

COURTHOUSE QUILTERS PRESIDENT'S BULLETIN July 2024

President's Letter

Thanks to everyone who came out for our June workshop and guild meeting. Lisa Shepard Stewart gave a terrific presentation and class! Special thanks to Laura for making it happen.

We had some new volunteers for chairing committees and subcommittees. Thank you and congratulations to Jan (Circulation), Deb (Show Hanging), and Pam (Show Hanging). We appreciate your willingness to take on these positions and look forward to working with you.

It's hard to believe it is only three months until our Quilts in the Mill show. Planning, work, and organization are all in full swing. If you want to help, but aren't sure what you can do, please reach out to Lysa, our show chair. The volunteer sign up sheet has gone out and I encourage people to sign up. Even if you are a chair and plan to work in "your" area, sign up on the sheet as this is an easy way for everything to be tracked and to give a clear picture of where we are. [CHQ Quilt Show Volunteers 2024](#)

We all know that hanging is only doable when we get a lot of help, please join us for as long as you can. Also, if you have a loved one who is able and willing to help, bring them. In addition to all of the set-up, there are almost 100 shifts that need to be filled during the show. That means if 75% of the guild volunteers, we would need each person to work 2 shifts. If only 50% of the guild volunteers, we would need each person to work 3 shifts. So, if the show is an important guild activity to you, please volunteer accordingly.

A Saturday, July 20th Sew In has been scheduled for the 2026 raffle quilt, sign up here - [CHQ 2026 Raffle Quilt Block Sew In](#)

The raffle sales committee still needs a few volunteers for the 4H Fair. Consider signing up and enjoying a day at the fair! [CHQ Raffle Sales at the 4H Fair](#)

Happy quilting!

Gina

president@courthousequilters.org

Upcoming Meetings

Zoom Board Meeting (All members welcome)

Time: July 19, 2024 7:00 PM

In Person Guild Meeting at the Hunterdon County Complex, Building 1

Time: July 21, 2024 6:30 pm

Program

July - [CHQ Community Outreach: Christmas Stockings](#)

July 21st, 2024
Charity Workshop 'CHRISTMAS IN JULY' (1-5)
(get a head start on our Charity Christmas Stockings)
and Members Demo (6:30-8:30)



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August - [CHQ Sewing for the Show: Boutique or Caring Heart Quilts](#)

August 18th, 2024
Afternoon Sew-in (1-5)
and Ice Cream Social
(6:30-8:30)

- Join your friends for an afternoon of sewing. Bring any project of your choice. Sew for the boutique, the show, or just for yourself.
- We will also be ironing, measuring, and pricing fabric for the Boutique.
- Then reward yourself for all that hard work with some Ice Cream!



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September

September 15th, 2024

SHOW PREP!!!!

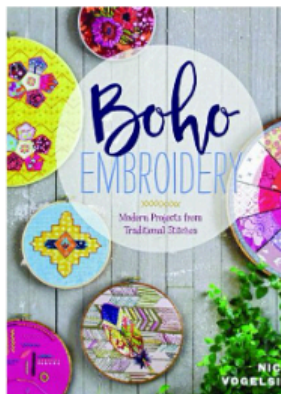
- Less than **2 weeks** until the 2024 Quilts in the Mill Show. Join forces with our amazing Show Chair Lysa to put on the best show yet!
- Any committee or subcommittee needing work done prior to the show can use the time to meet, coordinate, and work with volunteers
- Any presenter who wants to practice with an audience is welcome

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October Sneak Peak - Nichole is workshop only, not evening lecture - we did try for both. If you want to see her, you will need to take the workshop.



October 20th, 2024

**Embroidery workshop with
Nichole Vogelsinger of wildboho
1-4pm
followed by Show Recap at the
evening meeting.**

- Bring your favorite botanical fabric and learn how to boho it up, encrusting it with layers of embroidery stitches, beads and sequins that will inspire you to look at fabric in a whole new way!

Presentation Title

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Committee Notes

Community Outreach (Barbara Slaton)

- Quilts for Kids
 - Collection is ongoing at guild meetings to Gretta. Gretta will be bringing kits to the next meeting for those members who requested them.
- Christmas Stockings
 - We will be making Christmas Stockings during our July workshop. You can donate fabric to Barbara for this project. Follow this link for instructions to make a stocking [Free Quilted Christmas Stocking Pattern - Sarah Maker](#)

Hospitality (Donna Slovak)

Thanks to all of the volunteers who share snacks and drinks at our monthly CHQ meetings and workshops! Special thanks to Joan Lasota, Deb Brockway and Dyan Rosario for providing goodies for our June meeting. Please use the sign up genius link to review the available slots and click the button to sign up. Members are encouraged to bring personal water bottles. Hot coffee and tea will return in September.

[Hospitality Sign Up Here](#)

Thank you!



Nominating Committee (Joan Lasota, Cass Garner, Kathy Stewart)

NOMINATING COMMITTEE NEEDS YOUR INPUT!

The CHQ Nominating Committee, formed during May, 2024, needs your input to help us find good candidates for the four elected positions listed below. We need time to reach out to members so please consider yourself or fellow members for these positions. For your convenience, the position responsibilities are listed below. These descriptions were taken directly from the current CHQ Standing Rules.

We hope to get to know every guild member during this process, but we need your help. You might know someone who is well qualified and would do a fantastic job, it might even be YOU. In addition to long-time members, it's always advantageous to have new people with fresh ideas in these positions. It's also a great way to support the guild and new people will bring different perspectives to the board. We want to encourage newer members, in addition to more seasoned members, to come forward, so everyone has an opportunity to serve on the board and be a part of the reason this is such a great Guild.

It's very important to note that anyone taking over a position will have complete support and mentoring until they get their sea legs. CHQ members, especially those currently in these positions, are always available to answer questions and provide advice, support and guidance.

If you'd like to get a sense of how the Board meetings are run, every member is welcome to join those meetings. They take place monthly (by Zoom) on the Friday evening before our general meeting. Gina sends out the zoom link in the "CHQ Upcoming Meetings and Important Reminders" email to all members a few days before the board meeting.

Please contact us asap so we have plenty of time to reach out to possible candidates. We have a great guild, but it cannot exist without our elected officers. Our phone and email contact information is below and we will also be available at upcoming CHQ meetings.

THANK YOU FELLOW CHQ MEMBERS!

Nominating Committee 2024/25

Joan Lasota (H) 908-806-7223 jalasota@icloud.com

Cass Garner (C) 609-462-7338 cassgarner1@gmail.com

Kathy Stewart (C) 267-235-9753 kathystewart@verizon.net

Nominating Committee Time-Line: 2024

May-Sept – solicit member input and prepare a slate of candidates for President, Treasurer, 2nd VP, and Secretary.

October- present the slate of candidates to members at the October meeting and ask if there are other candidates to be added.

November- Vote on the slate of candidates at November meeting

December – New officers will be installed at the end of the December meeting.

3. DUTIES OF ELECTED OFFICERS – President

a. Creates an agenda and presides at all meetings of the organization and the Board; including the business portion of the guild meeting.

b. Generates President's Letter for President's Bulletin or for submission to the CHQ Newsletter.

c. Generates Bi-Monthly President's Bulletin.

d. Oversees, coordinates and supports Executive Board and Committees with compliance to CHQ Bylaws & Standing Rules.

e. Follows the regulations of the IRS, as well as state and local regulations with respect to the operation of a non-profit organization.

f. Appoints all Chairpersons of all standing and Ad Hoc committees with the advice and consent of the Board and shall serve as ex-officio member of all committees, with the exception of the Nominating Committee. Oversees Guild's Quilt show.

g. Serves as the back-up for the treasurer and as the second officer with access to the bank accounts, the debit card and the card service account.

h. Approves or dismisses email blasts to be sent out to all members.

i. Accepts and considers questions and opinions from members and from the general public and decides whether these should be brought to the board.

j. Oversees the pick-up and distribution of mail sent to the guild mailbox.

k. Stores President's Bulletin in the Guild Document Repository.

4. DUTIES OF ELECTED OFFICERS - Vice President

- a. The First Vice President shall perform the duties of the President in her/his absence. Should the President be unable to fulfill the term of office, the First Vice President will assume the Presidency for the remainder of the term. The Second Vice President will become the First Vice President, and a new Second Vice President will be elected by a special election.
- b. The Vice Presidents shall serve as co-chairs of the Program Committee (see Standing Rule #15.)

5. DUTIES OF ELECTED OFFICERS - Treasurer

- a. The Treasurer will maintain accurate financial records of the Guild at all times.
- b. The Treasurer will receive and deposit monies for all Guild activities in the bank account(s) maintained in the name of the Guild. The Treasurer oversees deposits made by other members as well.
- c. The Treasurer will reconcile credit card provider transactions and transfer funds to the guild bank accounts.
- d. The Treasurer will make a monthly report outlining receipts, disbursements and current balances. This approved report will be sent to the entire membership via email.
- e. Each November the Treasurer will submit an Annual Budget for the projected annual cycle to the Board. Upon approval by the Board, the budget will be presented to the membership via email. In June of each year, the Treasurer will submit a Budget Status Report to the Board.
- f. The Treasurer is responsible for remitting dues and other financial obligations to any organization with which the Guild may be affiliated.
- g. The Treasurer will follow the regulations of the IRS, as well as state and local regulations with respect to the operation of a non-profit organization.
- h. The Treasurer will, upon request, produce to the Board or an auditor appointed by the Board, all bank statements, check book(s), ledgers, itemized statements of bills (paid and unpaid), IRS documents including 1099s and W-9s, and any other items necessary for a complete audit.
- i. Stores Treasurer's Report in the Guild Document Repository.
- j. Responsible for sending gift acknowledgement letters for donation tax purposes.

• If you actually read to this point and mention it at the next meeting, you will get to pick a fat quarter...its your reward for reading this far!

6. DUTIES OF ELECTED OFFICERS - Secretary

- a. The Secretary records the minutes at all board meetings, and any membership meeting where votes occur.
- b. Responsible for the submission of the minutes, to be included in the bimonthly newsletter after board approval, by the due date set by the Newsletter Committee.
- c. Handles all correspondence of the organization as requested by the board.
- d. Responsible for sending 'good will' cards to members who are ill, hospitalized, new parents, etc.
- e. For circumstances that may warrant other considerations, Board approval is required. For situations between meetings that require immediate action, approval of 3 or more board members is required.

Raffle Sales (Penny Armagost and Gina Krejsa)

- Raffle Sales are moving right along. So far we have sold over 3,000 tickets and collected more than \$2,700 in total. About 63% of members have returned their tickets so far.
- Thank you to all the volunteers who helped sell tickets during the Chester Spring Craft Show - Penny, Gina, Pam C, Lysa, Mary R, Helle-May, Carol, and Alice. Special thanks to Carol for hosting. We raised \$462!
- Thank you to all the volunteers who helped sell tickets at the Lambertville Hidden Garden Tour - Donna, Cathie, Penny, Joan, and Jill. Special thanks to Cathie hosting. We raised \$273!
- Please sign up for upcoming raffle sales events - [CHQ Raffle Sales at the 4H Fair](#)
 - August 21 - 25 - Hunterdon County 4H Fair

Raffle Construction (Juliet Leonard)

- Saturday, July 20 - We have another Sew-In scheduled to work on the assembly of units. Please join us [CHQ 2026 Raffle Quilt Block Sew In](#)
- Juliet's Library Room Tour Video - <https://youtu.be/50I0MoZ0-tl?feature=shared>



Show - Mini Quilt Raffle (Joan Lasota and Mary Rigby)

The Display and Raffle of mini quilts is always a wonderful addition to the CHQ Show. It's been a profitable fundraiser and a reflection of our many talented members. Please consider donating a mini quilt for our tricky-tray style raffle that will be held during our quilt show in September.

Here are some general rules for minis:

1. Size - Minimum 6" X 6" to a Maximum 24" X 24".
2. Please - no cheater cloth.
3. Machine or hand quilted - no tied quilts.
4. Please include a label on your mini - Creator's Name, County & State, Date, and CHQ.
5. We will need these quilts by the August 2024 Meeting.

Please submit your completed Minis to either Joan Lasota (908) 806-7223 or Mary Rigby (908) 303-5906 at any of the upcoming Guild Meetings. Feel free to give either of us a call should you have any questions.

Show (Lysa Martinelli)

Quilts in the Mill ♦ Quilt Show “Confetti of Color”



Quilt Show Volunteer Sign-up has started! It is less than three months until the Show and it takes the entire guild to run a successful show. Volunteers are needed for show setup, days of show, and show breakdown.

Please use the link to sign-up for your shift(s):

[https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0545ADAF29A7FC1-mill#/.](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0545ADAF29A7FC1-mill#/)

If you have any questions about volunteering, please contact the Quilt Show Volunteer Chair: Cathie Giambalvo (membership@courthousequilters.org).

Show Details:

Friday, September 27 - Sunday, September 29 (Show set-up: Wednesday, September 25 and Thursday, September 26)

Prallsville Mills - 33 Risler Street (Route 29), Stockton, NJ 08559

Daily Show Hours: 10:00 am - 4:00 pm (Friday-Sunday)

Ticket Price: \$12 (discount: 10 or more \$10 each)

How Can You Help: In addition to volunteering on the days of the show there are many other ways that you can help. We need you to:

- Show your Quilts
- Make a Mini
- Make Boutique items
- Make a quilt for Caring Hearts Quilts

The following are the committee chairs for the above areas. If you have any questions please reach out to them or you can contact me.

- **Acquisitions** - Jill Ferrari (jafrahway@gmail.com) and Andrea K. Cavallaro (andreakcav@gmail.com)
- **Mini Quilts** - Joan Lasota (jalasota@icloud.com) and Mary Rigby (maryrigby@comcast.net)
- **Boutique** - Janet Bergman (quiltedhorse@icloud.com)
- **Caring Hearts Quilts** - Barbara Slaton (bjs21556@gmail.com) and Mary Ann Hampton (mahampton@ptd.net)

Spread The Word: Please post on your social media about the show to get people thinking about it and make sure they save the date.

Need More Information: Email, call or text me if you have any questions or need more information.

Lysa Martinelli, Show Chair
showchair1@courthousequilters.org
908-938-9164

Quilts in the Mill ♦ Quilt Show
“Wearable Fashion Show and Exhibit”

Members Call to Action

At our quilt show this year, we're having a fashion show and special wearable exhibit curated by Mary Schwarzenberger. Besides showcasing Mary's lovely artistic wearables, we're looking for other members to submit their items as well. Jacket Club ladies - - that's you!! Actually, any member who has made a quilted wearable is welcome to participate with items such as bags, purses, jewelry, and/or other quilted clothing items. We'd love to see you model your garments or bags, but no worries if you're shy. We will also hang and/or display items in a special exhibit area near the fashion runway.

Please let us know if you plan on participating by contacting Anne Oswald at aoswald827@gmail.com or 704.361.2629. For now, we're trying to get an idea of how many members plan to participate, what type of wearable and if interested in modeling. Thanks so much in advance. We're hoping to see some good participation to make this a successful event held during the Quilt Show on Friday, September 27 from 1-2pm.

Members on the Move

Mary S and Joan!

Congratulations Joan and Mary! Also see [Michael J Ross](#)

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 Nelly Kouzmina
 Joan Lasota
 Bojana Leznicki
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 Ann Marie Miller
 Susan Morrison
 Sue Thanel Mulderrig
 Cristina Pastelaniec
 Liz Hamilton Quay
 Michael Ross
 Caroline Hicks Sawyer
 Mary Schwarzenberger
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Licensing: Dyan Rosario

Raffle Quilt Sales 2024: Penny Armagost

Raffle Quilt Construction 2026: Juliet Leonard

Nominating: Joan Lasota, Cass Garner, Kathy Stewart

Courthouse Quilters Guild - Our Mission

The purpose of our Guild is to:

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