



# Pine Needle Quilters

## Newsletter for August, 2007

### Officers:

President: Laurie Schoenebeck  
Vice-President: Deb Budd  
Secretary: Angela Van Haren  
Treasurer: Deanna Tachick  
Past President: Deanna Tachick

### Regular Meeting:

3rd Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m. at temporary Riverview Town Hall; 15618 Maiden Lake Road (just past Maiden Lake Supper Club.)

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

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

### Special Activities:

August 20 – (9:30 - 4:00) Fat Quarter Slide class by Sharon Rotz at the **Breed Town Hall**.

August 20 7:00 p.m. – **regular meeting at the Breed Town Hall** featuring a lecture "From Grandmother's Bed to Museum Wall" by Sharon Rotz

No September sewing session (holiday)

Oct 1 – 3:30pm Sewing Session – Table Runner by Lynette Shaffer

Oct 15 – **Class for Hawaiian Appliqué** by machine by Petwara Toyingtrakoon

### August Birthday Greetings to:

- 10 Vivian Mathe
- 21 Terri Petasek
- 22 Marilyn Visser
- 24 Joann Saffran
- 29 Dorothyann Nelson
- 31 Joan Hansen

**At the July Meeting:** There were 45 members attending. **Tornado Benefit:** Thank you to those of you who donated items and purchased tickets for our tornado benefit last month. I am sure our \$381 dollar donation to the tornado victim will be much appreciated!

**August Meeting will be at the Breed Town Hall:** We will have the usual raffle of fat quarters. The program is featuring a lecture "From Grandmother's Bed to Museum Wall" by Sharon Rotz

**Fat Quarter Slide Class:** Remember the class will be held at the Breed Town Hall on Hwy. 32, from

9:30am - 4:00pm. A suggestion: try to pair up with a friend, to share an iron, cutting mat and power strip. Since this is the first time we are using the Breed Town Hall, it may be wise to also bring an extra extension cord, as I am not sure of the receptacle locations. It should be a fun day!

**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.

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**Sewing Session:** There will be no sewing session in September due to the Holiday.

However, Lynette Shaffer has graciously volunteered to do a sewing class at the **October Sewing Session**. It will be that wonderful table runner that she showed us at our meeting a couple months ago. There will be more details available about supplies and cutting later in the month. So plan on coming to the October Sewing Session.

**Petwara Toyingtrakoon to Teach Class in October:** The Pine Needle Quilters will offer a class with machine appliqué artist and teacher, Petwara Toyingtrakoon. Petwara lives in Cedarburg WI and will be teaching us needle turn appliqué by machine in the theme of Hawaiian appliqué patterns.

The class will be held the day of our October meeting, the 15th, and run from 10 am to 4 pm. There is a maximum of 15 students for this class and sign up is by our September meeting which is the 17th or mail in class fee of \$20.00 to Deanna Tachick, 10923 Hwy 32, Suring, WI 54174. If more than 15 students sign up for the class, we will draw names for the spaces.

If you do miss the class, Petwara will be doing a lecture on machine appliqué for our October meeting at 7:00 pm. So don't miss this meeting. Check out her website at <http://www.madquilters.com>. You will find the Hawaiian appliqué under the New Method for Needle Turn Appliqué by Machine category. She also offers a lovely free BOM with basket and flowers. Just happens that is the theme for our next quilt show so get inspired!!! Petwara seems to be a very inspiring and interesting person so it's worth your time to go through her website and it will be fun to meet her.

This is the list of supplies provided by Petwara for the upcoming Hawaiian appliqué class.

1. Sewing machine
2. An open toe foot
3. Fine point black sharpie pen for tracing
4. Microtex sharpe No. 70 needles (Schmetz)
5. Stiletto
6. Microtex tips small scissor for precision cutting
7. Pins
8. Background fabric (22" x 22")
9. Appliqué fabric (20" x 20")
10. Matching color thread wt. No. 60 (Mettler), color to match the appliqué fabric.
11. Usual sewing items such as seam ripper, extra scissors, spare machine needle, seat cushion, etc. Perhaps an Ott-lite for extra lighting.

The templates or patterns will be provided by her or you can bring your own patterns. Please choose nice fabrics such as batik or hand dyes or Hawaiian style fabrics. The class will take the full day to finish the block and learn this technique.

If I can answer any question, please email Diana Napier at [dnapier@ez-net.com](mailto:dnapier@ez-net.com) or call 276-6871.

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**Basket Challenge:** Our next quilt show will have a "Basket Theme" of some sort. To go along with this theme, we are challenging the guild to make a wall sized quilt or table runner with some sort of basket on it. These challenge quilts will be displayed at our quilt show in October of 2008, and be voted on for Viewer's Choice and Vender's Choice. We will be explaining this challenge at our August meeting, and will start to sign up those of you who would like to participate.

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**From the President:**

Dear Quilting Friends,

Wow, can you believe this long hot muggy spell?! I have been in the process of binding a quilt...just crawled out from under it...all sweaty! Not the best weather to be sitting under a "cozy" quilt, but it is on my UFO list, and I am trying to get it done for the August meeting. Isn't it hard to believe that in a few

more months it will be really inviting to crawl under a quilt!?

My next UFO project will be to hand quilt a little wall hanging I am finishing. It is made from antique bow tie blocks that I bought when we went down to Paducah. The blocks are hand sewn in indigos, pinks and shirting fabrics. As I work on that quilt, it makes me wonder whose UFO I am finishing? Many years ago another person's hands stitched the blocks together, but the quilt was never finished. So, as I work on this little UFO, my thoughts are to finish it as seems most fitting. This meant hand sewing all the blocks together, and of course hand quilting. I have chosen an old faded feed sack for the back. I wonder what the original maker of these blocks would think if she knew I was finishing her quilt? I can't help but feel a connection to her (I assume it's a her), and wonder what her life was like. The fabrics are a bit worn, which leads me to believe the blocks were made of fabric from her families clothing. Did she sit by a lantern in the evening, when the rest of her work was done and stitch the blocks? Every quilt tells a story they say. I'm not sure about the story of this quilts beginnings, although I have imaged some of it. I like to believe that the story is of the "connection" that I feel to the maker of the blocks....that I want to finish this project for her.

I enjoy the connection I feel for all of my quilting friends, past and present!

Happy quilting,

Laurie

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**Community Service Events:** At our meeting on August 20th, the Community Service Committee will collect any unwanted fabric or blocks that you would like to donate to help create Community Service quilts. Wouldn't it be nice to see your donated fabric and/or blocks become quilts that will be donated to our community.

We will also be doing a few mystery quilts as well. At our August meeting, you will be able to purchase for \$2.00 a mystery bag, which will have some fabric in it, along with simple instructions on what you need to do to create a block (some blocks will be available to view). We will ask you to bring the completed block(s) to our next meeting.

We will continue to do this every month with different patterns and fabric as long as there is an interest in it. Then hopefully, once we have enough blocks complete, we will have a community service sewing session where we will ask anyone who is interested to come and help us sew all the blocks together.

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## Introducing Articles:

Hello, I am **Joan Hansen** and I will soon be residing in Lakewood after many years in Mountain. I was born and raised in Green Bay and left when I got married and moved to Colgate, near Menominee Falls. I have one daughter and three sons and several grandchildren. I am retired now, but work harder now it seems!

We lived in Colgate from 1959 to 1974, when we moved to Mountain. Over the years I worked for the school system as an aid, otherwise was a stay-at-home mom.

I got serious about quilting about four years ago after dabbling in it for ten years or more. I am a charter member of the PNQ guild. My favorite interests within quilting are paper-piecing and appliqué. I love to garden and I love to read. I do lots of volunteering in the community.

In 1990, my husband Cliff and I went to Enewetak. It is a small island (½ mile wide and 3 miles long). It is part of the Marshall Islands. It was used as an atomic bomb site along with Bikini Island. I taught the ladies how to sew and Cliff taught the guys how to repair their outboard motors. It was the most exciting thing I have ever done and will remember it all my life. We stayed two months. Our friends were school teachers there. That is how it came about. We took off and landed ten times to get there and from the air in this little plane you saw nothing but blue ocean. Then a tiny dot appeared and that is what we landed on. There was a horrific battle there with the Japanese during World War II. The Americans took it from the Japanese after Pearl Harbor. It was truly a highlight in my life I will never forget.

My name is **Sheila Hixon**, and I reside in Lakewood. I was born and raised in Green Bay. My family includes my husband Jim, two daughters, two grandchildren, four step kids and six step grandchildren. We moved to Lakewood from Green Bay in 1987.

I was a bank teller at M&I Bank in Green Bay for fifteen years, then worked at NWTC for five years before moving north and starting my gift shop in Lakewood. I retired after eighteen years in the gift shop, and now have been enjoying longarm quilting for the past two years.

I am a charter member of the PNQ guild. I love all aspects of quilting. I also enjoy camping in Florida all winter; I have a fun group of ladies I quilt with when I am there.

Bet you did not know I am also a carpenter. Jim and I built our house: foundation, framing, electric, plumbing, drywall, you name it and I have done it!

My name is **Rhoda Ebersole**. I reside in Lakewood and in Plymouth, Minnesota (suburb of the Twin Cities). I was born and raised in Suring on a dairy farm. My family consists of husband Ron, daughter Catie with her husband Jim Chung and granddaughter Isabella (8) and grandson Gavin (5) living in Henderson, NV, and son Jay living in Minneapolis.

I have a Bachelor of Science in Medical Technology; I am now retired although I have yet to apply for my social security pension.

I graduated from the U of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, lived and worked in Chicago, IL, several years, off to Houston, TX, where I worked in the medical center, married, moved to St. Joseph, MO, Warrensburg, MO, Mason City, IA, and Plymouth, MN.

I decided to begin quilting when we moved to Mason City in 1982. I joined the PNQ guild its first summer. My favorite interests in quilting are everything except the hand quilting part. I also belong to the Minnesota Quilters Guild.

I am involved in church quilting for Lutheran World Relief, Tri Psi which is a sorority for mothers of Tri Delta daughters, keeping up with my family (six siblings), college friends, reading, some traveling, photography, scrap booking, rubber stamping, you name it and I may have at least tried it. I like knitting and crocheting and sewing clothing, too. Cooking and baking are always fun!

We have a big garden at the farm and I have been known to can and freeze but am working on phasing out those activities from my life.

I'm helping organize a "Servant Day" at our church in Plymouth in October where we will tie quilts, assemble health kits, assemble sewing kits for Lutheran World Relief and stamp cards. We will open with a report on the Tanzanian trip and climb up Mount Kilimanjaro that our church group is doing now, and finish with a free-will offering for a luncheon of African foods.

My husband Ron is building a hospital in Woodland Park, CO, which is supposed to be done sometime this Fall and retirement for him is looming in our future. With siblings and my father and cousins and nieces in the area we have lots of family activities to keep us busy. An earlier volunteer job in my life was being an announcer on an FM radio station for a few hours a week.

**Quilt Shows**

**Suring – Sep 1 - Moonlight Quilters** are having their annual quilt show at Suring High School. Anyone wishing to display one or more quilts, please contact Marge Kasten at 920-855-2089.

**Northwoods Quilters Quilt Show** – Marinette – Sep 8 & 9 (10am to 4pm)

**Quilt Expo – Wis Pubic TV & Sewing with Nancy** – Madison – Sep 13-15

**Quilts Among the Pines** – Wausau – Sept 29 & 30 - <http://www.pinetreequilters.org>

**Fall Heritage Quilt Show** – Mt Horeb – Sat Oct 6 (8am – 5pm) & Sun Oct 7 (9am – 4pm) – High Country Quilters

**Lighthouse Legacies Quilt Show** Oct 6 and 7 (10am to 5pm) – by Lighthouse Quilters Guild – Case High School, Racine – <http://www.lighthousequiltersguild.org>

**Treasures of Tomorrow** – Marshfield – Oct 26 – 28 – Piecemakers Quilt Guild

**Quilting Through the Ages** – Waunakee – Fri & Sat Oct 26-27 (9am – 4pm) – St John’s Piecemakers

**Country Quilt Show** – Slinger – Sat Nov 3 (8:30am – 4pm) Ties That Bind Quilt Guild

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

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**Quote:** “May your sorrows be patched, and your joys be quilted.”  
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