

COURTHOUSE QUILTERS NEWSLETTER

July 2016

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July 10, 2016 - "Sew for the Show & Price for the Boutique Pizza Party!"

4:00 - 7:00 pm

Bring projects, ideas, and patterns to sew or share for making boutique items.

(Hint to Ruth Gronsky – everyone wants to know how to make your hot-selling doughnut pincushions.) Go through your stash to see what fabric you can donate to sell at the show boutique. Then come to sew, price, and share pizza with friends.



August 14, 2016

Workshop - "Sew for the Show & Price for the Boutique"

2:00 - 4:30 pm (If it is not too hot!)

Come out to help the guild prepare for our show. Work on your mini quilt for the auction or your contributions to the boutique. Or, help price and label items to be sold at the boutique.



Meeting- Ice Cream Social

6:30 pm

(Details inside!)

September 11, 2016

Workshop - "Sew for the Show & Price for the Boutique"

1:00 - 4:00 pm

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SPECIAL PROGRAM – SPECIAL TIME – 5:30- 6:30 p.m.

Dana Balsamo, guild member and AQS certified quilt appraiser will present a lecture: "Evaluating Your Quilts...Is it a Treasure?"

Meeting – "Preparing for the Show"

6:30 p.m.

This is it – our time to coordinate plans, fill the last volunteer spots, and prepare ourselves for our fabulous quilt show at the Prallsville Mills in Stockton, NJ, which will run from September 30 - October 2.



President's Letter

All,

Have you noticed that even when you go into a workshop thinking it's not for you, you learn something you didn't expect? Among lots of good tips and helpful hints Shannon Shirley taught us how to face a quilt, effectively making the edge any shape we want. That's something that applies to lots of quilts! Every time I take a class I learn things, sometimes things I didn't expect.

We now have a nominating committee to help recruit officers for 2017-2018. Expect a phone call from one of these volunteers asking if you would be interested in being an executive board member. It's a great chance to get to know the membership better and to help steer the guild into the future.

We will be proposing splitting the VP/Program position into VP1 and VP2, staggering the terms. This will help spread the workload across two people and provide continuity across the years. This requires a bylaws change, so you will be hearing more from us about this in preparation for a vote.

Because of a possible combination of heat and no air conditioning, we don't have a formal workshop in July. We will open the doors at 4:00 for open sew – sew your mini, your boutique items, or whatever you want. Or you can help Andrea prepare boutique items, pricing, cutting fat quarters, etc. We'll have a short business meeting followed by a guild provided pizza party. Hope to see you there!



Patty

Membership

I hope you are enjoying some fun in the sun this summer! Lots to do outdoors, but so much to prepare for the Quilt show, just three months away. Make sure to get your boutique items to Ellen H or Sue G.

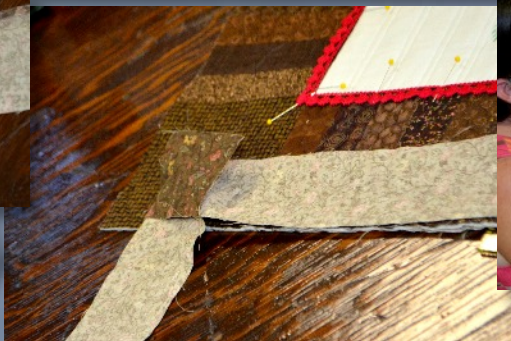
As a reminder, to be eligible to enter a quilt in the show, you must be a member in good standing. Your responsibilities as a member in good standing are:

- 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



Keep stitching!
Camille Q.

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



YAHOO!!! I am happy to announce that Denise Lager has rented all the spaces in the Saw Mill and Carriage house for our October show! We will have a total of three quilt shops, two wood dealers, one quilting/sewing T-shirt dealer and one dealer of Indian print and batik fabrics. This is a nice variety without non-Quilting dealers as our members voted on after the last show.

If you haven't volunteered for a couple of jobs please do so at our meetings or by contacting Joan Lasota, Mary Rigby or Joanne Gardner. There are still many jobs to be filled.

Oh, you can start bringing in your completed acquisition forms and giving them to either Babette Galinak or Jill Ferrara. They could then get a head start on their paperwork.

I would love to have one of our signs on display in Lambertville and New Hope this year. If you are friends with a shop owner in those areas please ask them if they are willing to display a sandwich sign for one to two weeks as visitors to these towns would likely enjoy our show.



Donations for the boutique are coming in slowly. Time to clean your sewing room and donate your extras as well as those fabrics you know you'll never use. Receipts for donations are available for the IRS if you need them.

Our "Save the Date" emails are out with only two returned for change of email addresses this time. Lets hope our postcards do as well. Those will be mailed the end of July.

The lodge will be opened at 4:00 in July for those able to help with pricing for the boutique and to sew for the show. If you have an easy pattern for things like needle cases, eyeglass cases, tote bags and the like please bring copies of non-copyrighted patterns for our members to use.

Look forward to seeing you all in July!

Stephanie G.



2016 Quilt Show Acquisitions Information



The Acquisitions Committee for the “Quilts in the Mill 2016” is now soliciting quilts. We strongly encourage all members in good standing to submit quilts. A member in good standing must have dues paid in full, donate three (3) handmade items to the show boutique, and sell 20 raffle tickets. In addition, we will not accept quilts that have been shown at previous CHQ shows, and the quilt must be made or owned by a current member.

Acquisition forms should be submitted for each quilt that you would like to have hung in the show. We will accept completed forms beginning at the June meeting. **The deadline for submitting the completed forms is 9/2/16.** Your quilt does not have to be completed to submit the form, but it must be completed to hang in the show! Forms can be submitted at the guild meetings or mailed to Jill Ferrari 67 Old York Road, New Hope, PA 18938. Any questions: contact Babette Galinak, 908-892-9002 or bgalinak@comcast.net or Jill Ferrari 215-262-3874 or jafrahway@gmail .com

1. Enter as many items as you want but one item per acquisition form. We will try our best to hang all quilts entered, but we may not have room for all, so we ask that you **prioritize each entry, from #1 being of highest priority up to the number you have put into the show.** **Challenge and workshop quilts are excluded from prioritizing since all of them will be hung. Place a C (for challenge) or a W (for workshop) in the priority space instead of a number.** Also, check off whether you will allow the quilt to be draped.

2. A **value must be stated** on the form for insurance purposes. Most of what we have to pay for insurance is based on total value of the quilts. Please make it a realistic value. If the value of your quilt is more than \$500, you should have an appraisal of the quilt for the amount. Security will be arranged for the safety of all quilts.

3. Members must include the following information in their paragraph:

- If the quilt is not your original design, list the name of the designer and the pattern name.
- If the quilt was not quilted by you, list the quilter's name.

4. A **3 inch by 5 inch photograph should accompany your form in the space provided on the form, with the quilt maker in the photo.** This is necessary for insurance purposes. We will be taking photos at the June, July, and August meetings, if you need us to do that.

5. Any forms received after the September 2nd deadline will not be accepted in order to allow time for the programs to be printed.

6. On the back of the quilt there should be a label with your information on it. Also, make sure you have a 4” sleeve on the top back. Miniature quilt sleeves may be smaller.

7. Quilts are to be delivered to the **Darcy Lodge, our meeting place, on Rt. 513 in Frenchtown between the hours of 9 am and 7 pm on Tuesday, Sept 27th.** Each piece entered in the show should be in separate cloth bags (usually pillowcases) that are labeled with your name and phone number. If you need alternate arrangements, contact Babette or Jill.

8. Quilts are to be picked up on Sunday, October 2, at the mill, between 6 pm and 7 pm. The show closes at 5 and no one will be allowed into the mill until all quilts are taken down and organized. Any quilts not picked up will be available from Babette Galinak or Jill Ferrari or taken to the next meeting. Please bring your copy of the signed acquisition forms to pick up your quilts. You may pick up another person’s quilt if you have their form.

Babette and Jill

Size of Quilt: width _____ length _____ Priority # _____

Acquisition Form
Courthouse Quilters Guild Quilt Show
Prallsville Mills, Stockton, NJ
September 30 - October 2, 2016

Name: _____
Address: _____

Phone: _____

Attach photo of quilt & quilt maker in space below. (No larger than 3"X5")

Name of Quilt: _____

Year made: _____

Quilt maker, if other than above: _____

Is your quilt an original design? Yes ____ If not, include the designer and the pattern _____

Quilted by: _____

Category

____ Bed quilt Type (circle one): crib lap twin full queen king

____ Wall hanging

____ Christmas quilt

____ Miniature quilt

____ Quilt made by or for a child

____ Antique quilt

____ Clothing & miscellaneous

____ 2015 Challenge - Weather related quilt

____ 2016 Challenge - Traditional block inspired quilt

____ Workshops & special guild projects

Write a short paragraph (30 words or less) describing your quilt, what inspired you, source of design, and other information that will interest the viewer. Use the back of the page if needed. Also note if it was a workshop quilt or special project. PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE.

For sale? Yes ____ Price \$ _____ No ____

If hanging space is not available, may we drape your quilt? ____ Yes ____ No

While the Courthouse Quilters Guild and the Prallsville Mill will use diligence to insure the safety of articles after their arrival during exhibition, they will in no case be responsible for loss or damage that may occur. Entries are accepted only upon this condition.

Value (needed for insurance) \$ _____

Signature _____ Date _____

Received by _____

August is Ice Cream Social Month!!!

The August meeting is our annual ICE CREAM SOCIAL! A time to cool off and build a spectacular sundae...and no one will tease you!

The guild provides the ice cream and our members bring the toppings and the bottoms. I will bring enough whipped cream for all!

IF YOUR LAST NAME STARTS WITH:

A thru C

D thru M

N thru Z

PLEASE BRING:

Cold drinks

Toppings

Bottoms



Suggestions for:

Toppings

Jimmys
Chocolate /Caramel Syrup
Fruit Cocktail
Cut up fresh fruit
Nuts
Crushed candy

Bottoms

Brownies
Pound cake
Sponge cake
Angel food cake
Cookies



If anyone prefers to bring finger foods or any other "goodies", please feel free!

Jill F.

Minis at the Mill 2016

WE NEED MINIS!!!

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 and Andrea



Sewer's Retreat



The Sew-er's retreat on June 20-23 at St. Francis Retreat House was a very enjoyable and productive time. There were 17 participants - 10 from ASG and 8 from CHQ (Courthouse Quilter's), some participants were members of both guilds. It is always great to have the time to sew uninterrupted with meals prepared and only OUR needs to be met. It results in lots of sharing, laughing and knowledge building from each other.

A highlight of the retreat was a pattern developed by Polly McGarr called "Polly's Purse" which resulted in 9 purse's being made. Thanks Polly, for taking your time to get us all through the process with excellent results. We all learned so much from each other - and not necessarily about sewing. Sometimes it's all the other things we talk about that make the experience so worth while!

The next retreat is Feb 2-5, 2017. Everyone is welcome!

Claire R. and Linda A.



Charity

The guild has received two thank you's!

The guild has received two warm and sincere thank you's.

First from Little Dresses for Africa -
"Your gorgeous dresses arrived today!
Thank you so much...we love them!!! I
love what you said..."lovingly made."
Your group is changing lives...
Blessings to you!
Mary Jo"



From Rare Science.Org -

"Your bears arrived this week and we love them! Thank you all for your support in making such gorgeous bears for our Rare kids. Once they go through our check-in process, they will be ready for gifting to children who we know will absolutely love them.

Thank you again. We are very grateful for your support!

All the best,
Debbie"



Board Minutes

Board Minutes from June 12, 2016

In attendance: Patty G., Sue G., Camille Q., Alice S., Andrea C., Joanne G., Ellen H., Stephanie G., Cathie G., Karen D., Mary deS.

President Patty called the meeting to order at 4:30. A motion was made and seconded to approve the May minutes, approved.

EXECUTIVE BOARD

President:

The NJ Non-Profit Annual Report has been filed.

Mary, Alice and Ellen volunteered to serve as the nominating committee and will personally call everyone on the roster.

A motion was made and seconded to add the position of second Vice President with an alternating two year term, and to extend Ellen's term one year for transition. Motion Passed.

Patty and Ellen reported on the Penn Jersey meeting which they hosted.

Vice President:

Ellen reported that some speakers are now requiring non-refundable deposits. The consensus was to avoid those speakers, particularly in the winter months.

There is no workshop in July, rather the lodge will be open at 3 o'clock for sew for the show, business meeting and pizza party.

August : sew for the show and Ice Cream social

Sept: Evening program : Dana

Oct: Show wrap up

Nov: Lisa Calle' workshop and evening program. Election of new officers.

Dec. Holiday party

Treasurer:

Alice said the budget at 1/2 year mark is in good shape.

Show:

New raffle ticket drum purchased.

Acquisition forms are on the web.

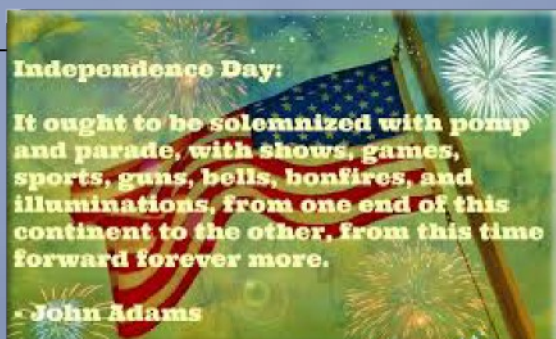
All vendor slots are filled.

Karen volunteered to write the P.R. letter.

Stephanie said there is a busload coming for the show on Friday.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn.5:30

Respectfully submitted by Mary deSloovere



An Evening with Shannon Shirley



Places to go, things to do, people to meet!

Heartland's 8th Annual One Stop Shop Hop

Thursday, August 4
2 - 8 PM

Denton Volunteer Fire Hall
400 S 5th Ave, Denton, MD

\$4.00 Admission

20+Vendors - Silent Auction - Door Prizes
Scrap Bag Bonanza

Fiber Art Exhibits

Caroline County Library - Denton
Fiber Arts Center
Rural Life Museum

Come Early on Thursday Sulky Presentation

"Thread Jazz for Quilting and Embellishing"
Denton Library - Upstairs Meeting Room
1:00 - 2:30

Free ticket @ www.heartland-quilters.com
Limited Seating

Friday Happenings "Vintage Quilting"

Take a vintage Hankie-Make It A Work of Art
Machine Quilting Class with Jane Hauprich
August 5 – Denton Library – 10-4
More info @ www.heartland-quilters.com

Common Heritage Uncommon Quilts

June 11th - July 31st

Sundays from 1:00 - 4:00 pm

The Crane House and Historic YMCA
110 Orange Road
Montclair, NJ

The Crane House collections of 18th and 19th
century quilts serve as an inspiration for
modern reinterpretations artfully crafted by
the Nubian Heritage Quilts.

<http://montclairhistorical.org/events/nubian-heritage-quilters-exhibition/>



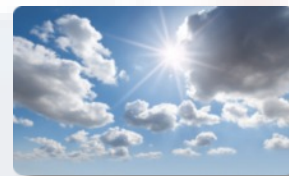
Hospitality

Thanks to everyone who brought refreshments to the June meeting including:

- Mary S.
- Barbara S.
- Mary Ann H.
- Alice S.
- Babette G.
- Helle-May c.
- Alice M.

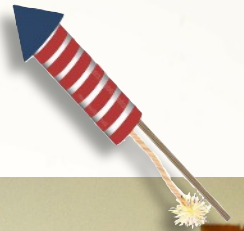


Sunshine and Shadows



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.

Show and Tell



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

President	Patty Gertz
Vice President/Programs	Ellen Heath
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Membership	Camille Quinton
Photographer	Twila O'Connell
Quilt Show	Stephanie Greenberg
Raffle Quilt - Design & Creation	Babette Galinak Susan Fellin
Special Events	Jill Ferrari
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Directions from Flemington:

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.