



Northern Star Quilters' Guild

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ELECTION ISSUE

PENNY BLACK, EDITOR - 271-8846

May 1983

FROM THE PRESIDENT'S PEN.....

Welcome Spring! Here it is May already and the time has come to elect new officers for next year, and think about the direction in which we, as a Guild, want to move.

It is also time to pause, and evaluate the Quilt Show while it is still fresh in your mind and make recommendations for next year. Please fill out the form that is included in this newsletter as completely as possible. We had a total paid attendance of 2,214 people over the weekend - with 1,493 coming on Saturday and 721 on Sunday (in spite of the dreadful weather). This represents an increase of more than 400 people from last year. We must be doing something right!

There was one disappointment though - only eight members of the Guild submitted a block to the Quilt Block Contest. That is a poor showing from a group the size of our Guild.

We have a very exciting program scheduled for May 17th with Dixie Haywood as our guest lecturer. It can't snow in mid-May, can it?

Claire Oehler
President

The Muscoot Farm on Route 100 in Somers is interested in presenting a quilt exhibit/demonstration on 3 weekends in June or July and has asked the NSQG for assistance. Anyone interested in preparing or working on such an exhibit/demonstration, please call Claire (277-4958). This is a good example of the kind of thing the Guild could and should become involved in, because it is an educational project that expands knowledge of quilts and quilting as well as increasing our credibility as a quilt guild.

PROGRAM NOTES:

Looking back--

Snow in April? Maybe, but enough to cancel the April 19th meeting? I still can't believe it! However, in answer to a lot of questions--Yes, we will plan to ask Patsy Orlofsky to be a guest speaker next year.

Looking ahead to the May 17th meeting. Let me introduce you to Dixie Haywood. Dixie Haywood is the author of two popular quilting books, THE CONTEMPORARY CRAZY QUILT PROJECT BOOK (Crown, 1977) and CRAZY QUILTING WITH A DIFFERENCE (Scissortail, 1981). The first, now into a fourth printing, introduced the technique she developed for contemporary quilting. Her new book explores the technique in more detail and includes several innovations. Two of the quilts from her new book have won major awards.

"Contemporary crazy quilting can be special fun for those who enjoy both quilting and stitchery," she states. "My method is easily learned even for those with little or no quilting experience, and has unlimited potential for original interpretation. It works well for shapes that are difficult to work out in the geometry or traditional patchwork, and should appeal to the imagination of those wanting the patchwork look in clothing or home furnishings, as well as to the innovative quiltmaker."

Mrs. Haywood is a National Quilting Association Certified Teacher and has taught all forms of quilting for over ten years. She currently lives in Pensacola, Florida. In addition to her local classes, she teaches and lectures throughout the United States. Her articles and designs appear regularly in national publications and her work has been selected twice for the GOODFELLOW CATALOG OF WONDERFUL THINGS.

So, do come on the 17th to hear Dixie and meet her in person. If you are planning to attend her workshop on Wednesday (5/18), this lecture and slides she will show are essential as preliminary preparation and will give us more "hands on" time on Wednesday.

PROGRAM NOTES - cont'd.....

If you already have Dixie's book, why not bring it to be autographed. If not, think about buying one (or both) at the meeting or workshop.

Looking ahead--

The Annual Salad Supper will be held on June 21. Each Guild member is to bring one salad with serving utensil - please mark both - and table service for herself and guest(s). This is to be an eight serving salad of your choice. The Salad Supper Committee will provide the tossed salad and dressings plus desserts and beverages. The time will be 6:30 p.m. at the (usual) Somers Intermediate School, Rte. 202, Somers. The speaker will be Gloria Hartley with "Color for Quilters." Gloria has been a lecturer/demonstrator at the NSQG quilt shows, teaches both Guild and Highland Needlecraft workshops and has also shared her expertise with the Nutmeg Quilters.

See you on the 17th.....

Ginny Watson, Vice President/
Program

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MEMBERSHIP.....

Our membership has grown so much this year that it has been difficult to keep up with it. The list published for all of you in January is not up to date, and in an effort to help you make connections with other guild members in your area for rides and for possibly forming small neighborhood groups that many have been asking about, the up-to-date list will be available at the next meetings - listed by zip codes so that you can easily find people who live near you. Maybe you could be the organizer of a summer get-together at your house for a group from your area. A glass of iced tea and a little show and tell can create a full afternoon of fun and conversation.

Everyone must renew their membership in September. Last year we had a difficult time getting out an accurate list because so many people were late getting their money in. The newsletter and your membership will stop unless you renew in September or before. To make sure you are not dropped, why not drop a check in the mail in August so that there will be a prompt, accurate list of members for everyone.

The pattern for the raffle quilt is still available. The package includes instructions and full sized patterns for templates. I will have these available at the meeting. The pattern is not difficult.

Alice Dokken
1st V.President/
Membership

THOUGHT YOU MIGHT BE INTERESTED.....

Gayl Kreighbaum, Treasurer, has provided the following \$\$\$ figures on the Quilt Show. A more complete breakdown will follow in the June newsletter.

Admissions	\$6,483
Quilt Raffle	\$3,221
Boutique	\$1,736

Exact figures for the vendors, food, and expenses are incomplete at this time, but should be finalized shortly.

By comparison the 1982 figures show the following:

Admissions	\$5,143
Quilt Raffle	\$1,044
Boutique	\$ 767
Vendors	\$2,126

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT.....

The Nominating Committee, consisting of Dot Mills, Claire Oehler, and Eleanor Ranzel (Chairperson), is pleased to submit the following nominees for your approval to fill the various offices of the Northern Star Quilters' Guild for the term of September '83 - June '84:

President:	Ginny Watson
1st Vice President (Program)	Alice Dokken Carol Sterk
2nd Vice President (Membership)	Diane Durr Pat Davis
Corresponding Secretary	Jill Burckmyer Connie Iurato
Recording Secretary	Penny Black Linda Lim
Treasurer	Joan Crawford Gayl Kreighbaum

Nominations can still be submitted by the membership. Please have the consent of your nominee before submitting her name.

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GETTING TO KNOW THE NOMINEES BETTER.....

The Nominating Committee requested each nominee to jot down a few lines about herself which would be interesting to share with the members and better acquaint everyone with each persons qualifications. The statements are as follows:

FOR THE OFFICE OF PRESIDENT.....

Ginny Watson - "As Program Chairman since February 1981, I have worked toward the growth and prosperity of the NSQG. During this time I have been an active member of the Board, and, hopefully, have learned the lessons of 'How To Be A Good Guild President' from the superb training of Claire, Beryl, and Gloria.

I would like to see the Guild continue to grow in acceptance in the quilting community as well as the geographic community. I would like to see growth by each member as a quilter, and as an active member of this very special group of quilters known as the Northern Star Quilters' Guild."

FOR THE OFFICE OF 1st V. PRESIDENT (PROGRAM).....

Alice Dokken - "Serving as membership chairman this past year gave me an opportunity to meet many of the members. I found that quite a few people who never miss a meeting are overwhelmed by all there is to learn and do, and by the expertise of some of the members. I feel that it is the purpose of the Guild to improve the overall quilting skill of our members. Lectures, demonstrations, home workshops, and 'show and tell' are great tools for teaching, but there is no substitute for 'hands on' experience and the exchange of ideas which everyone could get in smaller groups. We have a real need for small neighborhood groups to form in our large area without eliminating our monthly meetings. Cooperative work on service projects could make this all happen."

Carol Sterk - My primary interest is in quilts rather than smaller projects. The Guild provides an ideal forum where we can make friends, exchange ideas, and learn new techniques or refine old ones. My feeling is that sharing our mistakes and disasters does as much to bind us together and excite our senses as the sharing of works of which we are proud, and if elected, I would be interested in organizing such a program.

I feel the Guild should set aside a fund to hire outside speakers who might also teach workshops. I feel that Guild members should be encouraged to offer program suggestions through organized, small discussion meetings held periodically over the summer vs. informal word of mouth suggestions."

FOR THE OFFICE OF 2nd V.PRESIDENT (MEMBERSHIP)..

Diane Durr - "I joined the Guild last Fall and have had an opportunity to learn new skills and develop new friendships. I would like to return some of my good fortune by working within the Guild adding my enthusiasm and ideas in planning for the coming year. Some activities I would like to help the Guild accomplish would be to organize more trips to quilting related events; a possible exchange of information and ideas with other quilting groups, and even other countries. I would like to see the Guild continue giving its members the opportunity to attend classes."

Pat Davis - "I am a transplanted Virginia artist turned quilter. I have lived in Granite Springs for the past 3 years serving on various PTAs and several church offices. I am looking forward to working more closely with the Guild and hope that we can even double our membership in 83/84."

FOR THE OFFICE OF CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.....

Connie Iurato - "By the time my 7th child was two, I needed something to restore my sanity. Quilting became the perfect answer for me. Joining the NSQG has opened many new vistas for me, all of them creative. Getting to know new people and making new friends has been the best part of serving on the board as corresponding secretary this year. I look forward to a new year with more group projects and more new friends."

Jill Burckmyer - "I enjoy being part of such an enthusiastic group, and want to help. I've had 22 years of experience as a Reader's Digest executive secretary, and two years on the board of NSQG (as hospitality chairman). Membership in the Guild has done much for my sewing/quilting ability and confidence. I'm grateful for all of the excellent programs, and want to contribute what I can to ensure our future success."

FOR THE OFFICE OF RECORDING SECRETARY.....

Penny Black - "I have been quilting since 1977 and have been a member of NSQG since formation. I am a secretary by vocation and a quilting instructor by avocation. I have taught several workshops at Highland Needlecrafts this Spring. I chaired the Quilt Block Contest for the Quilt Show in 1982 and coordinated volunteers for the show this year. This past year I have enjoyed being editor of the Guild newsletter. I look forward to working with all of you to make our Guild bigger and better."

Linda Lim - "Joining the Guild has been a highlight of my move here from Pennsylvania, and has fulfilled my expectations of learning new techniques and skills in addition to the bonus of making new friends. I would like to see the Guild hold our own 'Nantucket-type' seminar - perhaps over a weekend with a nationally known quilter(s) giving seminars and workshops."

I have been president of the League of Women Voters, on the board and/or secretary of numerous civic and church organizations, and will be returning to work as an administrative secretary."

FOR THE OFFICE OF TREASURER.....

Gayl Kreigbaum - "I am the owner of Highland Needlecrafts and am a full-charge bookkeeper and office manager. I would like to finish setting up a bookkeeping system for the Guild, following up into next year. I have also been the treasurer for the Guild this past year."

Joan Crawford - "I have served as treasurer for the Association of Operating Room Nurses for 2 years, as well as president for 1 year. I also serve as treasurer for the Christian Endeavor Society. I will do my best to serve the NSQG in this capacity. I have been quilting for 8 years and would like to share what knowledge I have gained, for the opportunity of having others share their knowledge with me. Each of us needs each other and much can be gained by taking an active part."

A WORLD OF QUILTS IV.....

We did it! A World of Quilts IV was a huge success!! 2,214 enthusiastic quilters came to the Quilt Show to reap the rewards of our hard work.

"Thank you" to all who helped make it such a great weekend. I'm only disappointed that the snow has made me wait until the May meeting to thank you all in person. Do you think that Mother Nature (who must be a quilter), knowing that our heads would be filled with new ideas, gave us a few extra days of winter to quilt?

Although everyone enjoyed the Quilt Show, there is always room for improvement. Please fill out the attached questionnaire and mail it back or bring it to the May meeting. A box will be on the admission table for you to drop it into.

Happy Quilting.....

Sue Mungavin

MAY WORKSHOP SCHEDULE

May 12 and May 19, 10 a.m. to 12 Noon - Patchwork Apron by Dinah Schell. Piece a simple block then make an apron around it. 2 sessions - \$10 with your materials. Send check to Dinah Schell, Box 247, Cross River, New York 10518.

May 18 - Dixie Haywood is offering a workshop on: "design in cloth, with up-dated techniques, inspired by the traditional crazy quilt. Basic process is simple; the possibilities are as challenging as you wish to make them. If you like Victorian Crazy Quilts, you'll love this approach. If you don't, you'll be surprised and excited by the creative potential of "crazy quilting with a difference."

This workshop will be on Wednesday, May 18, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., fee - \$10, open to 20 Guild members. Send check to Rosemary Fahey, 27 Millbrook Place, Bedford, N.Y. 10506 - must be received by May 9. A supply list will be furnished; sewing machine suggested, but not a necessity. Bring a bag lunch.

Place: Lutheran Church of the Resurrection
Corner 172 and 117, Mt. Kisco.

May 20, 7 p.m. to 11 p.m. Kitchen Angel by Joan Crawford. Fee-\$10 (includes all materials). Send check to Joan Crawford, Deans Corner Rd., Brewster, New York 10509.

May 25, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. - Kitchen Angel
See May 20 for details. Bring lunch.

May 26, 9:30-12 Noon. Seminole Piecing by Kathy Mello. Class limit of 4. An intermediate technique. Sewing machine needed. \$5 plus charge for materials. Send check to Kathy Mello 12 Dunderave Rd., White Plains, N.Y. 10603. You can call Kathy (997-7759) for more info.

Reservations for workshops will be confirmed only after the instructor has received your check. Please remit by mail with the following information written on a sheet of paper:

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VOLUNTEER NEEDED.....

The Women's Center in Mahopac is desperately in need of a volunteer treasurer. If any of NSQG members can help them out or if you would like more information call the Center at 628-9284.

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SPECIAL EVENTS

The Vermont Quilt Festival at Norwich University in Northfield, Vermont, is scheduled to open Friday, July 15 at 7:30 p.m., and run until Monday, July 18. Classes, requiring preregistration, will be held Saturday and Sunday. Housing and meals are available on campus at reasonable rates.

There will be a contest for quilts and hangings made since August, 1982 which offers ribbons in several categories.

Complete information, including contest entry blanks, will be ready after May 20. To receive this mailing, send a large stamped, self-addressed envelop to: The Vermont Quilt Festival, Box 349, Northfield, VT 05663.

If you are interested in attending, let me know at the next meeting.

Plans are underway to hire a bus to go to the Nassau County Quilters' Convention on Saturday, September 24, 1983. Please let me know if you think you would like to ride the bus so that we have an idea of whether or not we can fill a bus.

Rosemary Fahey
234-7962

Jill Burckmyer will have copies of PATCHWORK PANTRY available - just \$3.50 each - at the May meeting for all those not purchasing one at the Quilt Show.

CORRECTION: Please make the following addition to page 57 - CHOCOLATE CHIP CAKE - under the listing of ingredients - 1-3/4 cups flour.



Quilt Show 1983

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Be assured firm plans are being made for care and security of all loan items. Individuals wishing to HELP in the preparations will be most welcome as we hope all parts of the Community will be represented on our committees.

Sincerely yours,
Co-Chairman of Dutchess County Heritage Quilts
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