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Dear MPQG Member,

After many years of consideration and after sharing this news with you over the past six months, in January 2017 the Board is implementing the decision to no longer mail out our monthly newsletter, *Pines and Needles*. It is cost-prohibitive (\$90/month) and time-consuming for volunteers to print and mail 30 newsletters per month. So like many other guilds, MPQG will now send out our members' newsletter via email and also post it to our website. We will also offer a few printed copies at our monthly meetings. You can find many of the articles and news items in our newsletter on our rich website, which is always up-to-date.

We want to ensure a smooth transition so everyone receives a newsletter. If email is difficult for you to access, please let us know and we'll try to help. Some ideas include:

- Perhaps a friend could print a copy for you?
- Might someone from your friendship group give you a copy?
- Pick up a copy at our monthly meeting – we always include several months worth of upcoming meeting announcements, and recently created a flyer listing all of our programs and workshop through October 2017 so you'll always know what's coming up.

We welcome your ideas for other alternatives, and encourage you to contact any member of the Board and let us know how we can help.

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We thank you for helping us keep the MPQG a financially viable organization that continues to bring inspiring programs and workshops to our quilt community.

The MPQG Board

