

On Point!

March, 1998
Elizabeth Rosenberg, Editor

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

President's Message

Congratulations to all of the winners of this year's Challenge! The twenty quilts made by those who "rose to the challenge" were all so interesting — I had a terrible time deciding which ones to vote for. You all deserve a ribbon! For those of you who missed February's unveiling, a list of the Challenge Winners is published in this newsletter. Many thanks to the Challenge Committee for coordinating the event.

A big thank you is also due to those members of the Quilt Show committee who tracked down and assembled all of the slides from past shows. Wasn't it fun to see yourself up there on the screen, five to ten years younger? If you haven't done so already, be sure to sign up for a work slot at the show. The earlier you do this, the more choice you'll have. Just to remind you: all members are expected to work a minimum of two hours at the show.

And now, a word on volunteering in general: Our guild has grown tremendously over the past few years, and in

direct proportion to the growth of the guild, the work required to coordinate meetings and provide an array of other activities has also grown. Now, more than ever, the guild needs *your* help. We all have complicated and demanding lives outside of the guild (the majority of Board Members and Quilt Show Committee members work outside the home) — however, we all need to find a way to contribute a portion of our time to the guild, rather than relying on the same small handful of dedicated workhorses to "carry our weight". I hate to sound like a broken record, but I'm going to repeat: **MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK**. During the next few months, we will be looking for members to fill positions on the Board and various committees, including the Quilt Show committee, for the following year. Please seriously consider how you can contribute.

Lauran Fowks
President, NSQG

Programs

The Ides of March will soon be upon us as will St. Patrick's Day and the first day of Spring. In with all of these occurrences, we will have our own "happening" at the March meeting, and it's called: **Charlotte Angotti**.

If you have never heard Charlotte speak or have never attended one of her classes, prepare yourself for a wonderful, exuberant, humorous, joyful, inspirational treat — and it's all about your favorite subject, quilting! Charlotte will delight you with her stories as she displays her trunk full of colorful quilts. Her easy, relaxed and fun-oriented approach to quilting can be contagious. The most rigid among us may even find ourselves letting go of some of those bugaboos that tend to stifle our creativity and production. You'll have to listen up though, and control your outbursts, so as not to miss any of her funny, laugh-provoking comments.

Don't miss this sure-to-be-fun-filled evening! Come early, and get a good seat.

Marie Pedlow
Adrienne Yorinks
NSQG VP, Programs

Workshops

Carol Alt reports that classes offered for Super Saturday are full. We both thank you for your support and hope you have a great day of sharing and learning.

There are still openings in both of Charlotte Angotti's workshops scheduled for March 16th and 17th.

It's not too late to sign up for Garden Quilts with Jane Sassemann. The two-day design and sewing class will be held April 20th and 21st. Be sure to see Jane's piece "Trouble in the Garden", one of 19 quilts on exhibit at the Bruce Museum in Greenwich. The collection titled "Pieces, Parts and Passion: The Quilted Medium" is a contemporary look at quilting using various techniques. Call the museum at 203-869-0376 for times and dates.

The Quilt Show speakers will be teaching the following workshops:

Monday, May 4th

Anita Shackelford

Each \$15

A.M.: *Folk Art Applique*. Learn three different applique stitches while creating this bird and flower block adapted from an Ohio quilt dated 1887. Techniques covered are blind stitch, running stitch and buttonhole stitch. The class will focus on applique stitches.

P.M.: *Oak leaves and Bittersweet*. Create a fall wreath of oak leaves and free-form berries. Techniques covered are needle turn applique, stem stitch embroidery, free-form leaves and berries. The class will focus on needle-turn applique and embellishments.

Monday, May 4th

Margaret Miller

Strips That Sizzle.

\$30

A sewing workshop which yields a quilt top plus working plans for many more; easy strip piecing which explores innovative approach to moving color across the quilt.

Students learn from each other's fabric selections and begin to think of color values painlessly. Requires the cutting of strips ahead of time.

Tuesday, May 5th

Margaret Miller

Borders and Sets

\$30

From Blockbuster Quilts, a design class to explore creating innovative, unexpected settings for quilt blocks. Pencil exercises on graph paper and tracing paper yield dozens of quilt plans by the end of class. Design exercises are brought to life using loose blocks students bring to class.

Monday, May 4th

Pepper Cory

\$15

1:00 PM to 4:00 PM

This is a half-day workshop! Hand piece the pineapple block on a foundation. Pepper loves her Civil War era pineapple quilt, and plans to share the piecing method. No precise cutting and piecing is required. For quilters of all skill levels who love to hand-piece.

As always, send a SASE and a check dated for the date of the workshop to Karen Eckmeier, PO Box 139, Bedford, NY 10506.

Many new members have inquired about becoming a workshop monitor. The monitor performs a few basic tasks in exchange for waving the workshop cost. The monitor is expected to open the workshop site early to turn on the lights, heat and coffeepots as well as supply the donut munchkins and other goodies. She acts as an assistant to the teacher and makes sure the site is left clean and orderly. Call me if you would like to volunteer.

Not all our members were able to make a guild name badge at the February meeting. If you still have not made one, call Edith Pryor at 914-232-4620 for the kit.

Meg Mooar

Education Chairperson

NSQG '98 Challenge "The Four Elements"

We had a great time putting on the show of challenge quilts at the February meeting! It was wonderful to see the many creative ways that our talented members found to interpret this year's theme -- our members really "rose to the challenge!" It wasn't easy to choose our favorites, but you did, and here are the results:

Most Fiery: Madeleine Bajracharya

Most Airy: Cathy Neri

Most Earthy: Nancy Mirman

Most Watery: Jeri Riggs

Best Overall Theme:

1st: Elizabeth Rosenberg

2nd: Madeleine Bajracharya

3rd: Suzanne Sunday

Remember, we'll need to collect your quilts again so that they can be displayed in a special area at our show! Please bring them (and your ribbons, too!) to the April meeting. Don't worry, we'll remind you again in the next newsletter!

Working on the challenge committee has been a very rewarding experience. We'd like to thank everyone who met NSQG's challenge this year with their gorgeous quilts. If you'd be interested in serving on the committee next year, be sure to let Lauran Fowks know. She'll soon begin the process of appointing next year's chairperson, who will then choose a committee.

Many thanks to this year's great committee:

Susie Anderson

Pauline Joseph

Elizabeth Rosenberg

Angela Kamen & Jeri Riggs

Challenge Co-Chairs

On Points of Interest

Exhibitions

March 9th - April 10th, 1998

Emiko Toda Loeb's Quilts, at the Interchurch Center, 475 Riverside Drive (between West 119th and West 120th Streets). The show hours are Monday through Friday, 9AM to 4PM.

The Rye Art Center is exhibiting "Fiber Now: Contemporary Textile Art," by 12 artists. At least three quilts, by Randy Frost, Robin Schwalb, and Colette Wolff, are included. On view through February 28, the show is at 51 Milton Road, Rye. Gallery hours are Mon - Fri, 9:30 AM - 5 PM and Sat, 1 PM - 4 PM. 914-967-0700.

Shows

March 20-21-22, 1998

Pieces of Time Quilt Show, Ramada Hotel, 1080 Riverdale Street, West Springfield, MA LSASE to Sharon Benoit, 80 Pinehurst Rd., Holyoke, Ma. 01040

March 21, 1998

Sharing the Quilts XV, United Presbyterian Church, 525 E. Front St., Plainfield, NJ. 908-755-7653.

March 21 - 22, 1998

Home is Where the Heart Is, by the Quilters Guild of Brooklyn at PS 321, 7th Ave at First St., Slope Pk, Brooklyn, NY. All quilts made by Brooklyn residents. Contact: Susan C. Sato, 718-851-6327.

March 27 - 28, 1998

Spring Shower of Quilts II by the Connecticut Piecemakers Guild, Senior and Disabled Center, 120 Cedar St., Trumbull, CT. Contact: Mary Buxton, 23 Crooked Trail, Rowayton, CT 06853.

March 28 - 29, 1998

Long Island Quilters' Society 19th Quilters Convention, Freeport Recreation Center, 130 Merrick Rd., Freeport, NY. Contact: Gloria Maurer, 68 6th St, New Hyde Pk, NY 10401.

April 1-5, 1998

The 4th Annual Feedsack Club Quilt Show and Exhibition at Howard Johnson's Motor Lodge 2100 Lincoln Hwy, Rt 30E, Lancaster, PA. LSASE to Jane Stapel 25 S. Starr Ave. #16, Pittsburgh, PA. 15202.

April 25 & 26, 1998

Quilt Show II, sponsored by the Athens Schoolhouse Quilters and the Hudson Valley Quilters. Columbia-Greene Community College, 4400 Rte 23, Hudson, NY 12534. Join in their "sew-in". Form a team of 6 people to sew a quilt to be donated to a charity of your choice. For info, contact Mary Ann Peters, 21 First St., Athens, NY 12015.

June 6 & 7, 1998

Quilter's Holiday, University of Rochester, Rochester, NY. Display, workshops by Caryl Bryer Fallert, Anita Shackelford, Jo Diggs and more, lectures, special events, merchants mall. For registration and entry info, send \$1 (payable to QCNY) to Quilter's Holiday, 2478 Oswald Rd, Penn Yan, NY 14527. 716-526-6631.

August 6th - 9th, 1998

Moscow Country Fair at the North Pocono Middle School, Church St, Rt. 690, Moscow, PA 18444. Annual quilt show, art show, 80 juried craft booths, ethnic food booths, games, etc. For info: Elaine Tancredo, 717-842-7278.

Other Exciting "Stuff to Do"

March 27, 28 & 29, 1998

Quilting in Vermont Seminars at the Strong House Inn. Second weekend being offered in May. Contact: Deb Tucker, RD 4, Box 1003, Vergennes, Vermont 05491.

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.

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The deadline for articles appearing
in the April issue is
March 24, 1998.

Raffle Table News

In addition to five \$50 value raffle prizes, at this month's meeting we will have a sixth bonus prize — a ROWENTA POWERGLIDE IRON!

Tickets for the iron will be sold at two yellow tickets for a dollar. Our regular prizes will remain at three blue tickets for a dollar. Come join the fun!

Barbara Powers
Raffle Table Coordinator

Jeri Riggs, MD
Quilt Exhibition
at the Dobbs Ferry Library
Pearlene Plotkin Gallery
Feb. 18 to April 2, 1998
914-693-6614

Editorial

Recently, NSQG's Membership VP, Pat Bartimoccia, was looking through her "official" papers when she came across a nicely type-written sheet she'd never seen before. At first glance, it seemed an appropriate addition to the "new member packet" -- but as we examined it further, we thought that perhaps it may also serve as a gentle reminder for some long-time members who've become just a little bit complacent about their relationship with NSQG.

I've decided, in my capacity as the "voice" of this newsletter, to re-print the mystery page in its entirety. Please take the time to read through it -- I hope that it serves to inspire you to **do your part** in making this wonderful guild into a fun, exciting and friendly organization.

What NSQG Can Do For You

The guild meeting programs, and the quilters you meet, can provide a forum for discussion of and resolution of problems encountered in your quilting projects. Please remember however, that many of our members teach quilting, and although they enjoy sharing their knowledge and skills, don't take advantage of their generosity.

Often times our program speakers will be in the area either a day before the meeting or a day after the meeting to give classes, and we urge you to participate. Many of these speakers are nationally known quilters. But, be aware also of our excellent local talent who offer classes at other times all

through the year, in many convenient locations.

Many guild members who don't teach formally but who enjoy the art form of quilting, are also delighted to share information, tricks and shortcuts that don't shortchange the quality of the finished product.

The guild and the contacts you make through it can provide you with the opportunity to have small get-togethers between meetings to work on individual or group projects.

What You Can Do for NSQG

One of the main activities of NSQG is our annual quilt show, usually held the first weekend in May. Our by-laws stipulate that this show be open to the public for the purpose of demonstrating quilting techniques and craftsmanship. The quilt show is one of the best ways of "getting involved" in the guild. It takes many volunteer hours to present a successful show, and we need the help of everyone. At each monthly meeting the Quilt Show Chairman will give a progress report and frequently ask for volunteers. **DON'T BE SHY!** Remember, many hands make light work, and good friends!

Please be aware that the time for socializing at our General Meetings is before the business section and between the business and program parts of the meeting. Kindly extend the courtesy of quiet attention to our board members and our guest speakers that you would wish extended to you were you in their shoes.

We hope you will share your successes (and failures or problems) with us. We all enjoy seeing each other's work and can learn from one another!

A Quilting Puzzle

Rearrange the letters in each phrase to form the name of a quilt block!

1. A cosy cliché
2. A green pole
3. And help it bounce
4. Bad closed jar
5. Broken assaults
6. Crack dirt
7. Crush hand
8. Enter pie
9. Fear shattered
10. Female pal
11. Fertile foe
12. Honorable one-third
13. In his chair
14. Intact widow
15. Logic ban
16. Many neglect fans
17. Never giants
18. Nice flare
19. Outward print holder
20. Prank adds hurt
21. Punch must dazzle
22. Reckon why men...
23. Rotate mass
24. School-wide ages
25. Shooting opened
26. Snob shrieked
27. Soaked police
28. Then panic
29. Wrap base
30. Wrong building deed

Editor's note: This "quiz" was created by Nellie Pennington of South Strafford, VT. Unfortunately, answers were not included -- Good luck!

NSQG CALENDAR

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| March 14 | SUPER SATURDAY |
| March 17 | Guild Mtg at JFK HS, 7:30pm |
| March 21 | NATIONAL QUILTING DAY |
| March 24 | Executive Board Meeting |
| April 7 | Quilt Show Committee Mtg |
| April 20-21 | Garden Quilts Workshop |
| May 2-3 | WORLD OF QUILTS XIX |
| May 4 | Anita Shackelford Workshops
Margaret Miller Workshop
Pepper Cory Workshop |
| May 5 | Margaret Miller Workshop |

What If . . .

President's Day Weekend was going to be *perfect*. My husband and I were planning on doing all the things we enjoyed. He was going to watch the Daytona 500 on Sunday, and on Saturday, I was going to get up nice and early, and head off for one of the first quilt shows of the season . . . the Love Apple Mini Quilt Convention in Mt. Laurel, New Jersey.

I left the house right on schedule, at 8:00 AM, ready for the two and a half hour drive to southern New Jersey. Arriving so early would give me the whole day to look at quilts, browse the vendor booths and even take in a lecture or two. A perfect day!

As soon as I got off the New Jersey Turnpike, I decided that I would fill up my tank with gas, so I wouldn't have to worry about it later (and besides, it was only 91 cents per gallon!). As I pulled into the Radisson hotel parking lot, my feeling of euphoria began to diminish. I noticed that the billboard outside the Radisson didn't display the usual "WELCOME, QUILTERS!" "Well," I thought, "I guess they forgot!" The parking lot appeared to be unusually empty, but I assumed that I had done really good time on the Turnpike. The nagging fear became stronger, though.

As I entered the hotel lobby, my worst fear was realized . . . the clerk at the desk advised me that the show had been canceled — no explanation, it had just been canceled.

During the long drive back home, I spent a lot of time feeling sorry for myself at not being able to enjoy the day as I had planned. Then, I began to

think even further, about how terrible it would be if our own show were canceled! This was unthinkable. After all, we have 300 members — and that could never happen, right? Even worse than that, what if we did not have access to the inspiring programs, companionship and comradery and all of the other benefits we derive from being an NSQG member.

As I completed my sad journey home, I made a promise to myself to make sure that I continued to volunteer and help out in as many ways as possible — so the same thing would never happen to our show.

Joanne Finnigan

**See page 9 to find out
why our Bus Trip to Lancaster
may not happen
unless YOU sign up!**

Hospitality

Thank you to the I, J, K and L people that provided the "February Feast."

"March Munchies" will be provided by members whose last names begin with the letters "M" and "N".

As you may (or may not) have noticed, real brewed coffee was included with the usual selection of beverages at the February meeting. We will try this for a while to see if this is a welcome addition.

On a final note, we seem to go through a LARGE quantity of hot cups each month, so please try to remember your mugs as well as your happy faces!

**Corinne Moschella
Kathy Miller**
Hospitality Chairpeople

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Classified

A newcomer to the guild and to the area wants to join a small group ("bee") that meets regularly in Yorktown Heights or environs. If your group has room for a new member, please let me know! Kim Silva-Lepe, 245-0482, silva@rsn.hp.com

For sale. New Bernina 1530 and new Bernina walking foot. Contact Donna Newton, 271-6758.

Membership

Ninety-two members signed in at the February meeting with two guests, and two new members. Let us welcome our two new members: Elizabeth Kaftan and Gerlind Rosler.

Since I was in sunny Florida, I missed the quilts displayed for the challenge. However, I heard they were all terrific and I look forward to seeing them on display at the quilt show. From what I was told, the weather kept attendance down; so there must be a lot of our members looking forward to seeing the challenge quilts for the first time at the Quilt Show.

Please add the following to your membership list:

Elizabeth Kaftan
211 West Lovell St.
Mahopac, NY 10541
914 621-1136

Lois Lober
55 Old Sleepy Hollow Rd.
Briarcliff Manor, NY 10510
914 762-7957

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Pat Bartimoccia
VP Membership
914 628-6820
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Pattybart@aol.com

Quilt Show Report

Quilt Show pins will be available to NSQG members at the April meeting! Like other years, the pins will be sold to members at a discounted rate. Unlike previous years, you will not have to bring in a coupon to buy a show pin at the discounted rate. Instead, anyone who purchases the pin at the April meeting will automatically save 50¢ off the regular price.

Have you signed up for quilt show volunteering yet? If not, please sign up at the March meeting, or give Marie Sugar a call at 914-277-4266. We need each and every one of you — don't let us down!

The Quilt Registration deadline is March 13th. Our show is the ultimate show and tell — it would be wonderful if every member had a quilt hanging in the show.

In case you don't know, our show is mostly accessible to the handicapped. But, if someone needs special assistance, it would be helpful if Maggie Kolvenbach, our admissions chairperson, is advised in advance. She'll then be able to make sure that the ground level door to the gymnasium can be opened. If you have a friend or relative that needs this assistance, please ask them to call Maggie at 914-666-7352.

The Show Committee is looking forward to a wonderful weekend in May. We hope you all will be there to help and ENJOY!

Nancy Mirman
VP, Quilt Show

Overheard:

Buying fabric is not immoral, illegal or fattening. It calms my nerves, gratifies my soul and makes me feel good!

Quilt Raffle Tickets

Show time is just around the corner, so stop by the admissions table at our next membership meeting and pick up your raffle tickets if you haven't done so already. All tickets not picked up by this meeting will be mailed.

Don't miss out on a chance to win the beautiful Jacobean Style Applique Quilt. Buy some tickets for a friend, too!!!

If you'd like to return your tickets by mail, my address is:

RD 4, 608 S. Lake Shore Drive
Lake Carmel, NY 10512

Remember, "You gotta be in it to win it."

Kathy Vanacoro

Show Committee - Raffle Tickets

Quilt Show Registration

Quilt registration forms for A World of Quilts XIX are available. Send a legal size SASE to: Terry Melillo, P.O. Box 30, Somers, NY 10589. Registration deadline is March 13th, 1998. Quilts must be received by April 17, 1998. Quilt drop-off information will be listed on the registration forms.

Terry Melillo

Show committee - Registrar

Volunteers Needed!

Come One

Come All (and you will come)

Join the fun

Meet new quilters

Two hours of volunteer time at the Quilt show

Gets you a FREE entrance pass

See Marie Sugar or call

914-277-4266

Marie Sugar

Show Committee - Volunteers

Crazy Quilting On The Web

If you are interested in crazy quilting, here's a couple of really great websites for you to try:

Crazy Quilt Central
<http://www.geocities.com/SoHo/Lofts/6531>

Your one-stop location for information about crazy quilting.

Created and maintained by Dawn Smith, this site is written along with a group of crazy quilters. Dawn explains its purpose this way, "The aim of this web site is to provide a centralized location for resources and information about the art of crazy quilting, past, present, and future — both on and off the Web." She certainly accomplishes her goals! There is historical information on crazy quilts, for those who want the background. You can search the Crazy Quilt FAQ's (frequently asked questions) in four categories: (1) general questions, which will help you learn to make crazy quilts, (2) wearables (advice on making shirts, dresses, children's clothing, and even wedding gowns), (3) vests, and (4) books. You can view some of Dawn's favorite projects, and find out where crazy quilts are on display in museums around the country and all over the world. There's a terrific link called *Crazy Quilts in Print*. It is a guide for anyone looking for how-to articles about crazy quilting. You can find out about swaps with other crazy quilters, and view a list of requests from others to exchange crazy quilt squares. You can see photos of many antique crazy quilts and of course, there is a list of links to

other crazy quilt sites. I'm not especially interested in making crazy quilts, but I spent an hour here just looking around. It is rich in information and lovely photos.

Cathi McCutcheon's CQ Page
<http://www.geocities.com/Heartland/Hills/6865/cqpage.htm>

Another great website, this one begins with a brief history of crazy quilts, then a list of links to other sites. The best part is the section of links for great places to get help with your project. It includes a page of illustrated embroidery stitches, sources for beads, fancy thread, notions, and antique and reproduction fabrics. There is a link to the Crazy Quilt Society if you wish to become a charter member.

If you begin your Crazy Quilt "Odyssey" with these two websites, you will end up with a wealth of sites and information about crazy quilts, including pictures, books and supplies — and you will even find it quite easy to be in contact with lots of other crazy quilters.

Harriet Bersche
Contributing Editor

Ravelings

A few years ago, the Guild had a speaker from VIP talk to us about fabric. He was asked about how to stop colors from running, and replied that the various techniques you may have heard do not work on modern dyes.

His advice: If it runs, DON'T use it. Above all, do not try to soak out excess dye; soaking merely loosens more dye and encourages further color loss.

Anonymous

**Remember:
"M and N"
should bring
March Munchies!**

Library News

Our library of nearly 400 books is available for use by all members.

All you need to do is present your current membership card, and you may take out **up to three books** for one month. **All books are due back the next general meeting.**

If you have any outstanding books, you may not take any additional books. Lending procedure is available at the library table.

DELINQUENT LIST

Chris Novell	
Fabric & Fiber Sourcebook	11/97
Wonderful Wearables	11/97
One of a Kind Quilts	12/97
Quilts to Wear	1/98
Go Wild With Quilts Again	1/98
Jackie Schiller	
Strip-Pieced Watercolor	12/97
Irma's Sampler,	3/98
From a Quilter's Garden	3/98
Quilts in Full Bloom	3/98
Mary Schneidman	
A New Work of Our Hands	11/97

Many books have reservation lists, which means it is very important to return books on time. If you are not able to attend a meeting, it is your responsibility to return the book in another way; perhaps via a friend or mail in a bubble envelope to me.

Linda Love
NSQG Librarian

Beth Israel Kids Love Comfort Quilts

While I was at Beth Israel hospital recently, I got to see six comfort quilts made by our guild members being used by children that are receiving treatment in the "dayroom".

It was a pleasure to see children lying under our quilts and their parents admiring them as well.

It really made me very proud of our members who have contributed so much of their time and talent to make these quilts to comfort others. Most of us will probably never be able to see the gratitude, admiration, and love that these quilts bring to others, yet our dedicated members keep on producing these wonderful comfort quilts.

Pat Baker has my admiration for her many years of faithful devotion to the comfort quilts. Our admiration also goes to all who faithfully work on these quilts week after week as well as to those that have made one or a few. I am one of the fortunate few that has been able to see the comfort that the quilts bring.

Pat Bartimoccia

"ABCQ ♥s NSQG"

ABC Quilts stands for "At-Risk Baby Crib" Quilts. It was started in 1988 in New Hampshire and has delivered over 300,000 quilts to date to children in need.

Pins & Needles, at 161 Main Street in Mt. Kisco, New York, is the area coordinator for ABC Quilts. Pat Baker and her Comfort Quilts group has donated thirty-seven quilts for *Pins & Needles* to distribute. Following are some of the comments which have been received by the store:

From Blythedale Hospital For Children in Valhalla:

"I thought you would like to know that all of our babies have one of the quilts in their cribs and they really add a home-like feeling."

From Generations, a Yonkers program for families in need,:

"Your donation has brightened the holidays for our clients."

If you are interested in more information, please contact *Debby* or *Lisa* at *Pins & Needles*, 666-0824.

Debby Ehrichs



NSQG Comfort Quilts

Crazy Quilters' Alert!!! The Comfort Quilt Committee has been given a quantity of small velvet pieces in several colors. The Committee has decided this fabric will best serve our purpose if we offer it for sale to our members, with the proceeds to be used exclusively for Comfort Quilts. In addition, pieces from my personal collection will be added to each bag as an added bonus. Each bag will sell for \$2.00. If you are interested, PLEASE BRING THE CORRECT CHANGE (Singles, please!) to the meeting to speed up the selling process. Thanks!

There are still plenty of pre-cut kits available for you to take home and whip up a comfort quilt when you are in the mood. We also have a number of pre-printed crib quilt tops if you would like to practice your machine quilting. If you want one of these, please call ahead of time so we can bring a batt along. I only bring batts to meetings if I am notified ahead of time!

Pat Baker

Comfort Quilts Coordinator

A quilt is not a quilt ... until it's quilted!



Help for basting and/or customized machine quilting is only a phone call away!

Caroline Kearney 914-228-6332

✂ Sue's Fabric World ✂

609 Route 6 Mahopac, NY 10541

(914) 628 8338 Store Hours

Mon - Wed 10 am - 6 pm

Thurs & Fri 10 am - 7 pm

Sat 10 am - 5 pm

Every day is a sale day at Sue's!

All of our fabrics are 25% off of our regular retail prices!

On The Road Again

We're going to Lancaster, Pennsylvania, to see the 11th Annual Quilters' Heritage Celebration! The dates are April 3rd and 4th.

I've been able to obtain permission for us to park at Trollheimen, on Stoneleigh Ave. immediately off Route 100 in Croton Falls. I'll be sending directions to those attending — it's a private property with plenty of parking.

The bus we've chartered will depart from Trollheimen at 7:00 AM on April 3rd. We'll be returning on April 4th, sometime between 10:00 & 11:00 PM.

We will be using J&R Tours, with Charlie as our dependable driver (he's been driving us for at least 5 or 6 years now!).

The cost is \$140, which includes transportation, two meals, an overnight stay AND your ticket to the show! If we don't get a full bus, the cost will be a little higher.

If you've never gone on one of our bus trips before, please consider joining us for this one— The Heritage Celebration is such a big, wonderful show! The quilts are gorgeous, the vendors spectacular, and we always have such a good time! Bring a friend, or make some new ones!

PLEASE RESERVE EARLY send a check anytime BEFORE March 23 to:

Dorothy Fiederlein
4 North Lane
Mahopac, NY 10541

My phone number is 914-628-424. You can call me at work if that's more convenient, at 914-766-3407. If you have any questions don't hesitate to call me!

P.S. — THIS TRIP IS IN DANGER OF BEING CANCELED UNLESS 15 ADDITIONAL PEOPLE SIGN UP! We need you to sign up ASAP!

Dorothy Fiederlein
Special Events

Treasurer's Report

For the Period 1/21/98 - 2/24/98

TOTAL GUILD	
OPENING BALANCE	\$35,497.78
Checking Opening Balance	11,425.92
INCOME	
Membership Dues	250.00
Raffle Table	159.00
Super Saturday	1,200.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$1,609.00
EXPENSES	
Workshop	
Speaker Fee (C. Fraley)	300.00
Clubhouse Rental (2/28)	150.00
Education	
Postage	4.70
Program	
Speaker Expenses	
Charlotte Agnotti (March)	245.50
AV Helper	20.00
A. Yorinks (Marking Tools)	25.95
Special Events	
Lancaster Hotel Deposit	500.00
Meal Deposits	200.00
Newsletter	
Printing	192.22
Postage	121.60
Supplies	23.00
Membership Supplies	172.52
Corresponding Secretary	24.09
USPS Bulk Mail Annual Fee	85.00
Bank Charges	
Fees (New Checks)	24.99
Service Charge	12.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$2,101.57
Checking Closing Balance	\$10,933.35
Savings Opening Balance	\$10,184.12
Interest Earned	21.64
Savings Closing Balance	\$10,205.76
Show Account	
Opening Balance	\$13,887.74
Receipts	
Vendor Deposits	
January	4,466.70
February	375.00
Expenses	
Office Expense	25.99
Brochure Mailing	849.96
Raffle	183.22
Volunteers	19.97
Vendors	32.00
Perimeter Display	200.00
Pins	100.00
Catalogue/Brochure	667.16
Publicity	32.00
Rent-Storage Barn	375.00
Brochures Mailed to Shops	5.78
Raffle Ticket Photos	37.54
Admissions (Bus Group Ltr)	169.42
Show Checking	
Closing Balance	\$16,031.40
TOTAL GUILD	
CLOSING BALANCE.	\$37,170.51

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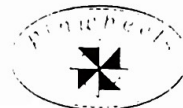
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