

CALVERT COUNTY QUILT GUILD
May 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: May 9, 7:00 pm.

Next Board Meeting: TBD

June Newsletter Deadline: May 20.

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President's Message

Dear Quilting Friends,

May is a month full of opportunities for special quilts.



May 1 is May Day. How about a quilt with flower baskets?



May 4 calls for a Star Wars quilt. "May the fourth be with you!"



May 5 is Cinco de Mayo. Make it bold and bright.

May 13 is the first outing of our raffle quilt.

May 14 is Mother's Day. Make a special quilted item for Mom.

May 29 is Memorial Day. Red, white, and blue quilts are special reminders of the meaning of this holiday.



High school and college graduations begin this month. School colors or T-shirt quilts will make that graduate feel extra special.

Farmers markets open this month. How about a jar quilt showing all the produce to buy or grow?



Lily of the Valley is the flower for the month of May. I found an applique design in one of my books.

To me, May is such a happy month with warmth and sunshine and those special days. Hope it is happy for you too!

Karla

Upcoming Programs and Workshops

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, 6:30 pm at NEWLIFE Church. CCQG Nineteenth Anniversary Party at NEWLIFE Church. Theme: Scrappiness is Happiness!! **Challenge**: Everyone please bring a sandwich size Ziplock baggie of fabric scraps to exchange. We will be making a pair of 8" potholders to be sold at Annmarie Garden this fall.

Food: Last names: A-E: Two (two-liter bottles) of soda or juice; F-M: Appetizers; N-Z: Desserts



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.



September 12, 7:00 pm at NEWLIFE Church. Michelle Umlauf will present Clover Top 20 and New Releases. Learn what the top 20 selling quilting and sewing notions are at the time of the presentation. You may be surprised at some of the all-time favorites. You will also get a look at Clover's newest products introduced to the market.

September 13, four-hour workshop, location TBD: Spools and Tools for Quilters. In this class, you will discover many new and some tried and true notions Quilters rely on every day. Plus, you will be surprised to learn some unconventional uses for sewing supplies you never thought you needed. Master Perfect points, quarter-square triangles, y-seams, and even make bias binding tape. The workshop gives you the opportunity to practice these techniques and create wonderful samples to save and incorporate into a reference notebook.



May Birthdays

Christine	Tenny	May 6
Marlene	Diehl	May 9
Andrea	Elwyn	May 18
Sue	Huseby	May 20

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". We will also vote on extending our current acting president to June 2024.

Library Sew-Ins

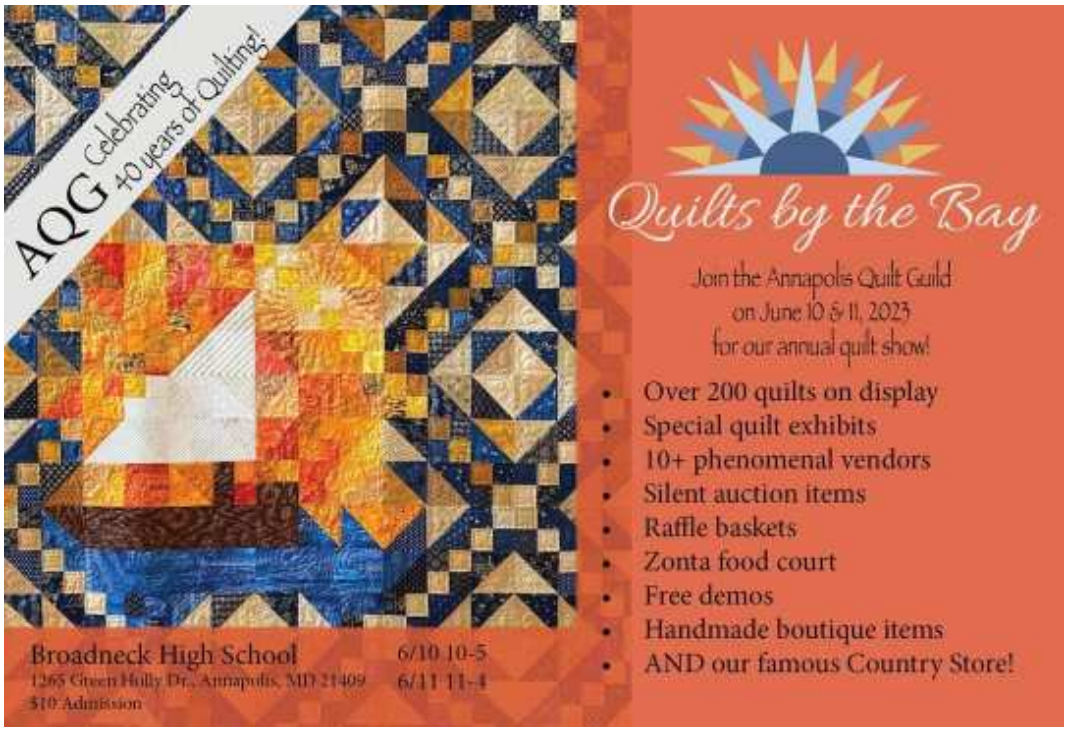
The following dates have been approved for us to have workshops at local libraries. Come to sew and socialize!

Fairview Library
Friday, May 5; 12-5; Large Room
Friday, May 26; 12-5; Large Room
Friday, June 2; 12-5; Large Room

Prince Frederick Library (No May dates)
Tuesday, June 6, 12-5; Room 3
Thursday, June 29, 9-1:30; Room 1



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 May meeting.



April 2023 Show and Tell



Betty T. with a Maple Leaf Table Runner



Betty T. with a table runner from the Brown Bag Mystery



Betty T. with a jelly roll rug!

April 2023 Show and Tell



Kasey M. with a quilt made from some of the Lori Holt Farm Girl Vintage blocks.



Anita K. (above and below) with a collection of table runners and toppers using border fabrics.





April 2023 Show and Tell





Anita K. utilizing border fabrics to make more table runners and toppers.



Barbara L with a block from the Erin Underwood workshop.

April 2023 Show and Tell



Kara S. with her largest quilt yet!



Susan B. with a scrappy wall hanging from Laura Heine's pattern, “Making Fish”.



Karla S. - with a table runner from the Erin Underwood workshop.



Karla S. with a cute hearts and stars quilt.

Calvert County Quilt Guild Meeting Minutes

April 11, 2023

The meeting was called to order by **President Karla Sisson** at 7:03 pm. The theme of the meeting was Suggestions and Solutions for UFO's, Panels, Block of the Month blocks, and Questionable Fabrics.

Anita Konzak-Turley asked for advice on making a playmat from a panel; **Kara Small** asked for advice for making crisp corners; **Karla Sisson** had won six Block of the Month pumpkin blocks and asked for table runner ideas; Karla also had a butterfly panel and asked for suggestions to make a baby quilt. Many opinions were offered by the group!

Business Meeting

Julie Trollinger reported on updates to our by-laws. It was suggested that bereavement donations be specified as ***local*** charities. The Vice President's position will be updated to include the option of having assistants. Changes to the by-laws will be voted on in June.

Block of the Month and Monthly Raffle have been underutilized. Do we want to continue? Think about continuing and/or possible solutions. We will discuss at the June party.

Block of the Month

Marlene Diehl presented the May BOM via Zoom. It is a Stained-Glass Block. Since Marlene could not attend the meeting in person, she planned to email the BOM to Susan Blanton who would forward it to the group. We will draw tickets for the May Stained Glass blocks and the April Jacobs Ladder blocks at the May meeting so there is still time to create both blocks.

Community Service

We need a community service project. Suggestions included:

- Camp Phoenix is a bereavement day camp sponsored by Hospice for 7- to 14-year-olds. It is located at Kings Landing Park in Huntingtown. Quilts would be needed for approximately 27 children.
- Catheter bag covers for residents in nursing homes.
- Fidget or doll quilts for women in memory care.
- Mastectomy pillows
- Tote bags for foster care kids
- Blankets for kids for Safe Nights
- Safe Harbor scarves

Elections

Nikki Huffstutler reported that the Nominating Committee is still looking for a candidate(s) for Vice President. **Carla Warner** is the candidate for Treasurer. We will vote in May for President (continuance of Karla Sisson), Vice President, and Treasurer.

As **Karla Sisson** is currently serving as President and Vice President, she asked for a volunteer to store critical guild information in case of an emergency. **Julie Trollinger** volunteered.

Programs

VP Karla Sisson reported on the following:
Sign-up for the Cathedral Windows workshop on April 29 from 9 to 3. Bring a lunch or snacks.
May 9 - Cindy Herndon will present her journey from traditional quilts to art quilts.
June 13 – Anniversary Party. Still confirming a room. PFVFD is also a possibility.
July 11 – Mary Kerr will discuss motherless quilts and panels.
August 8 – Karen Kehl will discuss quilting from a nurse's perspective.
September 12 – Lecture by Michelle Umlauf on Clover Top 20 Notions and New Releases.
September 13—Workshop by Michelle Umlauf on Spools and Tools for Quilters.
November 14 – Cyndi Souder Zacheis will present Celebration Quilts.

Treasurer's Report

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

Secretary

No additions or corrections were made to the minutes for the March meeting.

Membership

We had 15 members in attendance, plus four on Zoom and a new visitor, Linda.

Sunshine

It was announced that former member **Wanda Moser** recently passed away.

Monthly Raffle

Barbara Lingle won the Monthly Raffle. She selected the Sticky Roller.

Raffle Quilt 2023

Hilke Hoefer reported that it had been quilted by **Kasey Mersch** and Hilke is currently working on the binding. **Nikki Huffstutler** will order the tickets and will make the label. We will start selling raffle tickets at the Calvert Arts Festival at All Saints Episcopal Church on May 13.

Social Committee

Kasey Mersch reported that she has inventoried the bins of paper goods and has suggested a "scrappy" theme. Games and food information will be in a future newsletter. We will start the meeting at 6:30 pm.

Show and Tell

Betty Tilley, Kasey Mersch, Anita Konzak-Turley, Barbara Lingle, Kara Small, Susan Blanton, and **Karla Sisson** shared Show and Tell items.

Betty Tilley called to adjourn the meeting**. Nikki Huffstutler** seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 8:43 p.m.

Calvert County Quilt Guild
Block of the Month
May 2023

All seams are ¼" allowance.
This is a remake of a pattern by Anita Konzak Turley from Oct. 2019.

Marlene Diehl



Stained Glass Block

Each block makes a 12 ½" unfinished block.

	**Focus – various batiks (lights, mediums and dark)** One 6 ½" x 6 ½" square One 5 ½" x 5 ½: square Two 2 ½" x 5 ½" rectangles Four 2 ½" x 3 ½" rectangles
	**Sashing – black solid or batik** One 1 ½" x 42 ½" strip -Subcut in the following lengths: 3 – 1 ½" x 5 ½" 2 – 1 ½" x 3 ½" 1 – 1 ½" x 6 ½" 1 – 1 ½" x 12 ½"

1) Layout the fabric in a pleasing arrangement. Figure 1. Press all seams to the black.

2) Sew a 1 ½" x 3 ½" black strip to a 2 ½" x 3 ½" rectangle. Sew another 2 ½ x 3 ½" rectangle to the other side of the black strip. Add a 1 ½" x 5 ½" black strip to the long side. Make 2. Figure 2.

3) Sew a 2 ½" x 5 ½" batik piece to the remaining side of the black strip in Step 2. Do this for each unit made in Step 2. Figure 3.

4) Sew a 1 ½" x 5 ½" black strip to the left side of the 5 ½" square block. Sew the 1 ½" x 6 ½" black strip to the right side of the 6 ½" square block. Figure 4.

5) Sew one block set from Step 3, (attaching the two small pieces, short side), to the 1 ½ x 5 ½" black strip made in Step 4. Sew the second block set from Step 3, (attaching the long side) to the 1 ½" x 6 ½" black strip made in Step 4. Figure 5.

6) Lay out the first block set made in Step 5 with the 5 ½" block on the right and sew the 1 ½" 12 ½" strip to the bottom of it. Layout the second block set made in Step 5 with the 6 ½" block on the left and sew it to the remaining side of the 1 ½" x 12 ½". Trim block as needed to finish at 12 ½".

Figure 1 – Layout	Figure 2	Figure 3	Figure 4	Figure 5
				