

On Point!

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Comments from the President

By the time you read this, our 25th World of Quilts will be history. This anniversary has created a wave of interest in seeking information about our roots. If you have anything from our early years—papers, photos, newspaper clippings, newsletters—please pass them to any Board member. If you want them returned, we will make copies and return the originals to you. The Board is considering compiling this information into a small publication as part of our Guild's 25th anniversary celebration, coming up in 2005-2006. If you are interested in working on such a project, please let me know.

Show-and-Tell at our April meeting was stunning. We could wear out our elbows patting ourselves on the back for all the dazzling quilts, jackets, wall hangings and bags we produced. It was inspiring to see. Many thanks to all of the gifted and generous members who taught the various classes and to Joyce Sullivan who led the "Square Robin" project.

We will be sharing our World of Quilts XXV experiences at the May meeting, and by that time, maybe some of those works in progress will be in the past. But, as I write this, it is all in the exciting future.

Annual Election

May is election time and the nominating committee has presented their slate of candidates for the 2004-2005 board. We also encourage nominations from the floor. Any member can nominate a candidate (please remember to check with her first). Voting will be at the May meeting. This years' nominees are:

President: Susie Andersen

VP Membership: Kathy Vanacoro

VP Quilt Show: Caryl Castellion

VP Programs: Suzanne Sunday

Recording Secretary: Barbara Sliter

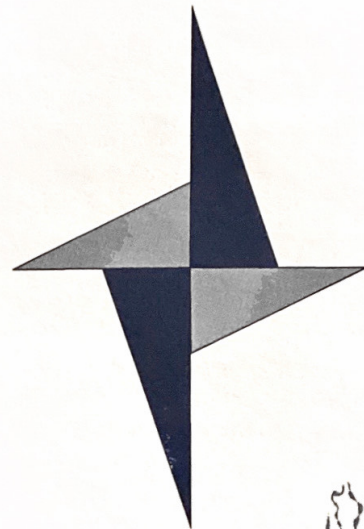
Corresponding Secretary: Melanie Darensod

Treasurer: Margaret Phillips

For more information about the candidates, please look inside.

Nominating Committee:

Georgia Heller (chair), Pat Baker, Ann Fitzell, Judy Gignesi, Andrea Winter



Hospitality— V, W, Y, Z



Once again we've gone through the alphabet! Many thanks to all of you who have helped make the hospitality table a welcoming gathering spot as we begin our meetings!

Refreshments in May will be provided by those whose last names begin with V, W, Y and Z. Remember to bring your mug—we'll plan to have lemonade available, as well as the usual hot beverages.

I will be needing a few people to help set up for the Salad Supper on June 15th. This will mean arriving about 5:00 pm to set the tables. If you can help, please call me at 914-631-6530, or drop by the hospitality table at the May meeting to give me your name.

Helen

Please Bring Your Cup

General Meeting
Tuesday
May 18
JFK High School
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Doors Open 6:45 pm
Meeting Begins
7:15 pm

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Monthly meetings are held the third Tuesday of each month, September through June, at John F. Kennedy High School, Route 138, Somers, New York. Doors open at **6:45 pm**, business meeting starts at **7:15 pm**.

Articles must be submitted to the newsletter Editor (generally one week) after the general meeting and may be submitted by postal mail, e-mail and fax. E-mail *attachments* cannot be accepted. **Please include your text in the body of the e-mail message.**

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April General Meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 18, at 6:45 pm. Deadline for the next newsletter is one week after the general meeting, May 25. There will be no exceptions to this deadline.

Fat Quarters for Our President

As most of you know, the June meeting will be Pat Baker's last meeting as our president. As usual, our "Thank You" to Pat will be a basket of fat quarters donated by the membership. There will be a basket at the registration table where you can drop off your fat quarter.

Melanie Darensod

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As you look forward to the meeting, check Robbi Joy Eklow's website: www.robbielow.com. Robbi has been writing a column for Quilting Arts magazine giving pointers on her expert machine quilting. Fon's and Porter's magazine, Love of Quilting, featured her in the January 2004 issue and had her as a guest on their TV show. You may have seen her guitar quilt in your travels. Now you will see it up close and personal. Jeri Riggs is hosting Robbi for her visit with us and we thank Jeri for her hospitality and transportation. Robbi will have new patterns and samples to show as well.

Coming in September...

It's not too early to tell you about Sharon Rexroad and her Floral Diamond Pineapple quilt. Sharon has designed a diamond shaped pineapple block which then fits together into an eight pointed star design. Please check out Maxine's Education Board for pictures of the quilt done in florals and hand-dyes. Not for beginners.

See her amazing creation on the cover of Quilter's Newsletter, also posted on Maxine's Education Board. You could do this after this workshop! See Sharon's website, www.sharonrexroad.com.

Also, starting in September workshop fees will be reduced to \$30 for the season.

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On the Road Again

Lancaster

The trip to Lancaster on April 2nd and 3rd was a great one!! NSQG was well represented and all the quilts were fabulous. In spite of the cold and rainy weather we managed to put quite a dent in our wallets. I wish to thank everyone on this trip for the beautiful array of 'yellow' fabric. Would you believe that out of 50 people on the bus, there was not one duplicate! I am saddened and happy at the same time to say that this was my last trip as Special Events Coordinator as I will be getting married and moving to Maryland next year. So I would like to thank all of you that have taken trips with me over the last 10 - 12 years....I've lost track of how many. You have all been the highlight of my life and I will treasure the memories forever. A VERY SPECIAL thanks to the ladies who gave me my quilted jacket!!!

Dorothy Fiederlein

P.S. I'll be living only 45 minutes from Lancaster YIPPEE!!! So I'll be visiting you all every year at the show.

Fort Washington, PA

The next trip is planned for September 18 to Fort Washington, PA. If you missed Lancaster, this is the next best thing. It's a one day trip....bus leaves at 7:00 am from Route 312 in Carmel, makes a stop in Elmsford at 9A and returns late evening. You can make your reservations with me until we find a replacement person to handle the trips. The cost is approximately \$50....to be confirmed at a later date. Send me an e-mail (dorothyf@us.ibm.com) or call me at 845-278-1881 (Home) or 914-766-3746 (Work) to reserve your seat.

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Important Dates

May 18	General Meeting JFK H.S.
May 21 (Friday)	Comfort Quilts
May 25	Board Meeting 6 pm
June 3 & 17	Comfort Quilts

NSQG on the Web

Do you teach? We now have a web page for guild members who teach classes: <http://northernstarquilters.com/teachers.htm>, which you can find by clicking on About Us and then Teachers. If you teach quilt-related classes and would like us to promote you, send me the same information you find on that page—a digital picture of what you teach, a paragraph describing the class or lecture, how long it lasts, and how people can get in touch with you. If you have a website, include that, too. Thanks!

cheers, Elizabeth
Elizabeth Poole
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Library News

The trend is continuing! We had quite a few overdue books returned at the April meeting, and many thanks to all of you who brought your books back on time. As you're spring-cleaning your studio, remember our June book sale and set aside some books, magazines, patterns, etc. for the sale. You may bring them to either the May or June meeting. The money made at the sale will go to expand the library's collection.

Overdue Books:

Carole Burton-3 magazines-2 months overdue; Fran Phillips, Bernice Strauber, and Laura Goldstein-1 book -1 month overdue; Patty Reina-2 books-1 month overdue, and Lois Lober and Tamar Drucker-3 books-1 month overdue.

Jackie Stewart, Librarian



2005 Raffle Quilt News

I hope you stopped in the Works-in-Progress room at the show to see the center medallion of the raffle quilt. The workmanship in the pieces is excellent, thank you all for your hard work and precision. It's going to be a beautiful quilt. And Genie Barnes, certified quilt appraiser, gave us a written appraisal for it.

At the meeting, I will be asking for hand quilters who are interested in quilting it during the summer months. So please come see me.

Linda Ostrander

Please Tidy Up the Cafeteria Before You Leave—Thanks

Sister Barbara asks that the tables and chairs be returned to their original placement after the meeting and that the tables be left clean and ready for the students the next day. We are fortunate for the school's accommodation and need to respect the conditions of the contract. Thanks for your cooperation.

A Call for Red, White and Blue Quilts

Hart Quilters of the John C. Hart Library under the guidance of Kay Fowler (also of NSQG) would like to display red, white and blue quilts during the month of July.

Please bring your Red/White/Blue quilts to the Library during June to be included in the exhibit.

Contact Person at the Library is Barbara Forbes, 914-240-5262.

Quilts of Common Threads

The Sound Waters Community Center will be presenting the "Quilts of Common Threads" from Wednesday, May 12 through June 6, 2004. (closed Mondays) The show will include a quilt exhibit, educational display, and an opportunity to "Meet the Quilt-Makers" on Saturday afternoons. The quilt exhibit will feature quilts by members of Common Threads, which includes members of the Northern Star Quilters' Guild.

Sound Waters mission is to educate children and adults about the wonders, beauty, and preservation of Long Island Sound and its watershed. They are located in a historic building in Cove Island Park, 1281 Cove Road, Stamford, CT. If you visit after Memorial Day, tell the parking attendant you are visiting Sound Waters to get a temporary permit. The park is located on the water and has a network of flat walking trails. Combine quilt viewing with a walk in a beautiful park. For more information and directions contact www.soundwaters.org or cthreads@optonline.net.

Georgia Heller
Lynnette Clemmens

Quilt Frames

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May News—World of Quilts XXV

Did we have a good time or what??? It was so wonderful to see so many of the original committee at our show, including Beryl Lawson and Kay Thorn. Kay's husband Bill was the designer of our frames.

I want to thank everyone on the committee for going above and beyond the call of duty this year. You all really did your jobs with very little help from me and made my job so very much easier.

Donna Olsen did a terrific job keeping track of our meetings and did anything I asked her to do.

Chris Ruggieri said we had 9 buses and kept the admission line running smoothly and quickly.

Lori Light-Demarco and Joan Weth put together 2 beautiful quilt tops from the over 40 blocks entered in the block contest.

Georgia Heller took care of all our printing needs and produces a beautiful catalog and mailing brochure for us.

Mayann Weinberg, Beth Carney, Linda Schoenfeld did a super job displaying all the challenge quilts.

Trayce Bremner solicited vendors and other companies to provide over 30 door prizes for the show.

Jackie Fowler was in charge of the equipment rental including tables for all the vendors and all the other things needed for the show.

Karen Abramson and Joan Weth went above and beyond the call of duty getting everything from the storage unit and finding able bodied teens to help with the task. The frames were assemble by 4:10 on Friday and disassemble and loaded back on the truck by 6pm Sunday.

Kathy Johnson and her crew served over 150 very hungry volunteers and vendors Friday night.

Susan Chapman made sure that we had tasty snacks throughout the weekend in the Hospitality Room.

Chris Roche answered all the questions that our guests could think of including when the "show" was supposed to begin?

Ellen Silver assemble a beautiful display for the invitational area from our founding members as well as beautiful quilts from our speakers.

Catherine Doyle worked tirelessly with Sister Barbara to make sure everything at the school including all the student volunteers went smoothly.

Margaret Phillips and Carolyn Salon did an excellent job getting three excellent judges and had the day organized to run smoothly and efficiently.

Debbie Bein & Fran Phillips did an excellent job making sure our speakers Hollis Chatellain and Sue Nickels, were comfortable and had everything they needed.

Kathy Vanacoro compiled our new mailing list and made sure that was sent in a timely and efficient manner.

Caryl Castellion and her son were busy snapping pictures of everything from judging to set up to the show itself.

Lynette Clemens sent press releases to all the local and national publications to keep them informed about our show.

Harriet Bertsche organized everything for Genie Barnes to do her appraisals.

Nancy Mirman planned where all the quilts should be hung and then **Joyce Sullivan and Janis Riznychok** did a great job executing those plans.

Joanne Lovitz and Bernice Strauber made sure the quilts were well protected with the white glove ladies and our three handsome security men.

Carol Auer and Jackie Stewart did an excellent organizing the quilts as registrations were received, moving the quilts from drop off to judging to hanging and then pickup on Sunday afternoon.

Alice Dokken made sure the raffle quilt was assembled, quilted and displayed to show off its beauty.

Mary Cannizaro and Carolyn Langevin did a terrific job getting the raffle tickets and prizes so we could have a wonderful donation for Hospice.

Vicki Romaine Cohn designed the show pins and made all the ribbons and badges for the show.

Judy Jones did an excellent job updating all the indoor signs.

Barbara Sferra made sure that all the outdoor signs were in place to direct all our guests to the show.

Claire Victor and Karen Carlson worked tirelessly to make sure the silent auction was a success obtaining 50 quilts for the auction.

Marilyn Pagliarulo was in charge of our vendors and provided us with an interesting group for us to choose from to spend our money.

Meg Mooar worked hard to fill the volunteer space need to keep the show running smoothly and efficiently.

Judy Gignesi had a beautiful display and many wonderful demonstrations in the works in progress room to inspire us all.

Marie Sugar and her husband spent most of the weekend counting money and paying the bills for the show.

A special thank you to **Sister Barbara and the staff and students of JFK** who are all so helpful in making this show a success. Without

their help we would never be able to get the show done.

I want to thank everyone in the guild who has been so supportive of me these many months. Your kind words and prayers were greatly appreciated. I want to also thank my special friends and my family who helped me though my most difficult days when giving up sounded like an easier way than going to another treatment. And most especially my sweet husband Bill who has been by my side all the way. I could not have done it without all of you.

Liz Doyle

Annual Election — May Meeting — Meet the Candidates

May is the NSQG annual meeting, where we will be electing the 2004-2005 Board. You must be at the meeting to vote. The following is information about each candidate's background. Each name is preceded by the office for which the candidate has been nominated.

President—Susie Andersen

Quilting has been a part of my life since I graduated with a B.S. in Home Economics Education from the University of Missouri in 1974. I made my first appliqued quilt in 1985 for my second son's birth and was a closet quilter until I moved to Texas in 1992. I soon joined the Dallas quilt guild where I met some of the most inspiring women. I knew that where ever I moved, all I had to do was find a quilt guild and I would be among friends.

I joined NSQG in September of 1993. I've always been an active member and have worked on the block contest, nominating committee, quilt show committee and hospitality. This past year I served as Vice President of Membership. It has been a very rewarding job as I have become more acquainted with the members and I have enjoyed starting the One Woman Show. I believe the guild is all about its members and want us to know and celebrate our own members' talents.

I have just been elected to my fifth two year term on the Greenwich Representative Town Meeting. I have a life long interest in leadership, leadership development, organizational structure and government. I believe that my experiences can benefit the guild.

It is my hope that as President I can strengthen the organizational and reporting structure of the guild. My goal is to make it easier for members to become active and involved. I would like to increase and elevate our main purpose of educating the public about the art of quilt making. I look forward to serving your guild as President.

VP Programs—Suzanne Sunday

I have been an active member of NSQG for over 10 years and have served as Chair of the Challenge Committee three times, Show Committee Vendor Chair for two years, Co-Chair of the Block Contest, and coordinated two perimeter displays at the annual show and I've taught numerous times at Super Saturday. In the community, I have been on the Board and the fund-raising committee of the Community Center. I have also on the Board of the Jewish Family Congregation.

VP Quilt Show—Caryl Castellion

Almost ten years ago I machine-pieced and hand-quilted my first quilt. There was a three-year period of quiet until my family started marrying and having children. With everyone now quilt covered (and with the freedom of retirement and the retirement gift of a Bernina), I joined NSQG in 2001. Comfort Quilts was a program that sounded interesting to me and I have enjoyed the benefits of creating and donating many quilts along with a group of fun, creative women who offer advice on

request and encouragement. This was a perfect setting to try out new learnings from the wonderful workshops offered by the Guild. Show Photographer has been the position I have held on the NSQG Show Committee the past two years. I have enjoyed working with the Guild members in the Show Committee, participating in Super Saturdays and Comfort Quilts and look forward to coordinating the NSQG Quilt Show effort next year.


VP Membership—Kathy Vanacoro

I have been a member of Northern Star since 1997. When I joined I knew one way to get to know the membership was to volunteer, so that's exactly what I did! In the past I have worked on the show committee as Raffle Chairperson, and am currently in charge of Mailings. I have also served on the board as VP Programs. I have made numerous friends through this guild and I couldn't be happier. This guild is comprised of such a wonderful potpourri of talent, and it's all right here for us to pick and choose. All you have to do is ask—we quilters love to share our ideas.


As far as my qualifications for membership chair, well, I am currently a secretary to the Principal at one of the largest middle schools in NYS and I have a pretty good background in computer programs. My husband Matt understands my passion for quilting, because he has one for hunting and fishing (one of these days I'll make him that "fish" wall hanging!). I have two children and the family all understands about those little pieces of thread on their clothes from the washer and dryer.

Recording Secretary—Barbara Sliter

When I joined the Guild over 15 years ago, I didn't know anyone. Then, as now, I found a large group of warm, talented, and enthusiastic people with whom I shared a passion for quilting. The way I chose to find my place within this group was to take classes, go on trips, and volunteer—first as the editor of the Newsletter, and later on the Show Committee. I stopped being a member

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...Candidates (continued)

when my husband became very ill, and I rejoined this past year. I look forward to renewing old acquaintances, meeting new ones, and participating in the Guild as your Recording Secretary.

Corresponding Secretary—Melanie Darensod

When I retired five years ago, I was at a loss for a new creative outlook since sewing and crafting did not fulfill me anymore. A friend brought me to a NSQG meeting and I have been hooked ever since. I am still in awe of the incredible talent of guild members and the NSQG organization, which offers so many opportunities to grow and serve. I have made friends who have shared much of their time, talents and even "stash" to help me become a quilter. I have been a board member as corresponding secretary this past year and it is with a spirit of gratitude that I wish to continue to serve the Guild in that position.

Treasurer—Margaret Phillips

I have been a member of NSQG for eight years and on the Show Committee for seven. In addition to being the VP of the 2002 and 2003 Quilt Shows, I have done Judging, the Block Contest, and the Perimeter Display. In 25 years of quilting, I have completed over 100 quilts. I like to enter contests and exhibit my work.

For the past 12 years I've worked as a bookkeeper in Connecticut and New York for many different types of businesses. I am now working for a marketing consulting firm in Stamford that lets me take time off for quilt shows. Before my son was born, I worked in Engineering and Finance at Raytheon.

In all of my jobs, I have tried to identify goals then organize people and establish methods to accomplish the goals in the simplest and most efficient way possible. I would be honored to be the NSQG treasurer next year and work with Susie Andersen, the nominee for President, to accomplish her goals for our Guild. I feel that my combined guild and financial backgrounds provide an excellent basis for the job.

Membership

We will start to distribute surveys and registration forms for the 2004-2005 at the May meeting. The survey is a great way to tell the board of any ideas or suggestions you have for the guild. Take this opportunity to fill it out, bring your check for \$35 and you can return the envelope that night or at the June meeting.

Make a note on the top of your September calendar that you have paid. Many of you can't remember by September! Most of the problems we have with addresses, etc. come from waiting too late to pay your dues. Kathy Vanacoro is going to be a good VP of membership, let's help her out by paying our dues over the summer.

I had to have a lot of help to do the job! Vicki Romaine Cohn is responsible for the new format for the directory, the beautiful new design for the name buttons and for printing your membership cards. Georgia Heller had previously designed the membership cards and refined her design this year. Margaret Phillips helped me reorganize and update all the membership materials. Lori Light Demarco gave us the cute drawing for the blank page in the directory. Lynette Clemens prepares the address labels for the newsletter. Althea Nolan, Beazie Larned and Susan Rooks help every month with the sign-in table. Minny Lugay, Sheila Gargano and Lorraine Caravetta have helped by making badges on site and distributing the fabric name tag kits. Judy Mayer greeted new members and sold pins and tote bags. Marie Pedlow started the new quilter table. Linda Schoenfeld has done a great job of setting up the "One Woman Show" all year. Sharon Shula photographed the featured members for the newsletter. All of the members whose work was exhibited helped by planning their own exhibit and by bringing a friend or two to set it up.

I want to thank them all, their friendship and willingness to help inspires me!

Vice President, Membership
Susie Andersen



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- We will travel via bus (and luggage carrier) to the Crowne Plaza Cullen Center.
- I will personally contact the front desk prior to our departure to make sure arrangements have been made for our arrival.
- Departure on Saturday November 6 via Continental Airlines on flight 632U at 3:55 pm and arrival at LaGuardia Airport at 8:14 pm.

OR

- Departure on Sunday November 7 via Continental Airlines on flight 725V at 2:27 pm and arrival at LaGuardia Airport at 6:55 pm.

Prices are as follows:

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4 Nights \$610 (flight/bus/hotel)

Air only \$350 (flight/bus)

If you are interested in this trip to Houston, please give me a call at (845) 628-3342 to reserve your space. Prices are based on double occupancy and when you make your reservation I will need to know who you will be rooming with or if you need me to place you with another single.

Payment

I will need payment as follows:

Date:	3 nights	4 nights	air only
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6/15/04	\$225	\$255	\$125
7/15/04	\$225	\$255	\$125
TOTAL	\$550	\$610	\$350

**If a payment is due, please pay it on time.
With a group of 50-60 people, I don't have
the time to chase people for payment. thank
you for your understanding.**

Linda Jennings, Special Events

Square Robin

The Square Robin Show and Tell was outstanding! Many thanks to all the participants. We will be awaiting the finished quilts to give to our many needy kids through Comfort Quilts.

To those who thought May was the month to show your quilts (because I made that mistake in my March message) please do bring them then.

The participants seemed to like the Square Robin format better than the Round Robin format. Let me know if you feel differently before plans are made for next year. Let me know also if you would like to take over this job. Everyone might like a change of face in leadership.

Joyce Sullivan

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General Meeting Raffle Table

The raffle table for May will be the last one for the year. We will be featuring over 32 yards of batik fabrics. This should be an exciting event. Thank you to everyone for a great year.

Janice Nastasi



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Treasurer's Report

Opening Balance - 7/1/03

Guild	28,431.70	
Show	8,984.86	
		37,416.56

Income

Guild - Membership	10,055.00	
Guild - Interest	160.04	
Guild - Misc	137.00	
Transfer from Show Account	3,500.00	
Total Guild Income		13,852.04

Show Income	14,206.92	
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Total Income 28,058.96

Expenses

Guild

Accountant	(1,750.00)	
Education	(498.11)	
General Office	(765.29)	
Insurance	(617.00)	
Library	(784.27)	
Membership	(471.20)	
Newsletter	(2,614.56)	
Program	(4,027.73)	
Trip Deposits (Net)	(76.99)	
Various	(755.60)	(12,360.75)

Show Expenses (10,042.33) (10,042.33)
Includes \$3500 transfer to Guild

Ending Balance 4/26/04

Guild	29,922.99	
Show	13,149.45	43,072.44

Workshops

Robbi Joy Eklow's workshop is booked right now. She will be here May 18th.

Coming in September, we will have Sharon Rexroads' Diamond Pineapple

Foundation piecing workshop www.sharonrexroad.com

Oct. we will have Ann Fahl www.execpc.com/~fahl and in November we will have Cynthia England www.englanddesign.com

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Shows and Exhibitions

- Stamford, CT: Common Threads, May 12-June 6, Soundwaters Community Center, Cove Island Park, 1281 Cove Road. Contact: Barbara Hicks, cthreads@optonline.net.
- Sutton, MA: Sutton Beauties: Tricentennial Quilt Show, May 14-15, First Congregational Church, 307 Boston Road. Contact: Janet Whittier, 693 Central Turnpike, Sutton, MA 01590; jwhit@gis.net.
- Warwick, NY: Warwick Valley Quilters' Guild Show, May 15-16, Sanfordville School; warwickvalleyquiltersguild@yahoo.com; <http://geocities.com/warwickvalleyquiltersguild/>.
- Lincoln, NE: "Portage: Art Quilts by Virginia A. Spiegel," now through May 21, Nebraska Governor's Mansion, 1425 H Street; vaspiegel@alltel.net.
- York, PA: Celebration of Quilts 2004, May 22-23, York Expo Center/Fairgrounds, Old Main Building, Carlisle Avenue; 717-741-0044; <http://www.yorkquiltersguild.com>.
- Lowell, MA: "Free Motion Masterpieces," now through May 30, New England Quilt Museum, 18 Shattuck Street; 978-452-4207.
- Nanaimo, British Columbia: Nanaimo Quilters 20th Celebration, May 28-30, Beban Park Complex, 2300 Bowen Road; 250-758-3056; valursulak@shaw.ca.
- Canterbury, England: Oast Quilters' Showcase, May 29-31, Westgate Hall, Westgate Hall Road; 01303 863197; liz.coleman@virgin.net.
- Liverpool, NY: Quilter's Holiday, June 4-6, Holiday Inn Convention Center, 441 Electronics Parkway. Contact: QCNYS, PO Box 44, Sherrill, NY 13461; Molly Waddell, 315-363-1548; Ddiamond@dreamscape.com; Nancy Pawlika, 315-363-4235, Npawlika@plandresults.com; qcnys@twcny.rr.com; <http://www.geocities.com/qcnys>.
- Riverhead, NY: Peconic Quilt Show, June 5-6, Suffolk Community College; 516-334-0466; <http://www.eliqg.org>.
- Edison, NJ: New Jersey Quilt Convention, June 10-12, New Jersey Convention and Expo Center at Raritan Center; <http://www.NJQUILTS.org>.
- Peoria, IL: A Patchwork Presence, May 28-June 26, Peoria Art Guild, 203 Harrison Street; 309-637-2787; <http://www.peoriaartguild.org>.
- Paducah, KY: "Prize-Winning Quilters and Their Quilts: 20th Anniversary Exhibition," now through July 31, MAQS; 270-442-8856; info@quiltmuseum.org; <http://www.quiltmuseum.org>.
- Kingston, RI: "At the Crossing: Midwestern Amish Crib Quilts and the Intersection of Cultures," now through September 19, The University of Rhode Island Textile Gallery, 55 Lower College Road; 401-874-4574.

- Peoria, IL: Traditional 19th Century Quilts, now through September 19, Lakeview Museum's Folk Art Gallery; 309-686-7000; <http://www.lakeview-museum.org>.
- Shelburne, VT: "Art of the Needle: 100 Masterpiece Quilts from Shelburne Museum," now through October 31, Shelburne Museum: Contact: Shelburne Museum, U.S. Route 7, Shelburne, VT 05482; 802-985-3346; <http://www.shelburnemuseum.org>.

Other Events

- New York, NY: "Talking about Talking Quilts" by Stacy C. Hollander, May 13 and June 10, American Folk Art Museum, 45 West 53rd Street; 212-265-1040.
- New York, NY: Family program on "Paper Quilt Talk," May 16, American Folk Art Museum, 45 West 53rd Street. Registration required; \$10 fee; 212-265-1040.
- New York, NY: "Quilts on Screen," May 21, American Folk Art Museum, 45 West 53rd Street; 212-265-1040.
- Auburn, NY: "Care of Your Historical Collections" workshop, May 22, Seward House, 33 South Street (participants may bring one object for evaluation; registration required; \$10 fee). Contact: Heather Marks, 315-252-1283.
- Lake George, NY: A Quilters' Retreat at Wiawaka with Anita Shackelford and Sharon Stroud, August 18-22 or August 25-29, Wiawaka Holiday House. SASE to Thimble Works, P.O. Box 462, Bucyrus, OH 44820.
- Shippensburg, PA: Quilt Odyssey 2004's Contest. SASE to Quilt Odyssey, 15004 Burnt Mill Road, Shippensburg, PA 17257; <http://www.quiltodyssey.com>.
- Calais, France: "Dress/Dream: Dreams of Dress," June 10-October 31, <http://www.lille2004.com>.
- Nationwide: Reproductions of three of the Gee's Bend quilts (part of the sales will benefit the Gee's Bend Quilters Collective and the individual quilter), Anthropologie, 1-800-309-2500. A traveling exhibition of the original Gee's Bend quilts will be at the Corcoran Gallery of Arts (Washington, DC) through May 17 and will open at the Cleveland Museum of Art (Cleveland, OH) on June 27.
- Worldwide: 2004 Quilt of Dreams (to benefit St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital), <http://www.hancockfabrics.com>.
- Worldwide: Quilt Seminars at Sea (Alaska-Seattle, May 30-June 6; San Diego-Mexican Riviera, November 6-13; Tampa-Caribbean, February 12-19, 2005; Alaska-Seattle, August 20-27, 2005). Contact: Faye Doyle, 1-800-543-7914; FayeDoyle@aaawin.com; <http://www.quiltcruises.com>.

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Worldwide Web Sites

- Bea Yurkerwich at http://www.artfromtheheart.net/beas_quilts.htm
- Carol Grotrian at <http://www.carolannegrotrian.com/>
- Diamond 16 puzzle at <http://www759.freesevers.com/puzzle.htm>
- Diane Gaudynski at <http://personal.pitnet.net/dgquilt>
- Nancy Kirk at <http://www.kirkcollection.com>
- NQA Today! at <http://www.nqaquilts.org/NQAToday2.pdf>
- Susan Schrott at <http://www.Susanschrott.com>



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Member of the Month Georgia Heller

I worked for over 30 years, first at IBM and then a software consulting company, and during that time went through some very good and several very difficult times in my personal life. By 1997 the personal life was going well, but it was time to leave the consulting company. I decided to "take a year off" from work. A few weeks later I was browsing in a local bookstore and became intrigued by a book on using computers in various types of arts and crafts, including quilting. Before long I ordered Electric Quilt and signed up for a beginning quilting class. My sewing skills up to that point had been limited to sewing on a button or repairing a hem or seam. But I jumped right into playing with EQ while waiting to start the class.

I never did go back to work, but have been quilting ever since. Most of my work is done by machine and I enjoy experimenting with, adapting, and combining machine techniques. After my first quilt (a bed-sized sampler) was completed, all of my pieces have been lap quilts or wall hangings. This past year I decided to make not one, but two, machine-applied bed quilts for myself. One is finished and was in the 2004 World of Quilts show. As much as I enjoy designing and making quilts, as well as admiring those others have made, even more important to me have been the wonderful friendships I've made through quilting. I've learned so much from my quilting friends and have had so much fun!

Thank you.
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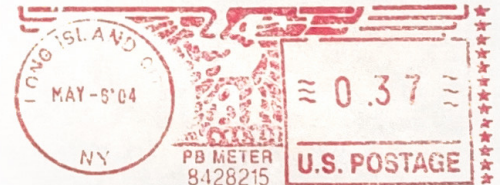
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