

Courthouse Quilters Guild Newsletter

December 2018

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December Holiday Party

Join us Sunday, December 9, 2018 for our annual holiday pot luck
dinner party.



The festivities start at 6:00 pm.



Please bring a dish - based on your last name:

A-D Soup/Salad E-H Appetizer I - N Dessert O-Z Main
Dish



And a canned or non-perishable food item for a local food bank.

We will have hot tea and coffee, but feel free to bring a cold drink to
share.



We will have a Yankee gift swap. If you want to participate, please
bring a wrapped gift item (value \$10 - \$15), or something homemade.



Hope to see you there.
Marla and Stephanie



COZY SEW
December 9
1-4 pm

Bring your own project to work on, or make this sweet gift bag and/or a key fob for a holiday gift. Materials will be supplied for the bags. For the key fob, please bring 2 coordinating fabrics 3"x14" and 1 piece of batting 1"x14". Hardware will be supplied. Just bring a sewing machine and basic supplies (including a rotary cutter and small mat).



Sarah Bond Workshop - "Release the Geese"

January 13 – 10 am to 4 pm
\$50 for members

This class is not a "make this quilt" class, although it is perfectly reasonable to make one of the samples, and I will give you directions to make them as displayed. It is really designed to provide you with elements and techniques that you can use to design your own quilt.

We will do circular flying geese using a basic paper piecing method. I will provide you with patterns for various types of circular flying geese with clockwise and counterclockwise orientations. We will also do some straight geese with a quick piecing, no-waste technique that you can use in various ways.

Then we will look at ways to combine your straight flying geese with your circular flying geese to achieve any number of possible variations.

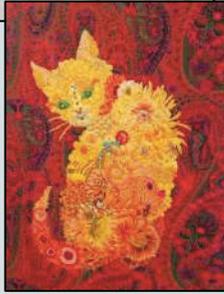


Required supplies to bring with you:

- rotary cutter
- cutting mat
- 24" ruler
- pins
- paper & pencil for notes
- Fabric: Because this is a workshop/design class, I can't tell you exactly how much yardage you will need. But if you are going for a scrappy look, fat quarters are great. If you have a particular line of fabrics you want to use, bring them all along and make your choices as you design. Be sure to bring one or more fabrics to serve as the background for your geese.



CHARLOTTE WILLIAMS
Collage Workshop
February 10
10-4
\$40.



Supply List for Collage Quilt

Commercial Collage Patterns are designed by
Laura Heine

Leslie McNeil from Marveles Art Studios

Or find a design in a coloring book.

Collage pattern - can be ordered through

Byrne Sewing Connection

422 east Butler Ave

New Britain PA 19

215-230-9411

Machine in good working order

Extra needles – I like microtext 80/12 or 90/14

Thread – to match background, fabrics used in the collage and/or invisible

Open toe foot, free motion foot, walking foot

Seam ripper, scissors, (to cut pieces used in collage, I like small serrated tip scissors by Karen Buckley) and larger scissors

Rotary cutter, ruler and mat

Pencil

Small iron and ironing mat

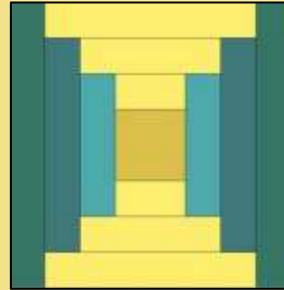
Collage Fabrics - i.e.: flowers, birds, leaves, bugs, fish, animals, really anything that you find interesting

Background fabric/fabrics

Heat and Bond lite or similar product that can be sewn thru

Easy Pattern – Pellon #830 Blank Tracing Fabric

PROGRAM CALENDAR 2019



January 13
 Sarah Bond
 WS: Release the Geese 10am - 4pm
 Eve: "Modern Quilts from my Grandmothers"

February 10
 Charlotte Williams
 WS: Laura Heine Collage Method
 10am – 4pm
 Eve: Member Demos

March 10
 Jo Ann Lepore
 WS: Shimmering Triangles
 10am - 4pm
 Eve: "Passion, Excitement and Noise...
 my Story"

April 14
 WS: Charity Workshop
 Eve: Annual guild Challenge - TBD
 Anniversary Celebration

May 19
 David Sirota
 WS: Storm at Sea
 10am - 4pm
 Eve: What Makes a Quilter Tick?

June 9
 Rachel Derstine
 WS: Strata w/ machine appliqué sheers
 10am – 4pm
 Eve: "My Quilting Journey: Boundaries and
 Beyond"

July 14
 No Workshop
 Eve: Member Market "Christmas in July"

August 11
 No Workshop
 Eve: Ice Cream Social

September 8
 Jackie Gauker
 WS: Felted Wool Appliqué
 Pin Cushion
 12pm – 4 pm
 Eve: Trunk Show

October 13
 Judy Langille
 WS: Creating Original Cloth
 10am – 4 pm
 Eve: "Evolution of a Quilter Artist"

November 10
 WS – Charity Sew
 12pm – 4 pm
 Eve: 2020 Programs Presentation
 & UFO Auction

December 8
 WS: Cozy Sew
 Eve: Holiday Party



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It's That Time of Year to

-- **RENEW your CHQ membership for 2019** ---

Benefits of Membership:

Workshops
Guest Speakers
UFO Auction
Monthly meetings
Biennial Quilt Show

Charity Sews
Friendship
Creativity
Quilt Challenge
Lending Library

Dues: \$35 for the calendar year

Bring your dues to meetings between October and January
or mail them to Camille Quinton, CHQ Membership chair.

Questions? Contact Camille

MEMBERS MUST RENEW BY the January Meeting 2019

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SUNSHINE AND SHADOWS

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

Courthouse Quilters Guild Challenge 2019

"What is Black and White and ????? all over?"

The Challenge for 2019 will be to create something using only Black, White, and Shades (GRAY ONLY) maybe prints must contain no other colors. If you choose to, you may add one color, it must be a solid.

Ribbons will be given in the following three categories:
(at our 31th Anniversary Celebration- April 14, 2019)

1. Black and whites with or without gray quilt.
2. Black and whites, with or without gray and one other solid color quilt.
3. Others items (clothing, purses, fabric sculpture et al.) in color combination 1 or 2.

The quilt must be begun after November 11, 2018 and the challenge will be judged at the April 14, 2019 guild meeting (31th Anniversary Celebration).

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

1. Did you design the piece yourself?
If not, who was the designer?
2. Did you quilt the piece yourself?
If not, who quilted it?

If your quilt has a label, cover it with a piece of cloth.
Bring your quilt in a pillowcase or other closed bag.

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*FROM
THE
PRESIDENT*



Hi all!

These two years have flown by! I can't believe it! I have had such a wonderful experience serving as your president – you are an amazing group of people. I have been so fortunate to have such a wonderful board helping me – thank you all so much!

Many, many thanks to Ellen, Stephanie, Cass, Patricia, and Claire for taking over the reins. Courthouse Quilters is in good hands!

Love to you all and wishing you a joyous holiday season.

Andrea

Mini Quilts

We would like to extend our appreciation to all those who volunteered to make our 2018 Mini Quilt Raffle a success. We had a total of 53 outstanding minis donated and sold 354 tickets. Thanks also to all those who volunteered to work during the show. And special thanks to Jill Ferrari who freely shared her hands-on help and past experience as Mini Chairperson with us.

Mary Rigby and Joan Lasota
2018 Mini Quilt Co-Chairs

Program Surveys!

Members! We need your input!

We would like to have surveys by the December meeting so please bring them to the holiday party or send electronically to Stephanie or Cass before then. Thank you!

Stephanierg@gmail.com

Cassgarner1@gmail.com

HOSPITALITY HEROES - 2019

January-March: Cathie
April-June: Carol
July-September: Brielle
October-December: Jill

**THANK
YOU!**



Hospitality

Thanks to all who contributed snacks for our November meeting. Delicious as usual! I would also like to personally thank all those who have volunteered during the past in assisting with Hospitality through the monthly sign-up sheets and also those who graciously stepped in to provide assistance as needed. Your smiles and help were very much appreciated.

-Mary Rigby

Featured Member - Patricia Crowell



Meet new member AND new recording secretary, Patricia Crowell. Patricia started quilting two years ago in August. She can pinpoint the month exactly, because she had a specific reason to take up quilting. Here's the story: Her parents had been taking care of her dog and had gotten very attached. The dog died while with them, and her parents were terribly upset. To distract her mother, Patricia

suggested that they work to finish one of the quilts that her mother had started years earlier. As they worked together, Patricia, who had meant only to support her mother, learned the skills of quilting and caught the bug. She says that the quilt turned out to be "imprecise" and not up to her mother's usual standards, but Patricia went out and bought a sewing machine, and a quilter was born.

She also bought herself a book: *100 Modern Quilt Blocks* by Tula Pink. She thinks of herself as a modern quilter now, but she also admires traditional quilts and expects to find ways to combine the old and new as she continues to sew. Her favorite quilt appeared in our 2018 show. It is her first big quilt, a queen. Now she is finishing her 100 Modern Block quilt and being coached by Jo Kuchera on quilting styles and skills.



When she is not quilting, Patricia joins her husband in making music. He is a singer/songwriter, and she is a backup singer and marketer for his recordings and concerts. For a while, they had a band called the Working Class Hussys and traveled to Texas and Nashville to perform.

Now they are focused on restoring a 1880's house in Lambertville. She can't wait to move in and set up a quilt studio.



November Meeting - Show & Tell



Help Wanted:

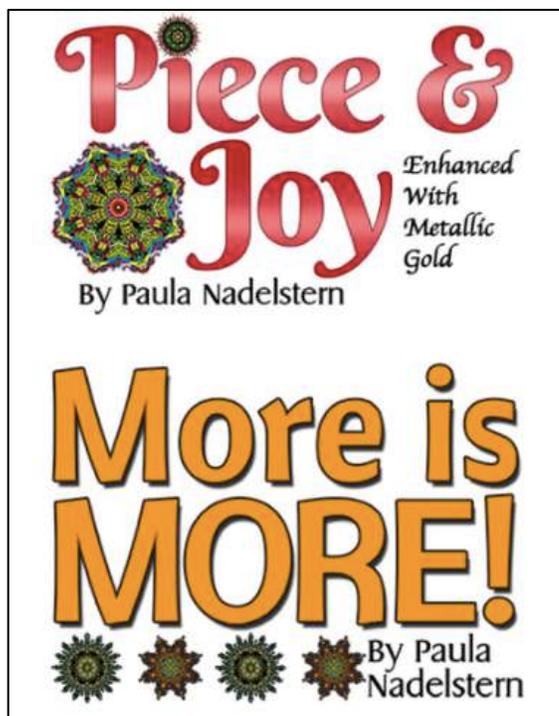
Newsletter Producer – Board members send you info and photos one week after every second meeting. You have two weeks to put these into a newsletter. You make a total of 6 newsletters in a year. Skills required: Comfortable with Word or any other newsletter software. Ability to use text and photos sent via email. Skills NOT required: Distribution. Someone else does that. Writing: You just publish what is sent to you.

**Paula Nadelstern's
One Week Only
Online Pop-Up Shop
IS OPEN!**

<https://paulanadelstern.com/>

Fabric is priced in one-yard increments except the MEDALLIONS (from More is MORE!) and ORNAMENTS (from Piece & Joy). These are printed as 24" panels and are \$8 per panel. I recommend purchasing 2 panels (48") for \$16 so ou'll have plenty of repeats.

November 25
to December 1
**TWO NEW
FABRIC COLLECTIONS**



CHANGING OF THE GUARD

Thanks to our outgoing officers:

- President – Andrea Cavallaro
- First VP – Marla Knappe
- Second VP – Stephanie Greenberg
- Recording Secretary – Penny Armagost
- Corresponding Secretary – Cass Garner
- Treasurer – Patty Gertz

Welcome to our 2019 officers:

- President – Ellen Heath
- First VP – Stephanie Greenberg
- Second VP – Cass Garner
- Recording Secretary – Patricia Crowley
- Corresponding Secretary – Claire Coakley
- Treasurer – Andrea Cavallaro

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**CHQ
30th Anniversary
Needle Nanny**



limited edition,
custom designed for CHQ

magnetic to hold needles --
loop for glasses or attach a scissor
\$10 members
\$12 non members

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November Meeting - Eve Vallorani



Retreat Opportunity

Sew-er's Retreat Thursday - Sunday January 17-20, 2019

Quilters, Garment sewers, Knitters, etc. all welcome.

Location ---St. Francis Retreathouse (www.stfrancisretreathouse.org) 3918 Chipman Road, Easton, PA

Treat yourself to a winter get-away - private room, private bath, and 9 meals. Large 2000 sq ft. well lit sewing room with window wall and adjacent courtyard. 6 foot table all to yourself. Bedrooms, dining and sewing room in connecting wings, elevators available. Local fabric stores. **You may** arrive at 11am on Thursday and leave after lunch on Sunday around 3 pm. Included in price is lodging, 3 meals per day, and coffee/tea service available from 7am to 10pm.... And, of course, any snacks we bring to share. Alcohol is permitted. Bring UFO's or start a new project, there are always other participants to assist you, whether it's quilts or garments.

Private Room, private Bath. \$300 (3 nights, 9 meals); or \$210 (2 nights, 6 meals) Non refundable deposit of \$30.00 will hold your place . Please send now we are filling up. Total amount due Jan 2nd 2019 or send total now to assure a space and the room you prefer.Our policy is a first come, first serve basis for specific room preferences.

Contacts -Linda Allen 659 County Road 579, Pittstown, NJ 08867 Phone 908-735-4738 e-mail edlinallen@comcast.net. Make check to Linda Allen

Claire Rohloff - 383 Bloomsbury Rd. Bloomsbury, NJ 08804 Phone 908-479-6599 e-mail cmrdomehs@embarqmail.com

Send to Linda Allen - 659 County Road 579 , Pittstown, NJ 08867 Sew-er's Retreat Registration Form

Name_____ Street
Address_____ City, State &
Zip_____
Phone_____ e-
mail_____

Check below Room type3 nights (private room, private bath 9 meals) \$300 _____ 2 nights (private room/ private bath - 6 meals) \$210 _____

Thurs-Fri nights ____ Fri-Sat nights____ Non-refundable deposit enclosed \$30 _____ Balance due Jan 2nd, 2019or send Full Payment now_____ Check if you have a particular meal requirement:
Gluten Free_____ Vegetarian_____

COURTHOUSE QUILTERS

Minutes

October 21, 2018

4:00 – 5:30

In attendance: Jude M, Andrea C., Patty G., Cass G., Ellen H., Marla K., Stephanie G. Cathie G., Joan L., Mary Rigby.

President: Meeting called to order at 4:36.

A motion was made by Ellen to approve last month's minutes. Seconded by Stephanie. Motion carried.

The Board voted to put the show back to 3 days so membership can be involved in the decision. Jude made a move to revise back to 3 days and Cathie seconded. Motion carried.

There will be a special show meeting including all show chairs to determine how to proceed for the next show. The goal is to meet the week of Jan 7th for discussion of the show so we can present to the guild in February.

There have been no nominations for President. We have to fold or change the by-laws if no one takes this position. Discussion about the duties of the President and what the responsibilities are. We will vote on the nominations we have tonight.

Hospitality:: Discussion about who may do hospitality and ways to get things set up and cleaned up. Andrea will ask at the beginning of this meeting for five people to volunteer to help clean up tonight.

Vice President:

Marla will announce the challenge tonight and a short survey will be distributed to try to determine what programs to bring to the guild.

Marla found the error in the ticket wristbands. In the end we sold about 900.

The person who was supposed to do our workshop did not show up for the workshop due to a calendaring snafu but will be at the meeting for the lecture.

Treasurer: We have almost 41K in the bank. Patty is going to do the year-end tallies before turning it over to the next Treasurer.

The board is hoping to get a report and hear the results of the show in the very near future. Stephanie is still hoping to get a survey monkey regarding the show to the membership.

Jude: Would like to make up about 15 kits for members to take home. She will try it out in April. We still have bins of quilts that Andrea has been storing and we want to distribute them. Joan suggested that a Locota Native American tribe in South Dakota need quilts. Mary and Joan will take care of the distribution.

Circulation: A lot of people were asking who won the raffle quilt. Kathy posted past photos on my Grove and Facebook and on Cathie's computer so there are multiple copies in case of a failure. Steph asked about separating the Guilds email account from her account so that people don't respond to her AND the guild. She is working on that.

The webpage has been updated by Cathie so all the show info has been removed.

Newsletter-Ellen: In January we will go to every other month for the newsletter. Cathie feels that moving the newsletter to every two months may be problematic because she depends on it for valid information. In the "off" month a one page fact sheet will be distributed.

Library: Patty- She acquired some books from the Newtown Quilt Guild that are now available to our membership.

Publicity: Joan. Publicity is going fine.

Stephanie moved to end the meeting and Ellen seconded. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 5:34

Courthouse Quilters Guild Board



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.

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



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- Circulation - Stephanie Greenberg
- Historian - Alice Sprenger
- Hospitality - Mary Rigby
- Librarian - Patty Gertz
- Licensing - Joanne Gardner
- Membership - Camille Quinton
- Newsletter – Ellen Heath
- Photographer - Al Accettola
- Publicity - Joan Lasota
- Quilt Show – Camille Quinton
- Raffle Quilt - Design and Creation - Stephanie Greenberg/Andrea Cavallaro
- Web Presence - Cathie Giambalvo & Alice Marcy

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Darcy Lodge
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Frenchtown, NJ