



On Point!

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Elizabeth Rosenberg, Editor

The Newsletter of the Northern Star Quilters' Guild
Somers, New York

President's Message

As my term of office draws to a close, I want to thank everyone who has helped me during the past year. The members of the board have done a great job. They have worked long hours to give us a guild that provides us with a wide range of quilting opportunities.

Nancy Murphy stepped in as Vice President of Programs. She coordinated our programs for the year and in her gracious manner, introduced the membership to many talented lecturers.

Pat Rowan stepped in as Membership VP and kept track of our ever-growing membership. Her warmth and friendliness made us feel welcomed at the monthly meetings.

Brenda Strauss, Quilt Show VP, coordinated the tremendous job of producing A World of Quilts XVIII. We are grateful to her and to her committee for producing a memorable show.

Angela Kamen, as NSQG's Recording Secretary, kept track of the important aspects of our meetings. We all appreciate her well organized minutes!

Cobb Stewart, our guild's Corresponding Secretary, ably handled correspondence and publicity.

Jeanie Hunter, although new to our guild, took on the momentous job of guild Treasurer and did it with great ease.

Judy Rosenberg, serving as Education Chairperson, provided all of our members with unique opportunities to further our skills.

Kathy Sambora, our Librarian, presided over our large collection of library books. We were lucky to have such an able and pleasant librarian!

Elizabeth Rosenberg brought a cheerful, light touch to NSQG's newsletter as its editor.

Dorothy Fiederlein "transported" us to great shows, and wowed us with her organizational abilities!

Pat Baker made it easy for our guild members to market their wares at the two successful boutiques.

And last (but certainly not least) *Teri Anzalone* and *Sari Langlois*, our Hospitality Chairpeople, have made sure we were well fed with their innovative idea of "bring it on your birthday."

THANK YOU ALL FOR A JOB WELL DONE!

I also want to thank some other generous volunteers who ably headed up committees or otherwise pitched in where needed: *Nancy Mirman* came to our rescue with a September program; *Elizabeth Rosenberg* ran a fun Ornament Saturday; *Lauran Fowkes* provided a useful and fun hands-on program in January; *Joyce Sullivan* headed a well run challenge committee;

Carol Alt organized a fun filled Super Saturday and *Ann Fitzell* filled in for Carol when she was ill; and *Pat Baker*, as head of the Comfort Quilt Committee, provided many quilts for deserving recipients.

Also, special thanks to *Claire Oehler*, *Nancy Mirman* and *Joyce Sullivan* (all former Presidents). Their generous gifts of advice and encouragement were much appreciated!

As some of you already know, I will be soon be moving to Virginia. I had been looking forward to next year as just a regular member, however now I hope to return to this area often for some of the meetings and the show.

Millie Clinton
President, NSQG

Our Next Meeting

is

June 17, 1997.

**It's the Annual
Salad Supper!**

**Doors open at 6 pm,
Supper at 6:30 pm!**

**Bring a "salad"
to share!**

Programs

Have you all been walking that extra little bit, cutting down on calories and saving up for the annual SALAD SUPPER? I'm sure it will be delicious because I know you can all cook as well as you can quilt!

After the sure-to-be-satisfying meal, we will be entertained by the Photographers of the Quilt Show Committee — Sondra Shapiro and Kathy Sica. We will be seeing slides from the latest show — re-living all of those memorable moments, and reviewing all those breathtaking quilts!

Once the Salad Supper and Slide Show is over, so is our guild year — and I find it is time to look back and thank all the people who helped me make this year a success. This is truly one job that has many, many helping hands. Thank you to all the quilters who swallowed their stage fright and helped me with show and tell. It is so fun to see all those quilts up close and personal! Thank you, Jeanne Hunter, for keeping me honest and confirming what I know to be true ... I will never, never be an accountant. Thank you to Elizabeth Rosenberg for her fine editing skills. If I ever write that novel, I know who to call. Thank you, especially, to my "Hostesses with the Mostesses." Speakers were practically begging me to let them stay with one of our quilters. Our guild has such a fine reputation for hospitality! A Big thank-you to Barbara Powers. She has the power to shop until she drops — and then some! We had wonderful raffle prizes. Thank you, Joan Weth, for all your hard work doling out all those raffle tickets. Thank you to my son, Phillip. He was able to figure out how to work those darn lights whenever the "Imp of Darkness"

haunted us. Thank you to Sister Barbara. She always has a calming manner when chaos abounds, and can get the glitches worked out of any situation!

Thank you to all of YOU for being part of this wonderful guild. I hope to see you all at the June meeting.

Nancy Murphy
NSQG VP, Programs



On Point!

The Northern Star Quilters' Guild newsletter is published monthly, except for a combined "summer" July/August issue. Subscription to the newsletter is included in the annual \$35 membership fee.

Articles are due one week after the general meeting, and may be submitted by mail, e-mail or fax. All contributions are welcomed!

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The deadline for
articles appearing
in the Summer issue is
July 15, 1997.

Quilt Show Report

I am still flying high from the excitement of this year's show. I cannot say this often enough — Thank you to the Quilt Show Committee and to all of the volunteers who worked to insure the success of NSQG's World of Quilts XVIII.

The comments I heard have all been positive. The new vendors were well received and really helped to disperse the crowds, especially on Saturday in the pouring rain. The final accounting is not complete yet — a gentle reminder to committee members — if you have any outstanding receipts, please get them to Barbara Lerch as soon as possible. We will include facts and figures in the Summer newsletter.

If anyone has suggestions for changes that could improve any aspect of the show, I would appreciate it if you would call me to let me know your thoughts. I will be sure to pass those thoughts along to the appropriate committee person.

I want to take this opportunity to extend best wishes to Nancy Mirman and her committee for next year's show.

Finally, I want to tell you all how much I've enjoyed chairing the show committee for these last two years. I have gotten a great deal of satisfaction and pleasure returning something to the Guild which has given me so much.

Brenda Strauss
VP, Quilt Show

Quilt Show

from April 15th - May 20th

Balance 4/15	\$17,029.25
Income	22,154.15
Expenses	16,007.17
Balance 5/20	\$23,176.23

Library News

If you attended Harriet Hargrave's lecture at last year's Quilt Show, you had a sneak preview of her book *From Fiber to Fabric: The Essential Guide to Quilting Textiles*. Recently published by C&T, it is one of our new and interesting acquisitions. Selecting fabrics, testing for colorfastness, threads, batting, washing and caring for textiles, and a myriad of other topics are explored to assist the quilter-reader in becoming an informed consumer. Photographs, charts, and illustrations enhance the wealth of practical information and advice.

Exciting innovations with traditional blocks are the springboard for Joen Wolfrom's *Patchwork Persuasion*, a second new acquisition, also published by C&T. The lovely colors and designs make this book a feast for the eyes. Encouraging how-to's provide lots of inspiration.

Kids Can Quilt, That Patchwork Place's latest contribution, is chockful of ideas for kids ages 6 - 14, or even for the more mature quilter who enjoys a quick, easy and fun quilting project. Guidelines for working with children, clear and simple to follow directions, and lots of photographs of cute quilts made by children, add to the appeal and usefulness of this new book by Barbara J. Eikmeier.

If "Time flies when you're having fun," I understand why the past two years have whizzed by. I have thoroughly enjoyed being the Guild librarian . . . meeting so many wonderful people, and having the first peek at so many gorgeous books.

I want to thank my trusty helpers, Peggy McDonough and

Lorraine Mioducki, and all of you who made by job so pleasant. Linda Love will be filling this slot next. I hope that she has as good a time as I've had!

Our library has grown to 376 items. Sixty-nine were checked out in May, and an alarming 35 are overdue! It's important to return them by our June meeting, so that we can complete our summer inventory. Reminders to the following: Susie Andersen, Carole Burton, Pat Cieslinski, Joan Crawford, Karyn DeLuca, Lois Greagor, Ina Helfand, Carole Hoffman, Cheryl Holly, Cathy Hopkins, Emily Milkman, Mary Nicolari, Maxine Oliver, Barbara Powers, Mary Schneidman, Beth Sovern, Liz Stern, Sharon Turrini Terri Udolf, Lori Wunner, Christa Zago, Grace Zipprich.

Have a wonderful summer!

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Education

The first workshop for next year is *It's Folk Quilt Time!*, taught by Wendy Etzel, Tuesday, September 16. Abandon your sewing skills while constructing a primitive log cabin reminiscent of those sewn one hundred years ago. You'll cut and stitch logs and chinking and then add all those details that will make it a home.

You can simply frame your cabin, or surround it with a fence, trees, people, and lots of borders and blocks. The cost is \$30; it's for all levels.

If you are interested in being a monitor, the workshop is free. You can call me at 914-232-4971.

Your '97-'98 dues must be paid in order to register for the class. You can pay your dues and register for the class simultaneously, but **only** if you want to register for the class! The dues check should be made out to NSQG, in the amount of \$35 and marked "'97-'98 dues". To register for the workshop: The check should be made out to NSQG in the amount of \$30 and dated the month of the workshop. Include a SASE and mark the check and SASE with the workshop name. Mail everything to:

Please do **not** send Karen the dues if you are not registering for this workshop!

Many thanks to those who have made my job as Education Chair so much easier: *Karen Eckmeier* for acting as Education Registrar, *Carol Nugent* for taking care of the bulletin board, *Edith Pryor* for acting as fabric name tag coordinator, *Elizabeth Rosenberg* for planning and running Ornament Saturday, *Carol Alt* for planning and running Super Saturday, *Andrea Winter* of the Show Committee, and the many workshop monitors.

It's been a great year; have a wonderful summer!

Judy Rosenberg
Education Chairperson

Membership

Approximately 145 members attended the meeting in May.

I've enjoyed serving the guild as Membership Vice President for the past eight months. It was delightful to greet new members and guests and introduce them to the guild.

I'd like to thank all of the people who were kind enough to help me at the membership table this year, including Maddie Horr, Jane Fulton, Ann Fitzell, Joan Doggett and Simone Montegut. I would especially like to thank Elizabeth Rosenberg, who made my job very easy. I also want to thank Liz Doyle for handing over a very well-organized list of members.

Pat Rowan
VP Membership

On the Road Again...

I'm sorry to have to report that the guild's scheduled bus trip to Syracuse on July 27th and 28th has been canceled due to lack of interest. Only 15 members signed up for the trip, so it's a no-go.

Oh well . . . I've heard through the grapevine that several members are making the trip up to Syracuse independently . . . please be sure to let us know what it was like!

Other upcoming trips . . . call me if you're interested!

September 13:
Fort Washington, PA
(National Quilt Extravaganza)

November 8:
Westford, MA
(A Quilter's Gathering)

Dorothy Fiederlein
Special Events Chairperson

Comfort Quilts

We still have a supply of pre-cut kits for you to take home. Remember, there is no deadline to finish these quilts; make them at a comfortable pace for you. Pick up a kit at the Salad Supper.

Next fall, Comfort Quilts has a *super special* event planned. We hope that you'll all be as excited about it as we are! We will tell you about it at the June meeting.

This has been a rich and rewarding year for all Comfort Quilters. We have produced a remarkable heap of quilts. It's easy to visualize each quilt warming and comforting an ill baby or troubled child. And, because many quilts went to the Women's Shelter, many mothers were also comforted through their children. As coordinator of this effort, I want to thank all of you for a deeply satisfying year.

Comfort Quilts will continue to meet over the summer. If you are interested in attending, please call me for meeting dates and times!

Pat Baker
914-279-8840
NSQG Boutique Chair

Hospitality

The June meeting will be a Salad Supper. The doors will open at 6 p.m., and supper will be served at 6:30 p.m. All members are requested to bring a salad to share. The guild will provide drinks, rolls, utensils and dessert.

Please bring disposable serving utensils or make sure that dishes and serving spoons are clearly marked with your name.

We are sure that we will be provided with a delicious and creative meal.

Sari Langlois & Teri Anzalone
Hospitality Chairs

Treasurer's Report

For the Period 4/16/97 - 5/20/97

TOTAL GUILD	
OPENING BALANCE	\$29,354.52
Checking Opening Balance	\$1,441.33
INCOME	
Education - Workshops	\$2,250.00
Education - Super Saturday	15.00
Newsletter Advertisements	100.00
Special Events - Trips	
Syracuse	\$1,890.00
Raffle	203.00
Boutique	4,195.27
Comfort Quilts	90.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$8,743.27
EXPENSES	
Programs	
Speaker Fees	\$425.00
Raffle	20.21
Rent & Services	500.00
AV	20.00
Workshops	
Travel Expenses	1,600.00
Hall Rental	350.00
Supplies/Food	36.99
Miscellaneous	17.39
Special Events - Lancaster	2,923.95
Boutique	3,565.78
Bank Charges	12.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$9,471.32
Transfer from Savings Account	\$4,000.00
Checking Closing Balance	\$4,713.28
Savings Opening Balance	\$10,883.94
INCOME	
Interest Income	21.59
TOTAL INCOME	21.59
Transfer to Checking Account	\$4,000.00
Savings Closing Balance	\$6,905.53
Show Checking	
Opening Balance	\$17,029.25
<i>No activity reported</i>	
Show Checking	
Closing Balance	\$17,029.25
TOTAL GUILD	
CLOSING BALANCE.	\$28,648.06

Jeanie Hunter
Treasurer

This article appeared in "Thimble Thoughts", the newsletter of the Central Florida Quilters Guild. The editor of that newsletter is our very own Vickie Perri, who recently relocated to Orlando.

My Trip to the Northern Star Quilters' Guild "A World of Quilts XVIII" Show in Somers, New York

How's that for a title? My story starts out with a bad plane trip, but has a happy ending. I was supposed to leave Orlando at 6:15 p.m. on Thursday, May 2nd. Due to severe thunderstorms, the airport in Newark, NJ closed down temporarily, so we left after 9:30 p.m. While we circled around Atlantic City waiting our turn to land, the pilot announced that there was a bit of bad news that he just had to share with us. We had lost one of our hydraulic systems, but not to worry, there were still two more left. We only had to circle around for another 45 minutes or so, then when we landed, we could get towed into the terminal accompanied by fire trucks and other emergency vehicles.

Wouldn't you know, after the 45 minutes or so was up, the pilot had more bad news to share. Now, our flaps weren't working and we could not land at Newark because the runways were not long enough. We were going to have to land at Kennedy Airport (in about an hour). This was followed by a shuffling of seats as the flight attendants took their places next to the emergency exits near the wings. Now, I was scared — good thing I was too tired to panic! Well, the landing gear came down, and we actually had a very smooth landing. Then,

we had to wait an hour and a half while the tow bar was located, because our airline did not have ground service at Kennedy.

Of course, my brother had been waiting for me at Newark, but due to the wonders of today's communication necessities, the pay phone, beeper and cellular phone (and the sister-in-law at home in bed) he managed to find me and deliver me safely to his home in the lovely suburbs of New York at 4:30 a.m!

So, what's all this got to do with a quilt show, you may ask? Well, I'll tell you. It just goes to show how dedicated (nuts?) we quilters are when it comes to anything associated with quilting. We will brave anything that the airlines and Mother Nature can dish out just for the chance to oogle quilts and buy more fabric!!!

It goes without saying that the Quilt Show (put on by my soon to be former guild) was a huge success. They had over 200 gorgeous quilts on display. If you don't believe me, I invite you to look at my photo album, because I took pictures of ALL THE QUILTS. I also did my bit for the quilting economy by visiting all 33 vendors and purchasing quite a lot of fabric. (After all, those lovely textiles were begging me to take them home, so I did!)

The show featured lectures each day by famous quilters. Sharyn S. Craig spoke on "Great Quilts Using Leftovers" and the "Evolution of a Design Challenge". Susan McKelvey told us about "Color for Quilters" and "Signed Quilts — Yesterday and Today". Ruth McDowell (a personal favorite of mine) showed us slides on "Progressions & Diversions — My Development as a Quilt Maker" and "Nature in Quilts". They were all, "like totally awesome, man — way cool". (I was impressed!)

There were also demonstrations

of crazy quilting, hand quilting, quilt designing (by Ruth McDowell!), fabric selection for landscape quilts and "Rotary Cutting for Success" (by Sharyn Craig) in the Works-in-Progress Room. The guild's Boutique of items for sale made by guild members was another popular browsing place.

I was bummed that I didn't win the beautiful raffle quilt, but not surprised. Anyone who witnessed me playing Bingo at Symposium knows that I am very unlucky at games of chance! Just point me at the vendors. It's easier to buy it outright than to try to win it! Needless to say, I was really busy hopping around that big show for two days -- between the quilts, the vendors, and the lectures, not to mention helping my favorite vendor set up on Friday night — they gave me a neat quilt ruler that says "Bernina" on it!

I also stayed to the bitter end to help (I tried not to hinder) with the take down of the show — I figured it would be good practice for when I do it next year for our show (really, I just wanted to touch as many quilts as possible without wearing white gloves!)

My flight back to Florida on Monday morning at the crack of dawn was on time and bissfully uneventful. I am, however, still REALLY TIRED, and am wondering what I used to think was so great about staying up until the wee hours of the morning.

Anyway, I just want to say "There's no place like home, there's no place like home . . ."

Vickie Perri

Doesn't this make you proud to be an NSQG member? Thank you, Vickie! Those Orlando quilters are lucky to have you among them!

— Editor

Ssshh. . . . It's a Secret!

The NSQG membership always expresses its gratitude to our outgoing president with a gift of fat quarters.

Since Millie Clinton will be moving to Virginia, and unable to attend our meetings on a regular basis, let's give her an extra-special going away present —

**Please bring a fat quarter of
ORANGE fabric
to the meeting,
and deposit it in the basket
on the membership table.**

We'll present it to Millie during the meeting. Let's show her how much we appreciate all the hard work Millie's put in these past two years!

By the way, with the help of some nifty word-processing "magic", this announcement will not appear in Millie's copy of the newsletter!

1999 Raffle Quilt

The Quilt Show Committee is looking for a person or a group who would be willing to be in charge of the raffle quilt for "A World of Quilts 1999".

If you have an idea for the quilt or if you are willing to organize others to make the quilt, please call me at 914-277-5210.

Nancy Mirman
VP, Quilt Show Committee '98-'99

Editor's "Corner"

I've very much enjoyed editing this newsletter for the past eight months. Getting involved in this guild has so many rewards — What an inspiring group of people you all are!

My sincere thanks to the super proof-readers who made the newsletter appear (mostly) error-free: Nancy Murphy, Barbara Lerch and Alice Garrard.

And thanks, too, to the Hart Quilters, who never minded having to fold, staple, label and stamp! They are the best!

Elizabeth Rosenberg
Newsletter Editor

We Are Among Winners!

At the recent
American Quilters Society show
in Paducah, Kentucky,
two of our talented NSQG
members were
awarded ribbons:

A third place ribbon in the Theme
Category of
"Plaid"
was awarded to
Angela Kamen
for her quilt
"Boiling Plaid"
and

A second place ribbon in the
Category of
"Wall Quilt, Amateur",
was awarded to
Karen Eckmeier
for her quilt,
"Positive Energy"

Congratulations, ladies!

Seen in Print

A local weekly newspaper, *The Putnam Courier-Trader*, recently carried a lovely article entitled, "Tiny Stitches Tell Stories of Love in Quilts of All Designs" — and it was all about one of our members! The article featured our own NSQG member Jeanne Homan. A lovely photo (on the front page!) showed both Jeanne and her husband, Wayne, posing in front of Jeanne's next masterpiece as it hangs on her design wall.

The article quoted Meredith L. Schroeder, the president of the American Quilter's Society: "The Jeanne Homan quilt is an outstanding example of the beauty and quality of quilting as one of the world's most treasured art forms."

The article was written by Barbara Gallo Farrell, the paper's managing editor.

And . . .

Angela Kamen's lovely quilt "Magic Carpet" appeared in issue #61 of *Quilting Today Magazine*. In explaining why she awarded the Judge's Choice to Angela's quilt, internationally-known Patricia Campbell says, "The glorious color . . . caught my eye from across the room. I chose it because it's in the Jacobean style, which I favor, and because of its exquisite craftsmanship. It's definitely a quilt I would like to take home, and according to other judges and teachers, this is standard criterion for Judge's Choice."

**Don't forget to bring
a salad to our
"Salad Supper"
meeting on June 17th!**

Quilting on the Web

by Harriet Bertsche

Communicating electronically is becoming increasingly popular, and if you can connect your computer to America On Line (AOL), it's quite easy to meet and get in touch with other quilters from around the world. I'd like to share some of my "globe-trotting" experiences with you!

Upon joining AOL, I typed in the keyword "quilting" and was transported to an area chock full of things to delight any quilter. There was a library of software, pictures and a message board with folders for different types of messages. A "message board" is much like a bulletin board — messages you send show up on a list of messages for anyone to read. Those wishing to respond can do so privately, or post an answer for all to read. Messages are divided into "folders" with subjects such as: applique; paper piecing; quilt swaps; quilting pen pals, and many more! There are even folders for support groups — quilters on diets or those having difficult times in their lives.

I opened a number of these folders and began reading the messages.

First I decided to join a quilt swap. I agreed to make 12 squares, and mail them to the "swap leader" by the deadline. In return I would receive 12 squares; one of my own, and 11 from others in the swap. And, I could send as many groups of 12 as I wished! I joined a "Christmas" swap in October, and the blocks were due in December.

During the swap, our leader e-mailed each participant and invited us all to have a little conversation group via e-mail. I eagerly inspected my e-mail each day, and found messages from many of the group members.

Each lived in a different part of the country, so while one was complaining about snow, another was out biking in the park! We talked about any number of things. I really began to feel part of a group. When our leader told us of her pregnancy, we had a "cyber shower" for her. We each sent her a group of pastel nine-patch blocks. She was thrilled, and not only e-mailed us all her thanks, but sent us each a little note and some fabric, too!

In December, when the blocks were due, I sent mine off and anxiously awaited the little bundle I would receive in return. It arrived a week later with 12 totally different squares — each great in its own way. They came from quilters as far away as Alaska!

When the swap was over, I posted a message asking if anyone knew of a good quilting guild in Westchester County. Since moving from Long Island, where I was a member of the Long Island Quilters' Society, I wanted to find a new guild. I knew about NSQG, but thought it was too far from my home in Lower Westchester. Soon I received a reply from Diane, a former LIQS member who'd moved to Westchester, too! Diane told me that NSQG was a great guild and asked if I wanted to get together at the next meeting. We did just that and I joined the guild and gained a good friend in the bargain!

I was having such good luck with my on-line experiences that I decided to go ahead try for a pen pal, as well. I sent an e-mail to the person in charge of that folder.

Since I am a French teacher I thought that I would request a pen pal from France — a chance for me to practice my French and get some information about fabric stores in Paris. I was given three names, and after I wrote by "snail mail" to the first one, she wrote me back right away with as much information as I could have hoped for. I got to practice my French and hear from a quilter with similar interests to mine, all the way from the other side of the Atlantic!

Finally, I went into the folder where people were looking for quilting services and asked if anyone knew of someone who could hand quilt a top for me. In only a few days, I received an answer from a quilter recommending a woman in North Carolina. I called her, and by the summer's end I had my newly quilted top back in my hands here in New York!

For those of you with access to AOL, or one of the other major on-line service providers, such as Compuserve or Prodigy, there are countless possibilities for contact with other quilters. It's lots of fun — so get on line and widen your quilting horizons!

In a future issue, I'll write a little bit about the quilters' chats (in real time!) that you can find on AOL and on the World Wide Web.

Have a great summer!



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On Point! On Line!

Last month, Gloria Hartley requested that members share their on-line addresses. These members have responded:

Dear Friends,

There are many reasons why I no longer live in Somers. But I can tell you one reason I wish I did: Northern Star Quilters' Guild.

As much as I love living in Virginia, whenever I come back and see the wooded hills of Westchester, all of a sudden, I feel I'm home. And when I visit with so many of my old quilting friends and meet so many new ones then I'm sure I'm home.

I'm so proud of what I see as a dynamic, exciting, energetic and innovative group of people. Things like our show don't happen in many other places. You inspire me. I might even get something in next year's show. Who knows? Keep up the good work. I, too, would love to hear from you. Best wishes,

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If you're on-line, too, drop an electronic line to some, any or all of these fine folks — and don't forget to send your e-mail address to your *On Point!* editor (elizquilt@aol.com). I'll be happy to include your address in the next issue. Pat Bartimoccia, next year's new Membership Vice President, will include e-mail addresses in the new membership list that's printed up next October.

-- Editor

Make a Fabric Postcard

If you have ever taken a fabric-postcard class, or if you were inspired when you heard Judi Warren's lecture on May 20 — or if you just want to make a fabric postcard, now there is an opportunity to create one of these fabric mementos!

Use a paper postcard of your choice for inspiration and Judi's book (*Fabric Postcards: Landmarks & Landscapes, Monuments & Meadows*, American Quilter's Society, Paducah, KY, 1994) as a resource. Then make your own fabric postcard (no larger than 5" by 7"). Send it to Nancy T. Hantman at 5 Bursley Place, White Plains, NY 10605, by March 23, 1998.

A group of guild members are interested in using the same postcard as their inspiration — the Elephant Hotel in Somers. If this interests you, call Nancy Mirman at 914-277-5210.

We thought it would be nice to have all of the fabric postcards displayed together at the World of Quilts '98 show. Wouldn't they make a nice display?

Nancy Hantman

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Cheryl Holly

Ravelings

Our guild has always seemed like a beautiful, well-crafted quilt to me. Each of us adds a unique "block" to this living creation. And what do you think are the stitches and embellishments which hold this marvelous quilt together??? What else — volunteers!

There is real work involved in every guild activity that members enjoy, from producing this newsletter to securing speakers to putting on our quilt show . . . and everything in between.

Because the end result is so professional, we often forget that the members who accept the responsibility for getting any one of these jobs accomplished are volunteers themselves! From time to time, they *must* ask for help. If *you* are weary of hearing requests for volunteers, try to imagine how weary some of these people are of having to *ask*, sometimes repeatedly, for help.

Jobs and family responsibilities may limit the time some of us can offer, but each and every member can offer *something*. Let us not allow "open seams" and gaps to appear in our own beautiful NSQG guild "quilt" because of some missing stitches!

VOLUNTEER!!!!

Anonymous

Thank you!

In March of 1996, I asked for help in collecting fabric with "tiny, little flowers" which my niece wanted for a Double Wedding Ring quilt.

Thank you to the nineteen quilters who donated fabric to my project. The leftover fabric went into seven Comfort Quilts!

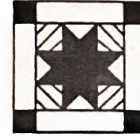
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A Word of Thanks

While serving as the Lecturers Chairperson on the Quilt Show Committee this year, I had a great time meeting and spending time with the lecturers. Everything ran smoothly thanks to my fellow committee members and to the many hard-working volunteers who helped at the lecturers.

My special thanks to the hostesses, Mary Podgorski (for Sharyn Craig) and Barbara Harris (for Ruth McDowell), who both came forward and volunteered their homes and hospitality. They have generous hearts and it was much appreciated. Thanks also to Cobb Stewart for her "limo service" for Sharyn. And, I cannot leave out Sister Barbara and her able students who helped set up the auditorium and problem-solved for me all weekend!

Being involved in the show is a wonderful experience and I encourage all of you to give it a try!

Andrea Winter

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- 6-17-97 **General Guild Meeting — Salad Super**
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- 6-24-97 **Board Meeting, 7:30 pm, Luran Fowks'**
- 9-13-97 **National Quilt Extravaganza Bus Trip**
- 9-16-97 **Folk Quilt Workshop with Wendy Etzel**
- 11-8-97 **A Quilter's Gathering Bus Trip**

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