

# On Point!

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## President's Message

**H**earts and flowers to each of you from me on this Valentine's Day — a day to remember the special people in our lives. You are special to me because you are what makes this guild so great.

We all learned new tricks from last month's *Tools of the Trade*. Sincere thanks to Dorothy, Maureen and the many people who helped make this a success. To the vendors who gave us their time and their expertise, we owe a debt of gratitude.

I look forward to seeing the Challenge projects next meeting and to reviewing last year's quilt show via the slide show. Be sure to check out all the workshops coming up this spring and sign up promptly so you don't miss out on the ones you really want to take.

Work hard to finish your quilts to enter in the show. There is a good article by Mary Mashuta in the Spring '99 issue of *American Quilter* giving her thoughts and opinions on "judging" both as a judge and as a competitor. Read it for tips on what judges look for, and for the right attitude about entering a competition.

See you February 16th. ❧

*Joyce Sullivan*

## On the Road Again

**O**ur trip to Lancaster is on April 9 & 10. The bus, with Charlie as driver, will be leaving at 7:00 am sharp either from JFK High School or Trollheimen on Friday, April 9 and will return on Saturday between 9:00 - 10:00 pm. The cost is \$150 and includes the price of the bus, room, show tickets, dinner on Friday, breakfast and dinner on Saturday. What a bargain! Don't wait, sign up now as the bus fills quickly. Please call me to reserve a seat at my new address: Mail checks to Dorothy Fiederlein, 7 Barnes Drive, Ridgefield Park, NJ 07660. You can call me at work: 914-766-3238, or my new home: 201-440-0961 (after 7:00 pm weekdays). ❧

*Dorothy Feiderlein*  
Special Events Coordinator

## WINTER CALENDAR

FEB. 9	RAFFLE QUILT AT NANCY MIRMAN'S
FEB. 16	GENERAL MTG.— THE CHALLENGE: A CHARMING ILLUSION
FEB. 16	RAFFLE QUILT AT MARY LEAHY'S
FEB. 18	ON POINT! ARTICLES DUE
FEB. 18	COMFORT QUILTS
FEB. 23	EXECUTIVE BD. MTG.
FEB. 23	RAFFLE QUILT AT JACKIE SCHILLER'S
MARCH 2	SHOW COMMITTEE MTG.
MARCH 2	RAFFLE QUILT AT MARY EDDY'S
MARCH 4	COMFORT QUILTS
MARCH 12	QUILT SHOW DEADLINE
MARCH 15/16	LAURA WASILOWSKI WORKSHOPS
MARCH 16	GENERAL MTG.—LAURA WASILOWSKI



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The deadline for articles appearing in the March issue is February 18th.

Monthly meetings are generally held the third Tuesday of each month, September through June at John F. Kennedy High School, Route 138, Somers, New York at 7 P.M.

## Programs Column

There are so many people to thank for their help at our last meeting. Most importantly: City Quilter, Country Quilter, J.H. Homestead and Quilt Basket. Without these good people, the program couldn't and wouldn't have been possible. I'd like to take this opportunity to remind all of you to support your local quilt shops. These shops are our local lifelines and I know we'd be lost without them.

The program "team" of *Maureen Gruerio, Lori Light-DeMarco and Barbara Sferra* deserves a curtsy from all of us. In spite of glitches and no-shows, they were juggling the balls as fast as they could. To all of you who so graciously volunteered...**THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU!**

See you at the February Challenge meeting and March meeting with *Laura Wasilowski*. ❖

*Dorothy Scalice*  
Program V. P.



## Membership

We had 159 members in attendance for the January meeting and 8 guests. We also had 4 new members and one renewing member.

Let's welcome our new members:

Sylvia Eusebi  
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527 Elizabeth Rd.  
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### Corrections:

Alice Beardsley: - Correct phone # - 914-238-8343  
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Please make these corrections  
and additions to your copy of  
the membership list in order to  
always have an up-dated copy.

If you have any further  
additions/corrections kindly let  
me know. ☒

### COMING TO THE MEETING ALONE? WANT TO JOIN A SMALL GROUP?

If you come to the guild meetings alone (whether you are a new member or not!) and don't want to sit alone, drop by the New Member Table. You'll find others to chat with, an experienced guild member or two to answer any questions, and a signup sheet for small groups. If you want to join or learn more about small quilting groups, call, email, or drop by the table for more information at the next meeting!

Kim Silva-Lepe  
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silva@rsn.hp.com

Please add the new members to your own membership list. Also, make the following additions and corrections to your list.

Susan Andrews	Dana Everetts-Havel
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Caroline Kearney

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## Education

**W**e have some exciting and creative classes this spring. Be sure to get your applications in to Linda Von Ahn as soon as possible to secure your spot. Checks are payable to NSQG. Be sure to note which class on the check and include SASE for return of supply lists and maps etc. Thanks for supporting your education committee. Your support assures continuing education of the highest quality.

*March 15-16* 2 Full day workshops with *Laura Wasilowski*. In the first workshop, participants will create art fabric using textile printing techniques. In the second workshop, participants will create a one of a kind reversible vest or jacket. The workshops meet at Lincolndale Clubhouse. Each workshop is a separate one day class. In other words, you can sign up for both one day classes, or just one. We hope you can take advantage of our very creative guest.

*April 17* **Saturday Workshop**  
Marge Edie's exciting variation on bargello piecing. A sample was shown at the December meeting.

*May 3-4* *Jean Ray Laury*'s workshop involves textile collage. It will be held at the Katonah Presbyterian Church.

*May 3-4* *Elizabeth Busch* offers a chance to do something with those unwanted quilts and UFO's hidden away in your closet. A great class to expand your creativity. It will be held at the Lincolndale Clubhouse.

The classes in early May are in conjunction with our annual quilt show. Hope to see many of you at these classes.☒

*Judy Irish*  
Education Chairperson

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## Novelty Fabric Exchange

**T**he theme for February is vehicles and hobbies: cars, bicycles, motorcycles, skiing, soccer, baseball, football, sewing, quilting, cooking, photography...The list is endless.

Don't forget to label your packets with your name.

This is the last fabric exchange scheduled and I have a list of those who want like to continue on the side. If you would like the Guild to repeat this event, let me know.☒

*Linda Ostrander*

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## Library News

**T**he Spring issue of *American Quilter* will be at the February meeting.

Many thanks to *Laura Book, Alice Beardsley and Doris Aragon* for their very generous donations of books and magazines. They will be offered at our book sale.

The following members are delinquent:

Carole Benton	Lorraine Mioducki
Nike Cutsumpsas	Barbara Harris
Elizabeth Kaftan	Carolyn Young

The following members are even more delinquent:

Helen Stern-Supcoff Kay McGowan
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You can drop the books off at the Town Hall, Assessor's Office in Yorktown or mail them.☒

*Micki Tedeschi*  
Librarian



## Road to...

### Exhibitions and Shows

- ☒ Paducah, KY: "Patchworks of Remembrance and Hope," now through February 20, Museum of the American Quilter's Society, 215 Jefferson Street; 502-442-8856; maqsmus@apex.net.
- ☒ Cooperstown, NY: Fenimore Quilt Club's Show, February 6-21, Cooperstown Art Association Galleries, 22 Main Street; Gail Rogers, 603 Greenough Road, Cooperstown, NY 13326; 607-547-5270.
- ☒ Syracuse, NY: Onondaga Public Library's Cabin Fever Quilt Show, February 1-28, Betts Branch Library, 4862 South Salina Street; Jane Kalkbrenner, 315-435-1940.
- ☒ Dallas, TX: Dallas Quilt Celebration, March 26-28, World Trade Center. Send \$1 to Dorothy Burchfield, 4517 Lakepoint Avenue, Rowlett, TX 75088; fax 214-904-9143.
- ☒ Yonkers, NY: "Family Ties: Needlework by Denise Allen," now through May 9, Hudson River Museum, 511 Warburton Avenue. Piecing, applique, and other techniques. For a schedule of Ms. Allen's workshops in March (for adults and children), call 914-963-4550.
- ☒ New York, NY: Display of *Adrienne Yorinks'* City University of New York quilt, through 1999, Baruch College Library, 151 East 25th Street; 212-802-2400.

### Contests and Other Events

- ☒ Ithaca, NY: National Quilting Day— Comfort Quilt Making, March 7, Quilters Corner, 200 Pleasant Grove Road; 607-266-0850.
- ☒ Paducah, KY: "School Block Challenge '99," now through March 13, Museum of the American Quilter's Society, Jefferson Street; 502-442-8856; maqsmus@apex.net.
- ☒ Ogunquit, ME: Quilt Camp at The Cliff House (with Marsha McCloskey), March 25-28. Call Heartbeat Quilts at 800-393-8050 or e-mail Quilthelen@aol.com.
- ☒ Northfield, VT: Vermont Quilt Festival (exhibits, workshops, contests), July 16-18, Norwich University. For show brochure and newsletters, send \$2.00 to Vermont Quilt Festival, Box 349-QN, Northfield, VT 05463; e-mail: vqf@drbs.com.

### World Wide Web Sites

- ☒ The Applique Society at: <http://www.theappliquesociety.org>
- ☒ The Mining Company at: <http://www.miningco.com>
- ☒ Planet Patchwork at: <http://www.planetpatchwork.com>
- ☒ The Quilt Surface Design Symposium at: <http://www.qsds.com>
- ☒ Vermont Quilt Festival at: <http://www.vqf.org>



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## Quilt Show Biz

**I**n case you missed January's meeting, let me spark your interest in this spring's gala anniversary show. Our speakers are Barbara Barber, a very funny lady whose quilts range from absolutely beautiful to absolutely humorous. Elizabeth Busch, an artist who makes commissioned quilts, and Jean Ray Laury, well known quilter and author. As you probably know, we will also have the fabulous Fairfield Fashion Show on Saturday, as well as a special Doll exhibit and a Silent Auction of small quilts made by our own members. Invitational quilts will be a retrospective of past Best of Show or Viewers' Choice quilts. Plus all the vendor demonstrations, block contest, etc. etc. Whatta Weekend!!!

To continue to have our Show be of the same high quality as in the past, we need your help. Please plan to give *at least two hours* of your time (*preferably four*) as a volunteer. You may remember from last year, there are only three reasons which will excuse you from this pleasurable duty. If you don't remember, call me and I will tell you.

We are in special need of a pickup truck for Thursday afternoon and Sunday night and a couple of vans or SUVs for Friday afternoon and Sunday night. Please call if you can volunteer a vehicle.

As I said last year, if you've never hung a quilt in the show, please do so this year. Registration forms are available at the general meeting, or by sending a SASE to Terry Melillo, PO Box 30, Somers, NY 10589.

The Show Committee needs *You, your quilts and your truck..*

*Nancy Mirman*  
Quilt Show Chairman

### Raffle tickets

Thanks to all of you who stopped by to pick up your raffle tickets at the January meeting. Remember, all members are asked to sell two raffle books each. With great prizes like ours, I just buy them myself. After all, "You gotta be in it to win it."

Our prizes once again are:

- Grand Prize - 20th Anniversary Retrospective Sampler Quilt - Made by members of NSQG
- 1st Prize - Bernina 150 Quilters Edition Sewing Machine - Donated by Pins & Needles
- 2nd Prize - A Quilter's Basket - Donated by Pinwheels
- 3rd Prize - "Skydyes" Fabrics - Donated by Mickey Lawler

I will once again be behind the admissions table at the February meeting. Please stop by and say hello, pick up your tickets if you haven't done so already, or maybe just drop them off. Don't forget, all money raised from the raffle tickets goes to The Support Connection, a very worthwhile organization committed to women with breast and/or ovarian cancer.



## More Quilt Show Biz reports...

### 1999 Raffle Quilt

1999 Raffle Quilt — The End is in Sight

Our quilt is about 75% quilted so we are on schedule for finishing in time for the show. The quilt is being passed around weekly so check the schedule below to find out when it is in your area. This is a great way to meet other quilters in your area and to learn and practice. Please don't be shy about calling. The hostesses are expecting to hear from you.

When the quilt comes to your vicinity, please call:

- Feb 9th Nancy Mirman (Somers, NY 914-277-5210)
- Feb 16th Mary Gay Leahy (North Salem, NY 914-669-8390)
- Feb 23rd Jackie Schiller (Carmel, NY 914-225-7178)
- Mar 2nd Mary Eddy (Newtown, CT 203-426-7911)
- Mar 9-10 Carolyn Salon (Armonk, NY 914-273-8281)
- Mar 11-15 Joyce Sullivan (Somers, NY 914-277-3832)
- Mar 16th Tamar Drucker (Ossining, NY 914-941-1557)
- Mar 23rd Carol Auer (Carmel, NY 914-225-1780)
- Mar 30th, \*\*\* O P E N \*\*\*
- Apr 5-8 Natalee Fogel (Scarborough, NY 914-762-2253)
- Apr 9-12 \*\*\* O P E N \*\*\*
- Apr 13th Betty Edwards (Buchanan, NY 914-736-0516)
- Apr 20th Linda Ostrander (South Salem, NY 914-533-2154)

Linda Ostrander  
(914) 533-2154

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### Exhibiting Your Quilt

NSQG Quilt Show Registration forms are now available!!!

Quilt registration forms for A World of Quilts XX May 1st & 2nd, 1999 can be picked-up at one of our guild meetings, or at area quilt shops.

By Mail: Send a legal size SASE to:  
Terry Melillo, P.O. Box 30, Somers, NY 10589.

Registration deadline is *March 12, 1999*. Quilts must be received by *April 16, 1999*. Quilt Drop-off information will be listed on the registration forms.

Terry Melillo

### Y2000 Raffle Quilt

Many members have already completed their blocks and the flowers look great. We do need the rest of the blocks. Please bring your finished blocks to the February general meeting. If you can't be at the meeting, please mail them to me or give me a call.

Georgia Heller  
(203) 358-0333  
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## Comfort Quilts


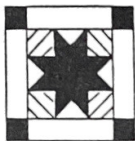
**M**aking a 4 1/2" sixteen patch block from 1 1/2" squares is an excellent exercise in accuracy, in cutting and especially in sewing that pesky scant 1/4" seam. One way to achieve accuracy follows:

Sew two 1 1/2" squares together, press open, and measure to be sure it now measures 2 1/2" and is straight. If not, do it again until you are sure it is correct, and use that seam depth consistently, remeasuring often. If you need to, mark that depth on your machine, but it is possible to learn

just where (on the foot you are using) the fabric edge should feed to the needle. Once you have achieved a neat 4 1/2" square, you will always know how to make that *scant 1/4"* seam required in all your patchwork.

Some members (you know who you are) have given Comfort Quilts patches that are crooked and/or too small to use. *I Reissue a Challenge to all Guild members to make one accurate 16 patch.* It will not be time wasted!

*Pat Baker*  
Comfort Quilts Coordinator

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