

CALVERT COUNTY QUILT GUILD
May 2020 NEWSLETTER

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Meetings: The guild meetings (second Tuesday of the month) start at 7 pm and are held at Harriet Elizabeth Brown Community Center (HEBCC), 901 Dares Beach Road, Room 113, Prince Frederick. The room will be available at 6:00 pm if you want to come early to stitch and chat!

Meeting Cancellation Policy: If Calvert County Public Schools are closed or have an early dismissal due to weather conditions, the guild meeting is cancelled.

Next Guild Meeting: TBD

Next Board Meeting: TBD

June Newsletter Deadline: May 20

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President's Message



I hope you are all well and practicing social distancing.

I thought by now we'd have a clearer picture when life would return to "normal". Despite all the time on my hands I've not been motivated to do much sewing. I hope you are not in the same rut. One of our guild members helped me to figure out my problem. I have many projects I want to start but am forcing myself to finish a particular UFO. I do want to finish it, but I haven't been able to decide to complete it as a "quilt-as-you-go" or finish the top and then quilt it. I just need to make one decision and move on. I'm not usually this indecisive. I hope you are not having similar issues.

When we can finally meet again we will have important decisions to make. First on my list is the election of a new president and secretary for the guild. These are unprecedented times and the bylaws do not address delaying the election of officers. It does state that officers can only be in their position for two years (term ends June 30). Please consider volunteering for an office. It would be a shame for the guild to disband because we do not have officers. Second, on my list is determining the impact on our budget since our three main fund raisers are in the fall. Third, we need a "quilt wrangler" to manage the raffle quilt tickets.

I look forward to seeing everybody again.

Marlene

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Upcoming Programs

No meetings scheduled due to Governor Hogan's Stay At Home order which includes school and community center closures and restrictions on group gatherings to keep our members safe. In the meantime, we can look at different ways to keep in touch electronically, and use quilting to get through this difficult time. It is amazing how our fabric stashes have turned quickly into masks.

As you know, we have had to cancel the speakers and workshops that had been scheduled for April and May. Vice President **Debbie Lenhart** has further information on what may happen when we can meet formally as a group again.

Vice President's Message

I hope everyone is well and not bored to the max. I have been thinking of ways to solve the pandemic situation. Personally I think it is going to take much longer to get to the point where we can have regular meetings and guests.

My suggestion is to have our very talented members be our guest speakers for the near future. That way we won't have to be booking and canceling and rebooking because of restrictions on gatherings. Also, let's face it the majority of us are in the high risk group.

Please let me know if you are interested in giving a program or workshop.

The first meeting we meet again could be the social. Let me know your thoughts. Please, share your wonderful talents with us. The schedule will have to be flexible.

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God Bless, stay healthy,

Debbie Lenhart



May Birthdays

Marlene	Diehl	May 9
Ludmilla	Hajdur-Stainbrook	May 12
Lynda	Gallagher	May 17
Andrea	Elwyn	May 18
Sue	Huseby	May 20

Enjoy your special day ladies!

Of Special Note

Elections

In order to remain as a guild, we need to elect a new president and secretary this year. According to our bylaws, elections take place in May with a transition period in June and the new terms of office begin in July. If you would like to put your hat in the ring for either of these positions, please let a board member know. If you have questions about the specific duties, feel free to contact **Marlene Diehl** or **Laurel Kirkman** and they can fill you in. A decision will be made as how to handle the actual voting. It may be by email. But in the meantime, please give consideration for running for President or Secretary in this crucial time.

Note from JoMarie Coster



In December 2019, I offered a challenge to use the 10" square you received wrapped around your Christmas gift from the guild in any project and bring it to show and tell. I have extended the challenge. Initially it was to be completed by June, but now we will extend it to December 2020. When you use the fabric in a project, take a picture of it and send to me. If possible, save it also for show and tell. Your name will be put into a raffle.

Calvert Arts Festival

We were scheduled to sell raffle tickets for our 2020 Raffle Quilt, **Fire in the Sky**, at the Calvert Arts Festival. **This has been rescheduled to October 10, 2020. Stay tuned!**



Community Service Update from JoMarie Coster

1. **Care Net Pregnancy Center of Southern Maryland**. Small totes are needed. I spoke with Cindy at Care Net and only the Lexington Park facility is currently open, but they are still doing ultrasounds and counseling. Thank God for those workers helping those gals in need and struggling with their current situation. Those workers are also putting themselves out there to help those gals who come to them.
2. **Safe Harbor.** We are still making quilts and pillowcases for Safe Harbor. We have a supply of totes for them, so if you have some made, that is fine. Moving forward I would like to focus on quilts and pillowcases, but mainly quilts. They can be any size from twin, lap, down to baby quilts. Safe Harbor does not have many residents at this time, so they are not in immediate need. I have told Jennifer that if the need arises, to contact me.

I thank all of you gals who have already donated for this cause and to all of you who are working on your items. Sewing has kept my mind and hands busy during this time and I thank God for my love of sewing. We are a big part of helping in this pandemic. I am sure each and every one of you has made face masks. I admit, they are not my favorite project, but sometimes we do not get to choose our projects, a circumstance sometimes does that for us.

Upcoming Regional and Quilting Events



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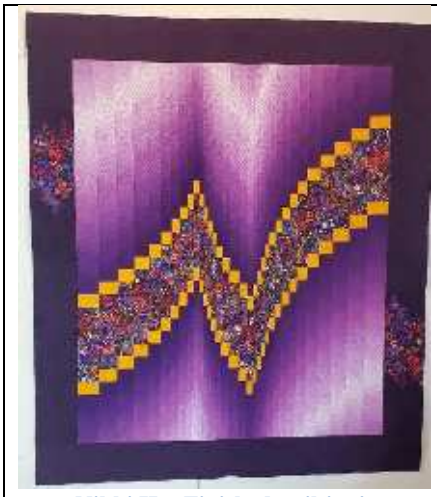
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2020 SHOW CANCELLED

PLEASE JOIN US FOR OUR NEXT SHOW JUNE 4-6, 2021

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April 2020 Show and Tell –Quarantine Style



Nikki H. - Finished quilting!



Nikki H. - Quilt for a friend



Nikki H. - Bags for Community Service Projects



Nikki H. - Safe Harbor Quilts



Nikki H. - Safe Harbor and Project Linus quilts



Karla S. – Quilts and pillowcases for Safe Harbor, and one for Project Linus. Three bags for Safe Harbor and one for Care Net. Masks for North Beach requested by the Mayor.



Susan B. –Took a class in January at Material Girls on the Quick Curve Ruler and made a quilt for grandson moving to Juneau, Alaska, where he can do some real whale watching.

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Susan B. - Table runners for AMG Artsfest



Susan B. - Blocks I learned to make in a Sarah Bond Workshop at Mid Atlantic Quilt Festival in Hampton, VA.....Just before the world shut down!



Susan B. - Quilt for Safe Harbor



Jan McB. – bag for community service



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Jan McB. – bag for a family member.



Jan McB. – Blocks won from the Block of the Month a long time ago! Now it goes to Safe Harbor.



Jan McB. – Table runner for AMG Artsfest.



Sue H. – Infant car seat throw.

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Nikki H. - Masks for her daughter's family. She also made about 60 more!



Joan S. - Zentangled 24 six-inch batik fabric tumbler blocks with black permanent markers, added dark tumblers, and made a large tote bag to hold four plastic project boxes. Made a zippered pouch with leftovers!



JoMarie C. –Totes are reusable grocery bags for her household. Everything else is for community service. And all from the never ending stash!



Jan McB. - Pretty Tuffet!



Sue H. – A beautiful tote.



Elizabeth S. - Baby blanket going to an Atlanta farmette so we say the background is the Atlanta clay!



Sue H. – Totes for Community Service



Sue H. - Masks, masks, and more masks!

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Lynda G. –Tables runners with spring colors requested by her daughter.



Lynda G. –Quilt for Quilts of Valor in Calvert County.



Lynda G. – Another quilt for Quilts of Valor in Calvert County.



Lynda G. – Masks for cousins in Boston. Have made about 60 including 35 for Calvert Memorial. The rest to family, friends and neighbors.



MAQ - Mid-Appalachian Quilters 2020 has been cancelled.

New dates for 2021 are July 8 -11