

# NSQG October 2011 Newsletter

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 Newsletter

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 president

Our September meeting was full of energy. It was so nice to see everyone catching up and sharing their summer quilting highlights. Thank you to **Michele Scott** for her enthusiastic program, flying quilts and all. Her Wednesday class helped to remove the fear of adjusting the bobbin tension so that heavier threads can be accommodated. This technique of quilting upside down is very effective and impressive. Michele, thank you for generously sharing your stash of threads for everyone to try.

As we leave September and enter October we celebrate a new season. The fall colors will be gracing our hillsides and the cool crisp air will invigorate us. At our October 18 meeting, **Frieda Anderson** will be sharing her love for dyeing fabric. Perhaps the fall colors will inspire you to mix some powder and water and make your own unique fabrics.

Be sure to keep us updated on your achievements in the quilting world. It is always nice to share these achievements among friends.

**Patricia Calautti, President** [pattic0312@gmail.com](mailto:pattic0312@gmail.com)

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 Programs

### **October Guild Meeting Program: "Fabric to Dye For"**

Our speaker this month is **Frieda Anderson** from Elgin, IL. Frieda is an art quilter and is well known for her original designs using her own hand-dyed fabrics. In her slide presentation Frieda will show us her step-by-step process of gradation dyeing featured in her new book, *Fabric to Dye For*. Her website: [www.friestyle.com](http://www.friestyle.com)

**Workshop: "Laughing Leaves." New location:** Lake Katonah Club, 2 Lower Lake Shore Dr, Katonah, NY.

This is a fusing and design class. Using decorative rotary cutter blades and fused, hand-dyed fabric we will create a one-of-a-kind leaf quilt. Frieda will show us fun ways to make strip units, leaves and stems to create an original design. This class is full and there is a waiting list, but you can contact Barbara Sferra to see if a place has opened up. Class fee \$50 and a kit fee which includes two different half yards of Frieda's hand-dyed fabric - \$25 (payable to Frieda).

In **November** we welcome **Leni Wiener**. Her workshop on TUESDAY, November 15th, is titled "Photo-Inspired Art Quilts". There are still a few openings in the workshop.

**Barbara Sferra, VP Programs** [gbcga@mindspring.com](mailto:gbcga@mindspring.com)

 Programs

First, I'd like to thank all of you who remembered to send in your registration this summer and to all of you who registered at the September meeting. We're still missing a few registration forms, so please send yours in if you haven't already done so.

As of the September meeting, we had 252 members, including 11 new members who have joined this summer, and three guests. If there are any new members who would like to have a mentor assigned to them, please email me and I will match you up with one of our veteran members who can help you find your niche at the guild. We will continue to have a New Member/Guest Table at our meetings each month.

**Diane Linker** VP Membership [dianelinkersgg@verizon.net](mailto:dianelinkersgg@verizon.net)

 hospitality

The A, B and C's provided a nice combination of sweet and savory treats to tempt our members. A large number of members arrive early for the meetings. The quilt show committee meets before the general meeting and many members are involved in the SIGs. Most have skipped dinner. Please bear this in mind as your initial comes around. Your donation of food is deeply appreciated.

**D, E and F**, you're up next. As always your donation will be rewarded with a ticket for the monthly raffle. I thank **Joan Citron, Carolyn Langevin and Jane Eyes** for their help in September and am looking for helpers for October. If you can arrive early to help with the set-up and serving or help with the wrap-up after the general meeting, please email me.

A special thanks to **Judy Mayer** and her staff, **Mary Waterman and Regina Benvie**, for handling the Monthly Raffle this year. The raffle items in October come from **Fabric Mart** in Yorktown Heights, one of our advertisers. It's a fun part of the meeting, don't you think?

**Meg Mooar**, Hospitality Chair [mmmooar@optonline.net](mailto:mmmooar@optonline.net)

 education

### Special Interest Groups

**Art Quilt Group** – The Art Quilt group is off to a rousing start this year! We are excited about planning three weekend workshops during the year and have a place to do it (home of **Mayann Weinberg**) and topics and teachers:

- **Exploring Felting** - demos of the embellisher dry felting machine from several members and a new wet felting technique demonstration by **Debbie Bein**
- **All Dolled Up** - **Jamie Horikawa** and **Mayann Weinberg** are developing a great program for us!
- **Fabric Painting** - **Deirdre Abbotts** will provide instruction on painting on fabric OUTSIDE in the spring.

**Melanie Hulse's** "Forms of a Dress" challenge was accepted as our annual challenge for the guild show in May. We are looking forward to details at our October meeting. Thanks to **Susan Osinoff** for her fine demo on the new Double Diamond Ruler tool. **Kendell Storm** has a SURPRISE DEMO in store for us in October. Remember, everyone is welcome to come and see what our meetings are all about! **Debbie Bein**, Fearless

Facilitator

**Hand Applique Group** – The October meeting of the Hand Applique Group will start with show and tell, and then there will be demonstrations on how to make three-dimensional flowers: a hexagon flower, the lily of the valley, and the daffodil. Please join us -- and bring some scraps, needle and thread if you would like to try out the flowers.

**Dear Jane Group - has been renamed and is now "The Sticklers"!** The name pays homage to Jane Stickle, the Civil War-era quilter who created the extraordinary sampler quilt that inspires us. In October, **Vicki Romaine Cohn** will demonstrate her technique for achieving impeccable points on her applique blocks. All are welcome to participate. The next meeting is at 10 am on Saturday, October 22nd at the Apple Bank for Savings, 666 Columbus Avenue, Thornwood. Contact: **Carolyn Finn** [carolyn\\_finn@yahoo.com](mailto:carolyn_finn@yahoo.com).

**Long Arm Group** - The group met on October 1st. **Peggy Morgan** demonstrated some interesting border quilting patterns. Another subject: the wonderful longarm retreat that many of the members attended in September. The remaining meetings for the calendar year are November 5th and December 3rd. Contact **Diane Linker** for more information. [DianeLinkerNSQG@verizon.net](mailto:DianeLinkerNSQG@verizon.net).

**Kids Can Quilt** – If you are interested in introducing kids to quilting, contact **Jane Eyes**.

*Jane Eyes, VP Education, [education@northernstarquilters.com](mailto:education@northernstarquilters.com)*

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Both winners in the **Timeless Treasures Round Robin**, coordinated by **Deirdre Abbotts**, were made from the same fabric. At left, quilt by **Judy Gignesi, Maxine Oliver, Barbara Sferra, Joyce Sullivan, Lynn Seager** and **Linda Schoenfeld**. Below, quilt by **Barbara Oudheusden, Ellen de Jong, Chris Fredericks** and **Rosie Hamilton**. More than 25 quilters participated in the round robin over the summer and 91 members voted.



**Please continue to send us news of your upcoming shows, speaking engagements, and published work!** We'd really like to use our newsletter and website to showcase our members' successes. If writing about a show, please provide the show's beginning and end dates, news of an opening reception (if there is one) and location. As always, we'd appreciate photos of your work as well. (Please be sure to provide your written permission to include your photo in our newsletter and/or website.)  
[News@northernstarquilters.com](mailto:News@northernstarquilters.com).

**But there's an opportunity for everyone to join in the fun!** All NSQG members are invited to submit photos of star blocks (of any type) for use throughout our website. Photos should be low-resolution and medium size (no larger than 2 megabytes).

*Carolyn Finn, VP Communications [carolyn\\_finn@yahoo.com](mailto:carolyn_finn@yahoo.com)*

## Comfort Quilts

### Upcoming Meetings: October 19, November 2 and 16, December 7.

Comfort quilts meets at North Salem Volunteer Ambulance Corp., 14 Daniel Road, North Salem. Dates are subject to change. Please verify the date and location if you have a question with **Carol Auer** [auerwein@gmail.com](mailto:auerwein@gmail.com) or **Karen Carlson** [quiltingkarend@aol.com](mailto:quiltingkarend@aol.com).

### Quilt Kits at November Boutique

Now you can purchase one of our popular quilt kits to use for yourself! These specially designed, all-inclusive, ready-to-sew kits will be for sale at the NSQG boutique. Treat yourself or make a quick and easy gift at a great price. Several sizes are available. Proceeds will support guild activities such as Comfort Quilts.

### Ronald McDonald House Block of the Month Project -- A Huge Success!

The final block was collected at the September meeting. All of the quilts are either finished or in some stage of construction! What an accomplishment for the members of NSQG! Thank you so much to the members that made blocks, the Long Arm quilting group that provided the quilting and members that stitched the bindings. Also a special thank you to **Pat Baker** who coordinated the project. Well done!

 mcdonald house quilts

Thanks to Helen Boland for the photos.

### Donations

Donations of cotton fabric and batting are really appreciated. You can bring donations to the guild meetings or contact Barb Tatera for other arrangements.

If you have a Comfort Quilt kit, please feel free to return quilts at the guild meetings. If you have a kit that you don't have time to finish, No Worries, just return it and someone else will be happy to finish it. We love to have lots of names on those quilt labels! Thank you for all of your hard work!

**Barb Tatera**, Charitable Activities, [patchwork15@gmail.com](mailto:patchwork15@gmail.com)



## Super Saturday February 25, 2012

### **Last call for teachers for Super Saturday.**

This is a great opportunity to begin or fine-tune your quilting teaching skills with members of our guild. Anyone interested in teaching at Super Saturday must send a clear, concise class description with an accompanying supply list *no later than October 11th* to **Carol Mayefsky**. Classes will be finalized by the October general meeting and sign-ups for classes will begin at that time. Thank you.

**Carol Mayefsky**, Super Saturday Coordinator [cmayefsky@gmail.com](mailto:cmayefsky@gmail.com)

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## Trips

Mark your calendars - we will be heading to the American Quilter's Society's **Lancaster Quilt Show** on March 16-17, 2012. You can sign up for the trip at the November meeting, so stay tuned for more details! Please contact Jen.

**Jen Cannizzaro**, Trips Coordinator [Jen51573@verizon.net](mailto:Jen51573@verizon.net).  
**Kelly Lockwood**, Special Events [lockypt@aol.com](mailto:lockypt@aol.com)

red white invitation

A tribute to **Joanna Rose** and her husband; **Thinc Design**; and the **American Folk Art Museum**. Guild members are invited to enter our Red and White Quilt Exhibit honoring Joanna S. Rose's [\*Infinite Variety: Three Centuries of Red and White Quilts\*](#) exhibit in NYC in March 2011. Thinc Design designed the spectacular exhibit of the 651 quilts in the Park Avenue Armory.

The Guild Invitational will include red-and-white traditional-pieced, Hawaiian applique, and art quilt styles. All quilts will be displayed at the 2012 World of Quilts show. There will be no judging or voting. [Click here for details](#) and join the fun.

People are already putting their thoughts together on how to answer this invitation, following its size and category requirements. Our Guild President cautions us to remember that the color red has a tendency to run (bleed) and thus to take the time to prepare our fabric before starting the project. How to deal with red thread is another issue and it might be worthwhile to test its color-safety by running a stitching line.

Quilts will be collected at the March 2012 NSQG meeting. Please contact **Joyce Sullivan** [joysull827@comcast.net](mailto:joysull827@comcast.net) or **Nancy Mirman** [nmirman@optonline.net](mailto:nmirman@optonline.net) with any questions.





Congratulations to **Tamar Drucker**, whose quilt, *When Fog Lifts* was in the SAQA: *Beyond- Comfort* show in Birmingham UK over the summer. Tamar's quilt, *Tamara , You are at the Laundromat Tomorrow*, won third ribbon in the **Israel Quilters Association's** tribute to the 100th anniversary of the kibbutz with a special display at Europe's premier quilting show.

**Debbie Bein** was accepted in the **Deep Spaces** traveling exhibit, curated by Larkin Van Horn. The exhibit showcases works of 58 fiber artists from around the world. The exhibit will travel to several venues in the US over the next two years. All proceeds from sales of

**Now through Oct 29**, *Explosions in Color* by **Carol Taylor** at ArtQuilt Gallery, 133 West 25th Street, NYC. [www.artquiltgallerynyc.com](http://www.artquiltgallerynyc.com)

**Now through December**, *Superstars*, American Folk Art Museum, 2 Lincoln Square, Columbus Avenue at 66th Street, NYC, [www.folkartmuseum.org](http://www.folkartmuseum.org).

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*Thanks to **Nancy Hantman** for keeping us abreast of forthcoming quilt shows.*

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