



**GARDEN
STATE
QUILTERS**

May/June 2023 Newsletter

Member National Quilting Association,
Chapter 124

Memorial Day – Graduations – Weddings – Fourth of July - Summer Vacations

There is a lot happening over the course of the next few months. We are winding down to the end of our guild year. We have had several interesting speakers and workshops. Pam Farago did a fantastic job making our January Party a wonderful success raising over \$1400.00. Jean and the Sunshine Team have donated over 100 quilts and numerous pillows to various organizations. I am sure more will be done before we finish this guild year.

Let me be clear that none of these things would be possible without your participation. The members are the reason we exist and the reason we succeed. You are all an important part of the Garden State Quilters.

I look forward to another year of accomplishing great things. In July, we have the Garden State Quilters Exhibit and Children's Workshops at Library of the Chathams. Mark your calendar to attend the opening reception on July 8th, 2:30 – 4:30 pm. The submission deadline is May 31st. Please consider volunteering in any way you can to make this event a success. This is a great opportunity to promote the guild and provide a teaser about our upcoming quilt show to the community.

In October, our quilt show, *A Cut of Above* is looking to be a great event. Over the summer sew and create quilts to display, little wishes to raffle and potholders, coasters, zipper pouches or anything else to sale in the boutique. The success of the show is in your hands.

I want to take this time to wish everyone a Safe and Fun Summer. See you in the Fall

Piecing and quilting every chance I get,
Karen

Chatham Library Quilt Exhibit

Reminder: Sign-ups for the Library Quilt Exhibit are May 31st, 2023. Members are allowed to submit up to 2 quilts, with no fee(s) to submit. For guidelines on how to submit a quilt and details about the quilt(s) that you submit, please refer to the show guide and submission form that can be found at:

<https://www.gardenstatequiltersguild.com/chatham-library-show-2023>

As part of the exhibit, we need volunteers to assist with:

- Children's workshops on July 12th, July 19th, and Jul 26th. Contact Jean Stubaus at jstubaus@optonline.net
- Quilt Take-In and Setup is July 6th & 7th, Take Down will be July 30th. There are 2-hour time slots designated for each of these committees. Volunteer dates and times are posted on the GSQ website, under Quilt Show tab/ Chatham Library Show 2023 or contact Ginger Scott at gingerscott503@gmail.com



**Garden State Quilters
EXHIBIT
&
CHILDREN'S
WORKSHOPS
July 8th - 28th
at
Library of the Chathams**



October 2023 Quilt Show



GSQS Boutique 2023

The GSQ Show Boutique Committee thanks you in advance for your contributions to our show.

Little Wishes (mini quilts):

We are halfway to our goal of collecting Little Wishes for the October Quilt Show. This project is a great way to use up small pieces of fabric from your stash. The quilts should be no smaller than 12" on a side and no larger than 24" on a side. Any quilting or design technique is acceptable. Finished items can be dropped off at the May and June GSQ general meetings.

Boutique:

Members are asked to make an item(s) that will be offered for sale at the Boutique Table at our 2023 quilt show. Items such as table runners/toppers, placemats, ornaments, tote bags, pin cushions, orphan blocks, partially finished quilts, embroidered/crocheted/knitted items, stuffed animals, doll clothes, or any project that you do best is appreciated.

Items can be left with either Jann Slapin (jannsoplain@gmail.com) or Donna Koenig (dtk514@live.com) at our monthly quilt meeting or contact us at your convenience. When donating, please suggest a price.

Note: We cannot accept fabric (yardage or fat quarters), second-hand items such as jewelry, scarves, or clothing. Items should be something you have made or have a sewing connection, i.e., sewing baskets, books, lace, buttons, and patterns are acceptable.

*This is a fundraising event; all proceeds benefit the guild. Anything not sold will be returned to you.

Quilt Show (Oct 2023)



Raffle quilt: Members can return sold ticket stubs and the money collected from the sale at the guild General Meetings up through June 2023 to Ginger Scott or Jean Stubaus. Additionally, if you would like to pick up more tickets to see, again please see Ginger and Jean to get additional tickets.

We also need members help in spreading the word. If you are able to help us distribute postcards, put up flyers, etc., please see the Quilt Show committee to tell us how you can help.

For Boutique questions, please contact: Jann Slapin at jannslapin@gmail.com and 908-451-1172, or Donna Koenig at dtk514@live.com

For Little Wishes questions, please see: Ginger Scott

For Quilt Show volunteering information: please see Chris Courtney, Jean Stubaus, or Ginger Scott

General Guild Notes

Membership: A reminder that all members and guests should wear their badge at every meeting. This will help new members see who you are. There are still unclaimed member badges. If you have any questions, or changes to your address or contact information, please see Jan Martin or email her at jmartinnj@comcast.net.

General meetings are **in person** at Grace Church, unless otherwise noted on the website. Dates are listed on page 11. From 6:45 – 7:15 pm is the time to chat with other members, visit each of our tables (membership, programs, quilt show, library, Sunshine, etc.) and to go to Drop and Shop. **Meetings will start promptly at 7:15 pm.** **Board meetings** are also in person two weeks prior to the general meeting, unless noted beforehand. Please let us know if you will attend so we can give you meeting information in advance. Dates are listed on page 11.

Drop and Shop: Drop and Shop will be open in May and June, and will be accepting everything pertaining to quilting-fabric, tools, books, patterns etc. Bring your own bag and for \$5.00, fill it up with quilt goodies!!



Fabric Raffle: Instead of a book raffle that we had in past years, we've been conducting a fabric raffle at each membership meeting instead. We've had some incredible fabric bundles that have been raffled at each meeting so far this year.

Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5.

Hospitality: Hospitality committee will provide individual waters and small snacks until further notice.

Library: Library is open in May and June, and as always reach out to Laura with any requests or suggestions of books you think the guild ought to own.

Newsletter: As in past years, we run a newsletter every 2 months and anyone in the guild may contribute (see “Member News” section at the back of this edition on page 12). This is the final newsletter for the 2022-2023 guild year. We will resume asking for content in August for the September-October 2023 newsletter. We ask that contributions be sent to Cindy Koziol-White at cynthiakoziol27@hotmail.com.

Razzle Dazzle: Bring a fat quarter (FQ – 18” x 22”) to each meeting according to the schedule below and get a ticket for each FQ that you bring towards the drawing to win all the fat quarters brought in that night. In the past, there were meetings where we had so many participants that we were able to have 2 fat quarter bundle winners!

SCHEDULE FOR 2023

MAY - TREES

JUNE - STRIPES



Programs

For May, Programs is putting together a lecture on the ease and power of using Electric Quilt 8 for quilt design and layout (May 8).



A workshop on May 9th is by our very own **Ginger Scott**, who will show us the ins and outs of Collage Quilt making. The workshop will be at Sew Jersey from 3-7 pm. No sewing machine needed!

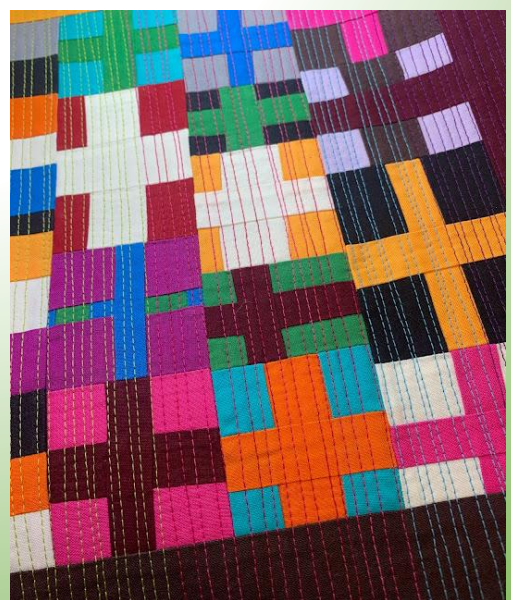


Sign up and make something awesome!!!! If you have any ideas or want to help in our workshops, please contact Carol or Mary. For cancellation policy, please contact Carol or Mary.



In November 2023, the guild will be hosting **Barbara Vedder**. She will be presenting at the guild meeting on exploring the origins of Solid Quilt Design and what might have inspired them. She will guide members through a visual journey of color exploration and appreciation. She will be sharing sensational quilts made with solid fabrics from early quilting in America through the Modern Quilt movement of today, sharing a trunk show of quilts as a companion to the presentation.

The next day Barbara will be running a workshop entitled, “Small Solid Study”. This will be an introduction to making quilts with solids. Students supply inspiration photos, use a quilt block, or work in the abstract. Barbara will guide members on how to use color and composition to make a small quilt or the start of a larger project.



Sunshine

Thank you to so many of our members who have donated finished quilts and quilt tops. Also, thanks to those who are piecing, quilting and binding our kits. Children's quilts are donated as fast as they are completed. This month, more than 25 children's quilts were donated to 3 different hospitals/homes.

Adult lap quilts need more sources for donation. We have over 30 quilts ready to be donated. Do you know of a place that would appreciate a donation of quilts? Do you have a loved one in a senior home? In the past, we donated close to 100 quilts to the residents of Merry Heart. The Veterans Home in Paramus has also been a recipient.

Where would you like to see Sunshine donate adult quilts? If you have any suggestions, please send info to jstubaus@optonline.net. Thank you! Below are some of the recently donated quilts and members working on stuffed animals at the April Bee.

Would you like to join fellow guild members for a charity sit and sew? We meet once a month at the Chatham Library from 1 pm – 4 pm. Bring your sewing machine and we will provide the rest.

Upcoming Bees:

- Wednesday, May 17, 2023
- Wednesday, June 21, 2023



Block of the Month

Paper pieced blocks of the month for May and June are shown below, with the June BOM being the Strawberry Supper Ice Cream Cone Block. All are available for download at: <https://www.gardenstatequiltersguild.com/block-of-the-month>

Note: You will need to log in with the password that is on the back of your current membership card in order to access the files for download.



Join the **CONEHEADS**
Strawberry Supper Club!

Each finished cone block brought to the Strawberry Supper at the end of the Guild year entitles you to one ticket in the raffle for all the cones.

Sample Fabric Cone

Visit: www.gardenstatequiltersguild.com/block-of-the-month

The image is a promotional graphic for the "Coneheads Strawberry Supper Club". It features a photograph of three people wearing ice cream cone hats. To the left, there are six colorful ice cream cones arranged in a 2x3 grid. To the right, there is a large, detailed image of a fabric ice cream cone with a pink polka-dot top and a tan patterned cone. The background is a blue sky with clouds. The text is in a mix of yellow, white, and black fonts.

Calendar of Events – Spring/Summer 2023

<u>DATE</u>		<u>Event</u>
May 8		Guild Meeting – Using EQ8 for quilt design
May 9		Collage Quilting with Ginger Scott at Sew Jersey
May 17		Bee
		Board Meeting
May 31		Deadline for quilt submission(s) to Chatham Library Show
June 12		Guild Meeting – Strawberry Supper
June 21		Bee
July 8		Chatham Library Exhibit Opening Day
July 12		Workshop at Chatham Library – 1 st and 2 nd graders
July 19		Workshop at Chatham Library – 3 rd – 5 th graders
July 26		Workshop at Chatham Library – 6 th – 12 th graders
July 30		Ending of Chatham Library Exhibit
August 15		Deadline for quilt submission for the October Quilt Show

Member News & Upcoming Events

Upcoming Quilt Shows/Events		
<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>Event</u>
April 29-30	Saturday 10 am - 6 pm Sunday 10 am – 4 pm	Brooklyn Quilters Guild show 163 26th Street, between 3rd and 4th Aves, Brooklyn, NY https://www.quiltbrooklyn.org/quilt-show-1
May 6 – June 30	May 6 th opening: 6-8 pm Gallery is open Tuesday- Saturdays 12 – 6 pm	Bisa Butler: The World is Yours Jeffrey Deitch Gallery 18 Wooster Street, New York, NY https://deitch.com/new-york/exhibitions/bisa-butler-the-world-is-yours
June 21-24	June 22&23: 9 am – 6 pm June 24: 9 am – 5 pm	Vermont Quilt Festival Champlain Valley Expo 105 Pearl Street Essex Jct, VT https://www.vqf.org/

Board Members

Executive Board (2022-2023) – 1 year appointment		Committee Positions (no term expiration)	
President	Karen Jack	Library	Laura Wagner
Vice President	Jackie Laba	Hospitality	Phyllis Gilbert & Cindy Koziol-White
Treasurer	Sue Adams	Raffle Quilt	Ginger Scott, Jean Stubaus, Sue Adams
Secretary	Molly Adams	Block of the Month	Yolanda Fundora
Programs	Carol Mann & Mary Ledyard	Fabric Raffle	Pam Farago
Trustees		Friendship Quilt	Alix Martin
Membership	Jan Martin & Lori Darnulc	Historian/Show 'n Tell	TBD – Volunteer?
Nominating	Jann Slapin	Drop & Shop	Paul Raimondo & Sue Schmerler
Newsletter	Beth DiDomenico & Cindy Koziol-White	Razzle Dazzle	Sue Schmerler & Paula Raimondo
Sunshine	Jean Stubaus	January Party	Pam Farago
Grants & Scholarship	Wannetta Phillips	Social Media	Cindy Koziol-White
Quilt Show	Christine Courtney; Ginger Scott, Jean Stubaus	Programs Committee	Becky Dieckmann & Juliet McDonnell
Webmaster	Yolanda Fundora	Sunshine Committee	Pat Buikema, Emily Egerter, Mindy Mathisen, Liz Merson