CALVERT COUNTY QUILT GUILD
April 2023 NEWSLETTER

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Meetings: The guild meetings (second Tuesday of the month) start at 7:00 pm at **NEWLIFE Church, 3170 German Chapel Rd, Prince Frederick, MD.** The room opens at 6:30 pm for set up and social time. Please join us! Due to COVID-19 we had been meeting virtually via Zoom and will continue to offer that option.

Next Guild Meeting: April 11, 7:00 pm.

Next Board Meeting: TBD

May Newsletter Deadline: April 20.

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President's Message



Dear Quilting Friends,

It's Spring…

"When a young man's fancy turns to thoughts of love."

When a gardener's fancy turns to seeds and sets.

When a quilter's fancy turns to pastels, florals, pinwheels, and cathedral windows.

When the guild's needs turn to by-laws review and to new officers!

Please consider running!

Happy Spring! Happy Easter!

Karla

Upcoming Programs and Workshops

Sign-ups for the April 29 workshop with Betty Tilley are already underway. You can sign up at the April meeting. Also please bring a non-perishable item for NEWLIFE's food pantry to the workshop.

April 11, 7:00 pm at NEWLIFE Church. Suggestions & Solutions: UFOs, panels, BOMs, questionable fabric. Got a project you're not sure about? Borders, type, color or size? Sashing or not? Length of table runner or number of blocks to use? I liked this fabric when I bought it, now what? How to make that panel more interesting. Or do you have a fantastic idea for finishing a panel? Please share!

We will also review by-laws change suggestions.

April 29, 9:00 am to 3:00 pm at NEWLIFE Church. Betty Tilley will teach Cathedral Windows. A 16" pillow or a table runner will be worked on that day...or you can continue with a quilt!

Supply list can be found on page 4. Sign-up at the April meeting or contact Karla. $20 holds your spot, refunded at workshop. Small irons preferred. Bring a snack or light lunch item to share.

May 9, 7:00 pm at NEWLIFE Church. Fiber Artist **Cindy Herndon** will present "**From Traditional Quilts to Art Quilts: My Creative Journey."** Cindy will share some of her art quilts and discuss some of the innovative techniques she has been exploring.

June 13 – CCQG Nineteenth Anniversary Party at NEWLIFE Church. Details to follow. There may be a change in venue so watch for future newsletters!



July 11, 7:00 pm at NEWLIFE Church. Mary Kerr will present **Motherless Quilts**. This lecture features a lively trunk show and discussion about working with orphan blocks and tops. Mary will show numerous examples from her collection of multigenerational quilts and new quilts from unrelated blocks and tops. This lecture is a great source of ideas for completing projects from yesteryear.

August 8, 7:00 pm at NEWLIFE Church. Karen Kehl presents **A Nurse's Perspective on Sick Day Quilts.** Many quilters make special quilts for family and friends who are experiencing an illness, but these quilts are not always well-suited to the purpose. This presentation incorporates scientific findings on the health effects of various fabrics, washing techniques and battings; the knowledge and experience of a nurse regarding issues to consider for sick day quilts; a display of sick day quilts; and ideas for design and execution of sick day quilts that will be treasured long after the illness is over.



April Birthdays

Carol	Mitchell	April 4
Marti	Phelps	April 5
Jan	McBain	April 9
Tobey	Kriemelmeyer	April 24

Enjoy your special day ladies!

Of Special Note

Elections: Treasurer, Vice President, extension of President

Carla Warner has tossed her hat in the ring for treasurer. Please consider running for Vice President. The Vice President position can be a committee to work together as "co-vice presidents". **Erin Underwood**, our March speaker, gave Karla a list of quilt related speakers to consider for getting you started with programming ideas! We will also vote on extending our current acting president to June 2024.

Library Sew-ins

The following dates have been approved for us to have workshops at local libraries. Now that the raffle quilt is off to the quilter (**thank you, Kasey Mersch**), we can concentrate on making more boutique items for the Artsfest at Annmarie Garden in September. Come to sew, socialize, be inspired and just be happy to sew in a large area among friends.

Fairview Library
Friday, April 21; 12-5; Large Room
Friday, May 5; 12-5; Large Room
Friday, June 2; 12-5; Large Room

Prince Frederick Library
Thursday, April 6; 12-5; Room 1
Tuesday, April 25; 12-5; Room 3

Greenbelt Courthouse Quilt Show

The show will come down on Wednesday, May 10. Below is a special invitation to carpool with friends to see the show. The Calvert County Quilt Guild is well represented with quilts by **Marlene Diehl, Cindy Herndon, Nancy Jo Kazmaier, Nikki Huffstutler, Carol Mitchell, Elizabeth Sawyer, Julie Trollinger, Carla Warner,** and **Hilke Hoefer**.

You may RSVP directly to Hilke by email (hrhilke@comcast.net) or message C 410-353-2453.



Cathedral Pillow



Size 16 ¾" by 16 ¾" Supply list

- 1 ½ Yds Muslin (or background fabric of choice) to make:
    - (16) 9 ½" squares cut from the Muslin (cut and pressed before class)
- (40) 2 ½" print squares (I use a jelly roll)
- Rotary cutter and cutting mat (recommend new blade)
- Ruler Note: Betty uses a 6" x 24" and 6" x 12" ruler
- Ironing board or wool mat, small or travel iron preferred.
- Roxanne Glue Stick or small Bohin pins
- Sewing machine and supplies (machine, power cord, foot pedal, needles, feet, bobbins, neutral thread (white or to match your background), extension cord
- Hand stitching thread (I use YLI), Needle threader, Needle for hand stitching.

Cathedral Table Runner

Size 13" by 33" or as big as you like.



Supply list

- 2 Yds Muslin (or background fabric of choice) to make:
    - (24) 9 ½" squares cut from the Muslin (cut and pressed before class)
- (60) 2 ½" print squares (I use a jelly roll)
- Rotary cutter and cutting mat (recommend new blade)
- Ruler Note: Betty uses a 6" x 24" and 6" x 12" ruler
- Ironing board or wool mat, small or travel iron preferred.
- Roxanne Glue Stick or small Bohin pins
- Sewing machine and supplies (machine, power cord, foot pedal, needles, feet, bobbins, neutral thread (white or to match your background), extension cord
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March 2023 Show and Tell



Marlene D. with a St. Patrick's Day themed table runner above, and a beautiful jacket at right.



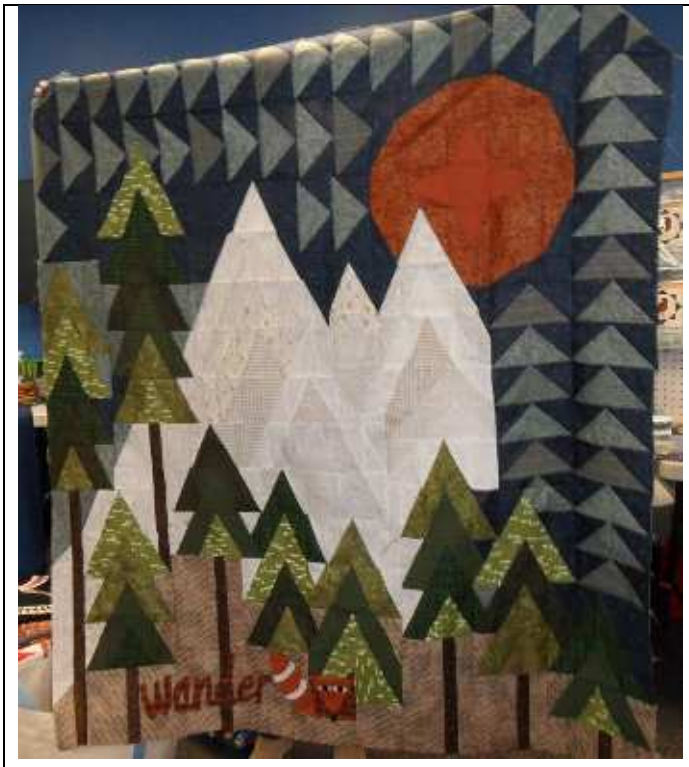




Mary P. at left with a colorful quilt she started in a class.

Kasey M. above with a quilted tote bag.

March 2023 Show and Tell





Mary P. with her quilt "The Mountains are Calling". The back is above right.



Hilke H. brought in the 2023 Raffle quilt top ready to be quilted!

Calvert County Quilt Guild Meeting Minutes

March 14, 2023

President Karla Sisson opened the meeting by introducing **Erin Underwood** from Blue Hen Quilt Shop. Erin gave a brief history of her journey to owning her quilt shop. She said she is all about techniques and how she can easily do them. She learned from going to a quilt guild. She also showed some of the rulers she designed. She showed many of her lovely quilts. She spoke about using batiste, and other bridal fabrics to change the look of applique. She also brought pre-cuts, patterns, and rulers for sale.

After a ten-minute break, Karla conducted the business meeting:

Elections

Carla Warner has been nominated for Treasurer. She will continue to work with **Kathy Cannon** on the raffle tickets.

We still don't have a nominee for Vice President. If we can't find a Vice President, we will have to fold as of December 2023. We will then distribute the funds to charities, and the guild will end.

Programs

Karla Sisson gave a reminder for the Erin Underwood workshop to be held on Wednesday at 9:00 am in the big room. Please bring a small iron, and ironing board if you have one. Bring snacks, and a food item for the food bank.

For the April meeting bring in ugly UFO's or other UFO's that you would like help with on ideas to finish.

On April 29 **Betty Tilley** will conduct a workshop on Cathedral Windows.

May 9, **Cindy Herndon** will be our speaker.

June 13 will be our anniversary party. **Tobey Kriemelmeyer, Kasey Mersch,** and **Julie Trollinger** will be coordinating this effort.

July 11, **Mary Kerr** will be our speaker.

August 8, **Karen Kehl** will be our speaker.

Membership

Sue Huseby reported that we have 42 members.

Treasurer

Debbie Francisco gave the Treasurer's report. Details can be found at the end of the newsletter.

Block of the Month

Marlene Diehl gave the BOM information for next month. **Karla Sisson** won the blocks for March.

Librarian

Mary Potter reported on the books she had brought to the meeting.

Sunshine

Lillian Mair asked to be contacted if anyone knows of a member that should receive a card.

Debbie Francisco will continue to operate the Zoom meeting and showed us a new tripod she recently purchased to hold her cell phone to better record the meeting.

Show and Tell

Marlene Diehl, Kasey Mersch, and **Mary Potter** showed their projects. **Hilke Hoefer** showed us the beautiful 2023 raffle quilt. It's on its way to be quilted by **Kasey Mersch**.

Kathy Cannon moved to adjourn the meeting. **Mary Potter** seconded.



We will be selling raffle tickets for our 2023 raffle quilt at the Calvert Arts Festival. Sign up to for a time slot to sell tickets at the April meeting.

Jacob's Ladder



Each block makes a 12 ½" unfinished block.

Calvert County Quilt Guild
Block of the Month
April 2023

All seams ¼"

This is a traditional block
Marlene Diehl

	Focus – one medium to dark blue print 2 – 5" squares (A) 2 – 2 ½" x 13" rectangle strips (B)
	Background – white/light/off white or with small contrast print 2 - 5" squares (C) 2 – 2 ½" x 13" rectangle strips (D)

1) Sew one B strip and one D strip right sides together along the long side. Press to the dark side. Stitched strip set should measure 4 ½" x 13". Make two. See Figure 1.

2) Sub-cut each strip set made in Step 1 into five 2 ½" x 4 ½" rectangles. (You will have a little waste.) Makes ten (10). See Figure 2.

3) Sew 2 units from Step 2 matching opposite colors to make a four-patch unit. Each four-patch unit will measure 4 ½ x 4 ½'. Make 5 total. Figure 3.

4) Draw a diagonal line on the wrong side of the 2 background squares (C). With right sides together layer a C square on top of a B square. Stitch ¼" from **each** side of the drawn line. Cut apart on the drawn line. Press to the dark. This makes 4 blocks. Trim to 4 ½" x 4 ½". Figure 4.

5) Assemble the block as shown in Figure 5. Trim the completed block to a 12 ½" square.

Figure 1	Figure 2	Figure 3	Figure 4	Figure 5
				