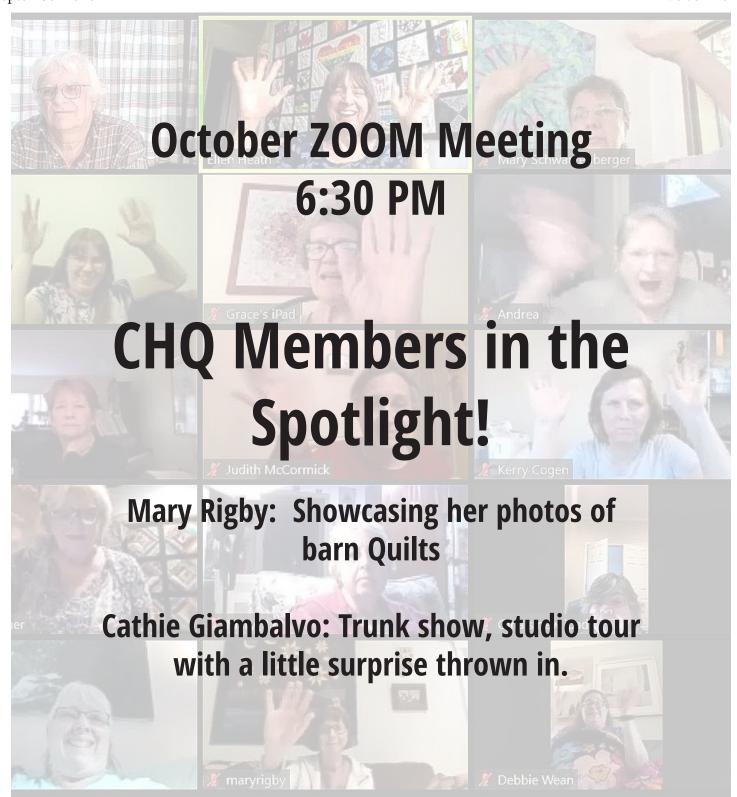


Courthouse Quilters Guild Newsletter

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Mary Rigby and Cathie Giambalvo





Program Calendar 2020

October 18

Evening: CHQ Members in the Spotlight!

Mary Rigby, showcasing her photos of barn Quilts

Cathie Giambalvo, trunk show, studio tour with a little surprise thrown in.

November 22

Workshop: All day - Pat Pauly "Big Leaf" (virtual workshop)
Evening: Pat Pauly - Virtual lecture and studio tour.

December 20

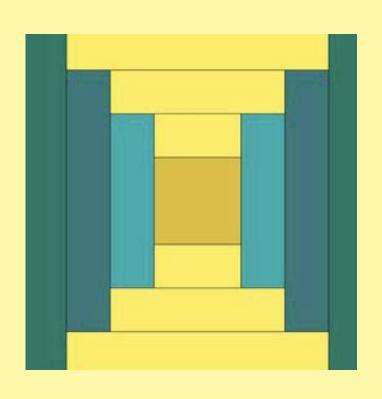
Evening: TBA

January 17

TBA

Feb 21, 2021

Workshop: (10am to 4pm) Brita Nelson "Crumbs to Quilts" Evening: Brita Nelson "Every Last Crumb - An Adventure in Scrap Quilting"



Holiday Treats Coming in December

We are planning a delivery of a holiday treat package that you can enjoy while we have our virtual holiday party at December's meeting.

We will need 4 things from you: 1) Are you willing to accept delivery of a treat package the



week before the December 20th meeting? 2) Would you be willing to bake some of the treats to distribute to members? 3) Would you be willing to deliver up to 6-8 packages in your area? and 4) You can list any dietary restrictions we should honor.

Be on the lookout for an email blast describing how you can sign up. We will discuss the plan further at the October meeting.

Happy Holidays (almost)!
Patty Gertz and Cass Garner



President's Letter

Hello Quilters,

We had another wonderful Zoom meeting, this time with speaker Sue Hurley, who demonstrated using rulers on a domestic machine. Thanks yet again, Cass, for bringing us inspiring programs despite all of the hurdles. As some other guilds are moaning a loss of members, our guild is growing each month, and I am thrilled each month as we maintain our enthusiasm and warmth through these tough times.



Thanks to the hard work of the Nominating Committee, made up of Cathie, Joan, and Andrea, we have a slate and a plan for voting. Thanks, too, to Patty for staying abreast of the changing voting regulations for non-profits in New Jersey and keeping us legit. Please be sure to attend our October Zoom meeting to get the details about voting for our officers for 2021.

Please stay well and safe. If you or a loved one become ill, contact Claire Coakley (ec.coakley@gmail.com) so that we can send light, love, and prayers your way.

All the best, Ellen

Sunshine and Shadows

If you know of anyone who could use a little cheering up, please contact the Corresponding Secretary, Claire Coakley. She will send them a card on behalf of the Guild.

TRYING OUT A NEW PLAN FOR SHOW & TELL AT OUR MEETINGS

We all love Show & Tell, but sometimes it is hard for us to see each other's creations clearly in the Zoom format. For our October meeting, we are going to try something new: Show & Tell using a premade Powerpoint. In this way, we can fill the screen with your photo as you speak to the group.

If you have something to show, please send a clear photo to me as an email attachment. Feel free to take both a full shot and a close-up of a detail – or even a video if you can make one small enough to send as an email attachment. If you get your photo to me by the day before the meeting, I will include it in the Powerpoint. For the upcoming meeting, please get your photo(s) to me by Saturday, October 17.

Of course, we would never turn away a Show & Tell. If you forget or don't know how to send a photo, you may still show your creation at the meeting right after the Powerpoint.

This is a trial run, and feedback is welcome. Please send your photos to ellheath@gmail.com, and also contact me with questions, comments, or concerns.

Ellen Heath



COURTHOUSE QUITLERS GUILD — ELECTION NOTICE

Executive Board Nominees will be announced at our next Guild Meeting Oct 18, 2020

2021-2022 President, Second Vice President, Treasurer, Recording Secretary and Corresponding Secretary positions will be announced in October and voted on in November.

In addition to the nominees that will be presented in October, other nominations can be made from the floor at the

Oct 18th Zoom Meeting, provided the nominee(s) is in agreement.

Due to the COVID Pandemic...

ALL VOTING WILL BE CONDUCTED THROUGH EMAIL

Voting will...

START on Oct 19, 2020 (Monday) and END on Nov 14, 2020 (Saturday).

Votes will...

be tallied on Nov 15, 2020 (Sunday) and announced at the Nov 15th regular guild meeting.

On Oct 16th -All members will receive, via EMAIL, an CHQ Election Ballot that will include a list of the open positions and the names and brief descriptions of the nominees.

After reading the ballot, place your vote(s) by emailing your selections to BOTH of the following Nominating Committee members: Joan Lasota and Andrea Cavallaro.

DO NOT Hit Reply! Why shouldn't you "HIT REPLY"? Because by hitting reply, you will send your vote(s) to our general mailbox and not the Nominating Committee.

To maintain accuracy and secrecy of this voting process:

Please email—

Joan Lasota at jalasota@icloud.com AND

Andrea Cavallaro at andreakcav@gmail

It's important to email BOTH individuals to ensure ALL votes are in and counted.

MEMBERSHIP NEWS - Same, Same, But Different!

It's fall? Time just flies by, or crawls, depending on whether I'm sewing or just distancing in the time of pandemic. I miss being with you all in person, but I'm so glad our guild was quick to use new technology way back in April to keep us connected. Kudos to our great executive board!

Like the rest of the world, CHQ is adjusting to the new normal.

Monthly meetings are now conducted by Zoom. We can't share delicious snacks (spiced popcorn!) but we can Show and Tell. Our conversations are not just among those sitting next to us at a table, but can be with a more diverse group of members.

Even better, we all can attend meetings from the comforts of our homes, with no worries about the weather or driving at night! The Zoom meeting link is sent to members a few days before the meeting.

Workshops are now by Zoom, and instructors are working hard to bring the same expertise to the class. And an unexpected perk – taking the class right in your happy sewing space at home – no sewing machines or supplies to carry!

It's all "same, same, but different!"

So far, about half the membership has joined a Zoom monthly meeting. Most of us are new to Zoom, but it's easy to use. I hope all of you will join us online at the next meeting.

RENEW YOUR CHQ MEMBERSHIP ONLINE!

See the notice in this newsletter. Renewals season is NOW, so please go to the CHQ website and renew! You will receive an email from me confirming that your membership dues and form were received.

NEW MEMBERS ANNOUNCEMENT

CHQ zoomers, please welcome our newest members, Rose Mary Briggs, Juandamarie Gikandi. Dyan Rosario, Dawn Peterman, and Lauren Lupica.

Rose Mary and Juandamarie joined CHQ in July, and are friends of our own Mada G. Rose Mary, a beginning quilter, is interested in all aspects of quilting. Juandamarie is an intermediate quilter, with interests including hand/machine applique.

Dawn and Dyan joined in August. And Dyan's friend Lauren joined in September.

Dawn loves both contemporary and traditional quilts.

Dyan is an intermediate quilter who prefers traditional quilts. Lauren has been quilting since 2001, and is excited to join our guild.

They all have the great distinction of being the very first new members to join ONLINE!

We are pleased that they have joined us at this uncertain time. Please reach out to them at our next zoom meeting and say Hi!

As always, if you have any questions about Membership, please contact me.

Keep on stitchin'
Camille Quinton
CHQ Membership chair

IT'S ONLINE! -- RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP FOR 2021!

Exciting news!!! Members can now renew their membership for 2021 ONLINE!!

Go to <u>www.courthousequilters.org</u>, click Membership, click Renewals. Follow the instructions to pay online, by credit or debit card. It is quick and easy!

Or you can renew the traditional way, by sending your dues check to the Membership chair – me!

Details are on the website, but if you have any questions, please contact me. E: camquinton@gmail.com

For the foreseeable future, CHQ will be meeting once a month by ZOOM. In order to receive the Zoom meeting links beginning in January 2021, you will need to renew your membership for 2021 no later than the January 2021 meeting (as per CHQ bylaws).

Camille Quinton
CHQ Membership chair

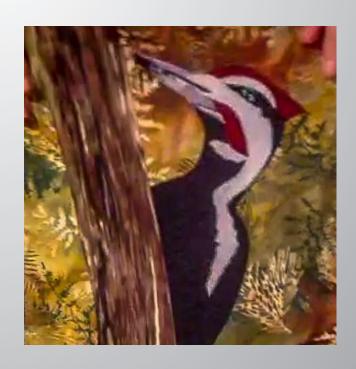


Sue Hurley Free Motion Quilting Using Rulers





Show and Tell September 2020









As we have had to postpone the Quilts in the Mill show until 2022 the vendors who have supported us will lose out on any sales they might have made at the show.

We can support them now by ordering items from them whenever possible.

Below, is a list of our vendors with links to their online sale sites (when available.)

Show vendors:

Pat Farace

Ferris wheel Design

34 Avalon Way

Watertown, NJ. 08758

She has quilts and fabrics to sell

DWR Woodworking

David Reiner

137 N. Tamarind Avenue

New Britain, Pa. 18901

Dwrwood.com

Cynthia Busic-Snyder

Duchess Froufrou

Box 422

Morrisville, NY. 13408

<u>Duchessfroufrou.storenvy.com</u>

Stitch Central

2339 Huntington Pike

Huntington Valley, Pa. 19006

Mystitchcentral.com

Glorious Colors

249 East Second Street

Moorestown, NJ. 08057

Gloriouscolors.com

Olde City Quilts

339 High Street

Burlington, NJ. 08016

oldecetyquilts.com

Quilters Obsession

Box 233

Flagtown, NJ. 08821

Qultersobsession.com

Stone Row Studio

283 Little Mexico Road

Saylorsburg, PA. 18353

Divine Threads

8414 Hobnail Road

Manlius, NY. 13082

Etsy.com/shop/DivineThreadsLLC

Facebook.com/mcamom96/

Material Pleasures

Dana Balsamo

Guild Member

materialpleasures.com

MINIS IN THE MILL

One of the successful fundraisers held during our CHQ biennial quilt show has been a raffle of mini quilts

made by the guild members. The raffle is conducted in tricky-tray fashion, with the drawing on the

afternoon of the last day of the show. It's a great opportunity for members, other quilters and non-quilters to take a chance at taking home a small piece(s) of quilted art made by CHQ members.

In the past we've raffled 50-60 mini quilts per show.

Please consider making at least one Mini for our October Courthouse Quilters Guild Show.

Here are the rules for Mini construction:

1. Your Mini can represent any theme and can be traditional, modern or an art quilt, either from a pattern

or your own creation.

- 2. Your Mini can be as small as 6"x6" (minimum) or as large as 24"x24" (maximum).
- 3. No cheater cloth.
- 4. Your Mini can be machine or hand quilted; no tied quilts.
- 5. Your Mini should have a label with quilt title (optional), your name, county, state, date and Courthouse Quilters. That way the lucky winner will know all about their new quilt and who made it. It's not necessary to add a hanging sleeve.
- 6. Your Mini must be handed in by no later than the September meeting. This will give the committee time to photograph the Minis and finalize other details.

Minis can be given to Mary Rigby or Joan Lasota at any guild meeting . If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us.

Mary Rigby (908-303-5906) maryrigby@comcast.net Joan Lasota (908-806-7223) jalasota@icloud.com

Thank you!

August Board Meeting Minutes

Board of Directors

Minutes of August 16, 2020 Revised

Courthouse Quilters

In attendance:

Ellen Heath; Claire P; Andrea C; Penny A; Albert; Cathie G; Judith M; Patty G; Cass G; Stephanie G

Ellen called the meeting to order at 5:30

Motion to approve June, 2020 minutes—Moved by Cass, seconded by AI, voted to approve, passed Ellen had a concern about all the Gmail that has been saved and filed and what should be done about it. There was a discussion about several solutions. The topic will be revisited at a later date.

Reports

Patty- Library board members can get into the library, there are directions on how to do it. For general membership—members will contact Patty. She will give them directions on how to get what they want to borrow

Cass-Program the following programs are scheduled

January-ruler bag workshop

September-ruler demo

October-Mary Rigby and Cathy Giambalvo

November- Big Leaf- Pat Pauly -filled

December- tentative plans are being discussed for something fun

Andrea-treasurer no. She will publish treasurer's report separately

Penny-no

Claire—no

Jude—no

Stephanie---no

Patty –no

New business nominating committee is in good shape. Ellen looking into how the election will be held

Patty and Ellen will report next month

Motion to adjourn made by Albert, seconded by Stephanie. Meeting adjourned at 6:28

Minutes respectfully submitted by Penny Armagost

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ALL CHQ MASKETEERS!!!

Please save a sample of each type of mask you are making for a special display at our next Quilts in the Mill show.

SAVE YOUR EMPTY SPOOLS OF THREAD!

Save up your empty spools of thread for a special drawing to be held at the December meeting. Winners will receive an online gift card.

Taking photos of your quilts article

I thought this was a pretty good article on how to photograph your quilts. I think the bulletin is due next but just in case I cc'd both of you in case you decide to share the link

https://hollyknott.com/stq/index.htm

CHQ Library

The re-envisioned library:

Our guild library currently consists of approximately 100 books, (culled from 450) and 36 rulers. Since there is no closet space in our new location, the process of borrowing is a little different.

To see if we still own the book in which you are interested, go online to search our catalogue at

www.librarything.com/catalog/courthousequilters

This link is also on the Courthouse Quilters website.

There you will see books we currently have and also books we no longer have.

To see if we have the book you want in our storage unit, search for the tag **2020**. You can add other search criteria as well (such as applique, design, etc).

If you want a book please send email to the librarian at patty.gertz@gmail.com no later than 11:00 am the Wednesday before the meeting. Patty will insure that no one has the book out, and collect it from the storage unit and bring it to the meeting. All rulers

will be brought to every meeting.

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Check our website for the latest workshops and supply lists, meeting news, cancellations, forms, inclement weather announcements, and just general information about the guild.

www. courthousequilters.org

For a complete listing of the holdings in the guild library, go to:

www.librarything.com/catalog/CourthouseQuilters

And don't forget to "friend" the guild on Facebook. Search for "Courthouse Quilters" and "like" us. We'll like you back!

The deadline for the newsletter is the Sunday following a meeting, at the stroke of midnight!

Exceptions are May and Show-year Octobers with a deadline of the Wednesday after a meeting.

For the even numbered months newsletter send all of your articles news, photos and other newsworthy items to Al

For the odd numbered months send your information to Ellen.

President - Ellen Heath

First Vice President – Stephanie Greenberg

Second Vice President—Cass Garner

Recording Secretary - Penny Armagost

Corresponding Secretary - Claire Coakley

Treasurer - Andrea Cavallaro

Charity - Position open

Circulation - Stephanie Greenberg

Historian - Position open

Hospitality - Cathie Giambalvo, Carol Esch, Brielle Cordingley, Jill Ferrari

Librarian - Patty Gertz

Licensing - Joanne Gardner

Membership - Camille Quinton

Newsletter -Al Accettola

Photographer - Al Accettola

Publicity - Joan Lasota

Quilt Show – Camille Quinton

Raffle Quilt Design and Creation Brielle Cordingley and **Jude McCormick**

Web Presence - Cathie Giambalvo & Alice Marcy