

Milltown News

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MILLTOWN RAFFLE QUILT WINS 3!

Straight from the Maryland State Fair in Timonium, Maryland

August 25, 2006

According to an unidentified source (Shirley), Milltown Quilters 2007 Raffle Quilt, "Symphony in Hues", has *run away* with **FIRST PLACE** in its category, - Quilt Made By An Organized Quilting Group - , at the 2006 Maryland State Fair. In addition, this reporter has learned that the quilt has also won a special **Judges Award** as well the **Sponsor's Award** from Traditions at the White Swan of Hagerstown, Maryland.

Other sources (pretty much everybody) tell this reporter that this gorgeous quilt was the original design of members Pat Daughtry and Karen Luman, and the culmination of dedicated effort by guild members who pieced and quilted it. Congratulations to all!

Here we are, back at quilting after a summer that flew by. I hope yours was pleasant and enjoyable. Hard to believe we're approaching fall 2006 already.

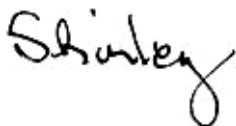
Last year I challenged everyone to "think outside of the box." There was even that cute puzzle thing to solve. How many of you were able to do it? How many thought "outside," expanded your creative processes and stretched yourselves to go beyond the norm? From looking at all that we as a group accomplished, I think we stretched outside of the box and then some.

This fall, I am asking you to think *inside of the box*. What box, you ask? There is no puzzle here. The box is Milltown Quilters; it is the unfinished quilt you need inspiration to finish; it is the calendar (full of other boxes) full to the brim with the activities of our daily lives that push aside the creative time we need for our quilting. The big Milltown Quilters Box can help with all of the little boxes in our lives. This year we will work together, filling an already busy calendar with activities to expand our quilting horizons: Susan McKelvey and Jeanne Benson will be teaching us this fall; Pat Brousil and Gitti Lund are back with another Mystery Quilt and Pat is also going to teach some of us how to Draft Quilt Patterns. We'll have more in-house workshops and some fun meetings besides. We'll also be looking within our Milltown Box to some of our experienced quilters to share their beginnings, what they learned and their accomplishments. We're taking some trips together to Harrisburg, Lancaster County for shopping and in October back to Lancaster for an overnight quilt trip.

Our Milltown Box also has the Quilt Show in April to get ready for. Our chairpersons, Beverly Gerhardt and Nancy Wenstrand have already begun. The raffle quilt is ready and the tickets will be here soon. Committees are mostly up and ready to go. We'll all be pushing out the sides of our Milltown Box to get everything done in time for this one, but we will love almost every minute of it. Getting ready for a show gives us a focus within our Milltown Box and within our own creative spirits. We love to show off the beauty that is ours!

And, we'll look at our beautiful Milltown Box that has been wrapped, in fine paper and bows for Ten Years in March, 2007. How excited we are to have our tenth birthday!; to be able to continue sharing our love of quilting, our fun with each other, and our reaching to our community in need.

Welcome Back to the BOX!

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Shirley".

Next Newsletter Deadline September 28. Thank You

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
3	4 No Meeting	5	6	7	8 Bus Trip	9
10	11 Board Mtg 10:00 Lancaster Trip Mtg.	12	13	14	15	16
17	18 Class 9:30	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 Lecture 10:30	3	4	5	6 Shopping Trip	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18 Lancaster Trip	19 Lancaster Trip	20	21
22	23 Class 9:30	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				