



# Northern Star Quilters' Guild

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NEWS 'N SUCH

FEBRUARY 1989

Our FEBRUARY meeting is on Valentine's Day, February 14, held at the Somers Intermediate School, Somers, NY. The doors open at 7:00 and the Business Meeting starts at 7:45. This month's meeting is a "Get To Know Your Batting" hands-on project. More information is on this in the January Newsletter and in Edith Pryor's message on Page 2.



## President's Corner

Many thanks to everyone who helped with last month's "mini" hands-on project. Special thanks to EDITH RPYOR for all the work preparing and organizing. Thanks to all of you who let us know you had fun.

Plans are just about complete for QUILT REGISTRATION DAY! The volunteer training will take place on Tuesday, February 28 at 7:15 pm at the Somers Intermediate School (same place as our General Meetings). In case there should be snow and school is cancelled, the date will be March 14. Volunteers are still needed. We will need 60-70 bodies. No special talent is needed - just your LOVE OF QUILTS! Each pre-1940 quilt will be photographed, its'

history documented and each owner will be given copies of all documentation. Doesn't this sound exciting? Let me know if you will help. You can call me at 271-8846 after 4:30 pm.

The proposed By-Law changes have been withdrawn and sent back to the Committee for further review. Therefore, we will not have any discussion regarding these proposed changes at this time.

I wonder how many of you made New Year's resolutions to complete some of your unfinished projects in 1989. If you did, have you accomplished anything as yet? Just a reminder: if you have a project that was stashed away and now you are unsure of how to get started, bring it to the meeting and someone is sure to be able to help you get going again. As for me, I will probably never be around long enough to start all the things I'm itching to do. Nevermind finish the ones I've put aside! Oh well!!!!!!

I am looking forward to see all of you at the February meeting. In the meantime, keep yourself in stitches---

*Penny Black*



## Programs

Our January program was a busy and learning experience one! Not only did we learn a new technique of working with minitures and window templates, but we also met and worked with other Guild members who we may have seen only at meetings. Judging from the noise level and laughter heard at the meeting, every one had an enjoyable time. I'm looking forward to seeing all those completed name pins at the February meeting. This program would not have been as much of a success as it was if it were not for those of you who gave MUCH time in preparation before the meeting and then taught the technique. Many thanks to Jean Albrecht, Sue Bouton, Penny Black, Gloria Hartley, Pauline Joseph, Edie Keasby, Barbara Lerch, Kathy Sica, Suzanna Valentinetti and Ginny Watson. Rachelle Friedle cut ALL those templates! It was a job well done and sincerely appreciated. Thanks to Mickey Tedeschi, Phyllis Jakubowski and Terry DiMinno who worked before the meeting at the raffle table. The raffle again was increased in size by donations by guild members. Thank you Debbie Ehrichs of PINS AND NEEDLES and Edie Keasby.

Those members who were unable to attend the January meeting can pick up their "Pin Kits" at the membership table at the February meeting. Teachers will be available before the meeting to assist you in assembling your pin. Also, anyone who was at the meeting and who has had difficulty in completing the pin will be able to get help at this time.

The February meeting will be another "Hands On" program, so bring your trusty basic sewing kit. You must come to this meeting prepared with a miniature Amish Bars quilt top (marked for quilting), and a labelled quilt back. (See the January Newsletter for instructions on completing this. Remember, the grain line of solids in the same color MUST run in the same direction! Also, the labelling measurements for

the back are not the same as the cutting measurements for the front. The front includes the 1/4" seam allowances). We will be comparing different battings from several different suppliers.

There will be a fabric raffle again in February. (You will have enough to do assembling the Amish Bars top). Bring 1/4 yard of HEART prints, any color, as long as there are hearts somewhere on it. A block raffle will return in March.

*Edith Pryor*

## Special Events

The Quilters' Paradise Trip is rapidly approaching! I hope you are all looking forward to it as much as I am! Remember payment needed to be paid in full by February 1st. The double occupancy cost is \$129 for everything except lunch and SHOPPING!!

There is still room available on the bus to the GREAT AMERICAN QUILT FESTIVAL, Thursday April 27th and Saturday April 29th. The cost is \$20 and includes bus and admission.

I hope you all are busily sewing items for the quilt show BOUTIQUE. Remember the guild commission has been reduced to 10%. It's a great way to make money and have fun at the same time!

*Kathleen Lange*

GENERAL MEETING DATES FOR 1989:  
2/14, 3/21, 4/25, 5/23 and 6/20

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING DATES:  
3/28, 5/2, 5/30 and 6/27

MARCH NEWSLETTER DEADLINE IS MARCH 28



So you've encouraged a friend to come as a guest to one of our meetings to see what we're all about? That's wonderful and we all love seeing new faces. If, after the meeting, your friend is still undecided if she wants to join, then put a bug in her ear. Let her know that our policy is that she can come as a guest once and then if she chooses to become a member the following month, the \$5.00 guest fee will be deducted from her dues! As a member she can participate in the annual show, help out with other activities, sell her items in our two Boutiques and be able to participate in our hands-on programs. What a great deal!



## Resource & Education

March 4th, 1989 is SUPER SATURDAY!!!!!! It runs from 9:30-3:30 with a Registration fee of \$5.00 (plus a materials fee). This event will be held at Our Savior Lutheran Church in Croton-on-Hudson. A map and supply lists will be at the February meeting. Please remember to pick them up at the Resource and Education table. This is just going to be a FUN DAY, away from the kids and all those other Saturday routine irritations! Sign up fast!

Classes to be held are:

MINITURE RAGGEDY AND ANDY - Pat Barker  
 MACHINE QUILTING - Katharine Anderson  
 FREEZER PAPER APPLIQUE - Penny Black  
 STENCILLED FLOOR CLOTH - Carole Hallenbeck  
 CATHEDRAL WINDOW PINCUSHION - Ginny Watson - 1/2 day  
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 1/2 day  
 QUILTING; Pillowtop - Gloria Hartley  
 MINI-MARINERS COMPASS - Barbara Lerch

Minimum number of students per class will be six. If not, the class will be cancelled.

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Following is a review list of other workshops we will be conducting. These classes are open to other area guilds so if you don't want to miss out, may we suggest you sign up right away. There's something for every one.

### MARCH 10 - Leprachaun

Sandi Bard - \$30  
 Lake Lincolndale Clubhouse

### APRIL 1 - Prints Charming (Tessalations)

Jeannette Muir - \$25  
 Place to be announced  
 (You may find details of this class in the December Newsletter)

### MARCH 21-22 - Log Cabin

Gail Binney-Winslow - \$25  
 Lake Lincolndale Clubhouse  
 (December Newsletter for details)  
 This is a one-day workshop. Pick your better day!

### MAY 8 & 9 - 60-Degree Diamonds

Mary Ellen Hopkins - \$30  
 Lake Lincolndale Clubhouse

### MAY 24 - Beyond The Block:

Kaleidoscope  
 Mary Golden - \$25  
 Lake Lincolndale Clubhouse

Please send your checks to: Jean Albrecht, P.O. Box 235, Bedford, New York 10506 - written to NSQG, Ltd. Remember that your check reserves a spot for you.

*Jean Albrecht*



# Welcome New Members

We would like to welcome two new members to our guild. Thank you for joining and may you enjoy yourselves and be comfortable around other quilters!

Karen Kearney  
R.R. 5, Catherine Place  
Katonah, NY 10536

Laura Paden  
Kinnard Road  
Mahopac, NY 10541

A reminder to other members. Please up-date your mailing lists with names as they appear in each newsletter. If there are any errors, let us know and we will gladly correct them!

## 1988-89 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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## HELPFUL HINTS \* \* \* \* \*

Machine piecing is faster than hand-piecing, but only if you don't have to rip out (AAACK!). It might be quicker in the long run to cut extra pieces in the BEGINNING so you can discard those mistakes!

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"Setting the quilt" means sewing the blocks together to form the overall pattern of the quilt.

Here's something of interest to all of you.

Do you know how we walk around our show year after year and we see many of the quilts made by Japanese women? We can NEVER find a single tiny mistake in any of them and they all take home ribbons! Well, here's something to think about.

Susan Ball Faeder will be a speaker at our Show. She will be conducting two lectures; "Japanese Culture As Seen Through Quiltmaking" and "Contemporary Japanese Quiltmaking". She has also arranged a tour for women from Japan (about 30 of them) for the Great American Quilt Festival.

What Susan would like to also do for these visitors is to let them see what other American quilters do and to perhaps attend a Guild meeting in the area. Now since we in Westchester, Rockland, Dutchess, Putnam and Connecticut live in the most beautiful places on earth (ho hum), wouldn't it be a great idea to have these visitors attend our April General Meeting to see what we're all about? We need, however, volunteers to take home a guest or two the night of the meeting so they have a place to stay overnight. You would only need to feed your guest(s) breakfast and then return them to a central point the next day. If you're concerned about a language barrier, Susan says that ALL quilters speak the same language and there's never been a problem.

This needs to be arranged ASAP. You can contact Ginny Watson at 666-4257 AFTER February 11th (she's away until then) if you would like to volunteer your home. You can call Kathy Sica at 245-6775 if you want to volunteer before the 11th. Just think about it - you may learn what tricks these ladies have up their sleeves to do such perfect work!



# Show News

Thank you so much to SIMONE MONTEGUT for organizing "the show mailing". Thank you, too, to so many helping hands. It went very quickly and smoothly!

The raffle tickets will definitely be ready for you to pick up at the February meeting. Each member is expected to buy or sell a minimum of 2 books.

Marie Gibson will have the volunteer chart at the February meeting. Every member is expected to help with the show in some capacity. Two hours of volunteer work gets you FREE admission for that day. Sign up early to get the best times!

I hope you are all working on your STAR block for the contest and finishing your quilts for MAY 6th and 7th!!!

*Jane Fulton*

TO ALL CONCERNED MEMBERS:



We all know as Americans that we have the freedom of speech and no one minds you expressing your thoughts on paper and distributing them. But please be considerate. We don't mind little hand-outs at the meetings but would you please get the Board's approval before you do this? We work very hard organizing our meetings and we like to know what is going to be happening. If you approach us about your plans, then we will know what to expect and we will know who you are. You have taken the time to make copies of something you feel you need to share with the membership. In turn the membership needs to know who to thank, or whatever.

Thank you for your consideration.

# Financial Report

BALANCE FORWARD \$22,527.06

Cash Disbursed

Program	50.00
Newsletter	130.00
Hospitality	67.27
Special Events	445.04
Resource & Education	150.00
Quilt Show	<u>561.00</u>
TOTAL	& 1,403.31

Cash Received

Quilt Show	\$ 1,377.00
Membership	110.00
Raffle	103.50
Resource & Education	<u>1,725.00</u>
TOTAL	\$ 3,315.50

BALANCE \$24,439.25

*Barbara Lerch*

DID YOU KNOW????????????????????????????????????

North Dakota's Centennial Quilt has sewn up the title as the world's largest quilt. Right now it measures-----get this---- 11,390 square feet!!! Can you imagine that???? The Guinness Book of World Records said this was the world's largest quilt. However, an Australian quilting company, Hobbytex of Bracken Ridge in Queensland weighed in with a quilt that was about 200 square feet larger! The women in North Dakota have sworn that by May they will enlarge theirs even more! It took a team of 17 quilters to enlarge this North Dakota quilt (only 17?). The quilt requires a moving van to haul it around! Don't you wonder where they got a frame big enough to quilt this?!?!?!?!



## coming events

- MARCH 18 - Quilt Re-registration Day  
Sponsored by NSQG, Somers Intermediate School, Somers, NY
- APRIL 1 & 2 - Quilt '89 - Greater Hartford Quilt Guild, Ramada Inn, East Windsor, CT; Send LSASE to Judy White, 40 Wapping Wood Rd., Ellington, CT 06029
- APRIL 8 & 9 - Molly Pitcher Stitchers Quilt Show II, 10-5, Manalapan H.S., Church Lane, Manalapan, NY
- APRIL 27-30 - Great American Quilt Festival 2, New York City
- MAY 6 & 7 - World of Quilts X - Northern Star Quilters' Guild, Ltd., JFK High School, Somers, NY
- JUNE 10 & 11 - Brownstone Quilters Bergen County Fair, 10-6, St. Joseph HS, Chestnut Ridge Rd., Montvale, NJ; Send LSASE to Bergen County Fair, P.O. Box 161, Carlstadt, NJ 07072
- AUGUST 19 & 20 - Long Island Quilters' Society 14th Convention and Exhibit, Hofstra University; Send LSASE to Jeannine Love, 159 St. Pauls Rd., North Hempstead, NY 11550

Dear Friends of the Guild,



I want to thank all my friends of the guild for the lovely flowers that were delivered to my hospital room. They represented a ray of sunshine at a time when I was feeling pretty low. As each new nurse or doctor came in, I took the opportunity to spread the joy of quilting as I explained the flowers were from the Northern Star Quilters' Guild and that we are over 200 members strong.

I have also received and continue to receive, so many lovely cards from my friends in the guild. I thank you for your thoughts, prayers, and kind expressions of "Get Well Soon". I am very grateful. They help keep my thoughts on quilting even though I can't quite manage the quilting yet.

I'm looking forward and planning all these wonderful quilts in my head. Again, thanks for all your wonderful cards and calls!

Love,  
Pat Bartimoccia

Are you interested in a new and never used cranberry quilt frame? If so, call Eleanor Ranzal at 914-232-7478.

Wait until you try this recipe.....

### RASPBERRY SQUARES

3/4 cup butter  
1 cup packed brown sugar  
1-1/2 cup flour  
1/2 teaspoon salt  
1/2 teaspoon baking soda  
1-1/2 cups uncooked quick oats  
10 or 12 oz. jar seedless raspberry jam  
1/3 cup finely chopped walnuts

Cream the butter and sugar. Add flour, salt, soda and oats. Mix well. Press 1/2 into greased 9"X13" pan. Spread jam over this (heating the jam makes it easier to spread). Put chopped walnuts in with remaining mixture. Sprinkle over jam like crumbs, press slightly, bake 400-degree oven, 25 minutes. Cool and cut into squares. Sprinkle lightly with confection sugar.

(You'll probably want to blame someone for this sinful recipe. Blame Penny Black)!



You may use the form below to register for SUPER SATURDAY if you can't make the February meeting. Please remember to enclose a check written to NSQG, Ltd. and send it to:

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All projects are full-day (9:30-3:30) except where noted above. Each project is only \$5.00 (plus a material fee if there is one).

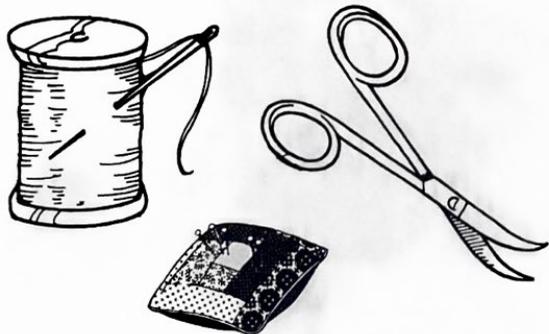
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CLASS(ES) CHOICE: \_\_\_\_\_

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