



GARDEN STATE QUILTERS' NEWSLETTER

Member National Quilting Association, Chapter 124

September/October 2016 Edition

Message from our President

WELCOME!

Welcome back to another exciting year at Garden State Quilters !

It seems there is a Quilt Show in the works after all. Pam Farago, a new member, has stepped up to the plate. More information will be announced as it becomes available. So start getting those quilts ready.

The very popular Drop and Shop Market Place will continue throughout the year. It's a great fundraiser and a win-win for everyone who participates.

There will be another Tricky Tray at our Birthday celebration in January. Barbie has agreed to organize this and is soliciting donations. We also plan to offer demonstrations at that event. Another Vendors' Night is also planned for February.

The Board would like to continue the Book Raffle, another important venue for the guild budget, will continue although we do still need someone to spearhead it. If you are interested in being that person, please contact me.

The guild will participate in the Chatham Fine Arts & Crafts Festival on **Sunday, Sept. 11** at the Chatham train station. This was a fun event last year. Our tent, displaying colorful quilts made by Sunshine, drew in lots of attendees. Interacting with the community and telling them about quilting is an important part of our mission statement. Please let me know if you would like to join us.

What's new?

The Board has decided to resurrect Razzle-Dazzle. Look for an explanation in the newsletter. It was a lot of fun in the past and a great way to replenish your stash.

The workshops will now take place at Grace Episcopal Church in Madison. It is a larger space with easy access and no steps involved.

There is a lot to look forward to this year. You will notice that we changed the membership form. Your input will let us know what you would like our guild to do for you, as well as what you are willing to do for our guild. The more you are involved in making Garden State Quilters work, the more successful our guild will be.

Happy quilting to all,
Marcia David

Membership Meetings

Second Monday of each month, September to June except for October

**General Meetings held at:
ST. John's Church
587 Springfield Ave. in Summit**

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

Meet the Speaker
5:30 @ HAT Tavern
Summit Grand Hotel

Board Meetings
Week before monthly Meetings;
see listing

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

Workshop Reminder

All
workshops
held at

Grace Church, 4
Madison Ave,
Madison, NJ

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 new members

ALL members and guests must wear their badge at every meeting

Membership info/change of address

Please notify me at: membership@gardenstatequilters.com

~Ginger Scott

Programs Committee

There are several noteworthy changes in Programs. After many years in various positions on the Board, most recently with Programs, Barbie has passed the baton. We thank her for her efforts on the Guild's behalf. We have a new team of apprentices working with Leslie: Sue Schmerler, Joyce Bruining and Pam Noonan. They have great ideas and energy. Watch for enhancements and opportunities for you to help out. The team will be reaching out for assistance now and again for speaker transportation, housing, etc. *Please say yes.*

The Board has been concerned that workshops that are fully booked have sufficient space, especially when machines are required. With that in mind, space has been contracted with Grace Church, 4 Madison Ave, Madison, NJ. All 4 of this year's workshops will take place there. There is a large Parish Hall and plenty of parking.

We have a full calendar of Programs outlined for the 2016-2017 Guild Year with exciting speakers. Please remember that Show and Tell is limited to one piece per person when we have a Speaker in order to get the most advantage from our Speaker. The rest of the meetings are Super Show and Tell, no limit to how many quilts you share with us.

A list for each month follows:

- September 2016 – Business Meeting, *Super Show and Tell*, Sit and Sew.
- October 2016 – **Jacquie Gering** of Tallgrass Prairie Studio, a leader in Modern Quilting, will speak and teach. She will accept up to 25 students. With the new workshop location, we have space for 4 more attendees.
- November 2016 – **Pamela Zave** – “Piecing Your Dream” – will share her piecing approach with ‘Devine Tree,’ a pattern designed for the 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 for a wait list. Just let us know.
- December 2016 – Charitable Works, *Super Show and Tell*, Sit and Sew.
- January 2017 – Anniversary Party with raffle, *Super Show and Tell*, Quilto, Sit and Sew.
- February 2017 – Vendor Night, *Super Show and Tell*, Sit and Sew.
- March 2017 – We are actively recruiting a Member Speaker, Show and Tell.
- April 2017 – **Deb Kalenty** (certified vendor and instructor for Deb

Tucker tools), owner of Quilter's Obsession, will teach the pattern Galaxy and how to use two of the Tucker Tools (tool purchase required). There are 12 spots left in Deb's class.

- May 2017 – **Laura Cunningham** will present a lecture on “HOW TO CUSTOM DESIGN YOUR QUILTING” followed by a Workshop on THREADPAINTING (pattern purchase required; kits available as well). There are 15 to 20 spots available in Laura's workshop.
- June 2017 – Strawberry Supper, *Super Show and Tell*, Sit and Sew.

~ **Leslie Morgan**
Programs

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**
Hospitality

Sunshine Committee

Sunshine has been busy this summer.

We had quilt bees once a month. Mostly we quilted tops, but we also made “dog blankets” for St. Hubert's and cut some fabric for kits, as well as the squares for everyone for the September meeting. Everyone gets a square of fabric and makes their own 9 1/2“ square using the main fabric and whatever other fabrics they choose. We then put all the squares together to make charity quilts. This past year we had enough squares to make four quilts! We also worked on a quilt to be given to the Basking Ridge DAR to be auctioned off at their fundraiser for homeless veterans. Thanks for all your help helping those in need. Looking forward to seeing you all in September. Stop by our table in the back of the room to pick something up to piece, quilt, or bind.

Happy Quilting!
~**Kris & Helen**

Newsletter articles

The Newsletter is always looking for articles, stories and information about what GSQ members are quilting, sewing, or viewing, this summer and doing throughout the year. If you have future events or information for September, October and November or December, please send that information as well.

IDEAS:

- Quilt Show (ribbons, honorable mention)
- New Quilt Fabric store, Shop Hop, classes
- Finished a UFO, New Quilt Pattern, Group project
- Member news: Who, What, When, Where, How

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 2016-17 newsletter! Deadline will be ~10 days prior to the regularly scheduled monthly Guild meeting (see below schedule). Pictures and graphics are always welcome.

2016 – 2017 Garden State Quilters Newsletter Calendar

Articles or Ads Due

September/October	August 29, 2016
November/December	October 22, 2016
January/February	December 18, 2016
March/April	February 18, 2017
May/June	May 1, 2017
Summer edition	<i>will be at our discretion</i>

Send articles or ads to: newsletter@gardenstatequilters.com.

Information and rates for the 2016 - 2017 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 DiDomenico & Karen Jack

Block of the Month

The theme for this year's Block of the Month (BOM) is "**Seasons and Celebrations**".

This is how BOM works:

- ~ Starting at the September meeting, each month, a different set of instructions will be issued. The instructions will reflect either the season or celebration occurring in that month.
- ~ Create the block and bring it to the next meeting. Everyone bringing a block will have a chance to win all the blocks that are handed in. Your chance of winning is determined by the number of completed blocks entered.
- ~ You could also make a duplicate block to keep for yourself. At the end of the 2016-2017 guild year you would have a block from each of the months, even if you never won.
- ~ The months and themes are as follows: Sept -apple, Oct- pumpkin, Nov - leaf, Dec - nutcracker, Jan - snowflake, Feb - heart, Mar- shamrock, Apr - umbrella May - flower. The instructions will be issued the month before the block is due.
- ~The size of the block is 8 1/2 inches. The colors are personal choices.

See you [September 12](#).

~Agnes Dembia and Pat Buikema

Meeting Notes

Hospitality 6:45 pm
 Guild Pins = \$5

Business 7:15 pm
 Membership Lanyard = \$5

Meeting Checklists

September Meeting	October Meeting
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Hospitality → A thru M <input type="checkbox"/> Super Show 'N Tell <input type="checkbox"/> Guild Business <input type="checkbox"/> Sign up for Apprenticeships <input type="checkbox"/> Sunshine project distribution 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Hospitality → N - Z <input type="checkbox"/> Show 'N Tell <input type="checkbox"/> Guild Business <input type="checkbox"/> Jacquie Gehring Speaker

Calendar of Events

September 12	General Meeting
<i>Wednesday Sept. 28th noon to 4 PM</i>	<i>Quilting Bee at Library of the Chathams</i>
October 17 – 18	General Meeting; workshop with Jacquie Gehring
<i>*Wednesday, Oct. 26th noon to 4 PM</i>	<i>Quilting Bee at Library of the Chathams</i>
November 15 – 16	General Meeting; workshop with Pamela Zave
December 12	Charity Sit and Sew
January 9, 2017	Guild Anniversary Party
February 13, 2017	Vendor Night
March 13, 2017	General Meeting; Speaker TBD
April 10– 11, 2017	General Meeting; workshop with Deb Kalenty
May 8 – 9, 2017	General Meeting; workshop with Laura Cunningham
June	Strawberry supper
<i>*Dates for other quilting Bees listed later in newsletter</i>	

Welcome to our new and returning Board Members and Committee Chairs!

Board Positions (2016-2017)		Committee Positions - no term expiration	
President (1*)	Marcia David	Programs Helper(s)	??
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)	Leslie Morgan	Raffle Quilt	Pam Bakas
Newsletter (1)	Karen Jack & Beth DiDomenico	Block of the Month	Pat Buikema & Agnes Dembia
Quilt Show (1)	Pam Farago	Book Raffle	Pat Buikema
Sunshine/Grants & Scholarships (1)	Kris Dale & Helen Pulitano & Linda Holm	Friendship Quilt	Alix Martin
		Challenge Quilt	Beth DiDomenico

* Number of voting positions

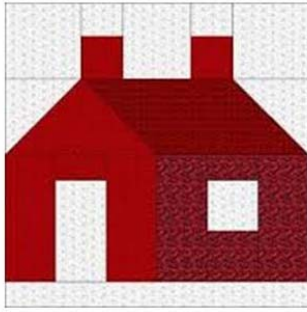
Welcome to our New Members as well!!!



MEMBER PAGE

If anyone has a project that they bought and are not going to do; a group of fat quarters they don't want; a kit that was an impulse buy and is taking up space at a members house, as well as a book they want to donate for the good of the order, I will be glad to collect them at the September meeting.

~Pat Buikema



*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

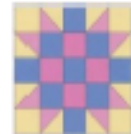


Sunshine quilting bee schedule

- Wed. Sept. 28th at the Chatham library
- Wed. Oct. 26th at the Chatham library
- Wed. Nov. 9th at the Chatham library
- Wed. Jan 18th at the Chatham library
- Wed. Feb 15th at the Chatham library
- Wed. March 15th at the Florham Park
 Library (to be scheduled)
- Wed. Apr. 24th at the Chatham library
- Wed. May 24th at the Chatham library
- Wed. June 21st at the Chatham library

Sister's Choice Longarm Quilting

Pantographs/Custom/Meandering/Stippling



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 11 Gianna Court-Randolph, NJ 07869
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 sisterschoice@optonline.net



Board Meetings 2016	General Meetings 2016		Board Meetings 2017	General Meetings 2017
Tues, Sep 6	Mon, Sep 12		Tues, Jan 3	Mon, Jan 9
Tues, Oct 11	Mon, Oct 17		Mon, Feb 6	Mon, Feb 13
Mon, Nov 7	Mon, Nov 14		Mon, Mar 6	Mon, Mar 13
Mon, Dec 5	Mon, Dec 12		Mon, Apr 3	Mon, Apr 10
			Mon, May 1	Mon, May 8
			Mon, Jun 5	Mon, Jun 12

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***** **RAZZLE DAZZLE IS BACK !!!** *****

For those of you who have missed Razzle Dazzle, you're in luck! Coming in September!

For those who can't remember what it is or are new to the guild, here's how it works:

A theme will be identified for each month. Interested members will bring in one (or more) fat quarters reflecting the theme. Fabric should be good quality quilting cotton. A raffle ticket will be given for each FQ brought in. During the meeting, a ticket will be drawn and the holder will take home all the fat quarters for the evening - what fun!

The more members who participate, the better - more variety, more excitement, more fabric!
Come on, join in the fun!

September's Theme (insert Drum Roll!): **Lotsa Dots**

Bring a fat quarter of any dotted fabric and maybe you'll go home with a whole bundle!

October: **Starry, Starry Night**

You guessed it - star fabric, but it doesn't have to be a dark night - stars are out all the time, even if we can't always see them, so any background works

November: **Text**

Fabric with writing on it - cursive, type set, block lettering, newspaper print

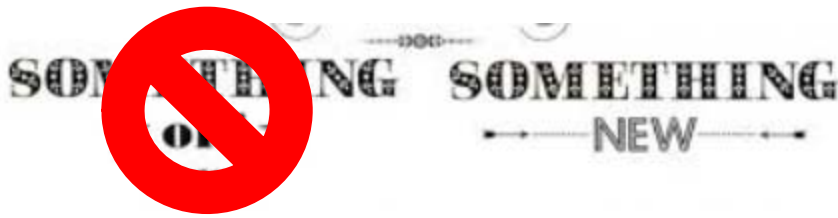
~Ginger Scott and Judy Mason



Quilt from a prior Razzle-Dazzle winner...

Attached is a photo of a quilt I made years ago (2007) that incorporates the winning FQs I got from the Razzle Dazzle collection. The theme that month was "Your Spice Cabinet". I titled the quilt "A Quilter's Spice Cabinet".

~Ginger



Apprenticeships

- ❖ Want to be more involved in your guild?
- ❖ Enhance your own experience?
- ❖ Make new friends?
- ❖ Learn a related skill?

But not be responsible or accountable?

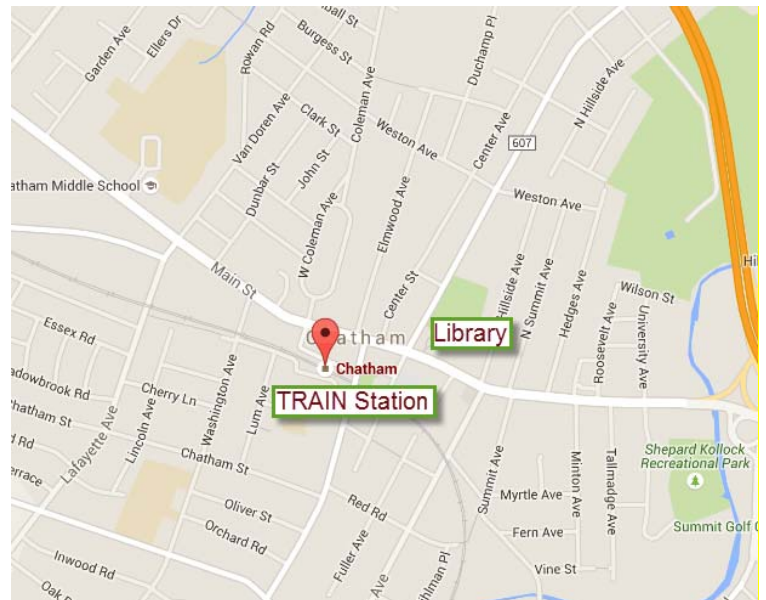
Apprenticeships are available for many of the Guild Committee positions: just ask one of your Board members how you can help from time to time!



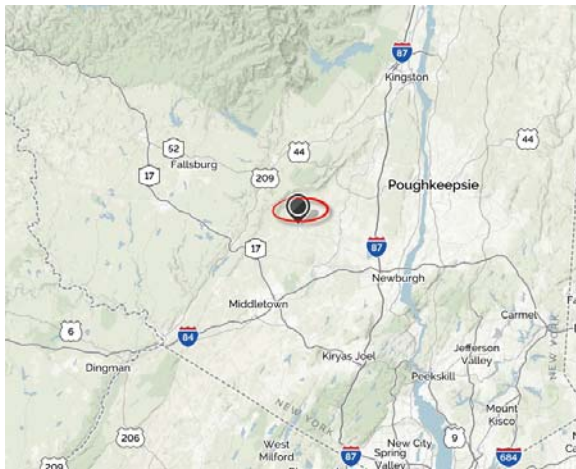
Local Happenings

Chatham Area Artisans Guild has invited Garden State Quilters to participate in their **Fine Arts and Crafts Festival on Sunday, Sept. 11** from 10-5 at the Chatham Train Station. This is a great opportunity to advertise and promote our guild. We need volunteers to sit in our tent and tell visitors about the guild and answer their questions. If you are so inclined, you can bring handwork to demonstrate quilting or small quilts to display. What is needed most is your presence and moral support. You don't have to stay all day and any time you can give would be deeply appreciated.

If you are interested, contact Marcia David at MDavid28@aol.com



The **Country Quilters** will hold their thirteenth biannual **quilt show** on September 24 and September 25 from 10a.m. until 4p.m. at the Pine Bush High School, 156 State Route 302, Pine Bush, NY. www.countryquilters.org.



See amazing quilts on display, guest speaker Susan Reich, Invitational of Antique Quilts –“Scrap Happy,” a gallery talk, a judged show, a variety of quilt related vendors, a craft supply sale, a block contest, a boutique with Quilts and quilt related items for sale, demonstrations, door Prizes, AQS Appraisals by Sue Reich, and raffle prizes which include Quilt, Quilter’s Attic gift certificate or a handmade basket full of quilting fabric, and a raffle to support the guild’s Pine Bush High School Scholarships!

Where is Pine bush, NY? About 1 ½ hrs from Northern NJ (up NYS Thruway to Harriman, then head west and north). *Should be a pretty drive in the fall....*



Raffle Quilt for:

Stars of the Valley Quilt Show
October 15 & 16, 2016
Sanfordville Elementary School,
Sanfordville Road, Warwick, NY

Warwick: another nice autumn drive!

<http://www.wvqg.org/>



**Hunterdon County Quilting Guild
Open House**

Friday October 21st 2016 9:30 AM
Featuring Barbara Persing, "Listen to Your Quilt"
Free admission.
Readington Reformed Church,
124 Readington Road, Readington, NJ 08870.

**Quilts in the Mill
Courthouse Quilter's Guild**

Sept 30-Oct 2, 2016
10-5 pm
Prallsville Mills
33 Risler Road/Rt. 29
Stockton NJ



Sew Jersey Hosting a Brother Lecture / Demo

You've heard it on our website, or seen it on Social Media - the geniuses at Brother were at it again! They have launched a Brand New Dream Machine 2, just 2 weeks ago as well as a new 10 Needle Embroidery Machine!

We are very excited to have a guest Brother educator flying in to host a special Lecture / Demo Event in store. She will demonstrate all of the capabilities and functions of this amazing Dream Machine 2. If you currently own the original Dream Machine, an upgrade kit is available - turn your Dream Machine 1 into a Dream Machine 2!

We will also be reviewing the New 10 Needle and BES4 Software as well!



Session 1 : Friday, September 9th from 1PM - 3PM

Session 2 : Saturday, September 10th from 10AM - 12PM

3 Ways to Register: Online, By Phone (973) - 585 - 7282 or In Store!

This event is free, but please call the store to reserve a seat!

Special Introductory Pricing & Special Trade In Deals are available during the event!