

Northern Star Quilters' Guild, Ltd.

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NEWS 'N SUCH

April 1991

President's Corner

Have you seen the signs of spring everywhere? I'm sure the members of the Quilt Show Committee have. All the months of hard work is about to come to fruition. It's almost time to take a deep breath and open the doors of JFK High School for the World of Quilts XII.

I hope you will have time to schedule at least one of the lecturers on the program for that weekend. There is an excellent variety this year. You can also take advantage of working and learning from some of them at the workshops that have been planned just for our members. It is a great way to learn from nationally known quilters.

The April General meeting will be a "Shopper's Showcase" to help us get in the mood for all the vendors invited to participate in our show. You will have a chance to look over some of our quilters favorite tools, which will also be demonstrated for you.

In the meantime, I am off to Lancaster, Pa. for the quilt show there, getting up at 4:00 a.m. -(the only time in any given year I will get up at that time of the morning.) So see you at the April meeting.

Karen Hagert



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Our April meeting will be held at the Somers Intermediate School on April 16th. Doors open at 7:00 p.m. with the Business Meeting commencing at 7:45 p.m.

General meeting dates:

May 21st and June 18th.

Board Meeting dates:

Apr 23, May 28, & June 25th.

Show News

Our Show Pin is available at this month's meeting at a member's discount look for the copuon in this newsletter. As a collector's item, our show pins are sold only in April to our membership and at the show.

The April meeting is your last chance to:

- sign up as a volunteer earning your free admission.
- let Ann Fitzell know what items you have for our guild workshop projects
- get your sign-up sheet from Sue White to list your items for the boutique
- let Barbara Lerch know what works in progress you have for her
- sign up for the Pot Luck dinner
- turn in Raffle money, stubs and unused tickets to Liz Doyle.

Remember, we are competing with the Great American Quilt Festival. We need all the hands and help and publicity we can get. With the lecturers, quilts, displays and vendors your Quilt Show Committee has assembled, this will be a show to be proud of, as always.

Pat Baker

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CASH DISBURSED

Office expense (postage)	1.00
Newsletter	377.08
Program	370.10
Membership	18.19
Deposit Lancaster trip	<u>1,150.00</u>
TOTAL	1,916.37

CASH RECEIVED

Membership	130.00
February mtg. raffle	159.00
NSQG pin	<u>6.35</u>
TOTAL	295.00

BALANCE 2/28/91 8,166.86

INVESTOR'S CHOICE ACCOUNT

Interest	2/28/91	\$26.08
Balance	2/28/91	\$5,489.89



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Sue Bennett
Proprietor

Programs

The quilt show is fast approaching and our quilter's instincts are on "red alert" - THERE WILL BE GREAT VENDORS THERE (oh joy!) Our guild is going to help you get ready to spend wisely. The April 16 program will present a "Shopper's Showcase." Several members are going to display and demonstrate for you various products, books, tools, etc. that they have come to regard highly as teachers, shopkeepers, and quilters - except one. She's going to warn you about 10 the many bloopers she's purchased in the past!

The Showcase will be set up on the line of tables at the front and side of the cafeteria to be ready after the "break". Please leave these tables reserved for the Program participants.

I am looking forward to a spectacular Show and Tell this month. If you are bringing in Quilt Show items for the Main Display, the Works in Progress or the Guild Class Projects please show them to us first!

At the Showcase I will also make available the results of the survey you filled out on your quilting preferences. The one book that was most often recommended for a quilter's library was Quilts, Quilts, Quilts by McCun and Nawnes. It will be a prize at the Raffle table. I will also have TWO fabric collections for the Raffle. One has been donated by a vendor that could not make the Quilt Show this year and along with her apology she sent a selection from the International Fabric Collection. I also will have a medly of 5 fabrics authentically reproduced from designs of the 1840-1860 period coordinated with 2 solids = 7 yd cuts! Maybe the winner will be able to incorporate them in the Barbara Brackman workshop?

Eleanor Scarcella

FABRIC RAFFLE: Linda Love will hold another fabric raffle this month. She asks you to bring in $\frac{1}{4}$ yd. cuts of YELLOW (prints or solids) 100% cotton fabric. Every $\frac{1}{4}$ yd. donation earns a raffle ticket. The more that participate the more prizes she can award.



Challenge Quilts

Those of you that "Rose to the Challenge", and have made a challenge quilt and had it registered at our Feb. meeting are eligible to hang it in our quilt show. Please bring your completed quilt to the April 16th guild meeting or drop it off at Sue's Fabric World or at The Country Quilter. We must have your quilt in the week before the Quilt Show.

Pat Bartimoccia - 628-6820



Dear NSQG members,

I had to write to tell you what a thrill it was for me to be at the meeting on Feb 12.

To see such a vital, busy group made me feel like a proud mother. Little did we realize what we were hatching when we formed the guild.

No doubt we have all produced many quilted items, from pillows to masterpiece quilts. We have learned many techniques and tricks of the trade. But if you all are like me the thing quilting has given us more than anything else is companionship and a wonderful opportunity to know kindred spirits.

Just thought you'd like to know how I feel. See you at the quilt show.

Love, Beryl Lawson



Nominations of officers '91-'92

Your nominating committee, which consists of Pat Bartimoccia, Claire Oehler, & Karen Hagert, have been hard at work selecting just the right candidates for the new board. They are all dedicated, hardworking quilters and we are all confident in their ability to do a good job of running our guild just as this year's board has done a superb job. Their love of quilting will guide them. We would like to thank each one of them for accepting the nomination for their respective positions and we wish them well. The voting takes place at the May meeting.

The candidates are:

President - Joyce Sullivan
 V.P. Program- Adrienne Yorinks
 V.P. Membership - Luran Tyler
 Rec. Sec'y. - Caroline Kearney
 Corr. Sec'y. Linda von Ahn

Below is a synopsis of your candidates in their own words.

Pat Bartimoccia

PRESIDENT- Joyce Sullivan

I laughed when the nominating committee suggested I take on the President's job. Me?? A relative novice in this quilting game, I found the thought surprising.

As I caught my breath and reflected on Karen Hagert's ready smile and apparent ease at the podium and at board meetings I agreed to "consider" this idea and check out the details further. After all, past experience had proven to me that the more I put into NSQG the more I got out of it. I was new to this area and new to quilting 4½ years ago. Through participation on the Quilt Show Committee for 3 years and joining last year's Board of Directors as Membership Chairman I feel I have gained many new friends plus a joy in quilting I would never have attained without these shared experiences.

Karen's responses to my questions were so positive I felt I'd be a fool to pass up this opportunity. So, thank you for asking. I promise to give it my very best shot.

Joyce Sullivan.

VICE PRES.PROGRAMS-Adrienne Yorinks

It is an honor to be considered for so important and exciting a job. I came to NSQG a little over a year ago and am delighted to be a member.

When we moved to N. Salem two years ago from New York City, I only dreamed there would be a guild like ours. I've always played around with fabrics making picnic baskets, baby quilts etc. but never imagined I would find an organization with as many diverse and wonderful people in it. Finding you was a stroke of luck. While attending a quilt show in the city I noticed one of NSQG's little blue cards. I called the number on the card and it was Susie Laurence, who made me feel so welcome I knew it was an OK place. Fate intervened again when Susie invited me to stitch on the raffle quilt and I found Mary Leahy's house was only a block away!

I love the warmth of NSQG's members and am thrilled to be considered for planning programs next year. Eleanor Scarcella did such a wonderful job this year I have a tough act to follow. I rise to that challenge knowing I have fellow board members behind me.

It's been a pleasure serving on the Show Committee this year with enthusiastic and dedicated people and Pat Baker who sees things work as smoothly as silk.

I have already started thinking of programs and hope I will add to our collective knowledge and shared love and enthusiasm for our great art form. I hope to serve the guild by providing an exciting and fun year for all of us.

VICE-PRES. MEMBERSHIP-Lauran Tyler

Although I have been sewing since I was 8 years old, I was introduced to quilting just 5 years ago when a friend started a small neighborhood quilting group and invited me to join. I immediately became hooked and haven't stopped quilting since. At last count I had 17 unfinished projects and plans to start a few more! I joined the Guild 4 years ago and don't believe I've missed a meeting. I look forward to the Guild's inspiring programs and being with people who share my enthusiasm for quilting. I am currently on the Quilt Show Committee as Quilt Registrar, and am looking forward to serving on the Board if elected. My other favorite hobbies include gardening (a close second to quilting), cloth dollmaking, sewing childrens' clothers, and camping. I live in Goldens Bridge and am the mother of 3 young children ages 2, 5 and 8.

CORR. SECRETARY-Linda von Ahn.

I have been a member of NSQG for four years. I have served on the 1990 Quilt Show Comm. and as corresponding secretary this past year.

After 20 years of being a fulltime mom I have gone to work outside of my home. I have the best job-working at "Sue's Fabric World". Everyday I can touch, smell, feel and look at all those beautiful fabrics-it's great! The bad part is that I, like most of our members, am a fabricaholic and spend most of my paycheck before I leave the shop.

Most of the quilts I make, I gave away as presents so I like to quick piece and machine quilt. I do have a couple of hand pieces in the works.

I feel priviledged to be part of such a diverse and talented group as our guild and would consider it an honor to serve on our board another year. Sincerely, Linda

RECORDING SEC'Y-Caroline Kearney

Wanting to take a class in doll making with Sandy Bard in Spring of 1989 I "had" to become a member of the guild with absolutely no interest in quilting!

But then came "Super Saturday" and I got hooked, taking quilting classes and making quilts ever since and loving it all the way.

I was born and raised in Germany and came to this country in 1962. After resigning from our corporate careers my husband, Bob and I formed two businesses "At Your Home Service" (providing painting, wall-papering, carpentry and gardening) and "Crafts Boutique" (making wood and fabric quilts and folkart items) which we sell at craft shows. We have lived in Somers since 1981.

Prior to joining the Guild I was a member of the Somers/ N. Salem Garden Club where I served on the board as Recording Secretary, Treasurer, and Membership Chairman.

Presently, I am serving on the Quilt Show Committee as Publicity Chairman.

I feel honored and priviledged that I was asked to serve as Rec. Sec'y during the coming year.

TREASURER- Nancy Mirman

I am very happy to be running for the position of Treasurer for the Guild. Years ago, before I knew anything about quilting, I used to run into the World of Quilts Show just to see all those beautiful quilts hanging up. Luckily for me, on a day when I felt I needed something new in my life, the Somers Adult Ed pamphlet came, and on the spur of the moment, I signed up for a sampler class with Claire Oehler. That was 1984 and I've been hooked ever since! Although I have done all kinds of hand-work since I was a child, quilting has become a passion bordering on obsession. I have been part of the Quilt Show Committee for the past three years and would be pleased to continue participation in the Guild as its Treasurer.

Resource & Education

The quilt show is drawing near and hope everyone is as excited as I am. We were lucky enough to get some excellent workshops as a result. Hurry and sign up, I would be very embarassed to have to cancel.

April 26, Fri. 9-3:30. New quilts with the look of old. Barbara will guide you in making a wuilt in 1991 that will be difficult to tell from the oldies. The cost is only \$30.00 . and you will be working with an expert.

April 29, Mon. 9-3:30. Resplendent Stars, Mary Coyne Penders author of the book Color and Cloth., to those of you who love star designs, this one's for you. You will make a star sampler wall quilt of six traditional designs which share 12 templates. Emphasis on placement of color values and fabrics. \$40.00

April 30- two ½ day workshops.

9-12, Mary Coyne Penders, Precision patchwork. Make your life easier learn precision in your cutting and stitching. \$25.00

12:30-3:30- Mary Coyne Penders. Successful Stars. Having difficulty piecing stars? Learn the techniques for eliminating center holes, and bulk. Try hints for drafting, cutting, sewing and pressing that brings all points together exactly. Doesn't this sound like you must take it? only \$25.00

May 11- Sat. Judith Rielly Design Fragmentation. Learn how to enlarge a favorite block pattern and then break it down to create an entirely new look. 9-3:30 \$30.00

You can't beat this all-star lineup! Hurry while space is still available your check holds your spot.

And more exciting news for June 17 Monday, 9-3:30. cost \$30.00 Kitty Pippet with Sashiko quilting. more about this exciting workshop in the next newsletter but keep the date free.

Don't forget that the membership can purchase the quilt show pin at the April meeting for just \$4.00 and the coupon in this newsletter.

Remember you must have both cash and coupon in order to receive your pin. If you don't get your pin at this meeting the price will be \$5.00.

I will be expecting to sign many of you up for workshops so don't let me down. It is a learning experience offered you by the guild at a very good price.

Joan Crawford
279-3457



(from the Busy Bee Quilters, Minnesota)



COMING EVENTS:

April 13, 1991- Genesee Valley Quilt Club presents their 55th annual quilt show. 11-5 p.m., Unitarian Church, 220 Winton Rd. South, Rochester, NY. 227-4326 L. Koresko

May 18 & 19th-Pocono Mt. Quilters Guild, presents their 2nd annual quilt show "Quilts on the Mt." Pine Knob Inn, 717-595-2532 Rooms are available at the inn making it a bed'n breakfast show with lots of good things to eat and see.

June 1 & 2nd- Dutchess Heritage Quilters Show V, held at the Falcon Hall, Dutchess Comm. College 10-5 p.m.

Oct. 11-30th. Northeast Quilts Unlimited, Arts Center, Old Forge, NY 13420.info. call J. Mc Louth, 315-369-6411

MEMBERSHIP:

We are still growing, and having a good time! Please make the following changes to the mid-year membership list:

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Block of the Month:

Remember to pick up your "block of the month." At the April meeting I will have copies of all the blocks that have been distributed this year. In June, I hope we will have a great show and tell with the projects you have produced with these blocks.

Brenda Strauss

And a hearty welcome to these new members:

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It is a particular pleasure to have Jay Siegelaub choose to join us, and not just visit. I am sure there are many men who enjoy the pleasure and creativity of quilting but hesitate to step into a sea of women such as NSQG. Let's make sure Jay feels comfortable among us.

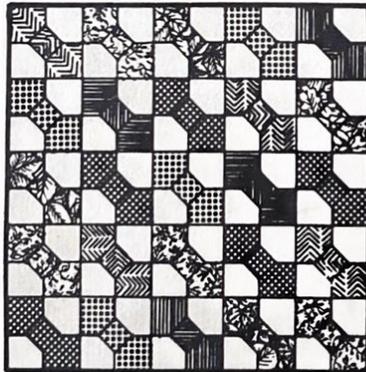
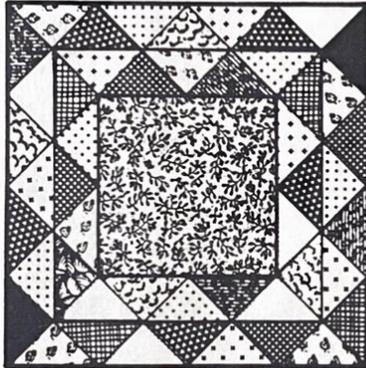
Joyce Sullivan

The following article was in Creative Ideas for Living Jan/Feb 1991, p. 24. Our ever busy Eleanor Scarcella thought some of you might be interested in this info.

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