

NSQG GENERAL MEETING – September 16, 2003
JFK Catholic High School, Somers, NY

Meeting called to order by President Pat Baker at 7:25 p.m.

PRESIDENT'S REMARKS, Pat Baker

- The meeting was held in the auditorium, as there was no mike available for the lunchroom. Pat welcomed everyone back, noting the guild was 23 years old.
- She introduced the board members.

PROGRAMS. Barbara Powers

- Barbara announced the speakers for the year.
- October: Esterita Austin
- November: Mary Sorenson
- December: Marilyn Henron
- February: Mary Cannizzaro
- March: Gabrielle Swain
- April: Carol Ann Grotrian
- May: Robbi Jo Ecklow

QUILT SHOW, Liz Doyle

- This will be the 25th show.
- Liz introduced the quilt show committee members.
- Mary Cannizzaro called for the membership to be thinking about a charity to be the recipient for the raffle quilt proceeds. She said the runner-up charity, will be the recipient from the proceeds of the silent auction. Watch for directions in the newsletter.

EDUCATION, Maxine Oliver

- Esteritas class is booked, but Maxine will try to get another day of workshop if enough people sign up.
- She asked that members include a legal size envelope when requesting a class.
- Mary Cannizzaro's class will be held on a Saturday.

BOUTIQUE, Emily Gianntassio

- Emily announced that the Holiday Boutique will be held at St. Mark's Church in Mt. Kisco on November 15, 2003.
- She will be signing people up, who wish to sell their items, at the break.

SPECIAL EVENTS, Dorothy Fiederlein

- Dorothy announced that this Saturday is the trip to Fort Washington, and told where the two stops were to meet the bus.
- Linda Jennings said 57 people have signed up for the trip to Houston.
- She also said 14 people have signed up for the trip to Japan.

HOSPITALITY, Helen Andrews

- Helen thanked the board for bringing the treats tonight.
- In October, members whose names end in A,B or C are responsible for food.

LIBRARY, Jackie Stewart

- Jackie informed us that there is a new set-up for the library. One table is set aside to showcase new books, and ones from the shelves that seem to have been hidden.
- She asked members to please return your books as soon as you come to the meeting so that they can be checked in and returned to the shelves for recirculating.
- She also announced that you may be asked to show your membership card when checking books out.

COMFORT QUILTS, Karen Carlson

- The schedule for October and November is a bit off the normal first and third Thursday. It will be October 9 and 23, and November will be the 6th and 21st. December will be the 4th and 18th.
- Pre-cut kits are ready to take home and be made into comfort quilts. Please stop by during the break if you wish to take one home.
- She also asked membership to let Karen know of any of places that would like to receive the comfort quilts.

NEWSLETTER, Carrie Vollrath

- Carrie let us know that the cause of the mistake in the newsletter was not her fault! (A center page from a legal document had been switched with the appropriate page for the newsletter. The printer rectified the mistake and resent corrected newsletters to the membership)
- Carrie asked that all news must be sent to her by one week following the general meeting, or one day after the board meeting.

MEMBERSHIP, Susie Andersen

- Membership cards are ready at the door.
- Susie would like everyone to have a button, (or a fabric name tag) and the machine was being used tonight.
- There were about 20 new members tonight and 6 guests.
- There is a new member's table, so that new members can meet each other.
- Marie Pedlow has volunteered to man a new quilters table. She will be available to those having beginning quilting questions and may give short demonstrations on basic techniques.

WEBMASTER, Elizabeth Poole

- Elizabeth announced that the first electronic newsletter went out. Check your web-site.
- Send your e-mail address to Elizabeth if you want to receive the newsletter by e-mail.

ROUND ROBIN, Joyce Sullivan

- Joyce explained the new format for the round robin and it calling it a "square robin." She encouraged members to sign-up tonight at the break. It will be worked on for 5 months and then made into a quilt to be given to Comfort Quilts for distribution.

BULLETIN BOARD, Ina Helfand

- There is a bulletin board for members use in the lunchroom.
- A table can be setup for those wanting help basting their quilts.
- Raffle was held.
- Show and Tell began with a display of this years raffle quilt. It is a reproduction of the original quilt raffled 25 years ago.

Old business:

Barbara Powers announced that more Fireman quilts kits will be available for the Emergency Medical Technician units. There are also 20 quilts that have not been returned. She requested that if you have one and it is not done, to please return them.

If you are going to make a quilt and want to know where it ends up, you need to put a label on the back with your name and phone number, so that you can be contacted. Some people have asked to know where their quilt is being hung and there is no way to identify the finished quilts. However, one woman did put a note on her quilt and found out it is hanging in the governors office!

SPEAKER, Virginia Avery

Virginia was the first speaker at the show 25 years ago. Tonight's talk is called Woman Minding Her Own Business.

Meeting adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Stern
Recording Secretary

NSQG GENERAL MEETING – October 21, 2003
JFK Catholic High School, Somers, NY

Meeting called to order by President Pat Baker at 7:15p.m.

PRESIDENT'S REMARKS, Pat Baker
Welcome!

QUILT SHOW, Liz Doyle

- Maryann Weinberg asked for a show of hands of those planning on doing a quilt for the challenge.
- Raffle nominees will be listed in the next newsletter.
- Karen Carlson is looking for donations for the Silent auction. The theme is "Memories of..."
- Debbie Bein said they have a full slate of lecturers and workshops for the two days.
- Block contest rules are in the newsletter.
- Linda Ostrander showed the Raffle quilt pattern for 2005. There will be 26 pieced blocks and 26 applique blocks. They will be available at the next meeting.

EDUCATION, Maxine Oliver

- Mary Sorenson's class in November is filled for Wednesday, but there are openings in the Thursday class.
- Maxine listed the speakers for the rest of the year. This will appear in the newsletter.

BOUTIQUE, Emily Giannatassio

- Emily announced that the Holiday Boutique will be held at St. Mark's Church in Mt. Kisco on November 15, 2003. It will be open to the public from 10:00 to 3:00, but members may come and buy from 9:00- 10:00.
- Flyers are on the entrance table and everyone is urged to take one and display it somewhere.
- Special Landscape pillows will be for sale and the proceeds are going to the YWCA Children's Center in the Westchester County Courthouse.

SPECIAL EVENTS, Linda Jennings

- The trip to Houston is all set. She had the tickets in hand.

HOSPITALITY, Helen Andrews

- Helen thanked the ABC's for bringing the treats tonight. November will be persons whose last names begin with D,E and F.

NEWSLETTER, Carrie Vollrath

- Please get your news in on time.

WEBMASTER, Elizabeth Poole

- There was a brief outage but now everything is fine on the website.

COMFORT QUILTS, Karen Carlson

- There are kits available to be picked up for those who wish to make a comfort quilt at home.
- Speaking for Super Saturday, Karen is looking for additional teachers. Please contact her.

SQUARE ROBIN, Suzanne Sunday

- Packets are ready and can be picked up during the break. A few people had indicated interest and have not picked up your packets.

MEMBERSHIP, Susie Andersen

- There are 155 members here tonight, and 14 new or guests. Please pick up buttons. Fabric kits are available for those who want to make a fabric name tag.
- The new member table and the new quilters table will be together at the next meeting.
- Our first recognition of a members quilting, is displayed in the back of the lunchroom. It is the work of Marie-Francoise Concher. It is quite a task to set this up and the person who was honored each month is asked to help with setting up the display for the following month.

THE RAFFLE WAS HELD

SHOW AND TELL WAS HELD

GUEST SPEAKER: Esterita Austin

Meeting adjourned at 9:30

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Stern
Recording Secretary

NSQG General Meeting - November 18, 2003
JFK High School, Somers, NY

Meeting called to order by President Pat Baker at 7:15

PRESIDENT'S REMARKS, Pat Baker

- Pat asked that any announcements that are put out on the membership table should be picked up at the end of the meeting. Otherwise they will be thrown away.
- The cafeteria and the auditorium must be left tidy and tables returned to their original places at the end of the meeting.
- The Policy Review Committee will set up a time for an extra meeting. It will be announced in the next newsletter.
- There will be a Holiday Grab Bag for those who wish to participate at the December meeting. Gifts should be about \$5.00. You give one, you get one.
- Extra frames have been purchased by the guild. They may be borrowed for photo opportunities.
- Pat welcomed a special guest, Beryl Lawson. Beryl had been an original member of the guild.

SPECIAL EVENTS, Linda Jennings

- Linda reported on a very successful trip to Houston. People have already signed up for the 2004 trip.

BOUTIQUE, Liz Stern

- As Emily was not at the meeting, Pat asked Liz to report on the boutique. Liz thanked the guild members for the wonderful turnout. She stated that it was a successful boutique.

QUILT SHOW, Liz Doyle

- Ballots were handed out so that the membership could vote for the recipients of the proceeds from the quilt raffle, and the Silent Auction. The results of the balloting were the first prize will go to Hospice Care in Westchester and Putnam, and second prize will go to Blythdale Childrens' Hospital. *President of the raffle guild proc.*
- The hope is to have 50 items for the Silent Auction. *Silent Auction*
- Challenge blocks are due in January.
- Liz called for persons to work on blocks for the block contest.
- Liz announced that she is looking for a person to organize the Friday night supper. Please contact Liz by phone or e-mail.
- Liz also needs a person to solicit the vendors for door prizes.

EDUCATION, Maxine Oliver

- Maxine explained that fees for classes do not cover the complete cost of the class. It is subsidized by the guild.
- Mary Sorensons class is filled for both Wednesday and Thursday.
- There is still space in Mary Cannezzaro's sweatshirt jacket class in February. The price is only \$20.00
- Next years classes are filling up. Maxine does not want the money until January.

SQUARE ROBIN, Joyce Sullivan

- Joyce explained that the fabric that you were given in your original kit is to be used in each subsequent piece. Remember to put the names of the people in your group on each of the other four pieces. Come and pick them up before the speaker.

WEBMASTER, Elizabeth Poole

- Elizabeth said that only a few people have used the web link to view the newsletter.
- If you want to receive the newsletter by e-mail, you need to send an e-mail to Elizabeth asking for it.

NEWSLETTER, Carrie Vollrath

- No report

LIBRARY, Jackie Stewart is away and Pat thanked those who helped set up tonight's library.

SUPER SATURDAY, Karen Carlson

- Karen asked for persons who would like to teach at Super Saturday.
- Karen encouraged participation in the Silent Auction.

MEMBERSHIP, Susie Anderson

- Susie announced that the new directory was handed out at tonight's meeting. Included in the directory is both a short history of the guild, as well as the by-laws.
- There are 139 people signed in tonight. Eleven new members joined. The membership total is now 276. An insert with new members will be written, and handed out, to go in the directory.
- Tonight's one-woman show featured Jetta Buch.
- Susie would like someone to volunteer to organize a scrapbook of these one-woman shows.

HOSPITALITY, Helen Andrew

- Helen announced that for the December meeting everyone is expected to bring a small sampling of a favorite holiday treat.

RAFFLE was held

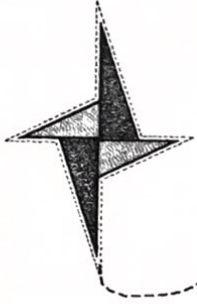
SHOW AND TELL was held

GUEST SPEAKER Mary Sorenson

Meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Stern
Recording Secretary



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**NSQG GENERAL MEETING DECEMBER 16, 2003
JFK HIGH SCHOOL, SOMERS**

Meeting was called to order by President Pat Baker at 7:15

- Pat announced that the newsletter will go on the web. However, phone numbers and e-mail addresses will not be in the newsletter.

VP QUILT SHOW, Liz Doyle

- Liz showed the raffle quilt which is a reproduction of the first raffle quilt made for a NSQG show. Of the 47 squares in the quilt, 22 of the original members made their same square for this quilt. Raffle tickets will be ready at the January meeting. Proceeds from the sale of this quilt will go to Hospice Care.
- The challenge quilts are due in January. Voting will take place in February.
- Blocks for the block contest are due March 1.
- Registration for quilts to go in the show will be available in January.
- Volunteer sign-up will take place at the January meeting.
- A quilt appraiser will be at the show. This will be limited to two quilts per person and there will be a charge for each appraisal.

CHARITABLE DONATIONS, Karen Carlson

- Karen named the places that have been recipients of the comfort quilts.
- Super Saturday will be on March 20, at the Katonah Presbyterian Church. Sign-up will be at the January meeting. Karen showed samples of the classes that will be taught by our guild members.

BREAK

- Raffle was held.
- Show and tell was held.
- Liz Doyle made the presentation to Sister Barbara to thank her for all her help in support of NSQG.
- Susie Andersen thanked Maria Weinstein, the quilter of the month, for her wonderful exhibit.

Program chairman Eleanor Hibben introduced Marilyn Henrion, tonight's speaker.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:20

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Stern recording secretary



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**NSQG GENERAL MEETING JANUARY 20, 2004
JFK High School, Somers**

Meeting called to order by President Pat Baker at 7:15.

Presidents remarks:

- Pat announced that 3 grab bag gifts had not been picked up at the December meeting. If you did not get one, please pick one of these up.
- Pat said that our membership list is not being used for commercial purposes.
- Carolyn Young has offered to take over the responsibilities of the boutique. She would like some assistance with this.
- Pat informed the guild that a long- standing member, Edna Gardenier, passed away.

Web-site, Elizabeth Poole

- The electronic newsletter is on the web! Carrie and Elizabeth have coordinated this web-site. Go to the NSQG web-site and click on "news" that click on newsletter by the date.

Education, Maxine Oliver

- There are a few openings for the sweatshirt class.

Library, Jackie Stewart

- Jackie thanked the membership for returning outstanding books. The new color-coded system is in place. It is taped to the side of the library cart.

VP Quilt Show, Liz Doyle

- The volunteer sign-up is going well tonight.
- Raffle tickets are ready to be picked up by the membership tonight.
- The Block contest is due by March 1.
- Voting will take place next month for the challenge.
- About 25 quilts have been received so far for the Silent Auction. Final donations will be received in March.
- Raffle quilt for 2005. Pieces for the applique are available and due back in March.
- Works in Progress room would like your UFO's to display.
- Friday night supper has a coordinator.
- Quilt appraisals will be available at the show. The charge is \$30 per appraisal.
- This years raffle quilt may be borrowed and taken to another guild for the purpose of selling raffle tickets.
- Registration forms for quilts are available tonight and will also be on the web-site.

Comfort quilts, Karen Carlson

A few kits are available to be taken home and made.

Super Saturday sign-up is taking place at tonight's meeting.

- Liz Stern announced that a check for \$975 was given to Carol Dubiel the director of the Children's Center at the Court House. Carol was not able to come to tonight's meeting but will come to a Comfort Quilt group on a Thursday in March. This money was raised from the sale of the Landscape Pillows project.

Membership, Susie Anderson

- With three new members joining tonight, our membership is now 278.
- Fabric kits are available, for making your own name- tag.
- Carol Auer is our "One woman show" this evening. Her quilts are on display in the back.

Show and Tell was held.

Mary Cannizzaro showed the striped fabric that you need to construct before taking the sweatshirt class.

Raffle was held

Program chairman, Eleanor Hibben

Eleanor explained tonight's program, which is a demonstration by guild members of the basics.

Everyone will have the opportunity to attend two demonstrations. Eleanor will ring the bell when it is time to change to another area.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

- Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Stern
Recording Secretary

**NSQG General Meeting - February 17, 2004
JFK High School, Somers, NY**

Meeting called to order by President Pat Baker at 7:15

PRESIDENT'S REMARKS, Pat Baker

- Pat read a letter of appreciation from Carol Dubiel, from the Children's Center. This was for the donation of monies raised from the sale of the Landscape Pillows.
- Pat said that if anyone was interested in going to Lancaster on Saturday, they should contact her.

Boutique, Liz Stern for Carolyn Young

- Liz said that sign-up for the boutique will take place at the March meeting.

Library, Jackie Stewart

- A book list has been compiled with books listed in three manners, author, title and subject.

Webmaster, Elizabeth Poole

- Elizabeth announced that the newsletter is now on the website. You go to the news area and click on newsletter.
- Send her an e-mail if you have any problems with getting the newsletter on-line.

Quilt Show, Liz Doyle

- Volunteers are still needed for the show. Please see Meg Moor.
- Raffle tickets need to be picked up at the membership table.
- Liz encouraged members of other quilt groups to borrow the raffle quilt to show it and sell raffle tickets. Alice Dokken will make the quilt available to be borrowed for this purpose.
- See Joan Weth if you wish to register to have a quilt appraised at the show.
- We will vote for the Challenge during the break.
- The silent auction is still able to take donations.
- Please turn in any pieces you have for the 2005 raffle quilt.
- Bring your unfinished quilts for the Works in Progress room.
- Special door prizes will be given out this year to commemorate the 25th anniversary. If you have anything to donate for this, please see Tracy Bremmer.
- The guest speakers need a home to stay in. They require a room with a bath. They will also have to be driven to the events.
- Forms to register your quilt for the show are on the membership table.
- Posters are also on the table and members are asked to take them and distribute them.

Education, Maxine Oliver

- There are openings in both the Gabrielle Swain class on borders. And for Sue Nickels class.

VP Programs, Barbara Powers

- Gabrielle Swain will be the speaker at our March meeting.

Special Events, Linda Jennings

- The trip to Houston will take place November 3, 2004. The cost is \$550 for three nights, and \$610 for four nights.

Membership, Susie Anderson

- There are 123 members here tonight. There is one new member.
- There are bags and NSQG pins available at a special price of \$10 for both.

New Business

- Pat introduced the members of the Nominating committee. They are: Georgia Heller, chairperson, Judy Gignesi, Ann Fitzell, Andrea Winter, and Pat Baker.

Raffle

Show and Tell

Program:

- Slide show of 2003 quilt show

Challenge winners for Reflections

Best interpretation of the theme

1. Benedicta Caneill
2. Leslie Fowler
3. Marie Concher

Best use of embellishment

1. Mayanne Weinberg
2. Norma Schlager
3. Elizabeth Rosenberg

Best use of non-traditional materials

1. Lori Light-DeMarco
2. Norma Schlager
3. Pat Slavin, Beth Carney, Elizabeth Rosenberg

Most innovative reflection

1. Norma Schlager
2. Linda Schoenfeld and Jeri Riggs
3. Benedicta Caneill

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

**Respectfully submitted,
Liz Stern, Recording secretary**

**NSQG General Meeting - April 20, 2004
JFK High School, Somers, NY**

Meeting called to order by President Pat Baker at 7:15

PRESIDENT'S REMARKS, Pat Baker

Pat said that we had a very full meeting. There will be a 20 minute break for sign-up time.

Education, Maxine Oliver

- There are 4 openings in the class tomorrow with Carol Ann Grotrian.
- There is a waiting list for the class with Hollis Chatelain and for the class with Robbi Jo Eklow.
- Sue Nickels will give a class in machine quilting the Monday after the quilt show. It will be held in Katonah at the Presbyterian Church.

Boutique, Carolyn Young

- Sign-up for the Boutique is at the back of the cafeteria tonight.
- All participants need to bring their wares in on Friday at 4:30. Items will be picked up on Sunday after the show at 4:00.

Special Events, Dorothy Fiederlein

- The trip to Lancaster was great. There were 49 women and one man. There was 1180 yards of fabric on the bus.
- Dorothy is getting married and moving to Maryland. A new person is needed to lead the trips.

Website, Elizabeth Poole

- The newsletter is on the website and all is well.
- Elizabeth would like to include a page with the names of guild members who teach classes on the website.

Super Saturday, Karen Carlson

- Super Saturday was very successful with a wonderful group of teachers. The items made will be displayed at Show and Tell tonight.
- A new person is needed to head this exciting day.

VP Quilt Show, Liz Doyle

- Liz thanked the guild members for their wonderful support during a very difficult year of illness. She is doing very well.
- The quilt show still needs volunteers. Please pick up the envelopes with your assignments.
- We need to think about a design for the 2006 raffle quilt.
- NSQG members can come into the show at 9:00 on Saturday morning and beat the rush of shoppers.
- Those persons who won ribbons at the Challenge are asked to bring them so that they can be displayed with the quilts.
- Please bring your U.F.O.'s on Friday for the Works in progress room.
- Food is needed for Friday nights' dinner. There will be many mouths to feed. Meals can be warmed up in the kitchen at JFK. Food should be brought in between 4:00 and 5:00.
- Money from sold raffle tickets should be given or mailed to Mary Cannizzaro.

- Quilt appraisal needs a few volunteers. There are 4 slots available for appraising. The cost is \$30.00 per quilt.
- Claire Victor asked that the items for the Silent auction be given to her. Donations are still being accepted.

Hospitality, Helen Andrew

- Helen asked for volunteers to help with the June salad supper.

Special topic: Quilts being raffled

Two organizations have made quilts to benefit others. One is a blue and white quilt and the other is a flowered quilt.

Shrub Oak library has a call out for red, white and blue quilts to be displayed in July.

Membership, Susie Anderson

- There are 163 members here tonight. There are 3 guests and 2 new members.
- Please pick up nametags at the membership table. There are a few catalogs available.
- Susie announced the two one-woman shows for tonight. Beth Carney was to have showed her work in March but due to the snowstorm, she brought her works tonight. Susan Osinoff also had a wonderful display of her quilt work.

Nominating Committee

- Georgia Heller explained the nominating process. She called for any nominations from the floor.
- She announced the candidates for the next board.

Raffle

- The raffle was held.
- The two quilt tops that were put together from the block contest were shown.

Show and Tell

- The quilted jackets were shown.
- Super Saturday items were shown.
- Square Robin quilts were shown.
- Regular show and tell items were shown.

Speaker:

Carol Ann Grotrian gave a talk on her shibori art quilts.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

**Elizabeth Stern,
Recording secretary**

NSQG General Meeting - June 15, 2004
JFK High School, Somers, NY

The salad supper took place prior to the General meeting.

The meeting was called to order by President Pat Baker at 7:30.

PRESIDENT'S REMARKS, Pat Baker

- Pat read from an article in the newsletter from AQS, regarding the use of a design that is not original. Quilters need to get permission from the artist and acknowledge the source of a pattern

Education, Norma Schlager standing in for Maxine Oliver

- Norma announced that there are openings for the September workshop.
- Mary Cannizzaro announced that there will be a follow-up workshop, this Saturday. This is only for those who took the first sweatshirt jacket workshop.

Library, Jackie Stewart

- The book sale is going very well tonight. There are also patterns available, as well as fabric that is free.

Comfort Quilts, Karen Carlson

- Suzanne Sunday thanked Comfort quilts for the donation of quilts to a program for very young mothers with whom Suzanne works. She described the joy of one young mother with the quilt wrapped around her on a very warm day.

Hospitality, Helen Andrew

- Helen thanked the membership for the great food that made for a delicious salad supper.

V.P. Quilt Show, Caryl Castellion

- As next years chairperson of the quilt show, Caryl called for volunteers for the committees. She would like a person who could take notes at the meetings.
- There was a display of next years raffle quilt top.

New business

- Raffle tickets are available for two quilts that are on display at the rear of the cafeteria.

Show and Tell

- Show and tell was held.
- Members of comfort quilts displayed a few of the quilts that will be given to Blythedale, and Hospice of Northern Westchester.

New business

- A check was presented to Hospice of Northern Westchester from the sale of tickets for the raffle quilt from the show. Alison Le Rose accepted the check as well as 40 quilts made by comfort quilters.
 - Lena Cavanna, director of Community relations from Blythedale Childrens Hospital was presented a check from the sale of items at the silent auction. She was also given 25 quilts for the hospital.
 - Pat presented life memberships to Claire Oehler, Kay Thorn and Bill Thorn.
 - Pat called this years board to the front and presented tokens of her appreciation to them.
 - Melanie presented a basket of fat quarters to Pat from the membership.
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- Pat introduced Susie Anderson, the new president.
 - Susie introduced the new board.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

**Elizabeth Stern
Recording Secretary**