



Courthouse Quilters Guild Newsletter

October 2023

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Machine Applique

Patty Gertz

12:00 Noon - 5:00 pm

Evening Activities

6:30 - 8:30 pm

Lecture

Homage to Harriett Powers

by

Mada Galloway & Juanda Gikandi

Location

Hunterdon County Complex
314 State Route 12, Building 1
Flemington, NJ

Courthouse Quilters President's Letter

I hope everyone was able to pick up some tips at the guild meeting that will make their quilting a little more happy and healthy. Thanks to Anne and Laura for coordinating our interactive discussion and exercise class. We will be selling the video as a fundraiser in the future - we expect it to be a hit at the quilt show! (joke)

Thank you to everyone who came out to the open sew this month! There were meet-ups for both the Jacket and Sew Along Clubs which generated a lot of interest within the guild. We look forward to seeing everyone's finished items in upcoming Show and Tells. Thank you to Anne, Laura, and everyone who brought samples and knowledge to share.

It looked as if many of our members were able to go and enjoy the quilts at the Mancuso Show! Our Color Collaboration Challenge quilts looked spectacular. A big thank you to Carol for arranging our participation! We also appreciate Mary S. and Janet for hanging the quilts and Betty and Julie (Carol's daughter) for taking them down.

During our meeting, we took votes for both the proposed changes in the Standing Rules and Bylaws. The voting requirements for Standing Rules require only a majority of members present to pass. The proposed changes in Standing Rules passed easily. However, the voting requirements to change the Bylaws requires two-thirds of full membership. Based on our current membership of 81 members, this means 54 affirmative votes are needed. We did not have sufficient members present or proxies to meet this threshold and will hold the vote again in October. If you have already completed a proxy, there is no need to complete another. If you will not be present during the October meeting, we ask that you complete a proxy indicating your vote.

Happy quilting!

Gina

president@courthousequilters.org

Upcoming Meetings

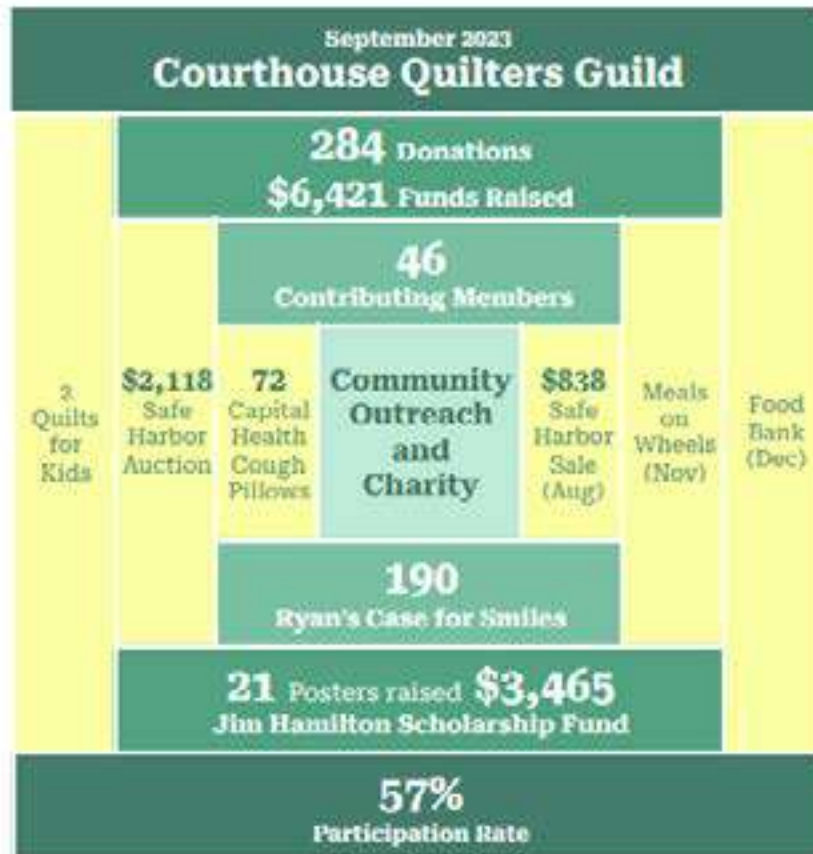
Zoom October Board Meeting (All members welcome)

Time: October 13, 2023 07:00 PM

Guild Meeting at Hunterdon County Complex (Bldg 1)

Time: October 15, 2023 06:30 PM Eastern Time

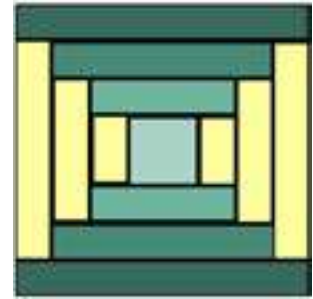
Community Outreach (Barbara Slaton & Cathie Giambalvo)



- Placemats for Meals on Wheels
 - Our November charity workshop will be making placemats for Meals on Wheels. Please join us for this worthy cause.
- Quilts for Kids
 - If you took a kit from Gretta, please bring your completed quilt in the next few months to a guild meeting for collection. You are also welcome to make a quilt using your own stash.
 - Please see the request from Quilts for Kids in the Classified section of this Newsletter. They are looking for someone to fill an open position at the retail store.

CHQ Membership News ~

From: Cathie Giambalvo, CHQ Membership Chair
cathiegiambalvo@comcast.net



Welcome CHQ Past Member!

Nicky Wallis

Fantastic membership participation at our September "Open Sew". Approx 15 members came for Jacket and Sew Alongs Meet Ups during the day. Your jackets are looking fabulous!!!

We have 81 total CHQ Members, 36 members present on the day of Sept 17, 2023, at the open sew and/or guild meeting.

CHQ PROGRAM Updates

November 19th, 2023

Workshop 11:00 p.m. – 4:00p.m.
Charity Workshop making Placemats

Evening Activities
6:30 – 8:30 p.m.

Lecture
An Artist's Journey by Michael Ross

Location
Hunterdon County Complex,
314 State Route 12, Building 1,
Flemington NJ

<http://www.courthousequilters.org>

Courthouse Quilters Guild November Program

Meals on Wheels Placemats



CHQ's Charity Committee will host a workshop making quilted placemats for *Meals on Wheels* with a target to complete 100 placemats. This workshop will be a great stash buster, or you can use left-over orphan blocks. The quilted placemat is 12"x18" finished using a thin batting; a fat quarter for the backing, binding is optional. There's a lot of great free patterns on ThunderBayQuilts.org. *Meals on Wheels* has asked that we stay away from holiday themed fabrics and keep everything generic. Seasonal and red, white and blue for veterans is acceptable.

Evening Presentation by Michael Ross

Michael Ross is a local artist who taught himself to sew over 40 years ago and always loved working with color. Over the years, Michael has combined both interests and began exploring quilt making. His work has been shown at the European Patchwork Meeting in France, SAQA Global Exhibition in Chicago and The Dairy Barn Arts Center in Ohio just to name a few. More recently, he has created several large bodies of work exploring surface design and painting to expand his work into some new areas. Michael will talk us through "*An Artist's Journey*" and share some of his new pieces.



Courthouse Quilters Guild October Program

October is our month to celebrate some of our very talented CHQ members.

Workshop 12:00 Noon – 5:00p.m.
Machine Applique by Patty Gertz
Class Limit: 25
Cost: \$15.00 includes Kit

Evening Activities
6:30 – 8:30 p.m.

Lecture
Homage to Harriett Powers
by Mada Galloway & Juanda Gikandi

Location
Hunterdon County Complex,
314 State Route 12, Building 1,
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First up is Patty Gertz who will be teaching us Machine Applique. Explore different methods to machine applique and get different results. Class will cover blanket stitch, raw edge, satin stitch, zig zag, and decorative stitches as well as using invisible thread. See how changing the stitch and thread weight gives you different results. We will use fusible web and freezer paper techniques. Note: We'll be starting later and will not be stopping for lunch



We'll end the day with an interesting lecture and presentation from Mada Galloway and Juanda Gikandi, who are also co-presidents of Princeton Sankcfa Stitchers- MQG, Mada and Juanda will bring quilts from their special exhibit at Quiltcon, *Paying Homage to Harriet Powers*, and talk about the quilts and the inspiration for the project.



CHQ PROGRAM Updates

Courthouse Quilters Guild December Program

December 17th, 2023

CHQ Holiday Party

3:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Come Make Merry....

Holiday Crafts

Social Time with Friends

Pot-Luck Dinner

Desserts

Annual Gift Exchange

Food Pantry Non-food Donations

Details to follow

Location

Hunterdon County Complex,
314 State Route 12, Building 1, Flemington NJ

<http://www.courthousequilters.org>



CHQ Other Program Activities

Let's do another fun... Make n' Take

- Members make a 5" x 7" piece to exchange with another member at our October Meeting.
 - Outside dimensions not to exceed or be smaller than 5" x 7"
 - Open to any medium on any surface and any subject
 - Photos welcome but must have a solid backing such as foam core
 - Must be able to hang
 - Make an extra and we'll sell at next year's Show.

Sign-Up & Instruction Sheets Available



CHQ 5 x7 CHALLENGE ENTRY RULES

- ❖ Make n' Takes will be exchanged at our **October meeting**
- ❖ Artwork may not exceed or be smaller than 5" x 7" in outer dimension.
- ❖ Open to any medium on any surface and any subject.
- ❖ Photography is accepted but must have a solid backing board such as foam core.
- ❖ Original artwork only.
- ❖ Artwork that is fragile or not fixed should be protected.
- ❖ Artwork may be hung using push pins. If artwork is mounted on a frame, must be wired for hanging.
- ❖ No signatures on the front of artwork. You may place your name or business card on the back.
- ❖ No limits on the number of entries.
- ❖ Artwork may be sold for \$20.00 to the public as a donation to CHQ.

CHQ Other Program Activities

Quilted Jacket Meetup:

Thanks to everyone who attended the Zoom meeting earlier this month. It was fun to see everyone's fabric and pattern selections. Lots of great ideas shared too! And then... how about that workshop!! We had a full house and even more fun! I know I received some great input on my jacket!



Our next meeting will be a Zoom meeting and is scheduled for **Tuesday, October 3rd from 7:30 – 8:30 p.m.** Be on the look-out for the Zoom call-in information a few days before we get together.

Sew Along Meetup:



We also had our Sew Along Zoom meeting and then a group chat at the September workshop. Thanks to those who did demos using some nifty tools. Great tips and shortcuts on how to make Half Square Triangles more accurately. Our next meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, October 10th from 7:30 – 8:30 p.m.** (Please note the change from what we discussed at the workshop – I needed to switch weeks with the Jacket club since they have a tighter timeline). The Zoom call-in information will be sent a few days prior to our meeting.

Boutique Buzz

I'm super excited about the 5" x 7" challenge for this month. They are so cute and addicting to make in whatever style or art you are into. I did a quilted one and a bunch of mixed media ones. Please don't forget to bring one to trade and please consider making another one (or more) to donate to the boutique.

Clean Your Clutter

This month let's concentrate on cleaning out your handmade item that no longer bring you joy. Let them go to make room for some new things and perhaps bring joy to someone else. Remember, we will take any donation, anytime. Just keep those donations to the boutique coming!

Speaking of donations...I received some 2 yard cuts of fabulous African fabric (about 12 different designs) that came from a lady who bought these while living in Sierra Leone.

We will be doing a silent auction of these at the October guild meeting. Bidding starts at \$4.00 yard, so bring your moolah. You won't want to miss out on these beauties!

Janet Bergman and the entire Boutique Bunch

August Workshop



August Show and Tell



August Show and Tell



September Group Sew/Workshop



September Show and Tell



September Show and Tell





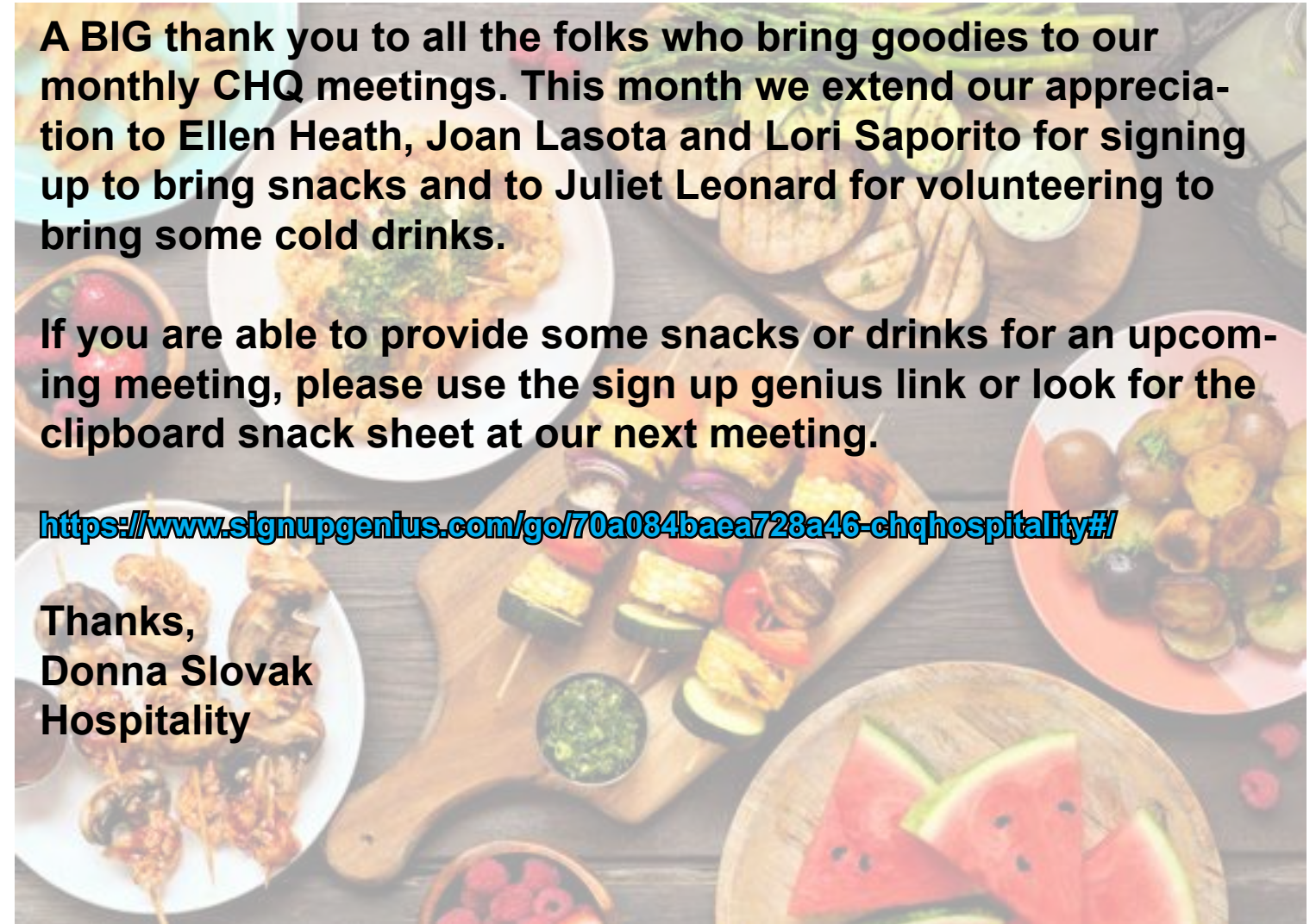
Hospitality

A BIG thank you to all the folks who bring goodies to our monthly CHQ meetings. This month we extend our appreciation to Ellen Heath, Joan Lasota and Lori Saporito for signing up to bring snacks and to Juliet Leonard for volunteering to bring some cold drinks.

If you are able to provide some snacks or drinks for an upcoming meeting, please use the sign up genius link or look for the clipboard snack sheet at our next meeting.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a084baea728a46-chqhospitality#/>

**Thanks,
Donna Slovak
Hospitality**



Sunshine and Shadows

If you know of anyone who could use a little cheering up, please contact the Corresponding Secretary Juliet Leonard. She will send them a card.

Board Meeting Minutes July 2023

CHQ Board Meeting Minutes July 14, 2023

Friday, July 14 · 7:02 – 8:08 PM ZOOM

In Attendance: Gina Krejsa, Anne Oswald, Lauren Lupica, Lauren Pine, Cathie Giambalvo, Cheryl Dennis, Laura Kohl, Barbara Fusco, Barbara Slaton, Donna Slovak, Penny Armagost, Al Accettola, Dyan Rosario, Patty Gertz, Lysa Martinelli, Juliet Leonard, and Cass Garner (Non-voting).

Gina Krejsa called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM.

June Board Minutes: Al Accettola made a motion to approve the June minutes after a correction to spelling of a member's name, Penny Armagost seconded the motion. Approved unanimously, sixteen (16) board members present.

Old Business:

- Tabled for future discussion: a review of show functions from a strategy perspective

Board/Committee Status:

- **President:** Gina Krejsa
 - Nothing to report.
- **Treasurer:** Kerry Cogan - Treasurer Report (not present)
 - The Treasurer's report will be completed this weekend so has not been sent out as yet.
- **1st Vice President/Program:** Anne Oswald - Program/Workshop Calendar
 - July workshop will include a sew-in for charity (4H Fair) and boutique along with the potluck.
 - August will be a sew-in and ice cream social.
 - September will be the rescheduled workshop with MJ Kimman. We have eight (8) people sign up and only five (5) people have paid. This will incur travel expenses. We can do zoom or in person. Laura will ask for a firm show of hands in Sunday's meeting then we will decide next steps. We need at least twenty (20) people to sign up by the end of the meeting to move forward.
 - October program will be announced on Sunday and Laura will have a sign up sheet. It will be with Patty doing machine applique class in the day and 2 members doing lecture in the evening.
- **2nd Vice President/Program:** Laura Kohl
 - Nothing to report.
- **Recording Secretary:** Cheryl Dennis
 - Nothing to report.

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- **Corresponding Secretary:** Juliet Leonard
 - 7 requests were submitted year to date, cards were sent out.
Best way to submit a request is by email.

- **Nominating Committee:** Joan Lasota (not present)
 - Nothing to report.

- **4H Fair Committee:** Barbara Fusco
 - Still have openings Saturday and Sunday for volunteers at the 4H fair, we will have hard copies for members to sign up at the July meeting.
 - Will reach out to the 4H fair representative and set up a meeting to get information on the process and anything else they may need.

- **Charity & Outreach:** Barbara Slaton
 - Safe-Harbour check was delivered on July 13th, the representative stated it will be used for the children and not on administrative activities.
 - Will show examples of placemats at the July meeting that we will make in the November workshop.
 - Propose inviting Newton Quilters to our philanthropy workshop.

- **Circulation:** Lauren Lupica
 - Nothing to report.

- **Bylaws:** Patty Gertz and Cass Garner (Patty presented)
 - Summary of major changes
Bylaws:
 - 1) The Executive board has been reduced by one to the following officers: President, First Vice President, Second Vice-President, Treasurer and Secretary. The duties of the former Corresponding Secretary will be assigned to the former recording Secretary.
 - 2) Standing committee definitions are moved to the Standing rules for flexibility. (It is easier to change a standing rule than the bylaws).
 - 3) Only Executive board members and Standing Committee Chairs are board members, and have voting rights.
 - 4) Ad-hoc committees can be defined by the board on an as needed, task specific, basis; but are not part of the board.

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- 5) Immediate past president no longer will be a member of the board.
- 6) Indemnification section includes text that the guild will carry officer liability insurance.
- 7) All committee chairs are up for renewal every two years to encourage rotation of service.
- 8) Correct to current document- amendments to the bylaws take $\frac{2}{3}$ of total membership.
- 9) As per Insurance rules, while children are not normally present, if a member incidentally brings a child to a meeting the child must remain in the care of the parent at all times.

Standing rules:

- 1) Dues increased to \$50
- 2) For membership in good standing, one (1) quilt donation equals (3) boutique items.
- 3) As per Insurance rules, while children are not normally present, if a member incidentally brings a child to a meeting the child must remain in the care of the parent at all times.
- 4) The Library has been disbanded and is no longer a committee.
- 5) The Special event committee has been integrated into the Hospitality committee.
- 6) Archivist is a new committee, integrating Historian and expanding its role.
- 7) Currently the committees are as follows:

Standing Committees will be:

Archivist
Boutique (moved from under show to its own committee)
Charity/Community Outreach
Circulation
Hospitality and Special Events
Membership
Newsletter
Program
Publicity
Quilt Show
Web Presence

Ad-Hoc Committees currently include:

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Raffle Quilt Construction (was a standing committee)

Raffle Quilt Sales (was a standing committee)

Licensing (was a standing committee)

Bylaws

4H Fair

Nominating Committee

Process going forward is that the board agrees with proposed changes and is willing to present the changes to the membership. Then post the proposed bylaws and standing rules in the president's letter and newsletter for 2 months. We will vote in October. We will allow for Proxy voting.

Patty Gertz moved to accept the proposed changes Al Accettola seconded the motion, motion is approved.

- **Historian:** Cass Garner and Patty Gertz
 - Cass will ask members to go through pictures to determine historical value.
 - Will continue to work on sorting financial and legal items that need to be scanned, and will probably take until the end of the year to complete.
- **Hospitality:** Donna Slovak
 - Potluck on Sunday everything is on track.
- **Library:** Marianne Hampton (not present)
 - Nothing to report
- **Licensing:** Dyan Rosario
 - Send email and call Tiffany in Stockton no response will wait until Monday to see if she responds.
 - State License was mailed
- **Membership:** Cathie Giambalvo
 - Nothing to report.
- **Newsletter & Photographer:** Al Accettola
 - If anyone has information for the newsletter, get it to Al by Sunday after the upcoming meeting.
- **Publicity:** Dyan Rosario
 - Will be quiet until the end of August, nothing to report.

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- **Raffle Quilt Construction 2024:** Anne Oswald
 - Nothing to report
- **Raffle Ticket Distribution and Sales Chair:** Penny Armagost
 - Nothing to report
- **Quilt Show Chair:** Lysa Martinelli
 - Nothing to report
- **Web Presence:** Lauren Pine
 - Nothing to report.

New Business

- Nothing to report

Penny Armagost moved to Adjourn the Meeting at 8:08 Al Accettola seconded, meeting adjourned.

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CHQ Board Meeting Minutes August 18, 2023

Friday, August 18 · 7:02 – 7:57 PM ZOOM

In Attendance: Gina Krejsa, Kerry Cogen, Anne Oswald, Lauren Pine, Cathie Giambalvo, Cheryl Dennis, Laura Kohl, Barbara Fusco, Barbara Slaton, Donna Slovak, Penny Armagost, Al Accettola, Dyan Rosario, Patty Gertz, Lysa Martinelli and Cass Garner (Non-voting), Andrea Cavallaro (Non-Voting).

Gina Krejsa called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM.

July Board Minutes: Barbara Fusco made a motion to approve the July minutes Donna Slovak seconded the motion. Approved unanimously, eleven (11) board members were present at time of approval vote.

Old Business:

- Tabled for future discussion: a review of show functions from a strategy perspective.

Board/Committee Status:

- **President:** Gina Krejsa
 - Calendar was sent. Gina will update that June registration and August Annual report are the same filing.
- **Treasurer:** Kerry Cogan - Treasurer Report
 - Every other year Games of chance check for NJ cleared.
- **1st Vice President/Program:** Anne Oswald - Program/Workshop Calendar
 - August meeting will be an open workshop, Jacket and sew-along club. The evening event will be a game then the ice cream social. Will provide Cass or Carol with 20 minutes for photos and then will have training for 4H.
 - Anne will announce a potential art program which could be a make and take. People can make one to take and donate one to sell at the show if there is interest. If not we can sell in the boutique.
 - September will be an open workshop for clubs to do some sewing and in the evening will be the book review activity.
 - October will be with Patty doing machine applique class in the day and 2 members doing lecture in the evening.
 - November charity workshop and lecture in the evening.
- **2nd Vice President/Program:** Laura Kohl
 - Nothing to report.
- **Recording Secretary:** Cheryl Dennis
 - Nothing to report.

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- **Corresponding Secretary:** Juliet Leonard (not present)
 - Nothing to report.
- **Nominating Committee:** Joan Lasota (not present)
 - Gina announced there is a second Vice President candidate for the November election.
- **4H Fair Committee:** Barbara Fusco
 - Quilts will be turned in at the 4H office tomorrow. Monday judging will occur and Tuesday the hanging (still have 1 opening).
 - All slots are filled with volunteers.
- **Charity & Outreach:** Barbara Slaton
 - The Guild has 30 quilts for the fair and will be collecting a few more on Sunday. Cathie has frames to hang quilts and Cass will bring numbers on Sunday.
- **Boutique:** Janet Bergman (not present)
 - Gina announced a member has runners she made for her business and would like to add to the boutique on consignment.

Gina Krejsa motioned to approve the items be put on consignment and 50% of the proceeds go to the guild. Cathie Giambalvo seconded the motion, Motion approved unanimously.

- **Circulation:** Lauren Lupica
 - Nothing to report.
- **Bylaws:** Patty Gertz and Cass Garner (Patty presented)
 - September voting logistic
 - 1) Bylaws and Standing rules proposals will be posted in the President's bulletin this month.
 - 2) Patty suggests voting on standing rules first which requires a majority of people present. The bylaws will need approximately 54 votes. Count the votes of those present then ask for a proxy. If we don't get to 54 we will need to put off voting until next month.
 - 3) Proxy can be emailed to Gina or Patty
- **Historian:** Cass Garner and Patty Gertz
 - Nothing to report

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- **Hospitality:** Donna Slovak
 - Any members with an Ice-cream scoop please bring to the meeting and label with your name.
- **Library:** Marianne Hampton (not present)
 - Nothing to report
- **Licensing:** Dyan Rosario
 - Stockton told Dyan they need a copy of the NJ license that will be in effect at the time of the show so this year's license doesn't apply.
 - Kerry confirmed that the check has cleared and she will check the mailbox on Saturday. This impacts our ability to sell tickets for a full year.
- **Membership:** Cathie Giambalvo
 - Made postcards and business cards with URL code.
 - Will make laminated sheets for electronic payment to go with the cash box.
 - Did membership card on work space and updated information in google drive.
- **Newsletter & Photographer:** Al Accettola
 - If anyone has information for the President's Bulletin, get it to Gina by Sunday after the upcoming meeting.
- **Publicity:** Dyan Rosario
 - Nothing to report.
- **Raffle Quilt Construction 2024:** Anne Oswald
 - Nothing to report
- **Raffle Ticket Distribution and Sales Chair:** Penny Armagost
 - Nothing to report
- **Quilt Show Chair:** Lysa Martinelli
 - Having discussion of new ideas for the show to include workshop or guest lecture for Sunday of the show to increase attendance.
 - Lysa will take space planning as an action and the committee can come to board with a proposal.
- **Web Presence:** Lauren Pine
 - Nothing to report.

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New Business

- Nothing to report

Cathie Giambalvo moved to Adjourn the Meeting at 7:57 Anne Oswald seconded, meeting adjourned.

Summary of Proposed Changes

Courthouse Quilters Bylaws and Standing Rules – 2023 Summary of major changes

Bylaws

- 1) The Executive Board has been reduced by one to the following officers:
President, 1st Vice President, 2nd Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary.
The duties of the former Corresponding Secretary will be assigned to the Secretary.
- 2) Standing Committee definitions are moved to the Standing Rules for flexibility. (It is easier to change a standing rule than the bylaws.)
- 3) Only Executive Board Members and Standing Committee Chairs are board members, and have voting rights.
- 4) Ad Hoc Committees can be defined by the board on an as needed, task specific, basis, but are not part of the board.
- 5) Immediate past president no longer will be a member of the board
- 6) Indemnification section includes text that the guild will carry officer liability insurance.
- 7) All committee chairs are up for renewal every 2 years to encourage rotation of service.
- 8) Correction to current document – amendments to the bylaws take 2/3 of total membership.
- 9) As per insurance rules, while children are not normally present, if a member incidentally brings a child to a meeting the child must remain in the care of the parent at all times.

Notice, Proxy/Consent and Waiver

The undersigned authorized representative of a Member of Courthouse Quilters, a New Jersey nonprofit corporation, has received and reviewed a copy of the amended bylaws.

CONSENT:

The undersigned authorized representative of a Member of Courthouse Quilters hereby votes as follows on the amended bylaws:

_____ Approves _____ Disapproves _____ Abstains

Date: _____

Print Name: _____

PROXY:

Should an insufficient number of consents be received by Courthouse Quilters approving the consolidation described above, then I hereby authorize _____, as my proxy and attorney-in-fact coupled with an interest to vote on my behalf and in my stead on all matters that may come before any such meeting called by the President of Courthouse Quilters on the issue of amended bylaws. I direct my proxy that my views on the consolidation issue are addressed above under the *Consent* section of this form.

Date: _____

Print Name: _____

COURTHOUSE QUILTERS

2013 BYLAWS, Amended 2018, Amended 2021, Amended 2023

Article I: Name

This non-profit, 501(c)(3), quilt Guild shall be called **Courthouse Quilters**.

Article II: Purpose

The purpose of this 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.

Article III: Membership

Section 1.

- a. Membership of this Guild is open to all individuals interested in the art of quilt making.
- b. All members shall pay annual dues, as established by the Board, at a rate set by a majority vote at a regularly scheduled meeting.
- b. Current Members are those individuals who pay annual dues (see Standing Rules #1.)
- c. Each current member is entitled to one vote on any issue presented to the general membership.

Article IV: Finances

Section 1.

Guidelines for the guild's finances are as follows:

- a. Annual dues are paid, by members, to the membership chairperson by the first meeting of a calendar year and will be pro-rated semi-annually for new members only. Dues are not refundable.
- b. For new members who join during the show membership dues extend from the show through the following calendar year.
- c. The Board may adjust annual dues to meet the operating expenses of the Guild with approval by a majority vote at a regularly scheduled meeting.
- d. Applications for Grants to benefit the Guild must adhere to the guidelines set forth in Standing Rules (see Standing Rules #2.e.)
- e. The guild must adhere to an annual budget, voted on and approved by the board each January.

Article V: Officers

Section 1. Five elected officers will comprise the Executive Board of this Guild and will be:

President
First Vice President
Second Vice President
Treasurer
Secretary

Proposed Bylaws

Approved ?? 2023

Section 2. Officers will be elected by a majority vote of Current Members attending the November meeting. Officers will take office at the end of the December meeting for a term of two years. President, Treasurer, and Secretary officers are elected in even numbered years. Second vice president is elected every year, because the current Second Vice President moves into the First Vice President position without an election.

Section 3. No Elected Officer shall serve more than two consecutive years in any one position. All Elected Officers shall serve without compensation of any form, with the exception of a single vice president who attends a workshop in official capacity, for whom the workshop fee is waived. Unexpired terms shall be filled to their expiration date through appointment by the Executive Committee, with the approval of the Board, with the exception of the President. If the President is unable to complete the term, the First Vice President shall assume the presidency for the remainder of the term, and the Second Vice President shall assume the duties of the First Vice President. A new Second Vice President will be elected by special election. Fulfilling the remainder of a term in this manner will not disqualify a member from running for a full two-year term for the same office in a subsequent election.

Section 4. These Elected Officers and Chairpersons of Standing Committees serve as the Board. Ad Hoc Committee Chairpersons are not members of the board. Chairperson vacancies on the Board caused by any reason will be filled by a majority vote of the remaining Board members.

Section 5. Duties of Elected Officers (see Standing Rules #3-6.)

Section 6. No person shall hold more than one office, committee chairmanship, or any such combination except as noted in Standing Rules (see Standing Rules #7.)

Section 7. Removal of Officers

The entire Board or any individual Officer may be removed from office with just cause, at any time, if approved by a two-thirds vote of the current membership at a regularly scheduled or duly called meeting. Just cause can be (but is not limited to), misuse of Guild funds, misrepresenting the Guild within the community or not performing his/her duties in a proper or satisfactory manner. Any Officer whose removal has been proposed shall be given the opportunity to be heard before a vote is taken at the meeting considering their removal.

Article VI: Standing Committee Chairpersons

Chairpersons shall be approved or replaced by the President upon the advice and majority vote of the Board and shall become members of the Board.

Section 1. Each Committee Chairperson should follow the guidelines for their committee. These guidelines are passed down to each Committee Chairperson by their predecessors. Committee guidelines may be revised by the Committee Chairperson with approval by the Board, on an as-needed basis. Any revisions to the committee's standing rules or procedures should be reported to the board.

All chairpersons are up for renewal at the end of each two-year term to encourage rotation of service.

Section 2. Duties of Committee Chairpersons (see Standing Rules #8-18.)

Section 3. Duties of Ad Hoc Committee Chairpersons (see Standing Rules #19-22).

Article VII: Annual Elections

Section 1. The Nominating Committee is an Ad Hoc Committee nominated in an election year by the Membership, and confirmed by a majority vote of the board at a regularly scheduled meeting. The Nominating Committee will be established no later than March of that year. See Standing Rules #20. Proxy voting is allowed for election of officers and bylaws changes. Voting rules will reflect New Jersey State rules.

The nominating committee position is a two-year position, covering the elections of all officers including the 2nd Vice President.

Section 2. Election of Officers

- a. The Election of Officers shall be at the November meeting.
- b. Election shall be by majority vote of the current membership that is present.
- c. Election results will be announced at the election meeting and will be reported in the Newsletter/President's Bulletin prior to the December meeting.

Section 3. Installation of Elected Officers

- a. Installation of Elected Officers shall be held during the December meeting of the appropriate year for each term.
- b. The term of office begins after said December meeting.

Article VIII: Meetings

Meetings of the Guild will be held on a regularly scheduled Sunday of each month, unless otherwise decided by the Board (see Standing Rules #23.) A quorum is defined as 2/3 of the current membership. Matters concerning the bylaws require a quorum. All other matters require 51% of the members present.

Article IX: Guests

- a. Guests shall be welcome at our meetings for a nominal guest fee as determined by the Board (see Standing Rule #23.) At a meeting where we have a national speaker the guest fee may be increased for that meeting.
- b. Guest admission will be limited to two times per person, before the person must become a member.
- c. Fee may be waived by the Board for special events.
- d. While children are not normally present, if a member incidentally brings a child to a meeting the child must remain in the care of the parent at all times.

Article X: Board Meetings

Board meetings will be held monthly. The time and place of the meetings will be set at the discretion of the Executive Board and will be announced in the Newsletter/President's Bulletin or by email. All Members of the Guild may attend any or all Board meetings, but only Board Members will be allowed to vote.

- a. The Board may also meet in special session provided all members have been sufficiently notified prior to the meeting.
- b. The December and/or January meeting may be a joint meeting of newly elected and outgoing Officers and Committee Chairpersons. Only current office holders can vote.

- c. At least seven Board Members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. All matters brought before the Board will be decided by a majority vote, providing a quorum is met, except as noted in the Bylaws. Only current board members have a vote. If a member chairs more than one committee she/he gets one vote. If two people co-chair a committee, together they can cast one vote.
- d. During emergency situations – such as snowstorms or important Quilt Show years – when the entire Board cannot be contacted or does not have the opportunity to meet prior to a decision, five members of the Board may make a decision in the best interest of the guild. All Board Members will be notified of such a decision as soon as possible.

Article XI: Parliamentary Authority

The rules contained in the current edition of *Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised* shall govern the Guild in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with these bylaws and any special rules of order the Guild may adopt.

Article XII: Indemnification

The corporation shall indemnify every corporate agent as defined in, and to the full extent permitted by the New Jersey Nonprofit Corporation Act, and to the full extent otherwise permitted by law. No trustee or officer of the corporation shall be personally liable to the corporation for damages for breach of any duty owed to the corporation, except for liabilities arising from any breach of duty based upon an act or omission (1) in breach of the duty of loyalty to the corporation, (2) not in good faith or involving a knowing violation of law or (3) resulting in receipt by such trustee or officer of an improper personal benefit. Neither the amendment or repeal of this Article XII, nor the adoption of any provision which is inconsistent with this Article XII, shall eliminate or reduce the protection offered by the Article XII to a trustee or officer of the corporation (or other corporate agent) in respect to any matter which occurred, or any cause of action, suit or claim which but for this Article XII would have accrued or arisen, prior to such amendment, repeal, or adoption.

The guild will carry liability insurance for its officers.

Article XIII: Dissolution

- a. The corporation shall be dissolved in the following two-step process. The Board of the corporation must first, by a two-thirds vote of the Board at a meeting where a quorum exists, make a recommendation that the corporation be dissolved.
- b. Notice of a vote on dissolution must then be made to the complete membership, in the two (2) Newsletter/President's Bulletins sent prior to the members' meeting at which the vote is to be taken. Dissolution may be made by a two-thirds vote of the current membership at a regularly scheduled, or duly called meeting.
- c. Upon the dissolution the assets of the corporation shall be distributed as follows:
In the event of dissolution of this corporation, its assets shall be distributable only to organizations that enjoy exempt status in accordance with the provisions of Section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provisions of any future United States Internal Revenue Law.)

Article XIV: Review & Amendments to the Bylaws

- a. Amendment to or revision of these Bylaws may be made by a 2/3 vote of the current membership at a regularly scheduled or duly called meeting.
- b. Notice must be made in the two (2) Newsletter/President's Bulletins sent prior to the members' meeting at which the vote is to be taken. A detailed overview of all major or

controversial changes to the bylaws must be contained in such notice. Prior to the vote, a complete copy of the proposed amendment or revised bylaws must be made available to each member.

- c. Bylaws shall be reviewed every four years or as needed. The next scheduled review shall be during the calendar year 2027.

The preceding Bylaws, incorporating changes, were reviewed and passed by a 2/3 vote at a regularly scheduled meeting on ??? 2023.

Classified

Thank you to the members of the guild who were at the meeting last week and helped look for my lost earring? Cathie Giambalvo found it out in the parking lot. I was grateful to the people who took the time to look around for it. I didn't know it was lost until I got home.

Thanks,
Penny Armagost

Donated Items

A friend of the guild has graciously offered the following items to someone who could use them. Any contribution offered toward the items will benefit the boutique. If you are interested, please let Gina know and she will help to arrange the transfer.



The Evening Star Quilter's Guild is presenting A Harvest of Quilts Quilt Show November 4-5, 2023, 10:00 am to 4:00 pm, at the Belvidere High School, 809 Oxford St, Belvidere, NJ.

There will be quilt displays, vendors, workshops, raffle, boutique, quilts for sale, a cafe, and featured speakers.

On Saturday, The Christ Collection Lectures will include 100 years of quilting from 1830-1930 plus 30 antique quilts that represent quilts of this period.

On Sunday, the lectures will include the quilt revival of the thirties, quilting styles from 1920-1950. See 30 quilts that span the Depression through WWII, focusing on the "feedsack era". In addition, there will be a quilt made in 1943 by the Stewartsville Grange. It was recently found in a thrift shop in Colorado and returned to the Grange in Warren County. There are many family names embroidered on the quilt - come see if your family is included!

Admission is \$7 - active military is free.

Contact: Jane Myers, redningram@gmail.com; 530-604-1718

**harvest
OF QUILTS**

Presented by Evening Star Quilters

Vendors
Raffles
Boutique
Cafe
Demos
Book Sale
Scrap Bins

November 4th & 5th
10 to 4pm
\$7 Admission

Belvidere High School
809 Oxford Street
Belvidere, NJ

Tree Sale!
Find your favorite
themed tree for a
one-of-a-kind,
handmade, holiday
decoration!

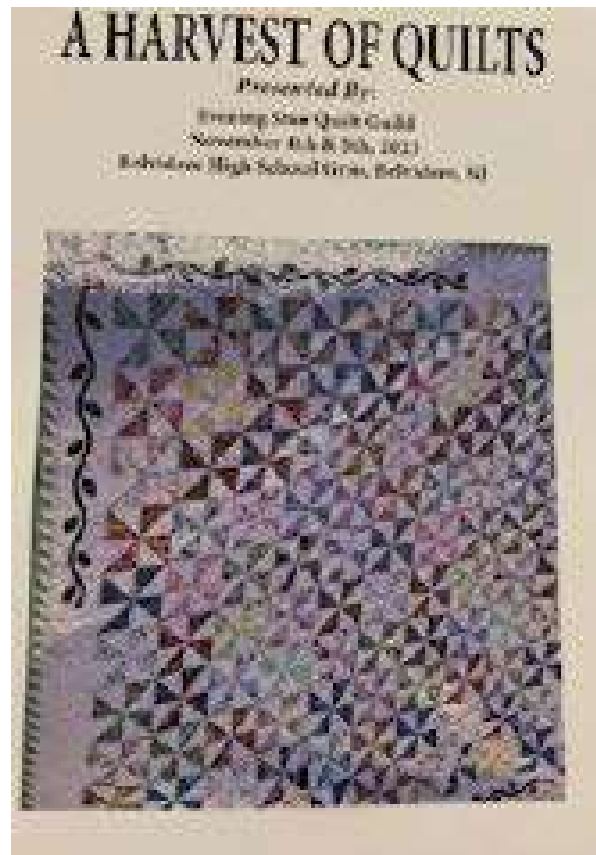
New Experiences:

Lectures by "The Christ Collection"
100 Years of Quilting & The Quilt Revival of the Thirties
1:00pm Saturday & Sunday

"The Found Quilt" on display!
Resident from Warren County? You should see this! Don't miss it!




Grange Quilt



Raffle Quilt

Classified



HELP WANTED

Position available for experienced quilters with **accurate rotary cutting skills** at our **Fairless Hills, PA**, location.

Hours: Monday thru Friday 10:00 to 3:00.

Responsible for cutting kits, shipping kits and quilts, receiving and checking in quilts, recording quilt donations in the database, and helping in the retail area.

You need to be able to pack 40-pound boxes of quilts and stand on your feet at the cutting table most of the day.

Contact pam.fox@quiltsforkids.org

Sadly, Amber's Air Force husband got his orders, and they are being transferred to Italy. Good for them, but not for us!

Autumn Inspiration Quilt Retreat

Presented by

Clifton Quilters Guild

at

Star Lake Camp and Conference Center

268 Macopin Road, Bloomingdale, NJ 07403

November 9 – 12, 2023

Check-in from 10:00 AM Thursday, Check-out by Noon Sunday

A Four Day, Three Night Open Sew!

Bring your sewing machine and supplies, and work on your own projects while enjoying the company of other quilters on the beautiful grounds of Star Lake in the Fall

Includes:

- Single or Double Room for Three Nights
- Linens and Private Bathroom
- Nine Meals:
 - Thursday: Lunch and Dinner
 - Friday and Saturday: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
 - Sunday: Breakfast
- Tip

Pop-Up Shop provided by

Sew Jersey, 36 NJ-10, East Hanover, NJ 07936

Questions: Email cliftonquiltersguild@gmail.com

Clifton Quilters Guild Autumn Inspiration Quilt Retreat Registration

Star Lake Camp and Conference Center, November 9-12, 2023

Attendee Name: _____ Email: _____ Phone: _____

Emergency Contact Info: Name: _____ Phone: _____

Dietary Restrictions/Allergies: _____

Double Occupancy: Non-Member \$386.00 _____ Member \$336.00 _____ Room With Name: _____

Single Occupancy: Non-Member \$506.00 _____ Member \$456.00 _____

Make checks payable to **Clifton Quilters Guild** Payment: Check#: _____ Amount: _____

Mail Registration Form and Check to: Clifton Quilters Guild, c/o Janice Morris, 208 Midland Avenue, River Edge, NJ 07661

CANCELLATION POLICY: Refund of payment less \$25 cancellation fee if the registration is cancelled up to 30 days prior to retreat. No refunds within 30 days of the retreat start date.

Berry Basket Quilt Guild

FALL BAZAAR 2023

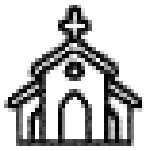
Friday, October 6th - 5 pm to 8 pm
Saturday, October 7th - 10 am to 3 pm

Featuring:

Boutique of Hand-Made Items
Quilters' Flea Market
Quilt Sale by members

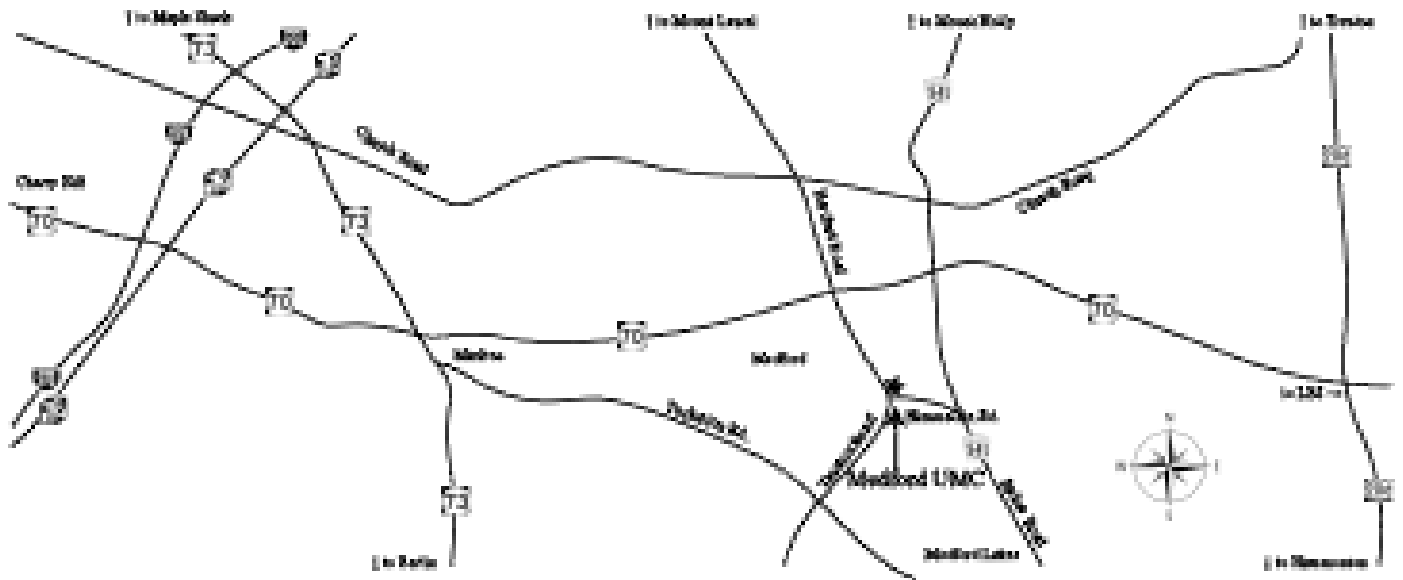
Medford United Methodist Church
2 Hartford Road
Medford, NJ 08055

FREE ADMISSION
Cash - Checks
We now accept credit cards



Medford United Methodist Church

2 Hartford Road
Medford, New Jersey





**BROWNSTONE QUILTERS GUILD
CELEBRATION OF QUILTS 2023**

November 10-11, 2023

QUILT ENTRY FORM

Entry Fees: Judged quilts - \$15 for members,
\$20 for non-members

Non-judged quilts - \$10 for all

Entry Deadline: October 11, 2023

Registration # _____

Drop-Off _____

Pick-Up _____

(For Registrar's use only)

Name..... Phone.....

Address..... Email.....

City..... State..... Zip.....

Title of Entry.....

Origin of Pattern Design.....

Top Made by..... Quilted by.....

Measurements: Width + Length..... X 2 = Total.....

Permission to publish photograph on guild website? Yes..... No.....

CATEGORIES - CHECK ONE PER ENTRY FORM.

- *Bed Quilt – Pieced. **NO** wider than 90” or no longer than 108”
- *Bed Quilt - Appliquéd. NO wider than 90” or longer than 108”
- *Small Wall Quilt - Pieced. Total perimeter up to 160”
- *Small Wall Quilt - Appliquéd. Total perimeter up to 160”
- *Large Wall Quilt - Pieced. Total perimeter 161” to 279”
- *Large Wall Quilt - Appliquéd. Total perimeter 161” to 279”
- Bed Quilt - Professionally Quilted - NO wider than 90” or longer than 108”
- Wall Quilt - Professionally Quilted - Up to 279” perimeter
- Wool Quilt - Any size
- Block Party Quilts (Brownstone members only)

Quilt to be Judged? No.....Yes.....

Delivery: In person..... Mail.....

Return: In person..... Mail.....

**SEND ENTRY FORM WITH FEES AND A
4 x 6 PHOTOGRAPH TO:**

Your last Name beginning A - L
Ann Sparanese, 146 Saint Nicholas Ave.,
Englewood, NJ 07631

Your Last Name beginning M - Z,
Elizabeth O'Sullivan, 24 Colonial Drive, Wyckoff
NJ 07481

***These categories to be hand quilted or quilted
on a domestic sewing machine.**

Write a brief “story” of 25 words or less for the display card (subject to editing). Use the other side if needed.

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PLEASE BE SURE TO READ PAGES 2 & 3

BROWNSTONE QUILTERS GUILD

CELEBRATION OF QUILTS 2023

November 10-11, 2023

Smith Middle School, Ramsey, NJ 07446

JUDGING AND RIBBONS

NQA certified judges will evaluate all entries, and ribbons will be awarded in all categories. In addition, ribbons will be awarded for the following merit prizes: Best in Show, Best Machine Workmanship, Best Hand Workmanship, Best use of Color, Judges' Choice, Show Chairs' Choice, Viewers' Choice.

ENTRY RULES

Please read entry rules carefully as the Quilt Show Committee reserves the right to disqualify any entry not meeting these criteria. The Quilt Show Committee also reserves the right to change the category of a quilt, and to eliminate a category if fewer than five pieces are entered into it. If a category is eliminated, those quilts will be reassigned to another category. All quilts will be handled with the utmost care. However, we cannot be responsible for acts of nature beyond our control. Insurance is the responsibility of the owner. (Check your Homeowner's Insurance Policy).

Although we would like to show every quilt entered, we reserve the right to limit the number of quilts in the Bed Quilt – Pieced category. Decisions will be made on overall size and order of registrations received.

1. All quilts entered require a separate entry form, entry fee and a **4 x 6** photograph of the quilt. **NO** 8½ x 11 photographs will be accepted. Incomplete forms will be returned and will not qualify for entry.
2. The non-refundable entry fee for judged quilts is **\$15.00 for members** and **\$20.00 for non-members**. For all non-judged quilts, the fee is \$10.00. There is no fee for Block Party quilts unless judged. Please make checks payable to **Brownstone Quilt Show**.
3. Depending on the number of entries, we reserve the right to limit entries to two quilts per person per category for judging. There is no limit on the total number of quilts you may enter.
4. You must include a self-addressed, stamped envelope with your entry. A letter of receipt will be mailed back to you together with a numbered muslin square which you will use to cover your own quilt label so that the quilts can be judged anonymously. ***Be sure to retain your receipt and bring it with you when you drop off and pick up your quilt***.
5. All quilts must have a label sewn on the back, in the lower right-hand corner (as you face the back of the quilt) containing your name and the name of the quilt. This label **must be covered with the muslin patch, provided with your registration acceptance**. This is to be **sewn** in place. Please do not use freezer paper or pins. Covering your own labels allows for the quilts to be judged anonymously.
6. The **predominant** technique used in making the top determines whether it is pieced or appliquéd.
7. Quilts must not have been in a previous Brownstone Show.
8. Add the entire width and length of all four sides of the quilt to determine the perimeter.
9. All quilts must be clean, and free of pet hair or strong odors, including smoke.

DELIVERY AND RETURN OF QUILTS

Hand Delivery: Quilt should be brought to the **Lutheran Church of the Redeemer, 55 Wyckoff Ave., Ramsey** on **Tuesday, November 7**, between 3.00 p.m. and 7.00 p.m. Please be sure to bring your entry receipt.

Mail Delivery: When mailing your quilt, be sure the box is sturdy enough for shipment. Include a copy of your receipt. If your quilt is to be mailed back to you, please also include a return address label and a shipping label and a shipping fee of \$20.00.

Pickup/Return: Quilts may be picked up at the end of the show on Saturday, November 11, **after 4.30p.m.**

You must **present your entry receipt to have your quilt returned to you**. If someone else is picking up your quilt they must have your written permission along with your entry receipt.

ENTRY CHECK LIST

..... Complete entry form, one for each quilt entered.

..... Entry Fee: \$15 for members, \$20 for non-members for each quilt to be judged, \$10 for quilts not to be judged. No fee for Block Party Quilts unless they are judged. If applicable \$20.00 for return mailing.

..... 4 x 6 Photograph of quilt—in color. This can be taken with your cell phone and printed on your printer.

..... Self-addressed, stamped envelope.

REGISTRATION DEADLINE

No later than October 11, 2023.

SHOWCASE OF MODERN QUILTS



Saturday, September 30
Sunday, October 1
10am - 4pm

Admission \$10
FREE for children under 13

north jersey modern quilt guild
njmqg

Cedar Grove Historical Society
Morgan Farm and Museum
903 Pompton Avenue
Cedar Grove, NJ
Entrance is on Commerce Road

Brownstone Quilt Guild is having the following workshop.

This should be a great learning experience. The Workshop will take place at the Old Paramus Reformed Church at 660 East Glen Road, Ridgewood, NJ right off Route 17.

If you are interested in registering for the workshop contact Lisa Japko at 201-665-7389 or ljapko@yahoo.com or Renata Svenjak at 201-575-1739 or rsvenjak@yahoo.com

Sashiko Basics Workshop with Rachel Barclay- in person

Saturday, October 14, 2023- 10:00 -3:00 with a lunch break

Members \$40; Non-Members \$60

\$30 Kit required

Limited to 15 participants



Sashiko is a Japanese embroidery method, practiced over centuries, which uses a simple running stitch to create bold and geometric patterns on textiles. It is the practice to mend, patch, strengthen, quilt, and embellish garments and home goods for longevity and beauty. With focus on exploration of the craft, students will learn how to handle thread, layout a simple grid, draw patterns, employ Sashiko needles, and use “small stabs” to stitch designs onto their patch samplers.

On Instagram: [@rachelharrietteb](https://www.instagram.com/rachelharrietteb)

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GARDEN STATE
QUILTERS GUILD **2023**

QUILT SHOW
Sat. Oct. 7 - 10 am to 5 pm
Sun. Oct. 8 - 10 am to 4 pm
Chatham Township Municipal Building

2023 Quilt Show

All Cut Up

presented by the Garden State Quilters Guild

OCTOBER 7 - 8, 2023

Vendors • Quilt Displays • Boutique

Little Wishes • Raffle Quilt

Displays featuring

Children's Workshop Quilt Blocks

Prairie Trail Quilt Block History

ADMISSION \$10

Chatham Township Municipal Building
58 Meyersville Road, Chatham, New Jersey 07928

Facility is handicapped accessible.



Please visit our website for more information on joining our guild, upcoming workshops and events.

www.gardenstatequilters.com

Follow us on Instagram at gardenstatequilters and Facebook at Garden State Quilters



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 Gina.

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