

## NSQG Newsletter – November 2012

- Sat 3 Longarm SIG
  - Tue 6 Board Meeting
  - Sat 10 Landscape SIG
  - Tue 13 Guild Meeting
  - Wed 14 Workshop: "Mystery Quilt 121"
  - Wed 14 Comfort Quilts
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  - Sat 17 The Sticklers SIG
- ...and heading into next month...
- Sat 1 Longarm SIG
  - Wed 5 Comfort Quilts
  - Tue 11 Board Meeting

## President's Message

### November Greetings!

We had a wonderful evening at our Oct 16 meeting. There were 160 people in attendance, including several new members and guests.

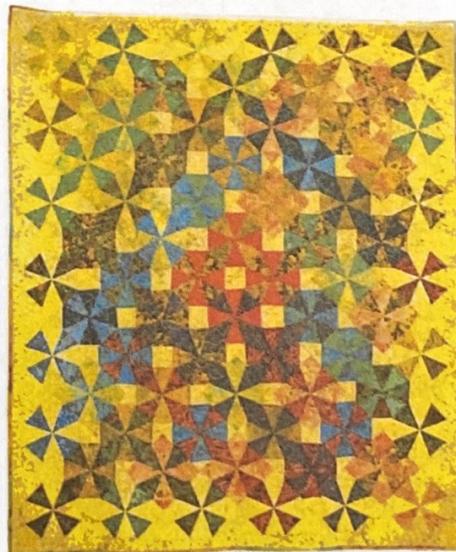
A quick note to our new members: we would love your help at the Membership Table! It's a great way to meet others and find members with similar interests. Just stop by the table around 6:30 and introduce yourself.

Thank you to all who have chosen to participate in our venture with the Katonah Museum of Art! We have a few canvases left so please contact **Melanie Hulse** or me if you would like us to save you one. You can pick it up at the November meeting. Please remember that completed canvases are due at December's meeting.

November's meeting will feature our **Holiday Boutique**. Shopping will begin at 6 pm in the main foyer of the school. This is a great chance to purchase one-of-a-kind items for holiday gift giving. Our November speaker is **Merry May**, known for her "Mystery Quilts," who will speak about scrap quilts.

On October 24, I had a wonderful time with **Pat Baker** and **Maureen Schulman** at the Ronald McDonald House at the Westchester Medical Center. We brought the remaining eleven queen-size quilts to the house and they were gratefully received. Our total donation was 24 queen-size quilts, which represents one for each bed.

House Manager Christina Picucci gave us a tour of the house, which provides a warm and welcoming environment for the families of sick children. Christina described what it takes to keep the house running



Mary Waterman, *Appalachian Autumn*

**President's Message, Continued**

smoothly, which is made possible by many volunteers. There is always a great need, so if you or a group you're associated with would like to learn more, please contact them at (914) 493-6455.

Happy Thanksgiving!

**Patti Calautti**, President  
President@Northernstarquilters.com

## Programs

**Pat Pauly** gave us a great time in October. Pat inspired many with her lecture and workshop participants enjoyed a challenging and fulfilling day. Workshop Students: Please bring your quilt tops to November's meeting for Show and Tell!

In November, we welcome Merry May from Tuckahoe, NJ. Merry's lecture, "Rags to Riches: The Scrap Quilt" will show us how to use our scraps more effectively in our quilts.

### Seats Still Available in November's Workshop!

Workshop: Wed, Nov 14  
Merry May: "Mystery Quilt Case #121"  
Lake Lincolnale Clubhouse

Merry is famous for her "Mystery Quilts" and has been offering this experience to quilters for several years. Follow Merry's clues (instructions) for the amount of yardage and the suggested value range of fabrics. Step-by-step during the course of the class, Merry will reveal the construction of the mystery blocks that will create a pieced lap-size quilt or smaller project.

Your choice of fabrics will make your quilt unique. Merry suggests pastels, brights, black-and-white prints, stripes or whatever strikes you. Coordinate your fabrics or bring lots of scraps for a fun look!

The pattern makes a lovely lap-size quilt, but can be adapted to a smaller project. Who knows? Perhaps you'll emerge from the class with a special holiday gift!

Quilters of all levels will have fun unlocking the mystery. Contact **Barbara Sferra** with questions or to register.

December brings us a lecture by **Sue Reich** on Red and Green Antique Quilts.



**Maureen Schulman, Pat Baker, and Patti Calautti** with one of NSQG's 24 quilts donated to the Ronald McDonald House



**Kendell Storm, Who am I?**

**Programs, Continued**

November is the last workshop offered until March. More info about the Spring workshops will come in future newsletters and sign-ups for these workshops will begin in January.

**Barbara Sferra**, VP Programs  
[Programs@Northernstarquilters.com](mailto:Programs@Northernstarquilters.com)



Merry May, Scrap Quilt



## Holiday Boutique



**November 13**  
**JFK Lobby at 6 pm**

The **Holiday Boutique** will be held at 6 pm on November 13, in the main entrance lobby of JFK prior to the general meeting.

The Boutique is your chance to purchase lovely items handmade by our own Guild members. Comfort Quilts' pre-packaged kits also will be available in a variety of colors and styles. Create a special gift, or introduce a loved one to the world of quilting.

Come early and do some early holiday shopping! Bring family and friends as there will be no guest fee for this one meeting.

Thank you for your participation and support.

Please contact **Stephanie Santangelo** with questions.

**Stephanie Santangelo**, Boutique Coordinator  
**Kelly Lockwood**, Special Events

## Super Saturday 2013

This year, **Super Saturday** will be February 23 at JFK High School from 9:30 – 4 pm. Doors will open at 9 am so we'll be ready to begin promptly at 9:30. The price remains \$20, including lunch and snacks. (Is ours a great guild or what?) Some classes may charge a small materials fee. You'll be able to see samples of each project/technique at the next few meetings.

## Super Saturday, *Continued*

Our amazing line-up of teachers/classes includes:

Margaret Phillips

### **Machine Appliqué without Fusing or Adhesives**

Learn an easy technique to machine appliqué without using fusibles or adhesives. Appliqués will be softer and more dimensional. Sewing machine required.

Tamar Drucker

### **Traditional Hand Appliqué and Reverse Hand Appliqué**

A great portable project for the quilter on the go. Learn to hand appliqué around curvy shapes, points, reverse appliqué and other tricks. Click here for the supply list.

Carolyn Salon

### **Snap Bags**

Create these attractive and practical bags for makeup, quilting projects or purses. This is a perfect way to use up "orphan" quilt blocks. Bags may be solid or see-thru. Sewing machine required. There is a \$3 fee for metal closures and clear plastic for "window" snap bags. Click here for the supply list.

Maria Weinstein

### **"Wax Paper is not just for Sandwiches Anymore"**

A surface art extravaganza. Make your own unique art quilt using acrylic paints, fusing, stamping, stenciling, waxed and others kinds of paper, collage ephemera and fabric. There is a \$15 materials fee for this course. Sewing machine required. Please click here for the supply list.

Patricia Loquet

### **"Dogwood Stars"**

A traditional scrap quilt using lots of 2.5" pieces or strips. Jelly rolls would be terrific too. Sewing machine required. Note: This class is full, but we are taking names for the wait list

Mayann Weinberg

### **"All Dolled Up" (Free-form Felted Wool Dolls)**

Create a whimsical doll from felted wool and embellishments. Learn how to embellish-sculpt a face, add hair and adorn your doll with a variety of fibers and beads. This technique can be applied to any stitched project to make it your own. Click here for a supply list.

Debbie Bein

### **"Come Play in my Sandbox"**

Improvitational Piecing + Intuitive Quilting + Paint = Mixed Media Art. Explore the principles of design and pick up Debbie's "intuitive quilting" tips as you complete a work of art to adorn your door, table or narrow wall in your home. Free-motion quilting experience is recommended, but straight-stitch quilting can be used as well. While there is a lot of preparation before coming to this course, the result will be so worth it! Sewing machine with zig-zag capability and \$10 materials fee required. Click here for a detailed course description, supply list, and pre-work instructions.



Margaret Phillips, *Mom on Vacation*

## **Super Saturday, Continued**

### **Sit and Sew**

For anyone who would like to work on his/her own project while enjoying the camaraderie of others doing the same.

Sign up at November's meeting to reserve your seat! Please contact **Carol Mayefsky** with any questions.

**Carol Mayefsky**, Super Saturday Coordinator  
**Kelly Lockwood**, Special Events

# Katonah Museum of Art

## **2013 Katonah Museum Small Works Due at December's Meeting**

All Guild members in good standing are invited to create small quilts in connection with an upcoming exhibition at the Katonah Museum of Art.

Completed works are due at the Guild's meeting on Dec 18.

Entries must comply with a specific set of guidelines. Check the website for the complete and official instructions, as well as the registration form approved by the Katonah Museum of Art and the NSQG.

**Melanie Hulse**, Museum Liaison  
**Patti Calautti**, President

# Membership

What a wonderful meeting we had in October! We had a phenomenal crowd of 160 quilters with us. This included two of our five guests who decided to join at the meeting! In fact, we had 5 new members register at the meeting.

We did hold our annual raffle for \$25 gift certificates for those members who sent in their renewals prior to what would have been our September meeting. The following members won gift certificates: **Denise Giardulla, Maggie Kolvenbach, Donna Favreau, Valerie Zeller and Marietta Douglas**. Congratulations to all of you and happy shopping!

Just a reminder to all our talented members: We love the one-person shows that occur every few months at our guild meetings. Please volunteer to show your collection at any month convenient to you. And if you don't feel you have enough quilts to create a solo, why not join forces with others for a group show? I hope to hear from many of you who are willing to participate.

**Chris Ruggieri**, VP Membership  
Membership@Northernstarquilters.com

# Hospitality

A heartfelt "thank you" to all those with last names beginning with D, E and F who brought the delicious snacks to our October Meeting. There were so many compliments on the choices of snacks.

Thank you to **Susan Wilterding** for helping out this month and also to **Joan Citron** who has been such a big help to the Hospitality Committee over the past few years. We always can use a few extra hands so please let me know if you are able to help during the November or December meetings.

In November, members with last names beginning with **G, H or I** should plan to bring a snack for the Hospitality Table. Once again, you will receive a free raffle ticket for your contribution.

Thank you to all who participated in the monthly raffle. Next month, the raffle will feature fabric and embellishments to make fall and winter-themed pieces. The fabrics and embellishments will come from various fabric stores and craft suppliers. Make sure to stop by the raffle table to take a chance to win one of the packets.

I also would like to start asking for volunteers to help with the Super Saturday luncheon and the Quilt Show Dinner. Please consider helping out with these two Quilt Guild events. The time commitment will not be much. Thank you!

Please remember our Holiday Food Drive will take place at the December Meeting. More details will follow at the November meeting.

**Helen Boland**, Hospitality  
Hospitality@Northernstarquilters.com



Kathy Nasca, *Gourds*

# Charitable Activities



Nancy Mirman, *Gourds*

## Quilt Kits for Sale at Holiday Boutique!

Don't miss this opportunity to purchase one of Comfort Quilts' fantastic quilt kits for yourself or someone else! These are specially designed, all-inclusive, ready-to-sew kits in a large selection of colors and styles in three popular sizes: S-M-L.

Treat yourself or make a quick and easy gift at a great price. Fabric yardage bundles will also be available. Proceeds support guild activities including Comfort Quilts.

## Comfort Quilts - Upcoming Meetings

Comfort Quilts is scheduled to meet on first and third Wednesday of each month. The next meetings are scheduled for Nov 14 and Dec 5. The group meets at the North Salem Volunteer Ambulance Corps: 14 Daniel Road, North Salem.

Dates are subject to change, so be sure to check our website or verify with Carol Auer or Karen Carlson beforehand.

**Carol Auer** and **Karen Carlson**, Comfort Quilts  
**Maureen Schulman**, Charitable Activities

## Quilt Show

It was readily apparent at October's spectacular Show and Tell that many of you had been working hard on your quilts over the summer. We were sitting there trying to make a mental list of the participants with the thought of personally inviting each of you to enter your quilt in the show but had time to approach only a few people before Pat's presentation. Diane and I would be thrilled to see all of your quilts hanging in May and hope you will give serious thought to entering your quilts in the 2013 show.

There are many ways in which you can contribute to the success of the show long before May rolls around:

1. Finish those UFOs!
2. Register at least one or two quilts for World of Quilts XXXIV
3. Participate in one of the SIG invitational exhibits
4. Make a quilt for the Guild Challenge
5. Submit one or more small quilts for the Silent Auction
6. Donate batting and/or cotton fabric for Build-a-Block

The quilt registration form for the 2013 show is on the website. Online registration is fast and easy, and we encourage you to use this method. Registration opens on January 1, 2013.

Rules for the Challenge can be found online and in the Special Edition. If you have any questions, please contact **Joyce Sullivan** or **Nancy Mirman**.

Information about the Silent Auction is available in September's newsletter. **Carolyn Langevin**, Silent Auction coordinator, will be on hand at November's meeting to accept your donations. **Joanne Finnigan**, **Mary O'Mara** and **Cathy Hopkins** will have a Build-a-Block fabric and donation bin with them at Guild meetings. If your old fabric and/or batting need a new home, please consider making a donation.

## News and Reminders

As we quickly approach year-end, it is important that the leader of each Special Interest Group interested in mounting an exhibit at the show send a written request for space to **Tamar Drucker** or **Maria Catalano**, the quilt hanging chairs for 2013. The deadline is December 31, 2012.

## Quilt Show, Continued

A registration form for Young Quilters was designed over the summer and is available for download on the NSQG website. Please consider encouraging that special young person in your life to enter his/her quilt in the show. All Young Quilters will receive a participation ribbon.

Many thanks to **Vicki Romaine Cohn** who has designed another great pin for the 2013 show. The design has been sent to the manufacturer for production.

With your help, we know that A World of Quilts XXXIV will be another great show!

**Carol Sterk and Diane Linker**, VPs Quilt Show  
QuiltShowChairs@Northernstarquilters.com

# 2013 Guild Challenge

## Challenge Highlights

### Theme

Submit your entry in the category of your choice: Traditional or Contemporary  
Only one quilt per member may be submitted

### Colors

Solid black, solid white, black-and-white prints PLUS one color of your choice  
The color can be a solid or print but may not have other colors within the prints  
Multiple fabrics in your chosen color may be used  
Embellishment and thread work are acceptable but only in black, white or the one other color of the quilt

### Size and Finishing Details

Minimum circumference is 48"  
Maximum circumference is 80"  
Any shape is acceptable (within size requirement)  
Attach a sleeve at the top of the back, at least 4" wide  
Label on back must include name of quilt, name of maker, and either phone number or e-mail address  
Quilts must be 3 layers and quilted by the maker by hand or machine

### Deadline

Quilts will be collected at the January 2013 meeting

**Nancy Mirman and Joyce Sullivan**, Challenge Coordinators  
**Kelly Lockwood**, Special Events



*Examples of fabrics that may and may not be used in the 2013 Challenge quilts. In this illustration, purple was selected as the "additional" color – but the choice is yours!*

*"Yes" fabrics include solid black and white, black-and-white prints, and an array of purples (both solids and prints).*

*"No" fabrics include black-and-white prints with grey, black tonal prints (that include grey), and prints with other colors in addition to purples.*

# Education

I hope you've found time to visit one of our special interest groups (SIGs). Membership is open to all and you're sure to find new friends and learn new techniques.

Here is an update from each of our group leaders:

## **Art Quilts - Christine Wilhelm**

We had an exciting October meeting and explored Colorhue dyes. I hope you will join us at November's meeting. We'll get started a little earlier, at 5:30 pm, to accommodate the Boutique. Bring your work in progress and pick your card for this year's Art Quilt "Deck of Cards" Challenge. And if this isn't enough, we will be treated to a demonstration on how to reclaim and work with different types of metal - color it, shape it and incorporate it into your quilting. See you there!

## **Landscape - Don Gough**

Our Saturday meeting was well attended, and our "Travel Poster" Challenge is really starting to take shape. If you plan to participate, please ensure I'm aware so that we can make the appropriate request to the Show Hanging Committee. We'll meet briefly on Tuesday at 6 pm just to decide whether we want to meet on Saturdays, prior to the monthly Guild meeting, or both.

## **The Sticklers - Carolyn Finn**

"The Sticklers" group is working on our own versions of "Dear Jane" quilts. (The original 19th-century quilt was made by Jane A. Stickle, our namesake.) In October we viewed a layout of **Carol Sterk's** completed blocks, which will become a spectacular quilt! We also compared notes and shared progress on our small quilts for our "Sticklers Showcase." Join us on November 17 for **Nancy Picco's** demonstration of curved piecing. We'll also bring our favorite tools and potions to experiment with the removal of those pesky pencil marks. All are welcome!

## **Longarm - Diane Linker**

The Longarm SIG meets on the first Saturday of each month at a member's home. Each meeting includes a show and tell and a demo of a technique or tool. Our next meeting is Dec 1 at **Barb Tatera's** home.

## **Hand Appliqué - Kathy Kaplan and Denise Isherwood**

At the October meeting the first half of "Weaving an Appliqué Basket" was presented. The second half will be presented at our December meeting. (We will not meet in November due to the Holiday Boutique.)

## **Show and Tell at November's Meeting**

As a reminder, November's Show and Tell will feature the quilts from Bonnie Hunter's workshop in May. Also, if your quilt top from the Pat Pauly workshop is finished please bring that as well.

**Meg Moorar**, VP Education  
Education@Northernstarquilters.com

# Members' Marketplace

## Innova 18 Midarm Quilting Machine with 10' Frame

I am upgrading to a larger Innova Quilting Machine and would like to find a new home for my current machine. This machine includes the Standard Innova Stitch Regulator and 10' Steel Frame which is fully adjustable to your height. Asking price is \$4,000 or best offer and includes lessons, bobbins, bobbin winder, and all you need to get started. For more information, please visit [www.abminternational.com](http://www.abminternational.com). Contact Kathy Vanacoro.

## Singer Featherweight Sewing Machine, 1951

Includes carrying case and box of feet and attachments. Purchased from and serviced by a local Singer dealer in 2010. I have hardly used it since then. Model number EG 711434. \$300. If you are interested, I will bring it to the November meeting. Contact Rona Spar.

## Quilts for Storm Relief

Lynette Clemens has identified a resource for those wishing to donate quilts to people struggling in the aftermath of Hurricane Sandy. Click [here](#) for more information.

**Carolyn Finn**, VP Communications  
[News@Northernstarquilters.com](mailto:News@Northernstarquilters.com) (news items and photos)

# Find us Here

**Don and Eunice Gough** recently have been helping bring the joy of quilts to new audiences in different environments. In September, fifteen of their quilts were on view at the "Things with Wings" planes and quilt show at the New England Air Museum at Hartford's Bradley Airport. Don's Rural Route, shown here, received the "Viewer's Choice" award. The quilts and planes were displayed together which generated a lot of interest and excitement.

A few weeks later, **Don and Eunice** showed another group of quilts at the 17th Annual Quilt and Needle Arts show at a 300-year old church in East Haddam, CT.

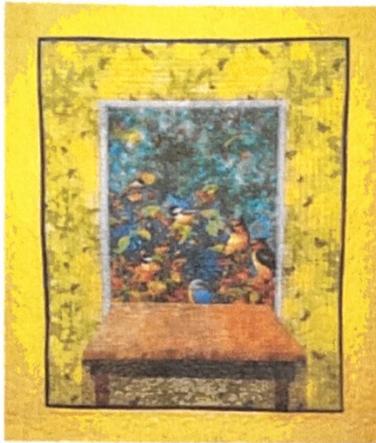


Quilts and WWII aircraft share space at the recent "Things with Wings" show at Bradley Airport in Hartford, CT



Don and Eunice Gough next to her *Starburst* (left) and his *Rural Route* (right)

Find us Here, *Continued*



Sandra Parrott, *Birds/Window*

New member **Sandra Parrott** recently received second place for her *Birds/ Window* quilt at the Mamaroneck Artists' Guild's juried fall show. Sandra's *Nightbird*, a "black, white, and other" quilt created for the Village Squares' challenge, won second place in the Guild's "art quilts" category.



Sandra Parrott, *Nightbird*

**Congratulations, All!**

## Area Shows

"A Quilter's Perspective: Yesterday, Today, and Tomorrow." The Main Line Quilters. Devon, PA: The Main Line Unitarian Church. November 17.

"His or Her Name Engraved on a Patch: 150 Years of Signature Quilts." Lecture by Sue Reich (NSQG's December speaker). Lowell, MA: New England Quilt Museum. November 17.

"9 x 9 x 3 Salon des Refusés." Exhibition of the Textile Study Group of New York. New York: Guild Gallery II at the Fulton Center of the Hudson Guild. Through November 18. [NSQG]

"Homefront & Battlefield: Quilts & Context in the Civil War." Lowell, MA: American Textile History Museum. Through November 25.

"Encounters with Cancer." Lowell, MA: Brush Art Gallery. Through December 1. [NSQG]

"Judi Blaydon/Variations: Pieced Quilts and Fabric Altars." New York: ArtQuilt Gallery. Through December 15.

"Great Quilts, Great Stories: Treasures from the Permanent Collection." Lowell, MA: New England Quilt Museum. Through December 29.

"Art=Quilts=Art." Auburn, NY: Schweinfurth Memorial Art Center. Through January 6, 2013. [NSQG]

"Masters II: SAQA Art Quilts Curated by Martha Sielman." Lowell, MA: New England Quilt Museum. January 17 - April 13, 2013.

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*Many Thanks to Nancy Hantman for researching and compiling this list!*

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