

On Point!

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President's Message

At this late date, I want to comment on the fabulous finish we had last year. The program committee, with the help of the Board, put on a Mardi Gras night that was a huge success. There was a larger than usual crowd for the June meeting and spirits ran high. All diets were left at the door. Food was delicious and in copious quantity. I hope we can repeat this. With any luck, the committee saved those wonderful games which were obviously very time-consuming to make. Thanks to everyone who helped make this such a fun-filled evening.

Summer is whizzing by! How can I already be writing for the September newsletter? We've had a Board meeting and things are lined up to start the year off with a bang -- a "Challenge" to spark everyone's interest, two workshops and a quilt show bus trip in September. I hope you have had time to stitch this summer and will contribute to a large Show & Tell at our first meeting.

We are using the reverse format that was tried several times last year. As always, JFK doors open at 7 PM. If you have not pre-paid your \$35 in dues, please have checks already made out to NSQG before you reach the membership table, so the lines can move more

quickly. Better still, mail those checks in to Pat Bartimocchia right now! Also, don't forget to wear your name tag and bring your own mug.

**Please Note:
Carol Doak will address
the Guild at 7:30 -- followed
by a break -- then the
business meeting --
Show & Tell --
finally the raffle.**

Be sure to read your newsletters, this issue and every one. It keeps you apprised of important changes and information. Sign up now for September workshops.

See you at the meeting on **September 15th.** ☒

Joyce Sullivan

Early Fall Calendar

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| Sept. 10 | Comfort Quilts |
| Sept. 15 | General Mtg. w/Carol Doak |
| Sept. 15 | Petite Basket Workshop |
| Sept. 15 | Raffle Quilt-Marie Rohrman's |
| Sept. 16 | Vest Workshop |
| Sept. 19 | Trip To Ft. Washington |
| Sept. 22 | Exec. Bd. Meeting |
| Sept. 25 | Comfort Quilts |
| Oct. 5 | Raffle quilt - Jeanne Homan's |
| Oct. 8 | Comfort Quilts |
| Oct. 17 | Paper Piece-In |
| Oct. 20 | General Mtg. w/Celia Oliver |
| Oct. 22 | Comfort Quilts |

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On Point! The Northern Star Quilters' Guild newsletter, is published monthly, except for a combined "Summer" July/August issue. Subscription to the newsletter is included in the annual \$35 membership fee.

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The deadline for articles appearing in the **October** issue is **September 22nd**.

Programs

In order to hear outstanding speakers, we have to book them far in advance. Fortunately, Nancy Murphy (in 1997) had the foresight to sign up **Carol Doak**.

Carol has been called the "Priestess" of Paper piecing and she's a prolific author, too. Of her numerous books, five of them are on paper piecing.

I had the great pleasure of attending one of Carol's lectures and two of her workshops. They were beyond great! What's more, she's also recently introduced Foundation Papers and the new Foundation Factory (an incredible CD-ROM). Her books will be available at our meeting and other items will be at the workshops. Carol's lecture, "One Quilter's Journey", should be fascinating, so join us in September. ☒

Dorothy Scalice
Program V.P.

Our September speaker, **Carol Doak** will be offering two workshops:

Workshops

the day of the workshop. Write the name of the workshop in the memo portion. Send the check and a **SASE** to Linda. We still need monitors for the classes, so let her know if you are interested.

Tuesday, Sept. 15 - Petite Baskets - from her book Easy Machine Paper Piecing. Participants will paper piece four different 4" flower baskets set on the diagonal with alternating solid squares. A 3/4" accent border and a 3" outer border complete the piece.

Linda Von Ahn
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Wednesday, Sept. 16 - Easy Reversible Vest -- a real favorite! Participants will make a one-of-a-kind vest.

Reminder: Workshops have closed enrollments to NSQG members until 30 days before the workshop date. Get your dues in early to avoid confusion. Your class fee can only be refunded if the class is cancelled, there is a waiting list, or you can find your own substitute. ☒

Each workshop costs \$30. To enroll and receive your supply list, send a check dated for

Mark your calendar for future workshops:

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| Tuesday, December 14 | Joan Shay | Poinsettia |
| Monday, March 15 | Laura Wasilowski | Creating Art Fabric |
| Tuesday, March 16 | Laura Wasilowski | 2+4=Reversible Jacket |
| April TBA | Marge Edie | Bargello on the Diagonal |

Novelty Fabric Exchange

Beginning in October and continuing through February, we will be having a "Novelty Fabric Exchange." At our Super Saturday in March, there will be some super projects utilizing novelty fabrics. However, if you just like acquiring new fabrics, your participation is welcome, too. Linda Ostrander has volunteered to be the facilitator.

The rules are similar to those of the charm fabric exchange several years ago:

1. Fabric must be 100% cotton of quilting weight
2. Fabrics must be washed, pressed and cut into 6" squares.
3. Fabric must have a clear, identifiable image of the particular theme.
4. Place six fabrics in each clear sandwich bag with your name, so you don't get your own back.

Themes:

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| October -- | People, places, pets, fish, insects, etc. |
| November -- | Botanicals: trees, flowers, fruits, vegetables, leaves, etc. |
| December -- | Holidays |
| January -- | Nature: rocks, shells, sky, water, etc. |
| February -- | Hobbies & sports: sewing, golf, fishing, gardening. |

Hint: A fat quarter yields about 6, six inch squares. Therefore, six fabrics based on the theme will allow you to make 6 bags. Pick up Diana Leone's book Crazy with Cotton for inspiration. ☒

Meg Mooar
Education Chairperson

I am very pleased to be starting the 1998-99 quilting year as your librarian. Thanks to Linda Love for

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all her help in the transition. We are starting off with 287 books that are available for borrowing by members with a current membership card. You may take out up to three books for one month. All books are due back at the next general meeting. If you have any outstanding books, you may not take out any additional ones.

Many thanks to the **American Quilter's Society** for their donations of:

Fabric Postcards by Judi Warren. Compare fabric postcards to the actual postcard that inspired them. Judi's instructions & observations lead to many new designs.

New Patterns from Old Architecture by Carol Wagner. The author introduces us to exciting and inspirational architectural details and shows how to adapt these designs to quilting. Color photographs, diagrams, projects, and interesting patterns.

Striplate Piecing by Debra Wagner. Experienced quilters will enjoy the speed and ease of strip piecing plus the accuracy of template piecing on the sewing machine. The award-winning author shares her innovative techniques for turning traditional patterns into stunning quilts by machine.

New books are:

Stripes in Quilts by Mary Mashuta. Mary will show you how to add pizzazz to your quilts and how to find, choose, purchase and accurately piece together striped fabrics for fabulous results.

Crazy with Cotton by Diana Leone. Create a story quilt using theme fabrics and a simple crazy patch block. There are fabric selections advice and piecing instructions to make an original storytelling quilt. (Meg Moar

recommends this book for participants in the novelty fabric swap).

On the Surface: Thread Embellishment & Fabric Manipulation by Wendy Hill. Creative options are endless as Wendy explains methods of manipulating fabric surfaces using whole cloth, raw-edge shapes and woven stripes.

Fabric Makes the Quilt by Roberta Horton. This wonderful book provides the verbal and visual stimulation to develop and expand your creativity. Divided into five sections, each is designed to help you become more creative, with discussions about color and technique.

Whimsies & Whynots by Mary Lou Weidman. Be creative with Mary Lou's simple ideas and playful, hands-on exercises -- develop creativity that's spontaneous, free and fun.

Wild Flowers by Carol Armstrong.

Beautiful applique patterns, ten projects, instructions and techniques for free form quilting and applique using a light box.

Piecing - Expanding the Basics by Ruth McDowell. Beautiful and easy to understand. Ruth takes you far beyond the simple square and rectangle piecing. She also gets into designing. You will want to sit right down and try.

Stand for Children by Marian W. Edelman & our own Adrienne Yorinks. Complete review of this delightful book in June *On Point!*

Gently used donations:

Teach Yourself Machine Piecing and Quilting by Debra Wagner

Applique! Applique!! Applique!!! by Laurena Senima

A Gallery of Amish Quilts by R. Bishop & E. Fafanda

Quilter's Guide to Rotary Cutting by Donna Poster

Sensational Settings by Joan Hanson

Tips for Quilters by Rachel Pellman. ☒

Please pick up a survey at the library table to let me know what books you are interested in.

Micki Tedeschi
Librarian

Raffle Quilt Reports:

Every stitch counts in our 1999 raffle quilt and the quilting has begun. We've had to reevaluate the quilting. Even for the pros among us, it has proved difficult to stitch through the many layers in some of the applique blocks. So our new direction is to let the block dictate the quilting. You can choose a single block or a series of blocks and you can decide whether to stitch in the ditch, quarter inch outline, or quilt a new design on the block. We hope this freedom will encourage quilters of all skill and experience levels to add some stitches to our quilt.

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Quilting Schedule So Far (Dates are approximate)

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| Sept 15th | Marie Rohrman (Brewster, NY) |
| Oct 5th | Jeanne Homan (Mahopac) |
| Nov 3rd | Jean McAward (Bedford Hills, NY) |
| Nov. 17th | available |
| Dec 1st - Dec 15th | Barbara Marra (Danbury, CT) available |

So with cooler weather approaching, start planning a quilting bee. I will be happy to help you if you have interest in forming one. Or if you prefer, you can sign up to quilt alone. However you do it, we need every stitch we can get.

Of course, you can sign up for next year, just pick a time from January 1st through March 15th, allowing us some time to bind the quilt and add any extra quilting that is needed.

I'm sure that once you see the quilt at our meeting, you will be inspired to

work on it, too. My thanks to those of you who have already quilted it and to those of you who have signed up. ☒

Linda Ostrander

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We are finalizing plans for the Year 2000 Raffle Quilt Paper Piece-In, October 17th 1998 at the Katonah Presbyterian Church. If you are a paper piecing expert-- have done it before-- or would like to learn - please join us for the whole day (10AM - 4PM) or for just a few hours. There will be no charge and we will provide coffee. Please bring your own lunch if you plan to be there mid-day.

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for the Paper Piece-In will be available at the September Guild meeting. You may also contact me at the number below to get more information.

The Guild will supply fabric for the background and leaves (the sample blocks look terrific), but we are asking members to donate monochromatic (one color prints that

have little contrast) or solid fabrics in the following colors:
Red
Medium to light blues or purplish-blue
(no turquoise or blue green)
Rust, orange and yellow
Medium to light purple or reddish purple.

Please bring pieces of fabric at least 9" X 18" to the September Guild meeting. ☒

Georgia Heller

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Membership

Hello Everyone! So far, we have 58 members signed up for the year 98-99. This is a good start for the beginning of August. Since our present membership is approximately 350 strong, there are a lot of checks to come in yet. As you read this newsletter, pick up a pen and your check book and make a check out to NSQG for \$35.00 and mail it off to me:

Pat Bartimoccia
P.O. Box 500
Mahopac, NY 10541

This year promises to be another banner year. I've seen the line-up of our guest speakers (see page 10 for a complete listing) and they all look terrific. Our September meeting is going to have one of my favorites -- Carol

ATTENTION NEW MEMBERS (AND OLD!) WANT TO JOIN A SMALL GROUP?

ANY NEW (OR EXISTING!) MEMBERS INTERESTED IN JOINING A SMALL QUILTING GROUP ARE INVITED TO DROP BY THE "NEW MEMBER" TABLE AT THE GUILD MEETING.

SMALL GROUPS TYPICALLY MEET FOR QUILTING AND SOCIALIZING A FEW TIMES A MONTH FOR A FEW HOURS EACH TIME; MEETINGS OCCUR AT GROUP MEMBERS' HOMES, LOCAL LIBRARIES OR CHURCHES.

CALL, E-MAIL, OR DROP BY THE "NEW MEMBER" TABLE IF YOU'D LIKE MORE INFORMATION!

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VP Membership
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Doak -- who also happens to be the author of several of my favorite books. I have used her paper piecing patterns many, many times and look forward to seeing her at this first meeting of the year.

I know you must be looking forward to the beginning of a new year also, so send in those checks. Avoid the long lines of those that haven't paid before the September meeting. Those that have paid ahead of time, do not have to wait on such long lines and can spend more time with their friends.☒

Comfort Quilts

Plenty of Charming Brick pre-cut kits are ready for those of you who want to participate in this charitable effort (but can't join us on Thursdays). Look for our table at the September meeting.

The Committee decided that to make this effort more personal, we would like each person making a quilt to sign her first name on the NSQG label before sewing it onto the quilt back. Be sure to use a permanent pen.

PLEASE NOTE our meeting dates for September and October are not the usual first and third Thursdays, but September 10 and Friday, September 25. In October, the 8th and 22nd are both Thursdays.

If you plan to join us for the first time, please call Pat Baker at (914) 279-8840 the day before for information.☒

Pat Baker

Hospitality

We would like to thank all of you for the delicious feast provided at the June meeting! It was awesome and yes we know, next time, bigger plates.

Hospitality will be set up by 7PM, please be patient with us we are busy too.

Monthly schedule for the hospitality provisions will be as follows:

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| September | The Board |
| October | A - B |
| November | C-D-E |
| December | Everyone!!! |
| January | F-G-H |
| February | I-J-K-L |
| March | M-N-O-P |
| April | Q-R-S |
| May | T thu Z |
| June | Everyone |

Please remember to bring your mug (save our trees and land!) The Guild appreciates all contributions to our table and we look forward to a new guild year and to seeing all of you at the September meeting. I hope your summer was great.☒

*Kathy Miller &
Corrine Moscella
Hospitality Chairpeople*



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Boutique

Hope all of you had a great summer and are busy working on projects/gifts to sell at our Holiday Boutique. All currently paid up guild members are invited to participate providing:

☒ You are able to work two hours during the Boutique

☒ The items are quilt related and handmade by you.

We'll be looking forward to seeing some new members participating as well as our trusty die-hards. Don't be shy. Everyone loves beautiful handmade gifts. Plus, think of all the extra spending money you will have for your own Holiday Gifts!! The guild keeps only 10% of the purchase price of items sold.

Registration sheets will be available at the September meeting and we'll answer any questions that you may have.

As of now, the Presbyterian Church in Bedford will be the venue again. Dates and times are being finalized as of this printing...more information will be available at the meeting.☒

*July Long &
Susan Henshaw
Boutique Chairpeople*

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Quilting Classes

Hours: Mondays - Saturdays 9:30 am - 5:30 pm
Thursdays until 9 pm
(open NSQG meeting nights until 7 pm)

Road to . . .

Exhibitions

☒Auburn, NY: Quilts=Art=Quilts, Nov. 7 - Jan. 8, Schweinfurth Memorial Art Center, 205 Genesee Street. Auburn, NY 13021. For entry forms and other info call (315)255-1553 or e-mail SMAC@relex.com. Entry deadline is Oct. 10th. Show runs from Nov. 7th through Jan. 8th.

☒Bethlehem, PA: "Cover-Up at the Kemerer: Quilts from the Collection," June 1 until Nov. 1, Kemerer Museum of Decorative Arts, 427 North New Street, Bethlehem, PA 18018, For information call (610)868-6868.

☒Intercourse, PA: Antique Amish Quilts, through Oct. 31, People's Place Quilt Museum, Route 340, (800)828-8218.

Shows

☒Fort Washington, PA: Pennsylvania National Quilt Extravaganza V, Sept. 17-20, Fort Washington Expo Center. NSQG will run a bus to this event.

☒Stamford, CT: Antique Quilt Show and Sale, Sept. 25-27, Stamford Historical Society, 1508 High Ridge Road (Merritt Parkway, Exit 35), For information call Ruth Mushkin at (203)329-1183.

☒Windham, NY: The Great Catskill Mountain Quilt Show, Sept. 26-27. NYS Thruway to Exit 21. Route 23-24 miles to Windham. (800)754-9463/(518)743-4300.

☒Williston, VT: Champlain Valley Quilters' 16th Annual Show, Sept. 26-27, Williston Armory, Route 2, (802)985-2783.

☒Pine Bush, NY: A Harvest of Quilts IV, Sept. 26-27, Pine Bush High School, Route 302; send large SASE to P.O. Box 413, Pine Bush, NY 12566.

☒Madison, CT: Quilt Odyssey 1998, Oct. 3-4, Our Lady of Mercy School, Neck Road (off Route 1), (203)245-7466.

☒St. James, NY: Quilt Extravaganza VIII, Oct. 3-4, Smithtown Middle School, 10 School Street, <http://www.needles.com/ss/sshome.html>.

☒Auburn, NY: Fall for Quilts, Oct. 9-10, Church of the Nazarene, Route 20; Elizabeth Dailey, 103 Pine Ridge Road, Fayetteville, NY 13066.

☒Rochester, NY: Creative Women Quilt Show, Oct. 10-11, Rochester Museum and Science Center, 657 East Avenue, (716)271-4320.

☒LaPlume, PA: Harvest of Quilts IV, Oct. 10-11, Keystone College, Routes 6 and 11. Quilt reg.: Send LSASE to Diane Moolick, 311 Bank Street, Dalton, PA 18414.

☒Westford, MA: A Quilters' Gathering, Nov. 5-8, Westford Regency Inn, Exit 32 off I-495. For workshop program and contest entry forms, send large SASE (\$.78) to: Eastcoast Quilters Alliance, P.O. Box 711, Westford, MA 01886.

☒Houston, TX: International Quilt Festival, Oct. 29-Nov. 1. Information: Send \$3.00 to IQF/CC, 7660 Woodway, Suite 550, Houston, TX 77063.

Contests

☒Santa Clara, CA: Pacific International Quilt Festival VII, Oct. 8-11, Convention Center; PIQG c/o Mancuso, Inc., Dept. QN, P.O. Box 667, New Hope, PA 18938. Entry deadline Aug 31st.

☒Golden, CO: Quiltmaker, Quilt Design Contest, Quiltmaker Contest, Dept. 297, Box 4101, Golden, CO 80402-4101.

☒Bourgogne, France: Ninth International Art Quilt Contest; entries due by Dec. 1; theme is "Friendship"; SASE with universal postal coupon to: Le Chassy d'Or, 58120 Chateau-Chinon, Bourgogne, France.

Planning ahead for Symposiums & Retreats

☒Mount Dora, FL: Delectable Pathways--A Quilting Retreat, Jan. 20-22, Lakeside Inn. Registration form: Send LSASE to Cindy Blackberg, The Florida Handwork Gathering, P.O. Box 171, Sorrento, FL 32776. Questions: Cindy Blackberg, (352)735-4986 or cabrcb@aol.com; Mary Sorenson, (407)-788-3658 or mksoren@ix.netcom.com.

☒Ithaca, NY: Quilters Corner Third Birthday Party, Sept. 20, Quilters Corner, 200 Pleasant Grove Road, (607)266-0850.


☒Morrisville, NY: Quilting by the Lake 1999, July 24-28 and July 30-August 3, SUNY Morrisville. Registration and scholarship applications: Linda Hazelden, P.O. Box 400, Waterville, NY 13480, (315)481-9734, fax 315-841-8566, Lindahaz@aol.com.

☒Morrisville, NY: As the Spirit Moves You--QBL Challenge for Quilt Show 2000 (open to QBL participants through the year 2000). Details and entry form: Send SASE after Nov. 1, 1998, to Sally Fellows, 4301 Rohe Road, Syracuse, NY 13215.

☒Seattle, WA: Second Conference, October 10-11, Contemporary Quilt Art Association, P.O. Box 95685, Seattle, WA 98145-2685.

And of Of General Interest.....

The Nimble Thimbles, a chapter of the **Embroiderers Guild of America** will meet on Tuesday, Sept. 8th at 10AM at the Astoria Bank for Savings.in Somers Center. Call Margaret Stickney at (914) 276-2098.




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**'ON THE ROAD AGAIN' -
REMINDER -**

**Saturday, September 19 - Fort
Washington, PA:**

**Please be at JFK High School at 6:45
am. The bus will leave promptly at
7:00 am. Call Dorothy Feiderline if
you have any questions -- at home
after 6:30 pm (914) 628-4241 -- or
work at (914)-766-3407.☒**

Quilt Show

**We are looking for a charity that
needs money...**

Would you like your favorite local
charity to receive between \$5000 and
\$6000? Then consider nominating that
charity to be the recipient of money
earned by our beautiful 1999 raffle quilt!

See the details in last month's
On Point! or call Kathy Vanacoro at
(914) 225-0047☒.

***Nancy Mirman
Quilt Show Chairperson***

**1998/1999 LINE-UP
Speakers & Programs for
the coming year**

October - Celia Oliver
November - Jo Diggs
December - Joan Shay
January - "Tools of the Trade"
February - Challenge
"A Charming Illusion"
March - Laura Wasilowski
April - Marge Edie
May - "The Scrapbaggers"
June -- End of Season "Bash"

Help Wanted!

Northern Star is a large and wonderful guild, with 350 members coming from three states. But nothing is self sustaining, including our guild. The larger and more sophisticated it becomes, the more Northern Star needs volunteers to help it run smoothly.

That's why we are starting a regular feature describing guild jobs that need to be filled. The first four are described below. If any of them sound interesting, phone the board member who's listed, and discuss it further. No job is overly complicated or onerous, and you'll always be working with someone. Some positions require a few hours a month -- others require a concentrated amount of time, during a brief period.

All of us working on guild activities are doing it for a love of quilting. It's also fun working with other members...it's the right thing to do, giving back to the guild on an individual basis...and the guild benefits, too, with fresh ideas and different perspectives.

Northern Star Quilters' Guild needs YOU!☒

***Alice Garrard
Editor***

Looking for hostesses to house our speakers. You'll get a free workshop if you volunteer.

Also looking for a back-up person who would be involved in all aspects of the program committee. If interested see Dorothy Scalice or call (860)355-3522.

Wanted: Education Leader. Needs organizational abilities. Excellent staff to work with. Reports directly to president. Can work from home. Computer a plus but not necessary. Opportunity to mingle with world leaders in the field. Free workshops available. Call Joyce Sullivan at (914) 232-03832.

Wanted: a charity -- benefits between \$5,000 & \$6,000. Hours good. Must be local and sponsored by a guild member. Call K. Vanacoro at (914)225-0047.

Looking for 6-8 people to help with registration at the membership tables in September and October. Need to arrive at meetings at 6:45. If interested in helping out call Pat Bartimoccia at (914) 628-6820.

1998/1999 Challenge: A CHARMING ILLUSION!

CONTEST: To be voted on by membership at the February, 1999, guild meeting.

THEME: This year's challenge for guild members involves the concept of illusion. This can be interpreted in numerous ways, according to the quilter's perception. Quilts that convey the illusion of depth and/or optical illusions are appropriate, as are quilts that portray magic and tricks.

TECHNIQUE: Hand- or machine-pieced quilts, hand- or machine-appliqued quilts, pictorial quilts, and clothing/accessories may be entered. Paper piecing is acceptable. Quilting may be accomplished by hand or machine.

SIZE: The perimeter of the quilt must be less than or equal to 160 inches.

FABRICS: In honor of NSQG's 20th anniversary, a minimum of 20 DIFFERENT fabrics must be used in the quilt top. Do not repeat any fabric. There is no limit on the size of any fabric; therefore, the background fabric of an applique design will count as one piece of fabric. You may use fabrics of any content: you are not limited to cotton.

EMBELLISHMENT: Your entry must be embellished in some way: beads, threadwork, silk ribbons, etc.

FINISHING: The item must be quilted and bound.

LOOKING FOR IDEAS: Check out the various books and computer programs for blocks that lend themselves to illusions, such as Card Trick and Baby Blocks. For computer-literate quilters, search out programs and web sites that feature appropriate designs. Quilter Karen Combs' book, Optical Illusions for Quilters, is a good reference for entrants who want to "learn how to unravel the mysteries of creating space, depth, and perspective in your quilts." Another good source is a Dover Needlework book entitled Visual Illusion Quilts: Full Sized Templates for 12 Patchwork Patterns.

RULES: Keep your creation a secret. Entries must be ready for drop off a week before the February guild meeting. Drop-off points will be announced in January. All entries will hang together in a Challenge display at the World of Quilts XX in 1999. Your 1998/1999 Challenge project may not be entered for judging in NSQG's "A World of Quilts" until the year 2000. ☒

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Sondra Shapiro, co-chair (914) 276-1073


Elizabeth Rosenberg (914) 962-1452

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Block of the Month Club




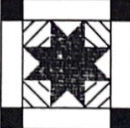
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Meg Mooar

A sad goodbye and a good-luck wish go out to Kathy Sica, a NSQG past president, who has recently moved with her daughter to the Buffalo, NY, area. Kathy can be reached at:

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A belated congratulations to Jeanne Homan for winning 2nd Place at the Vermont Quilt Festival for her very wonderful quilt "Hearts and Flowers"

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