

On Point!

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President's Message

The first meeting went beautifully in spite of a few glitches. Many thanks to *Marie Pedlow* for helping to set up the program when Dorothy Scalice, the chairman, was stranded at the Madrid airport. Thanks also to Sister Barbara for performing AV duty when the AV person was a No Show. Carol Doak was very entertaining and had great visuals — slides, quilts and vests. I'm sorry that more of you didn't take advantage of her workshops. She is a terrific teacher.

We ran a little overtime last month. There always seems to be so much information we need to disseminate at the start of the year. It is our plan to be out by 10:00 P.M. or before. Hopefully, we'll meet the schedule from now on.

We will switch back to the usual sequence, beginning with the business portion of the meeting and ending with our speaker, the Shelburne Museum's curator, Celia Oliver. In my absence, the meeting will be in the capable hands of Nancy Mirman.

If you didn't complete an inquiry form last month, please take one from the Membership table and fill it out. We are looking for temporary, short term help on occasion and a direction for your workshop interests and abilities.

Kim Silva-Lepe is trying to coordinate some small groups. Look for her at the New Member's

table where anyone who feels as though they are not well integrated into the guild can gather before the meetings.

There are a lot of fun and interesting small projects sponsored by the guild — check them out in the newsletter.

Remember, the more you do, the more you will enjoy the Guild.☑

Joyce Sullivan

FALL CALENDAR

OCT. 8	RAFFLE QUILT AT LINDA GIDOS'
OCT. 17	PAPER PIECE IN
OCT. 20	GEN. MTG. WITH CELIA OLIVER
OCT. 20	RAFFLE QUILT AT ANN FITZELL'S
OCT. 21	ON POINT! ARTICLES DUE
OCT. 22	COMFORT QUILTS
OCT. 27	EXEC. BD. MTG.
NOV. 3	SHOW COMMITTEE MTG.
NOV. 3	RAFFLE QUILT AT J. McAWARD'S
NOV. 5	COMFORT QUILTS
NOV. 7	HOLIDAY BOUTIQUE
NOV. 17	GEN. MTG. WITH JO DIGGS
NOV. 24	EXEC. BD. MTG.

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The deadline for articles appearing in the November issue is October 21, the day after the general meeting.

Hospitality

Thanks to the Board members for filling the table at September's meeting, and to a few A's that were ahead of schedule. We look forward to the participation of A & B members at October's meeting.

New members, please note: Each member is asked to bring a modest portion of a snack — sweet, savory, fruit, vegetable, or beverage — one time during the guild year. We use last name initials, in order, divided evenly throughout the year. If your last name begins with A or B, October is your month!

Don't forget your mugs — "Save a tree!"

Kathy Miller & Corinne Moscella
Hospitality Committee

Program Column

Our guest speaker for October is Celia Oliver, curator at the *Shelburne Museum* in Vermont. Celia's lecture is, *For Warmth and Beauty: Quilts and Bedcovers in American: 1700-1900*. The Shelburne Museum's world famous collection contains a wide variety of quilts, coverlets, bedrugs and embroidered blankets. Celia's lecture will focus on how quilts and other bedcovers made in America relate to the styles of interior decoration and production of textile goods from the late 1700's to the early 1900's.

Two books will be available at our meeting: *Enduring Grace* by Celia Oliver (published by C & T Publications) and *Quilts From the Shelburne Museum* (published by Kokugai Arts). The latter is a beautifully printed catalogue in Japanese and English, created for an exhibition in Japan and available *only* at the Museum.

Whether you consider yourself a traditional or contemporary quilter, Celia's lecture should be a fascinating story of our *roots* in quilting. I hope you'll join us on October 20th.☞

Dorothy Scalice
Program V.P.

Comfort Quilts

Do you have a yen to join us, but have no room in your life now to do so? You can participate by making a single block: a sixteen patch (4 X 4) of 1 1/2" squares from any 100% cotton scraps. Just make it from sixteen different fabrics. A basket will be ready to receive your blocks at every meeting throughout this year. The committee will put them together into quilts.☞

Pat Baker

Treasurer's Report (for the period 6/11/98—9/22/98)

<u>Total Guild</u>	
Opening Balance	\$36,084.97
<u>Guild Checking</u>	
Opening Balance	\$6,126.88
Income	
Membership	2,047.50
Trips	700.00
Newsletter-advertising	300.00
Programs-raffle	<u>242.00</u>
TOTAL INCOME	\$3,289.50
Expenses	
Program	\$449.00
Education	1,320.18
Newsletter	778.40
Trips	1,660.00
Library	<u>140.11</u>
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$4,347.69
Closing Balance	\$5,068.69
<u>SAVINGS</u>	
Balance	\$18,818.13
<u>GUILD SHOW ACCOUNT</u>	
Opening Balance	11,139.96
Expenses	
Raffle 1999	\$113.21
Raffle 2000	104.51
Storage	367.00
Publicity	90.00
Misc. secretarial	<u>16.70</u>
Closing Balance	\$10,448.54
TOTAL GUILD ACCOUNTS	\$34,335.36

Respectfully submitted,
Cynthia Henke

Reports from the Quilt Show Committee

With the 20th anniversary of the *World of Quilts* coming up this May, your Show Committee is planning some very special events. On Saturday, May 1st, the Fairfield Fashion Show will delight us with its high style and sometimes wacky garments. But Fairfield garments are *always* interesting and breathtaking in their intricacy, color and fabrics. We are also planning a silent auction, a doll exhibit and a photo retrospective of our show and guild. And more. . . .

Be sure to sign up for the October 17th Piece In. What a great way to learn to paper piece and help out the guild at the same time.☞

Nancy Mirman
Quilt Show Chairman

Wanted: Non-Profit Organization that could use between \$5,000—\$6,000. Do you know of such an organization? Then what are you waiting for?

"Every year the guild makes a quilt which is raffled off at the show in May. All proceeds benefit a not-for-profit organization selected by the membership. Please send us the name of your favorite charity. Submit their name to me with a brief description of what they do and the membership will vote at our November meeting. The winner will be announced that night. The following rules apply:

- ◆1.. Organization *must* be non-profit.
 - ▲a. Can be partially funded.
 - ▲b. Applicant must have sole control of their budget.
 - ▲c. NSQG donation not to affect any other funding.
- ◆2.. Only organizations serving people in the tri-state area are eligible.
- ◆3.. A guild member *must* sponsor the organization.
 - ▲a. Applicant *must* submit a letter of description of services and purpose of organization.
 - ▲b. Letter *must* be received by the October General Meeting.
- ◆4.. Organization cannot receive NSQG donation in two consecutive years.
- ◆5.. The organization *must* sell tickets — 50

- or more books prior to the show.
- ◆ 6.. One or more representatives from the organization must be present at the quilt show (Saturday and Sunday) all day to sell tickets.
- ◆ 7.. One or more representatives of the organization must be present at the June Salad Supper meeting to receive the donation.

Mail all applications to:

Kathy Vanacoro
RD 4, 608 S. Lake Shore Drive
Lake Carmel, NY 10512
(914) 225-0047
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More Reports from the Quilt Show Committee

Works in Progress:

Do you have a special talent that you would love to share with others? I would like to try something new — have almost continuous demonstrations this year for *WORKS IN PROGRESS* at the show.

Whether it is a basic quilting skill (piecing, quilting, appliqué, basting, finishing — hand or machine), or a special skill like special embellishing techniques, machine embroidery, paper piecing, or something new and exciting that only you know about, how about giving me a call? *WORKS IN PROGRESS* is a real crowd pleaser.

I am hoping to have several different photo displays at *WORKS IN PROGRESS*. Specifically, I am looking for:

A — Photos from past shows — especially from early years with people in them.

B — Photos of your favorite sewing space/quilting studio — a wonderful display would be before and after renovation.

C — Photos from past workshops, Super Saturdays, or of your small quilting group.

If you have any of these photos, we would love to borrow them for this special display.

Liz Doyle
(914) 232-3040

Silent Auction:

We need your help for our 20th show to be special.

Would you like to donate one of your quilts to the Silent Auction? The quilt can be of any style and should be no larger than 24" X 24" or 96" in perimeter. The proceeds will be donated to charity (specifics to be determined at a future date).

The deadline for submitting the finished quilt will be at the March 1999 General Meeting. However, I would like to have an idea of how many quilts will be donated. If you would like to participate, please call me at (914) 241-0134.

Joann Finnigan
Special Events

I have a number of limited, small jobs. Can you help? Call Nancy Mirman at (914) 277-5210.

Quilt Block Contest:

I'm pleased to announce the block contest for our Twentieth Anniversary Gala Quilt Show. The theme is *China*: the traditional gift for a Twentieth Anniversary. The block must measure an accurate 12 1/2" square, including seam allowances. Do not bind or finish the edges! Use prewashed 100% cotton fabric. The background fabric must be yellow.

All entrants will receive one of our beautiful show pins and the finalists will receive fabric packets. The finalist blocks will be assembled into a quilt top which will be awarded in a random drawing to one of the lucky finalists.

The deadline for submitting your entry is March 1, 1999. Entry forms will be available at the monthly meetings.

Margaret A. Phillips
(203) 622-9066

Even more Reports from the Quilt Show

Stitch, Stitch, Stitching

We're off to a great start with the quilting of the 1999 quilt. A notebook accompanies the quilt so that all quilters can log their time. It will be interesting to tally the quilting hours that have been invested. So remember to sign each time you quilt.

As of this writing, Marie Rohrman is quilting and hosting bees. Linda Gidos of Stamford, Connecticut will take over in the early part of October. Call Linda if you would like to join her.

The quilt will be at the Boutique on November 7th in Bedford, NY, so take a few minutes and add to the stitching.

Don't forget to contact me if you want to take it for either solo quilting or quilting bees, this year or early 1999. You can take it for only a few days or longer if you wish.

Linda Ostrander
(914) 533-2154

The _Ostrandere @ compuserve.com

Raffle Quilt Schedule	
Oct. present —20	Linda Gidos of Stamford, CT—203 323-7304
Oct. 21	Ann Fitzell of Yorktown— 914 962-3132
Nov. 3	Jean McAward of Bedford— Hills 914 241-2648
Nov. 17th	Still available
Dec. 1st	Barbara Marra of Danbury, CT— 203 792-9680
Dec. 15th	Still available

Quilt 2000

There are lots of blocks to piece for the Year 2000 raffle quilt, and we are optimistic about getting many completed at the October 17th *Paper Piece-In*. We had a very good response at the Guild meeting and are looking forward to a large turn-out. If you didn't sign-up, we still have plenty of room and would love to have you join us.

The session will be at the Katonah Presbyterian Church and you may come for the entire day (10AM-4PM) or for part of the day. There will be no charge and the Guild will provide coffee. Please bring your own lunch if you plan to be there mid-day. Paper-piecing beginners, intermediates, and pros are all welcome.

We still need

Reds
Medium blues (no turquoise
or blue-green)
purples/reddish purples
medium to light oranges
Yellows
Pinks

We do need more fabrics and ask those people attending the *Piece-In* to contribute some additional fabrics. Please bring monochromatic (one color prints that have little contrast) or solid fabrics in the colors listed. Pieces should be at least 9"X12" or larger or as much as you want to contribute.

If you have any questions about supplies or need directions to the church, please contact me.

Georgia Heller
(203) 358-0333
ddgbh@concentric.net

Membership

It was good to greet old friends, see all the wonderful "Show & Tell," and listen to Carol Doak entertain us. We had 187 members signed in and 4 guests. It was a great turn out.

The membership table was congested and at times chaotic. The October meeting can be just as busy, so if you have not done so, please send a check made out to NSQG as soon as possible for \$35.00 and sent it to me:

PAT BARTIMOCCIA,
P.O. Box 500
MAHOPAC, NY 10541

Thanks to *Ina Helfand, Julia Mazurak, Joan Crawford, Joan Weth, Natalee Fogel, Chris Roche, Cathy Neri, Liz Doyle and Pauline Joseph*, who volunteered at the membership table. I will again need volunteers for the October meeting. Please call me if you feel meeting and greeting members is for you.

COMING TO THE MEETING ALONE?

WANT TO JOINT A SMALL GROUP?

If you come to the guild meetings alone (whether you are a new member or not) and don't want to sit alone, drop by the New Member Table. You'll find others to chat with, an experienced guild member or two to answer any questions, and a signup sheet.

If you want to join or learn more about small quilting groups, call, email, or drop by the table for more information at the next meeting!

Kim Silva-Lepe
(914)245-0482
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Don't forget, if you don't pay your dues by the October meeting, then this is the last newsletter you will receive.

At the October meeting, I will have a list of members with names, addresses, etc. It is important that you take the time to review your own information for accuracy before the membership list gets printed.

The membership list will be assembled, printed, and distributed at the November meeting. Presently we have 237 paid members, which is the exact number we had at this time last year.☞

Pat Bartimoccia
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Boutique

Hope all of you have marked Saturday, November 7th, from 10 :00 A.M.-3:00 P.M. on your calendar for the Holiday Boutique to be held at the Bedford Presbyterian Church. This is a great time to earn extra cash for selling your handmade gift items. You can get a head start on your Holiday shopping by buying some beautifully made items by our talented guild members. Guild members can start shopping at 9:00 A.M. — one hour earlier than the general public. Everyone is invited.

While you're at the Boutique, please plan on staying a bit longer to quilt on the raffle quilt that will be set up throughout the day.

Sign up sheets and information will be available at the October meeting for anyone interested in selling.

Looking forward to a great turn-out. See you all there!!!☞

**Julie Long &
Susan Henshaw**

Library News

I am pleased to announce a generous donation of 15 new books from Kristine Cunningham, a friend of Linda Love's. These books are filled with ideas, designs, patterns and projects.

The books are as follows:
Quick Sew Quilts, Country Fabric Scrap Crafts, Scrap Crafts from A to Z, 101 Patchwork Potholders, Watercolor Quilts, Red Wagon, The Ultimate Serger Answer Guide, Crazy With Cotton, Strip Pieced Water Color Quilts, Two-Hour Mini Quilt Projects, Schoolhouse, American Country Scrap Quilts, In a Patchwork Garden, Pigs, Piglets & Porkers, and Beautiful Banners.

Also, Alice Garrard has generously donated the following gently used books: *Template Free Quilts and Borders, Feathered Star Quilts, A Collection of Favorite Quilts, Stars*

and *Stepping Stones, Blending the Old and The New: Quilts* by Paul Pilgrim.

Those of you on the delinquent list should return these books to the October meeting or bring a check so the book(s) can be replaced.

Delinquent List

Alice Beardsley — "Color & Cloth" — March '98
Susan Arnold — "Fabric & Fiber Source Book" — April '98
Betty Bresnan — "Quilts, Quilts, Quilts" — June '98
Eileen Ford — "New York Beauties," "Easy Does it Quilts," "Nature Design & Silk Ribbons" — Feb. '98
Signe Erikson — "Go Wild With Quilts Again" — June '98

Many thanks to Karen Moseman and Linda Lim for helping at the very busy (and hot) library table. It was great getting the returned questionnaires filled out; however, we still need more of you to respond to learn what kinds of books you want.

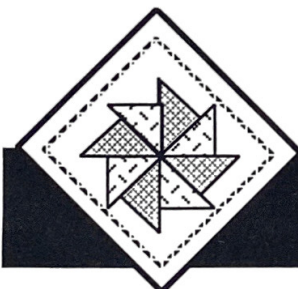
When you borrow a book, please show your membership card to the the attending guild member.☞

Micki Tedeschi
Librarian

Northern Star members shine at Yorktown Grange Show.

Pauline Joseph, Mary Rossetti and Ann Fitzell won Blue Ribbons. Ann Fitzell won Best of Class and her quilt was voted Best In Show.

Jean Henderson's quilt "Tokyo to Baltimore" was featured in the November *Quilter's Newsletter Magazine* collection of unusual Baltimore album quilts.



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Caroline Kearney

914-228-6332

Nancy Murphy joined NSQG ten years ago, and found her niche with folk art appliqué using the buttonhole stitch. She taught her special stitch at Super Saturday. That is not, however, the only volunteer work Nancy did for NSQG.

Nancy served on the Show Committee as Information Booth and Raffle Booth Chairperson. She also served as VP/Programs, booking quilting greats such as Michael James, Carol Doak, Katie Pasquini-Masopust, Yvonne Porcella, Nancy Srebo-Johnson and Sue Rodgers, to name a few.

**A Message
from
Maria Tamoaka
about
Nancy Murphy**

Even after Nancy left office, she returned to help the guild get back on track with her needed skills. Knowing the mechanics of running the monthly meetings, Nancy was often asked questions such as, Where's the light switch? Where's the podium? Where's the microphone? Where's the coffee pot? How do you put up the quilt racks?

At the end of July, Nancy found a red spot on her breast. She went to her doctor to have it checked. The doctor told her not to worry, it was an irritation from her bra. Nancy didn't think that sounded right and insisted on a mammogram. The mammogram was done and she was told again, that she was fine. Nancy insisted on a second opinion. The second opinion was granted and the second doctor immediately had a biopsy taken. (That was Thursday, September 3.)

The following week Nancy was told she had Inflammatory Breast Cancer, a rare form of the disease. She received her first chemotherapy on September 22 and will be having bimonthly treatments for 18 weeks.

A "Block of the Month" quilt has been designed for her with proceeds going to Breast Cancer Research. In her honor the motifs will be folksy and made of wool felt. Each of the nine squares hold a special meaning to Nancy. For more information, contact Pinwheels at (914) 271-1045.

Nancy is proud to be a part of NSQG and appreciates your support. If you would like to send Nancy a card, call her, or E-mail her, here are the particulars:

Nancy Murphy
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Croton -On -Hudson, NY 10520
(914) 271-4445
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Trips

The Fort Washington, PA trip was outstanding! As always, this show proved to be well worth the trip. We all had a great time and spent a lot of money.

Our November 7th Westford, MA trip has been cancelled. The Holiday Boutique could not be held on any other weekend because of the difficulty in obtaining a location. It was decided to cancel the trip.

Our next trip is April 9 and 10 (Friday and Saturday). Make your reservations early (I already have 3). Just for your information.....the reason we don't go to Lancaster on a Saturday/Sunday is because none of the stores are open on Sunday. We had tried this before and felt it was better to go Friday/Sat. Call me for reservations at 914-628-4241.

As always, thank you for allowing me to take care of you on these trips. It pleases me immensely to share these times with all of you. Thanks for the beautiful material!☺

Dorothy Fiederlein,
Special Events
Coordinator

Novelty Fabric Exchange

The theme for October is people, places, pets, fish, insects and other related things. Remember to mark your bags with your name so that you don't get your own fabric back.

Turn your bags of fabrics in before the meeting at the education table and pick up your new fabric packets at the break.

Here are the rules again:

1. Fabric must be 100% cotton of quilting weight.
2. Fabrics must be washed, pressed and cut into 6" squares.
3. Each square must have a clear, identifiable image of the theme.
4. Place six fabrics in a clear sandwich bag with your name.☺

Linda Ostrander

Help Wanted

Many thanks to those who responded to last month's requests. Check out this column each month for opportunities. Did you know that each member is allowed one ad per year, gratis...take advantage. The item that is just gathering dust for you may be just the thing another guild member has been needing.☺

Looking for 6-8 people to help with registration at the membership tables. Need to arrive at meeting at 6:45. If interested call Pat Bartimoccia at (914) 628-6820.

Wanted: Seasoned guild members willing to sit at the New Member Table at the meetings, chat with new members, and help make them more familiar with how the guild works. Call Kim (914) 245-0482 if you would like to help out.

Brother 771 sewing machine - Botique - For Sale.
Contemporary Consoll call Pat Ward at (914)-528-3222.

Special congratulations to one of NSQG's brightest stars, Karen Eckmeir, for taking second place at the Greater Flint Art Council— Quilts at the Crossroads for Positive Energy. She also won a blue ribbon in the Hoffman Challenge.

Road to

Exhibitions and Shows

■ **Collegetown, PA:** Art Quilt Network's Crossing Boundaries, Oct. 11–Nov. 29, Phillip & Muriel Berman Museum of Art, Ursinus College, Main Street; Audrey Powell, 816-756-3777.

■ **White Plains, N.Y.:** Quilt Celebration V—Village Squares Quilters Guild, Oct. 17-18, Memorial United Methodist Church, 250 Bryant Avenue; Sat. hours 10:00 A.M. -4:00 P.M.; Sunday 12:00 NOON-4:00 P.M.; 914-725-3399/723-6456.


■ **Nanuet, N.Y.:** Harvest of Stars Quilt Show, Heritage Quilters of the Hudson Palisades and Nanuet Rotary, Nov. 7 and 8; Nanuet High School, 103 Church Street; for additional information call 914 942-2345 or e-mail steveevy@icu.com.

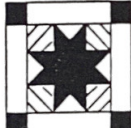
■ **Martinsville, N.J.:** Quilts VI, presented by Garden State Quilters, Nov. 14 & 15; The Pingry School, Martinsville Road, Route 525. Saturday hours 10:00 A.M.-5:00 P.M.; Sunday 10:00 A.M.- 4:00 P.M.

Other Events

■ **Pacific Grove, CA:** Empty Spools Seminars at Asilomar (sessions in Feb., March, and April 1999); SASE to Empty Spools Seminars, 70 Bradley Avenue, Walnut Creek, CA 94596-4267; 925-930-7893.

■ **Minneapolis, MN:** A Quilter's Gift to Children competition to benefit medical research in the Department of Pediatrics at the University of Minnesota; SASE to UCF, Box 391 Mayo, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN 55455.

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Newtown, CT — Mary Eddy

Carmel, NY — Carol Auer, Leslie Forrest
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Mohegan Lake, NY — Alison Dale
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Charlestown, RI — Betty Combs

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