



## OCTOBER MEETING

**Saturday, October 20, 2007 - 9 A.M**

South Suburban Evangelical Free Church  
12600 Johnny Cake Ridge Road  
Apple Valley, MN

Located two blocks north of the corner of McAndrews (County 38) and Johnny Cake Ridge Road. Go in the side door located on the East Side of the building. Turn right and walk until you see the stairs. You may go up the stairs or take the elevator located to the right of the stairway. Turn left from the stairs or elevator and then turn left into the hallway and go to room 255.

### President's Letter

Hello!

It seems the weather is starting to whisper "quilting weather". Some days have been too beautiful to be inside, but there have been plenty of cool, rainy days that make me want to stay inside and quilt. If only I could de-clutter my sewing room from the zillions-of-quilts-in-progress it would be so much easier! ☺

The field trip to the quilt show in New Richmond, Wisconsin was a lot of fun! The weather was a challenge (it POURED down rain) but it was a fun afternoon.

A number of quilts were distributed this month as well. At the October meeting I'll be bringing several thank you notes that we have received. I had a chance to look at all of the quilts that came home from the September meeting and enjoy them. What fun work you all do!

October will be a regular "work day" of making quilts for donation. Looking forward to seeing everyone for a fun morning!

Cindy

Please visit our new website at: [www.prairieland.net/QuiltDreamers/](http://www.prairieland.net/QuiltDreamers/)

**November meeting: Saturday, November 17 – at the church**

**November newsletter deadline: Thursday, 11/08/2007**

### **October Birthdays**

Birthday Felicitations this month go out to Cindy Wilson on 10/08 and Elnora Mosier on 10/27! We all hope you had or will have a terrific time on your birthdays.

### **Food for the October Meeting – Liz Tarr**

October meal theme: Fall Festival-- what makes you think of fall or harvest time. Celebrate the change of season with fall foods.

### **Quilt Layering Update – Joyce Fagerness**

Hi! Where did Sept go?

WOW! I knew quilts tops had not been layered for two months, but never in my wildest dreams did I imagine the amount of quilt tops that had been handed in during that time. They were really stacked up high in our cabinet. Pat, Jean and I tried to count them all and came up with a total of approximately 60 quilt tops. Some people were very busy over July and August sewing! It was fun to see all the "Wicked" quilts that you had been working on and the animal challenge as well. This group is a very talented one. A special thanks to Jean for staying after the meeting and helping me sort through the tops and matching them up to backs. Needless to say, there will be plenty of quilts to finish this month. We only had one sewing machine last month so I hope a couple more people can bring their machines this time.

Some of you handed in tops with backs of your own choice. Thank you. That really helps speed up the process of layering tops as we don't have to dig to find an appropriate back, and the finished quilt has the look you want. You can hand in your tops without backs, as well. Thanks to those that donated fabric these past few months.

Our back supply has diminished greatly. If you are planning on buying fabric to donate, I would suggest buying primary colors, plain or small prints as they work better with most of our quilt tops; flannel also works well. We accept all donations and will be happy to accept anything you wish to donate, even those wild flower prints.

See you on the 20th. -- Joyce

### **Christmas Stocking Project – Carol Ogden**

Hi everyone, it is time that we talk about our Christmas Stocking Project. We need to decide if we are going to continue doing it or not. As you know, all of the stockings are now in storage at the St. Anthony Park Home, and for the last few years we have been donating things to fill the stockings rather than making stockings. I do not know if that is what we as a group want to continue doing.

We could go back to making the stockings and we could donate them to Toys for Tots, VEAP, or some other group. We could fill them, include one gift with each stocking or just simply donate the stocking as is. I would appreciate you all thinking about this so that we can discuss this at our next meeting.

## Quilt Show Update – Carol Ogden, Co-Chair

We have reserved the space at the Apple Valley Library on Saturday, March 15, 2008 for our 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Bag Lady Quilt Show. The Show Co-Chairs are Carol Ogden and Shawn Mothershead. Volunteers for the Quilt Show Committee Chairs are as follows:

Member Quilts:	Jean Loken
Quilt Descriptions:	Gwen Lundgren
Small Quilt Auction:	Marion Draeger
Food Coordinator:	Carol Jacobsen
Special Projects:	Gail Hayes
Publicity:	Liz Tarr & Valynda Machen
Shirts:	Joyce Fagerness
Kids Quilt Display:	Joan Mumaw
Welcome Table:	Susan Ude

This is our 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Quilt Show so we have chosen “15” as our theme for the Small Quilt/Challenge this year. You can have 15 petals on your flower, 15 blocks in your quilt, 15 buttons on your quilt, the number 15 worked into your quilting design, etc. etc. Fifteen years is a small deal, not a big deal like a 25<sup>th</sup> or 50<sup>th</sup>, but I think that we will want to make a special effort this year in celebration of 15 years of quilting and friendship.

## 2007-2008 Quilt Dreamers Monthly Schedule

To help everyone with planning, here is our schedule for the year. There may be an extra meeting or two added, so that we can all work on our own projects for an afternoon. Are there months that would work best for people? For instance, what do you think about October, to allow us to prepare for holiday gifts?

**October meeting:** Work on kid’s quilts

**November:** a special project lead by Valynda. This will work well for Quilts of Valor.

**December:** Our annual Holiday Party

**January and February:** Work on kid’s quilts to display at the Show in March – election of officers in February for 2007-2008

**March:** The Big Show!

## Upcoming Events

October 19 – 20, 2007 – Ladies of the Lake Quilt Show – Mahtomedi, MN

Ladies of the Lake Quilting Society is having a quilt show Friday October 19th 10-8 and Saturday October 20th 10-4. It is at the Mahtomedi District Education Center. There will be 3 vendors, quilter's boutique, small quilt auction, and garage sale in addition to the quilts for the show. Admission \$2.00.

**Upcoming Events (continued)**

October 20, 2007 – Thai and Hmong Handcrafts Sales – Northfield, MN

In Northfield on Sat. Oct. 20 8:30-1:00 is a Thai and Hmong Handcrafts Sale at the Bethel Lutheran Church.

October 27, 2007 - “Women Hanging By A Thread” Quilt Auction – Prior Lake, MN

School Sisters of Notre Dame

Times: Review Quilts: 11 am – 12:30 pm; live auction at 1 pm

St. Michael School, 15280 Duluth Avenue, Prior Lake, MN

Proceeds benefit women and children in need

November 3 – 4, 2007 – “Patchwork Harvest VIII Quilt Show”

Hudson Heritage Quilters

Admission: \$4

Times: 11/3/07 – 10 am – 5 pm, 11/4/07 – 11 am – 4 pm

Guest lecturers will be Darlene Zimmerman on Saturday and Celine Perkins on Sunday.

Location: Hudson Middle School - 1300 Carmichael Road. Take I-94 to Exit 2/Carmichael Road Exit. Turn north on Carmichael Road and follow the show signs.

**2007 – 2008 Quilt Dreamers Officers**

President...Cindy Wilson

Vice President...Carol Jacobson

Treasurer...Gwen Lundgren

Outreach...Cindy Wilson & Gwen Lundgren

Special Projects...Valynda Machen

Quilt Coordinator...Joyce Fagerness

Newsletter/ Membership...Stephanie Power

Food...Liz Tarr

Quilt Labels...Zee Ebeling

Turban/Preemie Coord...Gwen Lundgren

**Little Bits of Fabric (Author Unknown)**

Little bits of fabric

Sewn into a quilt

Form a warm and loving blanket

From which memories are built.

And when you seek peace and comfort

In the quiet of the night

It will keep you warm and snug

Until the morning's light.