

SNIPPETS

April 2026



- the monthly newsletter of Coastal Carolina Quilters

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Elena Gelletly Presidents Note

It has been a very "yellow" spring around here this year and I don't mean fabric. Yellow pollen has covered our cars, patio furniture and plenty of sneezing for some of us! Let's hope it will be over soon so we can open our windows again before summer arrives.

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Remember ...

- ⇒ **Obtain parking pass from office for 2026 cost \$1.00 bring vehicle registration (near entrance)**
- ⇒ **Wear your name tag! Be entered into the drawing for fat quarters!**
- ⇒ **Sign up for upcoming classes!**
- ⇒ **Check the Important Dates**
- ⇒ **Take Home a Charity Kit to Sew**

Important Dates		
Monday, April 20 th , 2026	8:45 am	Board Meeting
Monday, April 20 th , 2026	10:00am	Meeting
Tuesday, April 21 st , 2026	10:30am- 4:30pm	Ecko Star Class by Barbara Cline
Monday, May 18 th , 2026	10:00am	Meeting
Monday, May 18 th , 2026	12:30-4:00 pm	Bargello American Flag Class
Monday, June 15 th , 2026	10:00am	Meeting
Monday, July 20 th , 2026	8:30-2:00pm	Charity Workshop
Monday, August 17 th , 2026	8:30-2:00pm	Charity Workshop
Monday, September 21 st , 2026	10:00am	Meeting
Monday, October 19 th , 2026	10:00am	Meeting
Monday, November 16 th , 2026	10:00am	Meeting
Monday, December 14 th , 2026	10:00am	Meeting and Holiday Party

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This past week I watched a zoom presentation from Benartex Fabrics showcasing new fabric collections from their designers. It was interesting to hear their stories about designing fabric and their inspiration. I had watched one of these two years ago when Tammy Silvers showcased her new fabrics. That is why I was excited when she presented at our last Meet the Quilters. This new group on zoom came with another nice surprise. I won fat quarter bundles from the designers. Wow! I can't wait for more fabric to arrive. We never have enough fabric! Benartex Fabrics will do their next showcase the end of July.

Last month we were treated to a wonderful trunk show and class from Deb O'Shaughnessy. Her quilts were stunning and all with beautiful workmanship. How could you not be inspired by her quilts! Deb's class in the afternoon made us all think outside the box without patterns but lots of fun. Thank you for sharing your talent and quilts with all of us!

I look forward to our speaker this month, Barbara Cline. She is also teaching her Ecco Star class the next day at 10:30. Barbara is an international quilt designer, author and teacher.

Hope to see you all at our meeting on April 20 th. Let's continue to inspire and support one another, sharing tips, techniques and encouragement along the way.

Happy quilting for others,
Elena Gelletly

Charity News

Margo Woolard

CCQ Charity News – April 20, 2026

Kits Available: Need some fun and easy sewing?? Lots of kits are available at the charity tables...bead bags, pillowcases, baby kits and Fostering Hope Kits. We really appreciate all your hard work.

We prefer you don't put the tops back into the baggies. Once you've done the final pressing (front and back), please fold it nicely and pin the baggie with the instructions and any leftovers to the top. Then place the top and extras in the basket or baggie marked "Drop Tops Here". This way it keeps the top from getting all wrinkled and won't ruin your nice pressing job. Thank You!

Donations: Last month CCQ donated 21 awesome quilts to Fostering Hope. We want to thank you all and a big thank you goes to Joyce Jaret for making that delivery for us.



Programs

Joanne Shropshire

Challenge- Planes, Trains and automobiles

We are asking for quilts that deal with moving people. You are not limited to the ones in the title. We ask that you keep them on the small lap size or smaller. These are not charity quilts but if you choose to go that route it's ok. Challenge is due at the June meeting.

Trunk Show: This month we have Barbara Cline doing a trunk show and an all-day class on Tuesday. Barbara is a quilt designer, teacher and author with over 37 years of experience. She comes from a close-knit Mennonite family of quilters. Barbara has taught class both nationally and internationally. She works with strip set for a number of her patterns. She resides in the Shenandoah Valley in Virginia. Her web site is Delightfulpiecing.com where you can see a number of her quilts

April 21st, 2026 Ecko Star Class

There is still room in her Ecko Star class on Tuesday, April 21, 2026 (**see page 5**) class by Barbara Cline. The class is an **all-day class**. The class fee is \$30 and runs from 10:30-4:30. Send registration form to Anna Henry (**see page 6 for registration other information**).

New Class

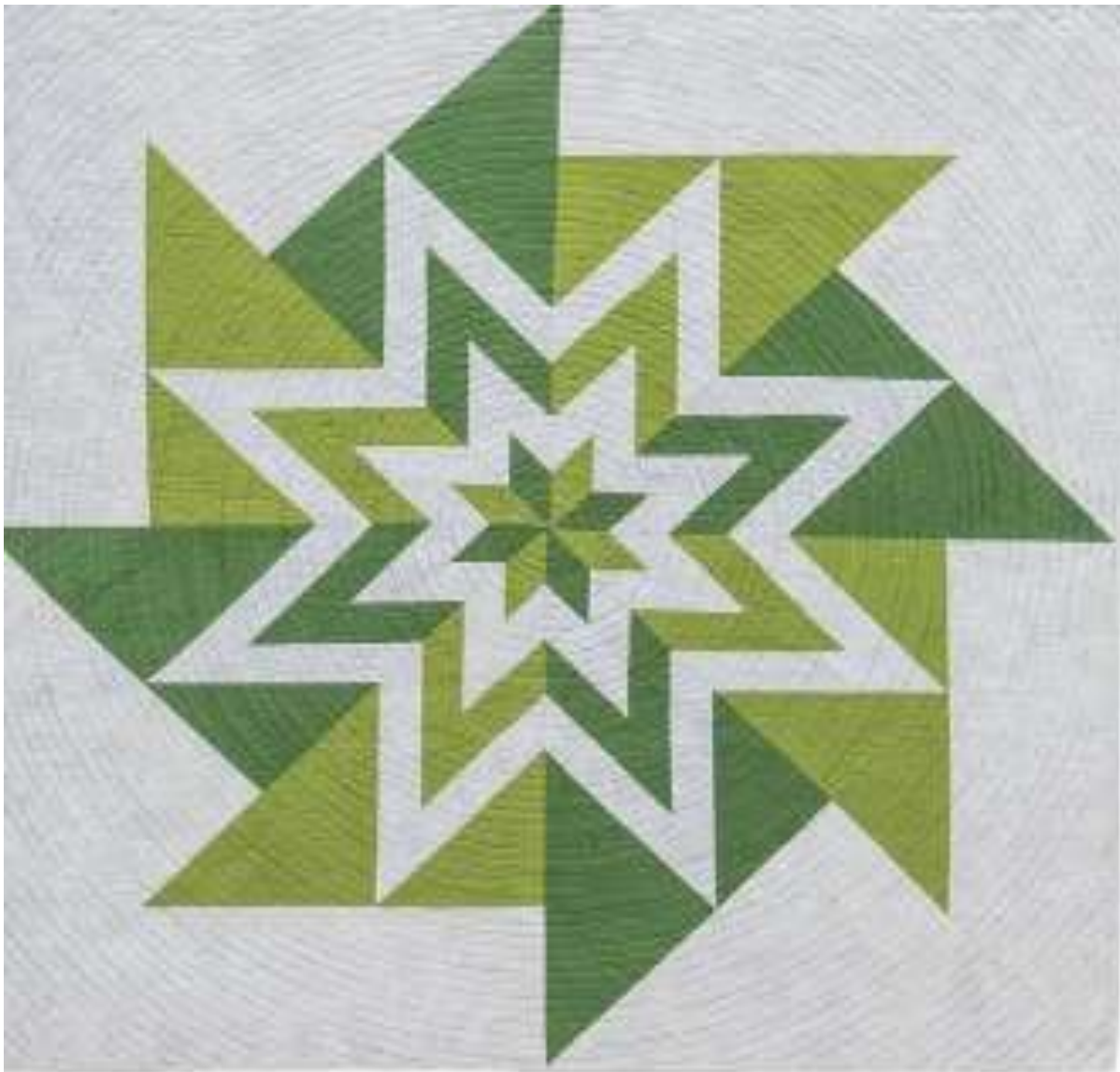
We added a class **Bargello American Flag** just in time to get it done by Memorial Day. This should be a fun fast class. It is an afternoon class after our guild meeting on May 18th. Class time is 12:30-4 the cost is \$15 (**see page 7 for instructions and page 8 for registration**).

Ecko Star Class

April 21, 2026 is the Ecko Star (below) class by Barbara Cline. The class is an **all-day class**. The class fee is \$30 and runs from 10:30-4:30. Send registration form (**page 6**) to Anna Henry.

Questions call Joanne.

Jump into our speedy and exciting quilt class! We'll be using the strip piecing technique to whip up a quilt featuring a pinwheel behind an eight-pointed star. And guess what? No inset seams, so you'll breeze through the process. Join us and see just how quickly you can piece together this stunning design! 6-hour class



Ecko Star Class

Class Fee: \$30.00

Date: April 21st, 2026
Time 10:30 am – 4:30 pm

Supply List: **See page 6 for picture for Ecko Star Anna to provide Supply list when you sign up for class**

Make check payable to CCQ and mail to:

Mail to:

Anna Henry
285 Hyacinth Loop
Murrells Inlet 29576

CLIP AND MAIL WITH CHECK

Instructor: Barbara Cline

\$30.00 Ecko Star Class



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Ecko Star Class

Bargello American Flag



Supplies: Red Fabric - $\frac{3}{4}$ yard for red strips and binding
Blue Fabric - $\frac{1}{2}$ yard for blue strips and binding
White Fabric - $\frac{1}{2}$ yard
Backing Fabric 1 yard

STEP 1: CUTTING

Red Fabric: Cut (4) 2"x WOF(width of fabric) strips. Cut each of these 4 strips in half to make (8) 2"x21" strips. Set these 8 strips aside.

Red Fabric: Cut (2) 3.5"x WOF strips. Cut strips in half to make 4 strips. Set aside.

Blue Fabric: Cut (3) 2"x WOF strips. Cut strips in half to make 6 strips. Set aside

Blue Fabric: Cut (1) 3.5" WOF strips. Cut in half to make 2 strips. Set aside

White Fabric: Cut (5) 2"x WOF strips. Cut in half to make 10 strips. Set aside

STEP 2: SEPARATING STRIPS FOR SET 1 AND SET 2

SET 1

Blue (1) 3.5 x 21"

Blue (6) 2 x 21"

White (3) 2 x 21"

Red (2) 2 x 21"

Red (1) 3.5 x 21"

SET 2

Red (2) 3.5 x 21"

Red (5) 2 x 21"

White (6) 2 x 21"

(The strips not used for either of these set can be discarded or used for a later project)

Bargello American Flag

Class Fee: \$15.00

Date: May 18th, 2026
Time 12:30 am – 4:00 pm

Supply List: **See page 7 for picture for Bargello America Flag. Anna to provide Supply list when you sign up for class.**

Make check payable to CCQ and mail to:

Mail to:

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285 Hyacinth Loop
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- \$15.00 Bargello American Flag



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Bargello American Flag

Membership News

Mary Terwiske and Peggy DeVivo

Thank you to the 93 members who have renewed their CCQ membership!

Sadly, 32 did not renew by the March meeting. If you have not paid your dues yet, please bring \$30 cash or check to the April meeting.

We will email the pared-down membership directory with the May newsletter.

Reminder... In order to continue attending meetings and classes, you must be an active member!

Please email Mary Terwiske at mterwiske@gmail.com if you aren't sure if you've paid yet. CCQ members that would like to mail their 2026 dues should send a \$30 check payable to: Mary Terwiske, 346 Rycola Circle, Surfside Beach, SC 29575.

Please include any updates to your contact information with your 2026 dues payment.

Don't forget to wear your name badge... the pattern for the badge is on the website.

Looking forward to seeing everyone at the next meeting.

Thanks! Mary Terwiske and Peggy DeVivo

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