

GARDEN STATE QUILTERS' NEWSLETTER

Member National Quilting Association, Chapter 124

September/October 2014 Edition

Membership Meetings

Second Monday of
each month,
September to June

Chatham United
Methodist Church
460 Main Street
Chatham, NJ
6:45 pm
(hospitality)
7:15 pm (business)

Meet the Speaker Pre-meeting dinner

- 5:30 pm

Cafe Villa - rear
dining room
465 Main Street
Chatham, NJ
RSVP

sewjiospecial@msn.com

Board Meetings

Tuesday before
monthly Meetings

6:45 pm
Library of the
Chathams
214 Main Street
Chatham, NJ 07928

Message from our President

Hello and welcome back!

Was it not a great summer? It wasn't too hot or muggy. Yet it really zipped by for me. How about you?

I always think of our September meeting as family reunion. We will be back together sharing our love for and talents in the art of quilting. For those of you who quilted over the summer I cannot wait to see some of your beautiful masterpieces. I am hoping to see lots of returning members and new members.

This is our quilt show year. It always provides some challenges and causes us to grow and learn. We will continue our tradition of hosting quality quilt show. We are looking to each of you to help make our show successful. Our Quilt Show committee is set but we can use your quilting hands to make our work light and our show a success.

*Our Raffle quilt is beautiful. We are asking all members to sell at least 2 books this year. Please pick up your ticket package at the raffle quilt table at the September meeting. Remember this is **our major fund raiser** that helps us to keep our dues low and we can still afford to have fantastic speakers.*

Programs has some great nationally known speakers and workshops lined up. Talk to Jo Ann Lepore or Leslie Morgan or go on-line and check out our upcoming teachers, their books and classes. Don't miss out! There are some great speakers coming this year and the cost to our members is on the lower side. There is still space available to sign up and learn some new techniques!

We are still looking for someone to manage our web site. Our goal is to update the site and it will be more user friendly for the webmaster. So if you want to learn something new or have the computer talents to share, let us know.

Thank you for everyone that has volunteered and plans on getting involved this year. There are still lots of areas for everyone to give back a little. Let's share our talents and see what happens!

I'm looking forward to a terrific 2014-2015 year.

~ Alison

Workshop Reminder Cancellation policy:

You will be refunded if you cancel 21 days or more before each workshop, or if there is a waiting list. If there is not a waiting list, your money is forfeited unless you find your own replacement.

Workshops begin at 10AM

Doors open at approximately 9:40AM.

Check website for list of supplies.

Membership

Welcome to the start of another wonderful GSQ year!!

Please note that Membership dues are due for the 2014 – 2015 year. Dues are \$40 if received before September 1, 2014. If payment is made after September 1 the dues will be \$45. Please be sure to complete a new Membership Form to submit with your payment.

Each member who had 'paid dues' for the 2014–2015 year will receive a new ID badge. Please make sure to pick up your badge at the first meeting on September 8, 2014. If a new badge is not available for you this means your dues may not have been received prior to the meeting date. We will be pleased to accept your payment and have a badge ready for you at the next meeting in October.

Lanyards and badge holders are available at the membership table. If you do not have one please consider purchasing one. They are \$5 for the lanyard and plastic holder. We would like to have ALL members wearing your badge during the meeting.

Also, please make sure you sign in on meeting nights. If for some reason your name is not on the sign in sheet please advise me.

We would like to welcome New Members who have just joined as of the time this article was written. They are:

- Emily Egerter
- Susan Fagan
- Kathy Papciak
- Lorrie Smith

ALL members and guests must wear their badge at every meeting

Membership info/change of address

Please notify me at: membership@gardenstatequilters.com

~Susan Wolfman

Raffle Quilt Update

Raffle quilt is finished! And beautiful. Reveal will take place at the September meeting. Books are available for everyone.

~Mary Ames

Newsletter articles

Newsletter articles and notices for upcoming newsletters may be contributed by any Guild member. Think NOW about news articles to be contributed for any edition of the 2014-15 newsletter! Deadline will be ~10 days prior to the regularly scheduled monthly Guild meeting (see below schedule). Pictures and graphics are always welcome.

2014 – 2015 Garden State Quilters Newsletter Calendar

	Ads Due
September/October	August 30, 2014
November/December	October 31, 2014
January/February	December 31, 2014
March/April	February 28, 2015
May/June	May 30, 2015

Send articles to: newsletter@gardenstatequilters.com.

~Beth DiDomenico & Karen Jack



Meeting/Program Changes

Check the website after 3:00 pm on the day of the meeting for program changes or meeting cancellations due to weather or unforeseen circumstances.

www.gardenstatequilters.com



Little Wishes

.... is in need of your creativity in creating small pieces to raffle.

They can be up to 24 inches on each side. These can be orphan blocks, specially made little quilts, experimental works, anything you think of.

To make a profitable effort 165 little wishes are needed. We're getting there but need many, many more.

~Judy Mason & Ginger Scott

Quilt/Block Challenge

Did you enjoy last year's Block Challenge? Do you have any ideas for another Mini Quilt / Block Challenge? Please send ideas to the newsletter before the October meeting so a survey can be taken on all options.

~Beth DiDomenico

Programs Committee

Hello Fellow Quilters! There's a wonderful schedule of extraordinary talent lined up to come speak to us this Guild year and to lead workshops. Look them up; explore their websites. Links and supply lists may be accessed from the Guild website.

In September, don't miss the opportunity to explore color and, what else, blooms with **Juanita Yeager** [<http://www.juanitayeager.com>]. Her enchanting pieces will move us a quantum step forward toward our show, *In Full Bloom*. **There are still a few openings so hurry to register as soon as you've checked in to the meeting next week.**

Our October visitor will show us how to include spikey bits in our quilts: don't miss **Deb Karasik** [<http://www.debkarasik.com>] as she helps us kick it up another notch. In November **David Taylor** [<http://www.davidtaylorquilts.com>] will visit and share his passion. Not to be missed.

We'll wait until the next newsletter to gush about our spring visiting talent. Programs have been filling quickly so please make every effort to sign up early.

Thanks for your support. I know that you will enjoy this upcoming season. More to come and to finalize. Please keep an eye on the website and watch for updates in the next few editions of the newsletter. See you at the program table....

~ Jo Ann Lepore & Leslie Morgan

Hospitality

Hospitality treats will be provided by members whose last names begin with A through M for the September meeting. N through Z for October.

~Carol Scullin and Gail Moodie

Sunshine Committee

Thank you to everyone who helped make our charity quilts this year. We were able to donate 132 quilts! This is where/to whom they went:

1 fundraiser for Tara



**All Workshops
will be held at a
great NEW
LOCATION**

Presbyterian Church
of Morris Plains
400 Speedwell Ave.
Morris Plains, NJ



- 2 Chatham Methodist Church fundraiser
- 2 Hurricane Sandy victims
- 2 Terrence Cardinal Cook Care Center
- 34 Runnels hospital
- 28 Great Expectations
- 19 NICU Newark Beth Israel Hospital
- 11 children in Haiti
- 8 Jinny's Rainbow Comfort Quilts
- 7 Mountainside Children's Specialized Hospital
- 18 North Porch- Dover

We have been busy this summer. We had three bees. We quilted some tops and cut up some of the fun new fabric we got. **So we have plenty of kits ready for you to sew up this Fall!**

We put your chicken blocks together to make 3 nice lap quilts! Thank you! You'll see them at the September meeting. We will be giving everyone a block to piece in September so everyone can participate in Sunshine.

We need your help to help others in need.

Happy Quilting!
~Kris & Helen

Quilt Show 2015

Save the date: Saturday May 30 and Sunday May 31, 2015

At the William G Mennen Sports Arena

The Garden State Quilters Presents:
"IN FULL BLOOM" 2015 Quilt Show

Please see the last 3 pages of this newsletter for Show guidelines. The very good news is:

THE SHOW WILL BE JUDGED!

The quilt show is fast approaching and there is much work to be done. It takes a village, in our case - a whole guild - to produce a show as exciting and vibrant as ours.

You will all receive a packet that can be picked up at the general meeting in September and October. After that they will be mailed. The packet contains a Quilt Show Guide, entry form, postcards, 2 books of raffle tickets and a photo of the quilt to show off to your friends and family. A volunteer form will be available closer to the show date. Many hands make light work.

Show Committee welcomes all interested parties to attend ongoing meetings. These are posted online and in every newsletter.

Thank you to everyone for your support and encouragement. I am looking forward to all of us coming together to make our 2015 Show the greatest one on earth or at least in New Jersey. Please e-mail me (barbie@vanderfleet-martin.net) with your suggestions, concerns and most importantly, your support on one of the committees.

~Barbie Vanderfleet-Martin

Meeting Notes

Hospitality 6:45 pm
Guild Pins = \$5

Business 7:15 pm
Membership Lanyard = \$5

Meeting Checklists

September Meeting	October Meeting
<input type="checkbox"/> Hospitality → A thru M <input type="checkbox"/> Show 'N Tell <input type="checkbox"/> Guild Business <input type="checkbox"/> Bring in projects <input type="checkbox"/> Little Wishes	<input type="checkbox"/> Hospitality → N - Z <input type="checkbox"/> Show 'N Tell <input type="checkbox"/> Guild Business <input type="checkbox"/> Little Wishes



GSQ Quilt Show Meeting

October 8 @
6:45 pm

At the
Chatham library
Quiet Room
214 Main Street
Chatham, NJ 07928


Officers	Committees	
President president@gardenstatequilters.com Alison Gardner	Quilt Show show@gardenstatequilters.com Barbie Vanderfleet-Martin, Wanetta Phillips	Hospitality Carol Scullin, Gail Moodie
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		Programs Helper(s) Debbi Lacey & Agnes Dembia
		Brownstone Quilt Guild Rep. open
		Empire Guild Representative Open

Note: The Garden State Quilters is a non-profit organization incorporated as of April 1991 and follows state regulations for non-profit organizations.

*All Guild Officers have one vote per office except Programs which has 2 voting positions (stated in the original by-laws).

Calendar of Events

September 8, 2014	Regular Guild Meeting; Speaker, Juanita Yeager	Chatham United Methodist Church (CUMC)
Sept 9, 2014	Workshop w Juanita Yeager- "Flowers in the Round" http://www.juanitayeager.com/Workshops.html	Presbyterian Church of Morris Plains 400 Speedwell Ave. Morris Plains, NJ
Oct 8, 2014	Quilt Show meeting	Chatham Library, Quiet Study room.
October 20, 2014	Regular Guild Meeting	CUMC
Oct 21, 2014	Workshop with Debra Karasik	Presbyterian Church of Morris Plains 400 Speedwell Ave. Morris Plains, NJ
November 10, 2014	Regular Guild Meeting	CUMC
Nov 11, 2014	Workshop with David Taylor	Presbyterian Church of Morris Plains 400 Speedwell Ave. Morris Plains, NJ
December 8, 2014	Regular Guild Meeting	CUMC
January 12, 2015	Regular Guild Meeting	CUMC
February 9, 2015	Regular Guild Meeting	CUMC
March 9, 2015	Regular Guild Meeting	CUMC
April 13, 2015	Regular Guild Meeting	CUMC
May 11, 2015	Regular Guild Meeting	CUMC
May 30-31st	IN FULL BLOOM QUILT SHOW	Wm G Mennen Arena
June 8, 2015	Regular Guild Meeting	CUMC



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MEMBER PAGE

Congratulations Diane!

In June my husband and I attended the Vermont Quilt Festival in Burlington, VT where I entered my quilt **Southwest Vision**. They had a special theme of red and white which I used the Arrowhead Star pattern. I was thrilled to place third in the judged division. Please see the attached picture of the happy winner.

Diane Colucci



See how much fun we had
this summer?

*One of the Challenge Quilts,
front and back*

--by Karen Tauck



October 31- November 2, 2014 Shawnee Quilter's Retreat

You can still make your reservations!

Cost: \$420.55 single room or \$273.52 double room: (**more details on form itself-back page**)

You must call Shawnee at 1-800-742-9633 ext. 1414 to make your own room reservation.

Then please complete and mail attached form to Jane Mahan ASAP – there are only 18 spots available.



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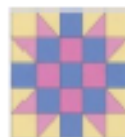
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Local Happenings



From Heart to Hand: African-American Quilts from the Montgomery Museum of Fine Arts September 21, 2014–January 4, 2015

Quilts have held an important and cherished place in American culture, particularly in the American South. Though the materials and techniques of quilt making may be common, quilts—as process, as art, and as image—embody the very fabric of our country. In the late 20th century, several communities in Alabama received national attention as a result of the scholarship that focused specifically on the historic context of quilts in the rural environment, and this scholarship also inspired a new appreciation for their aesthetic appeal.

The 30 colorful and creatively designed quilts on display are by African-American quilt makers, primarily of West Alabama, and are part of the permanent collection of the Montgomery Museum of Fine Arts in Montgomery, Alabama. Most were made between the mid-1950s and the end of the 20th century, and represent the major themes in traditional quilt making. The exhibition includes examples of pieced quilts and appliqué, as well as the improvisational techniques use of unconventional materials that are common practice for contemporary quilt makers. The quilts are grouped within three sections: “Tradition: Patterns from the Past,” “Improvisation: Practical Invention,” and “An Unconventional Canvas: The Quilts of Yvonne Wells.” The exhibition sections are designed to introduce traditional patterns, and to show the improvisations upon these patterns that distinguish the work of individual quilters. Modern quilt making is exemplified by a group of outstanding narrative quilts by Tuscaloosa quilt maker, Yvonne Wells.



Yvonne Wells (b. 1939)
Noah and the Ark, 1989

Gift of Kempf Hogan 2008

Masterpieces & Curiosities: A Russian American Quilt Opens August 22, 2014

1109 Fifth Avenue at 92nd Street, New York City
call 212.423.3200 or visit the website at TheJewishMuseum.org.



New York, NY - Showcasing a colorful patchwork quilt bearing Eastern European and American imagery, *Masterpieces & Curiosities: A Russian American Quilt* continues a series of exhibitions focused on individual works in the Jewish Museum's world-renowned collection. On view from August 22, 2014 to February 1, 2015, this exhibition highlights a rare quilt (c. 1899), a fascinating expression of the acculturation process undergone by newly arrived immigrants. The quilt was owned by a Russian Jewish family that likely arrived in America during the late 19th century and incorporates imagery from both cultures. Also included in the exhibition are related works from the Museum's collection which feature Russian motifs or reflect a conflation of Russian and Jewish traditions, items of Americana that provide context, and a few works from other collections.

POSITION	NAME
Board (11 voting positions)	
President (1)	Alison Gardner
Vice President (1)	Grace Walsh
Treasurer (1)	Sue Adams
Secretary (1)	Judy Mason
Membership (1)	Susan Wolfman
Nominating (1)	
Programs (2)	Jo Ann Lepore
	Leslie Morgan
Newsletter (1)	Karen Jack
	Beth DiDomenico
Quilt Show (1)	Wannetta Phillips
	Barbie Vander Fleet-Martin
	Betsy Vinegrad
Sunshine/Grants & Scholarships (1)	Kris Dale
	Helen Pulitano
Committee Positions - no term expiration	
Programs Helper	Debbi Lacey
	Agnes Dembia
Webmaster	
Library	
Hospitality	Carol Scullin
	Gail Moodie
Historian/Show & Tell	Carol Esch
Publicity	
Book Raffle	Pat Buikema
Block of the Month	Anna Hemsworth
Raffle Quilt	Mary Ames
Friendship Quilt	Alix Martin
Challenge Quilt	Anna Hemsworth

Note the positions in red are open. Please consider stepping up to help our guild be more successful and complete. Contact Alison Gardner.

Come see the Berks Quilters Guild
2014 Quilt Show
Sept. 12th and 13th
Leesport Farmers Market, Leesport PA.

(For GPS purposes, the physical address is 312 Gernant's Church Rd., Leesport, PA 19533).

...about 2 hrs from Chatham, near Reading, PA





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