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Upcoming Events:

July 4-5 Hausman Fruit
Farm Event – Guild Quilt
Display

July 28 Ice Cream Social
Molasses Creek Park
6:30pm

August 16 Trunk Show
by Debie Ott – 2pm
Molasses Creek Park

Sept 29 - Designers
Journey by Kathy Webb
& Ellen Cicak

Oct 27 - My Quilting
Journey and Wool
Applique by Jean Hoerr

Nov 24 - Round Robin at
St. Johns Activity Center

Keystone Quilters News

My creativity is blooming!

President's Letter:

Anyone else have a project you've been avoiding for a long time? I have several but I decided to concentrate on one this Summer. I've made a goal for myself to tackle my fabric scrap bins. Project Fabric Scraps!

My plan is to cut all my fabric scraps into 2 ½" squares. I have been working on one of two large plastic bins. Every day I make myself spend some time in my craft room working through these bins. First, I iron then I cut.

How many of you keep all those half square triangles and sew them together to make squares? You are not alone I keep them too.

As I work through this project, it's been fun seeing fabric pieces that I remember using in various completed quilts. Christmas quilt. Halloween quilt. Quilt of Valor quilt. Quilts I've made for my children and grandchildren. So many good memories.

Ultimately, I plan to sew all these squares together and make a scrappy quilt. Should I plan to mix light colors with dark. Should I plan for total scrappy? What size do I want to make? So many decisions.

Enjoy this Summer doing what you love.

Remember we have several events during the summer: The Hausman Fruit Farm event where many of our BINGO quilts will be displayed, our ice cream social and the trunk show are both at Molasses Creek Park. They are free events so bring a friend. These events are held to draw interest to our guild.

Pat

Highlights:

Membership renewal: It is time to **renew** your membership to the Keystone Quilters Guild. Dues remain at \$35.00 until June 30th for the fiscal year 2025-2026. It will jump to \$40 on July 1st. The membership renewal form can be found and printed from this newsletter and the guild website under the membership tab.

All members are asked to please complete and return the annual renewal form to Nancy Kranyecz. There is valuable information on that form which we utilize for a variety of guild business. You will notice an additional line on the form about donations. This line is optional and the amount is at the discretion of the guild member. Remember, being a 501(C)(3) makes the donation tax deductible.

You can mail your form and payment to Nancy's home address (printed on the form), or you can bring to the guild membership meetings. The deadline is June 30, 2025, for renewal. Members who have not responded by July 1, 2025, will be contacted. If no response, they will be deleted from the membership roster.

Lastly, to encourage visitation to our website, we will no longer send out the directory or birthday list to everyone. All that information is kept up to date on the Members Only part of the website. If you want a copy for your records, download it from the website or notify the Membership Chairperson and she will email you a copy. A new directory will not be available before mid-July.

From the Newsletter creator: This will be my last newsletter. I am leaving you in the capable hands of Michelle Hollenbach as I know she will do a wonderful job. It has been a labor of love and a pleasure. Good Luck Michelle.

As a parting gift, here are some of the YouTube clips I found interesting **this week**. I have no idea why so many quilting clips pop up on my feed 😊. These clips are not always recent, not always short, but they are interesting.... and addictive.

Jan 26 – Making Meaning:
How Quilters Celebrate
Life by Meg Cox

Feb 23 – A Lesson in
Every Quilt by Kristin
Echols

Mar 23 – Trunk Show by
Meryl LaSala

Apr 27 – Quilts of Valor
by Patricia Piasecki

May 18 - American Pride
by Pat & Arlan Christ

June 2026 Guild Dinner
Meeting

**Saturday Specials and
Workshop Events:**

Oct 18, 2025 – I Spy Quilt
by Ellen Cicak and Kathy
Webb

[Quilt Fever - a 2020 documentary short on Paducah](#)

[Quilting "Sewlebrity" Jenny Doan](#). This feed brings up, for me, plenty of YouTube videos about Jenny Doan, her business and her family.

[Ken Burn Collection](#).

[Life in Virginias's Appalachia – Quilting](#)

[The Quiltmakers of Gee's Bend](#) There are several clips that come up on Gee's Band that are shorter.

[Quilts of the 1930's – Nell Mathern, Quilt Educator](#)

[Panel Quilts Masterclass](#)

[Quilts from the house of Tula Pink](#)

Hausman Fruit Farm Event – July 4 & 5. The guild will have about 10 quilts displayed. We need volunteers to help man our station and quilts to display. Sign-up sheets for this event will require the quilter to volunteer time at the event. This is a 2-day event and a great opportunity to bring our guild and its mission into the community limelight.

Saturday Specials and Workshop Events Cont.:

Nov 1st - Workshop –
Wool Applique Heart
Pillow by Jean Hoerr

February 2026 Charity
Day

Mar 7, 2026 TBD Bag by
Kelly Pauling

April 11, 2026 Quilted
Jacket by Jamee
Pemberton. See the
writeup at the end of the
newsletter

May 2, 2026 Christmas
Ornaments by Alicia
Wilhelm

June 6, 2026 Large Duffle
Bag by Lyn Rossanese

International Quilt Exhibit Sails into Upper Perk Valley Opens July 6



PICTURED ABOVE

The international quilt exhibit **"OCEAN"** sails into Upper Perk Valley to the Schwenkfelder Library & Heritage Center. Open July 6 through August 3rd, Tuesday – Saturday, 10 am – 4 pm; Sunday 1 – 4 pm. Thirty textile artworks about the ocean as interpreted by artists from around the world. Jury selected at the Carrefour European Quilt Show. See <https://www.schwenkfelder.org/changing-exhibits> for more details. Admission is free.

BINGO News: Our tickets are up for sale!

The upcoming **Bingo Fall Fundraiser** will be held on September 20, 2025 at the Tylersport Firehouse on Ridge Road from 12:30 to 5 PM with the doors opening at 11 AM. It will be \$25 a ticket for admission and open to the public; \$30 at the door. Bingo Committee is selling only 200 tickets. A total of 20 quilts will be needed for Bingo prizes as well as baskets and other quilted items. Alicia Wilhelm is collecting donations at the in-person guild meetings, or call her to make arrangements for a pickup. **Tickets are on sale now.** For paper tickets contact Alicia Wilhelm 215-527-8163. For venmo electronic ticket, contact Sue Wilsey at 267-261-6202.

Please consider either donating a quilt or basket. Not all bingo attendees will be quilters so a variety of baskets for the chance drawing is appreciated. You can also donate table runners, placemats, and such for the tie-breaking gifts, but the hope is to get the very much needed 6 to 10 more quilts to run the show. We could also use longarm services as well.

Sept 27-28, 2025 is the **Global Quilt Connection Sampler Platter**. These mini lessons are short yet full of information. If you haven't watched them, you are missing out. It is included with your guild membership fee.

Quilt Show 2026 News: Our next Quilt Show will be Friday and Saturday, Oct 9 & 10, 2026, at Finland Mennonite Church! We have chosen a theme. The theme for the 2026 Quilt Show will be **FREEDOM OF EXPRESSION**.

Please save the dates! With any correspondence, it is best to communicate via email during these next few months. Jamee's email address is: jamezetta@gmail.com.

A volunteer quilt **show committee chair for signage** is needed. If you are willing to chair this position, please let Jamee know.

The **raffle quilt blocks** have been pre-packaged and are ready to stitch. They include instructions. If you are interested in being part of the quilt construction, talk to Alicia or Jamee about getting a block. All blocks will be due by the September meeting so the blocks can be pieced and the quilt finished. There are blocks for all skill levels. The directions and recommended videos are excellent.

Quilt Appraisals: I received a request to find out places to get your quilts appraised. I thought it

would be a good idea to collect that information and put it out on our website. If you know of places or a person that can/will appraise quilts, send me the information so I can collect it.

*** I apologize to Ellen Cicak. When I wrote about the Stone Soup Saturday Special, I somehow wrote the wrong last name. It was Kathy Webb and Ellen Cicak who put together a great Stone Soup Saturday Special.

April Saturday
Special
“Kawandi Quilts”
presentation.
Thanks Jamee.
Your background
presentation
was so
interesting.



Our April speaker, **Eleanor Levie**, entertained our guild with out of the box quilting ideas in a lesson called “Rock your Quilting”. Her ideas to keep quilting challenging were wildly entertaining and her quilts were beautiful.



The “**Weave with Me**” workshop was held by our April speaker, Eleanor Levie. Consensus was, she was very knowledgeable, informative, and entertaining. The products were gorgeous. Several were not completed as the picture was taken the day of the class.

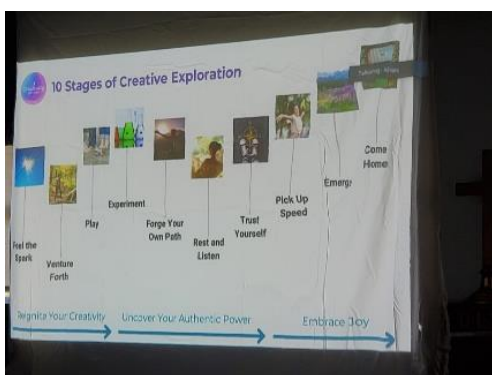
Our April 4H craft was a success with the girls. They made flower pins for special women in their lives. They were able to pick various coordinated packets and learned about tacking, color, and presentation.



QUILTS FOR KIDS AND CHARITY DAY



Our Charity Day in February was cancelled due to weather but May 3rd at the Indian Valley Public Library was a great success. There were about 8 participants. Arlene did a wonderful job in preparing kits and leading the charity day. Eight more kits were distributed with the hopes of having them finished by the June dinner meeting. Here are some pictures of our crew hard at work. On May 7th, Arlene and her sister delivered 17 quilts to QFK. If you did not make the date, you can always ask Arlene for a kit or directions to use your own fabric Thanks, Arlene, for putting together a wonderful event.



Our May meeting was a “Hybrid” meeting. Our speaker was Julie Brown Neu and she did a phenomenal job on her topic, *A Creativity Journey*. She was also very patient while we worked out the kinks and technical issues of the new hybrid meeting. Her quilts and her journey were truly inspiring.



The Quick Cut Quilters Bee produced and finished a **Quilt of Honor**. It is soon to be given to Linda Wackerman, a member of our guild, for distribution. Linda will be attending a program in July where these quilts are presented to the honored veterans. Thanks to all the women who participated in the event.

Our June Saturday Special was led by Annemarie Kammler. The ladies really brought out their creative juices for this one. The vessels were beautiful and fun to make.



On the same day, Jamee graciously came to tutor women on paper piecing the blocks for the quilt show quilt. By graciously I mean, it was her birthday and she hung around from 10 to 2 to do that. Thank you, Jamee!



Keystone Quilters Guild Day Camp - October 23-25, 2025 - 9am to 9pm at Trinity Lutheran Church – Yerger Building, 102 N Hellertown Ave, Quakertown
(the Yerger Building is across the street from the church---parking lot behind Yerger Building)

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. You must share an iron with at least one other person so we don't have electrical outages!

Cost \$11 per day. Must pay at the time of registering – Cash or Check. First Come, First Serve - Sign-up at May or June Guild Mtgs. 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 mat/board – need to share
- ✓ Extension cord and power strip – optional – guild has some we can use
- ✓ 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, Snack to share, Mug w/lid for coffee and tea. For dinner, we can walk to Trolley Barn which is a block away.

Please note that are NO REFUNDS, however, you can transfer your seat to another guild member if you find that you are unable to attend.

Need more info, please contact Kelly Wenhold 267-261-7516 kellywenhold@gmail.com



Upcoming birthdays:

July

03 – Kate Templeton
05 - Tracy Smith
07 - Mary Ann Smith
07 - Deb Witt
09 - René Cameron
09 - Joyce Helstrom
15 - Kathy Sadler
17 - Michele Hollenbach
19 - Dorothy Fravel
19 - Gwen Simek

21 - Edna Reiss
21 - Patty Geroni
21 - Melissa Yates
26 - Beverly Mott
28 - Denise Rosch

August

03 - Gloria Bozzelli
23 - Linda Peppelman
26 - Connie Hughes
28 - Karen L. Keegan

Guild Meeting Business

Welcome to our newest member **Yvonne Detweiler** who joined at the May meeting. Welcome all! Bring a friend to join this coming year. The more the merrier.

Membership: Renewal forms will be on the website. Dues are \$35, \$40.00 after June 30th. New member dues are \$40.00. Payments are cash or check. Prompt payment of your dues is required and appreciated. Donation line is optional; **not** a requirement. We are a 501(C)(3)

organization so donations are tax deductible. Thanks! Any questions – See [Dot Fabian](#).

Block of the Month: The 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: To participate, bring two fat quarters to the Fabric Lottery table as indicated below. 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.

Note: a fat quarter is a quarter of a yard of fabric that measures approximately 18 x 22 inches. You can cut pieces from your own stash or purchase something new. The fabric should be 100% cotton.

Month announced	When to bring fat quarters	Month awarded	Theme
August September	September October	October	Batik
October	November March *	March	Low volume **
March	April, May	May	Yipes! Stripes!

*Meetings for January and February are virtual.

** Low volume refers to white, cream, neutral or pale colored print fabrics often with a delicate self-colored pattern or subtle design.

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.



Sunshine - Is there a member who may need an extra dose of sunshine in their lives? If one of us has a death in her family, is under the weather or you feel as though she may need a pick-me- up let Trudy Salvatore know. *If you have spare sympathy, or get-well cards, please give them to Trudy. With the cost of stamps rising, most of her budget goes to stamps.*

Member updates:**Sue Edwards**

I have started my new chemo and unfortunately had a bump in the road already. On my second chemo, my blood counts were not adequate for doing the chemo - quite depressing - so we had to wait a week. I was able to have chemo on Wednesday, after a shot on Monday, to boost my white blood count. This seems to be quite the balancing act! Will have blood work on Monday to see what blood counts look like, and if I need a shot for next week's chemo, as my goal is to stay with the plan of chemo every week!

Barry's surgery went great and his recovery has been awesome. He had his surgery done robotically and that really worked well from him. He truly is blessed as only 20% of these kidney tumors are benign....and his was! He will just need ultrasound follow-up in two months of his kidneys/bladder, If all is OK, he is good to go! We are so thankful!

Thanks for all the cards and emails - they are very much appreciated!



Carol Gehris is recovering from double mastectomy breast cancer surgery on June 20th. Please keep her in your thoughts and prayers.

Linda Hill is grateful for a successful surgery. Her healing is going well. She does not need any radiation, chemotherapy, or any other treatment. She appreciates everyone for their thoughts and prayers. "God is so good to have given me the strength and healing and comfort I needed for this trial."

Quilts for Kids:

Quilts for Kids requirements have changed. The new requirements are on the website

<https://www.quiltsforkids.org/>. Any further questions, contact [Arlene Kushinka](#). Please consider making one for this year. Thanks. In 2024 alone, we donated 150 quilts. Keystone Quilters are so generous with their time! Thank you, Arlene for your dedication!

Here are new guidelines:

- 1- Size remains the same at 38-40W X 45-48L
- 2- Use bright colors
- 3- Quilting about 2-3 inches apart
- 4- Binding applied by machine
- 5- Needs a 'Quilt for Kids' label
- 6- Label must be sewn on all four sides
- 7- Quilt must be washed before submission.

Other quilt happenings in the area:

June 26-28, 2025 - Road to Virginia Quilter's Conference and Showcase - A new quilt show sponsored by the Road to California, Inc. It is at the Greater Richmond Convention Center, 403 N 3rd Street, Richmond, Virginia. For more info visit <https://www.road2va.com/>.

July 4-5, 2025 – Folk Arts On The Farm - Hausman Fruit Farm. 282 Limeport Pike Coopersburg, PA 18036 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily. The festival will not replace the Kutztown festival but showcase similar crafters along with other new crafters, live music, craft demonstrations, farm demonstrations, hayrides, baked goods, spirits, food vendors, fresh roasted corn, and seasonal fruits and vegetables around the farm's large fields, pavilions, and barn. <https://hausmanfruitfarm.com/events>

July 26, 2025 – Quilt Lovers Bingo – The Moose Lodge 705 Stokes Road East Stroudsburg, PA. Tickets are \$25 in advance; includes admission & cards for every game. For tickets and/or information, please call: **Kathy Parrish (570) 242-8954**.

September 10–13, 2025, AQS QuiltWeek – Lancaster. 2913 Spooky Nook Rd Manheim, PA 17545. [QuiltWeek Website](#).

September 11 – 14, 2025 – PA National Quilt Extravaganza – Greater Northeast Expo Center at Oaks. [PANQE website](#)

Sept 20, 2025 - Keystone Quilters Quilt Bingo – Tylersport Fire Station, 11 am doors open. Start 12:30 pm. For digital tickets call Sue Wilsey 267-261-6202. Physical tickets can be purchased as well from guild members.

Oct 4, 2025 – Crazy about Quilting Celebration – Saturday 9 – 4pm. Calvary Baptist Church 4601 Tilghman Street, Allentown, PA. Admission \$10. Details at www.CrazyQuilters.org.

Oct 17-19, 2025 - Undercover Quilters Quilt Show, "Quilty as Charged", Brookhaven Municipal Center, Brookhaven, PA. [Details](#).

Mar 25-28, 2026 Lancaster-Lebanon Quilt Show. 80 Rocherty Rd. Lebanon, PA 17042. www.thelancasterquiltshow.com. The link also tells you about other, **A Quilter's Destination** shows in Vermont, Indiana, and Ohio

Oct 9 – 10, 2026 - KEYSTONE QUILTERS 2026 QUILT SHOW "Freedom of Expression" – Mark your calendars. Finland Mennonite Church.

SHOP HOPS:

July 1 - August 31, 2025 - All Mid-Atlantic Shop Hop. Old Country Store is one of the participants.

October 24 - November 8th, 2025 - Eastern PA Shop Hop - Shops are closed on Sunday. Pottstown Sewing has decided not to participate in the 2025 Shop Hop.

Other Quilt Guild Newsletters:

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

County Line Quilters www.countylinequilters.org/newsletters

Berks Quilters Guild www.berksquiltersguild.org/

Lebanon Quilters Guild www.Lebanonquiltersguild.com

Main Line Quilters www.mainlinequilters.org/

Penn Rose Quilt Guild www.penn-rose.org



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KEYSTONE QUILTERS

Date: _____

2025-2026 Membership Information

_____ **NEW** _____ **RENEWAL** _____ **RENEWAL WITH CHANGES**

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

PHONE # with AREA CODE: _____ CELL PHONE# _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____ BIRTHDAY: _____

DUES ENCLOSED: _____ \$35.00 - Renewal - before July 1st. Cash or Check
 _____ \$40.00 – Renewal - after June 30th. Cash or Check
 _____ \$40.00 - NEW MEMBER – Cash or Check.

Donation: _____ *** Optional - Donation is tax deductible.

Total enclosed: _____

**If paying by credit card, there will be a 4% fee charged (ex: credit card charges for new member dues only, will be \$41.60). Credit card payments are only accepted at the April and May guild meetings, and the June dinner meeting.

Would you like a membership card? Yes ____ No ____

FYI – Some quilt shops will give a discount if you show a membership card.

Working? Full-time _____ Part-time _____ Are you retired? _____

Are you available on weekends? Yes ____ No ____ Limited Availability _____

Special Talents? Office ____ Homemaking ____ Teaching ____ Accounting ____ Library ____ Newsletter ____

Computer ____ Marketing ____ Organizational ____ Other ____

I consider myself: Beginner ____ Intermediate ____ Advanced ____

.....
 Guild Programs/Speakers/Topics I would be interested in _____

Saturday Special classes I would like to see offered: _____

I would consider teaching a class for a Saturday Special: Yes ____ Not at this Time ____

If you have not yet signed up to be in a small Group or 'Bee, are you interested in doing so? Daytime _____

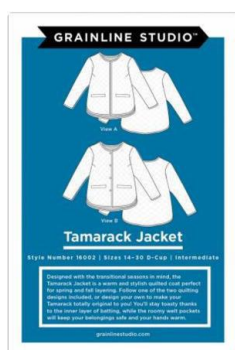
Evening _____ Weekend _____

Interest for bee: General _____ Specific _____

NOTE: The list of interested people will be available at all regular guild meetings. Please see the "Bee Keeper (Alicia Wilhelm) for help in joining or starting a new bee.

If mailing - PLEASE RETURN THIS ENTIRE PAGE, ALONG WITH DUES (CHECK MADE OUT TO KEYSTONE QUILTERS), TO MEMBERSHIP CHAIRPERSON:

**Nancy Kranyecz 4 Wallace Way Quakertown, PA 18951
Email: Nankran2@comcast.net Cell: 267-424-4655**



Tamarack Quilted Jacket

Saturday Special: April 11, 2026, 9AM-4PM

Taught by Jamee Pemberton Cell: 267-377-9542 Email: jamezetta@gmail.com

Let's get creative and make this fun quilted jacket! It is very warm and comfortable and pretty easy to make! There are infinite ways to make this Jacket your own unique style. The jacket pattern is shown as a short waisted jacket with welt pockets, but there are many ways to easily modify the style. I, for instance, easily increased the length by 6 inches, and opted to add patch pockets. There is a separate pattern you can purchase if you want to add a collar or hood (BTW, should you opt to make this jacket with the welt pockets, you are on your own at figuring how to do them, as I have not made those and they are more complicated.)

Here are some fun ways you can create this quilted jacket with **your own unique twist:**

create your own quilted fabric (This is what I did)

purchase your favorite designer cotton fabric{s}

purchase already quilted fabric

use linen, or other exciting fabrics.

hand quilt with big stitch quilting, or just embellish with big stitch quilting (My friend Linda, did this, BEAUTIFUL! A very nice added touch!)

cut up an old quilt to use to make this jacket, the options are endless!

Supply List

You will need to purchase on your own, Tamarack Jacket Pattern, by Grainline Studio you can get it at grainlinestudio.com and in some quilt shops. It is easy to find on-line.

Sewing Machine in good working order

Thread

Scissors

Pins

Tissue paper/Paper to trace your size of the pattern (optional) (the pattern comes with a wide range of sizes, You have to select the size you need and cut to that size.

Fabric and Lining per the pattern measurement

Batting

Buttons or Snaps or Hooks and Eyes

Walking foot for quilting

Bias binding

Bring all materials to class, if you want to create your own fabric, you might want to make it beforehand or not, it is your choice.

INSPIRATIONS: Search Tamarack Jacket on Google, Instagram, Facebook or Pinterest, this is a very popular pattern.