

## President's Letter

Today I am thinking about community. Some of you know that I started quilting in 2016, not really that long ago. While I love the art of quilting, it is the quilting community that really drew me into our guild. In addition to our overall guild, there are so many circles or groups that our members belong to. They range from informal gatherings in homes to other quilt guilds and national sewing organizations. We have such an opportunity to be generous with our knowledge and time. That's something I'm trying to work on - supporting the journey of others. I just want to thank all the members that do this so freely - you make our guild special and fun! And if anyone is looking for a way to be more involved, please reach out.

The programming for the next three months is all about community outreach. March is Shadfest posters - raising money for the Jim Hamilton Scholarship Fund. April is pillowcases for Ryan's Case for Smiles. May is a "Junk in the Trunk" sale of members' Ufo's or miscellaneous items to benefit a charity. I'm sure we'll have lots of laughs at these events and I look forward to seeing you there.

Housekeeping: Our March meeting is in person, back at the Hunterdon County Complex (Building 2)!

Happy quilting!

Gina

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P.S. I recently found how I can see the number of stitches my machine has made. I'm such a numbers geek that I decided to track my stitch count monthly in my letters - just because. If you find this odd, sorry but you elected me - ok, no one else was running...

March 2023 stitch count = 4,329,754

**March 19<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

**Workshop**

*Mixed Media Techniques*

Members Taught

11:00 – 4:30 pm

Cost: \$10.00 Includes Supplies

Class Limit: 20

**Evening Lecture**

*History of Shad Festival*

by Amy Coss

7:00 – 8:00 pm

**Location**

Hunterdon County Complex, 314 State  
Route 12, Building 2, Flemington NJ

[www.courthousequilters@gmail.com](mailto:www.courthousequilters@gmail.com)

**Courthouse Quilters Guild March Program**

**Workshop**

Learn different mixed media art techniques making posters for the Lambertville Shad Festival Scholarship program. The annual Shadfest will be held in Lambertville, NJ in April. This event features artists, crafters, and both a silent and live poster auction. Over 200 original posters will be created and donated by local artists. Will one of them be yours? Proceeds of the auction benefit the Jim Hamilton Shad Festival Scholarship Fund which awards scholarships to regional high school seniors pursuing a degree in fine or performing arts.



**Lecture**

Amy Coss will share the history of the Jim Hamilton Memorial Shad Festival and Scholarship Program

**April 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

**Charity Workshop**

*Pillowcases for Ryan's Case*

11:00 – 4:00 pm

**Evening Events**

6:30 – 8:30 pm

35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration

*Color Collaboration Challenge*

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**Courthouse Quilters Guild April Program**

**Charity Workshop**

We will be making pillowcases for Ryan's Case for Smiles (formerly Conkerr Cancer) for boys and girls ages 2-17. Instructions can be found on their website [caseforsmiles.org](http://caseforsmiles.org) or on CHQ Resource Web page. Some kits will be available to sew that day if you do not have your own.

**Color Collaboration Challenge**

Make a monochromatic color schemed quilt panel exclusively using the single color and its tints, shades, and tones from the Joan Wolf from color card you've received. White or black cannot be used. All submissions must measure 15" wide x 45" long. There are no restrictions in theme, subject matter, or piecing techniques. The "Other" category is wide-open, although it must be done in a monochromatic color scheme. Drop off quilts between 4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. so we have time to hang them in the room.

**Anniversary Celebration**

Even if you don't participate in the quilt challenge, be sure to come and enjoy an evening of fun, games, and treats!!

# 2023 Challenge Entry Form can be found on CHQ's Webpage [CHQ Challenges / 2023 Anniversary Challenge](#)

Drop off quilts between 4:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

QUILT ENTRY  OTHER ENTRY

**COURTHOUSE QUILTERS GUILD  
35th ANNIVERSARY**

**2023 COLOR COLLABORATION**

What Color Card did you reference: \_\_\_\_\_

Tell us about your creation: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Did you design the piece yourself? \_\_\_\_\_ What was your inspiration? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Is any part of the submission not done by you? Please note pattern designer or who helped you and how.  
\_\_\_\_\_

Circle which Category applies:

Traditional  
 Non-Traditional

[CHQ2023 Challenge Entry Form \(wsimg.com\)](http://wsimg.com)

## Courthouse Quilters Guild May 21st, 2023

**Time:** 3:00 – 6:30 pm

**Location:** Marion Clawson Park 1053  
Old York Rd, Ringoes, NJ

**Drop Off / Setup Time:** 3:00 – 3:30 pm  
Park in designated area

**Trunk Sale:** 3:30 – 4:30 pm

**Auction:** 4:30 pm – 5:00 pm

**Lawn Picnic:** 5:00 – 6:00 pm Bring your  
own picnic and treats to share

**Business Meeting:** 5:30 – 6:00 pm

**Show & Tell:** 6:00 – 6:30 pm

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Load up your car with UFO's & items to sell for our 1<sup>st</sup>

### Junk in the Trunk Fest

Members will bargain shop each other's junk to raise funds and donate to a local charity. We'll also grab a few items from each member to auction during the day.

Members are encouraged to decorate their cars/booth for a chance to win a prize & there will be a prize for the member who generates the most sales.

## **Upcoming Meetings**

Zoom March Board Meeting (All members welcome)

Time: March 17, 2023 07:00 PM Eastern Time

In Person Guild Meeting at Hunterdon County Complex (Bldg 2)

Time: March 19, 2023 06:30 PM Eastern Time

**Please Note: We cannot have minors at our workshops or guild meetings which are held at the County Complex**

## **Notes from the Historians (Patty Gertz & Cass Garner)**

The Historian team will begin organizing and preparing documents for scanning shortly. If you have documents you feel should be considered for scanning, you may bring them to the March meeting. Please keep in mind that any items you donate will NOT be returned and may not be scanned. If you have any questions, please contact one of us. Thanks, P&C

## **Community Outreach (Barbara Slaton)**

Just a reminder that during the April workshop we will be making pillowcases to benefit Ryan's Case for Smiles. A sign-up sheet will be available at our March meeting. There will be prize drawings for those participating - one chance for each pillowcase donated. Come and join in the fun!

## **Hospitality (Donna Slovak)**

Please volunteer to provide snacks or drinks for 20-30 people at our monthly CHQ meeting through Sign-Up Genius (link below). Also, if we could have 3 - 5 people stay after the meeting to help with clean-up. Thanks!

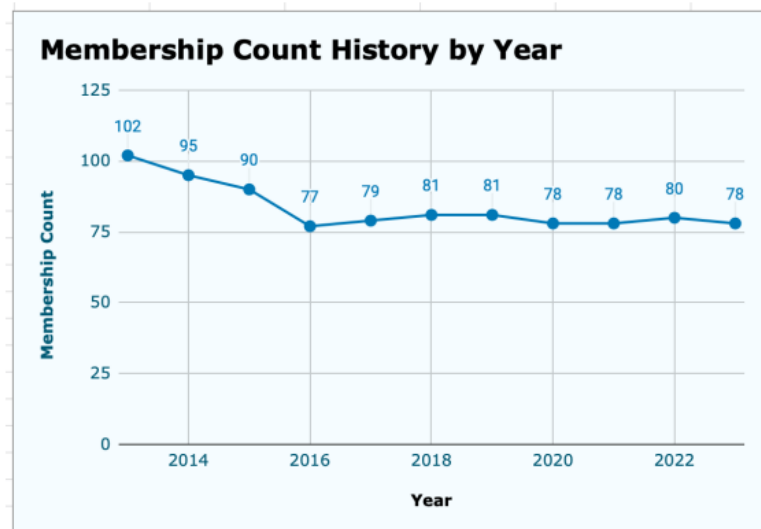
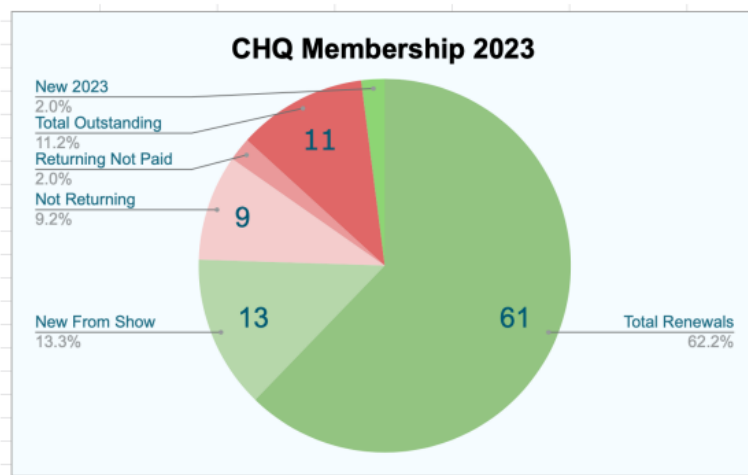
[Courthouse Quilters Guild: CHQ Hospitality Snacks \(signupgenius.com\)](https://www.signupgenius.com)

## Membership (Cathie Giambalvo)

Welcome New and Returning Members!

- Susan Flick
- Ann Pietropinto
- Margaretanne Reina

Look for me at the March guild meeting~Cathie



## **Publicity (Dyan Rosario)**

Linda O'Brien from NJ Advance Media had requested a meeting with a small variety of our members to talk about quilting. That meeting happened last week. Be on the lookout for an April 2nd article on NJ.com or in The Democrat.



## **Congratulations!**

QuiltCon Exhibitors - Nancy Powell and Mada Galloway  
Mid Atlantic Quilt Show Exhibitor - Mary Rigby  
Naples Quilters Guild Show - Janet Bergman

## **Classifieds**

### Judy Baldwin Tag Sale

- 1193 Swamp Road, Furlong, PA
- Friday - Sunday (March 10-12)
- Email sent with Sign Up - Friday is pretty full, so other days are better
- Car pool, parking is limited
- Cash or Check only

### Opportunity to Speak

- Charlotte Milling, President of the Kingwood Marymixers group is interested in having members of CHQ come and speak to her group
- Possible date of May 3 (Thursday), starting at 1:30
- Charlotte sat by the front desk at the Hampton Inn, some of you may have visited with her during our breaks
- Her group meets at the Kingwood Methodist Church on Route 519
- If you are interested, please let Gina know and I will help coordinate a small group (mrkrej@comcast.net)

### Knitter Help Requested

- A friend of Penny and Gina has been knitting Christmas stockings for her family for 30+ years. At this point, she is no longer happy with the quality of the stockings she is able to create. She is looking for someone to knit two Christmas stockings for her. She has the pattern and the yarn. She is willing to pay for your time. Please reach out to Gina if you can help (mrkrej@comcast.net)

## Project Linus

- Join the Hunterdon Warren NJ Project Linus, Make a Blanket Day, 22 April 2023, 10 am to 2 pm at the Bloomsbury Firehouse, Bloomsbury, NJ The mission of Project Linus is to provide love, a sense of security, warmth and comfort to children who are seriously ill, traumatized, or otherwise in need through the gifts of new, handmade, washable blankets and afghans lovingly crafted by volunteer blanketeers.
- The Hunterdon & Warren County Chapter is looking for all community volunteers that can tie knots, crochet, knit, quilt or sew. Please respond with your support of the Hunterdon & Warren County Chapter to [Diane.Pflugfelder@gmail.com](mailto:Diane.Pflugfelder@gmail.com) We are looking for; \* volunteers to make blankets and afghans. \* volunteers that can donate quilting materials or acrylic yarn \* volunteers that can provide financial donations used to purchase yarn or fabric supplies \* Follow us on Facebook: Project Linus - Hunterdon/Warren NJ Chapter Thank you



Makers Alley Textile Show - Extended through March 19th

Makers Alley

Makers Alley presents

# “Textile Expressions”

an exploration of Fiber Arts

curated by Mary Schwarzenberger, fiber artist and wearable art maker










## EXHIBIT OPENS

### Saturday, February 25

Bonnie Berkowitz	Nancy Norem Powell
Deborah Conti	Tatiana Oles
Betty Czerwinski	Erika Rachel
Carol Esch	Mary Schwarzenberger
Rita Gekht	Carter Smith
Rebecca Graham	Elizabeth Smith Jacobs
Gina Krejsa	Gail Sorkow
Joan Lasota	Nicole Strafaci
Jill Lonergan	Piroska Toth
Bonnie MacAllister	Hon Wai Kuen
Teri Nalbone	Heidi Zielinski

Sat & Sunday 11AM-6PM  
through March 12

The Former Milford Bank  
at 34 Bridge Street, NJ

FB: [MakersAlley](#)  
Insta: [@makers.alley](#)  
[Makersalley.org](#)

Art Credits: \* indicates artist in the show

Makers Alley is an artisan & craft collective that supports makers creating works across all artistic disciplines and skill sets in the Delaware River Valley.

[makersalley.org](#)

# Newtown Quilters Guild

Capital Health  
is pleased to present

## Newtown Quilters Guild



Images Clockwise from top left: Water Buffalo – Perseverance by Regina Krejsa; A Breast Cancer Friendship Quilt by Nancy Lacey; Medicinal Plants by Carolyn Newsom; Healthcare Heroes by Bonnie Piestrak

## NOW *through* APRIL 30, 2023

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## **EXECUTIVE BOARD, COMMITTEE CHAIRS, SPECIAL COMMITTEES 2023**

### **Executive Board**

President: Regina Krejsa

1st Vice President: Anne Oswald

2nd Vice President: Laura Kohl

Treasurer: Kerry Cogan

Recording Secretary: Cheryl Dennis

Corresponding Secretary: Juliet Leonard

### **Committee Chairs—**

Charity & Outreach: Barbara Slaton

Circulation: Lauren Lupica

Historian: Patty Gertz & Cass Garner

Hospitality: Donna Slovak

Librarian: Mary Ann Hampton

Licensing: OPEN

Membership: Cathie Giambalvo

Newsletter: Al Accettola

Photographer: Al Accettola

Publicity: Dyan Rosario

Quilt Show: OPEN

Raffle Quilt Construction 2024: Anne Oswald & Jill Ferrari

Raffle Quilt Sales 2024: OPEN

Web Presence: Lauren Pine

### **Courthouse Quilters Guild - Our Mission**

The purpose of our Guild is to:

- preserve and promote the tradition and history of quilting.
- to foster fellowship among interested persons in all aspects of quilting.
- to sponsor and support educational quilting activities.
- to encourage quilt making and collecting.
- to promote the appreciation of quilting throughout the community.
- and to support charitable activities.