



# GARDEN STATE QUILTERS' NEWSLETTER

Member, National Quilting Association

Chapter 124

Mar/Apr 2010

## Message from the President

### Membership Meetings

Second Monday of the month, September to June  
(Oct. is the third Monday)

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

### Meet the Speaker

Pre-meeting dinner - 5:30pm  
Empire Szechuan  
258 Main St., Madison

### Board Meetings

Tuesday before Meetings  
6:45pm  
Library of the Chathams

### Meeting/Program Changes

Check the website after  
3:00pm on the day of the  
meeting for program  
changes or meeting  
cancellations, due to  
unforeseen circumstances,  
including inclement weather  
[gardenstatequilters.com](http://gardenstatequilters.com)

### Membership info/ change of address

Please notify Marian Bell at:  
membership@  
[gardenstatequilters.com](http://gardenstatequilters.com)

Deadline for May/Jun  
newsletter is April 15. Send  
articles to: [newsletter@  
gardenstatequilters.com](mailto:newsletter@gardenstatequilters.com)

Hi All,

I'm writing this on a very snowy day, hoping everyone is staying warm and safe. Snow days are meant for quilting; or wrapping up in a quilt and reading a good book. As I'm writing this I'm thinking a few more days like this and I can make a dent in some of my projects.

Aren't we lucky to have such a fulfilling hobby that just calls out for snow days? To be able to sit in the quiet of falling snow with a project in hand is sheer bliss. This is a great time to work on your Block of the Month. Make one for your quilt and one to finish as a little wish!

Enough about the snow; we are going full force into quilt show season. It's time to get out there and get inspired. Look for new patterns, fabric and of course that new gadget that you just can't resist. So let's do our part and support the shows. I know I'm going to!

I would like to thank everyone who has volunteered for our upcoming quilt show, and all the jobs done to make this a great guild. Welcome to the new faces getting involved! Thank you for sharing your talents with us. If you haven't volunteered yet, Ellen Culp, Nominating is looking for YOUR talents to share with the guild. Please contact her for ways you can contribute to next year's activities.

Have yourself a quilty time,

Alicia

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#### **Website Show-and-Tell**

**Page**  
Judy Josephson

### **Note:**

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

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

## Raffle Quilt 2010/11

The fine details and finishing touches are going into the 2011 Raffle Quilt. Be on the lookout for a stunning quilt to be unveiled soon.

*Barbie Vanderfleet-Martin,  
Ginny Koleda and Yolanda Fundora*

## Block of the Month

Directions will be given out each month for a block for you to make and keep to put into your very own quilt.

In June we will give you the layout for assembling the whole quilt.

Not every block is the same size, so be sure to read the directions each month.

The theme for this quilt is Scrap Basket. It will be a series of different basket blocks. The quilt is meant to be scrappy, so go into your stash for this one, or pick a color scheme, it's up to you!

*Megan Johnson and  
Kathleen Nitzsche*

**Please remember to turn in your Invitational quilt blocks for "New Jersey Then and Now" by the April Guild meeting.**

## Quilt Show

Here is a listing of the Chairs of the Quilt Show Committees and the openings. All of these committees need assistants during the show and in preparation of the show. Please help to make this show something to be proud of. Thank you all for volunteering.

- **Show Chairs:**  
Lori Roth and Becky Deickmann
- **Raffle Quilt + Tickets:**  
Barbie Vanderfleet-Martin and Ginny Koleda
- **Quilt Show Treasurer:**  
Gina Callan Fawcett
- **Vendors:** Mary Gruszecki
- **Little Wishes:**  
Heather and Mary Ann Gotch
- **Take In:**  
Lori Roth and **1 OPENING**
- **Hanging:** Wannetta Phillips
- **Boutique:** Sue Erdreich
- **Programs:** Wendy Sheridan
- **Judging Day:** **1 OPENING**
- **Story Cards:** Nina Rosenstein
- **Ribbons:** Leslie Morgan
- **Set Up:** **1 OPENING**
- **Take Down:** **1 OPENING**
- **Returns:** Lydia Anderson
- **Publicity:** Marian Bell
- **White Glove Volunteers:**  
Josaine Royster and Jan Aji

See you soon,

*Lori Roth and Becky Dieckmann*

## Sunshine

Please come visit us in the back. We have quilts in various stages of completion. Sign one out to piece or tie or bind. Do as much as the spirit moves you. You are welcome to work on which ever step most suits your interests; the fact is that at the moment we have more quilts to be bound than at other stages.

Sunshine has very appreciative clients - and you get to practice your skills while giving to the community.

If you have older Sunshine projects that have lost their luster, bring them back, sign them in and we'll cycle them through. It may be just the project someone else has been waiting for. If you have a top that no longer delights you, we can put it with a back and batting and make someone else very happy.

*Leslie Morgan and  
Alison Gardner*

## Show & Tell

One of the highlights of each guild meeting is the Show & Tell time, when members proudly display the quilts they have made. Our guild is comprised of quilters of all levels, from beginners to professionals, and we enjoy and receive inspiration from each of them. *Please, on a night when we have a speaker, limit quilts to one per member.*

## Troop Support

Operation Jersey Cares has learned of a hospital in Kandahar, Afghanistan, that could use our support. They are looking for the following items which would be handed out to our wounded servicemen and women:

- Candy---non chocolate---first on the priority list
- Magazines---gently used
- Pringles potato chips in the tall cans
- Beef Jerky or Slim Jims
- Dried fruits and nuts
- Sandwich type cookies--- Oreos, Hydrox
- Stuffed toys--clean, recycled

Please bring your contributions to the next Guild meeting.

Thank you,

*Liz Hackett*



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- Finishing of incomplete Quilts
- School Projects including Classroom Instruction and Raffle/Auction Quilts

## Quirky Quarters

Hello everyone! Is everybody watching the Winter Olympics? I surely hope so? The USA is kicking butt! Apolo, Evan and Shawn are bringing home the Gold! Do you see the theme yet? This time there's no food or flowers.

March - Bring in FQ's with "Gold, Silver & Bronze." Anything with these colors will be great.

April - In Honor of the Winter Olympics host country of Canada, bring in FQ's with "Maple Leaves, Red & White, Winter Sports, Outdoor Scenes." Anything that could represent Canada.

USA! USA! USA!

*Jennie Greenhalgh*

## Resources/Library

The joy of a large resource collection is its' breadth and depth. The downside is how to effectively share it with Guild members. To showcase the range of our collection, we will bring books focusing on different facets of the quilt making process each month.

Our March meeting will highlight books on design, color and thematic quilt projects. April will feature techniques such as hand and machine piecing, paper piecing and appliqué. Future meetings will continue the exploration of the collection.

As always, we will also have available recent purchases and books relevant to the speaker's topic.

Please remember all books and DVDs are loaned for 1 month.

*Jan Aji and Colleen Piscioti*



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## Meetings and Workshops

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| <i>Please go to <a href="http://www.gardenstatequilters.com">www.gardenstatequilters.com</a> for workshop details</i> |   |
| <b>2010</b>   |   |
| <b>Monday, Mar 8</b>  | Guild Meeting: Anita Grossman Solomon, <i>"Pages from the Make It Simpler Notebook"</i>     |
| <b>Saturday, March 13th</b>   | <b>Workshop: "The Two-Colored Pineapple: A Classic Set Anew"</b>                            |
| <b>Monday, Apr 12</b>   | Guild Meeting: Jane Davila, <i>"Elements of Design"</i><br><b>*Invitational Blocks Due*</b> |
| <b>Tuesday, Apr 13</b>  | <b>Workshop: Jane Davila, "Sketches From Nature"</b>  |
| <b>Monday, May 10</b>   | Guild Meeting: Pepper Cory, <i>"The Art of Real Scrap Quilting"</i>                         |
| <b>Tuesday, May 11</b>  | <b>Workshop: Pepper Cory, "Down Home Drunkard's Path"</b>                                   |
| <b>Monday, Jun 7</b>  | Guild Meeting: Strawberry Supper  |

Brownstone Quilter's Guild has opened up their workshops to us, and ours will be open to their members. Go to the Members Only section of our website for a link to Brownstone's website and info.



Continuous Line Fine Feathers Designs  
© Pepper Cory

As a courtesy to our speakers, no child under the age of 16 will be allowed at a meeting when there is a speaker presenting. Young adults accompanied by their parent wishing to attend our meeting will be required to pay a visitors fee. Exceptions will be addressed at the Board meeting the first Tuesday of the month - one week before the Guild meeting the child/parent wishes to attend. Thank you for your understanding.



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## Workshop Registration Form

Workshops are held on the Tuesday following the speaker's meeting. They run from 9am-3pm, at St. George's Episcopal Church on Ridgewood Road in Maplewood.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Tel: \_\_\_\_\_

Street: \_\_\_\_\_ Town: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Jane Davila**

April 13, 2010      Sketches From Nature      \$60 members /\$65 non-mem.

**Anita Grossman Solomon**

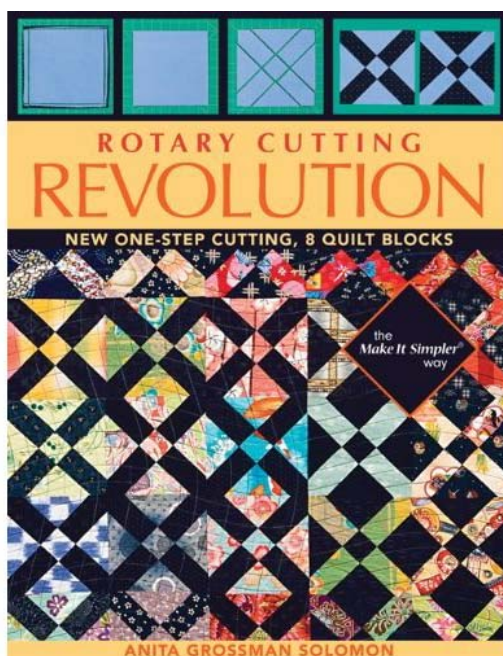
March 13, 2010      The Two-Colored Pineapple:  
A Classic Set Anew      \$60 members /\$65 non-mem.

**Pepper Cory**

May 11, 2010      Down Home Drunkards Path      \$60 members /\$65 non-mem.

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Mail this form and check made payable to Garden State Quilters to:  
Becky Dieckmann, 6 Winding Way, Madison, NJ 07940



**Workshop cancellation policy: You will be refunded if you cancel 21 days or more before the 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.**

**Reminder:** We advertise our workshops to other local quilt guilds. We take names of non-members and put them on a waiting list. If a workshop does not fill with the GSQ members, two weeks prior to the workshop date, we will call non-members on the waiting list in the order their names appear. All non-members will be charged an additional amount per workshop.

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### Art Quilts from the John M. Walsh, III Collection

January 13<sup>th</sup> - April 24, 2010

Drawn from a nationally recognized private collection, this exhibition will highlight the fascinating fusion of materials and techniques that are redefining the contemporary art quilt movement. The studio artists that will be featured in this exhibition comprise some of the most renowned artists in the country, including Michael James, Joy Saville, Katie Pasquini Masopust, Karen Perrine, Teresa Agnew, among others.

Morris Museum  
6 Normandy Heights Road  
Morristown, NJ  
[www.morrismuseum.org](http://www.morrismuseum.org)

### The Quilt Fest of New Jersey

March 4 - 7, 2010  
Garden State Exhibit Center  
50 Atrium Drive, Somerset, NJ  
Thursday, 10am - 6pm  
Friday, 10am - 6pm  
Saturday, 10am - 6pm  
Sunday, 10am - 5pm

### Spring Shower of Quilts

Connecticut Piecemakers Quilt Guild  
March 27-28, 2010  
Trumbull Marriott Merritt Parkway  
180 Hawley Lane, Trumbull, CT  
Saturday, 10am - 5pm  
Sunday, 10am - 4pm  
[www.ctpiecemakers.org](http://www.ctpiecemakers.org)

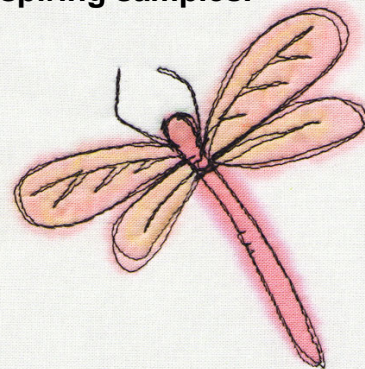
### Sharing the Quilts XXVII

Harvest Quilters  
Saturday, March 27, 2010  
8:30am to 4:30pm  
Willow Grove Presbyterian Church  
1961 Raritan Road  
Scotch Plains, NJ  
[www.harvestquilters.com](http://www.harvestquilters.com)  
Admission to the show is \$6.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children 5 through 12. Youngsters under 5 are free.

### AQS Quilt Show

March 24 - 27, 2010  
Lancaster County Convention Center  
3 East Vine Street, Lancaster, PA  
Wed. through Fri., 9am to 6pm  
Saturday, 9am to 5pm

If you're going to the QuiltFest of New Jersey, please stop by and see Jane Davila. She'll be vending at the show with lots of new, fun products and inspiring samples.



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Jennie Greenhalgh's "Twilight" quilt wall hanging was selected to be displayed at "The Quilt Fest of New Jersey VI" quilt show in March.

Four of her quilts will also be displayed at 294 Ferry Street, Newark, NJ. in a show called, "Spirit in the Thread - A Quilt Show." This show is in part a fundraiser for the "Make Peace Grey Hound Foundation." It's from March 6 - 13.



One of the two Twinkle Fiesta Ware Applique Blocks in the free download pattern for new Twinkle! multi-shade blender collection coming early 2010 by Yolanda for Blank Quilting.

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| <b>Dates to Remember</b> |   |
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| <b>Sat, 3/13</b>         | <b>Workshop:</b><br><b>Anita Grossman</b><br><b>Solomon</b> |
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| <b>Tue, 4/13</b>         | <b>Workshop:</b><br><b>Jane Davila</b>                      |
| <b>Mon, 5/10</b>         | Guild Meeting:<br>Pepper Cory                               |
| <b>Tue, 5/11</b>         | <b>Workshop:</b><br><b>Pepper Cory</b>                      |
| <b>Mon, 6/7</b>          | Guild Meeting:<br>Strawberry Supper                         |

## Meeting Notes

Hospitality 6:45 pm  
Business 7:15 pm

Guild Pins — \$5  
Membership Lanyard — \$5

## March Meeting Checklist

Block of the Month  
Razzle Dazzle — FQ's of Gold, Silver & Bronze  
Show and Tell  
Hospitality Treats — K-S  
Troop Support

## April Meeting Checklist

Block of the Month  
Razzle Dazzle — FQ's of Maple Leaves, Red & White, Winter Sports, Outdoor Scenes  
Show and Tell  
Hospitality Treats — T-Z  
Troop Support

## The End of Our Guild Newsletter?

While I have enjoyed my three years of producing the Guild Newsletter, it's time for me to move on to something new. If you are interested in taking over the layout of the Newsletter for 2010/11, please email [newsletter@gardenstatequilters.com](mailto:newsletter@gardenstatequilters.com) now, so we can work together until you are comfortable taking over. You need to be proficient in Word and able to attend Board meetings, since this is a voting position. I look forward to hearing from you; and remember...if no one takes over, there will be no Newsletter.

*Sue Erdreich*