

On Point!

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Message from the President

The range of talents represented in our guild is truly astounding, not only sewing and artistic, but organizational as well. A true gem has been uncovered in our Membership Chair, Susie Andersen. As you will read elsewhere in the newsletter, she is reviving customs of the past in re-establishing the New Members Table and Member of the Month, as well as fulfilling her membership duties with energy and gusto.

Getting acquainted can be difficult in a group as large as ours. It is so comfortable to walk in and sit down with old friends. But I challenge you to sit at the New Member's Table at least once during our 03-04 season, and perhaps take one new member back and introduce her/him to your old friends.

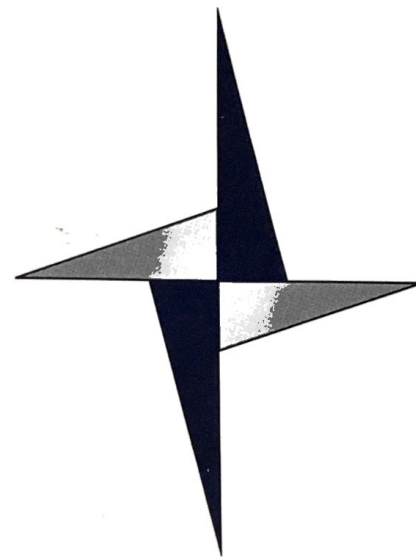
The Fort Washington trip was a great

success—a good time was had by all, even Debbie Bein in her wheelchair (we hope your foot heals pronto). The growing importance of machine quilting was very evident in the quilts displayed, but stunning hand quilting is still easy to find.

If you are making a Heroes quilt for the NYC EMTs, a little note with your name and address and perhaps a stamped, self-addressed envelope pinned to the back would get a response so you can know where it ends up.

Remember, *wear your name button or badge*, and bring a mug. Let's keep as much plastic as possible out of our refuse system.

Happy Quilting!!!
Pat Baker



Hospitality—A,B,C

Many thanks to all the Board members who provided the sumptuous array of food at the September meeting. They have set a high standard! Refreshments for the October meeting will come from those members whose last names begin with A, B and C. Hot water will be provided for coffee, tea and hot chocolate—please remember to bring your mug.

See you there
Helen Andrew



Please Bring Your Cup

Help Spread the Word !

I would like your help in spreading the word about our 25th Anniversary show. If you are going out of town to attend a class, visit a quilt shop or quilt show, or away on vacation, please consider taking along a batch of bookmarks for distribution. We always have bookmarks available that could be hand delivered to you at a future NSQG meeting in Somers or they could be mailed to you. We are looking forward to a great turnout and with your help we can make that happen!

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Please Return "The Bravest" Quilt Kits

Finished or unfinished please return the quilt kits for the firemen/EMTs. We are now down to the wire and trying to get all of the stations covered. See page 5.

Please call Barbara Powers if you have a kit outstanding.
Thanks

General Meeting
Tuesday
October 21
JFK High School
Somers, New York
Doors Open 6:45 pm
Meeting Begins
7:15 pm

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Monthly meetings are held the third Tuesday of each month, September through June, at John F. Kennedy High School, Route 138, Somers, New York. Doors open at **6:45 pm**, business meeting starts at **7:15 pm**.

Articles must be submitted to the newsletter Editor (generally one week) after the general meeting and may be submitted by postal mail, e-mail and fax. E-mail *attachments* cannot be accepted. **Please include your text in the body of the e-mail message.**

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October General Meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 21, at 6:45 pm. Deadline for the next newsletter is one week after the general meeting, October 28.

Holiday Boutique—November 15 St. Mark's Church, Mt. Kisco

Once again the Holiday Boutique will be held at St. Mark's Church in Mt. Kisco. This central location has great parking and is well situated at the intersection of Routes 117 and Main St. at Route 133. This is a wonderful opportunity to reap some of the harvests of your labors of love. Or, if you prefer, you can simply come and buy some of the beautiful creations made by your fellow guild members. We will be open especially for the guild members from 9:00 to 10:00 and then open to the general public. We will be registering vendors at the September and October meeting. Please keep in mind the following:

- You must be an active member of the NSQG.
- Participants must volunteer at least 2 hours of time to help, or find a substitute.
- All items submitted for sale must be quilted, made of fabric or quilt related. Pre-printed panels are not acceptable.
- Items must be made by a NSQG member.
- Items do not have to be holiday related.

Participants will receive detailed instructions during registration. Item samples will be on display at the fall meetings.

I look forward to a successful Holiday Boutique. Please participate and be recognized for your talents and workmanship!

Emily R Giannattasio
Boutique Chair

Programs . . . Programs . . . Programs

Esterita Austin will give a lecture "Not Written in Stone" for us Tuesday, October 23rd. She will have a trunk show of beautiful quilts for us as well. Famous for her stone portals and for creating the illusion of depth, she will share her techniques and secrets with us. From what to look for in fabric, how to create highlights and shadows, to getting the 3-D effect, we will find out how magic happens. Plan to be there.

Barbara Powers and Eleanor Hibben, Programs

In Esterita Austin's workshop the students will create a small fused still life from a pattern, supplied in class. Using the pattern the student will cut medium value fabric, (Bali's Hoffmans, batiks, and/or textural commercial and hand-dyed look-a-likes.) On this top, the students will be taught how to paint values to enhance the form, creating highlights and shadow, to make the objects appear to be three dimensional. No previous painting experience is necessary. All paint, brushes, basic materials for class, including pattern are provided in a kit for \$18. All you need to bring are: Rotary cutter, mat, exacto knife/or paper scissors and fabric scissors, ballpoint pen, assortment of medium value fabrics approximately. 10" square. Feel free to bring whole pieces if you don't want to cut up your stash. We'll only be using from 3 to 6 fabrics, but who ever knows which ones! <http://esteritaustin.com>

I will be collecting checks for the workshops the 1st of September. Send LSASE and a check for \$40 per class.

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"Square" Robin Quilts

This year our Round Robin Quilts will be done in a different format, more like a block exchange, thus the new title. As usual, we expect the quilts will be given to Comfort Quilts for distribution to sick children and teens. Groups of five quilters will be formed from the September meeting sign-up list. If you were not at that meeting and wish to participate *please call or e-mail Suzanne Sunday As Soon As Possible* so you can be included in a group before the October meeting.

Each member of a group will be given a piece of fabric which must be used, in large or small quantity, in every block she makes. The group of five will have coordinating fabrics so the blocks should go well together. The other fabrics in your block can be anything you have that works with your required fabric.


Every month, I will give a different type of pattern or design to be followed. Block size is 8 1/2" (8" finished.) Members will make a block to their liking, then make 4 more just like it to exchange with their group. Blocks will be made and exchanged for 5 months, then in March they will be assembled into a quilt top in any way you wish—use sashing, put them in long rows, add borders, turn them on point—whatever makes you happy. Hopefully, we will have quilt tops ready for Show & Tell in April.

Fabric will be handed out at the October meeting. The block to make for exchange at November meeting can be any pieced (patchwork) pattern or design you wish. Your group names will be included in your fabric packet.

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Important Dates

October 21	General Meeting, JFK H.S., Somers
October 9	Comfort Quilts
October 23	Comfort Quilts
October 28	Exec. Board Meeting JFK H.S.
November 6	Comfort Quilts
November 15	Holiday Boutique
November 18	General Meeting
November 21	Comfort Quilts
December 4	Comfort Quilts
December 16	General Meeting
December 18	Comfort Quilts
January 20	General Meeting Challenge Due
March 1, 2004	Block Contest Due
March 20, 2004	Super Saturday



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Save the Day — Super Saturday

Super Saturday will be March 20, 2004 so mark your calendars. We still need some classes that don't require sewing machines.. So please call if you have some ideas and can volunteer to teach.

Karen Carlson (914) 762-5382
Claire Victor (914) 725-0237

Esterita Austin Workshop

The waiting list for the Esterita Austin's workshop is so long that we are close to scheduling a second workshop for Tuesday, October 21, 2003. The title is "Painting on Fabric for Enhancement and Embellishment." Paint, brushes and pattern kit is \$9; complete kit is \$18. No sewing machine is necessary. Here is your chance to experiment the easy way. Contact Maxine Oliver.

Mary Sorenson Workshop

Although both of Mary Sorenson workshops are filled, I would like everyone who has signed up for it to stop by the Education Table to double check the list for the day that you are scheduled for the workshop. If you can't make the meeting you can call me at 914-962-2681 or quilt.lady@verizon.net Maxine Oliver

Sunshine

As part of my job description, cards are sent to Guild members whenever appropriate (get well, birth, condolence, etc.). Please let me know when a Guild member in need of a little sunshine!

Melanie Darensod
Corresponding Secretary
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The Challenge—2004

This coming year our show "World of Quilts" turns 25. Please participate in a quarter-century of celebration and reflections.....

Reflections



Rules or How To's

- Perimeter: May not exceed 25 inches top to bottom or side to side.
- Must hang easily
- Must be 3 layers and quilted
- Must have a 4" sleeve
- Must use 25 fabrics
- Use 2 to 5 non-traditional materials
- Use 2 to 5 embellishment techniques
- Please explain your reflections in 25 words or less
- Deadline for submission: January meeting 2004

We look forward to a wonderful group of quilts and as usual, and remember keep yours a secret. Please keep in mind that we'd like to send the quilts to Lancaster again then our show in May.

Challenge Committee
Beth Carney, Linda Schoenfeld, Mayann Weinberg

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“The Bravest” Quilts

Thanks to the many dear hearts who volunteered to do a quilt for the Emergency Medical Technicians who lost so many members on September 11, 2001. I will collect them at the next meeting and ship them back myself. Call me if you cannot make the meeting and I will make arrangements to get yours.

If you would like to know where your quilt is placed, pin a note on the back with that request and include your name and address.

Linda Schoenfeld did that on hers and received a call this summer to let her know that her quilt was chosen to hang in the Governor’s mansion. Linda quilted the American Eagle as it appears on the Presidential seal on the background. Congratulations on your beautiful work, Linda. Linda will have a picture of it at the next meeting if you would like to admire it.

If you have a kit from the original batch, or better yet a quilt, we need it! See you at the meeting and thanks again.
Barbara Powers

Membership

We will be collecting dues checks until the October meeting. It is best to go ahead and mail them to me with the sheet from the web site or in last months newsletter. Then you will be able to sign right in at the door in October and get your membership card. I hope everyone checked the address list and double checked their E-mail addresses as we already know that a lot of these old addresses bounce back. By the way, you need to pay your dues to remain a member in good standing. The renewal dues are \$35 even if you don’t renew until next year. The \$17.50 rate is for a first time member only who wants to join after the January meeting.

Wear your buttons or fabric name tag to the meetings, it helps us get to know each other. We will have the kits for fabric name tags at the October meeting for those who have requested them. Lorraine Caravetta will have the button machine again at the door to make it easier for everyone to get a name button.

As a result of the comments made on the survey, special tables have been designated for new members and new quilters. Marie Pedlow will be available to help new quilters with problems and possibly giving short demos on basic techniques. You may be a new member for as long as you want until you feel like an old member!

Linda Schoenfeld has volunteered to help me revive the old “Member of the Month” tradition. Our purpose is to help the guild become better acquainted with our individual members by having an interview in the newsletter and a display of that member’s quilts at each month’s meeting. This will give us an opportunity to see how we all progress in our quilt making over a period of time. I think it will be an exciting aspect of each month’s meeting. Marie Concher has agreed to be our first

Special Sightings

Eleanor Hibben, NSQG member, won several ribbons at the Grange Fair. Her crown of thorns design quilt took First Place, Best of Class, and Best of Show. Her red, black and white quilt took a first prize ribbon.

Linda Spidell won a First Prize ribbon for her Quilt As You Go which featured machine embroidery—a different design and thread color for each of the 36 blocks.

Carrie Vollrath won two first place ribbons for her quilts. The two submitted were: Nine Patch in red, yellow and white (crib size) and a Quilt As You Go—36 inches square featuring balloons and primary colors.

Elizabeth Sovern wrote an article in the October/November Threads Magazine entitled “Addicted to Accessories.”



“One Woman Show.” Thanks Marie for working with us on such short notice.

Marie-Francoise Concher was born in France and grew up enjoying all kinds of needlework. She came to the U.S. in 1977 and learned piecing and quilting at the NewComers Club before becoming fluent in English. Her quilt celebrating her American citizenship won her first award at a NSQG show. She has won an award at each of the NSQG challenges since 2001. The 2004 Quilt Art engagement calendar will feature her quilt “Reflections.” She has just been notified that she will be receiving an award in the Keepsake Quilting challenge this fall for the second time.

Marie says, “The strength of my work is creativity. I try to see the invisible, to feel the emotion and express it. I draw the idea as soon as the inspirations explode. I call it the revelation. My goal is to improve technically, to keep the creativity flowing and to share the fun of quilting with all of you as long as possible!!!”

She told me that she designs by drawing full size cartoons of her piece on butchers paper and then creates the quilt on a design wall. She prefers machine quilting but appliques both on the machine and by hand. Marie will be available to answer questions about her quilts at the meeting. Thanks Marie for working with us on such short notice.

Susie Andersen, VP Membership

Show Seminar with Hollis Chatelaine

Early Registration

Our lecture plans for our 2004 show include a three-hour seminar with Hollis Chatelaine entitled:

“Following Your Passion—Marketing Your Strengths”

The seminar will be held on Sunday, May 2, 2004, during the show from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm. The registration fee of \$10 per participant includes a \$5 folder fee of Hollis' marketing materials.

We are conducting an **Early Sign-Up** for this seminar to gauge the interest level within the Guild before registration is opened to non-members. To sign up for this seminar, please contact me by November 1, 2003. See me at the October meeting or contact me by telephone or email. 914-737-5924; Email: dbbe@bestweb.net

Debbie Bein, Show Committee Lecture Chair

Library News

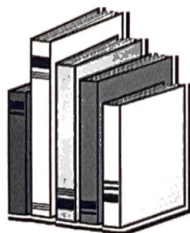
The Library got off to a good start in September and we heard a lot of positive comments about the extra table, which allowed everyone to see more of the books we have to offer.

We will have a lot of new books available for the next meeting. *Feathers That Fly* by Lee Cleland shows how to design, mark, and machine quilt feather motifs. *Layers of Stitch* by Valerie Campbell-Harding and Maggie Grey is an exciting book on contemporary machine embroidery. *Westminster Patchwork and Quilting, Book Number 3* is an interesting collection of projects by a number of well-known designers. Jan Mullen's new *Reverse Applique with No Brakez* features her method of making mola-type pieces by machine. *Flowering Favorites* from Piece O' Cake Designs is a colorful book of applique and patchwork quilts. *Radiant New York Beauties* by Valori Wells is a treasure trove of color, design and quilting ideas based on the popular New York Beauty block and, finally, *Snowman Threads* from Need'I Love is a book that might actually make you look forward to the coming winter.

There are a few members who have books that are extremely overdue. They are: Kendall Storm with 1 book that is 4 months overdue, Dorothy Scalice, with 2 books that are 5 months overdue, and Lois Lober with a book that is 8 months overdue. Please, ladies, get these back to me before the next meeting.

Thanks,

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Raffle Quilt Charity Nominations

Those of you who are new members may now know that the entire amount of money collected from the Quilt Raffle is donated to a charity of our choice. At the November meeting, the membership is presented with the names of several worthy causes. We then vote to choose which one will receive a check from NSQG for their organization.

It has been very gratifying to present that check to a representative from the organizations that have been selected. Most recently they were the Westchester Women's Shelter and the Friends' of Karen.

A new recipient will be chosen this year. They must be a non-profit, local organization (tri-state area) and sponsored by a guild member. They must agree to help sell raffle tickets before the show and have a representative at the show to help at the table. A representative must attend the June meeting to accept the donation check.

Now is the time for you to nominate a worthy cause to receive this donation. Please contact us before the October 15 deadline so that we can include your charity on the ballot.

Carolyn Langevin, 533-6655
Mary Cannizzaro, 533-2630

PS: You may also want to renominate the charity that you have nominated in the past. There are many out there who are worthy.

Landscape Pillows

After Karen Eckmeier's workshop at Super Saturday, Janice Nastasi made an African landscape into a pillow. It was striking, and an idea was born. At the same time, Mary Leahy of Fairfield Processing donated pillow forms and shortly after, Karen Eckmeier donated her time to give an Accidental Landscapes workshop at Comfort Quilts. Other landscapers joined the effort and contributed pillows. Much fun was had by all.

The Landscape pillows will be shown at "Show and Tell" at the October meeting. I hope to have a picture for the Newsletter with the names of the contributors next month.

Many of the pillows will be sold at the Holiday Boutique and the proceeds will go to the Children's Center at the Westchester County Court House.

Barbara Powers

Quilt Show 2004—World of Quilts XXV

Work is progressing on the 2004 World of Quilts 25! Isn't it exciting to be part of a guild that has such a long history? As I mentioned last month, the first 2 shows were held to raise money for the American Field Service at Somers High School. A World Of Quilts III on April 3 & 4, 1982 was the first show to be run by a newly formed group known as Northern Star Quilter's Guild. It was also the first show to be held at our current "home" John F. Kennedy High School. The committee was considerably smaller than the current committee and included 5 men! The movie "Quilts in Women's Lives" was shown both days as well as many lectures and a lovely Fashion show. Raffle proceeds again went to AFS.

A World of Quilt IV was the first show to have a catalog which listed all 183 quilt entries. The show was still in April and the raffle proceeds went to The Women's Resource Center and to Child Find. The theme for the block contest was "Baskets." A World of Quilt V was the first show to be held in May. Claire Oehler was Chairman, Friends of Karen and Guiding Eyes for the Blind were the raffle recipients, the main speaker was Chris Wolf Edmonds, and there were 15 vendors. Approximately 2,440 people attended.

As you can see the show was growing into quite an event. As I look over the files of the first shows, I am pleasantly surprised at the number of names I recognize on the committee lists. The Committee has grown over the years but many of those early workers are still very active in our guild and the show. I hope you will consider helping should you get a phone call from any of the members of this year's committee as there is lots of work to be done. Here is this year's committee.

Admissions—Chris Ruggieri

Block Contest—Lori Light-Demarco & Joan Weth

Brochure/Catalog—Georgia Heller

Challenge—Mayann Weinberg, Beth Carney, Linda Schoenfeld

Equipment Rental—Jackie Fowler
Equipment Storage and Frames—Karen Abramson
Hospitality Friday—Tracye Bremner
Hospitality Sat/Sun—Susan Chapman
Information Booth—Chris Roche
Invitationals—Ellen Silver
JFK Liaison—Catherine Doyle
Judging—Margaret Phillips & Carolyn Salon
Lectures—Debbie Bein & Fran Phillips
Mailings—Kathy Vanacoro
Photography—Caryl Castellion
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Quilt Hanging—Nancy Mirman
Quilt Monitor—Joanne Lovitz & Bernice Strauber
Quilt Registrar—Carol Auer and Jackie Stewart
Raffle Quilt 04—Alice Dokken
Raffle Quilt 05—Linda Ostrander
Raffle Tickets—Mary Cannizaro & Carolyn Langevin
Show Assistant—Donna Olsen
Show Pins and Ribbons—Vicki Romaine Cohn
Signs indoors—Judy Jones
Signs outdoors—
Silent Auction—Claire Victor & Karen Carlson
Vendors—Marilyn Pagliarulo
Volunteers—Meg Mooar
Works in Progress—Judy Gignesi
Treasurer—Marie Sugar
Finally, be sure to get your choice for the recipient of the raffle proceeds to Mary or Carolyn as soon as possible. We will be voting in November. The second place vote getter will be the beneficiary of the proceeds from the Silent Auction.

Looking forward to seeing all of you in October.

Liz

Silent Auction 2004—Donations Needed

We will once again hold the Silent Auction to raise money, during the Quilt Show in May. The selected charity will be the runner-up to the raffle quilt, which will be voted on at the December meeting.

The theme will be "Memories of...." in honor of our NSQG 25th anniversary. Some suggestions are...a special Christmas, a wonderful day at the beach, a beautiful rose garden. Your donation should have an approximate size perimeter of 100 inches with a sleeve attached to the back. Think of it as a picture on the wall. If you have an idea other than a small quilt, such as a tote bag or vest, we will welcome that too.

We hope to get around 50 donations, enough to run an auction on Saturday and on Sunday. Please let me know if you will participate.

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NSQG is off to the Tokyo International Quilt Show in January 2004!

Experienced tour guide Susan Faeder will be leading our group to the Tokyo International Quilt Show, January 21 – 29, 2004. The show is held in the Tokyo Dome (think Yankee stadium with quilts) and last year's attendance was over 250,000. In addition to two days at the show, our trip includes a sashiko class, a trip to a textile museum, shopping and one day of free time. The fee for the land portion is \$1,995. To join the fun or for more information contact Linda Jennings. You may also contact Susan directly at info@qejapan.com or visit her web site, www.qejapan.com.

HOUSTON 2003

All the arrangements have been made for the trip to Houston and I will receive the airline tickets before the next meeting. If you plan to attend the meeting I will give you the ticket and hotel information at that time. If you want me to give your ticket to someone else,

PLEASE LET ME KNOW. IF I AM UNABLE TO GIVE YOU YOUR TICKET AT THE NEXT GENERAL MEETING, I WILL MAIL IT TO YOU VIA CERTIFIED MAIL TO MAKE SURE YOU GET IT.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (845) 628-3342.
Linda

JAPANUARY

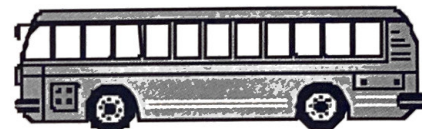
If you are interested in going to Japan in January and you haven't contacted Susan Faeder already you must do so immediately in order to get a reservation for the trip. I don't know if there are still any seats available, but money is already due. Don't forget that if you plan on going to Japan you need a valid passport. If you don't already have one you must start the process as soon as possible. This may be the last Japan Quilt Festival and it would be a shame to miss it if you are interested. Linda Jennings

On the Road Again

The Fort Washington Quilt Extravaganza on 9/20 was one of the best I have ever seen. There were more quilts and more vendors than ever before. If you missed it, you missed a great one. Many thanks to the traveling quilters for taking the time out to see it. We all had a wonderful day! A special thank you from me to all my traveling buddies. You're the best. Looking forward to the Lancaster trip in April. Sign up early.

Lancaster Trip in the Spring

Our next trip will be to Lancaster, PA on April 2nd and 3rd, 2004. Before we know it, it will be just around the corner. I already have a few names. If you want to get on the list, give me a call at 845-278-1881 (Home), 914-766-3746 (Work) or send me an e-mail dorothyf@us.ibm.com.
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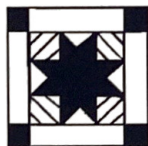
Since the *On Point!* newsletter is our single greatest guild expense, we're experimenting with other ways of getting it to you. This month's newsletter is available on the guild web site, and those of you who requested the electronic newsletter on your membership form should have the links to the e-newsletter in your email.

If you asked for the e-newsletter and don't have the links yet, or if you'd like to try getting the newsletter electronically, send email to your webmaster, Elizabeth Poole, at ejp@us.ibm.com asking for the e-newsletter links. It's still in the experimental phase, so all suggestions are welcome! You'll still receive the paper newsletter until you're happy with the e-newsletter.

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Block Contest 2004

The Northern Star Quilters' Guild 2004 Block Contest will be "All Things Silver." We invite you to help us celebrate our 25th Anniversary by making a block. A World of Quilts XXV will be held on Saturday, May 1st and Sunday, May 2nd, 2004. You are most welcome to come and see your blocks displayed. And, in addition to our contest, there will be over 200 quilts, special exhibits and terrific speakers.

THEME: "All Things Silver"

SIZE: A 12" square block that measures an accurate 12 1/2" square, including seam allowances. Do not bind or finish edges.

FABRICS: You must use at least one batik fabric and something silver—either thread, a fabric or a washable embellishment. All fabrics must be 100% cotton, and must be pre-washed.

METHOD: You may piece and/or applique by hand and/or machine. Do not back (unless you need a foundation, as with crazy quilting) or quilt the block.

DEADLINE: March 1, 2004.

Entries must be received by March 1st. No exceptions!

PRIZES: All entrants will receive our beautiful show pin. All finalists will receive fabric packets. The finalist blocks will be assembled into a quilt top that will be awarded in a random drawing to one of the finalists.

TO SUBMIT: Please complete the form and send it with your entry to:

NSQG Block Contest
c/o Joan Weth
Box 697
Croton Falls, NY 10519

If you have any questions contact
Joan Weth or Lori Light-DeMarco
(co-chairpersons).

**For the return of non-finalist quilt blocks, please enclose a self-addressed 9" x 12" envelope with adequate postage unless you wish to pick up your block at the May NSQG meeting.

Thank you for entering and helping to make our block contest and quilt show a success!

Contest Entry Form

Name _____

Phone _____

Address _____

Block Pattern/Name _____

NSQG Member? Yes _____ No _____

The Northern Star Quilters' Guild, Ltd., reserves the right to disqualify an entry if it is not deemed worthy of display.

Signature _____

Date _____

I grant the Northern Star Quilters' Guild permission to photograph my work for local or regional use in media advertising, promotion, and publication in newspapers, magazines, the Internet, and other appropriate media. I grant visitors to the guild and its activities permission to photograph, for their personal use only, any works of mine that are on display.

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Shows and Exhibitions

- Santa Clara, CA: Pacific International Quilt Festival XII, October 9-12, Santa Clara Convention Center, 5001 Great America Parkway. Send \$2.00 to PIQF, Dept. PC, P.O. Box 667, New Hope, PA 18938; <http://www.quiltfest.com>.
- Poughkeepsie, NY: Dutchess Heritage Quilt Show, October 11-12, Dutchess Community College, 53 Pendel Road. Send 60-cent SASE to PO Box 3042, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603; <http://www.DHQuiltShow.org>.
- Point Pleasant Beach, NJ: Harvest of Quilts Show and Sale IX, October 11-12, St. Peter's School, Forman Avenue. Contact: Betty, 732-899-7326; Lainie, 732-892-6148; spud@cybercomm.net.
- Marlboro, NJ: Carnival of Quilts, October 11-12, Marlboro Middle School, Route 520. Contact: Eileen Schmidt, 732-752-4472.
- East Haddam, CT: 8th Quilt & Needle Arts Show, October 11-12, First Church of Christ, 499 Town Street. Contact: FCC, PO Box 455, East Haddam, CT 06423; 860-873-2429; firstchurch@juno.com.
- Old Forge, NY: Northeast Quilts Unlimited, October 11-November 9, Arts Center/Old Forge, Route 28. Contact: The Arts Guild of Old Forge, Inc., PO Box 1144 Route 28, Old Forge, NY 13420-1144; 315-369-6411; arts@telenet.net.
- Ithaca, NY: Traditions & Beyond, October 18-19, Community Recreation Center, 1767 East Shore Drive. Contact: Kristin Thompson, 607-257-2359, Kat1@schedulexpert.com, <http://www.tcqg.org>.
- Baldwinsville, NY: "Bali Hai--A Sea of Quilts," October 25-26, Van Buren Elementary, Ford Street; 315-635-7563.
- Shelburne, VT: "Art of the Needle: 100 Masterpiece Quilts from the Shelburne Museum," now through October 26, 2003; extended, May 1-October 31, 2004, Shelburne Museum; 802-985-3346; <http://www.shelburnemuseum.org>.
- San Jose, CA: "Under Cover: Political Expressions in Traditional Quilts," now through October 26, San Jose Museum of Quilts & Textiles, 110 Paseo de San Antonio; 408-971-0323; fax 408-971-7226; <http://www.sjqquiltmuseum.org>.
- Mountain View, CA: Contemporary Quilters and Fiber Artists' 5th Exhibition, now through October 29, Mountain View Civic Center, 500 Castro Street; fax 831-338-2182; scruzmtn@cruzio.com.
- Golden, CO: "Exploring the Possibilities: Quilts by Sandra Hoefner," now through October 31 (closed weekends), Primedia Gallery, 741 Corporate Circle, Suite A; 303-278-1010.
- Houston, TX: 29th International Quilt Festival, October 29-November 2. Contact: Quilts, Inc., 7660 Woodway, Suite 550, Houston, TX 77063; 713-781-6864; <http://www.quilts.com>; shows@quilts.com.
- Lowell, MA: "Let It Shine: Improvisation in African American Star Quilts," now through November 9, New England Quilt Museum, 18 Shattuck Street; 978-452-4207; fax 978-452-5405; <http://www.nequiltmuseum.org>.
- Paducah, KY: Antique Kentucky Quilts, now through November 29, Museum of the American Quilter's Society, 215 Jefferson Street; 270-442-8856; fax 270-442-5448; info@quiltmuseum.org; <http://www.quiltmuseum.org>.
- Auburn, NY: Quilts=Art=Quilts, November 1-January 4, Schweinfurth Memorial Art Center, 205 Genesee Street; 315-255-1553; smac@baldcom.net.
- Waterloo, IA: "Applique Anthology: Unique Artistry in Quilts," now through January 4, Grout Museum of History & Science, 503 South Street; 319-235-6357; fax 319-236-0500; rvexhibits@hotmail.com.
- Washington, DC: African American Quilts from the Robert and Helen Cargo Collection, now through February 29, Textile Museum. Contact: Rachel Bucci, 202-667-0441, ext. 42; rbucci@textilemuseum.org.
- Lincoln, NE: Amish Crib Quilts from the Sara Miller Collection, now through February 2004, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Great Plains Art Collection; 402-472-6549.
- Dallas, TX: "Selections from the International Quilt Festival Collection," now through November 16, and "Five Voices: Connecting Through Quilts," now through March 28, Irving Arts Center, 214-953-1212; <http://www.irvingartscenter.com>.
- Dallas, TX: "A Stitch in Time: 19th Century Quilting in the Domestic Setting," now through March 30, Old City Park at The Historical Village, 214-421-5141; <http://www.oldcitypark.org>.
- Dallas, TX: "Western Tradition, Eastern Innovation: Contemporary Japanese Quilts," now through March 31; 214-979-6430; <http://www.crowcollection.org>.



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- Dallas, TX: "The Science of Quilting," now through March 31, The Science Place; 214-428-5555, ext. 336; <http://www.scienceplace.org>.
- Dallas, TX: "Stitched by Grateful Fingers: Amish Quilts," now through March 31, Thanksgiving Place; 214-969-1977; <http://www.thanksgiving.org>.
- Dallas, TX: "Common Threads: African American Quilts Past and Present," now through April 28, African American Museum of Art; 214-565-9026; <http://www.aamdallas.org>.

Other Events

- Baltimore, OH: Five-day classes with Sue Benner and Nancy Crow, October 20-24, 27-31, Nancy Crow's barn. SASE to Marty Bowne, 478 Oden Bay Drive, Sandpoint, ID 83864.
- Washington, DC: "The Fabric of Moroccan Life," now through November 2, National Museum of African Art, 950 Independence Avenue SW, 202-357-4600.
- South Yarmouth, MA: Quilt Camp with Carol Doak, November 7-9, The Red Jacket Resort; 800-393-8050, 508-771-0011, <http://www.heartbeatquilts.com>.
- Washington, DC: 16 Navajo blankets (1800-1890), now through March 14, Textile Museum, 2320 S Street NW; 202-667-0441. Symposium on nineteenth-century Navajo blankets, October 10-12 (reservations required; \$260 for nonmembers).
- Nashua, NH: A Quilters' Gathering, November 6-9, Sheraton Hotel, Exit 1 off Route 3. Send \$1.00 to Eastcoast Quilters Alliance, PO Box 711, Westford, MA 01886; <http://www.aquiltersgathering.com>.
- Paducah, KY: AQS Through the Windows contest, entries due March 1; <http://www.AQSquilt.com>.
- Worldwide: Robert Kaufman Fabrics contests (Anything Goes Hats & Handbags; QuiltQuest 2004: Thinking Outside the Block), entries due July 30; <http://www.kaufmanquiltquest.com>.
- Cincinnati, OH: Call for entries for Quilts for Change 2004 (show August 13-14, Cintas Center, Xavier University). SASE to Entry, P.O. Box 428546, Cincinnati, OH 45242; <http://www.quiltsforchange.org>.
- Upstate NY: Quilt retreats at Lavender Patch Retreat and B&B. Contact: Cheryl Longyear, 315-776-8632, <http://www.lavenderpatchretreat.com>.
- Worldwide: "Dyes & Paints" by Elin Noble, ISBN 0-9728252-0-7, 68 pp., full color, \$34.95. Contact: Elin Noble, PO Box 161, East Freetown, MA 02717; phone/fax 508-763-3593; elin.noble@verizon.net.

World Wide Web Sites

- American Quilter's Society at <http://www.AQSquilt.com>
- Elizabeth Rosenberg (guild member) at <http://www.inventingtradition.com>
- ModeMuseum at <http://www.mom.be>
- Mohawk Valley Quilt Club, Inc. at <http://www.mohawkvalleyquiltclub.com>
- Quilt Escapes, Inc. at <http://www.Quiltescapes.com>
- Quilt Mania at <http://www.quiltmania.org>
- Ruth B. McDowell at <http://www.ruthbmcowell.com>
- Shirley Bloomfield at <http://www.shirleybloomfield.co.uk>
- Sunbonnet Sue at <http://www.sunbonnetsue.com>
- Susan McKelvey at <http://www.susanmckelvey.com>

Layering, Basting & Bulletins

Hi quilters, There is a bulletin board each meeting. The purpose is many fold. Other Quilt shows or classes may be listed, People may be selling items, or seeking to purchase. Perhaps you are looking to share the trip to a quilt show or need someone who has an expertise that you need help with. Think of a reason and the bulletin board is there for us. Just put it up !
Ina Bearak Helfand

Please call Ina Helfand, 245-3173 if you wish to layer and baste a quilt before any of the general meetings. Ina will make sure there is a place to lay out your quilt. Please bring thread and needles or safety pins.

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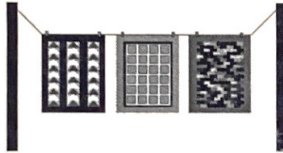
Thursdays - Oct.9 and Oct.23
Thursday - Nov.6 and Friday - Nov.21
Thursdays - Dec.4 and Dec.18

We meet at the Katonah Presbyterian Church from 9am to 3pm.

Lois Lober and Sue Miller will be happy to give you a comfort quilt kit at the guild meetings and Caryl Castellion will be happy to receive any finished quilts. Stop by to see what's happening. Just look for the table with the COMFORT QUILT sign.

If anyone needs batting for a Comfort Quilt, call. If you can use leftover batting scraps for your own projects, call. If you know of a group that could benefit from donated Comfort Quilts, call. If you have ANY questions, call.

Thanks, Karen Carlson (914)
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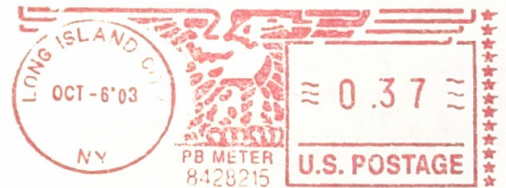
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