



On Point!

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Sondra F. Shapiro, Editor

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***** PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE *****

Dear Fellow Quilters,

I am writing this on the Sunday night of our Quilt Show. My feet are swollen, my back aches and I feel wonderful. What a group we are! The quality of the quilts we hang seems to get better each year. It's very special to see people who have been guild members for 12 years work side by side with those who have just joined the guild.

The perimeter display, our Block Contest and Doll Exhibit all contributed to making our 15th Show unique and terrific. Congratulations to the Show Committee and all of us who volunteered so many hours to create such a wonderful experience.

Thanks so much to the Trumbull Quilt Guild for allowing NSQG to sell raffle tickets at its show.

On to the mundane: It's a no-no to park on the entrance road from Route 138 to the parking lot. It's also a no-no to park any place where it says "Fire Lane." Now, you already knew that!

Thanks to all of you who respected the set-up time for guild chairmen. Please remember that all our activities tables are not "open for business" until 7 p.m.

NANCY MIRMAN

***** FABRIC RAFFLE *****

For May, bring as many fat quarters (18" by half the width of the bolt - about 22") or long quarters (9" by about 44") of FABRICS YOU REGRET BUYING - any color, any design.

LILLIAN COLYER

***** PROGRAMS *****

Our speaker for the May 17 meeting will be Yvonne Porcella. She will share with us her vast knowledge of color and design in her lecture, Traditional Clothing Patterns and Contemporary Adaptations. Yvonne will show us through slides and actual clothing samples how to adapt folk clothing patterns into contemporary patchwork clothing. This will be a great opportunity for us to show off all those great items of clothing we have made. Please wear or bring yours for SHOW and TELL.

NANCY MURPHY

***** SECRET PALS *****

Keep those postcards coming. Maria Tamaoka will verify if you have correctly guessed the identity of your Secret Pal. If you are a winner you will receive a Friendship Pack of fabric to share with a friend. Send your postcard to Maria Tamaoka, 103 Elmore Ave., Croton-on-Hudson, N.Y. 10520.

NANCY MURPHY

***** SHOW AND TELL *****

Our May 17 meeting will feature a special 2-part Show and Tell. Please wear and/or show your QUILTED CLOTHING, and all RIBBON WINNERS at our recent Quilt Show should bring in their quilts to share again. Save all other Show and Tell items for our June meeting. Thanks.

NANCY MURPHY

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2. It is less expensive and more fun than psychiatric care.
3. I'm participating in a contest-the one who dies with the most fabric wins.
4. It keeps without refrigeration, you don't have to cook it to enjoy it, you never have to feed it, change it, wipe its nose, or walk it.
5. Because I'm worth it.
6. When the Big Earthquake comes, all the quilt shops might be swallowed into the ground and never be seen again.
7. Stress from dealing with the Fabric Control Officer (my husband) made me do it.
8. It's not immoral, illegal or fattening. It calms the nerves, gratifies the soul, and makes me feel good.
9. Buy it now, before your husband retires and goes with you on all your shopping expeditions.
10. A yard a day is all the quilt shops of America ask.

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Guilds wishing to exchange newsletters or businesses wanting to advertise are invited to contact the guild at the address below. Written contributions to **ON POINT!** are welcome and should be sent to the editor by the 21st of each month.

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***** HOSPITALITY *****

Thank you to everyone who donated a dessert to the Hospitality Table in April. Apologies for the lukewarm coffee. We will use our own coffee urns from now on and hopefully that will solve the problem.

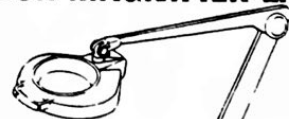
The lucky winner of the floral arrangement from Somers Flower Shop was Lois Greagor. Congratulations.

The following people have signed up to bring goodies to the May meeting: Marie Sugar, Pat Rowan, Carol Nugent, Mattie Horr and Sylvia LaFalce. If you haven't yet brought anything to a meeting this year, please consider out next meeting. All donations, homemade or otherwise, will be gratefully accepted and devoured.

CHRIS ROCHE

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***** EDUCATION *****

A few places are still left in Yvonne Porcella's class on Monday and Tuesday, May 16 and 17, 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., at Lincolnale Clubhouse. Working with her book, Pieced Clothing, you may make a vest, jacket or coat. Members' cost is \$40, a genuine bargain.

Mystery Workshop will take place on Saturday, June 4 from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Katonah Presbyterian Church. Maps will be available for those who need one. There will be sign-up sheets at the May meeting for registered participants only to LET US KNOW IF YOU ARE COMING OR NOT.

REMINDER: Wear your name badge and bring your mug and lunch to ALL workshops.

Name Badge Kits will be available at the Education Table. If you have templates at home, please return them so others can use them. Thanks.

PAT BAKER

***** QUILT SHOW NEWS *****

I don't know about you but I am still exhausted and exhilarated from the Quilt Show. But it is with a great feeling of pride (and relief) that I say thank you to everyone on the Show Committee and all the volunteers for the way they handled the monumental task of mounting a complicated Quilt Show. Each of you were super! I hope even more members will volunteer next year.

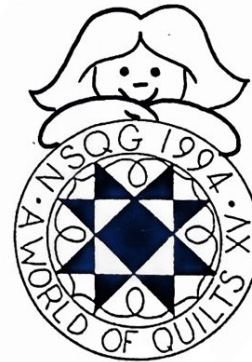
Thank you to Jeannie McAward for her generosity in hosting speakers Judy Mathieson and Mary Hickey with style and grace. You are truly one of a kind.

And to Simone Montegut, you were sorely missed at the Quilt Show. You could always be counted on to volunteer many hours and fill in where needed. Get well soon.

The June newsletter will fill you in with a full Show report of figures, ribbon winners and the lucky raffle winners.

BARBARA LERCH

We hope by the time Simone Montegut gets this newsletter she has recovered from her illness. We wish you WELL, Simone!



***** MEMBERSHIP *****

Many thanks to Simone Montegut for her help at the April meeting. There were 189 people who signed in, including 10 guests. Our membership remains at 289. If you did not receive a revised membership list at the last meeting, ask me for one at the May meeting. If you need a membership badge, please let me know. Anyone who would like to help at the membership table this month, please let me know.

MILLIE CLINTON

***** NSQG CALENDAR *****

- 5-17 General meeting at JFK High School, Route 138. Doors open at 7 p.m.; business meeting at 7:30. Program: Yvonne Porcella.
- 5-24 Board meeting at Nancy Mirman's house, 7:15 p.m. NEWSLETTER DEADLINE.
- 6-21 General meeting.
- 6-21 Board meeting for out-going and in-coming boards at Nancy Mirman's house.

BALANCE FORWARD 2/28/94 \$37,750.87

GENERAL ACCOUNT \$23,603.49

MEMBERSHIP 107.50
 EDUCATION 740.00
 TRIPS 5,465.00
 RAFFLE 197.20
 PINS 25.64
 INTEREST INCOME 35.25
 TOTAL INCOME 6,570.59

EXPENSE
 PROGRAMS 513.82
 NEWSLETTER 582.00
 TRIPS 785.50
 RENT & SERVICES 20.00
 SUPER SATURDAY 1,323.27
 EDUCATION 719.78
 HOSPITALITY 14.94
 MISCELLANEOUS 60.93
 ABC QUILTS 52.88
 BANK CHARGES 12.00
 TOTAL EXPENSE 4,085.12
 NET INCOME/EXPENSE \$2,485.47
 BALANCE \$26,088.96

QUILT SHOW ACCOUNT \$14,147.38

VENDORS 156.00
 FRAME RENTAL 300.00
 TOTAL INCOME 456.00

EXPENSE
 ADMISSIONS 39.39
 EQUIP. & RENTAL 163.35
 QUILT REGISTRATION 117.26
 SHOW PINS & DESIGN 122.61
 TOTAL EXPENSE 442.61
 NET INCOME/EXPENSE \$13.39
 BALANCE \$14,160.77

BALANCE 3/31/94 \$40,249.73

We received 47 entries in this year's "Fifteen in Any Form" block contest. They came from 14 states and as far away as Sweden.

The judging took place on March 23 and was done by Brenda Strauss, Susan Andrews and Mary Rossetti. With all the wonderful blocks to chose from it was not an easy job to narrow down the field to 15 finalists. But they did a wonderful job and many thanks to them for their sincere effort.

The 15 finalist blocks were assembled into a quilt top, displayed at the Quilt Show and won by one of the block makers in a random drawing. Also, two sets of blocks (15 each) were raffled off among all block contest entrants.

Thanks to all of you for your participation and your support.

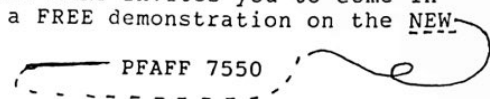
BARB BROSHAUS

***** BLOCK CONTEST WINNERS *****

- Lani Otrhalek, Indiana
- + Janet Broad, North Salem
- Linda Cline, California
- Shirley Grabel, Walton, N.Y.
- + Mildred Clinton, Brewster
- Caroline Hunka, North Bellmore
- + Lorraine Mioducki, Brewster
- + Carol Alt, Yorktown Heights
- + Tamar Drucker, Ossining
- +++Zelda Ziegler Garner, Idaho
- + Kay Fowler, Yorktown Heights
- ++ Olive Dmochowski, Connecticut
- +++Z.Z. Gilmore, Idaho
- Rene Bracken, Buchanan

 + NSQG member
 ++ had 2 winning blocks
 +++ twin sisters, unknown to us until after they were notified of their winning

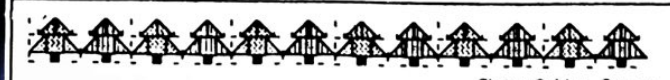
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******* TRAVELING QUILTERS *******

There are a few more seats available on the bus for the New England trip on Thursday, May 19. Join us for a 1-day trip to the New England Quilt Museum in Lowell, Mass., for a behind-the-scenes tour of the museum. Then, it will be on to the Museum of Our National Heritage in Lexington to view an exhibit of "Patchwork Souvenirs of the Chicago World's Fair." The cost is \$25, which includes round-trip bus and admissions to the museums. Call me (628-5380) to reserve your seat. Guests are always welcome.

Summertime is almost here and the White Plains Ski Club is again making the lodge in Waitsfield, Vt., available for guild members who want to visit the Vermont Quilt Show in Northfield, July 7-10. The cost to stay at the lodge is \$6 per night; the house sleeps 32 people comfortably.

Aug. 4 and 5 we will travel to Cape Cod for the 13th annual Cape Cod Quilt Festival of the Bayberry Quilt Guild. Unfortunately, the Cranston Print Works Co. is closed during the first two weeks in August. We are open to suggestions as what to do on or in around Cape Cod. We could again go on a whale watch. The cost for the tour bus and hotel will be \$90.

We had a wonderful time in Lancaster. The quilts at the Show were beautiful, of course. Sauder's had great fabrics, and we even found another fabric house, Weavers. We were very controlled, only spending a total of \$14,500 and taking home 1,400 yards of fabric. Charlie, our very patient driver, was amazed at our creativity, figuring that we had used up all the fabric purchased on last year's Lancaster trip and that we needed to restock! Little does he know that it's carefully piled in the "fabric stash."

Call me to make reservations as soon as possible. We are a great group with whom to travel!

LINDA VON AHN

LIBRARY NEWS

The following books have been added to our library for May:

Imagery On Fabric, by Jean Ray Laury, is a comprehensive guide to all types of printing on fabric - copy machines, computer printing and transfer, silk-screening, freezer-paper stenciling, light-sensitive and other photo printing techniques, stamping, drawing, and painting directly on fabric. A great reference book for anyone interested in this new trend in quilting.

Sewing On The Line, by Lesly-Claire Greenberg, shows an easy and accurate method for piecing Log Cabins, Pineapples, and related designs using fabric and paper foundations. Several small quilt projects are included.

Scrap Happy: Quick-Pieced Scrap Quilts, by Sally Schneider, is a new donation by guild member Margaret Midgley. Directions and cutting charts are given for quick-piecing several different scrap quilts. Thank you, Margaret.

Pieced From Ellen's Quilt, by Linda Otto Lipsett, is a fascinating collection of letters written by a 19th century pioneer, discovered by Linda Otto Lipsett while researching an old friendship quilt in her collection. Arranged chronologically, the letters tell the story of Ellen Spaulding Reed's difficult and lonely life on the frontier. Thank you, guild member Ellen Sabini, for this donation.

Lauran Tyler, Librarian
(232-8470)



******* THANK YOU *******

For a job well done I thank the members of my raffle quilt committee and all the volunteers who made the quilt. I always thought the quilt was beautiful but it was gratifying to stand near the Show's raffle table and listen to people rave about the Ohio Star. Thanks again.

KATHY SICA

***** SLATE OF 1994/95 CANDIDATES *****

PRESIDENT: NANCY MIRMAN

It has been a pleasure being president this year and I would be happy to serve in this position again. The Guild has been an important part of my life since 1985. It has been a source of education, inspiration and friendship.

When one works with women who are as dedicated and responsible as the Board members were this year, it makes being president easy. I look forward to another wonderful year in 1994/95.

VICE PRESIDENT/PROGRAMS: ALICE GARRARD

It's a real honor to be nominated for vice president of programs, and I'm looking forward to the coming year.

I've been living in Connecticut for the past 7 years with my husband, coming from Manhattan -- and that's when I started my quilting career. Upon "graduating" from my first quilting class I immediately designed and constructed an original 2-block unit.

I'm also a member of the Nutmeg Guild and Trumbull Piecemakers. In September 1991, I became program director of the Piecemakers and loved the challenges that came with the job. I was especially gratified that many of the quilts at our recent show reflected the techniques that were learned at our workshops.

Please don't hesitate to contact me with any ideas for programs that would interest you.

VICE PRESIDENT/MEMBERSHIP: MILDRED CLINTON

I've enjoyed being in charge of membership for the last year and hope to be able to serve as membership VP again next year. I've been sewing all of my life but have only been concentrating on quilting for about the last 4 years. The best part of being in charge of membership is that it has given me a chance to meet most of the members of the guild. Thank you for allowing me the opportunity to help an organization that has given me so much help and encouragement in my endeavors.

Maria Tamaoka

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VICE PRESIDENT/QUILT SHOW: BARBARA BROSHAUS

My introduction to quilting was about 7 years ago, when I decided it would be great to send my daughter off to college with a handmade quilt. After a trip to my local library for a "how-to-do-a-quilt" book, I took on the challenge. She went off to college and another 2 years later I delivered the quilt on Parents' Weekend! Oh, how naive I was in those days; little did I know about "quilter's addiction."

I have thoroughly enjoyed all aspects of the NSQG since I joined 4 years ago; I have held active positions on both the Board of Directors and the Show Committee for 3 years now. In addition to participating in the NSQG classes, I have participated in both the block contest and the Challenge quilt contest yearly and was happy to teach in our own Super Saturdays for the last 2 years. The most wonderful gift I have received from quilting is the friendship of the quilters.

I am honored to be nominated as 3rd vice president and look forward to serving as your quilt show chairman next year. And, no matter what people say, I believe "quilting is cheaper than therapy - and better for you."

RECORDING SECRETARY: CAROL ALT, information not available.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY: ANN FITZELL

My interest in quilting began in 1976 and really took flight when I joined the guild in 1988. Membership has given me the opportunity to be exposed to various lecturers, techniques, patterns, tools, etc. Above all, I have enjoyed many valued friendships as well.

After serving for 4 years on the Quilt Show Committee I will look forward to serving as corresponding secretary.

TREASURER: MARY ROSSETTI

I have been a very proud member of NSQG for 3 and 1/2 years. It is not often that you can come into a large, established group, not knowing a single member, and feel as welcome and comfortable as I did that first night in 1990. Thank you, Lori, and everyone else who never minded a stranger, and yes, strange person, sitting with them.

My background is in finance. I had worked for more than 10 years at Chesebrough-Pond in either an accounting or financial position. I am currently working for the town of Yorktown, and am the treasurer of a number of volunteer organizations to which I belong.

***** BULLETIN BOARD *****

Red, white and/or blue quilts or wall hangings are wanted for a show in July at the John C. Hart Memorial Library, 1130 Main St., Shrub Oak. If you can participate, please call Cobb Stewart at her office, 245-5262, or at home, 238-8653.

Lillian Colyer is offering a "hardly used" 29" Hinterberg Quilting hoop and stand for sale. If interested, call Lillian at 277-8106.

Mary Mazzacone's Homestead quilting frame, approximately 1 year old, is up for sale. The 92" long frame is height adjustable and fully assembled. The price is negotiable. Call Mary at 1941-8193 if you are interested.

If you would like to be on the mailing list of the new Kona Bay Fabrics Newsletter, send your name and address to Kona Bay Fabrics, 1928 Kalani St., Honolulu, Hawaii 96819.

Better Homes and Gardens' American Patchwork and Quilting magazine is searching for the best quilt shops in the country. Tell them where your favorite shops are and why you enjoy going there. How long has the shop been in business? do they offer lots of exciting classes? What is the shop's specialty? You can even include a brochure or business card. Send your information, including your name, address and daytime phone number to Quilt Shops, American Patchwork and Quilting, 1912 Grand Ave., Des Moines, IA 50309-3379.

Quilters are also invited to submit quilting tips for its Scraps of Wisdom column. You will be paid \$25 for each published tip that saves time or money or just makes quilting more enjoyable. Mail your ideas with your name, address and daytime phone number to the magazine at the address above.



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