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A Message from the President

As a Guild we have many blessings to count this Thanksgiving season—wonderful members, generous sponsors, and a newly revamped Holiday Boutique!

The Holiday Boutique will be held before the meeting this month. Everyone seems very excited about this new way of purchasing the work of our own members. We hope that both buyers and sellers will find this more convenient. Thanks to everyone for being willing to participate in something new.

I was touched by Elizabeth Rosenberg's heartfelt thanks and testimonial to all that the Guild has offered her over the past 12 years. We too are grateful to Elizabeth for all her contributions over those years.

A big "thank you" goes to Maria Tamoka of Pinwheels for her donation of prizes for last month's raffle. I remember when she became a vendor at our show. Since then, she has built a successful quilt shop and now a national wholesale business of beautiful Daiwabo Taupe fabrics from Japan. Maria has also offered to contribute fabric from this collection for a future raffle quilt.

Thank you also to Mary Gay Leahy and Fairfield Processing for supplying free batting for literally hundreds of our comfort quilts. While we realize that they cannot do this forever, we truly appreciate what they have already donated.

Numerous donations of fabric and gifts of professional skills are pouring in and I will continue to tell you about them and express our thanks in the coming months. Your Board Members will continue to find new and innovative ways to use them to fulfill our mission.

Congratulations to all the Guild members whose work was exhibited at the International Quilt Festival in Houston. Norma Schlager won First Place and a cash prize in the Innovative Pieced-Small category! Carolyn Cooney, Karen Eckmeier, Nancy Mirman, and Margaret Phillips also had quilts in the judged show. Margaret's portrait of her mother was displayed at the show, and was published in the new book "I Remember Mama". It was also on the index page of the Show Program. Jeri Riggs' quilt about her mother was also included in the book. Karen had another quilt in the "Best of SAQA". Jeri and Norma also had quilts in the "Journals" exhibit. Mayann Weinberg, Norma, and Margaret had their "Small Wonders" in that exhibit.

We are so proud to see so many of our members' work being selected for these exhibits. Keep up the good work and let me know if you are aware of other member's notable accomplishments.

Have a wonderful Thanksgiving and don't forget to count the inspiration and friendship that we all enjoy at NSQG among your many blessings.



Fondly, *Susie Andersen*, PRESIDENT

November Meeting: Tuesday, November 15th

JFK High School, Somers, NY
NO Guest Fee for the evening —
Bring your friends!

Holiday Boutique, 6-7:15 PM

General Meeting: 7:15 PM

Guest Speaker:

Deana Hartman:
**"Taking the Plunge: From
Traditional to Art Quilts"**

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Holiday Boutique

Our annual Holiday Boutique will take place before the November meeting, November 15th, from 6-7:15 PM. Bring your friends, as there will be NO Guest Fee for the evening!

We will have more than 10 tables filled with beautiful creations made by NSQG members. This is a perfect opportunity to purchase gifts for your special friends and family.

See you at the Boutique!

Carolynn Young, BOUTIQUE CHAIR

Charitable Activities

Thanks to all for your support of the fabric sale last month. Look for us again at the Boutique where we will be offering a sale of Japanese and other Far East Inspired Fabrics at the same bargain prices.

Carolyn Langevin

On The Road

A great big "thank you" to the Guild for letting me organize my first trip to Nashua, New Hampshire. I think I can speak for the group when I say, "We all had a great time!"

I have already booked the bus and hotel for our next trip to Lancaster in April. The format will be the same. We will be staying at the Fairfield Inn with the great breakfast you have all come to know and love. We'll make a stop at Sauder's and the Kitchen Kettle Village where Zook's is located, as well as Country Quilts and some other very nice Lancaster shops. Our traditional dinner on Friday will be at Miller's. Please sign up at the next meeting, or drop me a line and I'll add your name to the list.

Payment for this trip will be \$170.00 and is due by February 1st. I will start taking checks to hold your spot at the November meeting. Please feel free to call or e-mail me if you have any questions.

Thanks, Kathy Vanacoro,
kathy@vanastudios.com, 845-225-0047

2006 Quilt Show News

We have exciting new publicity for the Show that we want to share with you.

The electronic age is upon us and we will be making full use of it to publicize our Show. A new tear-off bookmark design will be distributed through vendors and local shops. An informative postcard and new color postcard will be used to reach a larger audience of art museums and women's groups.

Georgia Heller is working on a poster featuring one of Karen Eckmeier's quilts. Karen is a long-time Guild member and will be one of our Show lecturers.

In addition to our usual places, posters will be displayed on Metro North Railroad station kiosks. Since we are a not-for-profit organization, there is no charge for this service. We will make a file available to all members to print posters from your home computers. It would be great if every member (almost 300 strong) printed one poster and placed it in an appropriate place! If you know of any other publicity opportunities, please let me know.

The Quilt Show meetings this year will be following a different format. Small groups of sub-committee members will have work sessions with e-mail updates to keep all informed.

If you would like to join in any aspect of the Show, please call me. There are many small jobs and a few larger jobs. You could assist someone to get a feel and taste for a particular area of the Show. The energy, talent and enthusiasm for our Show is invigorating and contagious!

Join us! Mary Cannizzaro, QUILT SHOW VICE PRESIDENT

Northern Star Quilter's Guild 2006 Challenge:



"Shakespeare in Stitches"

"We few, we happy few, we band of brothers" – King Henry V

"Small cheer and great welcome makes a merry feast."
– The Comedy of Errors

"Let's go hand in hand, not one before the other."
– The Comedy of Errors

"O, how this spring of love resembleth
The uncertain glory of an April day,
Which now shows all the beauty of the sun
And by and by a cloud takes all away."
– The Two Gentlemen of Verona

Norma Schlager, CHALLENGE COMMITTEE CHAIR

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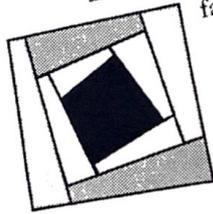
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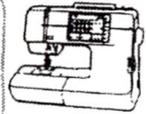
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Quilt Raffle Nominations

At this time we are pleased to have two nominations for the Quilt Raffle proceeds and plan to possibly have three more nominations by our voting time in December. YES, we are planning to postpone the voting until our December meeting! Ballots will be presented at that meeting to each member who attends and the votes will be counted at the meeting. There is a possibility that we will have an opening for an additional nominee, so please send in your nomination as soon as possible so that we can have five organizations to choose from. How lucky we are to have so many worthy non-profits in our area! Please send to Linda Schulz, RAFFLE CHAIRPERSON.

Comfort Quilts

Comfort Quilts donated two quilts for Friends Helping Friends for the benefit of Joanne Nemeth. If you were at the October meeting, you heard about Joanne and her fight against Leukemia.

Our group will meet at the Katonah Presbyterian Church on Bedford Road, Katonah from 9:30AM to 3:30PM on Wednesday, November 2nd & 16th.

All are welcome to sit and sew! Pat Baker 845-279-8840

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