



# GARDEN STATE QUILTERS' NEWSLETTER

Member National Quilting Association, Chapter 124

May/June, 2016 Edition

## Membership Meetings

Second Monday of each month, September to June

## General Meetings held at:

**St. John's Church**  
587 Springfield Ave. in Summit

6:45 pm (hospitality)  
7:15 pm (business)

## Meet the Speaker

Pre-meeting dinner - 5:00 pm  
Venue: Hat Tavern in **Grand Summit Hotel** (across the street from the church)

Please rsvp  
[barbie@vanderfle-et-martin.net](mailto:barbie@vanderfle-et-martin.net)

## Message from our President

One of the goals of our guild has been to educate its members by presenting well-known speakers on the cutting edge of quilting. The workshops have been selected to help participants improve their skills and explore new areas. In order to continue inviting speakers of the caliber we have seen in the past few years, we have had to increase our income. Raising dues and increased membership have been positive steps in that direction.

However, dues are not enough to keep the guild strong financially. Therefore, we have also added a few rather creative mini-fundraisers this year, such as the Drop and Shop Marketplace, and the tricky tray at our birthday party. The book raffle and donations have also contributed.

Because a sound budget needs to be balanced by wise and careful spending, the Board continues to focus on trimming costs where possible. Going forward, our goal is to keep offering the level of speakers and workshops that have made our guild the one to join.

A vibrant guild also needs volunteers to share the work. We thank everyone who responded to the survey we recently distributed. However, the survey has made us painfully aware that we still need two chairpersons to assume the responsibility of Programs. Simply put, without filling those vital positions, our guild's future is in jeopardy. If you have been thinking about serving on the Board, now is the time to step forward.

In conclusion, I would like to thank the Board, the Committee members and the membership for all they have done to help Garden State Quilters move forward. Your willingness to support our guild is deeply appreciated.

Happy quilting to all,  
~Marcia David

## Programs Committee

We can't thank you enough for your support during the changes implemented this guild year. It makes all the difference in the caliber of speakers we can bring to the Guild. With the class fee increase, we have been able to assure the finances and want to thank you for swallowing that increase with little furor. Happily each class has been full and fees have met costs.

Barbie and Leslie think it's time for some new ideas. We will retire after this Guild year to make way for fresh energy to run Programs. We are standing by to welcome

## Workshop Reminders

**All workshops are held at the Chatham Glen Clubhouse (despite what the website may say)**

**There is NO workshop in March.**

**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 9:30AM.

Check website for list of supplies.

apprentices for this very rewarding and critical responsibility for the Guild. Programs has two votes on the Board and it takes two (plus a volunteer or two).

There is a Programs' survey included with this newsletter. It is in the newsletter as well as attached as a Word Document. Please take the time to express your areas of interest so that moving forward it can be taken into account. However is easiest to respond, get your thoughts to us so we can summarize.

We think everybody thoroughly enjoyed our speakers this year: Barb Vedder (hexies), Bethann Nemesh (fine embellishment), Marilyn Belford (portraits) and Wendy Butler Berns (improvisational log cabins).

Our last speaker for this Guild year is Frieda Anderson. She not only designs and makes extraordinary landscape / botanical quilts but also hand dyes her own fabrics. The class is full but you can add to your hand dyed stash at the Monday evening meeting.



- October 2016 – Jaquie Gering, a Modern Eminence. It's been a two-year progress to get her to us. We can't wait. There are a few spots still available. [www.jacquiegering.com/](http://www.jacquiegering.com/)
- November 2016 – Pamela Zave – Piecing Your Dream – many of us have wondered at Pamela's incredible skills; she'll share her approach via 'Devine Tree,' a pattern specially created for this workshop. There will be a pattern fee payable to Pamela at the workshop (we'll let you know). *Pamela is teaching this class as a benefit for the Guild, so every dollar in class fees goes to support GSQ!* This class is completely full but we are happy to take names on a wait list. Just let us know. [www.pamelazave.com/](http://www.pamelazave.com/)
- April 2017 – Deb Kalenty (certified vendor and instructor for Deb Tucker tools) will teach a project based class and will bring many more of the tools for purchase. Keep an eye on the website that will be updated as soon as our Webmistress comes up for air. You may know Deb already as she was a vendor at each of the last two GSQ Quilt Shows. There is plenty of space left in Deb's class.
- May 2017 – We are intrigued to bring a new technique via Laura Cunningham to present thread work. We've had extended conversations about whether to call this thread painting or thread embellishment. I'm sure she'll clear it up for us. All seats are still open. <https://lauraacunningham.com/>

To reduce costs, this year Programs has found alternatives to hotel lodging for Speakers when possible. Some speakers require/request a hotel room but others are happy to stay with a Quilter. Their personal needs are respected (e.g. vis a vis pets or smoking, the normal), with an offering of private bedroom and bathroom. Let us know if you'd like to take advantage of hosting an acclaimed quilter in your home.

Please think about helping keep Programs viable for our Guild. Get involved.

~Barb and Leslie  
Programs

## NEXT QUILTING BEE

at Chatham Library

May 25<sup>th</sup>  
12:30-3:30



**Board Meetings**  
Tuesday before  
monthly Meetings

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

## Membership

ALL members and guests must wear their badge at every meeting

Membership info/change of address

Please notify me at: [membership@gardenstatequilters.com](mailto:membership@gardenstatequilters.com)

~Ginger Scott

## Sunshine Committee

So far this year we have given away 104 quilts to various charities.

Please help us give away more. We really need people to quilt. We have soooo many tops that need quilting! It doesn't have to be perfect! We are not judging them. It's a great way to practice your quilting. Come join us at our monthly bees. We always have lots of fun. If you don't want to quilt, you can piece or make binding or sew binding on. There's always lots to do. The next bees are: Wed, April 27th 1-4 pm at the Florham Park library and Wed. May 25th 12:30-3:30 pm at the Chatham library.

If you can't make it to a bee, come by our table at the next meeting and take something home to work on.

Thank you for helping us help others in need!

~Kris and Linda  
Happy Quilting!

## Hospitality

Hospitality treats will be provided by members whose last names begin with A through M for the May meeting. June is our Strawberry Supper!

~Carol Scullin and Gail Moodie  
Hospitality

## Newsletter

We are coming to the end of another Guild year. Thanks to all who contributed news articles – pointed to quilting websites or told us their awards. Please keep your artistic endeavors in mind and let us know what you have been doing over the summer! The September newsletter could be full of exciting ideas, or pictures of fun quilting-related topics. Please contact Karen or Beth or use the email address for either articles, or ads.

### IDEAS:

- Local Quilt Shows that you've entered
  - (ribbons, honorable mentions granted)
- New Quilt Fabric store, Shop Hop, a class you particularly enjoyed
- Member news: Who, What, When, Where, How

Send articles or ads to: [newsletter@gardenstatequilters.com](mailto:newsletter@gardenstatequilters.com). Ads will be at the same price as last year:

Information and rates for the 2015 - 2016 Newsletter

Business Card Ad	2" x 3.5" (Horizontal or Vertical)	\$10/issue
1/4 Page Ad	4.25"w x 5.5"h	\$15/issue
1/2 Page Ad	8.5"w x 5.5"h (Horizontal) or 4.25"w x 11"h (Vertical)	\$30/issue
Full-Page Ad	8.5" x 11"	\$60/issue

All sizes are approximate, based on space in the Newsletter.

Please send payment to: Garden State Quilters  
PO BOX 424  
Chatham, NJ 07928

We appreciate your continued support.

~Beth & Karen

### Upcoming Meeting Notes

Hospitality 6:45 pm  
Guild Pins = \$5

Business 7:15 pm  
Membership Lanyard = \$5

Meeting Checklists	
May Meeting	June Meeting
<input type="checkbox"/> Hospitality →N thru Z <input type="checkbox"/> Show 'N Tell <input type="checkbox"/> Guild Business  <input type="checkbox"/> Frieda Anderson	<input type="checkbox"/> Strawberry Supper <input type="checkbox"/> Show 'N Tell <input type="checkbox"/> Challenge Project reveal & voting <input type="checkbox"/> Guild Business

**Reminder:** Garden State Quilters general meeting place is:

**St. John's Church**

587 Springfield Ave. in Summit

Across street from Grand Summit Hotel

Please remember to enter through the automatic doors at the rear of the building. Do not push the doors because this could knock them off track.

Note that the "meet the Speakers" dinner venue will be across the street in the **Grand Summit Hotel** at the "**Hat Tavern**" – downstairs. Lovely burgers, tapas menu. Join us!

As if our move isn't enough of a challenge.....**please remember**, the *Morris Avenue bridge in Summit is closed due to repairs. Please remember to avoid this road or to detour around it when coming to St. John's Church for meetings.*

### Calendar of Events

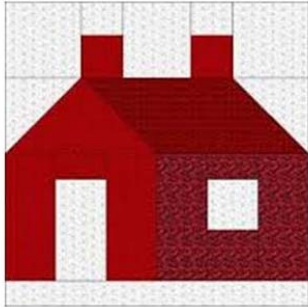
September 14	General Meeting
Wednesday Sept 16, noon to 4 PM	Quilting Bee at Library of the Chathams
October 15 – 16	General Meeting with Barb Vedder
Wednesday, Oct 21,	Quilting Bee at Library of the Chathams

	<i>noon to 4 PM</i>	
	November 9 – 10	General Meeting with BethAnne Nemesh. Workshop: Devil is in the Details
	December 14, 2015	Annual Charity Meeting; GSQ Marketplace
	January 11, 2016	35 <sup>th</sup> Birthday/ Anniversary Celebration
	February 8, 2016	Special Vendor evening
	March 14, 2016	General Meeting with Marilyn Belford
	April 11, 2016	General Meeting with Wendy Butler Berns
	May 9, 2016	General Meeting with <b>Frieda Anderson</b>
	June 13, 2016	Strawberry supper

Board Positions (2015-2016)		Committee Positions - no term expiration	
President (1)	Marcia David	Programs Helper(s)	Sue Schmerler** Joyce Bruning ** Deb Lacey
Vice President (1)	Pam Bakas	Webmaster	Yolanda Fundora
Treasurer (1)	Sue Adams	Library	Laura Wagner
Secretary (1)	Judy Mason	Hospitality	Carol Scullin Gail Moodie
Membership (1)	Ginger Scott	Historian/Show & Tell	Carol Esch
Nominating (1)	Susan Wolfman	Publicity	??
Programs (2)	Barbie VanderFleet-Martin	Book Raffle	Pat Buikema
	Leslie Morgan	Block of the Month	Agnes Dembia** Pat Buikema**
Newsletter (1)	Karen Jack and Beth DiDomenico	Raffle Quilt	Pam Bakas**
Quilt Show (1)	??	Friendship Quilt	Alix Martin
Sunshine/Grants & Scholarships (1)	Kris Dale and Linda Holm	Challenge Quilt	Beth DiDomenico
		Market Place	Lori Prosser**

\*\* thank you Ladies, for volunteering for these positions!

## MEMBER PAGE



*Looking for a larger home for your stash?  
Or maybe you need a smaller home so can spend more time  
with your sewing machine and less time with your vacuum?  
Let me help you navigate the housing market.*



Gail Moodie Realtor, ABR, EPro  
Coldwell Banker  
135 Main Street, Chatham  
201-572-9662 Cell



Fun with  
Wendy Butler  
Berns



Pictures from BethAnn Nemesh's  
Workshop

**Reminder:** upcoming quilting bees are on Wednesdays:  
May 25<sup>th</sup> at the Chatham library from 12:30-3:30 pm





## Local Happenings

**Saturday April 30 10am - 5pm**  
**Sunday May 1 10am - 4pm**

Charles Chrin Community Center  
 4100 Green Pond Road  
 Palmer Township, PA 18045

Vendor Mall  
 Book Nook  
 Tricky Tray

Quilt Raffle  
 Boutique  
 Quilts for Sale

Cash  
 Door Prizes

The Colonial Quilters Guild proudly presents  
**QuiltFest 2016**

Saturday, April 30th at 1:00pm  
**"Modern Quilting - What's All the Hubbub"**  
 Presented by Jessica Skultety of Quilty Habit

Questions:  
[show@colonialquilters.org](mailto:show@colonialquilters.org)

**Guild Challenge**  
**Vintage Goes Modern**

**Directions:**  
**From points East and West**  
 Rt. 22 to Rt. 33  
 South to  
 Wm. Penn Hwy.  
**From points North**  
 Rt. 33 South to Wm. Penn Hwy.  
**From points South**  
 Rt. 78 to Rt. 33 North to Wm. Penn Hwy.

**All Routes**  
 East on Wm. Penn Hwy, approx. .9 mile Left on  
 Bethman Rd approx. 1.8 miles to stop sign. Right on  
 Green Pond Rd. to Chrin Community Center entrance.

A portion of the proceeds will benefit:  
 Turning Point of the Lehigh Valley

Admission  
**\$8.00**  
 a day

### Long Island Quilter's Society presents: 30 Years of Quilting Together

Freeport Recreation Center  
 130 East Merrick Road Freeport, NY 11520  
 (516) 377 2314  
 May 14 & 15; (Sat 10 AM - 5 PM; Sun 10 AM - 4PM)



Two-day Portraiture Workshop with **Esterita Austin**  
 Saturday and Sunday, May 14 and 15, from 10 am to 4 pm



Cost to non-members - \$140.

Anyone can accomplish outstanding results in this introductory class to portraits. You may use an original pattern by Esterita or your own photograph to learn all the techniques necessary to achieve an excellent likeness. This is a fusing class; no sewing machine required.

For further information or to register, please contact Ellen Heath at [ellheath@gmail.com](mailto:ellheath@gmail.com) or 551-427-7153



# NYC Tossed Alphabet

the latest City Quilter NYC-themed print



## ***For Sale: Handi Quilter Sweet Sixteen Sit-Down Longarm with Trustitch***



This HQ Sweet Sixteen sit-down machine was purchased new in June 2012. It's a great little machine, in "like-new" condition, and has been used to quilt approximately a dozen small quilts. The machine is located in Long Valley, NJ, and the buyer must be able to pick it up from there.

This HandiQuilter Sweet 16 includes the following standard features:

- 36" x 30" height adjustable table
- Color touch screen with up & down needle stop position control
- Closed and open toe hopping feet
- Five M-class bobbins and HQ bobbin winder
- User manuals and "getting started" DVD
- Remaining 6 years of HQ casting/machining warranty can be transferred to buyer



This machine includes the Trustitch stitch regulation system that helps you achieve consistently even stitch lengths regardless of stitching speed

Additional accessories include:

- Table overlap (\$90 value)
- 3 Quilter's Academy Sit-Down Longarm Quilting videos (\$75 value)
- "Grip & Stitch" quilting disks for free motion quilting (\$30 value)

I am the original owner. I'm selling this machine because I have upgraded to an HQ Avante longarm. The asking price for the Sweet Sixteen with Trustitch and all accessories listed above is \$4200. If interested, please email [Elaine@elaineschmidt.com](mailto:Elaine@elaineschmidt.com). 908-832-2222 (studio).



*back by popular demand....*



## **GSQ Market Place**

The Market Place had a fabulous opening at the December meeting! It will return in June!!

Please look through your fabrics and see what you can donate. If you no longer need it, someone else will treasure it! Please only bring quilt fabric (cottons or felted wool); quilting books and patterns are also welcome.



*Sister's Choice Longarm Quilting*

**Pantographs/Custom/Meandering/Stippling**

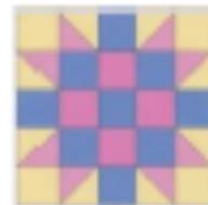
**Mary Ames**

**Phone: 973-933-2371/973-224-9064**

**11 Gianna Court-Randolph, NJ 07869**

**Email: ames4@optonline.net**

**sisterschoice@optonline.net**



**Programs Survey** (type in your answers, save and send it to [programs@gardenstatequilters.com](mailto:programs@gardenstatequilters.com)) or (print it and bring to the May/June meeting)

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1. What type of workshop would you like to see brought to GSQ, i.e., piecing, paper-piecing, appliqué, embellishment, thread-painting, color theory etc?
2. Do you know of a particular teacher/artist you would like featured?
3. Would you be interested in teaching / demonstrating a technique or pattern?
4. Would you like to see a past teacher brought back to teach? Who?
5. What is your favorite pattern / block?
6. What would you like to tell Programs that would make it more inspiring/engaging for you?
7. What do you think about weekend workshops? Two day? One day? _____
8. How likely are you to sign up? _____% likelihood (e.g. 25%, 50%, 75%, 95%). <i>(We've tried a time or two but there wasn't good response yet we know our working members have trouble taking workshops. Any thoughts for a possible solution?)</i>
9. Would you be interested in getting together again a week or so later with workshop participants to encourage each other on projects started in the workshop?
10. Would you be interested in other sewing projects such as bags, purses, book covers, footstool?



**GARDEN STATE QUILTERS GUILD  
2016 – 2017 MEMBERSHIP FORM**

CONTINUING MEMBER\_\_\_\_ NEW MEMBER\_\_\_\_

NAME\_\_\_\_\_ PHONE # \_\_\_\_\_

EMERGENCY CONTACT NAME\_\_\_\_\_ PHONE # \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS\_\_\_\_\_

CITY/ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

Is this a new Email Address? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_

**Your 2016 – 2017 GSQ Membership is valid from Sept. 2016 – August 2017. Membership dues are \$60 per year. Early renewal is available at \$55 if received by August 31, 2016. All dues received on and after September 1, 2016 are \$60.**

Please mail your check made out to GSQ and this form to the address below or bring to the Membership table at the May or June Meetings.

**Garden State Quilters Guild  
Att: Membership  
PO Box 424  
Chatham, NJ 07928**

Date Received _____	Amount Received \$ _____
Type of Payment _____ Check _____ # _____	Cash _____

In which areas of the Guild are you willing to help? Circle all that apply.

Speaker (housing/transport/research)

Workshops (marketing)

Workshops (set-up/sign-ups)

Serve on the Board

Drop and Shop Market Place

Quilt Show

Webmaster

Fundraising

Other \_\_\_\_\_

Publicity

Hospitality

Newsletter

Sunshine quilts

Raffle quilt (make/sell tickets)

Block of the Month

Committee (member/chair)

Demonstrations

Which techniques are you interested in learning more about?

Which speakers or workshops would interest you?