



GARDEN STATE QUILTERS' NEWSLETTER

Mar/Apr
2011

Member, National Quilting Association

Chapter 124



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

Membership info/ change of address

Please notify Marian Bell at: membership@gardenstatequilters.com

Deadline for May/June newsletter is April 25th.

Send articles to: newsletter@gardenstatequilters.com

Message from the President

Dear fellow quilters,

If you look closely, the first signs of Spring are starting to appear. The birds are starting to return, bulbs are popping up and quilt shows are appearing on calendars everywhere. Considering the cold and snowy winter we have had, those signs cannot come soon enough for me -- particularly the quilt shows. I was fortunate enough to spend time at the recent Mancuso Quilt Show in Somerset, NJ where we were able to display our raffle quilt and sell tickets thanks to the generosity of our fellow members to volunteered to white glove and sell tickets. A big Thank You to all who helped out!!

Spring is also the time of year when the Board and Committee Chairs reach out to the membership for your support. There are several positions on the Board that are open for next year. Please consider volunteering your time and taking a position on the Board or Committee. I can share from personal experience that becoming involved is a great way to meet people and make some wonderful friends. Sharing and socializing the art of quilting is one of our underlying principles . . . there is no better way to do that than by becoming involved in your guild.

The next few months will be very busy for our Guild as we prepare for our May Quilt Show. We need to get the word out to others who are not members, so if anyone belongs to another guild or has friends who belong to different guilds please take some of the flyers/postcards and pass them along. I would like to thank everyone who has volunteered for our upcoming quilt show and all the work done thus far. Welcome to the new faces getting involved! Thank you for sharing your talents with us. If you haven't volunteered yet, please contact any of the Board or Committee members to find out how you can share YOUR talents with the Guild.

Our guest speakers and workshops for March, April and May are awesome. There has been a last minute change to the May speaker/workshop, so please contact Becky Dieckmann or Aleeda Crawley regarding details and availability on all of the workshops.

Happy Quilting,

Mary

Garden State Quilters Board Members and Committee Chairs

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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.



GSQ Booth at the Mancuso Quilt Festival
of NJ VII, March 4-6, 2011

Workshop 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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Troop Support

I'd like to thank everyone for their support and socks. They have been sent to Afghanistan and are much appreciated and very unexpected. This brought many laughs to the guys who now have an abundance clean socks.

No more socks please, they are all coming home soon.

with Gratitude, Barbie

Barbara Vanderfleet-Martin



Donate Your Scraps

Judy Joeshon works at a private special ed school in Chatham, and would love to have strips that are often discarded by quilters for a weaving project. She is looking for any size strip from 1/2 inch to 2 1/2 inches, preferably the width of the fabric. Judy will have a large basket at the guild meeting. Please save your leftover strips for her students? Any color, any kind of fabric.



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.

Workshops

Calendar 2010-2011



Monday, March 14, 2011	Guild Meeting: Myrah Brown Green "Quilt Blocks from the Global Village"
Saturday, March 20, 2011	Workshop: International Quilt Blocks
Monday, April 11, 2011	Guild Meeting: Cynthia England, "Creating a Pictorial Quilt"
Tuesday, April 12, 2011	Workshop: Small Landscape Class
Monday, May 9, 2011	Guild Meeting: Linda Hahn, "Margarita Madness & Other Cool Quilting Techniques" *** NOTE CHANGE IN SPEAKER!***
Tuesday, May 10, 2011	Workshop: NY Beauty Quilts - Simplified

Please go to www.gardenstatequilters.com for workshop details

Important Note:

Our May presenter, Helen Squire, has had to cancel her engagements because of health concerns.

We were very fortunate to be able to arrange to have Linda Hahn join us for May. She will be presenting her lecture 'Margarita Madness & Other Cool Quilting Techniques!' On Monday evening. Tuesday's workshop will be 'NEW YORK BEAUTY QUILTS - Simplified'.

A supply list and instructions will be available soon and a workshop kit will be available for \$22.00. If you were signed up for Helen's workshop, you will have the opportunity to sign up for Linda's or receive a full refund. If I have not already called you, I will shortly.

A supply list and information of April's workshop will be at the March meeting. -Becky Dieckmann

Workshop Registration Form

Workshops are held on the dates listed above from 9am-3pm, at St. George's Episcopal Church on Ridgewood Road in Maplewood.

Name: _____ Tel: _____

Street: _____ Town: _____ Zip: _____

E-mail: _____

<input type="checkbox"/> 3/2011	Myrah Brown Green	International Quilt Blocks	\$60 members /\$65 non-mem
<input type="checkbox"/> 4/12/11	Cynthia England	Small Landscape Class	\$60 members /\$65 non-mem
<input type="checkbox"/> 5/10/11	Linda Hahn	NY Beauty Quilts - Simplified	\$60 members /\$65 non-mem

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.



Hospitality

Thanks to all who have provided goodies at our September and October meetings. Everything has been yummy. We often have leftovers and anyone is welcome to take something home. If anything is left, my husband takes it to the soup kitchen in Morristown the next day. They always appreciate goodies.

For **March**, last names beginning with N-Z can bring something special if you are able.

For **April**, last names beginning with A-M can bring something special for the season.

If anyone has comments or wishes for hospitality, please don't hesitate to speak up.

Friendship Quilt

Alix and Juliette would like to thank all those who have completed and returned their blocks. A beautiful assortment of floral combinations has come in and the final quilt should be a delightful garden to compliment our collection of homes. If anyone has blocks they have not returned, please bring them in to the next meeting. If anyone has questions, please call Alix at 908-790-1862 in the evening or on weekends. Happy Quilting.

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.

Meeting Note

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.



Open Board Positions

We are in need of someone to assist our Programs Chairs particularly during the workshops which are held during the week. Also we are still in need of a Nominating Chair and Publicity. Both of which are an important part of the guild. If anyone would be interested in these positions please contact me or anyone of the Board members. Thank you,

-Mary Gruszecki



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Then and Now 2011 Quilt Show

presented by

The Garden State Quilter's Guild

May 21-22, 2011

The William G. Mennen Sports Arena, a facility of the Morris County Park Commission
Morristown NJ

Directions at www.morrisparks.net

Early-Bird Special

Fill out and return your quilt show entry form(s) by the March Meeting, and your name will be entered for a door prize!

Important Show Dates

April 1, 2011	Quilt submission forms <i>must</i> be received by the show.
May 15, 2011	Quilt take-in

Entry Instructions

NO HANGING SLEEVES REQUIRED!

All entry forms must include (1) A photograph of the quilt. (2) A check made out to GSQ for the entire entry fee (\$5 non-judged and \$10 judged quilt TOTAL).

Categories:

Applique: Must be more than 50% appliqueed.

Pieced: Must be more than 50% pieced.

Machine Quilted: Quilting is done by the piecer.

Professionally Quilted: Quilting is done by a paid quilter.

Art Quilt: Quilt contains no recognizable pattern and may include any single or combination of techniques.

Rookie: Quilters who have been quilting less than 2 years at the time of the Show.

Group Quilt: Pieced by more than one person including Block Exchanges, refinishing an old quilt, etc.

Kids: More than 50% of the quilt pieced by a child or children under the age of 16 and sponsored by a GSQ member.

Miscellaneous: Includes wearables, totes, dolls, bags, etc.

Kit/Pattern: Pieced using a purchase kit or published pattern.

Original Design: Original design.

Labeling Instructions:

Each quilt must be placed in a pillowcase, clearly labeled with your Name, Address, Phone Number, and Assigned SHOW NUMBER.

A label on the back of the quilt should include your name, address, phone number and assigned show number. The label should be on the LOWER RIGHT CORNER, and if being judged, should be covered with a muslin square securely, showing ONLY the show number.

Quilt Pick-Up:

Quilts will be available for pick-up at 5:30 PM on Sunday May 22nd at the show. An entry receipt must be presented to receive your quilt or quilts. If another member of the Guild is picking up your quilt, a receipt with your signature authorizing this release must be presented for each entry. THERE WILL BE NO EXCEPTIONS MADE!! Your co-operation is greatly appreciated.

Any questions, contact Lori Roth:
show@gardenstatequilters.com

Garden State Quilters
Quilt Show 2011 Entry Form

Show Date: Saturday May 21st and Sunday May 22nd, 2011

Entry Form Deadline: April 1th NO EXCEPTIONS!

Take in: Sunday May 15th 12-4pm at 8 Beaver Ridge Road, Morris Plains, NJ 07950
(Lori Roth's House)

**One Form per entry. Please attach a photograph (Photos will NOT be returned).
No Photo/No Entry**

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Title of Entry: _____

**Brief Description for Story Card Including inspirations, techniques, anecdotal info.
Please give credit to pattern/kit, quilter where applicable.**

Year Made: _____ **Insurance Value:** _____

Note: GSQ will insure quilts valued to \$250.00. If you wish additional coverage please contact your own insurance carrier for a rider. Additional coverage may be available through the Guild. Please contact Becky Dieckmann for information. Deadline for insurance inquires is April 1st, 2011.

Size: width _____ length _____

Entry Fee: Judged \$10 _____ Non-judged \$5 _____

Please attach a check made out to Garden State Quilters for the appropriate fee total. One check may be given for multiple entries.

Please Check: Original Design _____ Pattern/Kit _____

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Please check the one that best applies and note that the judging committee reserves the right to change the category.

PHQ Pieced Quilt, Hand Quilted	_____ 100	AHQ Appliqué Quilt, Hand Quilted	_____ 400
PPQ Pieced Quilt Professionally Quilted	_____ 200	APQ Appliqué Quilt, Professionally Quilted	_____ 500
PMQ Pieced Quilt Machine Quilted	_____ 300	AMQ Appliqué Quilt, Machine Quilted	_____ 600
ART Art Quilt	_____ 700	Small and Miniatures	_____ 900
HOUSE Urban Amish Challenge	_____ 800	ROOK Rookie	_____ 1000
GRP Group	_____ 1100	KIDS Kids	_____ 1200
MISC Miscellaneous	_____ 1300		

Please mail entry forms to: Lori Roth- 8 Beaver Ridge Road, Morris Plains, NJ 07950

By my signature below, I attest that I am a current member of the Garden State Quilt Guild, that I am the maker or sponsor of the above submitted quilt, that I understand that the GSQG will take precautions to assure the care and return of the submitted entry, that I understand that the GSQG will not be held responsible for acts of nature that result in damage or loss of the entry quilt. I give permission to the GSQG and the public to photograph this entry.

Signature _____ Date: _____

For Committee Use Only:

Entry Form Rec'd _____

Entry Receipt Given: _____

Entry Fee Rec'd _____



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Raffle Quilt Block

The raffle quilt committee wants you to do a hard target search for houses: outhouses, birdhouses, lighthouses, beach houses, dog houses, school houses, any houses. Your block must be 8 ½" (finishing to 8"). You must use the fabric provided somewhere in the block, and there can be NO 3-D embellishments. We are looking for bright and colorful blocks. Feel free to look in books, magazines, and on-line for inspiration. Have fun!!!

Please pick-up your fabric at the January meeting.

Due Date: March meeting

Questions? Call Alicia Bell (908) 508-0772



Member News

If you have **Member News** to contribute, email it to: newsletter@gardenstatequilters.com. Please provide as much information as possible.

If you have information for the homepage on our website, please email to rose1951@hotmail.com

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Quilting Events

Harvest Quilters of Central NJ
"Sharing the Quilts XXVIII"
March 26, 2011, 8:30AM - 5PM
Willow Grove Presbyterian Church
1961 Raritan Road, Scotch Plains, NJ
www.harvestquilters.com

American Quilter's Society
Lancaster Show
March 16-19, 2011
Lancaster County Convention Center
Lancaster, PA
www.americanquilter.com

Quilts: Masterworks from the
American Folk Art Museum

Now through October 16, 2011
45 West 53rd Street
New York, NY 10019
www.folkartmuseum.org



Pieced Together Quilters Bus Trip

To The Northern Star Quilt Show in Somers, NY
Saturday, April 30, 2011
\$35 - includes round-trip to the show & admission
Leaves: Bridgewater United Methodist Church
Club Road, Bridgewater, NJ
Promptly at 8:30 AM
Payment must be received by **March 25th**
Information: Rae Wong rs4wong@optimum.net
908-242-0489

Urban Inspirations Quilt Show

March 26-27 10AM-6PM (Sat) - 4PM (Sun)
Fashion Institute of Technology (FIT)
28th Street at 7th Avenue
New York City
www.empirequilters.net

Infinite Variety: Three Centuries of Red and White Quilts

March 25-30
American Folk Art Museum
643 Park Ave. (between 66th and 67th Streets)
New York City
folkartmuseum.org/infinitevariety



Raffle Quilt

Size: 76.5" x 92.5". Value \$900.00

Raffle Date: June 21, 2011 at
7pm in New Providence, NJ

*Roman Broad Stripe-The Garden State
Quilters Guild Can Build Rome in a Day.*

Quilt design based on Urban Amish Lesson #2
available on
www.urbanamish-yolandafundora.blogspot.com

For tickets & information contact:
raffle@gardenstatequilters.com

Little Wishes

Mary Ann Gotch and Judy Mason are chairing the Little Wishes committee for the Quilt Show.

We still need quilts for the show. The only “rule” is that items for Little Wishes must be 24” or less per side. This was a very popular and exciting part of our last show in addition to raising money for the Guild. To those of you who are new to the Guild, about 20 Little Wishes were “auctioned” off every two hours, similar to a Chinese auction. Tickets were purchased and dropped into a container numbered the same as the quilts. If your number is pulled, WOW, you get the quilt. The more Little Wishes we have to give away, the more show attendees go home with one.

We’re hoping that you can make at least one of these little quilts. If you have an extra block or 2 from another quilt project, maybe you can turn that into a Little Wishes quilt. Little Wishes will only be as successful as you, our members, make it.

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Quilt Show Boutique

I am so pleased with all of the wonderful items that have been donated so far! The Boutique is really shaping up to be something special. Haven't donated yet? You still have plenty of time. Items will be accepted up until our May 9th meeting.

Thanks again, *Sue Erdreich*



Meeting Notes

Hospitality 6:45 PM

Business 7:15 PM

Guild Pins - \$5

Membership Lanyard - \$5

March Meeting Checklist

- Hospitality Treats - N-Z
- Block of the Month
- Show and Tell
- Troop Support
- Little Wishes
- Quilt Show Boutique
- Early Bird Quilt Show Entries Due

April Meeting Checklist

- Block of the Month
- Show and Tell
- Hospitality Treats - A-M
- Troop Support
- Little Wishes
- Quilt Show Boutique

Dates to Remember

Mon, 3/14	Guild Meeting: Myrah Green
Sat, 3/20	Workshop International Quilt Blocks
Friday, April 1	Quilt Show Entries Due
Mon, 4/11	Guild Meeting Cynthia England
Tue, 4/12	Workshop Small Landscape Class
5/26, 5/27	2011 Quilt Show
Mon, 6/13	Guild Meeting: Strawberry Supper



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BUILD THE HOUSE OF YOUR DREAMS!

We'd like for everyone in the guild to participate in our **Then and Now 2011 Quilt Show**.

A relatively stress-free way would be to make a 24" square quilt for UrbanAmish Town.

To participate: Just pick one of the Houses-of-the-Month to interpret in your dream colors and fabrics. Or dress it up for the holidays. In other words: Play with it to your heart's content!

Finish it with a 4" mitered border. Small enough to quilt on a home machine!

Bring your house-in-progress to the monthly meeting if you need help or simply for all to enjoy.

Starting in January 2011 please bring in your house to be photographed.

Let's make UrbanAmish Town a neighborhood anyone would be proud to live in.

Any questions contact Yolanda at: blockofthemonth@gardenstatequilters.com