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Next Meeting: December 11, 2004
11 AM to 12 PM -- Board Meeting
1 PM to 5 PM -- General Meeting
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Guest Fee: * NONE *

PROGRAM: AUCTION!



Empire Quilters Fundraiser 2004

The Guild is holding its **HOLIDAY SALE AND AUCTION** on **SATURDAY, DECEMBER 11TH** from **1 pm to 4 pm.**

There will be a **Silent Auction**, a **Live Auction**, a **Flea Market**, a **50/50 Cash Raffle** and a **Baked Goods** sale. There have been a huge number of items donated for the sale - both large and valuable items and many small and inexpensive gifts and notions. It is a perfect place to start some holiday shopping!

The **Live Auction** will be the main activity for the afternoon. We have a very good and exciting guest auctioneer coming in from Washington, DC! While the auction is going on you are invited to browse the Flea Market or bid on the Silent Auction items.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS

To date we have over sixty items donated from quilt shops, fabric companies, sewing publishers, and textile/quilt artists. We also have a very generous outpouring of donated items - new and gently used - from the guild membership itself. There are likely to be dozens of items that would find a place on your bidding list!

Since there are way too many items to list in the newsletter, here is a very brief sample of a few items we will have in the holiday sale:

- Six Packages of Batting *from The Warm Company*
- Fabric Selections *from Michael Miller Fabrics*
- Electric Quilt 5 Software *from the Electric Quilt Company*
- Autographed Copies of Quilted Diamonds 2 *by Linda Franz*

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President's Message

Those raffle tickets that were not picked up in person by Guild members have been sent by mail. Please make an effort to sell them and return the proceeds to the Kimono Quilt Committee by the January 8th meeting.

I have always been a dreadfully bad salesperson but I amazed myself at how easy it was to sell the tickets for this lovely queen-sized bed quilt--so the moral of this tale is: If I can do it, so can you.

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The December meeting is going to be FUN, FUN, FUN. It will be an enjoyable shopping trip in a small shopping area (no walking from store to store) with lots of variety in choices--from gifts, art, fabric, baked goods and other food, and more--come prepared to buy. Michael Greenberg and his merry minions are working to make this a first-class auction and flea market.

If you have friends who might be interested, then please invite them--there will be **no guest fee** at this meeting so it is "COME ONE, COME ALL."
--- Sylvia Zeveloff

Important Dates

** Mark Your Calendars **

2004

12/11 (Sat) – Auction

12/12 (Sun) - No workshop

2005

1/8 (Sat) – Harriet Schiffer: Kente Cloth.
Vendor: Sue's Fabric World.

1/9 (Sun) - Workshop

2/12 (Sat) – Charity Day

3/12 (Sat) – Vendor: Prints Charming

4/9 (Sat) – Vendor: TBA

5/14 (Sat) – Vendor: Bailey & Murphy

6/11 (Sat) – Members' Flea Market

Empire Quilters, Inc. is a non-profit organization founded in 1982 to preserve and promote the tradition, culture, and history of quilt-making, and to foster good fellowship among persons interested in the art of quilting in the greater New York area. The Guild has a continuing commitment to raising the level of appreciation of quilts among the general public, to using our talents in service to our community, and to the exchanging of our skills, ideas, and visions with one another. NQA Chapter 494. Old Chelsea Station, P.O. Box 1293, New York, NY 10113.

Block of the Month

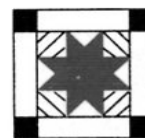
We had a great turnout at the November meeting and I am sure you will all agree that the blocks looked great up on the wall. They were made by: **Rhona Triggs** (1), **Veronique Milliez** (2), **Marian Webber** (1), **Carmen Caldeiro** (2), **Sandra Cain** (3), and **Mary Ferry** (2) who won them all.

There will not be a BOM for December. The January block will be in this space in the next newsletter and will also be on the Internet (www.empirequilters.net). It is an improvement upon the one I showed at the meeting because **Rhona Triggs** and **Tina Barth** came to my aid and showed me a simpler way to make it. Let us all hope that the Auction brings us lots of money toward a Show.

--- Leila Lieberman

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- Six ½ Yard Pieces of Silk Batik Fabric *from Sew Batik*
- A Quilting Retreat for a group of ten people by Kathy Hoover and hosted by Empire member Sonia Rieber

Empire Quilters Guild members have donated dozens of things too. Again, a small sample:

- The book "The Quilters Gift" and fat quarters gift basket *from Judy Isaacs*
- 1,000 all different 5"x5" charms *from Pat Decker*
- 6 yards of blue fabric for quilt backings *from Mary Ferry*
- Quilt Ruler Stand & book "Quilt Around Your House" *from Janice Fongkin*
- A 2004 Personal Tax Return Preparation *from Linora Hoffman*
- Two Children's Quilts *from Judith Klein*
- A 1950's Yo-Yo Quilt *from Ulla-Brita McCarthy*

A full brochure listing items in the auctions and their donors will be available for everyone at the meeting. Many are also posted on the fabulous Empire Quilters website.

There will be no guest admission for this event so we encourage everyone to bring along friends or other quilters - essentially anyone who might appreciate the holiday sale! Sales are cash or personal check - sorry, no credit cards are possible. There will be no scrap table, show & tell, or other regular activities happening at the Holiday Sale and Auction on December 11th.

We could still use a couple more volunteers. You can email Michael at ML.Greenberg@Verizon.net or telephone him at 646-638-2826 to let him know you would like to help.

Bring Something: It is not too late to donate an item - Baked Goods are especially helpful last-minute contributions! We always need more cookies, muffins, etc. and they sell out!

Charity

Here is the list of donations for November: **Catherine Bryant** - 2 quilts; **Beth Pile** - 1 quilt; **Evelyn Martin** - 1 quilt; **Marjorie Kruty** - 1 quilt; **Marilyn Korn** - 1 quilt; **Pam Wexler** - 2 quilts; **Fannie D'Avino** - baby hats; and **Elaine Mauceli** - baby hats. Fabric donations were from **Arlene Wiczzyk** and **Sara Niego**. Thanks to everyone!

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Library News

December? Already? Incredible!
 The really incredible news is about the Auction. It will be wonderful as so many of our members have donated their handiwork and their time to make it so. Look for great gifts for your Christmas list. There will be some very new books that were donated by the Martingale Press (Patchwork Press), and we thank **Joanna Downes** for bringing them to us. Be sure to take extra raffle tickets for including in your special holiday cards.

Our thanks to everyone for their donations of magazines and books: **Millicent Lana, Anne Townley, June Calender, Sandra San Aniego, Nancy Castel and Jane Kelton.**

Because of the Auction there will be no library table but returns will be accepted. If you wish to renew, let me know then.

Has everyone checked out our great website? News, pictures, program notes and the calendar for next year are all there, and the home page looks a delight thanks to our web-master **Cindy Russell.** ---- *Catherine Bancroft*

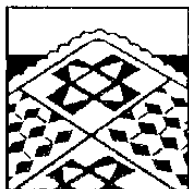
Lost & Found

The **Empire Quilters Banner** was last seen at the June meeting. Please call 212-662-7771 if you have it or know where it is.

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Kimono Raffle Quilt

Quilters, by now you should all have received your books of raffle tickets for the Kimono Raffle Quilt. If you need additional books, or if you have not received any books at all, please contact Paula Kenney at 917-327-7483 or email her at PkKenney44@aol.com.

We only have another month to go before we raffle the quilt off and we have a long way to go. The tickets make great gifts or stocking stuffers!

--- *Kitty Squire*

Treasurer's Report



	10/13/2004 11/14/2004	YTD
Income		
Advertising	0.00	1,465.00
Guest Fees	10.00	45.00
Guild Sales	0.00	15.00
Library Income	21.00	124.10
Membership Fees	930.00	4,780.00
Mtg Raffle	138.00	393.00
Scrap Table	59.86	226.26
Mtg Vendors	0.00	169.00
Workshop Fees	285.00	1,605.00
Total Income	1,443.86	8,822.36
Expenses		
Insurance	0.00	1,054.00
Library Exp	143.20	143.20
Newsltr Printing	195.04	636.80
P.O. Box	118.00	118.00
Postage	229.40	470.05
Raffle Quilt Exp	0.00	641.48
Rent @ FIT	0.00	2,500.00
Speaker Exp	0.00	213.23
Speaker Prog Fee	0.00	500.00
Subscriptions	0.00	44.90
Website	53.85	97.75
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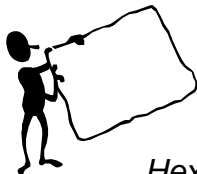
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Show & Tell



November brought us
quilt projects made by
the following members:

Rhona Triggs:

Hexagons on Hexagons,

Mask, and Zebra Mosaic; **Joan**

Hellmann: *Amelia's Hello Kitty* wall
hanging; **Janet Randolph:** Auction

poncho, quilted bag, and pillow; **Mary**

Butler: *President's Pinwheels;* **Barbara**

Rose: *Air Show from my Attic Window;*

Jackie Basoco: *Form Not Function,*

and *Fly Away;* **Teresa Vega:** *Bali*

Beauty #2, Quilted Nametags, and The

Act of Being Kind (mini-quilt); **Diane**

Pryor-Holland: *My Ghana Sunset;*

Jane Kelton: *Purple Quilt;* **Myrna**

Williams: *Wild Turkeys Fly;* **Marion**

Gray: Unnamed quilt; and **Marilyn**

Korn: *Stacy's Quilt.*

Signature Friendship Quilt Top

Just a reminder about the new
fundraising project of Empire scheduled
to begin in January 2005.

Each signature signed in the block
space will cost \$2.00. You may sign
more signatures or quotes of a quilting
nature if so desired. But you may only
sign one member's signature per block.
For example, you may like to sign a
friend or relative's name *in memoriam*.
By signing more times, you give yourself
more chances to win the top.

There will be approximately 80 to 90
signatures depending on how the blocks
are set. I am still deciding on the
design.

Looking forward to meeting more
Empire Quilters and sharing the creation
of a signature friendship quilt top.

--- Beth Pile



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