CALVERT COUNTY QUIILT GUILD
February 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 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: February 14

March Newsletter Deadline: February 20

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

Calvert Quilt Guild Website:

http://www.calvertcountyquiltguild.org/

President's Message

I was looking at pictures of a quilt on Facebook the other day, and one of the comments posted was from someone who felt it was a quilt for a man. It made me think about the whole thing. It is easy to tell whether a quilt is a baby quilt, or a quilt for a child? What blocks lend themselves to a "Man's Quilt"? What about a Mariner's Compass, Bears Paws, Magic Tiles, Denim/Flannel Ragged Quilts, Celtic knots? What makes you think that it would be perfect for your son or son-in-law, your dad or your father-in-law, or that friend who needs something for his bed? When quilts are given for charity, what makes some of them appropriate for an elderly man in a nursing home, a young man who may have been the victim of a car accident or a little boy who is in the hospital? They can't all have cars, trucks, bears, or moose on the fabric!

Whether you are making quilts for men or women, enjoy the process!

Julie Trollinger, President



Upcoming Programs:



February 14 – Scrap Quilting – Penni Domikis will give an inspiring talk on using up our scrap stash. She cuts her own rulers and templates and will bring some items to sell. For more information on Penni Domikis and her quilt pattern design company, please go to Cabininthewoodsquilters.com.



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February 24 – Penni Domikis. **Scrap Petal Garden Workshop, 9:00 am to 3:00 pm at the church.** Make a gorgeous scrap petal garden quilt using one of a few methods of machine applique. $19 Kit Fee includes Pattern, Nested Petal Template and choice of Terial Magic or Steam a Seam 2 Lite. Below is the link to order your $19 kit for the workshop. (Please bring a lunch.) Class kits will be handed out at the work shop. The kits are listed on Penni's website under the Calvert County Quilt Guild: https://cabininthewoodsquilters.com/store/#!/Class

The kit includes a downloadable class sheet that should explain what to bring to class and any homework you may need to do beforehand.

March 14 - Phyllis Hatcher, Fabric Down Under: Aboriginal Dot Art in Quilts. See how current indigenous outback artists' dot paintings are now being transformed into fabric used by quilters everywhere.



April 11 - Joyce McComas Trunk Show on Judy Niemeyer quilts.



April 14 - Workshop by Joyce McComas. Make Judy Niemeyer "Dahlia" pattern placemats using paper piecing. Information on supply list and prep work to be done before class to follow. Everyone should purchase a pattern prior to class.



February Birthdays

Hilke	Hoefer	February 8
Julie	Trollinger	February 24

Enjoy your special day ladies!

Of Special Note:

Guild Sewing Dates at Fairview Library

Hilke Hoefer has scheduled the following 4th Monday dates for open sewing sessions. Bring your own projects or work on guild charity/Annmarie Garden projects:

- Feb. 26, 2018, 2-9 pm
- March 26,2018, 2-9 pm

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. Again, the point is to have some recognize your phrase when they see your quilt.

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



For additional information go to https://www.quiltfest.com/upcoming-shows-and-events/mid-atlantic-quilt-festival

March 10 - March 11, 2018

The Best Little Quilt Show in Maryland

Samuel Ogle Middle School

4111 Chelmont Ln, Bowie, MD

Southern Comforters Quilt Guild of Bowie hosts their annual quilt show. $10 Admission includes access to both days' demonstrations, vendors, and silent auction. Also available are refreshments, raffle quilt, raffle baskets and quilt appraisals with Phyllis Twigg Hatcher. Contact guild to schedule appraisals ahead of time. Kids 12 and under are free, and we always have a scavenger hunt! Bring a canned good to donate to the Bowie Food Pantry and receive a raffle basket ticket.


Friday, March 2– Sunday, March 11 2018
Quilts around the Bay
Shop Hop
Extended Hours This Year!
Mon–Sat 10–5
Sun 12–5
Our theme for the 2018 Shop Hop is Stars Above the Bay!
Visit the nine participating shops and enter for lots of fun and prizes. Pick up great FREE patterns as you travel around our beautiful Chesapeake Bay and coastal areas!
Follow our Facebook page for upcoming news and information:
facebook.com/QuiltsAroundTheBay/
Blue Hen Quilt Shop
73 Marrows Road
Newark, DE 19713
302-533-5215
www.bluehenquiltshop.com
Mare's Bears Quilt Shop
528 E. Savannah Road
Lewes, DE 19958
302-644-0556
www.maresbearsquiltshop.com
Serendipity Quilt Shop
31821 Cannon Street
Dagsboro, DE 19939
302-732-6304
www.serendipityquiltshop.com
Delaware Sewing Center
Rodney Village
Shopping Center
1716 S. Governors Avenue
Dover, DE 19904
302-674-9030
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Prints Charming Quilt Shop
11711 East Market Place
Fulton, MD 20759
301-490-2342
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Spring Water Designs
9691 Gerwig Lane
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Columbia, MD 21046
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Show and Tell January 2018 Meeting









Calvert Quilt Guild Meeting Minutes

January 10, 2018

This month's presentations were given by **Marcia Smith** and **Allison Korb**. Marcia showed members ways to organize their sewing rooms, fold and display fabric, organize ribbons and an idea for hanging sewing gadgets using a retail endcap.



Allison talked about thread weights and types (cotton vs polyester vs silk) and how they affect the look of your finished quilt. She also spoke about the various types of batting available and why you might use one vs. another. She had many samples of both thread and batting and quilted samples for members to look at to see for themselves how various things work together. She was also very entertaining in her presentation of these topics!

Marcia Smith presented the **Quilt Challenges** for the year. Quilt Challenge #1 is to create a quilt that represents a saying, like "Blast from the Past" or "Hold your horses." Quilt Challenge #2 is to make a miniature quilt. Both quilts are due at the February 2019 guild meeting.



Julie opened the business portion of the meeting by thanking the Christmas party planners for doing a great job. She announced that we will need three people to volunteer for the N**ominating Committee** for finding members to run for the President and Secretary who are up for re-election this year.

She also suggested that we might consider creating a **Social Planning Committee** of three people to plan the June and December parties. We also need a **Charity Planning Committee** or suggestions for the 2018 Charity project.



Barbara Lingle sent a card to **Fran Bauer-Fletcher** for her brother's passing.

Hilke Hoefer has reserved rooms at the Fairview Library for Sit-N-Sew sessions every 4th Monday from 2-9 PM. Bring your own projects or come work on charity projects.

The **Raffle** for two Bali Pops was won by **Nancy Jo Kazmaier**.

The **Block of the Month** was won by **Adrienne Sims.**

Membership: Jan McBain stated she would write to the Calvert Recorder to include our guild meeting in their Calendar of Events page. The badge drawing was won by **Adrienne Sims**.

Show and Tell presenters were:



Laurel Kirkman
Marlene Diehl
Andrea Elwyn
Elizabeth Hubbard
Sharon Burns
Adrienne Sims
Julie Trollinger
Barbara Lingle

Kathy Gerardy closed the meeting with a reminder about the February 24th workshop for the Scrap Petal Garden quilt.

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Kate's Block

Calvert County Quilt Guild
Block of the Month
February, 2018

Black/White and Bright print fabrics.

Block seams are ¼".
Pattern by Anita Konzak Turley,
inspiration from Kate McKinn.

This makes an 13" unfinished block.



Focus – Bright print fabric – any color
Two – 5" square blocks
Two – 2 ¾" x 5" blocks
Two – 2 ¾" x 7 ¼" blocks



Background – Black/White print
Two – 5" square blocks
Two – 2 ¾" x 5" blocks
Two – 2 ¾" x 7 ¼" blocks

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Kate McKinn is still in touch with the Guild members by posting on our Guild page in Facebook. I am so happy for that because she posted a photo of the cutest block from a Pinterest post. So, rather than trying to find all of the details and then copying, I am writing (and tested) directions for this block of the month, now named Kate's Block.

1) Sew one 2 ¾" x 5" focus fabric block to each of the background 5" square blocks. Repeat the same sewing a background 2 ¾" x 5" strip to each of the focus 5" square blocks. Press to the dark.

2) With the 2 ¾" strip on the top, add one 2 ¾" x 7 ¼" strip to the **right** side of the block. Repeat the same sewing a background 2 ¾" x 7 ¼" strip to the right side of the blocks. You will have a total of four (4) blocks, with two focus outlined (on two sides) with background fabric and two background outlined with focus fabrics (see figure 1). Trim each to 7 ¼" square, if needed.

3) Cut diagonally across each block so the square block is on the bottom of the cut (see figure 2).

4) Using opposite tops and bottoms, sew the focus half to a focus stripped block (see figure 3). Repeat for all remaining blocks. Each block will primarily be either the focus or the background fabric with the opposing fabric as triangle pieces across the diagonal. Trim to 6 ¾" (see figure 4 – I added a figure to show the diagonal on the rule; in my case, my diagonal was 6 ¾" but there were straggler fabric sticking out on the ends. If needed, center the rule to trim all edges without too much off one side).

5) With the squares centered in opposing colors, sew the blocks together to make a row, and then again to make the block (see figure 5). Trim to 13". Have fun making this block!!!!

Figure 1	Figure 2	Figure 3	Figure 4	Figure 5
				