



Northern Star Quilters' Guild

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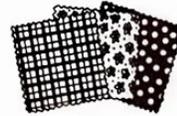
APRIL 1989

Our APRIL meeting will be held on April 25th at the Somers Intermediate School, Somers, New York. The doors will be open at 7:00 with the Business Meeting starting at 7:45.

Our meeting this month will be a lecture from Irene Kahmann who is from Grobenzell, Germany. Sounds interesting!

Have you all signed up for the Quilt Show? It's only weeks away and we can use all the help we can get. Remember that just 2 hours of your time entitles you to free admission on the day you work.

I hope you all had a nice Easter and have a very Happy Passover. I'll see you at the meeting. Keep yourself in stitches!



Penny Black

President's Corner

Quilt Registration Day was a success! Thank you to all who volunteered. We had over 70 quilts and many of them were unbelievable. I don't think any of us will forget the red and green applique album quilt done by a 15 year old girl in the 1840s. The owner of the quilt was obviously very proud hearing all the oohing and ahhing going on.

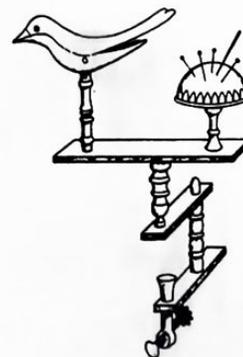
Apparently last month's "4 Quilters 4" was an inspiration to many of us. Several members suggested that perhaps we too can form a group like that. If enough of us want to seriously do an "Amish Adventure", contact me and I'll see if I can get the ball rolling. It would certainly be a worthwhile project!

As some of you requested on SUPER SATURDAY, here's the solution for removing pencil lines from your quilt:

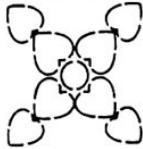
- 1 ounce water
- 3 ounces rubbing alcohol
- 2 drops liquid dishwashing soap (Joy)

Mix the solution in a small jar. Apply by dipping a NEW toothbrush into the solution and rubbing gently over the pencil lines. Now rinse this thoroughly.

See? There's a SOLUTION for every problem!



Programs



Four Quilters Four, who performed their 'book review' at the March meeting, gave us a lecture that will not be easily forgotten. They were an interesting group and showed us some inspiring quilts. Thanks to our members who added to the success of that meeting; Terry DiMinno and Karen Eckemeir who worked at the raffle table, Suzanna Valentineti who helped with the name tags, Gloria Hartley who drafted and distributed the April block pattern and Debbie Hall who gave out the extra batting kits and helped display the Amish quilts. We do appreciate your efforts!

Speaking of inspiring, wasn't the March Show and Tell great? The results of Super Saturday, the Amish Bars project, workshops, and all of your individual efforts created a very enjoyable time. Keep up the good work!

Thanks to all of you who have returned your batting questionnaires. There are about 50 that have not yet been returned. I know that many of you are anxious to know which battings were used and where they were placed. Please bring the completed questionnaires to the next meeting or mail them to me as I need them in order to give a valid report to the batting manufacturers. I will then be able to reveal the identities of the battings to you.

For our April meeting we are going to go 'International'. Irene Kahmann, who lived for several years in Poughkeepsie, but is from Grobenzell, West Germany, will present a lecture about quilters and quilting activities in Germany. Irene does silk painting and teaches quilting. She was one of the teachers at the American Quilt Association Show in Salzburg last year. Her quilts have been featured in both Quilters' Newsletter (October 1988) and the American Quilter (Spring 1988). I am looking forward to her presentation.

Remember the block raffle for April is the 'trumpet-like' flower. The pattern was handed out at the March meeting. If you can't find the Cotton Cool blue, use muslin instead.

See you on April 25th!

Edith Pryor

GENERAL MEETING DATES FOR 1989

APRIL 25, MAY 23 and JUNE 20

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING DATES

MAY 2, MAY 30 and JUNE 27

The DEADLINE for the MAY NEWSLETTER is MAY 2.

Special Events



If you are still interested in going to the Great American Quilt Festival, we still have room on the SATURDAY, APRIL 29th bus. You may call me for further information. A reminder for those who have signed up. Please make sure you pay me ASAP, if you haven't done so already. As usual, your payment reserves your spot.

If you are going to be putting anything in the Show Boutique, I will have the inventory sheets at the April meeting.

Kathleen Lange



Resource & Education

Below are the final two workshops for this year. Sign up now as space is getting scarce!

On April 1st we had the 'Tessalations' workshop with Jeannette Muir. We had a GREAT time! You could either spend time designing your own piece or using one of Jeannette's patterns. There was alot of trading of fabric going on and we used TONS of fabric in this piece! Maybe we'll get to see quite a few pieces at April's Show and Tell.

If you are going to sign up for one of the two classes (or both!), please make your checks out to NSQG, LTD and send it to me at P.O. Box 235, Bedford, New York 10506. Remember, your check reserves your spot.

MAY 8 & 9 - "60-Degree Diamonds"

Instructor: Mary Ellen Hopkins
Cost: \$30.00
Location: Lake Lincolndale Clubhouse
(see the map in the Sept. Newsletter)

We are fortunate to be able to offer a workshop with Mary Ellen. Anyone that has taken a class with her will tell us it is worth taking and will be an experience you will remember for a long time. It is a one-day workshop.

MAY 24 - "Beyond the Block-Kaleidoscope"

Instructor: Mary Golden
Cost: \$25.00
Location: Lake Lincolndale Clubhouse

This is an introduction to the Kaleidoscope. It will be a lesson in design approach, use of scraps and time-saving tools. (I have heard very good comments on this workshop).

There is one opening. Also, a few have signed up and haven't paid me yet! You know the old saying, "your check reserves your spot".



Jean Albrecht

If you are interested in holding an elected position for the 1989-90 year, you may contact one of us, but you have to do it before April 25. We will be taking nominations from the floor at the April meeting and will be presenting a Slate of Officers at that time.

If you are going to nominate a member from the floor, please make sure you have their permission to do so. Think about becoming involved. When every pitches in to help each other, it makes the job much easier.

We will be voting to elect the officers at our Annual Meeting on May 23.

The Nominating Committee: Penny Black, Kathleen Lange, Kathy Sica & Ginny Watson

Financial Report

BALANCE FORWARD \$22,845.71

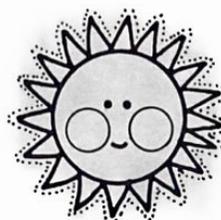
Cash Disbursed

Resource & Education	1,754.64
Quilt Registration Day	227.60
Newsletter	233.75
Quilt Show	140.91
Program	175.00
Special Events	495.00
	<u>\$ 3,036.90</u>

Cash Received

Raffle	\$ 223.00
Quilt Raffle	161.00
Special Events	258.00
Vendor	50.00
Membership	153.50
Resource & Education	<u>680.00</u>
	<u>\$ 1,525.50</u>

BALANCE \$21,344.31



Barbara Lerch

Show News

This is my last chance to "speak" to all of you before THE SHOW and there's lots to report.

Be sure to see Nancy Heffernan to get your raffle tickets. Each member is expected to buy or sell a minimum of two books. Who knows? Maybe YOU'LL win it this year!

Another special thanks to Gloria Hartley for designing this year's Show Pin. They will be available for purchase at the April meeting. Members who attend the meeting will be able to purchase ONE pin at a discounted price of \$4.00. They will then be sold at the Show. You will find them at the Admissions Table, the Boutique and from the "Roaving Show-Pin Girl" for \$5.00.

Thelma Giordano will have sign-up sheets for the Pot Luck Supper at the April meeting. After working so hard everyone is always very hungry. If you haven't time to cook, we also need pick-up items like bread, butter and soda. If you can't attend the meeting to volunteer to bring something, call Thelma at 245-3483.

Marie Gibson again reports a good response to the Volunteer Chart, but there are still plenty of spaces to be filled. If you can't attend the April meeting to sign up, call Marie (232-3028) to let her know when you are available. Please remember this is YOUR show and we need each one of you to help make it run smoothly.

Bill Thorn will begin assembling the frames at 3:00. Please try to get there to help. By Sunday evening, every one is tired, so we really do need MANY hands to help take those frames down. Please think about helping out from 6:00-8:00 Sunday night.

Be sure to bring your unfinished quilts to Suzanna Valentinetti at the April meeting. She needs them for the Quilts in Progress area. Jean McAward hopes lots of people will bring quilted Christmas items for the Christmas corner and anything with HEARTS for a special corner. Likewise, Karen Hagert will be collecting nursery items for her display.

For all workers information:

*The committee decided that it is impossible for us to enforce the "No Flash Picture" rule at a show of our size, so flash pictures are permitted.

*Viewer's Choice Ballots will be handed out at the Admission Table on SATURDAY ONLY. The ballot box is in the room with the quilts.

*In celebration of our 10th Show, we are having special door prizes donated by our vendors. Admission workers should tell people to save their ticket. Twice during the day we will pull tickets and post those numbers on a easle placed to the left of the Raffle Quilt. People can check for their number and claim their prize.

*There will be a check in point in the gym for Quilt Watcher's, who are really our Show Hostesses. Show Hostesses should pick up your gloves and a list of rules before going to their assignment.

*We all need to remember that this is our show and the public are our guests. They should always be treated in a friendly and courteous manner.

I'm looking forward to seeing all your quilts in the Show!

Jane Fulton



Dear NSQG Members:

There has been much uneasiness among the guild members recently which causes the Board of Directors much concern. Many felt that there was a need for a revision of the present By-Laws.

The By-Law Revision Committee was formed for this purpose. We have reviewed the By-Laws and believe that presenting an explanation with each proposed change will help members better understand what the changes are for and what the Committee, as a service group of the Guild as a whole, envisions as the aim of the Guild.

Article II: PURPOSE

Current By-Laws:

Section 1. The purpose of this guild shall be to promote interest in and encourage participation in the craft of quilting; to stimulate and coordinate the efforts and talents of individuals interested in quilting, including the establishment and furtherance of instructional activities relating to quilting and the sponsorship of an annual show open to the public for the purpose of demonstrating quilting techniques and craftsmanship.

Section 2. The Guild is a not-for-profit corporation.

Proposed Changes:

Section 1. The purpose of this guild shall be to promote interest in and encourage participation in the art of quilting and to stimulate and coordinate the efforts and talents of individuals interested in quilting.

Section 2. The Guild shall strive to achieve its purposes:

- a. By establishing educational standards for quiltmaking as guidance for members and by encouraging adherence to these standards.
- b. By providing educational activities to help members achieve the above.
- c. By establishing lines of communication among members for the stimulation of thought, exchange of ideas, mutual assistance, and enhancement of individual strengths.
- d. By sponsoring an annual quilt show open to the public for the purpose of demonstrating quilting techniques and craftsmanship.

Section 3. The Guild is a not-for-profit corporation.

Brief Explanation: It is the feeling of the Ad Hoc Committee that the efforts of the present Board of Directors to raise the quilting skills of the general membership have been misunderstood, and that the proposed Article II makes the intent of the Board clear; to help members, not judge, restrict, or intimidate.

Article IV: ANNUAL DUES

Current By-Laws:

Section 2. Persons joining at or after the February general meeting shall pay 50% of the annual dues.

Continuation of Article IV: ANNUAL DUES

Section 3. The Board of Directors shall determine annual dues 30 days prior to the end of the fiscal year to meet the operating expenses of the Guild.

Section 4. Written notification of a change in dues will be given to general membership within 30 days prior to the September general meeting.

Proposed Changes:

Section 2. New members joining at or after the February general meeting shall pay 50% of the annual dues.

Section 3. The Board of Directors shall determine dues to meet the operating expenses of the Guild.

Brief Explanation: The change in Section 2 makes it clear that members who are renewing their membership are expected to pay full dues, even if they delay their renewal. The change in Section 3 gives the Board flexibility needed to meet any possible fiscal emergency, and to adjust to sudden changes in the size of the membership, should they occur. While there is no change proposed in Section 4, it is presented because it is a built-in control which prevents any abuse of this Board responsibility.

Article III: COMMITTEES

Current By-Laws:

Section 1. Chairpersons of Standing Committees shall be appointed by the President with the approval of the majority of the elected officers and their tenure shall terminate with the installation of the new President. These chairpersons shall be appointed to serve on the Board of Directors no longer than four (4) consecutive years.

Proposed Change:

Section 1. Chairpersons of Standing Committees shall be appointed by the President with the approval of the majority of the elected officers and their tenure shall terminate with the installation of the new President.

These chairpersons shall serve on the Board of Directors no more than four (4) consecutive years. An individual may continue to serve as a chairperson for more than these four consecutive years, but may not be a Board member for a minimum of one year succeeding these four years.

Brief Explanation: This proposal would enable a person who has been serving on the Board for four consecutive years, either as an elected officer or as a Chairperson, to continue to serve as a Chairperson. In this way, we don't throw away our best talent after four years.

These proposed changes are respectfully submitted for your consideration. They have been reviewed and accepted by the Board of Directors and are now being presented to membership for discussion at the APRIL 25, 1989 meeting and the vote of acceptance at the MAY 23, 1989 meeting.

The By-Laws Revision Committee: Joan Crawford, Chairperson, Penny Black, Liz Doyle, Linda Raffaele, Kathy Sica, Doris Young, Pat Baker

Membership



To date, our membership now stands at 252! Now wouldn't it be wonderful if all 252 members volunteered at least 2 hours of their time for the show? In any event, let us welcome some new members to our guild. Thank you for joining.

Elaine Dunhama
RFD 4, Colonial Drive
Katonah, NY 10536
248-5189

Sheila Shaffer
15 Four Winds Drive
Poughkeepsie, NY 12603
462-8065

Ellen Beeck
17 Parkview Terrace
Poughkeepsie, NY 12603
454-6460

Carolyn Koetse
2908 Saddle Ridge Drive
Yorktown Hts., NY 10598
245-5583

Martha Collins
Ninham Road, RD 3
Carmel, NY 10512
225-5634

NEW ADDRESS: Sue Bennett, P.O. Box 383,
Baldwin Place, NY 10505

Sue Lawrence

QUILT CONNECTION NEWSLETTER

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coming events

MAY 19-JULY 15, 1990 - "Visions: A New Decade", Museum of San Diego History, Balboa Park, San Diego, CA

MAY 20-21 - "Quiltworks-A Gallery Presentation by the Tri-State Quilt-making Teachers", Challenge Projects Exhibit, Demonstration & Lectures, Quilts for Sale, Cadbury Retirement Community, Rt. 38 and Woods Road, Cherry Hill, NJ (near Cherry Hill Mall), 10-5

MAY 20-21 - "A Quilters Garden" by the Love Apple Quilters, Eastern H.S., Laurel Oak Rd., Gibbsboro, NJ, SASE to Gretchen Thatcher, 17 Tillman Pl., Willingboro, NJ 08046

JUNE 10 - "Quilt 'N Craft Picnic in the Park", Galway Lioness Club, Fendell Pavilion, Saratoga State Park, Lecturers (Sandi Bard and Dot Kruger), quilting, sewing, spinning, weaving demonstrations, 9:30-3:30, Prepaid reservation required (\$27.50), contact Doris Neal, Sewing Room, 1282 Hermance Road, Broadalbin, NY 12025, 882-6273

JUNE 10-11 - "Bergen County Quilt Fair - Home and Heart", 10-6, St. Joseph's HS, Chestnut Ridge Rd., Montvale, NJ 07645, send LSASE to Jeannine Love, 159 St. Pauls Rd., North Hempstead, NY 11550

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