CALVERT COUNTY QUILT GUILD
March 2025 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! We also offer an option to attend via Zoom for those members that cannot attend in person.

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

Next Board Meeting: TBD

April Newsletter Deadline: March 20.

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Presidents Message



March 15, 2025, is National Quilt Day. The origin of the word "quilt" comes from the Latin word "culcita" meaning a stuffed sack. Medieval knights used quilted pads under their armors to protect them from chaffing and to prevent the armor from rusting from sweat.

How will you celebrate? Here are a few ideas:

1. Finish a UFO (unfinished object) or at least make a list and prioritize them.
2. Give your sewing room a spring cleaning.
3. If that's too big of a job, organize one thing such as your scraps, magazines, patterns, thread, etc.
4. Visit your local quilt shop and do some shopping!
5. Take an online quilting class.
6. Listen to a sewing/quilting podcast, examples are: "American Patchwork & Quilting" podcast at All People Quilt, and "A Quilting Life" podcast found on YouTube.
7. Teach someone else to quilt.
8. Play with your fabric stash and plan your next project.
9. Browse Pinterest or Instagram for quilting inspiration.
10. Try a new skill. Find a book or watch a YouTube video that demonstrates it well and go for it!

Happy Quilting!

Julie Trollinger, President

Upcoming Programs and Workshops

March 11, 2025, 7:00 pm at NEWLIFE Church.



Preeti Harris at Sew Preeti Quilts will join us to discuss modern quilting and improvisational techniques. Preeti is also an Island Batik Ambassador. She grew up in India and came to the USA as a student. Living in Northern Virginia, she works as a transportation planner. Preeti made her first quilt in 2013 and 200+ quilts later, she can firmly say that she is addicted to all things quilting! Her patterns have been published in numerous magazines including Make Modern, Quilter's World and Quiltmaker. She loves bright fabrics and enjoys improvisational piecing.

April 8, 2025, 7:00 pm at NEWLIFE Church.



Barbara Cline will be speaking on Where, When, Why & How of Quilting. The lecture will be on learning some tricks of the trade and seeing Barbara's quilts close up. You can never get enough information on this subject. Barbara is an international quilt designer, author, and teacher who loves to share her techniques with others. She has over 37 years of experience in quilting and teaching classes. Her whole family shares a passion for the tradition of quilt making, which has been passed down through generations.

April 9, 2025, Workshop with Barbara Cline at NEWLIFE Church. "Twirling, Swirling Dance". Doors open at 8:00 am and the workshop starts at 8:30 am. Time and Place TBD. This is a quick project, and the technique used in creating this quilt is strip piecing. There are only three different fabrics used to make this wall quilt. The twirling and swirling is created by using the background fabric as part of the star as well as the shifting of the fabrics in the lone star block layout. 6-hour class. **The supply list can be found on page 4.** If you would like a hard copy of the pattern, Barbara will have a few for sale at the workshop. Otherwise, you can purchase the pdf pattern online on her website before the workshop:

https://www.delightfulpiecing.com

LIMIT OF 15 PEOPLE.



Twirling, Swirling Dance 48 x 48

May 13, 2025, 7:00 pm at NEWLIFE Church. Ora Hart presents "Color Confidence for Quilters". This lecture on color foundation teaches you how to balance the fabrics for your next project using the color wheel and color theory. Color Confidence for Quilters is a great color foundation for all quilters. It helps to understand your style when choosing fabrics and helps get you out of your color ruts.



March Birthdays

Karla	Sisson	March 2
Debbie	Stanford	March 7
Priscilla	O'Dell	March 8
Donna	Nichols	March 17
Elizabeth	Sawyer	March 23

Enjoy your special day!

Of Special Note

Due to snowy weather and the cancellation of the February meeting, the Upcycle Challenge will be rescheduled for a future meeting.

4-H Sewing Workshop

The February session of the 4-H Sewing Workshop was a success. The group made a heart block which was sewn into a pillow. Everyone had a good time, even a dad and grandma visiting from out of town.



The next workshop will be on Saturday, March 8, from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. The group will be making a clover block for St. Patrick's Day. Contact **Sue Huseby** if you would like to help.

Library Sew-Ins

Listed below are the upcoming sewing sessions. You can come for all or a part of any session. Questions? Contact Hilke. Her new email address is hrhsew2day@gmail.com

Fairview Library - Owings
Friday, March 7, 12:00 pm – 5:00 pm, Large Room
Friday, April 4, 12:00 pm – 5:00 pm, Large Room

Prince Frederick Library
Thursday, March 13, 12:00 pm – 5:00 pm, Room 3
Tuesday, March 18, 12:00 pm – 6:00 pm, Room 3
Thursday, April 10, 12:00 pm – 5:00 pm, Room 3
Tuesday, April 15, 11:00 am – 5:00 pm, Room 3

Twin Beaches - North Beach
Thurs., March 27, 12:00 pm – 6:00 pm, West Room
Mon., April 7, 1:00 pm – 6:00 pm, West Room

Calvert County Quilt Guild Meeting Minutes

February 11, 2024

The meeting was cancelled due to snowy weather.



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March 2025

Supply List for Twirling Swirling Dance

48” x 48”

Pattern: Twirling Swirling Dance $10.00

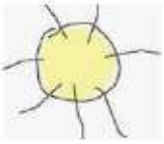
Fabric
Cream 1 1/4 yards
Navy 2 1/4 yards
Print 3/4 yard

Have the following precut before class:
Cut the following strips and pieces. Note: wof = width of fabric.
Cream:
2) 1 1/2” x wof
6) 2 1/2” x wof
Navy:
1) 1 1/2” x wof
6) 2 1/4” x wof (for binding)
6) 2 1/2” x wof
2) 3 1/2” x wof
1) 21 1/8” x wof; subcut into 1) 21 1/8” square, cut twice diagonal.
From remaining strip cut 1)14 ½” square
1) 14 1/2” x wof; subcut into 3) 14 ½” squares.
Print:
1) 1 1/2” x wof
8) 2 1/2” x wof



Supply List
Scissors
Pins
Sewing thread
Seam ripper
Rotary mat (18" x 20" or bigger)
Rotary cutter
Rotary ruler with a 45° line on it
Small ironing board and mat (optional)
Fabric marking pencil
Lead pencil

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Monster Block

Calvert County Quilt Guild
Block of the Month
March 2025
First made in March 2019

Outline features and monster in black.
Directions by Anita Turley.
Reference – The Internet.

Each block makes a 12 ½" unfinished block.

	**Background – solid or small print** - cut one (1) 12 ½" x 12 ½" square (at least)
	**Monster – solid or print** - cut the monster to your delight

So, here is the deal: make this block to contribute to a juvenile quilt that can be sold as a Guild fundraiser quilt. Numerous blocks have been made over the years, beginning in 2019. Each are a colorful and fun representation taking the bad out of a monster! Anita will gather the contributed blocks, add sashing and borders and ensure that the quilt is completed in time for the fund raising inventory.

1) ***Make two (2) blocks (preference and please!!!!)***. Allow up to 4 hours of total time to complete both blocks from start to finish. Monster head or monster is allowed.

2) Be creative; there is no monster block pattern to follow except that your monster fit on a 12 ½" block. I used a jelly roll for reference (plus whatever I felt larger) and penciled on the back of the piece of fabric for what I felt was a good sized monster. Then cut the outline of your monster.

3) The colors used for the background and monster are personal choice. The monster can be multiple colors. Add an eye or two or three or however many is needed. To make an eye use a dark dot within a white or off white. Add a smile; teeth are optional – or maybe even the smile if the monster is shy. Add the details to the monster prior to attaching to the background.

4) For technique, use traditional applique. My preference is to use a fusible stabilizer such as Wonder Under for each layer (iris, eye, mouth) before stitching the applique item to a block, especially when there is a large single surface. Stitch down around the features (iris, eye, mouth) and monster in whatever stitch you would like using black thread. No embellishment is necessary.

5) Trim block to finish at 12 ½" if needed. Have fun and giggle a bit when creating the block!!! Remember – it is a monster so there are no mistakes.

6) Alternate block – counts as 2 – If you prefer to make ONE monster block covering what would be the space for two blocks, cut the background piece 24 ½" x 12 ½" (at least) and then trim to final block size of 24 ½" x 12 ½" .

Inspiration from Images searching for *'monster heads quilt pattern for kids'* on the Internet:

