



Northern Star Quilters' Guild

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NEWS 'N SUCH

November 1990

President's Corner



As I sit here in front of my word processor, I wish to say to you all, Horray! cooler weather is here. Now we can get back to serious quilting. One look at the raffle quilt and I can't wait to put in some stitches.

Eleanor Peace-Bailey's lecture and show was an enjoyable entertainment. Some of the dolls were exquisite and some were outlandish, but all were fun to see. I attended one of her workshops last time she was here and made the large Baroque Angel. When the holidays come I will bring her for Show and Tell. Right now she is residing in a box in the attic. I don't think she has a name, but after last night's presentation, I will have to give her one.

As you know, our board members have been hard at work since July, and your continuing support in volunteering and attendance at workshops is so appreciated. Can't you imagine the fun day all had at Eleanor's workshop? There are many more educating and enjoyable workshops that Joan has scheduled, including one with our own Susie Lawrence on Dec. 8th.

Also looking forward, November 3rd is the date for our Boutique at Fox Lane High School. Susan reports that the response is good and this should be one of the guild's best. Even if you do not have anything to sell, try to make it to see what our guild members are doing. I have always found something to purchase, large or small.

PRESIDENT CONT.

Thank you again to Sue Light for filling in for me and Susie at the October meeting with giving out the material for the ABC quilts. We were able to distribute all the material and should see some super quilts in the future. I do wish the person who donated the material would let me know her name, and I do apologize for losing that information.

Now I must close and go pack since my husband and I are on our way to Colorado to visit our daughter and her husband. I can't wait to see how the white-on-white quilt looks on their bed. So goodbye for now and I look forward to seeing you at the November meeting.

Karen Hagert



Our November meeting will be held at the Somers Intermediate School on Nov. 20th. Doors open at 7:00 p.m. with the Business Meeting Commencing at 7:45 p.m. REMEMBER come early and visit the mini-workshop on color!

General Meeting Dates:

Nov 20, Dec 18, Jan 15, Feb 12,
Mar 19, Apr 16, May 21 & June 18th.

Board Meeting Dates:

Nov. 27, Jan 7, Jan 22, Feb 26,
Mar 26, Apr 23, May 28 & June 25th.

Programs

On November 20 our program speaker will be Richard Zimmerman. Richard was one of our guest lecturers when our guild was very young. He returns this month with an exploration of the "Mariner's Compass and Other Stars." (Remember - a star should appear on your challenge quilt. This evening could be a source of inspiration!) Richard highly recommends Judy Mathieson's book Mariner's Compass: An American Quilt Classic and this will be a November raffle prize.

Other raffle prizes will be the book Color and Cloth by Mary Coyne Penders to help you with your color mini-workshops. Also, the 1990 A.Q.S. Quilt Show and Contest VIDEO (VHS) will be featured. It's a great hour of quilts and quilters.

The fabric collection for November's raffle will be seven 1 yard pieces of "Shrinking Violet" solids- deep purple to palest lavender. The winner will have fabric for her challenge quilt, her color workshops, and her block contest entry. (Sorry, we will not be raffling off TIME for all of this.)

December program: I would like to look ahead to the Dec. 18th meeting. So many of us will be traveling to family and friends for Thanksgiving. Please keep in mind that our Dec. theme will be "Remembering and Honoring" women needle artists of our past. For our special Show and Tell I will ask you to bring in a sample(s) of needlework by a woman in your past and a photograph of her if possible. I'll give you more details in our next newsletter.



Festival of Trees: Thank you to the guild members who handed in their lovely Christmas tree ornaments at the October meeting. This month's meeting is our last opportunity to gather together enough handmade fabric ornaments to trim a 6 foot tree for the Putnam Hospital's fundraiser (Dec. 1) NSQG made such an impression last year. Let's match it!

Give your trimmings to Eleanor Scarcella on Nov. 20. If anyone can donate a tree skirt or something special for the tree top please call Eleanor at 248-8281.



1992 Raffle Quilt: Don't forget the second workshop on Nov. 14 at the Somers Intermediate School cafeteria 7-10 p.m. We provide the fabrics - you provide the tools to make a 6" block for our sampler quilt: pieced or appliqued, hand or machine.

Eleanor Scarcella

1990-91 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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Show News

April 26, 27 and 28, 1991

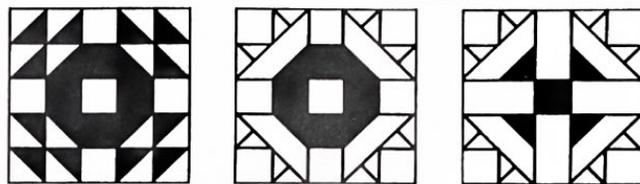
Mark those dates on your calendars now! A World Of Quilts XII will shift to a week earlier than usual, so remind all your quilt-oriented friends of the change. We need all the publicity we can get, and nothing is better than person-to-person contacts.

A SPECIAL EVENT involving our raffle quilt is coming up on Sat, Nov 17. We are having a Quilting Frolic at Pat Baker's house (see directions) mainly to quilt on the lovely basket quilt for our 1991 raffle, but also to get acquainted and just to have fun. The front door will be open from 9 to 5. If you don't want to quilt (or are shy about it), you can thread needles, fix lunch, work on a project of your own, or just visit, but do come (and I hope Virginia Avery and her class will drop by when the class is over), for the day or for an hour or two. If my house runs over with NSQG members, all the better! I will need to know how many of you will be having lunch, so call me at 279-8840 (by Wed., Nov 14, please) if you'll be here over lunch hour, and/or would like to help with lunch. Your friends are welcome; do try to remember to wear your name tag if you have one so we can all learn who we are.

At the November meeting, the vote will be held on recipients of the raffle quilt. Descriptive sheets and ballots will be handed out as you enter.

The Show Committee still needs someone willing to take responsibility for parking. Someone out there have a willing spouse?

Pat Baker



EDITOR'S NOTES:

Dear Friends; I want you to know that I am a New Englander to the core; enjoying cold snappy weather, a well told tale, and possessed of a strong, practical and frugal streak. However, on a recent visit to Portsmouth, New Hampshire I realized another aspect of my character-irrationality.

I was enjoying various aspects of this, our country's oldest working seaport, the restored mansions, museums and of course shopping. At one store I found a particularly lovely dried flower wreath, priced at \$44.00. It really was worth it but I hemmed and hawed coming quite close to the edge, imagining how it would grace and enhance our dining room but that stubborn streak of frugality reeled me in like an experienced angler, and I didn't purchase it after all.

Leaving the quaint shop behind me I ambled down the red-bricked streets and lo and behold I found a quilt shop! The Patience Corner Quilt Shop.

Within minutes I was home. Striking up an acquaintance with the sales-girl I found she had visited our show - indeed she had described it in glowing terms before she realized I was a guild member. How proud I was to claim membership in our group.

Of course, I had to check her supply of books, tools and fabrics. Courtesy demands it. We all know what happened, don't we?

Ten minutes later this frugal New Englander was happily clutching her new cache of fabrics to her breast while chuckling inwardly at another aspect of a quilter's mentality. I hate to say it girls but when it comes to quilting we're irrational.

Elaine Merritt

Resource & Education

There is still time to sign up for Virginia Avery's Tricks n' Treats.
Nov. 10th 9:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m. \$30.00.
Everyone had a sneak preview of some of the great tricks with fabric that could be used to embellish your jacket, vest or other garment.

Virginia's jacket class was split into two separate workshops. Those who did not confirm the date of Nov. 28 & 29th with me will remain in the class for Nov. 16 & 17th. Those who are interested in the class, we now have some room left on both days. Contact me if you did not receive a supply list. The time for both classes is 9:00 a.m.-3:30 p. m. \$60.00 + pattern fee.

Sat. Dec. 8th- 9:30-3:30 \$20.00
Christmas Critters by Susie Lawrence

Jan. 19th Sat. 10-3:30 \$30.00
Richard Zimmerman, Mariner Compass
Develop a Mariner's Compass design. Learn how to piece this beautiful design with ease and accuracy. Completed compass makes the perfect focal point for a new medallion quilt or wall hanging. Pattern fee \$1.00 for 6", 12" or 15" compasses. Intermediate to advanced.

Following dates NOT confirmed:

Jan - Apron workshop for quilt show
aprons

Feb. 16th Sat.- Judith Reilly
Traditional into Contemporary

Mar. 16th- SUPER SATURDAY!

Weds. Mar 20th-Design thru the Window,
Jo Diggs. Primarily a design class and is very good at teaching one how to see and translate what they see into quilt design. All designs based on the arch and straight lines found in the motif.

These should wet your appetite for learning. All classes held at Lake Lincolndale Club House.

Joan Crawford

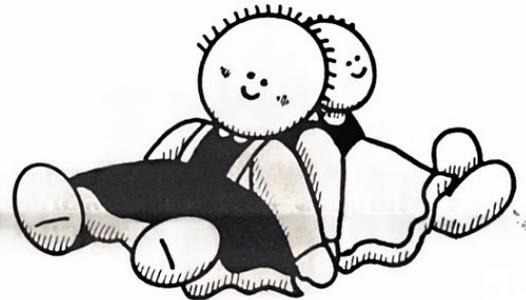
Welcome New Members

The following joined at the October meeting:

- Janet Behning-Atkins
- Ingrid Courtney
- Jane Davila
- Patricia Goyette-Hill
- Sara Gruner
- Marguerite Killian
- Adell Martin
- Vickie Ramella
- Chris Roche
- Kathryn Shubar
- Provi Svensson
- Angela Thompson
- Christa Zago.

A warm welcome to each of you, we hope you find as much pleasure and friendship as we've been privileged to find in the guild. The membership now stands at 206. The addresses for these ladies will be in your new membership list.

Susie Lawrence



HINT: No need to backstitch to begin a line of stitching on the machine. Instead, start sewing with the stitch length set at "0". As the first 1/2" is sewn, slowly dial the stitch length to normal size stitch; to end dial back down to "0" Clip top and bottom threads at the fabric, and don't worry it won't come out!

Every Trick In The Book-Amy Simms

PERSONAL GLIMPSES:

This will not be an easy assignment; to limit this column to 1 or 2 members each month; to only tell the stories of several when there are hundreds to tell. However, as I must start somewhere, I've decided to begin this column with an outline of the interview and what I hope to accomplish.

I plan on taking the membership list and dividing it into eight parts, and randomly picking names for the interviews. As I had explained at the October meeting, I will be interviewing 1 or 2 members each month, probably by phone. I would also like very much to get pictures, but haven't decided the best way to do this. It seems only logical to follow up with a picture of the member we've gotten to know through the column, and be able to connect the name and the face!

Please keep in mind that I would like to keep the column personal, but not necessarily intimate, and if there is anything you object to, feel free to say so. This includes the interview itself; some people are more private than others. During the course of the interview, I would like to find out where you were born (NOT WHEN), children and grandchildren, how you fill a day (be it at work or at home), other hobbies and interests, and, of prime interest to most of us, how you became interested in quilting. Included in this line of thought will be the types and/or styles of quilting you most enjoy, and how long you've been in the Guild.

My goal is this; if, after you have read an interview on a member, you find you share an interest, or a hometown, or a quilt favorite, PLEASE walk up to her, introduce yourself, and get acquainted!

After all, each of us has a story to tell....

Lisa Salvestrini

Financial Report

BALANCE FORWARD 8/31/90 \$7,942.58

CASH DISBURSED

Program	608.85
Publicity	17.50
Resource & Education	412.70
NY State sales tax	485.49
Service Chg. (cking acct.)	17.95

TOTAL 1,542.49

CASH RECEIVED

Membership	3,173.50
Workshops	2,106.00
NSQG pins	19.05
Sept. mtg. raffle	139.00

TOTAL 5,437.55

BALANCE 9/30/90 11,837.64

INVESTOR'S CHOICE ACCOUNT

Interest	9/28/90	\$29.14
Balance	9/28/90	\$5,338.41



The following shops would like me to inform you that they offer a 10% discount for guild members- please bring your membership card.

Pins N' Needles
161 Main Street
Mt. Kisco, NY



914-628-8338

SUE'S FABRIC WORLD

11 Mahopac Village Center
Route 6
Mahopac, NY 10541

Sue Bennett
Proprietor

Special Events

The 1990 NSQG Holiday Boutique will be held on Nov. 3 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. (9 a.m. for members) at the Fox Lane High School on Rt 172 in Bedford Hills. All members whose 1990-91 dues are paid in full are invited to participate. All handmade quilt related items - including non-fabric and pre-printed fabric items will be accepted for sale. Items for the boutique may be dropped off no later than noon on Nov. 1 at the following locations:

Sue's Fabric World
The Country Quilter
Karen Hagert's residence
Joan Crawford's residence
Susan White's residence

Sale items may also be brought to Fox Lane the morning of the boutique. 8 a.m. the latest! Volunteers are needed, so come join us and enjoy the day.

NSQG tote bags are still available for sale. The bags are \$9.00 each. See or call Susan White for more info.

Susan White

Hospitality

Thank you to all who brought cookies to the meeting last month. These treats were a tremendous hit. Many asked for the recipe for the chocolate cookies so Lillian Colyer is sharing her recipe with us. Thanks Lillian.

Rita Palumbo

CHOCOLATE ALPINE COOKIES

1 stick butter, unsalted
4 squares unsweetened chocolate, 4 oz.
2½ cups sugar, divided
3 eggs
2 tsps. vanilla
2 cups flour
2 tsps. baking powder
½ tsp. salt
1 "Alpine" chocolate bar (Hershey's)
5 oz.

Cream butter in bowl. Melt chocolate in double boiler and blend into butter with 2 cups of sugar.

Beat in eggs, one at a time. Add vanilla.

Sift flour, baking powder, and salt together and add to chocolate mixture.

Break up Alpine chocolate bar into very small pieces and mix into chocolate dough.

Chill dough for 2 hours.

Pre-heat oven to 350°. Form dough into balls and roll into remaining sugar.

Place 2" apart on ungreased cookie sheet and bake 10 minutes ONLY. Do not overbake. Remove from sheet and cool on a rack 60+ cookies.

Lillian Colyer



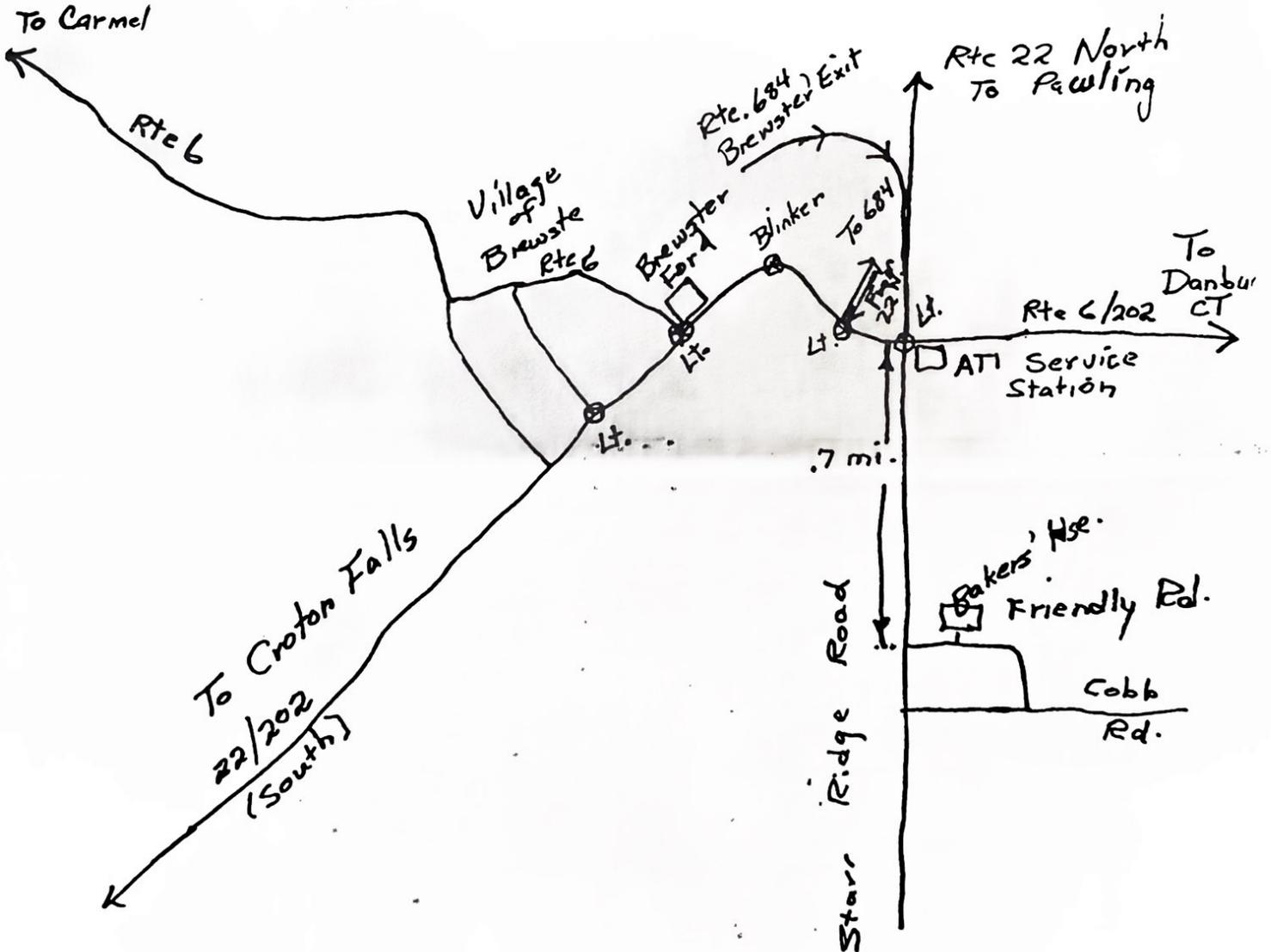
DIRECTIONS TO BAKERS' HOUSE

From 684: Take the Brewster exit, clearly marked. There is a traffic light at the end of the ramp; go straight through light onto Starr Ridge Road.

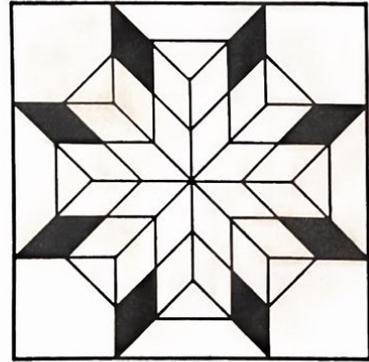
* Go .7 mile, uphill all the way, and just as the road levels off, turn left onto Friendly Road. Bakers' is the first drive on the left. There is no mailbox, but number 2 is on the house.

From 22/202 coming northeast: As you come into the Brewster area, you will pass a sign indicating a left turn for Carmel, then a traffic light. At the next light (Brewster Ford is on your left), Route 6 joins from the left. Continue through this light, a blinker, and another light. At the next light (there is an API service station here), turn right onto Starr Ridge Road, and follow directions from * above.

From 6, coming from Carmel: Go through Brewster business district on Route 6 until you reach a traffic light at a "T" intersection, the junction of 6 and 22/202 (Brewster Ford will be on your left). Turn left, and go through one blinker and one light. At next light (there is an API service station here) turn right onto Starr Ridge Road and follow directions from * above.



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SUMMARY OF DATES

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| 11/17 | Quilt Frolic |
| 11/27 | Board Meeting |
| 11/28 & 29 | Jacket Class |
| 12/8 | Susie Lawrence |
| 11/3 | Holiday Boutique |
| 11/10 | Treats N Treats |
| 11/14 | Raffle Quilt Workshop |
| 11/16 & 17 | Jacket Class |
| 11/20 | Meeting-Ornaments due |