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NEXT MEETING:
Saturday, October
13, 2007

BOARD MEETING:
11:00A.M - 12:00P.M.

**GENERAL
MEETING:** 1:00P.M.
- 5:00P.M.
Guest Fee: \$10.00
Seniors: \$5.00

PROGRAM: "We've
Bonded" with Joan
Shay

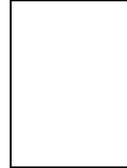
WORKSHOP:
Monet's Water Lillies
with Joan Shay

VENDOR: Batik
Tambal

**QUILTER OF THE
MONTH:** Emily
Klainberg & Barbara
Feinstein

**THIS MONTH'S
HIGHLIGHTS:**
Library Book Sale

FIRST CLASS MAIL



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WE'VE BONDED WITH JOAN SHAY



Joan Shay is an award-winning quilter from Cape Cod, Massachusetts. She has developed a unique appliqué technique that she calls Appli-bond©. The technique allows you to create 3-Dimensional motifs. It is quick and easy because turning and sewing edges are eliminated. Two layers of fabric are bonded together and the design is cut on the line with no seam allowance. If you have bonded the fabric properly you will not have fraying even when washed and dried, and you will be

able to curl and shape the pieces.

Joan is the author of "Petal by Petal", "Petal Play the Traditional Way" and "3 Quilters Celebrate the 4 Seasons". She has also published articles in The American Quilter, Miniature Quilts; Quilting is Hot, Quilting Today and Patchwork & Quilting in the United Kingdom. Joan travels nationally and internationally teaching at guilds, conferences and shops. We are truly delighted that she will be with us!

For more information about Joan Shay and her Appli-bond© technique, visit her website: www.petalplay.com. Note that Joan will be conducting a full-day workshop on Sunday, October 14, 2007.

OCTOBER WORKSHOP

Monet's Water Lilies

Date: Sunday, October 14, 2007

Time: 9:30 am – 4:00 pm

Instructor: Joan Shay

Location: 343 8th Avenue, at 27th Street

Cost: \$40 plus \$27.50 for kit

Sign up: Send your check made out to Empire Quilters to Mary Butler. Contact info@empirequilters.net if you need Mary's address or call Mary at 212-662-7771.

In this workshop you will create your own piece of art with fabric. The 3-D water lilies are fun and easy to make, but look realistic enough to be in the pond. Learn to sew an oval border. The kit includes all fabrics, borders, bindings and background. Also included are the Heat-n-Bond, glass beads and embroidery floss.

Please visit Joan Shay's website: www.petalplay.com and plan to attend Joan's lecture at the guild meeting on Saturday, October 13, 2007.

WORKSHOP SUPPLIES:

- ◆ Basic sewing supplies
- ◆ White marking pencil*
- ◆ Blue water soluble pen*
- ◆ Cutting Board / Rotary cutter / ruler
- ◆ Appliqué / straw needles*
- ◆ Appli-bond needles*

- ◆ Glue-baste-it or glue stick (optional)*

*** These products will be available for purchase in class.**

Sewing machines are **not** needed. An iron and ironing surface would be very helpful.

UPCOMING WORKSHOPS



Dealing with Faces

Date: Sunday,

November 11, 2007

Instructor: Marilyn Belford

Cost: \$60 (includes kit)

Working from Marilyn Belford's drawings, you will be guided through the transference of design, applying fabric, and free-motion machine embroidery for embellishment of portraits. Students will produce samples that will enable you to make your own realistic fabric portraits at home. You can select which features to work on — a smile, eyes, glasses, hair, etc. **Student level for this workshop is Intermediate to Advanced.**

**Flower Weaving with
Anna Faustino**

**Date: Sunday,
December 9, 2007**

**Instructor: Anna
Faustino**

Cost: \$60 (includes kit)

Anna Faustino returns with her curvy weaving Spring Flowers. Anna's new twist on her famous, fabulous weaving technique turns winter into spring. Her kit includes all the materials necessary. Anna's workshops are always popular, and are guaranteed to be informative and fun. Be sure to reserve your spot as soon as possible.

Quilter's Fan

**Date: Sunday,
February 10, 2008**

Instructor: Pat Yamin

**Cost: \$50 (+ \$10
template)**

Pat Yamin is a founding member of Empire Quilters. She will be conducting a day-long workshop on the Quilter's Fan. This is a great 4" block to hand piece or sew on your machine. Pat will be teaching accurate rotary cutting and piecing techniques. Learn to piece both concave and convex seams to make your block lay flat every time. The Fan was a popular Kansas City

Star pattern and we continue to love it today.

**Sensational Sashiko by
Machine**

**Date: Sunday, April
13, 2008**

**Instructor: Sharon
Pederson**

Cost: \$60

Canadian quilt maker, teacher and author Sharon Pederson calls this workshop "a non-traditional approach to a traditional needle art form." Her theory is that if it can be done by hand, it can be done by machine and sashiko is no exception.

Originating as the "common" man's garment decoration, sashiko has been adopted by quilters to add exciting designs to their quilt tops and garments. Using your sewing machine and heavy weight threads learn how to achieve this stunning embellishment on either a single thickness of fabric or through a quilt "sandwich."

**Barbara Barber says
Aloha!**

**Date: Sunday, May 11,
2008**

**Instructor: Barbara
Barber**

Cost: \$50

This multi-technique class led by Barbara Barber encompasses several aspects of machine work. The circle is manipulated and used in fun and ingenious ways. Learn a whole new approach to appliqué that guarantees smooth curves in simple shapes. The appliqué is simple but effective and can be done before quilting or later using the "appli-quilt" technique. Sewn in any color scheme it's lots of fun because it somehow feels like a bit of a cheat but it's not — you are simply creating a really fun quilt in super quick time!

**Experiencing Africa
through African**

Folklore Embroidery

**Date: Sunday, June 8,
2008**

**Instructor: Leora
Raikin**

Cost: \$60 (includes kit)

Using colorful African threads and beads against a black background, students embroider images of Ndebele life as they learn about the lifestyle and customs of this fascinating culture and community. Develop new skills, expand your world, be creative and

have fun in a colorful exciting environment.

You will learn ...

Stitching techniques for completing an African Folklore Embroidery design including 3a) chain stitch, 3b) Satin Stitch, 3c) French knots, and 3d) Bullion stitch.

Embellishment techniques: Use of color, variegated threads and metallic thread for enhancement and effect

Beadwork techniques: Playing with threads, fiber and color, mixing fibers, threads and metallic

Enhancement and visual art techniques: Creating fiber art out of African Folklore Embroidery — cutting and stitching of different fabric onto the design.

Completed kit designs can be made into quilts, purses, pillows, wall-hangings and more.

All workshops are from 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Sunday's at 343 8th Avenue, at 27th Street. If you are interested in any of these workshops, please contact Mary Butler at 212-662-7771.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello everyone. We had a great first meeting of the year yesterday. I so enjoyed seeing everyone who returned after the summer, and seeing a number of new members and visitors as well. Jo Coon's program was lively and colorful, and the Show and Tell, and Quilter of the Month segments were inspiring. I think all would agree the member 'flea market' was fun and a great success.

Though you may not know it, some of us were busy this summer as well. As you learned yesterday, we have begun planning for our next show for 2009. It may seem a long way off, but we learned with the 2007 show that the year and a half will pass very quickly. Paula Kenney and Larry Gifford have agreed to co-chair the show, and an oversight committee met this summer to start discussing the work ahead. Volunteers are needed – as always – and you'll see something from Paula later in this newsletter.

I want to thank Lee Ebs taking the lead on the creation of the 'Big Apple' quilt, which was on display at the meeting. Thanks, also, to all the members who contributed blocks, and who met on a warm Saturday in

August to assemble the quilt. We're proud to be able to present this as an earlier raffle to kick off the fundraising for the 2009 show in a big way this year. A new member of our guild – Debbie Croft – has agreed to donate the quilting for this piece. More information will be given at the next meeting about the raffle.

Also this summer, a small team worked on a draft revision for our Bylaws, to update them. The draft is being reviewed by two of our members who are lawyers – to make sure we don't put ourselves in any sort of risk due to inadequate or unclear wording. The draft will be sent to the full board for review and comments, and a final version will be presented in November for the Membership to vote on.

As always, I hope that any members who have concerns or ideas about what you'd like more of - or less of - in our meetings and our 2009 show will contact me or any of the Executive Board members. Finally – remember the success of this guild lies in

active participation of all the members. Please volunteer to keep this running as well as you want it to.

Enjoy the cooler autumn weather. I'll see you at the next meeting. - - -**Jennifer**

MEMBER NEWS



Diane Rode Schneck's altered recipe card made for the "Cloth Paper Scissors" challenge and card swap is pictured in their September/October 2007 issue. It's on page 53, and also on the Table of Contents! Congratulations Diane!

Once again we get to offer our congratulations to guild member **Anna Faustino** for acquiring more awards! Anna's quilt *Flamenco Dance* took the 1st Place Award in the Made by Machine Quilts category at the **2007 American Quilter's Society Quilt Show** in Nashville, Tennessee, and her quilt *Where Is the Quilt Show* received an Honorable Mention in the On The Wall Quilts category. Keep up the good work, Anna!

Please send in news of your quilting and artistic accomplishments, we would all love to hear about them.

DYCKMAN FARMHOUSE MUSEUM QUILT

Those who stopped by to see the appliquéd and quilted blocks laid out at the last meeting were amazed. This month the Dyckman team will sash the blocks and attach the border. We will have the border ready to quilt by the next meeting and then the binding will be sewn on ready for finishing for the Uptown Treasures Tour, Sunday October 21 at the Farmhouse, 204 and Broadway. All are invited and, after a quilting stint, can take part in the tour on the jitney going to various uptown historic sites. Quilt

Magazine, a Harris publication, is interested in featuring Empire Quilters in a story on reproducing antique quilts. For information call Mary Butler at **212•662-7771** or check the web:

www.dyckmanfarmhouse.org.



BIG APPLE QUILT UPDATE

First, let me thank you all again for the wonderful array of apple blocks. We're amazing!

Next, the great news: Debbie Croft, new Empire member and The City Quilter's long-arm machine expert, kindly offered to quilt our raffle quilt for free. Wow, are we lucky!

Other news: How many of you quilters have almost finished a project, then decided on

a major overhaul? Well, night before last I woke up and tossed and turned for way too long. Finally I decided to follow the experts' advice, to get up and DO something. What I intended to do was to work on the Big Apple Quilt, simply adding the extra border fabric required for long-arm quilting. However, when I looked at the back I thought about how the main section, using the 1995 Block of the Month blocks, could easily be made into a very attractive twin size charity quilt. Also in my mind was a comment overheard at our meeting about how blocks created for the raffle quilt should have precedence over old BOM blocks. So I got out my seam ripper and got busy. When I woke up the next morning I hoped it had just been a dream, but when I looked at my sewing area, I knew the truth. I just finished the new quilt back. Tomorrow I will add the label; then rush it to The City Quilter before I dream up any more changes. Hope you all like the new back. Lee

QUILTER'S OF THE MONTH

Emily Klainberg and Barbara Feinstein

We are identical twins who have quilted for about 12 years. We've been sewing, knitting and doing other needlecraft since we were young girls, when our mother taught us everything she knew.

Emily got us started in quilting when she signed both of us up to be in Judy Doenias' hand quilting class 12 years ago. We've been hooked ever since and have transitioned to working with a sewing machine. In fact, the knitting needles and crochet hooks have taken a back seat to the sewing machine. We try to take as many classes as possible, expanding our knowledge of all aspects of traditional and art quilts.

While Emily was working, Barbara usually finished her projects. Emily's excuse was that "I'm working!" Emily retired 7 years ago and is busier than ever, so she's still not finishing projects. Emily works at the City Quilter and we both teach there. We also

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While we are identical twins, our quilts are not. Barbara usually works in Japanese fabrics or muted tones and Emily's are as bright as they can be. We were Dear Jane fanatics and have finished our quilts.

Our lives have been as different as our quilts. Barbara lived in Europe (England, Sweden and Italy) for 9 years and raised two sons while her husband worked for Unilever. When she returned to the U.S.A., she lived in Indiana and California before returning to the east coast to Stamford, CT. During Barbara's "movings", Emily stayed in NYC working for various City and State government offices and retiring in 2000. Both did knitting, crocheting, sewing (but not quilt making) and cooking!

Our favorite time is when Emily stays at Barbara's house in CT, or Barbara stays with Emily in NYC and they spend time working on quilts for our friends, our grandchildren or just for ourselves. One cuts, one sews, we give each other suggestions and before we know it a quilt is finished.

We've been attending Quilting By the Lake for 9 years and have honed our skills in all aspects of quilting.



CHARITY REPORT

The Charity Committee would like to thank everyone for their donation of beautiful quilts. Helen Beall/Lee Ebs - 1 quilt; Anna Krassy - 2 quilts; Jennifer Bigelow - 4 quilts; Mary Ferry - 1 quilt; Ann Strauss - 1 quilt and matching pillow; Sandy Syken - 1 quilt; Baby Hats: 41 hats made by Sandy Syken and 5 made by Joan Wirth. Fabric Donation: Mary Ferry and Pamela Leonard Wexler. Just a reminder to all our members, we need tops for Charity Day and a matching back would be very helpful, too. Just remember, part of your membership is to make one quilt per year - why not make your top (with back) now and bring it to Charity Day in March. All you have to do is assemble it and you are set. Remember everyone; let's make this Charity Day better than last year. Let's beat last year's total of 120 quilts!!! Thanks. **Denise, Joan and Pamela**

MEMBERSHIP NOTICE

The membership roster closes in October. If you have not renewed your membership by that time, you will be dropped from the Membership Roster and not appear on the published Membership List that will be available in November.

SEPTEMBER SHOW & TELL

Many of our members were busy quilting over the summer months, and we were treated to a wonderful display of projects. Thank you to the following members for sharing their newest pieces:

Helen Beall (*Portrait of Leonarda*), Muriel Brodherson (*Very Scrappy Quilt*), Mary Cargill (*Plumeria*), Betty Chen (*Heart and Hand Applique Society and Chinese Poem Quilt*), Judith Hoffman Corwin (*Hobo Bag*), Carole Hoffman (*I'm Melting*), Judith Klein (*Bethany's Baskets and Untitled*), Susan Knaster (*Boca Blocks and Transportation Quilt*), Marilyn Lutzker

(*Something Different*), Constance Phillips (*Vest*), Elsa Posner (*Our Heros*), Sonny Rieber (*Postcards*), Barbara Rose (*Chinese Magic*), Sandra Samaniego (*4 wall hangings*), Anna Sinitsyna (*Dear Jane Puzzle* and *Butterflies in the Garden*), and Rhona Triggs (*Sunflower* and *Coleus*),

If you missed the meeting, look for pictures of these items on the guild website. And be sure to bring your Show & Tell items to the October Meeting.



OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Kathleen Bratton, Nancy Berk, Sandy Bright, Mary Cargill, Shirley Cox, Madeline Delianides, Anna Foss, Catherine Furness, Elaine Gershman, Bernice Haber, Sylvia Hughes, Brenda Hureau, Ulla Jorgensen, Linda Lee Kelly, Gisel Mathura, Maureen McLeod, Karen Monath, Margaret Morris, Sandra Naval, Ruth Palmer, Diane Paul, Ann Plutzer, Nabaweyyah Sayyed, Mary White, Ann Wingate, Sylvia Zeveloff.



LIBRARY NEWS

In October we will have our Fall book sale. Remember that the sale of books and magazines allow us to buy new books for the library. In addition to the book and magazine sales in October, we will take overdue books and if you have reserved a book or books they will be available for you to borrow. But please remember the **new library policy**; books can only be borrowed if you have a current membership card -- which we will need to see. We are sorry for all of these new rules, but missing 70 plus books from the library necessitate these changes. We are also setting clear fines about late books. Books can be borrowed for one month and may be renewed for a second month. After that, a fine of \$1.00 per month will be levied.

More pleasantly, the Library Committee will be meeting this month to choose books we plan on adding to our

library. We hope to add books on hand quilting, sashiko, Amish, quilting designs, landscape quilts and embroidery as examples. Maybe some of our very talented members would also be willing to teach some of those techniques.

Remember, if there is a book you think the Guild should have, call or email me.

Sylvia Hughes

212-665-5036

wiredfox@hotmail.com

BLOCK OF THE MONTH

I would like to let you know that I will not be able to attend the October 13th meeting and so the Block that was featured in the September newsletter for the month of October, A Sign of the West, is being held over to the **NOVEMBER** meeting. Please hold on to your blocks until then. I wish to thank all who have participated in the Block of the Month and I look forward to seeing all of your wonderful blocks in November.

Thanks,

Anna Krassy

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RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP!

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL: 2007 – 2008

Empire Quilters Guild is dedicated to the art and craft of quilting, and to providing handmade quilts to charities in the New York metropolitan area. Guild membership is open to all individuals interested in quilting, and quilters of all skill levels. Each membership helps to advance our goals of education, sharing and service. Please renew now!

This is the only renewal request you will receive. Individual renewal notices are not mailed.

Dues:

Yearly Dues Category:

- Regular \$45
 Senior \$30 (65 and over)

Show Volunteers:

If you volunteered at the 2007 Show, you are entitled to a rebate of \$8.00.

- I want my rebate
 I do NOT want my rebate

Newsletter:Select **one** delivery method:

- Email to email address:

- First Class Mail

Please consider receiving your monthly newsletter via email, and check that preference above. You will receive the newsletter in a more timely fashion, and you will save the guild printing and postage costs. Thank you!

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What is your interest and level in quilting? Please indicate which activities you might like to participate in:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> I don't quilt | <input type="checkbox"/> Block of the Month | <input type="checkbox"/> Membership | <input type="checkbox"/> Quilter of the Month |
| <input type="checkbox"/> I would like to learn | <input type="checkbox"/> Bus Trips | <input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter Advertising | <input type="checkbox"/> Raffles (monthly) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Beginning quilter | <input type="checkbox"/> Charity / Service | <input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter Editing | <input type="checkbox"/> Share Table |
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Are you a member of the National Quilting Association? No Yes: Membership Number: _____

We want to hear from you! Please submit any comments or suggestions that you have for the guild's operations or activities with this renewal form. If you have special skills to contribute, **please let us know!** If you are interested in serving on a committee, **we want to hear from you!** Your participation in the guild helps make the guild better.

Bring your completed form (with payment) to the **June 9, 2007** guild meeting, or mail in the completed form.

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- Enclose a check for your annual dues, payable to: **Empire Quilters.**
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SHOW NEWS

Of the 200 volunteer questionnaires that were distributed, I received 65 responses. Good, but not great. I am happy to announce that several key spots were filled. I need to follow up with a few people and will announce the Chairs at the next meeting.

So that most of the members will have an opportunity to fill out the questionnaire, it will be given out during the October meeting. I urge all members to fill them out.

My thanks to all those who already have volunteered. There is room for all. 2009 will be here very soon.

Paula

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TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer's Report
8/16/07-9/12/07

Beginning Balance	\$48,350.61	
Guild Income	Month	YTD
Bags, Lanyards & Pins	\$272.00	\$272.00
Interest		\$19.13
Member's Flea Market	\$200.00	\$200.00
Membership	\$1,878.00	\$2,742.00
Newsletter Ads	\$1,165.00	\$1,318.00
Misc Show Income		\$90.72
Monthly Raffles	\$147.00	\$147.00
Share Table	\$26.00	\$26.00
Trips	\$300.00	\$300.00
Ways and Means		\$29.00
Welcoming Committee	\$14.00	\$14.00
Workshops	\$521.92	\$521.92
Total Income	\$4,523.92	\$5,679.77
Guild Expenses	Month	YTD
Bags, Lanyards, Pins	\$89.00	\$89.00
Insurance	\$179.00	\$179.00
Postage	\$10.00	\$36.96
Postage-Newsletter	\$186.32	\$186.32
Printing/Lamination	\$204.60	\$204.60
Rebates	\$80.00	\$80.00
Rent	\$0.00	\$7,280.00
Speaker	\$275.00	\$275.00
Storage Facility	\$81.00	\$243.00
Trips	\$119.78	\$119.78
Website		\$153.65
Welcoming	\$21.70	\$21.70
Workshops	\$500.00	\$500.00
	\$1,746.40	\$9,369.01
Balance as of 9/12/07	\$51,128.13	

The Names Project Foundation

The Aids Memorial Quilt

The Names Project Foundation is always looking for donations of fabrics, notions, ribbons, buttons, feathers, fur and any other items that can be used by people who wish to make a quilt panel. Your unwanted clutter could become someone else's inspiration.

For more information on this organization, please go to their website at: www.aidsquilt.org.

Please send your quilt panel care packages to:

**The Names Project
Foundation, c/o Gert
McMullin, 637 Hoke
Street, Atlanta, GA
30318.**

Are you tired of receiving your newsletter late? If so, there is an easy way to resolve this - have it delivered by e-mail! You will receive it as soon as it is available and have the scoop on all of Empire's news early.

Please e-mail Kitty Squire at:

Kesquilts33@msn.com
with your name and e-mail address to enroll.

FOCUS GROUPS



T-Shirt Embellishment Focus Group

(Also sweats, shirts, nighties, etc.)

Date: Saturday, October 13, 2007

Time: 10:30 am

Group Leader: Anna Foss

Location: Fashion Institute of Technology (F.I.T.), David Dubinsky Center, 8th Floor, 27th Street & 8th Avenue, NYC

Open To: All guild members.

Tee Shirt Focus Group Update: After our first session, we need to rename the group to "No Limits Embellishment". Members brought bags in addition to tees and sweats. Oh, what can be done with a black feather boa! We exchanged ideas, tips, techniques, and Janet Randolph gave us a spur-of-the-moment class in making a reversible bag as well as a small preview of her work. At least one of our group went home and promptly cut a sweat up the front and opened the sleeves ready to stitch. Come join us in October, bring something you've done or just lap up what others are doing.



The Ongoing Vest

Dates: Saturdays of the monthly meeting

Time: 10:00 am

Group Leader: Constance Phillips

Location: Fashion Institute of Technology (F.I.T.), David Dubinsky Center, 8th Floor

Open To: Guild members who signed up at the June 2007 meeting.

Members worked through the summer to make the basic muslin underbody of the vest which will be covered over in individually wonderful ways.

Supply List: Supply lists were emailed to those who signed up at the June 2007 Meeting.

If you would like to teach a focus group before or after the meetings, contact Anna Faustino.

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PIN EXCHANGE



Bring your pins to exchange at the **October 13, 2007** meeting! Bring as many pins as you can make — and exchange them for other pins at the meeting. You can see examples of the pins that Ligaya and Jane have made on the website by clicking on the **Notices** link.

The guild would like to extend their condolences to Janet Randolph whose husband passed away in September. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

***Meetings are the second Saturday of each month.
Meeting dates for the 2007–2008 season are:**

Sat Nov 10, 2007 speaker Marilyn Belford – Portrait Quilts
(Note – meeting venue will be the Great Hall – entrance on
28th St, just west of 7th Ave.

Sat Dec 08, 2007 Holiday Fund Raiser

Sat Jan 12, 2008 speaker Mark Lipinski of Quilters Home
Magazine

Sat Feb 09, 2008 speaker Pat Yamin – One Patch Scrap Quilts

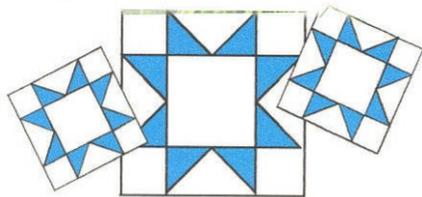
Sat Mar 08, 2008 Charity Quilting Day

Sat Apr 12, 2008 speaker Sharon Pederson – Sensational Sashiko

Sat May 10, 2008 speaker Barbara Barber – Cat's Tales and Other
Quilts

***Sat Jun 7, 2008 (First Weekend)** speaker Lenora Raikin –
African Folklore Embroidery

***Please note the meeting venue change for
November and the revised June meeting date.**



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SHOWS & EVENTS

Quilt Weekend at the American Folk Art Museum

**Date: Friday & Saturday,
October 5 – 6, 2007**

**Location: American Folk
Art Museum, 45 West
53rd Street, New York
City**

**Cost: Museum admission:
\$7.00 – \$9.00 (see the
museum's website for
specifics)**

**More Information:
www.folkartmuseum.org**

This weekend will celebrate the art of quilts and quiltmaking with workshops, lectures and demonstrations by metropolitan-area quilt guilds. Susie Andersen will conduct a full-day Crazy Quilt workshop on Friday, October 5, 2007 (\$85). Diane Rode Schneck will teach a contemporary adaptation of the penny rug technique on Saturday morning, October 6, 2007 (\$52.50). Empire Quilters members will be demonstrating the various aspects of quiltmaking on Saturday (11:00 am – 4:00 pm).

Dutchess Heritage Quilt Show XIII

Date: Sat – Sun, October 6 – 7, 2007

What: biennial quilt show

Sponsored by: Dutchess Heritage Quilt Show Committee and the Dutchess Community College Foundation

Location: Dutchess Community College, Poughkeepsie, New York

Hours: 10:00 am – 5:00 pm

Cost: \$5.00 (there is a \$1.00 off coupon available on their website)

More Information: www.dhqiltshow.org

Workshops follow the quilt show on October 7 – 8, 2007.

Harvest of Quilts Show and Sale XI

Date: Sat – Sun, October 6 – 7, 2007

Presented By: Jersey Shore Quilters of St. Peter's Church

Location: St. Peter's School Auditorium, 406 Forman Ave & Route 35 North, Point Pleasant Beach, New Jersey

Hours: Sat 10:00am – 4:00pm, Sun 10:00am – 3:00 pm

Cost: \$5.00

More Information: Jersey Shore Quilters Website: www.jerseyshorequilters.org or call Laura Kushner: 732-370-8092 or Ginny Moe: 732-701-0292

Featuring the work of local quilter, Jesse Cantrell, and a host of others. The show will include quilting demonstrations, a raffle quilt, silent auction, vendors, and quilt appraisals by Karen L. Denver. Vendors, demonstrations, and a silent auction of 50 small quilts.

2007 Harvest of Quilts

Date: Sat – Sun October 13 – 14, 2007

What: Quilt Show

Presented By: Evening Star Quilters Guild of Belvedere, New Jersey

Location: Knowlton Township Elementary School, 80 Route 46, Delaware, New Jersey

Hours: Sat 10:00 am - 5:00 pm; Sun 10:00 am – 4:00 pm

Cost: \$5.00

More Information: Evening Star Quilters Guild website: www.esqg.com

Rembrandt Portraiture with a Twist

Date: Fri – Sat, October 26 – 28, 2007

What: Three Day Workshop with Esterita Austin

Presented By: Art League of Long Island

Location: Art League of Long Island, 107 East Deer Park Road, Dix Hills, New York

Hours: Friday – Sunday, 10:00 am – 4:00 pm

Cost: \$250 (+\$20 kit fee)

More Information: Art League of Long Island: Telephone 631-462-5400, Email: info@artleagueli.org or their website: www.artleagueli.org

Internationally award winning quilt maker, designer and teacher, Esterita Austin will be conducting this three-day workshop in our area. The focus of the class is to create a dramatic, expressionistic fiber portrait.

For more information about Esterita Austin visit her website:

www.esteritaaustin.com

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

The deadline for the November, 2007 newsletter is: **Wednesday, October 17th**. Please send information to: Linda Lee Kelly, 950 Oaks Drive, Franklin Square, NY 11010 or e-mail: LKELLY20@OPTONLINE.NET

WORKSHOP REGISTRATION POLICY

Payment in full for workshops is required by the date of the workshop. Members who cancel up to 7 days prior to the workshop will be refunded in full. If you cancel after that, refunds will be made **only** if a replacement student can be found.

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BOARD MEETING MINUTES ON WEBSITE

Our board meeting minutes are posted on our website at: WWW.EMPIREQUILTERS.NET They can be found on the Committees page of the website and are in PDF. format. A password is required to open the file.

If you've forgotten the password, e-mail info@empirequilters.net. When your membership is verified, the password will be e-mailed to you. Additionally, the minutes can be perused at our meeting; they are to be found at our membership table.

Gail Lefton, Secretary

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