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Message from the President

Welcome to a new year of fun, fellowship and learning!

Please notice our return to the schedule of past years. We will meet at 7:15 promptly in the cafeteria for our business meeting, take a 15-minute break, and go to the auditorium for the balance of the program. Doors open at 6:45 pm. It would speed up things considerably if you have your check for dues (\$35) already made out to NSQG, along with the form from the summer newsletter already filled out. Of course, if you mailed it in first, that would be even better.

So many of you have been wondering about the state of the Firemen's quilts. The formal presentation was made on August 11 with our first Vice President, Barbara Powers, attending. Don't miss her account of this moving event elsewhere in the newsletter. However,

our job is not quite finished. It has been requested that these quilts also be presented to the EMTs, who also suffered devastating losses on 9/11. VIP and Fairfield has agreed to provide the kits. Barbara and I will have sign-up sheets for those of you who are willing to again participate in this memorial project. Barbara also found that 20 of the kits sent to members of this guild were not returned. If you have one of these, please either finish it, turn it in to Barbara or myself, or just return the unfinished kit. We understand that life happens.

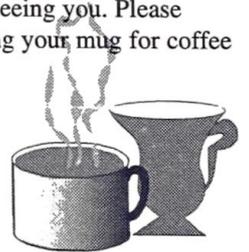
Remember to wear your name button or badge, especially to this first meeting, so that new members have a chance to get acquainted.

Pat Baker, President

Hospitality

I hope everyone had a fantastic summer with lots of relaxed time to quilt! Board members will be providing refreshments for the September meeting; we will be following the usual alphabetical schedule for the rest of the year. We look forward to seeing you. Please remember to bring your mug for coffee or tea.

Helen Andrew



Please Bring Your Cup

Firehouse Quilts

Approximately 240 quilts have been made for the firemen of New York City by various guilds. Barbara Powers attended a special ceremony on August 11. See page 5 for more information.

There are still MORE quilts to be made. Approximately 85 of these quilts were made by the 300 members of Northern Star. Please check with Barbara Powers about how to get additional quilt kits.

A Note from the Editor

Please remember that each guild member is permitted to publish one advertisement per year. So if you have a machine for sale, a quilt for sale, some fabrics you want to trade for others (as if we could give anything up), then please send me an e-mail with your advertisement typed out in the body of the e-mail.

Thanks,
Carrie Vollrath, Editor, Typesetter, Production Artist
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General Meeting
Tuesday
September 16
JFK High School
Somers, New York
Doors Open 6:45 pm
Meeting Begins
7:15 pm

NEW Meeting time.

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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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September General Meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 16, at 6:45 pm. Deadline for the next newsletter is one week after the general meeting, September 23.

Holiday Boutique

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

Virginia Avery, our September speaker, is one of the pioneers of the quilt world. Her quilts and clothing have received wide acclaim and have been exhibited in both public and private collections ie: Museum of American Quilters in Paducah and the James collection at the University of Nebraska. She is an author, judge and teacher. Her passion is wearable art, unusual clothing and she is known for her color impact and sense of humor.

On the roster for October is Esterita Austin—"Not Written in Stone."
In November we will welcome Mary Sorenson, applique specialist. Her lecture is titled: "In Sync, Appliqué and Piecing."

Eleanor Hibben, Associate, Programs

Membership News

I just wanted to let you know that over 100 NSQG members have paid their dues for the upcoming year! Look in the newsletter or on the web site for the survey and dues application form. The dues are \$35 and a bargain at twice the price for the upcoming year and roster of speakers that we have scheduled for the 2003-2004 year.

I am planning to make an attractive and easy to read directory and phone list of members addresses, phone numbers and E-mail addresses so get your dues in and don't miss the opportunity to have your information in the directory. (That works for high school kids!)

Almost everyone responded to the survey so far and we want to put this information into action. If you requested a speaker, I have forwarded it to our new VP of Programs, Barbara Powers. She is booking speakers for the 2005 so be patient. Most requests were for the areas of appliqué, paper piecing and machine quilting. I was a little surprised and very excited to have many people say that they were just getting started or were new to quilting. Let's welcome those Newbies and share our quilting experience with them. I would like to have a special table for new quilters and new members at meetings and I am looking for a couple of "old hands" to be there to share their wisdom with them. What a rewarding way to volunteer and serve your guild. Let me know if you would be willing to assume this responsibility.

Most people said that they would be willing to get the newsletter via E-mail. This could save us lots of money and you could actually get your newsletter earlier. If you don't want to get it via E-mail that would be OK. However, printing of the newsletter and postage is one of the guild's largest expenses so this could allow more of your dues dollars to go toward outstanding speakers, increased services or even a reduction in dues.

Many of you volunteered to serve on a committee and I am going to forward your names on the appropriate vice presidents or directors. That brings me to my own committee. I would like to form a membership committee and subdivide it into many jobs so that more people can be involved in guild activities without having to attend board meetings. Many of you had good suggestions on the survey and I will be communicating with each of you during the next month. I am your liaison to the board. If you have an idea or an activity that you would like to share with the guild please send me a note via E-mail at Manderse@optonline.net or call me at 203-629-5973 or snail mail at 10 Daffodil Lane, Cos Cob Ct. 06807. Enjoy the rest of your summer and look forward to our first general meeting on Sept 16th.

Susie Andersen, VP of Membership

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Watch for Holiday Boutique date

March 1, 2004 Block Contest Due



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American Folk Art Museum Quilt Weekend

Northern Star is scheduled to be one of the groups demonstrating at the American Folk Art Museum's annual quilt weekend on October 3-4 (45 West 53rd Street, New York, NY; 212-265-1040, ext. 105).

Special Sightings

"Quilter's Newsletter Magazine," September 2003 issue, includes NSQG members:

p. 60, photo of "Strawberry Fields Forever" by Elizabeth Rosenberg

p. 90, "Quilt Lovers' Forum: I Should Have Bought That Quilt" by Barbara Sliter

p. 98, photo of "Wildlife" by Ellen Highsmith Silver (Viewers' Choice in our 2002 show)

Congratulations ladies! A job well done.

Meeting Dates for 2003-2004 Quilt Guild Year

September 16, 2003

October 21, 2003

November 18, 2003

December 16, 2003

January 20, 2004

February 17, 2004

March 16, 2004

April 20, 2004

May 1-2, 2004 (NSQG Show)

May 18, 2004

June 15, 2004

Exec. Board Meetings will follow one week after the general meeting at the JFK H.S.

Workshops

Coming in Oct we have Esterita Austin giving a lecture: "Not Written in Stone," and a workshop— "Painting on Fabric for Enhancement and Embellishment." 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://esteritaaustin.com>

In November, Mary Sorenson will give a lecture titled "In Sync, Applique and Piecing." Because Mary has such a beautiful class planned, we are having a second workshop. Our workshops will be held Wednesday, November 19 and Thursday Nov. 20. Mary describes her class as follows: "Dramatic Darks" Nothing is more striking then hand applique done on a dark background. However, there are pitfalls and special considerations in planning and selecting fabrics for this unique look. We will work with color and fabric selection techniques for marking on darks. Advanced needleturn hand applique techniques will be demonstrated.
website: www.MaryAppliques.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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Presentation of "The Bravest" Quilts

On August 11, 2003, I was privileged to represent our guild at the presentation of "The Bravest" quilts to the Fire Department of New York City.

Andy Sylvia, President of Cranston VIP Fabrics hosted our group which included "Bravest" quilt designer Mary Leahy of Fairfield Processing and her husband Tom, Gilda Harrison, Barbara Barber, Kathleen Hill, Coordinator of the project and myself.

Serena Joyce, Family Assistance Commissioner, in her acceptance speech told of her mother's quilts made for each of her children and of the meaning and value quilts have to commemorate, document and comfort. She expressed her gratitude to us for undertaking the remembrance of every firehouse in NYC. Mr. Sylvia reported that (besides underwriting the cost of the fabrics used) a portion of the sale of "The Bravest" fabric is set aside for "The Bravest Fund," which assists the widows and children of those lost. To date, \$20,000 has been contributed to this fund.

Among those welcoming us to the Administrative Offices of the Fire Commissioner was Philip Cortez, a fireman injured in a rescue who was serving on light duty during his recovery. He offered our group a personal tour of his firehouse which lost six of those young men who responded to the World Trade Center attack. The pictures of these young men were displayed in a memorial made by their fellow firemen. The firemen gave us a warm welcome and Gilda Harrison, aunt of Andy Sylvia personally presented her quilt to their firehouse. In return, she was given an "Official Hug." I did not get his name, but think "Jesse Ventura."

VIP President Andy Sylvia graciously hosted us all to lunch, dinner and car service home with many thanks to Northern Star Quilters Guild for making it happen.

However, we are not finished. The Office of the Fire Commissioner said that many EMTs were lost that day and they asked if we could possibly provide quilts for the EMT stations in their memory. VIP and Fairfield Processing again have agreed to furnish kits to those quilters willing to help. As FDNY prepares for the anniversary of September 11th we said we would help. If you want to help and would like a kit, call me at 914-248-7628. Your name and address goes on the back of the quilt. And again, many thanks to those of you who made your quilt in memory of those lost that day.

Barbara Powers, VP Programs



Library News

I'm looking forward to serving as your librarian for this year, and I'm very interested in hearing your suggestions for making our library better. Just a quick review of the rules for checking out books:

- Each member is allowed to check out 3 books a month as long as you have no overdue books.
- Books maybe kept out for one month only.
- Please have your membership card ready to show as your check out your books, and write your name legibly on the card.

If you return your books as you arrive, we will be able to make them available to others at that meeting. We're starting the year with some new books and quite a few new magazines. The new books are: *Dancing Quilts* by Debbie Bowles, *Confetti Quilts* by Mary Mashuta, *Luscious Landscapes* by Joyce Becker, and *Super Simple Squares* by Lynda Milligan and Nancy Smith. If there are books you'd like to see added to the library, be sure and let us know.

Jackie Stewart, Librarian
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Raffle Quilt 2004

The top for the raffle quilt is finished thanks to the volunteers who came over and helped me puzzle through the placement and measurements to get all those many varied blocks into the required borders. Thanks to Maxine Oliver, Marie Pedlow, Trayce Bremner for their help. I found out that Pauline Joseph was one of the originals who put the quilt together 25 years ago. She was especially helpful.

There are 47 blocks in this quilt and they are various sizes, from 4 inch sq. to 16 inch sq. Twenty-five years ago, those of us who wanted to participate were given a bit of yellow/gold fabric and told to make a star block of any size using a light blue and a dark blue with some neutral fabric for the fourth fabric. When you look at the "old quilt" keep in mind that fabrics were quite different than you can buy now. That is only one of the contrasts that we hope people will see when they compare the two quilts.

The patterns for the raffle quilt were generated on the computer with Electric Quilt. We were in the middle of a resurgence of interest in quilting 25 years ago and so most of us were just learning how to piece accurately. We found our patterns in the few books that were available then and hand traced them onto cardboard and maybe glued sandpaper on the back of the pattern so it would not slip when we marked our fabric.

Machine quilting was not much admired, and no could ever have imagined how many people would be using these huge machines to do such good work. As a result, the quilt was hand quilted but mainly just outline or quarter inch stitching to outline the piecing.

The committee was able to contact many of the old (original) quilters who were sent kits with patterns to reproduce their block. Twenty-two responded with their completed blocks and letters thanking us for including them. The other blocks were done by present members of the guild. We will list all the names of the participants when the quilt is displayed at the show.

The top will be sent out for machine quilting as that is also a contrast with what was being done 25 years ago. I hope you all enjoy the look back and appreciate all the new materials, tools and techniques available to you now.

Alice Dokken
One of the 'old' quilters

Raffle Quilt Charity Nominations

Now is the time to nominate the charity candidate who might be the recipient of the funds from the next quilt show raffle. Please read the guidelines below to see if your favorite charity is eligible for nomination. Then, submit the name and description (in writing) to one of us by October 15, 2003 and we will include it on the ballot in November.

Guidelines

- The organization must be nonprofit
- It can be partially funded
- The applicant must have sole control of their budget
- An NSQG donation should not affect any other funding
- Only organizations serving people in the tri-state area are eligible
- A guild member must sponsor the organization
- The applicant must submit a letter of description of services and the purpose of the organization
- The letter must be received by October 15, 2003
- The organization cannot receive an NSQG donation in two consecutive years
- The organization must sell tickets (50 or more books) prior to the show
- One or more representatives from the organization must be present at the show (Saturday and Sunday)
- One or more representatives of the organization must be present at the June meeting to receive the donation. Send the nominations to:

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Quilt Show 2004

We have a very exciting year ahead of us! A World of Quilts will be 25 this spring! The first show was held on April 12-13 1980 at the Somers Intermediate School for the benefit of the Somers American Field Service. Virginia Avery and Aloyse Yorko (editor of Quilt Magazine) were guest speakers with demonstrations given by Claire Oehler, Beryl Lawson, Kay Jordon and several others. There was a Quilt Raffle, Block Contest and a small vendor mall. The second show was held the following year on April 11-12 at the same location with the same speakers. At the second show there was a sign up sheet for anyone interested in forming a quilt guild and that is how the Northern Star Quilters' Guild was started. Although I can't be sure about the first show, I do remember being at the second World of Quilts and haven't missed one since! How many of you can say the same?

Members of this year's committee are already hard at work. We hope to blend the old with the new with some special displays remembering our past 24 shows while showcasing the works of today! Please look for the rules for the block contest, challenge and silent auction in this issue of the newsletter as well as information about how your favorite charity could be the recipient of this year's raffle proceeds. By the way, Alice Dokken and here committee did a magnificent job putting together this year's raffle quilt.

As always, a show of this size requires many hours of work to organize. Please say "yes" should one of the committee members ask for your assistance. Also, if you have any special memories of past shows, please feel free to send me a note, and perhaps I will include it in an upcoming newsletter article.

I am looking forward to seeing all of you in September.

Liz Doyle

Silent Auction 2004

We will once again hold the Silent Auction to raise money for a selected charity during the Quilt Show.

The theme will be "Memories of..." in honor of the NSQG 25th anniversary.

Some suggestions are...a special Christmas, a wonderful day at the beach, a beautiful rose garden. But don't let the theme limit you. Feel free to go where your ideas lead you.

Your donation should have an appropriate 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 for something other than a small quilt, we will welcome that too.

We hope to get at least 50 donations, enough to run an auction on Saturday and on Sunday. So think about it over the summer and please let me know if you are interested in participating.

Claire Victor
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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 max is 100"
- Must hang easily
- Must be 3 layers & quilted
- Must have a 4" sleeve
- The quilt may be no smaller than 25" on any one side
- 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

We look forward to a wonderful group of quilts and as usual, and remember keep yours a secret. The deadline for turning in the quilts is the January General Meeting. Please keep in mind that we'd like to send the quilts to Lancaster again in the beginning of April then our show in May. Thanks

Beth Carney, Linda Schoenfeld, Mayann Weinberg

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Road to . . .

A comprehensive list compiled by Nancy Hantman

Shows and Exhibitions

- Water Mill, NY: "Picture This! Imagery and Photos on Quilts," August 21-September 7, Water Mill Museum. Contacts: Lisa Byers and Amanda Sherwin, quilters@optonline.com, 631-726-5941.
- Irvington, NY: "Hothouse Flowers: 12 Art Quilts by Jeri Riggs" (guild member), now through September 15, Irvington Public Library, 12 South Astor Street; 914-591-7840; <http://www.jeririggs.com>.
- Bennington, VT: Jane Stickle's quilt (of "Dear Jane fame"), September 8-October 20, Bennington Museum, West Main Street; 802-447-1571; <http://www.benningtonmuseum.org>.
- Bennington, VT: Bennington Quiltfest, September 13-14, Mount Anthony Union High School, Park Street. Contact: Judy Smith, 802-823-4631, jsmithvt@together.net, <http://www. Dover.net/~jamests/>. SASE to PO Box 4082, Bennington, VT 05201.
- Springfield, OR: "Tactile Expressions: Beyond Boundaries," September 9-October 4, The Springfield Museum, 590 Main Street. Contact: Jean Littschwager, 541-896-0033, jeancfc@epud.net; <http://www.springfieldmuseum.com>.
- Gilbertsville, NY: "Piece by Piece," October 3-5, The Major's Inn. SASE to The Major's Inn, P.O. Box 242, Gilbertsville, NY 13776; cecerowe@msn.com.
- Nashville, TN: Bold Improvisation: 120 Years of African American Quilts," now through October 5, The Frist Center for the Visual Arts, 919 Broadway; 615-244-3340; <http://www.fristcenter.org>.
- Santa Clara, CA: Pacific International Quilt Festival XII, October 9-12, Santa Clara Convention Center. Send \$2.00 to PIQF, Dept. QN, 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. SASE (60 cents) to PO Box 3042, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603; <http://www.DHQuiltShow.org>.
- Shelburne, VT: "Art of the Needle: 100 Masterpiece Quilts from the Shelburne Museum," now through October 26, Shelburne Museum; 802-985-3346; <http://www.shelburnemuseum.org>.
- San Jose, CA: "Under Cover: Political Expressions in Traditional Quilts," August 19-October 26, San Jose Museum of Quilts & Textiles, 110 Paseo de San Antonio; 408-971-0323; fax 408-971-7226; <http://www.sjqmusem.org>.
- Martainville-Epreville and Notre-Dame-de-Bondeville, France: "In Search of the Hexagon," now through October 27, Musee des Traditions et Arts Normands au Chateau de Martainville and Musee Industriel de la Corderie Vallois, 185 route de Dieppe. Contacts: 33-(0)2 35 23 4470; 33-(0)2 35 74 3535; Alain.joubert@cg76.fr.
- Nashua, NH: A Quilters' Gathering, November 6-9, Sheraton Hotel, Tara Boulevard. Send \$1.00 to Eastcoast Quilters Alliance, PO Box 711, Westford, MA 01886; <http://www.aquiltersgathering.com>.
- New York, NY: "The Perfect Game: America Looks at Baseball" (includes quilts), now through February 1, American Museum of Folk Art, 45 West 53rd Street.

Other Events

- New York, NY: "Thomas Jeckyll: Architect and Designer" (includes textiles) through October 19, Bard Graduate Center for Studies in the Decorative Arts, 18 West 86th Street, 212-501-3000.
- 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: Resist-Dyed Textiles, now through January 5, The Textile Museum, 2320 S Street; 202-667-0441, fax 202-483-0994, <http://www.textilemuseum.org>.

World Wide Web Sites

- Carol Thielen at <http://www.GadgetsByCarol.com>
- Cindy Brick at <http://www.cindybrick.com>
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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 _____

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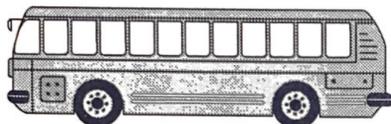
There is still room on the bus. The cost is \$42.00.....payable by check made out to NSQG. We will be leaving from Carmel Commuter Parking (not JFK High School) off Route 312 (exit 19 on I-84) at 7:00 am, stopping in Elmsford, 9A, for another pickup. We usually return somewhere around 9:30 pm - 10:30 pm.

Mail your check to Dorothy Fiederlein, 803 Eagles Ridge Road, Brewster, NY 10509.

Any questions, e-mail me at dorothyf@us.ibm.com or call 845-278-1881 (Home), 914-766-3746 (Work).

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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Quilt Exhibit—Old Lyme, CT

Christ the King Church in beautiful, historic Old Lyme, Connecticut, is holding a quilt exhibition as the main attraction in its Harvest Festival of Crafts and Quilts. The Festival will be held Saturday, October 4, from 9am to 3pm, on the church grounds on Lyme Street in Old Lyme. We expect to be showing nearly 90 handmade and antique quilts in this exhibition!

If you would like more information, you can email, or call (860) 434-1669, or visit our parish website at www.christthekingchurch.net.

Thank you!
Ellen Cole
Publicity Chairman—Harvest Festival of Crafts and Quilts

NSQG on the Web: e-newsletter

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.

Elizabeth Poole
Webmaster
ejp@us.ibm.com

NSQG Membership Registration

In order to make sure the membership list is correct and up to date, **please PRINT** all the information below. Include a phone number where you can be reached if we need to institute a phone chain in case of an emergency. (Please indicate if you don't want it published to the general membership). Return form and dues of \$35 made out to NSQG to: *Susie Andersen, 10 Daffodil Lane, Cos Cob, CT 06807.*

Name: _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

Do you need a membership name badge? _____ Do you want a fabric nametag kit? _____

New member _____ or Renewing member _____ How long have you been a member of NSQG? _____

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Signature: _____

Since the guild is a volunteer organization, it is the policy of the Guild that all members A) "participate and share in Guild tasks by either serving on a committee or holding a position on the board or assisting those who do in some way or B) work a minimum of 2 hours at the annual quilt show."

What committees/board positions have you done in the past? _____

What committee would you like to help? (Check at least one.)

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|---|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Membership | <input type="checkbox"/> Programs | <input type="checkbox"/> Monthly Raffle |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Library | <input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hospitality | <input type="checkbox"/> Special Events (trips | <input type="checkbox"/> Super Saturday |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Boutique | <input type="checkbox"/> Challenge | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Charitable Donations | <input type="checkbox"/> Quilt Show | |

Frequently, our speakers need transportation to and from the airport, (usually White Plains) hotel, meetings and workshops. Sometimes they need to be taken out for meals. Occasionally, they like to stay in a private home. Would you be able to help, if so how?

In order for the Board to serve you better, please take a little time to answer the following questions:

Would you be willing to receive your newsletter via E-Mail? _____

What is your favorite quilting technique(s)? _____

Is there a technique you would like to learn more about? _____

Is there a special speaker/teacher you would like to see at a future meeting? _____

Is there a technique/project you would like taught at Ornament or Super Saturday? _____

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Thank you for your help.

The Board

Comfort Quilts

We will be back on our winter schedule of first and third Thursdays starting Sept. 4th except that there will be NO meeting Thurs. Oct 2. Our gathering place is the Katonah Presbyterian Church from 9am-3pm. Come join us when ever you can.

Fairfield Processing in Danbury, by way of Mary Gay Leahy, is generously donating batting for our quilts, we have already picked up a big roll of our favorite batting. Much thanks to them! We are kept well supplied by our generous members and their connections.

And if you work with or know of a charitable group that could benefit from a donation of one (eg. auction or raffle) or more of our quilts, please check with us.

Please call me if you have any questions.
Karen Carlson (914) 762-5382

Meeting Dates:

Katonah Presbyterian Church

Every Thursday including Sept. 4.

Starting September 17, meetings will be on the first and third Thursdays. *EXCEPT Oct. 2...there will be NO meeting.*

September 2003

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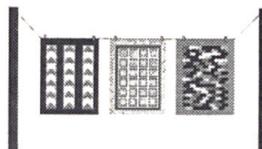
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