



Pine Needle Quilters

Newsletter for August, 2005

Officers:

President: Deanna Tachick
Vice-President: Terri Petasek
Secretary: Terri Harris
Treasurer: Laurie Schoenebeck
Past President: Diana Napier

Regular Meeting:

3rd Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m. at Riverview Town Hall

Dues: \$15/year, payable in May.

Website: <http://www.pineneedlequilters.org>

Special Activities:

August 15 7:00 p.m. – **regular meeting** Featured speaker **Cordy Westcott**.

August 23 12:30pm – Quilt Show Committee.
No Sewing Session for September.

Block of the Month for August:

12-inch Snail's Trail

Theme Block Exchange for August:

12-inch Sunbonnet Sue

Birthday Squares (four 6½" squares):

Joan Hansen sage/yellow
Joann Saffran 4 different colors

Fat Quarter Exchanges (quilt shop fabrics):

Evie Knoll any

Fat Quarter Exchanges (regular fabrics):

Kathleen Tokarczyk anything

August Birthday Greetings to:

21 Terri Petasek
24 Joann Saffran
29 Dorothyann Nelson
31 Joan Hansen

At the July Meeting: The afternoon class on Thread Calligraphy taught by Nancy Kazlauckas was a big hit; watch for projects in the next few months showing off the skills we learned. Nancy Kazlauckas then gave a trunk show of her many projects as our evening program. She had many examples of how to utilize the thread calligraphy technique in our own work.

The Fat Quarters were won by Sheila Hixon, the hand-dyed fabrics (donated by Terri Petasek) were won by Angela VanHaren and Pat Schreck. The

patterns and book donated by Nancy Kazlauckas were won by Marge Kasten, Joan Hanson, Lisa Hoffman, and Terri Harris. Six "Summer Fun" Theme blocks were won by Marge Kasten, who passed them up and let Noreen Piontek win them. Two "Night Lights" BOM blocks were won by Joann Saffran.

August Meeting: Will have the raffle of fat quarters, BOM, and birthday club exchanges.

The featured speaker will be **Cordy Westcott** of *My Favorite Quilt Shop* in Green Bay. She is bringing a quilt called "Twisted Bargello" which is a pattern and technique from Australia. She will demonstrate on how easy and fun it is. Kits will be available for purchase. Cordy will also demonstrate new techniques for making half-square triangles (HST), and hourglass blocks. She will also have the supplies that are used for the HSTs available for purchase. (Note: Rita saw the quilt in her shop, and says it is beautiful!)

Special Warning: Do not park in front of the garage doors in the back of the firehouse. You may unload your car, but quickly move your car to a correct parking position. If you are not sure, ask!

Color My World Challenge: Please bring in all challenge quilts to the August 15 meeting, where they will be displayed. We will display all of the quilts again at our quilt show October 7, 2006, where they will be voted on for Viewer's Choice.

Thank you to everyone who "took the challenge." We hope you had fun experimenting with a color that you might not normally use. Remember to save your crayon, as they will be used as part of our quilt show display.

Block of the Month (BOM): The directions for August's 12-inch "Snail's Trail" block are on the website. Sew the block and bring it to the August meeting. One of the members will win all the blocks brought in. If you contribute a BOM every month for six months, we will randomly draw a name for a prize. Some members sew a 2nd block for Charity Quilts. If you missed a pattern, you can get it from the website on the **Patterns** page.

Theme Block Exchange: This is a theme block drawing. You may participate as often, or as little as you wish. Because the theme block drawing will operate on a month by month basis, your name will

be in the drawing any month that you choose to participate, even if you have previously won.

We will be keeping track of who participates each month. For those of you who enter a block every month for six months, we will randomly draw a name for a prize.

Blocks must measure 12½" x 12½" unfinished. Bring your block to our regular meeting, with your name attached. Those are the only rules. So, if you enjoy paper piecing, appliqué, piecing blocks, the sky is the limit. Use your creativity to express yourself. Any questions, call Laurie 276-6143 or Deanna 842-2057.

August	Sunbonnet Sue
September	Fruits & Veggies

Birthday Squares: This mini-group is hosted by Peg Piepkorn, and runs July 2005 through June 2006. Those participating bring four 6½" squares of fabric in either (or both) of the colors requested by the member whose birthday is that month.

Fat Quarter Exchanges: Members exchange Fat Quarters. These groups started in July and continue through November. Coordinators are Rita Shores and Joann Saffran. You were given a sheet with labels to attach to your FatQ showing Recipient, Month Due, and Request.

Raffle: At each of our regular meetings we will be having a fat quarter raffle. Proceeds from this will go to the Town of Riverview, for allowing us to use the building. They are not charging us, but we thought it would be a good gesture of our appreciation to offer them a donation. Tickets will be one dollar.

PNQ Committee Sign-Up: With so few people signing up for the yearly committees, it will make it hard for the small group that did to organize and keep things running smoothly.

Committee chairpeople are as follows:

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| Programs | Terri Petasek |
| Education | Diana Napier |
| Membership | Joan Hansen |
| Hospitality | Sheila Hixon |
| Ways & Means | Laurie Schonenbeck |
| *Community Service | Julie Palmer |
| *Publicity | Dorothyann Nelson |
| *Newsletter/Website | Rita Shores |
| *Communications | ? |
| *Historian | ? |

(* denotes we need more volunteers)

If anyone could possibly give some of their time to help on committees where needed, it would be greatly appreciated. Please consider signing up; we

can expand our horizons with more people participating and helping with ideas.

Please contact a board member if you can help.

Thanks in advance.

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Laurie	920-276-6143	
Rita	715-276-7709	ritashores@hotmail.com

President's Challenge: The challenge for baby quilts has been coming along, not quite ½ to the goal. If you're one that has not yet made one, please consider doing so.

Oconto Falls Hospital has received theirs, two more are needed yet for Shawano, and then we'll move on to Antigo. Numerous have gone to Children's Hospital in Milwaukee.

The ones that I am delivering each have a note that reads as follows that I wrote:

Dear Recipient:

This baby quilt was made with generous hearts and gifted hands by a member of the Pine Needle Quilters Guild of Mountain.

We hope your precious little one gets many years of warmth and joy from this special gift.

*From our guild to your home,
Pine Needle Quilters*

Please keep those little treasures coming.

Thank you,

Deanna

Chenille Jackets: Former member Aletha Middlesteadt taught a class on *Chenille Jackets* for several months in early 2004 to PNQ members. She is coming to our September meeting, and has asked that everyone who took the class wear/bring their finished jackets to the meeting so that she can see them.

PNQ Quilt Show Update: We have October 7, 2006, at Suring High School as our place and date for the first (with many to follow) Pine Needle Quilters Quilt Show.

We are going to be working with the Suring Lioness Club. As before, we will get the tickets, make the quilt, and will do a 25/75 split after all expenses are paid.

Leah Giese and her committee will be making a Log Cabin quilt for the grand prize, and second prize will be a quilted tote bag donated by Joan Hansen. We are in need of someone or ones to quilt it. Diana Napier did so free of charge last time, so we are hoping someone will come forward to help us with this project. Please contact me if you're will to do the quilting.

There will be an informal signup sheet to be filled out at the August meeting, so we have somewhat of an idea what anyone would like to put in the show. Possible size of quilt(s), wall hangings, runners, garments, etc. We will start out with two items per person. A 4" sleeve will be required for quilts.

Watch for more updates.

Quilt Show Committee

From the President:

Happy August Ladies,

Can not believe where the summer is going. Time is just flying by.

I'm going away for a week of fishing and relaxation with my family north of Rice Lake. I'm going to take my scraps along to cut some small squares of different sizes to downsize my scrap bin; then my husband and father asked me if that was really relaxation and my reply was "of course!" (They just rolled their eyes and laughed) They have no idea how happy I'll be when I get that done!

I hope everyone who participated in the Color Challenge enjoyed it and left their ideas run. They will all look so wonderful hanging in the quilt show next year. It's always a treat to see what everyone comes up with.

I do hope everyone is beating the heat one way or another; fall and then winter will be here too soon as it is. I had just heard on TV the other day that Christmas was only 141 days away – what a statement.

Until next month,

President Deanna

Moonlight Quilters Quilt Show: Many of the members of the Moonlight Quilters are also members of our guild. They are having their quilt show during the Suring celebration on Saturday, Sept 3. They want to display 75 quilts, and are still 15 short of their goal.

If you are willing to display a quilt in their show, call Marge at 920-855-2089 or Peg at 920-842-2254. They have a page they can email to you with information and a registration sheet that Peg can email to you.

Quilt Shows:

Reading Between the Stitches – Appleton - now thru March 5, 2006

Round Robin Bus Trip – Aug 13 - (see website)

Moonlight Quilters – Suring - Sat. Sept. 3

Northwoods Quilters – Marinette - Sep 10 & 11

Quilt Expo – Madison - Sep 15-17

Quilts Among the Pines – Wausau - Sep 17-18

CJBC Threaders Quilt Show & Sale – Caspian MI – Sep 17-18

Annual Quilt Show – Sheboygan – Sep 17

Quilters Pantry Retreat – Florence - Sep 22-25

Cranberry Fest Quilt Show – Eagle River – Oct 1

Heritage Farm Quilt Show – Kewaunee – Oct 1-2

Garden of Quilts – St Joseph, MN - Oct 8-9

Big Bee & Show 2005 – Oshkosh - Oct 13-15

Sew Many Northern Lights – St Joseph MN – Jun 16, 2006

(Fact sheets for most of these are on the website.)

Lakeland Chapter of the Red Cross: In their summer newsletter, a list was given for items which the chapter needs. One of the items listed was homemade quilts in all sizes. If you wish to contribute to the Red Cross, you may contact them at 920-227-4287.

A Walk in the Garden Quilt Show (held July 9):

Several members of our guild participated in this quilt show, and even more of our members attended the show. With the goal of getting more of you interested in working on our upcoming quilt show (refer to Deanna's update on page 2), I asked a few of them to give us their comments about working the show. Working together on a project such as this need not be considered a tedious chore. Many told me of the fun they had while working.

Just like our guild has had the dream and idea of having a quilt show, Marla and her coworkers of the *Cutting Edge* in Antigo also had thought about having a quilt show. It fell into place for her when Eagle River decided to discontinue the "Walk in the Woods" quilt show. So they came up with the idea of having a "Walk in the Garden" and having it along the river in a park in Antigo. Julie Palmer from our guild asked for volunteers to help with this show so I volunteered feeling it would be so beneficial to get to know more about the quilting in our area. So in

February Julie and I started attending monthly meetings to organize this show.

I volunteered to basically fill in wherever help was needed. I also offered the services of my friend, Vicki and our two husbands. So on July 8th, the four of us went to Antigo and got our "orders." My husband and I were to put up signs outside of Antigo. Vicki was to help with registration. Larry and Tom, our two husbands, were also to assist in directing traffic. I was also to do leg work during the show through out the park.

So on Saturday morning, July 9th we all headed over with our work ahead of us. It was a beautiful morning, a bit warm but also breezy. What a perfect day for an outdoor quilt show! After Larry and I posted the signs, we headed to the park where Larry was to help Tom direct traffic. These guys really got into this quilt show business! They were amazed at how many people began pouring into the parking lots. It was a real eye opener for them. Vicki and I worked the registration and also did some leg work through out the park in the morning. We met so many great people and quilters from all over the country!

Unfortunately, around noon, big black clouds rolled in and Marla decided to pull the quilts and end the show. This was a learning experience and Marla was already working on next years design to incorporate tarps into the frames to prevent showers from ruining the show. We had a lot of good feed back and some good tips to make the show better for next year.

So much work goes into putting on a show like this but it is so rewarding! When people come together, so many good ideas happen. We have such an opportunity with our upcoming quilt show, to create an outstanding show. I encourage all to participate, whether it is a major or a minor role. The fun and laughs are just too great to pass up!

Jane Belschner, (coordinator)

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I would like to share some things I learned from being a juror for the recent quilt show in Antigo. The show was presented by Marla Arndt from the Cutting Edge. Everything was very organized to simplify the juror's job. First and foremost was the responsibility to see that the entries were filled out correctly.

1. We were surprised at how many quilters did not put the size or correct size of their work.
2. Poor quality photos.
3. The brief description (narrative) did not match the theme of the show.

Hopefully this will be helpful for our participants when we decide to enter a show that will be juried.

If you have any other questions of comments, please contact me.

Dorothyann Nelson, Jury

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When I entered the "Walk in the Garden" quilt show in Antigo, put on by The Cutting Edge, I was very apprehensive and scared. I had never before entered a quilt show. I had been to a few shows but no big shows. After my quilt was accepted, I was elated. This was so exciting! The show was a good experience. The judging seemed to be very fair and upbeat. There were no derogatory remarks or comments. The judging comments were nice and helpful. I volunteered to help with the show, and I volunteered my husband to help! Rex directed people to the parking lot and then to admissions. I helped to sell tote bags for The Cutting Edge along with Rosemary and another lady. It was a lot of fun trying to talk people into buying a bag they really needed even when they had 5 or 6 at home. I also helped direct people to admissions, when they came in without paying and getting their hand stamped. They were all very friendly and willing to follow. After the quick rain shower, Rex and I helped to take down the quilt hanging racks. He and I began to realize it takes a lot of work to put on a quilt show. This was such a good experience and I am already trying to plan my quilt design for next year's "On the Lake" quilt show. Hope to see you there!

Judy Prilliman, quilt in show

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I worked as a "white glove" lady, and found it very interesting to listen and watch the reactions of so many individuals to the particular quilt I was working with at the time. There were lots of questions about "is it hand-quilted or machine quilted." The thread work on the quilt I was "guarding" had lots of machine stitches that evoked many comments. There were ladies who were collecting ideas on techniques they could use on future projects. Many ladies were accompanied by their husbands, and I found the men's reactions to be different from their wives. It was exhilarating to be standing next to a beautiful quilt and experience the many reactions to it. Looking forward to doing this again!

Deb Budd, white glove

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"A Walk in the Garden" was the second quilt show I have ever attended. The first was 3 years ago at the O'Hare expo (Rosemont, IL). The 9-11 quilts were on display plus many judged from around the world. There was a quilt for sale for \$17,000. It was difficult to see the show in one day let alone all the vendors. I was overwhelmed by it all.

I enjoyed the Antigo shoe for a variety of reasons:

1. I didn't understand the judge's choices for ribbons. How many judges are there? How

do they judge the quilts? Seems to me you would need different categories.

2. It was great knowing what quilts were made by the Pine Needle Quilters.
3. I thought a rain precaution or a cover could have come down on the quilts until the rain stopped. Instead the show was stopped after 2 hours. When we were leaving, a bus pulled into the parking lot.
4. I enjoyed the vendors at the site. I had not been to their stores.
5. I thought the quilts had a wide range of styles. Not all had a garden theme. Some looked abstract, or like looking at the sky.

After the show, we went to Fifth Avenue Deli for lunch with our coupon. Then proceeded to Cutting Edge for our discount coupon for the day.

The show was short but sweet. Hope ours will be better with lessons learned.

Submitted by Barb Vejvoda, a viewer

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The following members planned for the show:

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| Jane Belschner    | Coordinator |
| Diana Napier      | Coordinator |
| Julie Palmer      | Coordinator |
| Dorothyann Nelson | Jury        |

These members entered quilts in the show:

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| Judy Prilliman     | "My T-Garden"                 |
| Kathy Tokarczyk    | "Grandmother's Flower Garden" |
| Laurie Schoenebeck | "Final Flight"                |
| Rosemary Risen     | "At Home in the Woods"        |
| Diana Napier       | "Just Enough Purple"          |
| Charlotte McDonald | "My Favorite Flower"          |

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