



Keystone Quilters News

Fall Quilting! Quilt Show Coming!

President's Letter:

This being my first President's Letter, I thought it appropriate to start out with the Keystone Quilters purpose statement that's part of our bylaws. The purpose statement "The purpose of this organization shall be to foster and preserve the art and history of quilting by teaching, creating library resources, holding exhibits, displays, and lectures."

I couldn't be prouder of the volunteers, Jamee, Annemarie, and Ginny, that have stepped up and made themselves available to teach quilting this Fall at the Souderton Area High School evening classes. Not only is it a teaching opportunity but also an opportunity to recruit more members.

I also want to mention the quilt registration workshop that was presented by Sue and Kathy at the Indian Valley Public library. I attended the workshop and found it very beneficial. I was very happy to see so many members attending and completing registration forms to have their quilts hung and judged at our upcoming October quilt show. This process was set up to help people register their quilts properly and hopefully, will save time and avoid confusion later. Along with Sue and Kathy, there were other members helping with the process: Alicia, Gina, & Jamee.

Kathy Shorter has a great lineup of speakers for our 2024-2025 year. I want to thank Kathy for the many years of creating meaningful programs. Deb Ott has been doing a great job of handling our Saturday Specials and Arlene is so organized when it come to our charity functions. These ladies take their responsibilities very seriously and have done a great service to our quilt guild.

If you are looking for inspiration for your next quilt project, I encourage you to review our website list of library resources. Angie, Ginny, & Janet are available to assist you. And lastly, Trudy is available as the sunshine volunteer to write cards for members who have had deaths or are infirmed. Let her or a committee member know and Trudy will take care of it.

As you can see, your guild is actively making our purpose statement a reality. Make the most of your membership to take advantage of all the resources we have to offer.

Upcoming Events:

Sept 30 – *My Quilting Journey* by Andrea Hoke

Oct 11 & 12 Quilt Show

Oct 28 – *Scrapstashtic Quilts* by Janelea MacBeth

Nov 25 – *Round Robin*

Dec 7 – *December Tea*

Jan 27 – *Fun & Games in Quilting* by Mel Beach via Zoom

Feb 24 – *Color It Beautiful* by Ellen Lindner via Zoom

Mar 31 - *Trunk Show* by Barbara Harr

There are plenty of opportunities for you to take part in our fabulous quilt show! The October 11-12 quilt show is rapidly approaching, and we are still in need of volunteers for the café, set up and clean up, greeters at the front door, and taking down the quilts. If you are picking up a quilt, consider helping to take them down. We need everyone's help!

Our show's success depends on our volunteers. Get the word out and volunteer as much as you are able.

Your President,
Pat Royer

From Mary Ann Smith:

I am so grateful for the beautiful blue and white President's quilt you gifted to me at our June Dinner Meeting. It is a wonderful memento of my two years as President, and the great times I had with the guild in those years!

Your choice (blue!) was perfect for my décor, and the quilt has found a great home on "my chair" in our living room! I know it will be put to much use as chillier weather begins to creep in this fall! Even now, I enjoy sitting with the quilt and reading all the signatures and quilting comments printed on the blocks! It is a memory booster to see all the names and recall our times together. I love the neat center block with the embroidered patch of our guild's logo!

And, a special thank you to Pat Royer for her fine work to organize and piece the quilt as well as Linda Curry for the great custom quilting she did on the quilt. In every way, I am so grateful to have this piece of art!

I plan to submit the quilt to display in our show this year for all to see! 😊

***Here is a lovely poem written by
our member, Linda Curry:***

Colors are a'swirling

All the prep is finished
Pipes and sheets are set
people bustle quilts to spaces
For the deadline to be met.

Next the ladders and the clips
the precious fabric to secure
Time is of the essence
That's for sure

Tired but weary workers
Take one last look around
Is everything where it should be
Not taking anything down!

Tomorrow is the big big day
For all who have been waiting
All for two days viewing
Two years in the making

More Events:

**April 28 - Rock Your
Quilting** by Eleanor
Levie

**May 19 – Creativity
Journey** by Julie Brown
Neu. ** Hybrid
Meeting

**June 23 Guild Dinner
Meeting** TBD

Quilts are hanging off the floor
Visitors will be searching
For patterns that they all adore
Colors are a'swirling.

The show is a success again
The number of viewers grown
To see the quality of quilts
For which KQS is widely known

Tearing down occurs so fast
As opposed to setting up
We always marvel at how quickly
This occurs each time we finish up!

Two years go swiftly past
So soon the time will come
Planning working quilting
We'll do it all again!

Highlights:

Charlie Brown, one of our newer members, just had a quilt accepted into the Pennsylvania National Quilt Extravaganza. It was on her bucket list to have a quilt in a national show. It will also be in our quilt show. Congrats to her and good luck!



The July ice cream social was a hit. We had about 41 people present. Lynn told us all about her winning quilt at the Kutztown Folk Festival, we received some more info on quilt applications for the show, and Jaimee showed us her newest beautiful quilt.

Janet Schmill did an absolutely wonderful job with her trunk show at our outdoor August meeting. Her artistic talent showed through on every piece she displayed. Considering she has only been quilting since 2008, Janet had numerous pieces to display. Thank you, Janet



Saturday Specials and Workshop Events:

Feb – Charity Day

Mar 8 – Stone Soup
Table Runner by Kathy Webb and Ellen Clark

April 5 – Kawandi Quilt
by Jamee Pemberton

April 28 – *Workshop*
Weave a Quilt with Me
by Eleanor Levie

May 3 – Ruler Carry Bag
By Eileen Bell

June 7 – 3D Quilted Vase
by Annemarie Kammler

QUILT SHOW 2024 – Our theme is *Star Struck*.

We are in full quilt show mode! Lots of items to talk about! The entrance fee is \$10 and you can have your hand stamped for re-entry. The raffle quilt, named “Circle of Friends” is completed and beautiful and many members took part in creating it.

REMEMBER THIS NUMBER - 108 hours. That's how long it took to hand quilt the quilt. Invariably someone is going to ask you!
A record 3-1/2 weeks. **GREAT JOB!!**

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**If you see a place where you think we can advertise that we might not have thought about (outside electric signs, businesses, ...), please contact Sue Wilsey so she can check it out.



Guild members who attended the Quilt Registration Help Session on Saturday August 3rd at the Indian Valley Library all agreed that the experience was very helpful and recommended that we put this event in the planning for our next quilt show in 2026. With heavy attendance in the morning and light attendance in the afternoon, it is recommended that we schedule hours 10:00 am to 1:00 pm or 2 pm for the 2026 help session. (Will any of us remember that in 2026?!) Special thanks to **Sue Edwards** for providing all the electronics for reproducing pictures of each of the quilts and to helper **Barry Edwards** for transporting the equipment and setting it up.

The 2024 quilt show will be here in 2 months. Have you submitted your completed registration form to Jamee Pemberton? Registration deadline is September 3rd. We want a fantastic show and encourage everyone to put in at least one quilt!!!

After having put the finishing touches on your display quilts, there are still ways you can contribute to making the show successful. Have you checked the sign-up list to see where we can use more help? See **Joan Cahill**. We currently have 375 mug rugs. Mug rugs will be accepted at the September quilt guild meeting. Have you made one? See **Gina Grekula**. Have you sold your raffle tickets or need more? See **Kelly Wenhold** or **Alicia Wilhelm**. Have you volunteered to sell raffle tickets at area community events? See **Alicia Wilhelm**. Have you made a small item for the Chance Auction? See **Alicia Wilhelm**. Have you talked to your friends and family or used your social media platform to give a shout-out to our show? Word of mouth is an effective way to boost our attendance. Start going through your fabrics and kits.....are you really going to make that kit from 10 years ago?? I am of the opinion if I haven't done it by now there is a reason and perhaps it is better to just move it on! The Boutique is a great place to sell!!! We will need everyone to get the outdoor signs for the quilt show (the list that you gave to Mary Ann!) and get them displayed in a prominent place! Also don't forget to ask your family and friends to come to the quilt show – enjoy looking at all the quilts and have a wonderful lunch too!

Have you marked these dates in your personal calendars yet?

September 3 Quilt registration form deadline. Mail forms to **Jamee Pemberton**.

September 7 Pennsburg Day 10-3

September 16 Quilt Show ZOOM Meeting – Final Show Meeting before the Quilt Show! 7 pm.

All committee heads MUST attend.

September 21 Coopersburg Day 10-5

October 6 Perkasio Fall Festival 12-4

October 8 Delivery of registered quilts at Finland Mennonite Church 9am-5pm

October 9 Judging at Finland Mennonite Church 7:30 am-finish

October 10 Set- Up at Finland Mennonite Church 8:30am-finish. Lunch will be provided!

October 11 Star Struck Quilt Show at Finland Mennonite Church 10am-5pm

October 12 Star Struck Quilt Show at Finland Mennonite Church-10am-4pm

October 12 Pickup displayed quilts at Finland Mennonite Church 5pm to finish

October 12 Take-Down and Clean-Up at Finland Mennonite Church 4pm-finish

October 21 Wrap-Up Quilt Show Meeting 7pm on ZOOM

Looking Forward to 2025

The proceeds from the quilt show help pay for our programs and in recent years with the increased cost of guest speakers, the show alone cannot support the cost of our programs. Alicia Wilhelm and Sue Wilsey are co-chairing a fundraising committee – more to follow after the quilt show!

The 2026 quilt show needs a co-chair to support a member who has tentatively stepped up to head the 2026 quilt show. Please let us know if you are willing to serve.

Finally, many many thanks to all the members who have given their time and talent to make our 2024 quilt show the best yet! It takes a village to have a successful quilt show!!

Sue and Kathy
2024 Quilt Show Chairs

HELP needed!

Do you, your friend, or your relative live on a well-travelled street? Do you know of a street intersection with stop signs or traffic signals where cars are moving slowly by or stopping? Perhaps you have a personal relationship with a shop owner? If yes to any of these questions, you've got the perfect place for a yard sign to advertise our upcoming Quilt Show! Advertising our show is the only way to make the public aware of our great event and encourage more to attend. This year, with so many political signs going up, good visibility for our signs is going to be challenging. Our signs will stand out best in your yards where they're not sitting in the middle of a herd of political signs.

The signs are set on wire stakes that press into the soil—no property damage, no need to hammer them in, just step on the stake to insert them! They're easy to handle. We recycle the signs for future shows, so we're looking for people to take responsibility for displaying the sign in mid-late September and removing and returning the sign after the show.

Please contact me if you can help with this important part of making our show a big success!

Let me know the address(s) and how many signs you can display! Thanks for your help!

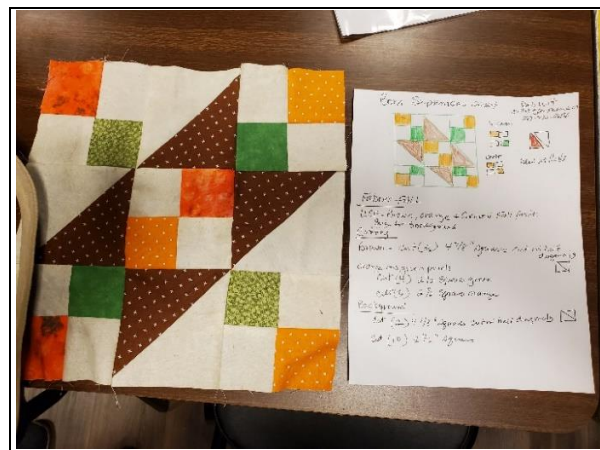
Mary Ann Smith (masmith17@comcast.net or 215-450-6069)

Guild Meeting Business

Welcome to our 2024- 2025 guild year.

MEMBERSHIP: Renewal forms will be on the website. Dues are \$40.00 after July 1st. New member dues are \$40.00. Payments are cash or check. Prompt payment of your dues is required and appreciated. Thanks! Any questions – See Nancy Kranyecz.

Block of the Month: This Block of the Month is due in September. Block of the Month changes each month we meet in person. More info is available on our website including the current block and directions for assembly. For questions or clarification, contact [DEB WITT](#)



Fabric Lottery: The fabric lottery will continue this Fall. To participate, bring two fat quarters to the Fabric Lottery table as indicated above. Write your name on a slip of paper for each fat quarter brought. Names of winners will be pulled at random. Winners usually receive 1½ yards of fabric. The fabric can be a solid or a print. The theme is deliberately broad, and there are no wrong answers.

Month announced	When to bring fat quarters	Month awarded	Theme
August	September	October	Boundless
September	October		Black
October	November March *	March	Cozy Country
March	April, May	May	Bright and Bold

June Dinner Challenge - Arlene Kushinka establishes a theme and each member can submit an entry. The results of the challenge are displayed at the June dinner meeting. The 2025 theme TBD soon.

Quilt Camp 2025 at Camp Innabah: Dates are set for January 14th to 19th. Mark your calendars. Bobbie Dewey is the coordinator. More info to come.

2025 Keystone Quilters Guild Day Camp

March 20-22, 2025, 9am to 9pm at St. John's Lutheran Church Activity Center 26 1st Avenue Richlandtown, Pennsylvania

Enjoy uninterrupted time to sew with your fellow Keystone Guild Members on projects of your choice!

Limited to 20 members per day...Your choice...attend 1, 2 or 3 days. Each attendee will be provided their own table. Must share iron with at least one other person so we don't have electrical outages!

Cost \$14 per day. Must pay at the time of registering – Cash or Check

First Come, First Serve - Sign-up at Sept, Oct 2024 or Jan 2025 Guild Mtgs. Select your seat location at the time of registration. Coffee, tea, bottled water, and breakfast treat will be provided

Suggested Things to Bring:

- ✓ Sewing chair or pillow to put on folding chair
- ✓ Sewing machine – cleaned and oiled
- ✓ Iron & ironing board – need to share
- ✓ Extension cord and power strip
- ✓ Sewing projects (precut your fabrics and bobbins ready to go)
- ✓ Sewing lamp
- ✓ Scissors, pins, rotary cutter, mat, ruler, thread, extra machine needles
- ✓ Cell phone charger
- ✓ Bag lunch
- ✓ Cash...we will order takeout for dinner
- ✓ Snack to share
- ✓ Mug w/lid for coffee and tea

Need more info, please contact Kelly Wenhold 267-261-7516

kellywenhold@gmail.com

Other quilt happenings in the area:

Sept 11–14 AQS Quilt Week Quilt Show Spooky Nook Sports Conference Center, 75 Champ Blvd. Manheim, PA 17545
www.americanquilter.com/quiltweek/event/landing/eventid/34

Sept 14 The Craft Marketplace, Pennypacker Mills 5 Haldeman Road Schwenksville, PA 9:30am to 3pm

Sept 12 -15 PA National Quilt Extravaganza <https://www.quiltfest.com/upcoming-shows-and-events/pennsylvania-national-quilt-extravaganza/>
Make sure you stop and take a look at the exhibit “Geometrics.” Homemakers Country Quilt Guild has 36 quilts in this exhibit!

Sept 19–22 Homemakers Giant Fabric Sale 1015 Bridge Road Collegeville, PA Times: Thurs 6-9pm, Fri & Sat 10-6pm, Sun 10-2pm

Sept 27-29 Confetti of Color – Courthouse Quilters. Prallsville Mills, Stockton, NJ 10am – 4pm

Oct 11-12 Keystone Quilters *** “Star Struck” quilt show ****.
Finland Mennonite Church, Pennsburg, PA

Oct 18-19 Valley Forge Quilt Show- Good Shepherd Lutheran Church 132 E Valley Forge Rd. King of Prussia. Entry donation \$10

October 19 Penn Rose Quilt Guild -*Quilts in Sanctuary* 9am-3pm entry \$5 Schoeneck Moravian Church 316 North Broad Street Nazareth, PA

April 4-5, 2025 Homemakers Country Quilters – *History Revisited Quilt Show*. Entry \$10 cash or check only. 4H Center 1015 Bridge Rd Collegeville, PA 10-4pm

Other Quilt Guild Newsletters

Valley Forge Homestead Quilters' Guild <http://www.valleyforgequilters.org/Info-News-Pg.html> .

County Line Quilters www.countylinequilters.org/newsletters

Main Line Quilters www.mainlinequilters.org/

Berks Quilters Guild www.berksquiltersguild.org/

Penn Rose Quilt Guild www.penn-rose.org

Coming Soon



Quilt Sampler has had a change in its dates this fall. The new dates are September 28 – 29. Mark your calendars as there will not be a September guild meeting before this sampler.

Quilt Show News

"Star Struck"

**October 11 & 12, 2024
(Friday & Saturday)**

**Finland Mennonite Church
1750 Ziegler Road
Pennsburg, PA 18073**

Dates for Quilt Show Business

Tuesday, **September 3**
– Quilt registration form
deadline

Monday, **September 16**
– Quilt Show ZOOM
Meeting 7PM

Tuesday, **October 8, 2024**
– Quilt Drop off at
Finland Mennonite
Church

Wednesday, **October 9,**
2024 – Judging Day

Thursday, **October 10,**
2024 – Quilt Show Set-Up

Friday, **October 11, 2024**
– QUILT SHOW!

Saturday, **October 12,**
2024 – QUILT SHOW! –
4PM – Take Down

Our 2024 Raffle Quilt is complete and ready to be displayed.

Tuesday, **September 3rd** – ALL quilt registration forms must be mailed to Jamee Pemberton, 2425 Camp Rock Hill Rd, Quakertown, PA 18954. Quilt Registration fees – for members - \$10 per judged entry, \$5 per nonjudged entry, and no charge for Category X (i.e. KQ Bee, Charity, Challenge, Workshop, Saturday Special). Fee for Non-members is \$15 per entry.

Saturday, September 7 – KQ Raffle Quilt – Pennsburg & East Greenville Community Day, Rain date Sept. 8. See Alicia Wilhelm for details.

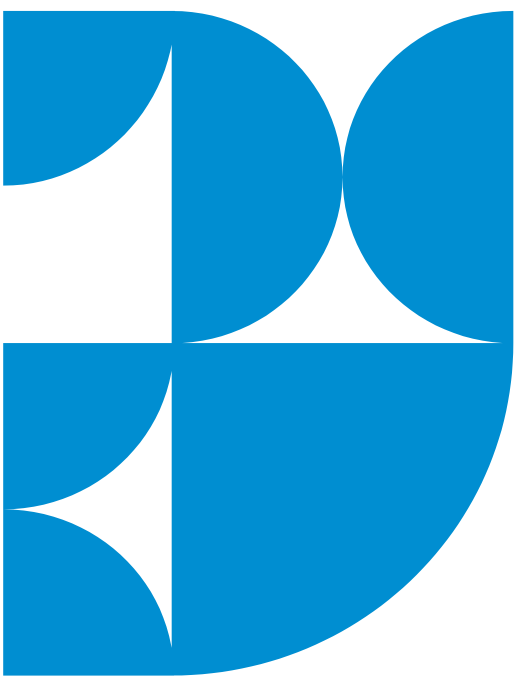
Monday, September 16 – Our last Quilt Show Meeting via ZOOM, 7 p.m. This is a very important meeting to attend!

Saturday, September 21 – KQ Raffle Quilt, Coopersburg Community Day, 10 AM to 5 PM. See Alicia Wilhelm for details.

Tuesday, October 8 – Quilt Drop Off at Finland Mennonite Church 9 AM to 5 PM. You can also drop off Recycle/Boutique sale items.

Wednesday, October 9 - Quilt Show Judging by our judge, Mary Walter, NACQJ.

Thursday, October 10 – QUILT SHOW SET-UP!! This is a very important day. Many hands make light work. Recycle & Boutique items must be dropped off by 6pm. Please sign up to help!!



Friday, October 11 – QUILT SHOW!!! 10 AM to 5 PM

Saturday, October 12 – QUILT SHOW!! 10 AM to 4 PM Once the quilt show closes, we need to get the show taken down and return Finland Mennonite Church back to its original layout. This involves a lot of work! Please stay to help with take down! Quilts will be available for pickup after 5 p.m.

Monday, October 21 – Quilt Show Wrap Up Meeting. ZOOM 7 p.m. All committee heads are required to attend.

ANY QUESTIONS ON THE 2024 QUILT SHOW??? Contact Sue Edwards (suzytypist@aol.com) or Kathy Pogue (khpogue@verizon.net).

Think about where you want to **volunteer**. Sign Ups start in April.

NEEDED – Chair heads for the 2026 Quilt Show.

REMEMBER - During the spring/summer months would be an excellent time to work on your **Chance Auction** items, crafts for the **Boutique** and **Mug rugs** as our entrance gift.

Quilt Show Meetings via ZOOM – 7 p.m. – All Chairs should plan on attending.

All KQ members are welcome at the quilt show meetings.

Monday, September 16, 2024

Monday, October 21, 2024 – post-quilt show wrap-up

CATEGORY X:

These are the 2023-2024 Saturday Specials that qualify for category X along with Bee products. This category is free to enter BUT you still need to fill out an entry. Category X is Display only, no judging.

3/11/23 Bindings by Kathy Shorter	4/15/23 Drunkards Path by Jamee Pemberton
5/6/23 Sewing Machine Cover by Tracy Smith	6/3/23 Mini Mosaic by Lynn Lentz
10/7/23 Greased Lightning Table Runner by Lynn Lentz	3/9/24 Barn quilt by Alicia Wilhelm
4/13/24 Condo Tweet Condo by Barb Harr	5/1/24 Casserole Carry Bag by Arlene Kushinka
6/1/24 Tote and Small Bag by Kelly Pauling	
4/25/23 Design Your Own Paper Piecing Project workshop - Tina Craig	Free Motion Quilting workshop by Karen Miller



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