



Member National Quilting Association, Chapter 124

November/December 2020 Pandemic Edition

General Meeting Dates
are listed on pages
5 & 6

**General Meetings held via:
Zoom!!**

Will begin at 7 PM

Meet the Speaker
Alas, not available until we hold f-2-f meetings

Board Meetings
2 Weeks prior to monthly Guild Meetings; see listing on pages 5 & 6 (integrated with Guild's calendar)

Board Meetings will also be via Zoom! Let us know that you wish to attend and we will send you the link.

Message from our President

Hello Quilters!

I'm happy to announce that we have 95 members in the guild this year! This means that we should have another amazing Friendship Quilt to raffle off again next September! It also means that we should have a lot of Block of the Month quilts for Show and Tell at June's Strawberry Supper.

As you know we have an amazing line up of speakers and virtual workshops scheduled for this guild year. So take advantage of the fact that you don't have to pack up your sewing room and travel to an offsite location this year to take a class. You can do that from the comfort of your own sewing room where everything is in reach and you can have a snack anytime you want!

So, keep quilting, keep smiling, wash your hands , and stay safe!

Sincerely,
Pam



Programs Committee

1. The Program Committee has been hard at work, contacting and lining up new Speakers for our Membership meetings where we can no longer meet face-to-face. Look and see who we have contracted with on the Calendar of Events Table (pages 5 & 6).

Workshops this calendar year::

Cancellation policy:

Refunds will be issued for cancellations that are made more than 21 days **prior** to each workshop. For cancellations within 21 days of a workshop, your money is forfeited unless there is a waiting list or you find your own replacement.

Workshops begin at 10AM

Zoom will start at approximately 9:40AM.

Check website for list of supplies.

As always, if you would like to sign up for a workshop please email Jan Martin at jmartinnj@comcast.net. There are still places available for David's workshop in November.

2. **NEW TO ZOOM?** While we will be using Zoom to begin our year, we'd like to ensure everyone is included and comfortable in using Zoom. Anyone out there who has not had time to play with Zoom? Here's a tip: did you know you can use Zoom even if you don't have a web camera? You can still participate in our meetings and see the presentation. We just would not be able to see you. I'm happy to hold a trial Zoom call with anyone who would like to test it out before our meeting. I can take you through all or only some of the functionality (the chat box, the all-important "mute" button, etc.) Please contact me, Jan Martin at jmartinnj@comcast.net and we can set up a time to try it out.

3. Anyone signed up for **David Sirota**'s workshop last year will automatically be enrolled for the Nov. 10th workshop scheduled for this year. We will contact you to confirm your interest and payment. Anyone wanting to sign up on the wait list may contact jmartinnj@comcast.net.

Price for each workshop only \$50!

~ Jan and Lori

Hospitality

It's holiday time! And Baking time! Please do SHARE your favorite recipes with Beth at newsletter@gardenstatequilters.com

We will be happy to publish family favorites anytime this year.

~Carol and Gail

Sunshine Committee

SUNSHINE is alive and well as we begin to enjoy cooler weather outside! We continue to work on quilts and comfort pillows for donations and on that front, facilities are beginning to open up and accept our work!

Last week was the beginning. Pat delivered sixteen comfort pillows to the vets and after a somewhat questionable greeting at the door by a rather intimidating fellow, her intentions were stated and she was met with great enthusiasm. His eyes danced with gratitude – you really CAN see a happy face even with a mask on!



Jean was the recipient of two women's quilt estates' which included 3 tops, another 5 quilts that are sandwiched, and a few panels. WE could use volunteer from our membership to work on these donations! Please contact one of us.

We may not be meeting in person right now, but our work continues rather steadily and we encourage your participation! STAY SAFE and KEEP QUILTING!

Sunshine contacts:

Jean Stubaus 973-476-8561 jstubaus@optonline.net
Pat Buikema 973-495-9137 sabrewolf8@aol.com
Mindy Mathisen 973-703-6788 mindymathisen@gmail.com

Thanks and Happy Quilting!

Membership

Despite the pandemic and the virtual nature of our guild meetings, we still need to have everyone sign up online as members of the Guild. Please go to guild website at www.gardenstatequiltersguild.com and click on the line that says:



Join or renew membership: fill out membership form

What will happen?

Once you click you will be asked to enter all of the necessary information right onto the Membership Form. It is necessary to complete all sections on the form before submitting. After clicking on the SUBMIT button you will then come to a screen that alerts you to a confirmation email sent to you at the email address you entered on the form. **Membership dues are reduced this year to \$30.**

Please print the form you receive in the confirmation email and mail it in with your payment (we will not be collecting any membership payments at Guild Meetings this year). For members without computer access please call me (201-213-9034). If you have any questions about, or problems with, the membership registration process please contact me at gingerscott503@gmail.com

~Ginger

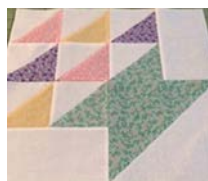
Block of the Month

Hello quilters! Carol and I are without a guild job currently as we typically do Hospitality, and as you know we are now virtual, at least for the time being. So, for now we are going to do Block of the Month virtually.

You can go to our Member's Website to find November's and December's patterns. A picture of each of the blocks from Pam is shown below. This year you will be keeping the blocks you make and then assembling them before our last meeting into a small quilt, wall hanging, table runner or whatever you choose.

We will share our individual creations virtually at the June meeting.

There will be 9 different blocks. You will want to check the website each month for your new pattern. Each will measure 12 ½ inches when completed; they are all traditional patterns. Pick a color palette, a type of fabric, a genre, or go scrappy and join us.



Blocks of the Month – pictures from Pam

~Carol and Gail

Newsletter

The Newsletter will be fully electronic (unless a member specifically requests a mail-in version).

Please send me any pictures, or helpful hints to share with other guild members.

Please use the newsletter email for these, I do check the site:

newsletter@gardenstatequilters.com

Date due	For Edition
December 21	January/February
February 15	March/April
April 19	June

~Beth

Library



In this pandemic year, we are thinking "outside the box" and bringing you : **Library Take Out**

New Books Are In!!!!

Why We Quilt by Thomas Knauer
Patches of Stars by Edyta Sitar
The Ultimate Guide to Rulerwork Quilting by Amanda Murphy
Modern Magic Quilts by Victoria Findlay Wolfe
Terrific T-Shirt Quilts by Martingale Press
Walk2.0 by Jacquie Gering
Quilting on the Go... English Paper Piecing by Sharon Burgess
Ultimate Quilt Block Collection by Lynne Goldsworthy
Patchwork Sassaman Style by Jane Sassaman

If you are interested in borrowing any of these books email Laura Wagner (lajawagner@gmail.com) today.

U-Pick up in Chatham: U-Return to Chatham. First come first serve.

~Laura

Drop 'N Shop Marketplace

Will not be possible until we meet again face-to-face. :-)

Razzle Dazzle

Will not be possible until we meet again face-to-face. :-)

ByLaws Committee

Don't forget to vote – **reply to the eBlast sent by Jann**





2020-2021 Friendship Quilt - *Pandemic Edition*

For months now, we have been confined to our homes using our quilting super powers to keep the country in masks. So, for this year's Friendship Quilt, we are going back to houses: Houses on the (Quilt) Block. Please send us your favorite block, or a left-over block, made of any fabric. The blocks you send can be 8", 9" or 10". We will add roofs and sky to even them out and create a neighborhood for quilters.

We still need money for extra fabric, batting, backing, binding and quilting, so please include \$5 for your first 1-2 blocks, \$3 additional for each block after your second. **DO NOT SEND CHECKS.** Cash can be tucked/folded inside the blocks. I've been getting blocks and cash for years and never had any stolen. I can't, however, cash checks for the guild. Blocks can be put into a legal envelope, the number of stamps depends on the number of blocks, and send to:

Alix Martin
337 Mountain Ave
Berkeley Heights, NJ 07922.

Make sure your full name is on the return address or inside the envelope. We need to add your name to a raffle ticket. Any questions, call Alix at 908-477-0104 or Ria 908-803-5814. Happy Quilting,.....

~Alix Martin and Ria Wolff

Zoom Meeting Notes

Registered members will be sent a Zoom link prior to each month's meeting

Meetings will begin at 7 PM

Social "gathering" begins at 6:45 PM

This year you can invite like-minded friends to our Speaker presentations via Zoom – just remind them about the "mute" button.



Meeting Checklists

Make sure your "mute button" is muted unless you are speaking. Your video option is up to you.



This means your microphone is on and we can hear you.
Click the button to mute yourself when you are **not** speaking.

This means you are muted and we cannot hear you.
Click the button only when you want to speak. Remember to click it again to mute yourself.

November Meeting

- Standard Show 'N Tell
- Guild Business
- Block of the Month
- David Sirota

December Meeting

- Super Show 'N Tell
- Guild Business
- Block of the Month
- Please do some work for Sunshine...

Calendar of Events

October 26, 2020.	Board Meeting
November 9, 2010.	Membership Meeting David Sirota - Lecture and Trunk Show
November 10, 2020	Workshop: Sew Many Triangles, Sooo Little Time- David Sirota
November 30, 2020.	Board Meeting
December 14, 2020.	Membership Meeting- Speaker: Meg Cox - Behind the Scenes of the Greatest Quilt Museum in the World
December 28, 2020.	Board Meeting
January 11, 2021.	Membership Meeting- Speaker: Jean Impey - Finding Your Passion
January 25, 2021.	Board Meeting
February 8, 2021.	Membership Meeting- Speaker: Virginia (Ginny) Moe - Traditions with a Twist
February 22, 2021.	Board Meeting
March 8, 2021.	Membership Meeting

	Speaker: Giuseppe Ribaldo - TBC
March 9, 2021	Giucy Giuce Workshop
March 29, 2021.	Board Meeting Review the Slate of Board Members
April 12, 2021.	Membership Meeting Speaker: Jane Sassaman - Under the Influence Announce the Slate of Board Members
April 13, 2021	Workshop: to be announced
April 26, 2021.	Board Meeting
May 10, 2021.	Membership Meeting Speaker to be announced Vote on Slate of Board Members
May 31, 2021.	Board Meeting
June 14, 2021.	Membership Meeting- traditionally the Annual Strawberry Supper but may change due to Covid restrictions Members to display their BOM quilts



Board Members and Committee Chairs

Board Positions (2020-2021)		Committee Positions - no term expiration	
President (1*)	Pam Farago	Programs Helper(s)	Lindy Wilson & Linda Haan
Vice President (1)	Karen Jack	Webmaster	Yolanda Fundora
Treasurer (1)	Sue Adams	Library	Laura Wagner
Secretary (1)	Laura Wagner	Hospitality	Carol Scullin & Gail Moodie
Membership (1)	Ginger Scott	Raffle Quilt	Jean Stubaus
Nominating (1)	Susan Wolfman	Block of the Month	Carol Scullen and Gail Moodie
Programs (2)	Jan Martin and Lori Darnulc	Book Raffle	Barbie VanderFleet-Martin
Newsletter (1)	Beth DiDomenico	Friendship Quilt	Alix Martin
Quilt Show (1)	open	Historian/Show /n Tell	Anita Liebman
Special Projects	Sue Schmerler	Drop & Shop	Paula Raimondo and Sue Schmerler,
		Razzle Dazzle	Paula Raimondo, Sue Schmerler
		January Party	Barbie VanderFleet-Martin
		Publicity	Jackie Laba
		Grants & Scholarships	Wannetta Phillips
		Sunshine Coordinator	Jean Stubaus
		Sunshine Helpers	Pat Buikima, Ginny Moe, Emily Egerter, Mindy Mathisen, Liz Mershon, Sallie Rosal

* Number of voting positions

Member News and Upcoming Events

Anyone can share quilting ideas, awards, upcoming publications, quilting places they have been, quilting projects they are working on or are thinking about working on. This is your page. Send emails newsletter@gardensstatequilters.com about 2 weeks before the upcoming edition and we will include it in the next newsletter.....here's one::



Someone gave us fleece. Sunshine cannot use it. 3 yards of black and gray plaid. 3 yards of green tie dye. If anyone wants it call, text or e-mail me. Pat Buikema, 973-495-9137 or Sabrewolf8@aol.com.

This year: if any member has a friend they think might be interested in one of the speaker presentations, please feel free to forward the Zoom invitation to them to join us for an evening.



From Dear Kris and Ladies of the Garden State Quilt Guild,

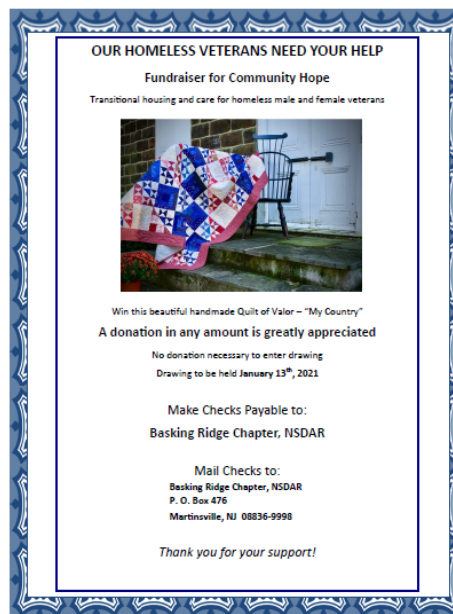
As of this past Wednesday, we have officially started our Fundraiser. Thanks to your beautiful quilt, a Quilt of Valor aptly named, "My Country," we are able to hold a drawing for the benefit of **Community Hope**.

We want to reach as many people as possible. The NJ State DAR Regent has forwarded the flyer to approximately 2,400 NJ members. Community Hope has done an eblast to 5,600 supporters and will shortly post it on their Facebook page. They will repeat the eblasts each month until the [drawing on January 13](#).

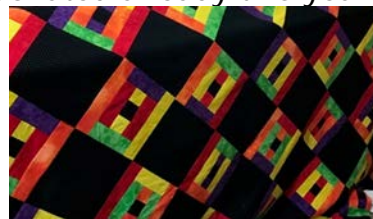
As you probably already know, the Sparkle of Hope Gala had to be cancelled so I decided to use the quilt as originally intended, to raise funds for our homeless veterans. You have already been the most important part of the fundraiser but can I ask all to forward the flyer (attached below) to family and friends and post it on your Facebook page.

Thank you all for making this fundraiser possible. Marianne

Please see end of newsletter for information on how to donate, or get raffle tix, etc.



A few more examples of Sunshine quilts that we donated already this year.....



Our members do wonderful work!

From Sue Schmerler:

One of my passions, besides quilting, is as a volunteer case developer for Centurion, an organization that works to help free wrongly convicted people. Last week Kevin DeSalle was released from Angola prison in LA after serving 24 years for a murder he did not commit! I sent him the attached quilt as a freedom gift.



OUR HOMELESS VETERANS NEED YOUR HELP

Fundraiser for Community Hope

Transitional housing and care for homeless male and female veterans



Win this beautiful handmade Quilt of Valor – “My Country”

A donation in any amount is greatly appreciated

No donation necessary to enter drawing

Drawing to be held **January 13th, 2021**

Make Checks Payable to:

Basking Ridge Chapter, NSDAR

Mail Checks to:

Basking Ridge Chapter, NSDAR

P. O. Box 476

Martinsville, NJ 08836-9998

Thank you for your support!

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Address Line 1: _____

Address Line 2: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____

Phone Number: _____

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