

# On Point!

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## A Message From the President

Another Spring! Doesn't it always rejuvenate you to see the first bulbs poking up and feel the warm sun as it gets closer and closer? Also, getting closer is the quilt show and that too causes a big stir of excitement. Don't miss out—come and help.

At the April meeting, the nominating committee will present a slate of officers for the guild year 2000-2001. These officers are President, VP Programs, VP Membership, VP Quilt Show, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, and Treasurer. Voting will take place at the May meeting which is designated as our Annual Meeting. The remainder of the Board is made up of committee chairmen who are appointed by the President. These jobs are listed on page two of the Newsletter.

When I asked for helpers last month, not one call came in. That is very perplexing to me. We have nearly 300 members who joined NSQG because they are interested in quilting and all the things a guild has to offer, but no

one is interested in keeping the guild functioning. How does that happen? We keep hounding the same old people to do all the work. Really, we need some new blood.

If you did not get to the March meeting, you missed a wonderful lecture. June Colburn imparted so much interesting information about Japanese fabrics and culture. Japanese items and kimono and the garments and quilts made by June were an extraordinary display. We are so fortunate to have such impressive speakers and great workshops. Many thanks to the Program chairladies who make these arrangements for us, often a year or two in advance. Stay tuned, there is much more to come. Enjoy the Spring air as you put the finishing touches on your quilts for the show. I can't wait to see them.



## Hospitality

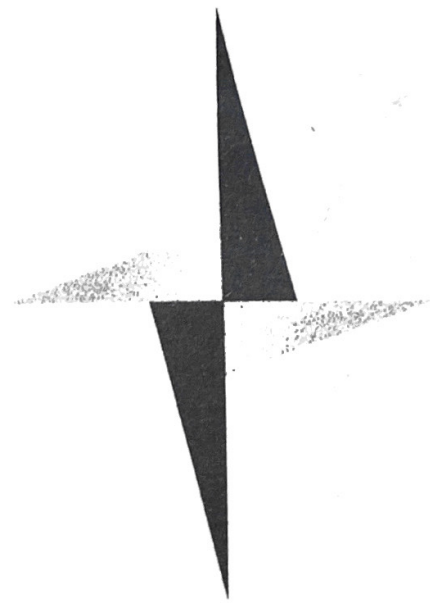
A million thanks to all the members who brought in treats to share at the March meeting. What a delicious selection there was! We had two large urns of hot water and by the end of the break every drop was gone. Hopefully, that shows that members are enjoying the hot chocolate and tea as well as the instant coffee. For the April meeting we are depending on ladies whose last names begin with S, T and U to provide the treats. Please remember your mugs and to pick up any of your serving plates at the hospitality table when the meeting is over. Thanks so much!!

Joanne and Kate

Please Bring Your Mug



S  
T U



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**General Meeting**  
**Tuesday**  
**April 18, 2000**  
**JFK High School**  
**Somers, New York**  
**7 pm**

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Articles must be submitted to the newsletter Editor (generally one week) after the general meeting and may be submitted by postal mail, e-mail or fax. E-mail *attachments* cannot be accepted. **Please include your text in the body of the e-mail message.**

The deadline for articles appearing in the May issue is April 18, at the General Meeting. Send articles and information to:

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## Deadline for Newsletter Articles for the May Newsletter is April 18, General Meeting.

**If you should receive your newsletter in an unacceptable condition, i.e., in a plastic bag, please call, 592-5352, and I will mail out another one to you immediately.**

## Our Web Address

<http://pages.prodigy.net/dhavel/index.htm>

Membership cards for all NSQG paid up members are available at the membership table. You are responsible for picking up yours. You will need to show this card to take advantage of the MEMBER ONLY shopping at the show on Saturday morning from 9:00 to 10:00. The card MUST be used when you check out library books.



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## April Program — Great Scrap Quilts the Quick Pieced Way by Sally Schneider

Fabulous, awesome, fascinating—these were just a few of the words which members used to describe the lecture with June Colburn at our last meeting. What an education we all received on the Japanese culture and the history of the kimono. She brought with her some beautiful kimonos from Japan and she shared her expertise with us and just “blew us away” with the exorbitant costs. (I’ll never complain about the cost of a wedding gown again!!!)

Coming up in **April**, we’re excited to welcome **Sally Schneider** who will be doing a lecture entitled “Great Scrap Quilts the Quick Pieced Way.” In **May** we will welcome **Diane Rode Schneck** who will do a lecture on “The Haunts of the Phabric Phantom” and share with us the wonders of New York’s famous Garment District. We will learn valuable tips and tricks for shopping for fabric in the big city (and anywhere else).

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## June Salad Supper — “Brown Bag It”

by Kathy and Eleanor

It’s not too soon to start thinking about our meeting in June, so go through your stash and put on your thinking caps. In addition to our annual salad supper, we are planning a fabric exchange. Members are asked to bring in an extra “brown bag” lunch. This lunch should consist of five (5) fat quarters representing your meals, for example, a BLT might include red for the tomato, brown for the bacon, green for the lettuce and two white on white for the bread. Choose fabrics to represent pizza, a low-calorie lunch, tossed salad or whatever.

Your lunch “ingredients” should be written legibly on the outside of the bag, example, tossed salad, apple and oreo cookies. Use your imagination!!! Let’s all have some fun with this.

All those members who participate must bring their meal in a brown paper bag and we will distribute the brown bags toward the end of the evening. Some of you may even find a “bonus ticket” in your bag which you can turn in for a small prize.

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## Upcoming Workshops

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### *Painless Borders*

### *Texture & Form*

There are a few spaces in the following classes:

Sally Schneider—Tuesday, April 18th 9:30 to 3:30 pm. **Painless Borders**. The fee is \$30. Learn her secrets of making borders by using specially designed blocks and diagonal sets, and some of her new piecing tips that will make your sewing easier. In class, you will construct a center medallion with a twisted ribbon border. All levels of sew-ers are welcome.

Velda Newman—2-day workshop May 8 and 9. Monday-Tuesday. **Texture & Form**. Students will learn to create texture and form using machine applique techniques and introduce the use of alternate mediums such as paint, ink and pencil. The fee is \$60.

To reserve your spot for these wonderful classes send a SASE for each class to Linda von Ahn, 30 Greenfield Rd., Mahopac, NY 10541.

Linda von Ahn  
Workshop

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## Hostesses Needed

We still need one more hostess for the weekend of the Quilt Show, Monday and Tuesday. Call Judy Jones to volunteer.

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## Challenge Quilt Reminder

Please bring your challenge quilt to the April Meeting so that we can hang it in the Show. If you won a ribbon, please bring that also.

Nancy Mirman  
Challenge Quilt Committee

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## Important Dates

April 13	Comfort Quilts
April 18	Workshop with Sally Schneider
April 18	General Meeting
April 26	Comfort Quilts
April 26	Quilt Drop-Off Pinwheels, Croton
April 29	Quilt Drop Off The Country Quilter, Somers
May 5	Quilt Show Set Up/Pot Luck Supper
May 6-7	World of Quilts XXI
May 8/9	Workshop with Velda Neuman
May 16	General Meeting
June 20	Salad Supper “Brown Bag It”



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## Fellow Quilters, The Show Boutique Needs Volunteers

Please look over the sign-up sheet and pick a time. Thanks. If anyone has a question about the boutique, please give me a call, I'll be glad to help.

Three lovely ladies have come forward to be part of the Boutique Committee for next year. Their enthusiasm is refreshing and I look forward to working with them.

Janette Loughlin  
762-6953  
janlough@aol.com

## Call for MORE Volunteers

Just a reminder that we still need lots of help with the Quilt show. Volunteers are needed on both days, but especially on Sunday. If you haven't signed up yet and can give two hours of your time to the show, please see me at the April General Meeting or give me a call at 277-5682. Thank you.

Chris Roche  
Volunteer Chairperson

## Quilt Show Meetings

Quilt show meetings are held at the Astoria Federal Savings Bank in Somers at 7:30 pm. Please call Marie Sugar for directions if you are not sure of the location of the meeting.

May	2
June	6

## Calling All Cooks! (And Take-Out Experts!)

It is that time once again to pool our culinary talents to feed our deserving volunteers!

As has been our practice in years past, there will be a sign up sheet at the April guild meeting. We will be serving about 200 very, hungry people. The following items are needed:

### **casseroles, salads, fruits, breads, desserts and beverages**

Please look for me at the meeting, I will have a sign up sheet! If you cannot attend the meeting, my home telephone number is: 278-6065 and my e-mail is: [KKCM2626@aol.com](mailto:KKCM2626@aol.com)

I thank you all in advance for your generous donations and support!

Kathy Miller  
Hospitality Chairperson

## Quilt Show — Works in Progress (WIP)

There are just a few short weeks left until the show. We want to display your unfinished quilts (in any stage of in-completion). Make sure they are labeled so that they can be returned to you. I will collect them at the April meeting or you can bring them to us at the Friday set-up (May 6th). If you need to make other arrangements for pick up, please call.

Carolyn Langevin  
(914) 533-6655



# World of Quilts XXI

May 6 & 7, 2000

This is the last newsletter before the show—in fact the show should be about two weeks away by the time you get this newsletter. So please remember:

- 1 If you haven't volunteered to work at the show, please call Chris Roche at 277-5682 to sign up now.
- 2 Saturday morning is the 9:00 am early shopping for Guild members. **Remember you must have your Guild identification to get in early.**
- 3 You need your **Volunteer Pass** to get **free admission.**
- 4 Don't forget your **raffle tickets.**
- 5 **Show pins** will be on sale at the April meeting.
- 6 Please try to **car pool** or get dropped off. Parking is always a problem.
- 7 Have a wonderful time at the show—and I hope to see you there.

Marie Sugar  
Quilt Show Chairman

Admit One  
Volunteer



## World of Quilts XXI Show Pins Available at April Meeting \$4

Pins will be available to guild members for \$4.00 at the April 18th general meeting. Thereafter, pins will be available for \$5.00 at the show on May 6 and 7.

If you are unable to attend April 18th, ask a friend to purchase one for you for \$4.00. This is the only time you will be able to purchase the pin for this price.

## Quilt Registration for World of Quilts XXI

**Wednesday**, April 26, 2000, 1:00 - 4:00 pm, at Pinwheels in Croton-on-Hudson, NY; phone: (914) 271-1045.

**Saturday**, April 29, 2000, 1:00 - 4:00 pm, at The Country Quilter in Somers, NY; phone: (914) 277-4820.

In **Connecticut**, before **April 29th**, please contact Margaret Phillips at (203) 622-9066.

### If by mail:

The deadline for receipt of the quilt itself is April 16, 2000

Elizabeth Kaftan, Quilt Registrar, World of Quilts XXI

## Quilt Drop-Off Dates Coming UP!!!

**April 26, Wednesday at Pinwheels, Croton**

**April 29, Saturday at The Country Quilter, Somers**

**In Connecticut, before April 29 please contact Margaret Phillips**



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## Fabric Exchange

Thanks to all of you who exchanged within the theme of people in March. It was certainly a challenge to find all those different fabrics!

The themes for the following months are:

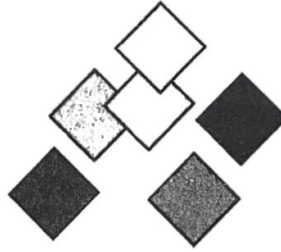
April Flannels  
May Orientals  
June Potpourri - anything you want to exchange.

The rules remain the same:

1. Fabric must be 100% cotton of quilting weight.
2. Fabrics must be washed, pressed, and cut in 6" squares.
3. Each square must have a clear, identifiable image of the theme.
4. Place six fabrics in a clear sandwich bag with your name clearly visible.
5. Each person will bring six bags.

I am looking for someone to take my place for next year. If you have any questions please call me or just come and sit with me and observe how easy the exchange process is. It only takes a few minutes of your time and it is always fun to see what everyone brings.

If you have questions please call Martha (914) 232-7298 or e-mail [jbuhl@bestweb.net](mailto:jbuhl@bestweb.net).



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## Super Saturday

Super Saturday 2000 has come and gone. The 71 registrants had a wonderful day learning new techniques and making inroads in our stash collections. Lancaster, here we come!!

Although the moving men (who were supposed to move and arrange the worktables) disappointed us, our teachers, Betsy Reed, Linda Ostrander, Harriet Bertsche, Denise Kaplan and Pat Bartimoccia were a great help.

We could not have had a place to sit and our breakfast/lunch on time were it not for my wonderful helpers: Peggy Baker, Carol Hoffman and Elaine Skorka. A new twist to Super Saturday was introduced by Linda Ostrander who invited us to see one of the bleaching techniques she was doing with her class.

Suzanne Sunday's class was busy making their backpacks and the rest of us were cutting and slashing away making stained glass windows, tipsy, multicolored squares and lovely antique looking squares. I hope everyone had a great time and went home inspired. Thanks to our teacher members who shared their expertise.

Sonny Rieber  
Super Saturday Chair

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## Library News

New books that will be available for checkout at the April 18 meeting are:

*The Quiltmaker's Gift*  
(fiction: a good story!) Check out [www.quiltmakersgift.com](http://www.quiltmakersgift.com) for more.

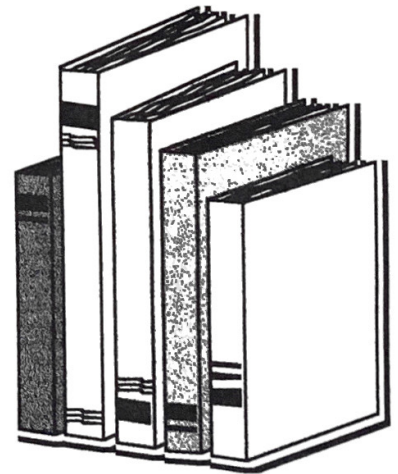
*Through the Garden Gate* by Jean & Valori Wells

Please recall that books are checked out for **one month only**. If you have a book out for 2 months or more, library policy says you are to be fined the price of the book!

So please, those of you with books that were due in February, please return them at the April meeting (or before! give me a call to arrange drop-off) so I don't have to implement the policy! (Mary Eddy, Marie Sugar, Susan Arnold have books that were due in February.)

Thanks!

Kim Silva-Lepe  
(914) 526-6678  
[silva@rsn.hp.com](mailto:silva@rsn.hp.com)





# Comfort Quilts

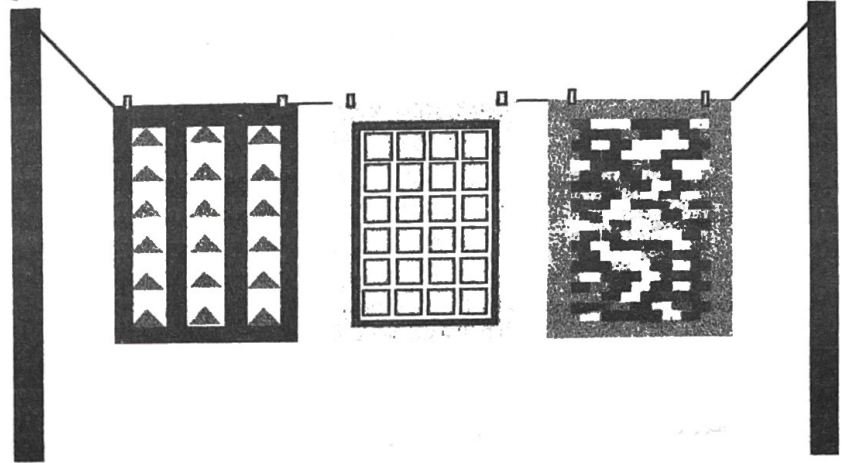
## Calendar Dates:

**Thursday, April 13 and  
Wednesday, April 26**

We still have churn dash kits for you to take home to sew; they are available at every meeting. While we are happiest if you sew the top and quilt it (batting will be provided if needed), you may return it to us unquilted and the committee will finish it.

Every member is welcome at Comfort Quilt meetings, whether all day or part, once in a mini-Super Saturdays!

Pat Baker  
Comfort Quilts



## WORDSEARCH—Answers

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| Friendship  | Labels      |
| Hospitality | Whitegloves |
| Sew         | Pins        |
| Ribbons     | Needles     |
| Hostesses   | Exhibit     |
| Threads     | Programs    |
| Challenge   | Fabric      |
| Library     | Judges      |
| Boutique    | Membership  |
| Potluck     | WIP         |
| Prizes      | Showpins    |
| Ribbons     | Speakers    |
| Dedication  | Boutique    |
| Raffle      | Workshop    |
| Vendors     | Volunteers  |
| Roadtrip    | Quilts      |

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## Membership

We had 161 members signing in for the meeting in March. Five of those people were new members. Please add their names, addresses and phone numbers to your list. We also had 8 guests coming from this area as well as one from London. I hope we all made them feel welcome.

The new members are:

Cathy Doyle 914-277-3513

4 Pine Grove

No. Salem, NY 10560

Irene Gillespie 914-744-2772

11 James Street

Pine Bush, NY 12566

Terry Hejny 914-666-3576

14 Emery Street MTHEJNY@aol

Mt. Kisco, NY 10549

Robin Thomson 203-730-2572

151 Shelter Rock #4 203-952-7859

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137 Stone Meadow

South Salem, New York 10590-2411

914-533-2916

christaschoice@aol.com

### Renewal

Mildred Clinton

16 Christopher Dr.

Hurricane, W VA 25526

Thanks to those of you who picked up your new badges with the enlarged letters and those that picked up their membership cards so that they can enjoy an extra hour of shopping on Saturday morning at the show. I will be in the same place at the same time at the April meeting so that anyone who did not stop in for those things before, can do it then. Time is running out.

See you on April 18.

Alice Dokken

776 A Heritage Hills

Somers, NY 10589

914-276-0474

adokken@computer.net

### No Membership Card?

**You must show your membership card to use the Library and for early AM shopping at World of Quilts XXI.**

## Eight African American Quilt Artists Exhibit Work at Cinque Gallery, NYC

Eight African American quilt artists, members of the The Women of Color Quilter's Network, will show their work in "The Soul and Spirit" exhibition at:

Cinque Gallery  
560 Broadway, Room 504  
New York City

March 24-April 29  
Tuesdays-Sundays, 1:30-6:00 p.m.

The artists are:

Sandy Benjamin-Hannibal

Hazel Blackmen

Myra Brown-Green

Francelise Dawkins

Peggy Hartwell

Carolyn L. Mazloomi

Dindga McCannon

Edjohnetta Miller

Nancy Hantman

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### Exhibitions and Shows

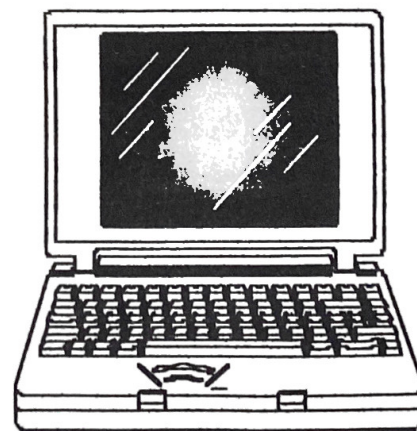
- Brooklyn, NY: Bridging the Centuries, April 29-30, Bishop Ford High School, 9th Avenue and 19th Street; 718-633-9326. SASE to QGB, Box 180414, Brooklyn, NY 11218.
- Clay, NY: Plank Road Quilters' Quilts Ahoy 2000, April 29-30, Clay Fire Department Headquarters, Route 31. SASE to Susan Swift, 3933 Cloverfield Center, Liverpool, NY 13090; 315-457-3201.
- Bridgewater, NJ: Pieced Together Quilters' 8th Show, April 29-30, Somerset County 4-H Center, 310 Milltown Road. SASE to PTQG, PO Box 8097, Bridgewater, NJ 08807; 609-397-2125; quiltingcarol@webtv.net.
- Philadelphia, PA: PieceWorks Festival, April 6-30, Art Quilts at the Sedgwick, 7137 Germantown Avenue; 215-248-9229.
- San Jose, CA: Na Pua'o Hawai'i: Flowers & Heritage of Hawai'i, now through May 7, San Jose Museum of Quilts & Textiles, 110 Paseo de San Antonio; 408-971-0323; fax 408-971-7226; <http://www.sjqmilmuseum.org>.
- Lowell, MA: "Mood Indigo: Antique Quilts," now through May 21, and "Mood Indigo: Contemporary Quilts," May 25 through August 6, New England Quilt Museum, 18 Shattuck Street; 978-452-4207.
- Gloucester, Ontario, Canada: Quilt Show 2000, May 12-14, Gloucester City Hall, 1595 Telesat Court. Contact: Common Thread Quilt Guild, P.O. Box 345, Orleans, Ont., Canada K1C 1S7; [commonthread@cyberus.ca](mailto:commonthread@cyberus.ca), <http://www.cyberus.ca/~commonthread/>.
- Northfield, VT: Vermont Quilt Festival, July 21-23, Norwich University. For show brochure and three newsletters, send \$3.00 to Vermont Quilt Festival, Box 349-QN, Northfield, VT 05663; [vqf@drbs.com](mailto:vqf@drbs.com); <http://www.vqf.org>.

### Other Events

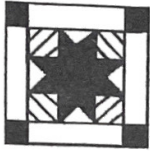
- Columbus, OH: The Eleventh Annual Quilt Surface Design Symposium, June 11-23. Large SASE (.66) with \$1.00 to Quilt Surface Design 2000-qn, 464 Vermont Place, Columbus, OH 43201; 614-297-1585; 740-862-6554.
- Lowell, MA: Spirit of a Milltown Block Challenge, deadline July 1, New England Quilt Museum, 18 Shattuck Street, 01852; 978-452-4207; fax 978-452-5403.
- Lowell, MA: Massachusetts Quilt Documentation Project, New England Quilt Museum, 18 Shattuck Street, 01852; 978-452-4207; fax 978-452-5403.
- Washington, DC: "Flowers of Silk and Gold: Four Centuries of Ottoman Embroidery," now through July 30, Textile Museum, 2320 S Street NW; 202-667-0441.
- Paducah, KY: "New Quilts from an Old Favorite: Bear's Paw" Contest, deadline November 1. SASE to Museum of the American Quilter's Society, PO Box 1540, Paducah, KY 42002-1540; 270-442-8856; [maqsmus@apex.net](mailto:maqsmus@apex.net).

### World Wide Web Sites

- Mother's Quiltworks at <http://www.capecodconnection.com/quilters/>
- Names Project AIDS Memorial Quilt at <http://www.aidsquilt.org>
- Quiltlinks.com at <http://www.quiltlinks.com/quiltguild.htm>
- Schmetz Needles at <http://www.schmetzneedles.com>
- Sylvia Einstein's gallery at <http://EinsteinS.tripod.com>
- World Wide Quilting Page at <http://ttsw.com/MainQuiltingPage.html>



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