

COURTHOUSE QUILTERS NEWSLETTER

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May 14 & 15, 2016

Two Day Portraiture Workshop with Esterita Austin

An introductory class using fusing techniques; no sewing machine necessary.

10:00 am - 4:00 pm Cost: \$120



May 15, 2016

Meeting - "Classic Rock" with Esterita Austin

6:30 pm

A humorous slide and trunk show about Esterita's journey as a quilter.

June 12, 2016

Workshop - "Something Old, Something New" with Shannon Shirley

Start with a vintage embroidered block (one of yours or one of Shannon's), add a piano key border and a scalloped edge to create a unique wallhanging.

10:00 am - 4:00 pm

\$60 (includes vintage embroidered block of your choice)



Meeting - Shannon Shirley "An Eclectic Mix"

6:30 pm

Quilts inspired by children's artwork, incorporating vintage needlework, art quilts, traditional...there is sure to be something to interest everyone as Shannon shares what she has learned as a self-taught quilter.



July 10, 2016

No Workshop

Meeting - "Member Demo"

6:30 pm

Members share their expertise and creative ideas.

Challenge Quilts 2016



Continued...

Challenge Quilt 2016 Ribbon Winners



Spiderweb -
First Place to Jan Hunold
Second Place to Rosie Esposito



Puss -in -the -Corner -
First Place to Babette Galinak
Second Place to Teri Nalbone

Applique -
First Place to Ellen Heath
Second Place to Stephanie Greenberg



Continued...

Challenge Quilt 2016 Ribbon Winners



Other -

First Place to Jan Hunold

Second Place to Albert Accetola



Log Cabin -

First Place to Andrea Cavallaro (Me)

Second Place to Albert Accetola



A thank you...

Hello Courthouse Quilters,

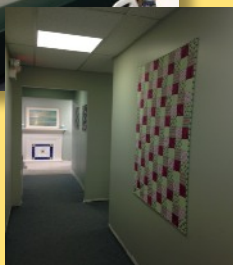
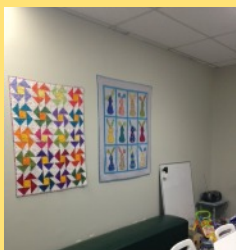
Thank you so much for your donation of handmade quilts. Please forgive the delay but I waited until our 7500 square foot facility was completely painted to start to put them up on the walls! Every quilt adorns an area in our PALS Children's program where children ages 3-12 who have witnessed domestic violence attend family counseling, individual or group counseling, or creative arts therapy including art, music, dance, or drama therapy. I will send you some quick photos that I took with my phone after putting each one on the walls!

Please convey my sincere gratitude to every quilter for sharing their labors of love with these children in need!

We have lots of more blank walls so should you have more talented quilters please them know how much we appreciate their support!

Best,

Karen D. Carbonello
Executive Director



Friends in High Places

The American Quilters Society has just launched a series of online classes for quilters. I was thrilled to see that three of their selected teachers for these classes have visited our guild in the past three years.

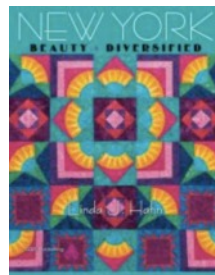


Karen Davis brought us Linda Poole, who taught us her method for coloring on fabric. Linda travels the country teaching and will be a featured teacher with Quilt Seminars at Sea in February 2017.



I was lucky enough to score Bethanne Nemesh just before she became a national sensation. Her workshop, "The Devil is in the Details," raised the bar for ways to embellish our borders and bindings. In 2015 she was inducted into the National Quilting Association's Masterpiece Quilt Guild, and this April she won First Place in the Longarm Wall Hanging division at AQS in Paducah.

Karen also booked Linda Hahn, who shared her techniques for making American Beauty blocks. Linda was voted 2009 NQA Teacher of the Year and will be teaching on a quilt cruise in Alaska in 2017.



Luring top quilters and teachers to our little corner of Hunterdon County is possible because of our own spectacular show, which brings in the funds to support our workshops and lectures. Still coming in 2016 is Lisa Calle, who has won "Best of Shows" at AQS in Des Moines and the PA Nat'l Quilt Extravaganza in Oaks as well as a first place at the Houston International Quilt Festival. Paula Nadelstern is coming in 2017, and we are in negotiations with Gloria Loughman for 2018.

Ellen Heath

For those of you registered for Esterita Austin's May workshop or those who are considering signing up, here is a link to Esterita's YouTube video on how to prepare for the workshop:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FO2iLtiyMmw>

April Workshop - Charity Sew - "Rare Bears and Ugly Totes"



Many thanks to all who sewed with us and those that took patterns home - can't wait to see your bears!

Minis at the Mill 2016

We have our first mini! Many thanks to Blanche Grassl for her lovely quilt! Have you started yours yet?

Here are the rules for Mini construction:

1. Your Mini can be as small as 6"x6" (minimum) or as large as 24"x24" (maximum).
2. No cheater cloth.
3. Your Mini can be machine or hand quilted; no tied quilts.
4. Your Mini should have a label with your name, county, state, date, and Courthouse Quilters on it. That way your lucky winner will know all about their new quilt and who made it.
5. **Your Mini must be handed in by the September meeting. This will give the committee time to get the raffle all set up.**

You can turn in your completed mini at any guild meeting to Jill Ferrari or Andrea Cavallaro. If you have any questions contact either Jill or Andrea.

Thank you!

Jill Ferrari and Andrea Cavallaro





Courthouse Quilters

and Patchwork Tradition

Don't miss our exhibit at the Sigal Museum in Easton, PA. The quilts in this exhibit represent a challenge given to the members of our Courthouse Quilters Guild. The Sigal Museum curator selected four quilts from the museum's collection, each including a well-known traditional block. Guild members, inspired by one or more of these four blocks, were charged to create a quilt of their own design. While some of the resulting quilts mirror the traditional blocks, others use them as a starting point for contemporary quilts that bear little resemblance to the originals. All are a tribute to the quilters who created the beautiful quilts that are our heritage.

The museum, located at 342 Northampton Street in Easton, is open Wednesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. through 4 p.m. and Sundays from noon to 4 p.m. The exhibit will be in the second-floor gallery through July 31, 2016. A \$7 donation is requested to enter the museum.

The new Easton Public Market, located directly across the street from the museum is open the same days and is becoming a hub for "foodies." It's a great place for lunch.



Photos were taken at exhibit opening reception on April 15, 2016

Board Minutes



Board Minutes from April 10, 2016

In attendance: Cass G., Joanne G., M. Rigby, Sue G. Camille Q., Stephanie G., Andrea C. Cathie G.

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Board Facilitator: Because the President and Treasurer were away and Ellen was busy with Challenge, Cass called the meeting to order at (4:34) but there was confusion about whether or not a meeting was being held so we actually began at 4:44 when more members arrived.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes. March minutes approved.

Issues on the agenda were resolved before the meeting. The intake form issues were resolved including adding space to acknowledge commercial patterns on the form. Volunteer issues were addressed prior to the meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Quilt Show Discussion/questions/concerns:

Stephanie: Two people wanted to know if a group quilt was eligible for viewer's choice. Does it matter if it is done by members of the guild.? What percent of quilt should be done?

Could there be a place for members to sell their own goods? Basement?

Two vendors who want to exhibit but they have different items. Ie: one person sells letters. This person is wondering if someone would allow them to stay in their home so they don't have to pay for hotel.

Stephanie has concerns about the set up /clean up crews but we are making progress .

Apparently, vendors do not want to be in the basement.

A motion was made and was seconded to adjourn at 5:11. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by: Cass Garner

"Members Out and About"

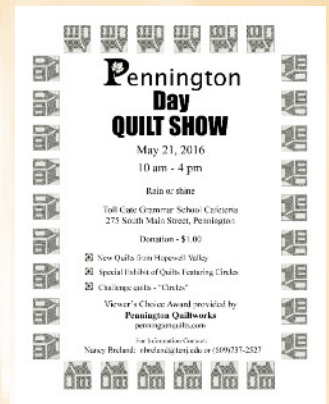


Congratulations to Carol Esch, Rosie Esposito, Mary Schwarzenberger, and Joan Lasota! They have pieces of their fiber art on display in the WaterWorks Exhibit at the Gallery in the Lower Bucks County College Campus in Bristol, Pennsylvania. The exhibit is on display until May 18, 2016.

(Don Esch, pictured here with Carol, also has a painting on display at the show.)



Places to Go, Things to Do, People to Meet!



Spring is here and there's no better way to rejuvenate your quilting skills than signing up for a new and exciting workshop. Choose from a wide-range of **NEW** workshops available at **World Quilt New England**, August 18-20, 2016 at the Radisson Center in Manchester, New Hampshire.

<http://www.quiltfest.com/upcoming-shows-and-events/world-quilt-new-england/>

Membership

Spring has sprung, the grass is riz, I wonder where the birdies is.... ! Some of you know the rest. I'm amazed at the new growth thrusting its way through the soil, and the soft green and red hues of emerging leaves.

Time to ready the home for warm weather, and time to prepare for the fall Quilts in the Mill show. Remember that to enter a quilt, you must be a member in good standing. According to our by-laws, your responsibilities as a member in good standing are:

- 1) dues paid in full for the calendar year
- 2) donate 3 handmade items to the biennial quilt show boutique
- 3) sell 20 quilt show quilt raffle tickets

As you plan for the October show, please keep these in mind.

Please give a warm CHQ welcome to our newest members, Linda Schulz and Janet Bergman. Linda is an intermediate quilter whose interest is in contemporary quilts, and Janet is a experienced quilter who loves contemporary and art quilting. The guild modern artists will certainly give them inspiration!

You all received the current roster – please let me know if there are any changes.

Even though the days are lighter longer, remember our members who may have difficulty driving at night – offer them a ride – a little act of kindness that will make their day and yours brighter!

Make sure to contribute your three items to the show boutique.

Enjoy the new warmth of the season!

Camille Quinton
CHQ Membership chair



Show and Tell



Show and Tell...cont'd



Hospitality

Thanks to everyone who brought refreshments to the April meeting including Mary Ann Hampton, Carol Esch, Maria Schaible, Andrea Cavallaro Teri Nalbone, and Chris Englehart.



Sunshine and Shadows



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

CHQ ONLINE



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!



Newsletter Deadline

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.

Send all of your articles, news, photos and other newsworthy items to Andrea.

Board and Committee Chairs

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Route 12 W 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 S. Turn right at Burgdorf Realtors Route 513. Continue for 8 miles.