



COURTHOUSE QUILTERS NEWSLETTER

PRESIDENT'S LETTER



Hi all!

I made it through our first meeting as President and you guys weren't scary at all! Thank you for your support. All board and committee chairs have been filled! Thank you to all those who stepped up and volunteered their time and efforts. The complete list of positions is posted in this newsletter.

In case you didn't make the January meeting, we are slightly revamping hospitality. We will be purchasing a Keurig coffee maker. Members can bring along their own favorite Kcups to make their coffee. The guild will have a small supply of Kcups for guests and speakers. There will also be an electric kettle with hot water for tea (we have the tea and hot chocolate). We will be providing milk, sugar and paper products as usual. We are asking for two members to sign up and help set up and clean up at each meeting. We have volunteers for the February meeting and one for March. **Mary Rigby** is the hospitality chair so please contact her to take a slot to help.

We have some great workshops and lectures coming up? Let us hope that the weather cooperates.

Stay well and see you soon!

Andrea

COURTHOUSE QUILTERS**Minutes**

January 8, 2017

4:30 - 5:30

Meeting was called to order at 4:30 pm by Andrea.

Motion to approve minutes of December meeting was made by Jude, seconded by Ellen, passed.

President's business-Andrea thanked the outgoing executive board for all they've done to make the transition smooth. She especially thanked Patty Gertz for all that she has done.

The following are committee leaders:

- Newsletter - Carol Esch. Library - Patty Gertz.
- Hospitality - Mary Rigby. Special Events - reverts back to Program
- Photography - Al Accettola Publicity - Joan Lasota
- Raffle Quilt - Elena Stokes and Susan Flick. Quilt must be designed, pieced, quilted and bound by mid-December because licensing must be applied for January 2018.
- National Registered Agent - we are required by New Jersey to have a "real" address, not a post office box. Patty Gertz explained the National Registered Agent Service. Currently there is research to determine how we will meet this requirement. We need it for making sure we receive guild mail.
- Donations. - a table for mid arm quilting machine was donated by Friends of Whittemore. A lot of fabric was donated for charity use by the Garden Club of Hunterdon Hills. Many silk ties were donated by Connie Hughes.
- Newsletter - mail to members and other guilds...no, we will not send ours out.
- Vice Presidents/Program - Ellen Heath and Marla Knappe. Reviewed challenge and passed it out later at the meeting.
- Treasurer - Nicky Wallis. Nicky thanked Alice for all the great work that Alice did to make the transfer from one treasurer to another very smooth.
- Charity COMMITTEE - Jude McCormick. RARE Science is in need of at least 100 more bears. They are sending 10 sets of paws and tags to us. We need volunteers to make them. We also need ditty bags and gowns for patients. April is the Charity sew day.
- Circulation - Stephanie Greenberg. Historian - Claire Rohloff
- Librarian - Patty Gertz. Licensing - Joanne Gardner.
- Membership - Camille Quinton - only half of the membership has renewed their dues. As of the end of December there were 87 members.
- Web Presence - Karen Davis and Cathie Giambalvo
- New Business - Claire suggested we might look into changing our meeting time so that workshops and meetings could back up against each other instead of having a 2 1/2 hour time lapse from workshop to meeting (i.e. workshop would end at 4, meeting start at 4:30). Maybe workshops could begin at 9 instead of 10. Many people either come for the workshop and don't stay for the meeting, or just come for the meeting. It is a very long day to do both. There is concern about late night winter driving. Claire said it might eliminate the need for hospitality as people could get home for a late dinner. Ellen has concerns about the time changes and how they would affect the speakers who would have been given times specified in the contracts they have signed. We are looking for suggestions from members.
- At the January workshop the large pot that is used for hot water broke and was thrown away. A motion was made by Nicky and seconded by Jude and passed to purchase a Keurig and also a large pot for hot water. Members can bring their own K-cups and brew their own. There will be K-cups available for guests. There will also be teabags. The membership agreed.
- A motion was made by Stephanie and seconded by Jude to adjourn. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 5:29.
- Respectfully submitted by Penny Armagost.

Programs and Lectures

February 12 - Jessica Levitt - “Modern Organic Shapes by Machine”

10-4. \$30. Maximum registration 20

Learn to place and piece organic shapes to create a modern look. Jessica, a quilting teacher from Bridgewater, NJ has a degree in electrical engineering and is also a fabric designer for Windham Fabrics.

Meeting: 6:30 p.m. **Jessica Levitt “ALL ABOUT MODERN QUILTING”**

A lecture and trunk show with Jessica Levitt. Jessica is a founder of the Central Jersey Modern Quilt Guild and wrote the book “Modern Mix”.

March 12 - Joyce Hughes - “Basic Thread Painting”

The Joyce Hughes workshop on March 12 is filled. Be sure to join us for her evening program.

Meeting: 6:30 p.m. **“My Journey into Quilting”** with **Joyce Hughes** Lecture and trunk show.

April 9 - Charity Sew 1-4 p.m.

Meeting 6:30. Anniversary Celebration and Guild Challenge

May 20 and 21 - Paula Nadelstern - “Kaleidoscope Workshop” (2 day)

Saturday May 20. 10-4

Sunday May 21 10-4

Details about supplies are available at:

Paulanadelstern.com/workshops-lectures/workshop-details.php?ID=15

This workshop is full and there is a waiting list. Be sure to come to the evening lecture to enjoy Paula’s lecture.

May 21 - Meeting 6:30 p.m. - Paula Nadelstern- “Symmetry and Surprise”

June 11 - Pat Christ - “Star Embroidery”. 1 to 4 p.m. \$20

Learn the basics of this dimensional embroidery technique that has its roots in 17th Century England. Also known as “raised embroidery” or “stumpwork” this technique is used most often in nature embroidery.

Meeting 6:30 - Arlen and Pat Christ - “Pennsylvania Dutch Quilts”.

Be sure to check out our website "[Courthouse quilters.org](http://Courthousequilters.org)" or our Facebook page for more information on the guild.

Courthouse Quilters 2017 CHALLENGE

“Reuse, Recycle, Repurpose”

For this challenge some - or all - of the top of the quilt must have once been part of something else....for instance, a glove, a pocket, a piece of jewelry or broken jewelry, a tablecloth, the buttons from a jacket, teabags, gum wrappers.....you got it! Be creative! There is no size limit.

The quilt must be made between December 11, 2016 and April 9, 2017.

You will be given a paper label to fill out when you bring your quilt to the April meeting. You will be asked for this information:

- 1) What item or items on the piece are recycled?
- 2) Did you design the piece yourself? If not, who was the designer or inspiration?
- 3) Did you quilt the piece yourself? If not, who quilted it?

If your quilt has a label, please cover it up with a piece of cloth.

There will be **FIRST**, **SECOND**, and **THIRD** place ribbons in three categories. Quilt with repurposed fabric, Quilt with Repurposed Non-fabric items, and Other (including clothing, bags or other fabric items that would not lay flat like a quilt). You may enter one piece in each category.

Please contact Ellen Heath (ellheath@gmail.com) or Marla Knappe (marlaknappe@gmail.com) for clarification or questions.

If you know of anyone in the guild who could use some cheering up, please contact Corresponding Secretary, Cass Garner. She will send a card on behalf of the guild.

SUNSHINE AND SHADOWS

BOARD AND COMMITTEE CHAIRS

President	Andrea Cavallero
First Vice President	Ellen Heath
Second Vice President	Marla Knappe
Recording Secretary	Penny Armagost
Corresponding Secretary	Cass Garner
Treasurer	Nicky Wallis
Charity Quilting	Jude McCormick
Circulation	Stephenie Greenberg
Historian	Claire Rohloff
Hospitality	Mary Rigby
Librarian	Patty Gertz
Licensing	Joanne Gardner
Membership	Camille Quinton
Newsletter	Carol Esch
Photographer	Al Accettola
Publicity	Joan LaSota
Quilt Show	Camille Quinton
Raffle Quilt - Design and Creation	Elena Stokes
	Susan Flick
Web Presence.	Karen Davis and Cathie Giambalvo

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Look for these EVENTS in or near our area!!!

January 20 to March 22, 2017. REPAIR AND CONNECT... Rejuvenating work made of fiber and cloth.
Capital Health, Hopewell One Capital Way, Pennington, NJ. 08534

Opening Reception Thursday, January 26 6 to 7:30 p.m. TWO of our members are in the show: **Elena Stokes** and **Mary Schwarzenberger**.

In order for healing to take place, connections need to grow, cell to cell, child to parent, parts of communities to one another and country to country. Healing is a process done in collaboration and through connection. This idea is particularly suited to works in fiber and cloth, which have a long tradition of mending, patching, joining and reuse.

Clinton Fudge Shop on Main Street in Clinton, New Jersey. Showing quilts by Carol Esch, Betty Czerwinski and Mary Schwarzenberger..

March 2-5, 2017. Thirteenth Annual MANCUSO QUILT AND SEWING FEST OF NEW JERSEY

Garden State Exhibit Center, 50 Atrium Drive, Somerset, New Jersey. Over 400 quilts, wearable and textile works of art on display. Appraisals, merchants mall and more. www.quiltfest.com

March 18-19. QUILT EXPO 2017. BALTIMORE HERITAGE QUILTERS GUILD

NEW LOCATION: The Park School, Athletic Center, 2425 Old Court Road, Baltimore, MD. 21208

Hours 10 to 5. Admission \$8. Groups of 5 or more advance tickets \$6

For more information and to purchase advance tickets visit

www.baltimorequilters.com





Photographs from our January Meeting SHARE and SHOW and TELL.

Newsletter Deadline:

The deadline for the newsletter is the Sunday following a meeting. Exceptions are May and show year Octobers with a deadline of the Wednesday after a meeting. Send all your articles, news, photos to Carol Esch. cesch1941@gmail.com

**Courthouse Quilters
Darcy Lodge
39 Everittstown Road
Route 513, Frenchtown, New Jersey**

Directions from Flemington:

Route 12 West to flashing red light at The National Hotel in Frenchtown. Turn right onto Route 513 and drive up steep hill. The Darcy Lodge will be 3/4 mile on the left.

Directions from Clinton:

Route I-78 to Exit 15 to Route 513 South. Turn right just past Pittstown Inn at red light and follow Route 513 for 8 miles. Darcy Lodge on right hand side.