

COURTHOUSE QUILTERS NEWSLETTER

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February 21, 2016

Workshop - "Weave a Skinny Quilt With Me"

1-4 pm

Fun with color with Ellie Levie!

"Quilting Project Runway Show"- Ellie Levie

6:30 pm

Ellie is the "seamstress of ceremonies" as our members model her creations and learn her techniques.



March 13, 2016

Workshop - "How to Make a Tube Blouse"

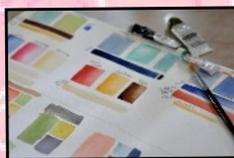
1-4 pm

Claire Rohloff and Annie Palumbo share their expertise!

Meeting - "From My Studio to Your Local Quilt Shop"

6:30pm

Jacquelynne Steves will explain her process of designing fabric, from the original idea through production and into your local quilt shop.



April 10, 2016

Workshop -

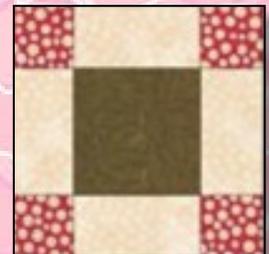
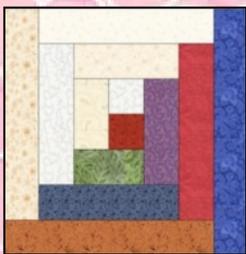
"Charity Sew (Project to be announced)"

1-4 pm

Meeting -

"Anniversary Party and Challenge Projects"

6:30 pm



President's Letter

All,

Winter has finally arrived, and it's time to hunker down and catch up with our sewing. I always find myself finishing the Christmas related projects that didn't quite make the deadline. Still, it's nice to work on projects for myself after months of presents. Maybe it's a good time to challenge yourself and learn a new technique or put together fabrics or colors that are not usually "you". You might be pleasantly surprised at how much you enjoy the process or the completed project.



Member market is always a fun night. A suggestion was made that maybe we're all shopped out in January and we should make that a techniques sharing evening and have a Christmas (or Hanukkah) in July event instead. Let us know what you think about that.

Thanks to everyone for the great response we're seeing for volunteers. If you haven't signed up for a show job think about where the guild could best use your talents. If you haven't signed up to either sell raffle tickets and/or white glove at the Mancuso show please do - it's close by and one of only two venues for ticket selling. I made some great guild friends while sitting at the raffle table in the past - it's more fun than drudgery.

Patty



SAFE in Hunterdon has recently done some remodeling and asked for a few of our quilts for display... some good publicity for our guild!



2016 Courthouse Quilters Challenge - "Then and Now"

This year's challenge is entitled "**Then and Now**" and entries must be inspired by one of the quilt blocks shown below. There is an option to exhibit entries at the Sigal Museum in Easton, PA.

The Basics:

The CHQ 2016 Challenge includes two categories: "Quilts" and "Other". "Other" may include wearables, mixed media, or any form of textile art. Members may enter one item per category. Each item must be inspired by one or more of four quilt blocks from historical quilts from the Sigal Museum Collection.

The challenge items are due at the April 2016 meeting, April 10, 2016.

The Sigal Museum Quilt Exhibit:

This year there will be an exhibit of our challenge entries at the Sigal Museum, 342 Northampton St., Easton, PA. The exhibit will begin with an opening reception on **Friday, April 15, 2016**, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. and will **close on Sunday, August 1, 2016**, with **takedown on August 2, 2016**. All Sigal Museum exhibits can be viewed Wednesdays through Saturdays from 10am to 4pm and Sundays from noon to 4pm.

Members may participate in the guild challenge without showing their quilts in the exhibit.

Requirements:

If you will not be entering your item in the exhibit at the Sigal Museum, these are the requirements:

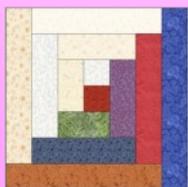
- The quilt must have been made between September 13, 2015 and April 10, 2016.
- If your quilt was not designed by you or was quilted by someone other than you, the designer or quilter must be named on a card attached to the front of your quilt.

If you intend to submit your entry to the Sigal Museum Exhibit:

- You must be the designer of your entry. If your entry was quilted by someone other than yourself, the quilter must be named in the exhibit.
- Your quilt must have an AQS style hanging sleeve. For instructions see: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=m_Vd82aSiAA
- You must bring two copies of the intake form to the April meeting. Your quilt cannot be identified as yours prior to voting, so keep your intake form separate from your quilt until after the competition.
- You must have a label sewn to your quilt with your name and phone number on it. The label must have a piece of fabric over it for the competition.
- You must bring a pillowcase with your name and phone number for transport of your quilt after the competition. Bring the quilt to the meeting in an unmarked bag or pillowcase.
- Ellen will take your quilt home the night of the April meeting, April 10th, and deliver it to the Sigal Museum on Monday morning, April 11th. Your quilt will be in Ellen's home overnight and will not be insured. Once it reaches the Sigal, it will be covered by their insurance.
- Pick up will be on August 2nd at the Sigal. The intake form must be presented to pick up your quilt. Any quilts not picked up will be stored in Ellen's home and returned at the August meeting. Again, Ellen does not have special insurance to cover these quilts.

Any questions? Ask Ellen Heath. Contact information on the roster.

Your entry must be inspired by one of these blocks:



Log Cabin



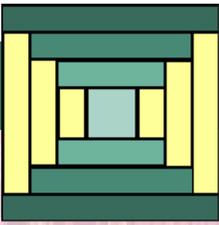
Puss in the Corner



Embroidered Spider Web



Applique pattern



RENEW Your CHQ MEMBERSHIP for 2016!!

No time to lose!!! Renew your CHQ membership for 2016. Dues are \$35 for the calendar year. According to the bylaws, renewals must be received by the January 2016 meeting. I have extended that date to the end of January.

Please mail your check, payable to CHQ, to me (check your roster for address).

If you want to remain a member in good standing, your dues must be paid in full.

Membership cards for 2016 will be available at the February meeting.

If you have any questions concerning membership, please contact me. And, **please let me know if you have decided *not* to renew.**

Enjoy the cold crisp days of winter – every season brings its unique wonders and inspiration!

Camille Quinton
CHQ Membership Chair



Announcing our “Perkiomen Garden Party” Raffle Quilt



Look at our gorgeous 2016 CHQ raffle quilt! As with all quilts, the photos don't do it justice – you'll have to see it in person. Special thanks to Sue Fellin, Babette Galinak, and Cathie Giambalvo for their expert work and long hours, and thanks to all of you who contributed. Thanks Twila for the beautiful pictures. This quilt will represent us well.

Patty

January Member Market



Board Minutes

Board Minutes from January 10, 2016

In attendance: Patty G., Alice S., Ellen H., Camille Q., Cathy G., Cass G., Linda A., Joanne G., Stephanie G., (Quorum Met)

EXECUTIVE BOARD

President Patty called the meeting to order at 4:37.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the December minutes. A vote was taken and December minutes were approved.

We still need a PR person for the show. The other time sensitive issue is the raffle quilt. The quilt is finished except for the binding and we need people to begin to volunteer so we can sell raffle tickets. We still need a chair for this committee and someone to sign people up to sell tickets for a March event.

We also still need a librarian but Cathie is willing to continue being the interim librarian until we fill the spot. Cathie will identify the Deb Hunter rulers by marking each with CHQ.

Spool collection container will be on the membership table for the "empty spool contest" Winners will be chosen at the 2016 holiday party.

Vice President/Program- Ellen H.

Treasurer- Alice S.

Recording Secretary - Cass G.

Corresponding Secretary- Sue G.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Charity/Community Outreach, Andrea

Circulation - Cathie G.

Door Prizes - Joanne G.

Historian - Claire R.

Hospitality- Claire R/Linda A

Library - Mary S. (interim Cathie G.)

Licensing - Joanne G.

Membership - Camille Q. - 41 people renewed. We have 94 members currently.

Newsletter- Andrea C. (interim)

Photographer- Twila O'.

Publicity - Open

Raffle Quilt- Babette G. Sue F.

Special Events - Jill F.

Web Presence - Karen D.

Other Business:

SHOW! Stephanie said we need one more person for Vendors committee (Alice volunteered to do this). We need additional show chair positions filled and Joanne will announce those vacancies at the meeting tonight.

A question was raised about how the money was collected last year during the show and whether or not a person can chair more than two committees.

RE: Publicity: Patty will be mailing the individual postcards and will run the labels. We need someone to send shops 25 postcards and flyers for posting. Additionally, we need someone to be the PR- person for magazines. and print material.

Stephanie suggested a dedicated email address from Yahoo for the show when dealing with vendors, etc. A discussion ensued regarding separating show and regular Guild email. We are going to try it for this show and see how it works.

A motion was made and was seconded to adjourn at 5:25.

Respectfully submitted by: Cass Garner



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

"Blanket Statements" Exhibit

Kaffe Fassett New Quilts
November 14, 2015 - February 21, 2016
Michener Museum
Doylestown, PA
<http://michenermuseum.org/>



"English Paper Piecing" Workshop

By Liza Lucy
December 2, 2015 - February 17, 2016
Michener Museum
Doylestown, PA
<http://michenermuseum.org/>

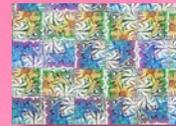


"Text Messages" Exhibit

Studio Art Quilt Associates Exhibition
December 5, 2015 - April 10, 2016
Morris Museum
Morristown, NJ
<https://www.saqa.com/memberArt.php?cat=8&ec=3&ex=11>

Independent Art Quilt Workshop

By Sandra Sider
February 28 - March 4, 2016
Stony Point Center
Stony Point, NY
<http://stonypointcenter.org/events-retreats/upcoming-events#.VIJLhnaRTIU>



The Quilt and Sewing Fest of NJ

March 3, 2016 - March 6, 2016
Garden State Exhibit Center
Somerset, NJ
<https://www.quiltfest.com/upcoming-shows-and-events/the-quilt-fest-of-new-jersey/>

AQS Lancaster Quilt Show

March 16, 2016 - March 19, 2016
Lancaster County Convention Center
Lancaster, PA
<http://www.quiltweek.com/>



A Quilting Trunk Show With Peggy Garwood

March 22, 2016
Margaret L. Grundy Memorial Library
680 Radcliff Street
Bristol, PA
<https://www.grundylibrary.org/content/events-and-classes>



Hospitality

Many thanks for all the wonderful goodies presented by our members: Barbara Slaton, Mary deSlovere, Fran Bielski, Mary Ann Hampton, Alice Sprenger, Betty Czerwinski, Patty Gertz, Cass Garner, Joan Lasota, Babette Galinak, Ellen Heath. There were many delicious treats! Thank you for making our job easier.

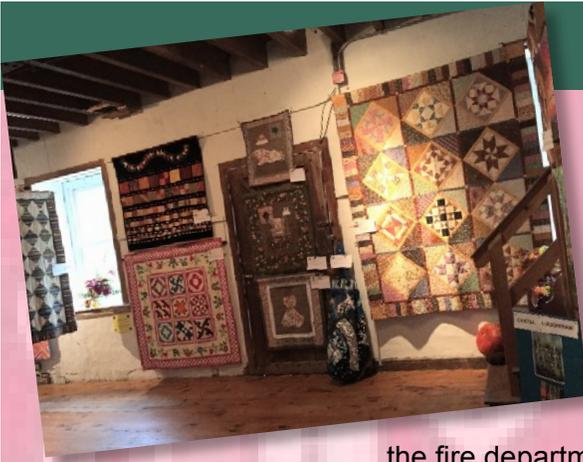
Claire and Linda

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.

Quilts in the Mill



I am happy to announce that Al along with his wife will be setting up decorative displays at the show. Mary de Sloovere will take on the post-creation end of the raffle quilt and handling of raffle books. Lastly Judy McCormick has agreed to take on signs and banners for the show.

By our February meeting all vendors should have received a letter from our vendor chair, Denise Lager, inviting them to our show. Because of the 50 inch egress required by the fire department all our booths have had to be reconfigured. We will be using the Carriage House again for vending which will help with more vending spaces.

I need someone ASAP to take on handling press releases and event listing in newspapers and magazines (most quilt magazine listings must be submitted 6 months prior to the show). They actually deliver quilt magazines 2 months prior to the publication's date.

Can someone please help to handle quilt shop mailings of postcards and follow up and replenish as needed by mail?

Another job that needs to be filled is to handle our postcard mailings to our attendees. They would need to print the labels, address the cards and mail them.

Please contact me if you can help!

Many thanks,
Stephanie



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

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Membership	Camille Quinton
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Quilt Show	Stephanie Greenberg
Raffle Quilt - Design & Creation	Babette Galinak Susan Fellin
Special Events	Jill Ferrari
Web Presence	Karen Davis

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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.