copy" print of antique patchwork pattern: "woven" chains w/ partial seams
Rita Koehl: made *one* tree square in 3-day retreat w/ Judy Hasheider, now, it's a big quilt: Funky Frenzy Freestyle (log cabins, stars, flying geese)- quilted by Carol McAdow – made for a friend, but she liked the Asian one in guest room better, so they made a change
Deb Cavanaugh: snow-dyed quilted clothing; buttons necklace
Julie Fagan: bright, big quilt, made from Cherrywoods, to replace the one "eaten" by their Lab
Barb Lulack: larger quilt for grandson of African fabrics, quilted by Pat Geishirt
Beth Rutherford: 2 patchwork bags, one in aquas & one in fall colors; machine-quilted WH; operating room hats in blacks; from donated jeans: detailed circles for yard settee throw, leftover seams became trivet, scraps were made into 2 tablecloths
Dee Van Driel: flannel baby quilt from kit, for Linus; huge, bright Quilted Strata Delta kite

View quilts from Expo at wiquiltexpo.com!
Amy Caes, Helen Flores and Ellen Wallen are there…

FIRST WORKSHOP OF THE YEAR—October 19
Sign up NOW!

Join your fellow quilters for a "Whirling Star" workshop with Mary Joy Johnson on ***October 19*** *at the Bishop O'Conner Center on High Point Road. You will learn how to create the Whirling Star pattern based on a hexagon -- much easier than it looks.*

Pattern includes sizes from table runner to king-size quilt. You can decide what size you want to make. Supply list and pattern will be sent to you before the class date.

Class will begin promptly at 9:30am and end by 4pm, including a lunch break. Your cost of ***$38.00*** *includes use of the room, expert instruction, delicious lunch, and that all-important pattern.*

Sign up sheets will be available at the Sept 23rd meeting. Send workshop fee, plus name, address, phone #, email to
Barbara Mayhew, 7914 Courtyard Drive, Madison, WI 53719 ***by October 1.***
(mayhew@charter.net OR 608/203/5801)

MCQG Fall Retreat
Monday, Nov 11 – Thursday, Nov 14 (3 nights)
Location: Two Chatelaines Farm, New Glarus

$50 non-refundable deposit
(Mail check to: Mary Joy Johnson, 6806 Raymond Road, #102, Madison WI 53719)
Balance due Nov 1 (final cost depends on number attending, ~$60-$100; Non-members, add $10)

Work on your own projects at individual sewing stations with office chair & ott light.
Cutting tables, irons & ironing boards provided.
Several twin beds per room (sleeps 10), 3 full baths w/ towels, linens, hairdryers.
Fully equipped kitchen. Meals not included, but shared preparation by participants.

Questions? Email Mary Joy at johnsonm@baycollege.edu or call 608/271-7197

2013 Holiday Party

Tuesday, December 3 at Attic Angel Place

6 pm Cocktails 6:30 pm Dinner & Entertainment

Choose one: Chicken breast, Beef tenderloin, Vegetable lasagne

Accompanied by parmesan potatoes, dinner rolls, festival vegetables & red velvet cake

Pay $22.00 to MCQG to:

Mary Joy Johnson, 6806 Raymond Road, #102, Madison WI 53719

By November 15

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News from Mad City Quilt Guild
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Help Desk – We are starting a new addition to our meetings and are calling it the 'Help Desk'. 45 minutes prior to the start of the meetings, members of the guild will staff a 'Help Desk' at the front corner of the room (by the podium). If you have quilty questions, need advice, are stuck, come on in! We are here to help! We will start staffing the Help Desk at the October Evening meeting and the November Afternoon meeting.

Small Groups -- There are people who have expressed interest in participating in small group meetings, round robins, or fabric exchanges. If you are interested in coordinating a group, please contact Lara Romine (lararomine@gmail.com).

Upcoming Evening Guild Meetings
October 28, 2013 7 pm
November 25, 2013 7 pm

Upcoming Afternoon Guild Meetings
October 1, 2013 1 pm
November 5, 2013 1 pm

Board Meeting (@ Mary Joy's)
November 16, 2013

Meeting location: Attic Angel Place
8301 Old Sauk Road
From Beltline (Hwys 12/14), go west on Old Sauk Rd; past Junction Rd, take next left onto Attic Angel Circle. Entrance is 2nd left.

Next "Sew Day" for community service
Sat, Sept 28
10 – 3
Garden Room, Attic Angel Place

Next Newsletter Deadline:
Oct 15, 2013
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