

CALVERT COUNTY QUILT GUILD
February 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: February 14, 7:00 pm.

Next Board Meeting: TBD

March Newsletter Deadline: February 20.

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President's Message



Dear Quilting Friends,

Would you like to bring a project for Show and Tell but feel intimidated by the "perfect" quilts others show? When you first start, it seems like everyone is so much more talented. We all learn one step at a time, with quilting or any new experience. No one has all the skills needed. Even those with loads of experience can learn something using new techniques, new tools, new patterns, new fabrics. When I first started quilting, I had never heard of a walking foot. What a game changer!

You've heard the expression "Finished is better than perfect." But you will know the progress you have made and the love you have put into it.

Express yourself through your craft whether you keep, gift, or donate.

Show us!

Karla

Upcoming Programs and Workshops

Please sign up for the March 15 workshop at the membership table. If you are not able to attend the February meeting but would like to participate in the workshop, please let Karla know. Also please bring a non-perishable item for NEWLIFE's food pantry to each workshop.



February 14, 7:00 pm at NEWLIFE Church. Beth Pauley Teletski, a nationally certified quilt judge will tell us what they look for when judging a quilt. **She will "judge" several of our members quilts.**



March 14, 7:00 pm at NEWLIFE Church. Erin Underwood will show us a fun and inspiring collection of her quilts including the GOOD, the BAD and the IF I ONLY KNEW WHAT I WAS DOING quilts. As a quilt-a-holic who plans to never recover, she thrives on absorbing all she can about quilting and sharing techniques, tips, and tricks with others. Erin and her husband are the owners of Blue Hen Quilt Shop in Newark, Delaware. She also lectures, teaches, and designs patterns that are traditional with a twist. She appreciates the many styles of quilting and has centered her classes around techniques that enable the quilter to create complicated quilts using simplified methods. She also is a Ruler Designer with Creative Grids. She will have patterns and tools to sell.

March 15, 9:00 am at NEWLIFE Church. Workshop with Erin Underwood: Paper Piecing with Freezer Paper.

No more ripping out paper! No more picking little pieces of debris out of the seams with tweezers! No more weak seams from pulling paper out of your blocks!! Learn this innovative technique of using freezer paper to foundation piece your blocks. The freezer paper is never sewn into the seams and is easily pulled off the block when finished. And you can even re-use the pattern!!



Paper Piecing with Freezer Paper

The workshop will be from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at NEWLIFE Church, including set up and clean up. It is a 3 to 4-hour workshop. Bring a snack to share. Water will be provided.

There will be a sign-up sheet at the February meeting. A $20 fee will be charged, payable to guild, given to Karla. This will be refunded at the workshop if you attend.

There is a $9 pattern fee to be paid to Erin Underwood at the workshop. **The supply list can be found on page 3.**

April 11, 7:00 pm at NEWLIFE Church. Suggestions & Solutions: UFOs, panels, BOMs, questionable fabric. Bring in one (or more) of the above that has you stumped or undecided on finishing. Talk about your challenges for suggestions and encouragement. Or bring in an example of ideas for finishing, like a panel.

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 and other information will be in the March newsletter.

Freezer-Paper Piecing Table Topper

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Supplies:

Sewing machine with 1/4 inch foot, Basic sewing supplies, matching thread
Scissors and pencil
Rotary cutter, 6x24 inch ruler, 9-inch or 12 inch square ruler, add-a quarter ruler is nice to have but not necessary.
Iron and Pressing surface
Freezer paper

Class pattern fabric requirements

	8-block wall hanging	36 blocks throw - 68x68 inches
Fan petals	64 2-1/2 x 8 inch strips of assorted scraps or approximately 1 yard	288 2-1/2x8 inch strips of assorted scraps or 4-1/2 yards
Fan handles, cornerstones and 1 inch inner border	1/4 yard	1-1/2 yards
Background	1/2 yard	2-1/4 yards
Border	3/4 yard	1-1/2 yards

Questions:
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February Birthdays

Tammy	Tilghman	February 2
Hilke	Hoefer	February 8
Julie	Trollinger	February 24

Enjoy your special day ladies!

Of Special Note

New Committee Chairs

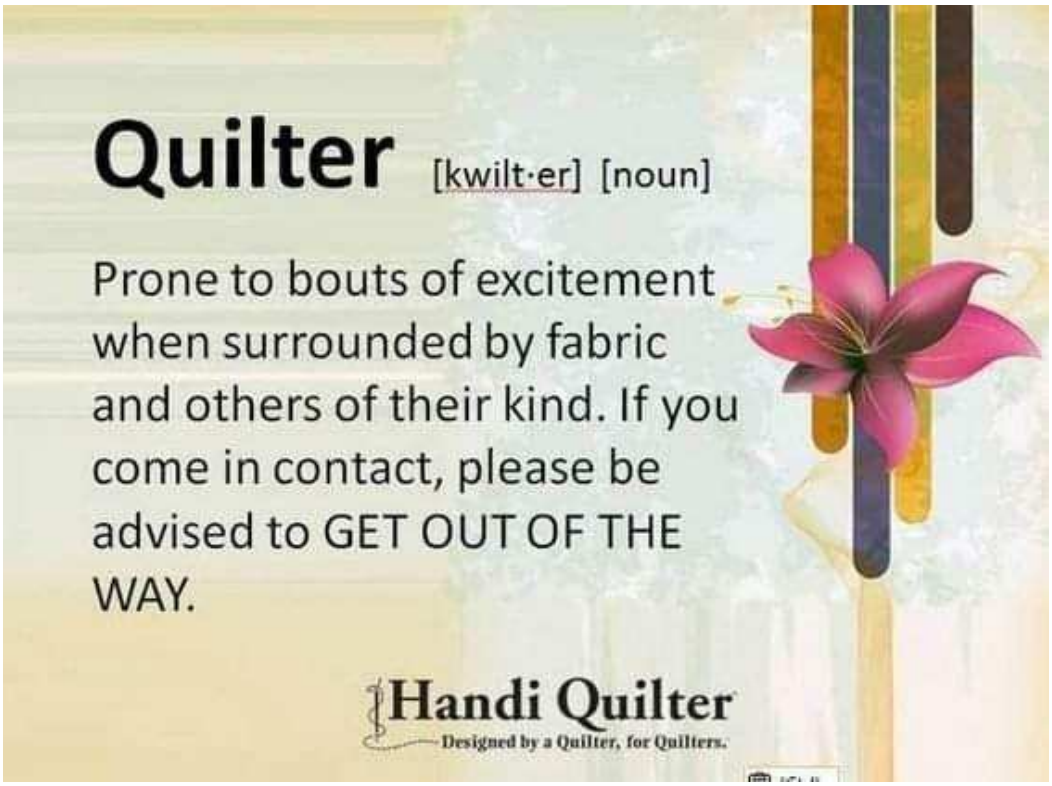
We have three new Committee Chairs! You may have noticed that **Debbie Francisco** has stepped up as our Zoom Master to handle our Zoom calls. And, at the January meeting, **Carla Warner** volunteered to handle our Raffle Quilt Sales so you should be hearing from her in a few months about raffle tickets for our 2023 quilt. In addition, **Tobey Kriemelmeyer** also volunteered to chair the Social Committee. Thank you, ladies, for your service to the guild. We all appreciate it!

Library Sew-ins

The following dates have been approved for us to have workshops at local libraries. We will be focusing on the next raffle quilt and personal projects as well.

Fairview Library
Friday, February 3; 12-5; Large Room
Friday, March 3; 12-5; Large Room
Friday, March 31; 12-5; Large Room

Prince Frederick Library
Thurs., February 16; 12-5; Room 3
Thurs., March 16; 12-4:30; Room 2
Thurs., April 6; 12-5; Room 1



Elections

In May we will be holding elections for Vice-President and Treasurer. A Nominating Committee will be appointed next month. In the meantime, please consider supporting our guild by becoming an officer! The duties of each office are as follows:

The Vice President shall:

a. Preside over meetings in the absence of the president.
b. Serve as assistant to the president.
c. Assume all duties and responsibilities of the president for the remainder of the term if the president cannot complete the term of office. In such an event, the Executive Board will appoint a new vice president.
d. Serve as parliamentarian and ensure that the rules set forth in the Bylaws are followed.
e. Serve as the Program/Workshop Chairperson. This requires arranging all workshops and programs for the elected term plus five months after the term ends, to assist with the transition of the new vice president. An assistant may help, if desired. The vice president also oversees speakers or the completion of workshops planned by her predecessor.
f. Be responsible for handling all contracts, transportation details, communication, etc. with speakers and workshop teachers.
g. Be a signatory on the Guild's checking account and sign checks in the treasurer's or president's absence.

The Treasurer shall:

a. Have care and custody of the Guild's funds.
b. Pay all bills and sign all checks with prior approval of the president, or in her absence, the vice president.
c. Give an oral report at each meeting, both general and board, which includes ending balance from previous month, total income, total expenses, and current balance.
d. Provide a hard copy of the detailed report showing the sources for income and expenses on the check-in table at the Guild meeting each month. Copies of the detailed report will be provided to the secretary for her book and to the newsletter editor for inclusion in the minutes and newsletter. Treasurer's reports will be available upon request.
e. If unable to attend the Guild meeting, furnish the monthly report to another member of the Executive Board not later than 24 hours prior to the meeting, except in the case of dire emergency.
f. Prepare a draft budget annually based on prior year's income and expenses.
g. Provide receipts for tax-deductible donations to members upon request.
h. Provide bank statements for review at any time during the year if so requested by the Executive Board.
i. Deposit all cash and checks within five business days of receipt except as noted in Standing Rules under Workshops and Programs.
j. Prepare the books and gather documents for audit. Documents necessary to complete the audit include but are not limited to: detailed monthly treasurer's reports, checkbook register or electronic version thereof, bank statements, deposit slips showing type and source of funds, and receipts for all reimbursed expenses. The audit must be completed prior to the July meeting.

If you have specific questions about either position, please feel free to discuss with the current officers, **Karla Sisson** or **Debbie Francisco**.

January 2023 Show and Tell



Carla W. with her Underground Railroad quilt.



Nikki H. with a cute cat quilt.



Carol M. with a mystery quilt.



Carol M. with a Northcott Block of the Month.

January 2023 Show and Tell



Barbara L. with cute mini stocking cap ornaments she hung in the window from Makeyourownzone.com.



Barbara L. with knitted red hats for February babies at a hospital: https://onelittleproject.com/yarn-hat-ornaments



Barbara L. with a 12 Days of Christmas quilt.



Barbara L. showed her 8 and 11-inch quilting hoops from Sparrow Quilt Co. by Martelli

Calvert County Quilt Guild Meeting Minutes

January 10, 2023

President Karla Sisson opened the meeting with "Happy New Year" to all. She said we are dedicating the meeting to Adrienne. Karla introduced the speaker, **T Carter**.

T Carter presented her “Resist” quilts. There were many interesting topics of resistance and beautiful quilts. She ended by answering questions and challenged us to resist.

After a break, Karla started the business portion of the meeting. We need to review the by-laws. **Marlene Diehl** and **Julie Trollinger** volunteered to review them and report back.

The executive board needs to appoint a Vice President. In May, we will be electing a Vice President and Treasurer. There will be a nominating committee selected next month.

Karla reviewed the inventory and asked about the whereabouts of a few items.

Programs
Karla Sisson reported that our featured speaker for February will be a certified quilt judge to show us what they look for when judging our quilts. March will be **Erin Underwood** with her trunk show. April will be a member led meeting.

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

Membership
Sue Huesby stated that we had two visitors in attendance. We have 41 paid members at this time.

Block of the Month
Kathy Cannon won the many pretty heart blocks. **Marlene Diehl** asked if we would prefer something other than Block of the Month since those providing the blocks don't always want to win them.

Social Committee
Karla Sisson stated she needs to relinquish her duties as the chairman of the Social Committee as she is now performing the duties of President and Vice President. **Tobey Kriemelmeyer** volunteered to chair the Social Committee.

Raffle Quilt
Hilke Hoefer gave a progress report. The quilt top is almost complete and will be ready for quilting soon. She also reminded us of the meeting room available at the Prince Frederick Library.

Raffle Quilt Ticket Sales

Jan McBain gave an update on raffle tickets and informed us that she is resigning from being the raffle ticket chairperson. **Carla Warner** volunteered to take over.

Sunshine

A sympathy card was sent to **Sharon Fossett** for the loss of her husband. Jan McBain said that Sharon would love company and phone calls.

Show and Tell

Carla Warner, Nikki Huffstutler, Carol Mitchell, and **Barbara Lingle** showed us their lovely projects.

Miscellaneous

Karla said she received a note from **Marti Phelps** about the judging of quilts and quilt categories at the county fair. If you have any suggestions for improvement based on your experience, let Karla know and she will consolidate the responses and send them to Marti.

Kara Small motioned for the meeting to adjourn, seconded by **Andrea Elwyn**. Meeting adjourned.





Modern Star

Calvert County Quilt Guild
Block of the Month
February 2023

All seams are ¼" allowance.
Adaptation of a pattern by Karen Griska
Marlene Diehl

Each block makes a 6 ½" x 6 ½" unfinished block. **MAKE 2**

Background	**Star – contrasting color**
One 7" x 7" square spring color (pastel) One 7" x 7" square contrasting color	One 1" x 42" strip contrasting color One 1" x 42" strip spring color (pastel) -Sub cut into 4 pieces (need two 10" and two 7" pieced)

This block is quick and easy. Press all of the seams toward the narrow strip. Optional: Spray the square with starch (Best Press) to keep diagonal cut from stretching. You may want to put registration marks on the diagonal cut and the contrasting strip for alignment ease. See Step 1.

1) Cut the 7" Background square diagonally. Sew a Star strip between the halves of the background. See Step 2 and Step 3.

2) Cut this unit diagonally in the opposite direction. Sew another Star strip between the halves. See Steps 4 and 5.
3) Cut this new unit vertically and add a Star strip between the halves. See Step 6

4) Cut the new unit horizontally and add a Star strip between the halves. See Step 7

5) Trim to a 6 ½" x 6 ½" square centering the 3 ¼" marks at the block center. See Step 8.

6) Make the second block in the opposite colorway.

Step 1	Step 2	Step 3	Step 4
			
Step 5	**Step 6**	**Step 7**	**Step 8**
			