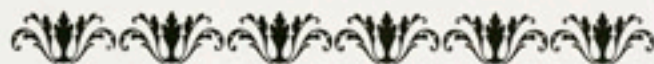


## From your Editor

We appreciate the many notes and letters of support you sent since the last issue. Though we still need more subscribers, we want to thank Bettina Havig and Wilene Smith for contacting their local printers for printing prices. We can now look forward to a new long-distance relationship with Computer Color-Graphics in Columbia, MO with this issue #30. We expect the next issue will have four additional pages.

We are sorry to report Carol Newman will no longer be writing her weekly quilting column "Quilter's & Crafters" for the BLUE VALLEY GAZETTE. By recording the biographies of the many fine Kansas quiltmakers she performed a valuable service for quilt historians. She will be missed.



### MARY SCHAFFER IS HONORED

On Friday evening, Sept 12 the Birmingham Bloomfield Art Association held a preview party of a quilt exhibit entitled "Then & Now" in honor of Mary Schaffer, well known prize-winning quiltmaker and collector. It was a fitting tribute to a lovely lady who has done so much for quilting. The exhibition includes 13 traditional quilts from Mrs Schaffer's 200+ collection and 13 contemporary interpretations designed and made especially by Gwen Marston & Joe Cunningham, master quiltmakers from Beaver Island, MI for the show's "Now" portion. The show will travel to Michigan museums and art galleries.

The State of Michigan honored Mrs Schaffer with a Senate Resolution: "Resolved by the Senate that we proudly commend Mary Schaffer for her many contributions to the art of quilting as she is honored through a showing of her collection... "Now & Then" exhibit Sept 13 through Oct 11, 1986 ... "

A high point of the evening was 30-35 blocks made over the years by Mrs Schaffer for her friend, Cuesta Benberry. Merry Silber, curator of the show, arranged for them to be sent as a surprise.

When I first met Mary Schaffer in the summer of '76, I spent several never-to-be-forgotten days with her. We talked quilts from early morning till late and started again the next morning. I saw a house full of quilt related items - everthing from quilts to early quilt periodicals.

See JOURNAL #3 for picture and feature article about Mary Schaffer.

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