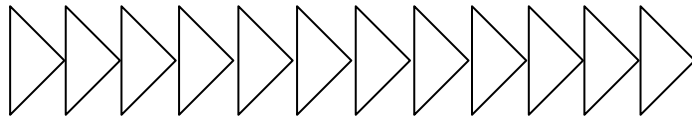


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Next meeting date: August 9, 2011 at 6:30 pm

P. O. Box 768 Stevensville MT 59870

ANNOUNCEMENTS

This meeting is one of our famous Eatin' Meetin's to celebrate our "New Quilting Year". The Club will furnish the meat, plates, cups, eating utensils, and napkins. Thus, members are asked to bring a potluck dish to share (along with serving tools), a chair to sit on, and anything else that might be needed to make yourselves comfortable. If you want something special to drink, please bring it. We are looking forward to seeing everyone!!

REMEMBER -- Secret Sisters are to be revealed sometime during the August picnic.

Also, DUES are due!! The amount is still \$15 for the year. Please bring your checkbook to the picnic and help get our Club its financial planning underway early. Thanks!!

Attached to the email bringing you this newsletter is information about this year's budget and spending for your review. Given the late start, we did very well.

SAPPHIRE QUILT CLUB MINUTES FOR JULY, 2011

President Helen Rude conducted the meeting. We had one guest present.

The Secret Sister activity had a few hitches this year with a few of the members who signed up then could not participate as they agreed to do. If you find circumstances have changed and your participation is not possible, contact the Activity Chair or the President, so names can be redrawn and no one will be disappointed.

Sunshine Sew Day went very well. Twelve quilts were completed and others were taken home to be finished. We have lots of fabrics available for anyone who wants to create

a Sunshine Quilt. Janalee or Helen can help you out with patterns, fabrics, backing, or batting. Let's try to use the items in our stash before any more is purchased.

The Annual August Picnic will be held at Lewis and Clark Park which is just down the street from the Senior Center. Starting time is 6:30. The Club will provide the meat for the dinner.

Quilt Show 2012 - Mary Baughn announced that the first meeting for the planning of the show will be on August 4th at 7 p.m. at Carol Logan's home at 4181 Overlook Trail (the big yellow house that has now been painted green). For information, call Mary at 777-4196. The theme is "Bringing Country Home".

The rest of the meeting concentrated on sharing ideas and techniques that were learned during the year by our members. The funniest one was "Don't chat while sewing" which just might result in more than a little un-sewing. One of the most gracious was in learning that group projects are valuable as we can all learn from others. And the one relating to the practice of using safety gloves when cutting was very timely. Those rotary cutters are ultra-sharp and just a small inattention can result in a very bad cut. Thanks to everyone who shared!! And thanks to Joann and Theresa for scheduling this sharing as a program.

ROSTER CHANGES

We have a new member as of the end of the month - Cheryl Straub of Stevensville. Her phone number is 777-2424 so add her to your roster and welcome her to the Club when you see her.

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS MONTH?

We are having our regular meeting at Lewis and Clark Park at the picnic pavilion. The gathering time is 6:30 p.m. We will start eating after everyone arrives and whatever business needing to be discussed is completed. We will continue until everyone is full and the mess is cleaned up. If you have friends or family who are interested in becoming Club members, please invite them to come with you. The more, the merrier!

THIS MONTH'S BLOCK AND STRIP OF THE MONTH

For those members who have created quilt tops from your Blocks of the Month or from the Strip of the Month, be sure to bring them to share. If I remember correctly, there will be prizes for the most popular top.

OFFICIAL HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISHES ARE EXTENDED TO:

Tina McPherson on the 20th, and Cheryl Straub on the 21st. Enjoy your day, ladies!!

HOW ABOUT NEXT MONTH?

The new Board of Joann, Theresa, Becky, and Danette have been busy planning for our upcoming year. So far, the September meeting has been set to have a Welcome Back theme at which we will recognize Past Presidents of the Club. Without them, we wouldn't be where we are today.

Several members have offered to take on many of the activities in which we participate during the year. There are still some positions that will be announced which need chairs. So get ready to share your talents and ideas to make this a super great year for everyone!!

The Quilt Show Sign-Up Board will be available for everyone to look over and decide how they are going to help create a really wonderful show. We have several people who have already raised their hands, but there are still more committees that need chairs and helping hands.

NEXT MONTH'S PRE-MEETING MINI CLASS

Do you have a nifty idea, technique, or tool that you are willing to share with everyone? Give Joann a call at 777-0775.

LIST OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE CHAIRS

President - Helen Rude

Vice President - Mary Baughn

Secretary - Tina McPherson

Treasurer - Danette Hawkins

Committees

Block of the Month - Pam Matter

Fat Quarters - Barbara Reutlinger

Historian - Joann Magee

Hospitality - Joyce Walters

Notifications - Lynn Koeppen

Newsletter - Linda Powell

Programs - Teresa Blazicevich and
Joann Magee

Publisher - Noel Hunt

Sunshine Quilts - Janalee McFadgen

Secret Sisters - Terry Atkinson

Website - Loey Knapp