

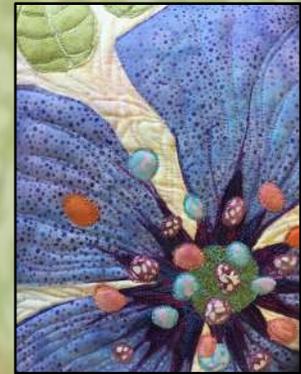
# Courthouse Quilters Guild Newsletter

November 2018

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**November 11**  
**Workshop – Eve Vallorani**  
**“Fused Fabric Flower Pillow**  
**with Thread Work”**  
**10 am – 4 pm**  
**\$40 for members**



**Program – Eve Vallorani**  
**6:30 pm**

**Learn how to fuse a simple flower design and enhance its look by adding extra fabric details and using colorful solid, variegated, and/or metallic threads.**

**Your own art piece will be turned into a on-of-a-kind pillow with a simple zipper closure in back.**

**See Eve’s bio and the supply list for the workshop on p. 11.**



## 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*

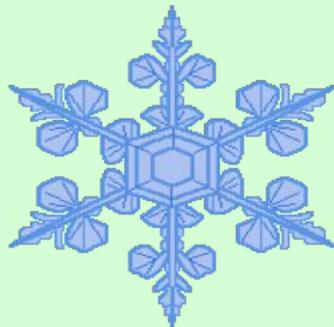
*And a canned or non-perishable food item for a local food bank.*

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

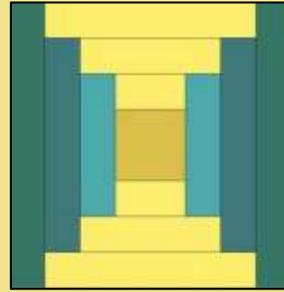
*We will have a Yankee gift swap. If you want to participate, please bring a wrapped gift item (value \$10 - \$15), or something homemade.*

*Hope to see you there.*

*Marla and Stephanie*



# 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 Quilt Artist"

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

December 8  
 WS: Cozy Sew  
 Eve: Holiday Party



## *Membership - New Members!*

Thank you! Thank you! Thank you! To every one who worked on the quilt show. Our visitors loved it. Comments included the friendly, comfortable atmosphere, the lovely mill setting, the artistry of the quilts, and our fabulous boutique!

Some were so impressed that they decided to join our guild.

Please welcome :

**Laura Kohl**, an intermediate quilter who is interested in all genres and techniques of quilting.

**Kelly Steve**, from our show's home town, who loves traditional and contemporary quilts, and enjoys machine, paper and hand piecing, and is an expert in applique.

**Juliet Leonard**, an intermediate quilter who loves all types of quilting.

**Carol Hoffman**, a beginner quilter who enjoys machine applique and hand quilting.

**Hillary Coaker**, a beginner who is a long time sewer but a new quilter. She would love to learn more about quilting.

And, speaking of membership – the time is NOW to renew your membership for 2019. Dues are \$35 for the calendar year. Bring your dues to the November, December and January meetings. As per CHQ bylaws, renewals are due by the January meeting. Questions? Please contact me.

Camille Quinton  
CHQ Membership Chair

## *New Project Group Forming*



If you enjoyed seeing the “Telephone Chain Quilts” made by our members and wish that you had participated in that project, there’s good news for you. Carol Esch is organizing one or more new groups to repeat the challenge. If you are interested or have questions, please contact Carol at [cesch1941@gmail.com](mailto:cesch1941@gmail.com).

*FROM  
THE  
PRESIDENT*



Hi all!

We did it!!! What a wonderful show!!! Many thanks to all who did such a fantastic job. The show was so beautiful and so loved by those who visited. More info on the show will be upcoming at the November meeting. We are going to do a “survey monkey” in the next few days and hopefully pull all the information together for that meeting.

Thank you to our Nominating Committee – all but one offices have been filled. **WE STILL NEED SOMEONE TO TAKE OVER AS PRESIDENT!**

Thanks to Marla and Stephanie for the presentation on the upcoming workshops for 2019. I think there are still some slots available for November – give Marla or Stephanie a call.

See you next month!  
Andrea

*Raffle Quilt Winner*

Congratulations to the winner of the 2018 Raffle Quilt, New York Radiance!

Kathleen Bennett of Helmetta, New Jersey, is the new owner of our raffle quilt. Kathleen purchased her tickets at the 4H Fair in August. She purchased them (6 for \$5) on Saturday evening when Camille and her daughter Penny manned the table.

Kathleen is not a quilter but has sewn in the past. She is absolutely thrilled to win the quilt. She appreciated the work and skill used to create it and will give it a proper home. Kathleen is also an active Master Gardener in Middlesex.

Congratulations, Kathleen!



## Featured Members - Cathie and Grace Giambalvo



Cathie is the brilliant and tireless leader who organized, designed, and oversaw the hanging of the quilts for our Quilts in the Mill show. She started quilting when she was in 6<sup>th</sup> grade, inspired and guided by her four aunts. She still has one of the tops from that time, which she describes as “just awful.” Throughout her childhood and on into college, she slept under a quilt made by her great-grandmother. When she went off to Rider College to study computer science, her sewing machine went

along with her. Her first quilt after college was Eleanor Burns’s “lover’s knot.” This was the first time she used a rotary cutter and her first strip-pieced quilt. It was during this time that Cathie started her “sewing clubs” with her aunts, sisters, and friends. Each month it was her job to create a Block of the Month for the group. During this time she was working for M&M/Mars, running logistics and auto-processing for the U.S. and overseeing international data transmission. It was also during this time that she discovered the bike trails along the Delaware and fell in love with Lambertville.

Following a dream, she and her husband opened a quilt store in Lambertville in 1996 called “One Stitch at a Time.” This became one of the first online quilt stores and Cathie wrote the computer code for this online retail venture. Making kits, selling at the Mancuso shows, working with the Girl Scouts, and raising her two children filled her time, so she gave up the storefront. When her children turned 8 and 6, she bought a longarm machine, and longarm quilting has become her current vocation. Six years ago, she brought the Airing of the Quilts to Lambertville, and it has become a popular annual event.



Grace says, “My story is a little bit shorter.” A high school junior, Grace was taught to sew by her mom in Girl Scouts at the age of eight. She sewed some of her own clothing but made her first quilt at thirteen in a class at Pennington Quilt Works. This very first quilt was entered into the 4H Fair and won a Viewers’ Choice ribbon. It went on to receive an honorable mention Viewer’s Choice in our guild’s 2016 show. Her second,

Christmas-themed quilt just appeared in our 2018 show. Both of her quilts are queen-sized so that she can put them on her bed. She is starting to think about quilt #3 – probably representing a different season. Grace enjoys dancing and cheering. She is also a skier. The youngest member of our guild, Grace white-gloved and worked at the minis table at the quilt show.



Quilts in the Mill 2018 - Viewers' Choice Awards



First Place – Patty Gertz – *From Garden To Quilt*



Second Place – Albert Accettola –  
*Twin Oaks Farm*



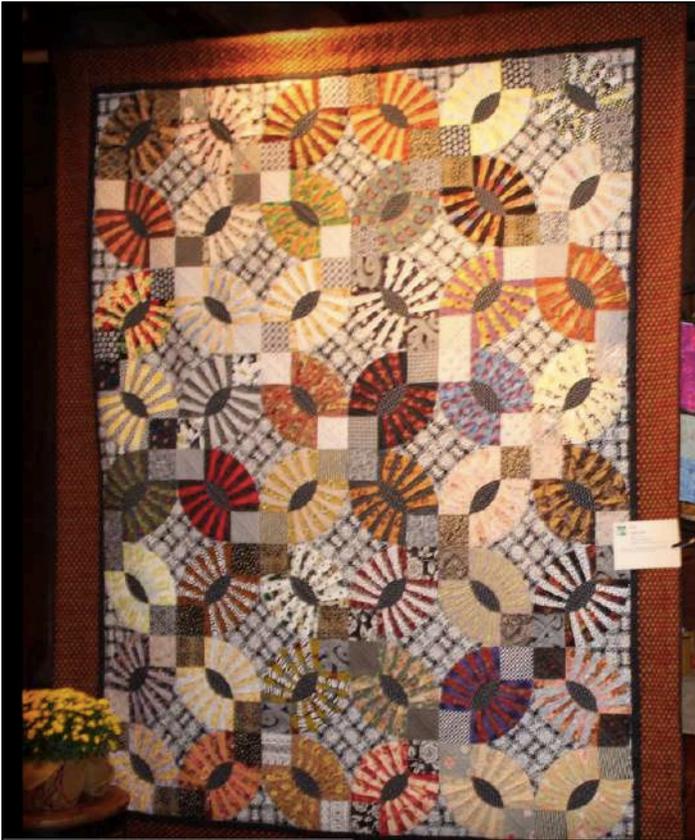
Third Place – Andrea Cavallaro -  
*Ur Wee House*



Honorable Mention – Alice Sprenger  
*Liberty Medallion*



Honorable Mention – Ann Pietropinto  
*Flower Garden*



Honorable Mention – Linda Allen  
*Gypsy Lashes*

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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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On her blog, Material Culture, Barbara Brackman posted photos of guild raffle quilts from around the US. Can you guess what quilt appeared in the second photo? I'll bet you can!! Visit her blog to enjoy the pride and to see the other wonderful raffle quilts.

<http://barbarabrackman.blogspot.com/2018/10/raffle-quilts.html>



## Show Participation Opportunity

Sacred Threads is a group that puts on quilt shows that emphasize spirituality and inspiration. ***“The show does not emphasize any particular religion or theology but conveys the spirituality, healing and inspirational messages that transcend all people.”***

The theme for their 2019 show is *Eye Contact: Creating a Connection*. Any quilter may enter a piece that features human eyes, looking at the viewer.

If you are interested, check out this link to information about the project:

<http://sacredthreadsqilts.com/html/iseeyou.html>



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**CHQ**  
**30<sup>th</sup> 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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**Check out CHQ on the Web!**

**Web Page;**

[www.courthousequilters.org](http://www.courthousequilters.org)

(Look under [www.courthousequilters.org/workshops](http://www.courthousequilters.org/workshops) for what's coming up and supply list)



**Courthouse Quilters Guild** (Business Page);

<https://www.facebook.com/courthousequilters>

Please “like” and “follow” to get notifications.

**Courthouse Quilter Guild Group**

<https://www.facebook.com/pg/courthousequilters/groups>

Please “join” to participate and get notifications.

(Tip: Search FB for “**Courthouse Quilter Guild**” and you’ll find our page and group or you can always go to our webpage [courthousequilters.org](http://courthousequilters.org)>resources>facebook for these links)

## **Thread Play and Fused Fabric Flower Pillow Supply List**

2 Fat quarters for pillow cover (front and back)

yard of muslin or unloved or leftover fabric for inside of pillow (not seen)

1 Fat quarter for petals (I like Batiks, blenders, Grunge or Suede)

1 Fat eighth, approx. 9"x 22" or assorted scraps in green for leaves (optional)

Colorful scraps for flower center and pollen pods

5/8 yard of batting

12 yard medium weight fusible interfacing

1 yard of Wonder Under, Steam a seam, or any paper backed fusible

A selection of colorful machine embroidery threads (solids and variegated) that will compliment your fabric choices. Assorted weights are fine.

22" zipper

Freezer paper

Sewing machine in good working order, accessories and new needle size 12 or 14,

Darning foot or BSR

Scissors and snips

Machiners (optional)

18" X 18" pillow form

Eve Vallorani is a professional textile artist who resides in Bucks County. Born in London, England, Eve traveled extensively in her youth with her parents. Immigrating to America in the early seventies her family settled in Pennsylvania where she earned her BA in Textile Design at Tyler School of Art.

Eve continued her artistic interests in painting and stained glass after getting married and raising a family, but working with fabric has always been her favorite medium. In 2012 she was introduced to quilting, and she quickly recognized that this was a great way to incorporate all of her creative interests into one. Eve feels the quilted surface is best suited for her artistic needs and has already won awards for her work.

Now employed at Pennington Quilt Works, she is constantly exposed to the latest fabrics which helps fuel her inspiration. She also teaches students to break out of the traditional quilt making process and express themselves with personal designs using free motion quilting and thread play. One of her goals is to banish people's ideas of quilting as just making bed blankets and see it as true art form. [eevallorani@gmail.com](mailto:eevallorani@gmail.com).

## 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](http://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](mailto:edlinallen@comcast.net). Make check to Linda Allen

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### Sew-er's Retreat Registration Form

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Street \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ City, State & \_\_\_\_\_  
Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_ e-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Check Room type: 3 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, 2019 or 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

Meeting was called to order at 4:10 pm by Andrea.

IN ATTENDANCE: Andrea K. Cavallaro; Camille Quinton; Cass Garner; Cathie Giambalvo; Ellen Heath; Judith McCormick, Marla Knappe; Penny Armagost; Stephanie Greenberg; Alice Sprenger

Motion to approve minutes of September, 2018 meeting was made by Stephanie, seconded by Ellen; motion passed.

#### **President's business**-Andrea

Discussed implementing a member appreciation award. Member must be in attendance to have it be awarded. This will begin January, 2019. It's an attendance appreciation acknowledgment.

#### **Vice Presidents/Program** Marla K.-Stephanie G.

Eve Vallorani, our workshop presenter for November. She will do thread painting – sign up sheet is out, sign up now. Great workshop. You will be able to find it on My Grove.

Checks for workshops will be deposited within 30 days. Program will look into introducing Pay Pal to sign up for workshops. More info will follow.

#### **Treasurer** Patty G

Budget was reviewed. Numbers from Quilt Show are still being reviewed.

#### **Newsletter** Ellen Heath

There was discussion about frequency of the publishing the newsletter. It was proposed that beginning January, 2019 the newsletter will be published every other month. General membership will discuss this in November.

#### **Quilt Show** Camille Quinton

There were many discussions regarding the quilt show and the modifications that could possibly be made. No changes will be made until 2022 show.

General membership will be asked for suggestions.

The board moved to return to the mill for the 2020 show. (Motion was made by Cathie and seconded by Stephanie).

#### **Web Presence** Cathie Giambalvo

Motion to adjourn was made by Cathie, seconded by Marla, passed. Meeting adjourned at 5:37

Respectfully submitted by Penny Armagost

## 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](http://www.courthousequilters.org)

For a complete listing of the holdings in the guild library, go to:

[www.librarything.com/catalog/CourthouseQuilters](http://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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