



Northern Star Quilters' Guild, Ltd.

P.O. Box 232 Somers N.Y. 10589

Pat Rowan, Editor

Newsletter

October 1987

The next Guild meeting will be Tuesday, October 20 at the Somers Intermediate School located on Route 202 in Somers, NY. The doors will open at 7:00 P.M. and the business meeting will commence at 8:00 P.M.

The next Guild Board meeting is October 28.

It was nice to see all of you at the September meeting. Already we are 160 plus in number. A cordial welcome to all new members. I look forward to meeting each of you at the October meeting.

Many thanks to all of you who made blocks for our "Block Party." I must confess the Board was overwhelmed by the number of participants. In all we will have enough to put together 13 lap quilts. Just a reminder to those of you who have family members that are wheelchair bound - be sure to submit that person's name for the drawing to receive one of these lap quilts. From the comments heard, it seems that "hands-on" activities are very much enjoyed by all so we plan to continue during the course of this year.

The Board members are hard at work planning interesting workshops and meeting programs. However, there is one area that seems to be a stumbling block...bus trips. We can't figure out why there is not more participation. We have made arrangements for a second trip only to have to cancel the bus due to lack of participation. I would appreciate your comments to me regarding this so we will know how to proceed.

The Holiday Boutique will quickly be upon us. I do hope you are getting lots of "goodies" ready. Last year's boutique was very successful many of our members that participated did very well. Remember, it is the smaller items which seem to sell best. However, keep in mind that the people who shop at our boutique look to us for very high quality items.

The suggestion box will be available at every meeting. Please use it. One thing though, if you choose not to sign your name, we will be unable to get back to you with our comments. The Board does discuss all suggestions and if you sign your name, we will respond to you.

Our program for October will feature our own Jan Mason who will give us some great hints to spruce up ready-to-wear articles, as well as how to adapt patterns to give individual and interesting details. Should be a great meeting.

In the meantime, keep yourself in stitches!

Penny Black
President 271-8846

MEMBERSHIP

Are we off to a good start or what? Prior to the September meeting we had 86 members. An additional 81 signed up at the door and the checks are still coming. Thirteen new members have joined our ranks as of this writing. We welcome all of them. Lets's help them to feel "at home."

Remember, if your \$25 dues are not paid at, or before, the October meeting, your name will be dropped from the membership list. If you wish to bring a guest to a meeting, there is a charge of \$5.00. If they decide to become a member of the Guild, the \$5.00 will be applied to their dues if they join within 30 days. Mail all checks to: Pat Barker, c/o N.S.Q.G., P.O. Box 232, Somers, NY 10589.

A reminder...in case of inclement weather later on in the year, please listen to your local radio station for specific closing. Also, if you hear that Somers schools are closed, you will know that our meeting has been cancelled. If you miss the announcements, you can always call any board member for information or verification.

Last, but certainly not least, a big thank you to Audrey Gannuscio, Elissa Simmons and Kay Frischmann for their help at the Membership Tables and a special thank you to all of you who stood in that long line so patiently. You're the greatest!!

Piecefully,
Pat Barker 736-1150

PROGRAM

October, with its increasingly colder weather, sets us all to thinking about our wardrobes. At the October meeting Jan Mason will give us some inspiration and tips on how to include our handiwork in clothing. Whether you make clothes from scratch or prefer to personalize ready-mades, Jan will help you give your wardrobe a new zip.

If those of you who have show-and-tell will hang your items on the line or place them on the front table before the meeting, it should facilitate a smoother viewing by all.

The lap quilts begun at the September meeting will be on the long table at the end of the room. We made good progress but much remains to be done. Please give a hand by working on them at the meeting.

The suggestion box will be on the same table as the bulleting board. Please utilize it. Your comments and suggestions will help your board serve you better.

Last, but not least, remember to bring a 1/4 yard of fabric for the fabric raffle if you wish to participate.

See you soon,
Gloria Hartley 628-5954

TREASURER'S REPORT

July 1, 1987 to September 28, 1987

BALANCE CARRIED FORWARD	<u>\$10,573.99</u>
CASH RECEIVED	<u>4,800.71</u>
Membership Dues	4,195.00
Membership Pin	60.00
Frame Rental	200.00
UPS Postage Return	15.71
Special Events	270.00
Raffle	60.00
CASH DISBURSED	<u>1,301.31</u>
Newsletter	170.60
Program	119.31
Special Events	478.90
Hospitality	10.50
Treasurer (Postage)	22.00
Frame Rental Deposit Returned	100.00
Frame Storage for 1986 - 1987	400.00
BALANCE	\$14,073.39

Barbara Lerch
Treasurer 245-3932

SPECIAL EVENTS

The Holiday Boutiques is set for November 14 from 10:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. at Fox Lane High School. There will be a sign up sheet for work shifts at the October meeting. If you plan to sell, you must sign up to work.

Inventory sheets will be available at the meeting, and dues must be paid by this meeting if you intend to sell.

Due to a limited response for the October 17, Pittfield show, "the Bus" trip is now a car trip, still meeting at Caldor's parking lot in Bedford Hills at 7:30 A.M. on Saturday, October 17. The cost will be \$10.00 per person. Please call me for any further details.

Thanks to everyone who participated in the Long Island Show. It was very successful and great fun.

A special thanks to Cross Patch for donating our bus prize.

If there is any place you would like to go, please call.

Kathleen Lange
Special Events 241-4568

The Museum of American Folk Art announces "Memories of Childhood" crib quilt contest, September 1, 1987 - September 1, 1988. Winners will be exhibited at 1989 Great American Quilt Festival 2. For further information contact: Susan Flamm, Museum of American Folk Art, 444 Park Avenue South, NY, NY 10016-7321. This information will also be posted on "The Board."

NSQG News: First prize for the raffle October through April HALF COST of a non-transferable gift certificate for a workshop of your choice: The workshop leader hostess will be given a free space in that workshop. The workshop hostess will also receive a free space in the workshop she is hosting. Details will be posted on "The Board."

The Mount Kisco Presbyterian Church was an excellent location. However, the second floor was a problem when there were machines etc. to carry. The Church does have a fantastic big room on the first floor. Hopefully, all our workshops can be held in this room.

At press time only three workshops are confirmed, others are in progress and others need your input.

Sandi Bard has lots of new workshops available and we have scheduled three of them.

- Tuesday, December 1 - Father Christmas He is a primitive country Santa dressed in a long wool coat and carrying a burlap sack.
Full day - Limit 20. Cost: \$20.00
Kit Available \$12.00-\$15.00
- Wednesday, December 2 - Christmas Wall Hanging Make this appliqued country Santa with a pieced tree border for that special corner in your home. The wall hanging is 20 x 24.
Full day - Limit 20. Cost: \$20.00
Kit May be available.
- Thursday, December 3 - From the Dickens Series, Scrooge First in a series of dolls from the beloved Dickens' tale, Scrooge is dressed in niteshirt and cap, ready for his nocturnal visitors.
Full day - Limit 20. Cost: \$20.00
Kit will be available for less than Father Christmas.

I will know the exact cost of the kits later in October. Supply lists will also be available then.

Ginny Watson
Resource and Education 666-4257

Now that the kids are back in school and we are all back into routine, its time to start preparing for Quilt Show '88. The first Quilt Show Coordinating Committee Meeting will be October 6th at 7:30 at my home. There are still a few Committee Chairperson positions open. If you would like to work on this committee or have any ideas or suggestions, please call me at home. (I work mornings.)

Applications are now being accepted to become a recipient of the raffle quilt money. All applications must be in by October 16. Please mail them to me at: Central Way, Purdys, NY 10578.

We will be voting on this important issue at our next meeting, October 20.

Jane Fulton
Quilt Show Coordinator 277-3864

Your officers for the 1987 - 88 year are:

- Penny Black - President(914) 271-8846
- Pat Barker - Membership Vice President(914) 528-5519
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- Kathy Sica - Past President/Advisor (914) 245-6775

WOULD YOU PLEASE TAKE A MINUTE TO FILL OUT AND RETURN THE FOLLOWING TO GINNY WATSON:

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I have had requests for the following workshops:
Please check if you are interested:

- Judy Dales- Circle Geometry
- Judy Dales- Directional Design
- Barbara Barber- Broideri Purse
- Trip Around the World Quilt
- Linda Denner-Traditional Schoolhouse-Quick strip method
- Linda Denner- Machine Quilting
- Jane Nettleton- Dollhouse Quilt (Block a month)
- Jane Nettleton- Christmas Quilt (Block a month)
- Ann Marie Tucker-.....?
- Richard Zimmerman-Baltimore Brides Quilt
- Mickey Lawler-Fabric Dying (November openings)
- Joanne Kost.....?
- Ami Simms.....?
- Flavin Glover-Strip pieced picture quilts
- Flavin Glover-New directions for the Log Cabin

My dream workshop isn't listed, please add to the list:

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Please sign and return to Ginny Watson 50 Hillside Ave
Mt Kisco NY 10549 (914-666-4257) Resource and Education
NSQG-'87-'89.....Thank you!!!!

I would like to thank Pat Barker, Barbara Beaudry, Kay Fowler, Kay Frischman, Audrey Gannuscio, Lorraine Gannsinger, Barbara Lerch and Peg Murtha for helping get the last Newsletter in the mail.

If you have an article that you would like to share with the Guild, please send to my attention by October 28 for inclusion in the next Newsletter.

Pat Rowan
Newsletter Editor

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

October 10, 11, 12
9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.

The Rockland Quilt Festival - Fieldhouse
Arena - Rockland Community College
145 College Road, Suffern, New York
Lectures and workshops by: Mary Golden
Ann Boyce, Eugenia Barnes, Linda Denner,
Jean Jenkins. Admission \$4.00 - Student/
Senior \$3.00.
Just 10 minutes from the Tappan Zee Bridge.

October 17 & 18

Berkshire Quilt Festival, Pittsfield, Mass.
at the Berkshire Community College on West
Street in Pittsfield.

October 17 & 18
10:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M.

Statewide Quilt Show: Waterloo Village, NJ
Exit 35 off Route 80 West.

Now through December 1987

From Folk Art to Fine Art - American Quilts
1786 - 1986 - Newark Museum, 49 Washington
Street, Newark, NJ - Tuesday, Thursday, and
Sunday 12:00 - 5:00. For additional info:
201-596-6550.

A production of Quilters is currently at the Civic Center in Old Greenwich, Conn.; the run ends Sunday. The reviewer in the Times Westchester Section did not like it at all, but neither did the critics when another company put it on in New York. Audiences, however, did enjoy. For further information, the WPI Theater box office number is (203) 869-7390.

News from our Foreign Correspondent:

Patchwork Quilt, a book published in Europe last year, includes a bio of Dorley Stern-Straeter and picture of one of her recent works, "Steps to Pharaoh." Many of you will remember Dorle from her time in Westchester and in the Guild. Her husband had an extended assignment to the United Nations and she wanted to learn an American craft while they were here. Quilting was the choice. And learn she did, eventually going on to study with Michael James. She reports that she's now experimenting with using combinations of fabrics -cottons, silks, satins, etc. The quilt in the book reflects the influence of her present base: Saudi Arabia. Her address remains, however, Postfach 1500, 5300 Bonn 1, West Germany.

In a particularly elegant section of an elegant city can be found . . . a quilt store, the only one in Paris. Behind the counter is a woman whose quilts have won international awards. Around the table are beginning quilters - cutting, arranging, questioning, sharing. On the shelves are fabrics - Peter Pan, V.I.P., et al - at three times the price of ours! How would you like to pay \$7.50 for one issue of Quilter's Newsletter? Nevertheless, the art/craft is becoming very popular, and our authors, our traditional patterns (pieced, mostly) are in great demand.

One bargain was seen in all Paris - and it was a quilt, which seems to refute all that was just said. The explanation: the quilt, good-sized, with good workmanship and lovely cottons, came from India. If many start coming from there, it could certainly affect the market worldwide.

Didn't know we had a Foreign Correspondent? Kay Fowler arrived back in Yorktown on Saturday, October 3 and while recuperating from jet lag, whipped up this report for our Newsletter.

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