CALVERT COUNTY QUIILT GUILD
December 2018 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 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 Meeting: December 12

January Newsletter Deadline: December 20

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Must have a membership to access. Contact Betty Tilley at btilley@smart.net

Calvert County Quilt Guild Website:
http://www.calvertcountyquiltguild.org/



President's Message

"Tis the season" – just what exactly does that mean? To most religions, 'tis the season' to celebrate with gift giving whether it's Christmas, Hanukkah, Kwanzaa, etc. Although most families celebrate by exchanging gifts with family members, 'tis the season' to reach out to others in the community also.

It warms my heart 'tis the season' for our quilt guild to think of others as well. I'm proud to be part of an organization that shares it talents with others. This year we have made 145 placemats for Meals on Wheels recipients and 52 quilts for late applicants to the Angel Tree project. THANK YOU! I hope you will continue in that generous spirit and donate to HeartFELT at St. Paul's Church at our next meeting.

It has been a busy year. But I think we receive more joy ourselves when we bring joy to others. "Tis the Season."

Marlene Diehl

Upcoming Programs:

December 12 – 6:00 pm Holiday Party. We will have a potluck dinner and gift exchange ($20 limit on a quilt related item).



The highlight of the evening will be drawing the winning ticket for our beautiful 2018 Raffle Quilt. Make sure that **Sharon Burns** has your money and ticket stubs!

This will be our last meeting at St. Paul's Episcopal Church. We are asking for voluntary donations for Heart FELT. See information below.



Our holiday gift to the community this year will be to support the Heart FELT (Feeding Empty Little Tummies) mission at St. Paul's. Heart FELT fills backpacks with food for school children that, otherwise, would have nothing to eat. You may bring food items or donate cash or check. If you are planning on giving a check, make it payable to St. Paul's Episcopal Church and write Heart FELT in the memo section.

Suggested items are those that would be packed in school lunch or eaten for snacks. Canned items should be small cans (7oz). Nothing perishable.

Breakfast bars	Granola Bars
Cup of noodles	Canned meats
Fruit chews	Small packs pretzels
Juice boxes	Hot Chocolate packs
Little Debbie items	Oatmeal packets
Mac & Cheese	Beef-a-Roni
Pop tarts	Cheese crackers
Small cookie packs	Pudding cups
Soup	Spaghetti
Vegetables	Fruit, small packs

January 8 – 7:00 pm. New day, TUESDAY, and new location, Harriet Elizabeth Brown Community Center, 901 Dares Beach Road, Room 113, Prince Frederick. The room is available at 5:30 pm.

Joy Coffelt will be speaking on ruler work on a domestic machine. She has been a seamstress for over 30 years, sewing just about everything. Over the last couple of years she has been longarm quilting. She specializes in automation, edge to edge quilting and ruler work.

February 12 – The 2018 Guild Challenge quilts will be voted on. For those of you that are new to the guild or need a refresher, the rules can be found on page 4 of this newsletter

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December Birthdays

Jackie	Carson	December 29
Kathy	Gerardy	December 4
Elizabeth	Hubbard	December 27
Dianne	Morgan	December 26

Enjoy your special day ladies!



Of Special Note

Please contact **Hilke Hoefer** to sign up for the Holiday Craft Fair at Northern High School on December 8. hrhilke@comcast.net



Batting Scraps

Batting scraps, we all have them! Does anyone know of an individual or organization that is interested in accepting donations of batting scraps? If so, please let Jan McBain know.

Quilt Requests

1. Request for a T-shirt quilt from Darlene Reinking. Her contact information is 301-904-6698.
2. Request for a memorial clothing quilt from Mary at 410-474-0095.



Call for Quilts for Greenbelt Courthouse Show

The 17th annual show featuring Maryland quilts starts with curating 70 quilts of all sizes and styles. Over the past several months, I have expressed interest in many quilts in several guilds. Now I need a response from those individuals and anyone else wanting to display their quilt in this unique setting at the Greenbelt Federal Courthouse.

These are the rules:

- Entries will be accepted from Dec 15 -Jan 15.
- Quilts must have a hanging sleeve unless under 20" wide.
- Quilts must be able to hang from early Feb to the end of April
- Send an E-Mail to Hilke Hoefer at hrhilke@comcast.net with a PHOTO of your entry AND its DIMENSIONS (W x L)

Community Service

Our 2019 charity will be making Adult Clothing Protectors for residents in nursing care facilities. **Debra Huebner** will provide a pattern and will be doing a mini-workshop in January using her instructions. A sew-a-thon is also being planned for early February. We can then continue to sew during the year on our own.

Guild Challenges for 2018

Once again, it is time to put on your thinking caps and come up with a quilt design for our CCQG challenge! Challenge quilts must be turned in at the February 2019 CCQG meeting. Choose to do one or both challenges and have fun with them!

Challenge #1: Quilt a Phrase

Challenge Rules:

- Quilts can be pieced or appliqued.
- Quilts can be machine or hand quilted or a combination of both.
- The FINISHED quilt needs to be no smaller than 24" x 24" and no larger than 36" x 36".
- Your quilt must depict a phrase. An index card can be pinned to the back with your phrase. The idea is to see if someone can figure out your phrase based on your quilt.

Sample phrases: "Pennies from Heaven", "Kick the Bucket", "Time Flies", "Live Long and Prosper", "Can you hear me now?", "Home is Where the Heart Is", "Who Loves You Baby?", "Hold Your Horses", "Come on Down/Over", "Sock it to Me", "Blast from the Past", etc.

Let your imagination run wild. Judging criteria is based on how well your quilt depicts a phrase.

Challenge #2: Make a Miniature

Challenge Rules:

- Quilts can be pieced or appliqued.
- Quilts can be machine or hand quilted or a combination of both.
- Quilt may not be a pot holder (please).
- The FINISHED quilt must be no larger than 18" x 18".

Quilts will be judged by Viewer's Choice (by guild members).

Anyone with questions can call or text Marcia Smith at 302-245-3237 or email at msmith91565@yahoo.com.

Hope you will find these challenges interesting and fun!

Upcoming Regional Quilting Events

Bellwether dry goods

8th ANNUAL EVENT

Open House & Quilt Sale

Friday, December 7th
&
Saturday, December 8th
10:00 am - 4:00 pm

Light Refreshments

GEORGINA B. FRIES
137 Bayard Road • Lothian, MD 20711
410-867-0665 • www.bellwetherdrygoods.com
Call for directions

"GRANDMA'S BROKEN DISHES"



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Prices greatly reduced to make room for our new quilts.







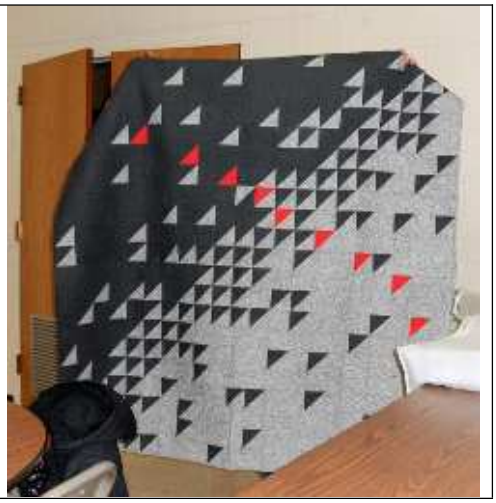
Show and Tell November 2018 Meeting









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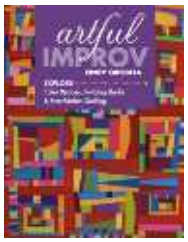







Calvert County Quilt Guild Meeting Minutes
November 14, 2018

Prior to the meeting starting, several members laid out the Angel Tree quilts and the placemats for Meal-on-Wheels in preparation for the photographer from the Calvert Recorder, Michael Reid. He took several pictures including one of all the guild members behind the table of quilts. He interviewed a couple of members for the article.



At 7 pm, **Cindy Grisdela** began her presentation on Contemporary Art Quilts and her improvisational quilting technique.

The business meeting began at 8:10 pm.

Debbie Deboodt made the motion to approve the October minutes, seconded by **Linda Stirling** and approved by the members.



The **treasurer's report** was given by **Karla Sisson**.
She reminded members to review the 2019 Proposed Budget for approval next month.

Programs
Kathy Gerardy reported eleven members attended the Crazy Quilt Workshop and had a good time.



The December potluck will start at 6:00 pm. A vote was taken regarding having potluck vs. catered. The members overwhelming voted in favor of a potluck dinner. Reminder that if you are participating in the gift exchange to not spend more than $20. The guild received a large donation of fabric which will be available for members to pull from at the meeting.

Block of the Month



Anita Konzak Turley presented the blocks for both December and January as she will not be able to attend the January meeting. She also had directions and a sample for a Christmas table runner that members could make if they so desired. Anita was thrilled to be the winner of the November blocks. The December and January blocks as well as the pattern for the table runner will be emailed to the guild and in the next newsletters.

Community Service
The Angel Tree quilts will be bagged and tagged on Saturday at the Harriet Brown Community Center in preparation for giving to the community representative on December 12. **JoMarie Coster** received 145 placemats for the Meals on Wheels project. She plans to take half of them to the Meals on Wheels coordinator on Friday and will take more over in the spring.

The community project for 2019 is to make Adult Clothing Protectors. **Debra Huebner** will bring a pattern and sample to the December meeting. The pattern will also be sent out in the newsletter.

Membership
Jan McBain announced we had two new members, **Donna Porter** and **Sue Huseby**, as well as a visitor, **Suzanne Katrinic**. The badge drawing was won by **Elizabeth Sawyer**.

Monthly Raffle
The monthly raffle was won by **Adrienne Sims**.

Raffle Quilt(s) and Boutique Sales
Hilke Hoefer announced we earned $300 at the St. John Vianney craft fair. She mentioned we had a lot of competition with people selling similar items to ours which may be why the earnings are bit below expectations. She also requested volunteers to sign up for the table at Northern High School on December 8.

The Fairview Library will be available for sewing on Monday, November 26,' from 1 pm to 9 pm.

The 2019 Raffle Quilt Committee will meet on the 26th at the Fairview Library at 1 pm and at the Prince Frederick library on Friday, November 30, from 12 pm to 5 pm.

Miscellaneous Administration

Allison Brown Korb will be updating the guild's website this week.

President **Marlene Diehl** reminded the members that they should be updating the inventory book whenever items belonging to the guild change hands from one person to another.

The board agreed at the last meeting to create an award for **Member of the Year** and chose someone for 2018. Members can submit names to board members for next year.

Susan Blanton will put information in the newsletter about two requests received for the creation of quilts in case there is a guild member who is interested.



Members participating in Show and Tell this month were:

Debbie Deboodt	Laurel Kirkman
Nikki Huffstutler	Kathy Gerardy
Linda Stirling	Anita Konzak Turley
Allison Brown Korb	Marlene Diehl
Karla Sisson	

Meeting was adjourned at 8:59 pm.



Bow Tie Wreath Block

This makes a 12 ½" unfinished block.

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Block of the Month
December, 2018

Block seams are accurate ¼".

Directions modified by Anita Konzak Turley.
Reference – www.quilterscache.com

	**Color 1** - 4" x 36" strip (or green scraps) Cut resulting Eight (8) 3 ⅞" blocks Eight (8) 2" blocks
	**Color 2** - one 3 ½" x 28" strip Cut resulting eight (8) 3 ⅞" blocks

Another time of the year that I absolutely love is the holidays and spending time with family. The block this month uses a very traditional bow tie block, this time with a twist to have it shape up like a wreath. Used is green symbolic of the fir boughs. I can imagine a quilt with all of the blocks finishing as a great project, but then I can also image placemats or decorative pillows using this block. And then there is embellishments – buttons, ribbons, favorite sayings, keepsake signatures, or embroidery! What we are looking for in the BOM is only the block…but I would love to see the show and tell on other projects!!!

1) Cut **Color 1,** two (2) 4" x 4" squares cut further into eight 2" squares. Trim remaining strip to 3 ½" wide, then cut eight 3 ½" x 3 ½" squares (Figure 1).

2) Cut **Color 2**, 3 ⅞" x 28" strip into eight 3 ⅞" squares (Figure 2).

3) Place a small **Color 1,** 2" square atop a **Color 2**, 3 ⅞" square, right sides together, and edges lined up with one corner of the **Color 2** square. On the back of the top SMALL square, lightly draw a diagonal from the edge to edge corners, then sew ON this marked line. Cut off the excess seam allowance to ¼". Press the small square open. Trim to 3 ½" as needed. Make a total of eight (8) units (Figure 3)

4) Piece four sets of four blocks to make a bow (each bow is seen in Figure 4) using two units completed in Step 3 and two **Color 1** squares. Once each unit is pieces, add a second unit to the first creating a half-circle form, and then finally sew each row together for the full circle.

5) Piece the rows together and press to one side. Trim block to finish at 12 ½".

Note – the figures below were used from quiltscache.com and do not reflect a single color as in this pattern.

Inspiration	Figure 1	Figure 2	Figure 3	Figure 4
	