CALVERT COUNTY QUIILT GUILD
October 2016 NEWSLETTER

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Meetings: The guild meetings (second Wednesday of the month) start at 7 pm and are held at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Prince Frederick. We meet in the large room to the right as you enter the building. The doors will be unlocked at 6:30 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 Meeting: October 12

November Newsletter Deadline: October 20

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Calvert Quilt Guild Website:

http://www.calvertcountyquiltguild.org/



President's Message

Artsfest is behind us and the Calvert County Fair is this weekend. Our members all stepped up and did whatever was needed to make this event a success! We had an impressive variety of boutique items and many volunteered to help setup, sell raffle tickets and boutique items and dismantle our booth. Whew! It was a lot of work. Looking ahead to the upcoming fair, the work schedule is filling up fast and we hope this fundraising event will be a success as well. We may be few in number but we are all willing to pitch in and help make our guild a good one. I'm proud of us!

We'll have to send **Hilke** and her silent partner (**Nancy Jo**) on a long vacation after this is over – they'll need it! Thank you guys.

Don't forget to let me know if you're having any problems working with your squares for the 2017 quilt! I'm very excited to see what we all come up with.

Happy Quilting,
Pat Blackford

2017 Raffle Quilt



As you know, we are using the Karen Stone Cinco de Mayo pattern for our 2017 raffle quilt. At the September meeting, **Elizabeth Hubbard** explained the pattern and basic instructions. The Guild members that were present selected a block or two to sew. If you missed the meeting, you can pick up your "block packet" at the October meeting. Elizabeth has patterns for the individual blocks at various skill levels. **If you have any questions, please contact Elizabeth Hubbard or Pat Blackford.** The goal is to have the completed blocks returned at the October/November meetings so that they can be sewn together into a quilt top and quilted before the Calvert Arts and Wine Festival in May at All Saints' Episcopal Church in Sunderland. It should be a nice venue to sell tickets and get additional exposure for our Guild.



And they found her years later still making quilts

Upcoming Programs:

October 12 is a meeting (7:00 PM) and daytime workshop with **Debby Kratovil. The Joy of Hex workshop: Pyramid & Jewels.** Two quilts for the price of one! We will make Thousand Pyramids in the morning session using a Charm Pack (5" squares) and a background fabric. The afternoon class is the Fractured Jewels quilt using the LEFTOVERS from cutting the Thousand Pyramids. Quick cutting and piecing techniques are taught using a 60 degree ruler. Innovative designing and the bonus of learning what else your 60 degree ruler can do**.**
The workshop will be held at the Harriet Brown Community Center on Dares Beach Rd., Wednesday, Oct. 12th. Doors open at 9:30am to set up. Class is scheduled to begin at 10am. **The supply list can be found on page 5.**

November 9 - TBD

December 14 – Holiday Party – details to follow.



October Birthdays

Deborah	Francisco	October 6
Debra	Huebner	October 26
Nancy Jo	Kazmaier	October 29
Barbara	Lingle	October 28

Enjoy your special day ladies!

Of Special Note:

Raffle Quilt 2016:
Sell, sell, sell those raffle tickets! The quilt received rave reviews at Annmarie Garden. Please see **Kate McMinn** to return money and ticket stubs before the December deadline.



Annmarie Garden ArtsFest Update and Thank You From Hilke

The weather turned out to be perfect for our weekend in the woods for our main annual guild fundraiser on September 17-18. Many thanks to my set up helpers on Friday: ***Nancy Jo Kazmaier, Pat Blackford, Kate McMinn, Lynda Gallagher, Barbara Lingle****, and her husband.*

Our piles of props, baskets, tubs of crafts, and raffle display looked daunting, but we managed to get it into reasonable order by 3:00 pm. Our location turned out to be quite favorable; closer to the main events and restrooms, shady most of the day, and surrounded by booths that helped attract customers. What we thought might be a lemon turned to be lemonade!



Terri, Lynda, and Kate Ready to Sell Raffle Tickets

Sales were active all day Saturday, with raffle sales going neck and neck with boutique sales. It was encouraging to hear people praise our lovely quilt AND buy raffle tickets.

Our treasurer, Allison Korb, gave you the figures for each day already, so let me break it down by items. As so often happens, the public is unpredictable when it comes to shopping. The mermaid tails were only admired; microwave bowls were suddenly more desired. The biggest hit was our rack of $1 Bargains which included smaller items: nail file holders, tissue packs, painted ceramic tiles, small crayon packs, felt/wool flower pins, resin magnets, and wine bags. Three of the quilts we made together in the workshops sold. We can sell the four remaining plus the 12 table runners at the fair.

Doll clothes did very well as did the "mug-rug to quilts and everything in between" category.

I have made an extensive spreadsheet of all AMG boutique inventory and sales. If you are interested in every detail, I'll be glad to forward the file to you after the fair sales are compiled. A print out will otherwise be available at the next meeting. Some prices will be adjusted down for the fair. Please note that since our fair booth is quite small, we cannot display all items.

Thanks a million to all the fabulous guild volunteers each day. We all had extra time to enjoy the event from a shopping, eating, walking 1000's of steps perspective. The music performers at the circle ring behind our booth were a wonderful bonus, plus they added to the traffic flow of customers.

A special thanks to ***Kate McMinn*** *and her husband Greg, who provided their home and gracious hospitality for my B&B mini vacation "on the island". Three cheers to all Calvert County Quilt Guild members. To copy a popular current slogan, we are "stronger together". See you at the fair,*

-Hilke



Our Beautiful Booth Loaded with Boutique Items

Upcoming Regional Quilting Events:

October 7-8, 2016 (Fri 9-6, Sat 9-4) **NeedleChasers of Chevy Chase Quilt Show & Artisan Boutique. Quilting Green: Traditions Grow in New Directions**. Kensington Town Hall/Armory, 3710 Mitchell St, Kensington, MD Artisan Boutique, Fiber Art and Quilts in Silent Auction, raffles, calico elephant, demonstrations Over 200 quilts and fiber arts on exhibit Admission $5, Children under 12 free. www.needlechasers.org/quilt-show/

October 21-22, 2016 (10-5) **Nimble Fingers Quilters: Starlight Garden Quilt Show** at the Universities of Shady Grove, 9630 Gudelsky Drive Building II, Rockville, MD 20850. Admission $8, Free to kids under 12. www.nimblefingers.org/Quilt-Show/quilt-show.html

November 4-13, 2016 , Quilter's Quest Shop Hop – Includes ten fabulous quilts shops in MD & northern VA. For information on locations, Bus Tours, Fabric Packs, Scavenger Hunts, and Prizes check out www.quiltersquest.org

November 25-17, 2016 Annual Winter Delmarva Wool and Fiber Expo, Ocean City Convention Center, 4001 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD 21842. For info: schilds2@verizon.net, www.woolandfiber.com or www.facebook.com/woolandfiber

Community Service:

Debra Huebner is collecting the lap quilts for the Calvert Memorial Hospital. If you need batting, contact **Hilke Hoefer**. We opted for smaller sized quilts so that members could handle all parts of the construction (piecing, quilting, and binding) themselves.



Gotta Try Selvage Quilting One of These Days!



Pyramids and Jewels - Two quilts, two techniques by Debby Kratovil

This Thousand Pyramids quilt of Debby's appeared in the Summer 2014 issue of Modern Patchwork Magazine. She squeezed every single bit of fabric from her pack of Kona solid charm squares. To her delight, she had the makings for a second quilt when she carefully cut out her first quilt.



Materials for Thousand Pyramids Quilt
Finished size: 21" x 22-1/2"
5" Charm Pack of at least 43 squares (colors can be repeated)
3/4 yard Kona Snow (or other light solid); precut this into six (6) strips 3-1/2" x wof.
60 degree multi-sized ruler

Pattern fee:

$12 for both patterns (not each)

$10 for multi-sized 60 degree ruler if you don't have one. I will have several for purchase.

Materials for Fractured Jewels Quilt
Finished size without border: 27" x 34"
1/2 yard Kona Snow or other light solid fabric; do not precut
Extra strips of solid fabrics or scraps at least 3-1/2" x 5"
60 degree multi-sized ruler

You can create your own "Charm Pack". Just cut a variety of 5" squares from a wide assortment of solids or batiks. Note that the light background fabric can be anything that will give you good contrast. For the Thousand Pyramids quilt, we will need at least 40 of the 43 charms. I did incorporate a few of my own solids from my stash for the second quilt.

Please bring all fabrics! Also, you will need your standard cutting mats, rotary cutters and other rulers (ie, 6" x 12" ruler)

Any questions, email Debby at: kratovil@his.com

Visit my blog to see more quilt inspiration: www.DebbyKratovilQuilts.blogspot.com

Calvert County Quilt Guild Meeting

14 September 2016

Meeting commenced at: 7:03pm

Welcome back to September!

Minutes - Anita Turley made a motion to accept last month's minutes; Betty Tilley seconded the motion.

Treasurer's Report - Income $394; Expenses $20.52. We need two people using the board's meeting time to review the budget.



Membership - Everyone has paid dues. On to an exciting year!

Anne Marie Gardens - (Hilke Hoeffer)
Sign up sheets are available for ArtsFest and Calvert County Fair.
The location of the tent for ArtsFest is different this year - tent 19.
Assistance is needed for setting up and taking down at Arts Fest.
Emails will go out for updates on ArtsFest and the Calvert County Fair.

Programs - (Julie Trollinger)
12 October Workshop - Debbi Kratovil - Fractured Jewels. Workshop was moved to the Harriet Elizabeth Brown Community Center (aka Old Smeco Building) on Dares Beach Road.

Newsletter - Inputs due to Susan Blanton by 20th of the month.



2017 Raffle Quilt - Elizabeth Hubbard discussed the pattern Cinco de Mayo by Karen Stone, and went through the quilt squares.

- All pattern pieces are different. Everyone will have a piece of the focus fabric. It's up to you to get into your stash and match up the colors. Fat eighths will work.
- 48 Blocks are cut out; sign out a block; beginner-intermediate-advanced blocks; blocks are labeled and with instructions how to sew it; some blocks have additional instructions, such as the blocks for the "inside swirl".
- Choose as many fabrics as possible; the brighter and more contrast the better. The only thing that will be the same throughout, not the same colors, but the same pattern.
- Patterns make a 12" block… and they MUST BE 12 inches.
- If you get stuck, call Pat or Elizabeth.
- Double check the pattern you received before you start. Match the numbers on the inside and outside of the arcs. Solid lines are sewn together. The top arc may have to be cut and taped; line up the lines
- If you have to restitch, just use Scotch tape to tape the paper pattern.

- The more advanced block, the inside chunk is a swirl. Sew the pieces together, it makes a 7" block; then cut out the swirl, sized what you need for the block.
- Take the paper off the blocks; turn in the block and get another.
- The blocks must be 12" squares. If it's not - you'll have to redo it.



Book Report - Anita Turley gave the book report tonight.
Flip Your Way to Fabulous Quilts - Recommend the book for intermediate skills and beyond. Provides patterns for quilts with a lot of little, tiny pieces.
Another Bite of Schnibbles - Disappointed in the book, expecting more. However, the book is mostly for beginners — for anyone starting out, especially for those who like using layer cakes.

Monthly Raffle - Winner is Nikki Huffstutler.

Block of the Month - Winner is Janice McBain.
Next month's block is simple with purple and orange.



JoMarie Coster
Nikki Huffstutler.

Other tidbits -
September 17 - Waters United Methodist Church wants quilts to show.
October 16-20 - Quilt Retreat at Cocalico Inn, $280 per person. If you're interested, contact Janice McBain.

Meeting closed at 7:57pm; Motion to adjourn was made by Anita Turley; Linda Gallagher seconded.

OCTOBER 2016 BLOCK OF THE MONTH



Fabric: Black (or Halloween Print)
Two purples
Two oranges

Cutting:
Black Print: Two 4-3/4" squares
Four 3-7/8" Squares
Cut each of the 3-7/8" squares in half diagonally to make two triangles. You should get 8 black triangles total.

Orange Prints: One 4-3/4" square of each

Purple prints: Two 3-7/8" squares of each, cut those in half diagonally to make FOUR triangles

Sewing:



Pair up each of the orange squares with FOUR black triangles. Mark the center of each side of the square and the center point of the longest side of the triangles. Match up and sew opposite sides first, then the second set. Make 2.

Do the same to the black squares. Match up with two sets of purple triangles.

Sew each orange square to a black square. Press to the orange squares. Flip and sew together to complete the block.

Your block should measure 12.5" X 12.5" when done.

You can always use a scant ¼" and trim the sets to 6.5" square prior to sewing them together.

Don't forget to make your own block in your own colors to keep for your sampler quilt! ☺