CALVERT COUNTY QUILT GUILD
July 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 due to COVID-19

Next Board Meeting: July 7, 7:00 pm at the home of Marlene Diehl

August Newsletter Deadline: July 20

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Message from Incoming President, Adrienne Sims

Thank you all for allowing me to be guild president. I look forward to serving the guild and all of you.

These last few months have been stressful for all of us in many different ways. Hopefully you have been able to cope with it all, through your love of sewing. I know many of you made masks, for you, your family, friends and the community. Once again you have shown the enormity of your love for community. It makes me proud to say I am part of this amazing group of women. I'm so excited as we move forward to be able to continue this legacy of serving the community with our sewing talents. I would love to see our group grow and be able to bring others into our fold. We are a dynamic group of women and I know we can make it happen. Hopefully we will be able to meet again soon. Until then I am always available by email or phone. Don't hesitate to reach out with questions, concerns or ideas.

Stay safe.

Adrienne

Message from Outgoing President, Marlene Diehl

Thank you for allowing me to be your president for the past two years. It has been an honor, a learning experience and very rewarding. I was only able to lead you because of the assistance of some very dedicated and talented members of our guild. I want to thank Debbie Lenhart who has worked with Marcia Smith and JoMarie Coster to bring us talented speakers and workshops; Debbie Deboodt for keeping an accurate record of our finances; and Laurel Kirkman for the precise minutes of our meetings. I also want to thank the committee chairs (listed on the last page of this newsletter) who diligently work behind the scenes and at the meetings to make sure the guild has fun, learns, continues to serve the community and cares for each other. I thank all of you for your encouragement and wisdom.

Marlene

Upcoming Programs

No meetings scheduled due to Governor Hogan's Safer At Home order, Phase 2, 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.

Of Special Note

New Officers

Congratulations to **Adrienne Sims**, our new president, and **Ludmilla Hajdur-Stainbrook**, our new secretary. They will start their terms of office on July 1.

Thanks also to our outgoing officers, **President Marlene Diehl** and **Secretary Laurel Kirkman.** We appreciate all of your hard work and dedication to the guild.

And unfortunately, we will have to say "good-bye" to Laurel as she is moving to Arizona. Laurel, keep in touch!



July Birthdays

Anita	Konzak-Turley	July 11
Nan	Gardner	July 12
Betty	Tilley	July 13
Laurel	Kirkman	July 16
Jayne	Roxey	July 20
Adrienne	Sims	July 25
Sue	Eells	July 29

Block of the Month

We are getting caught up with Block of the Month! A new BOM for this month can be found on page 9, Patchwork Square in a Square. Also, the BOM from the March meeting, Evening Star, is shown on page 8. To submit your entries, please send Anita an email at akonzak@gmail.com to let her know how many blocks you have completed by July 14, (a picture attached would be great). She will have someone in her household draw the winner(s) and will contact everyone with instructions on how to collect the blocks.

Membership Dues 2020 – 2021

Our membership year runs from July 2020 to June 2021. Dues of $30 are due in July. Checks can be made out to the "Calvert County Quilt Guild" and mailed to:

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Annmarie Garden Artsfest

As you know, COVID-19 had made it very challenging for event planning. Our local officials have given Annmarie Garden permission to proceed with Artsfest '20 and are working on what the guidelines and restrictions will be. Stay tuned for more information.

Upcoming Regional and Quilting Events

The Row by Row Experience is now Quilters Trek



For more information go to https://rowbyrowexperience.com/

Out of concern for the health and safety of our customers, employees, and local communities — and in line with recent social distancing and group gathering orders by the State of Maryland and Commonwealth of Virginia — we sadly will not be holding Quilters Quest Shop Hop in any capacity this year.

Artistic Artifacts
4750 Eisenhower Ave
Alexandria, VA 22304
www.artisticartifacts.com
703-823-0202

Bear's Paw Fabrics
8812 Orchard Tree Lane
Towson, MD 21286
www.bearspawfabrics.com
410-321-6730

Capital Quilts
15926 Luanne Dr.
Gaithersburg, MD 20877
www.capitalquilts.com
301-527-0598

The Crabby Quilter
4 Annapolis Street
Annapolis, MD 21401
www.thecrabbyquilter.com
410-263-3897

Material Girls
6750B Crain Highway
LaPlata, MD 20646
www.materialgirlsquilt.com
301-392-9575

Patches Quilting & Sewing
308 South Main Street
Mt. Airy, MD 21771
www.patchesquilting.com
301-831-0366

The Scrappy Apple
1206 Valley Avenue
Winchester, VA 22601
www.scrappyapple.com
540-665-1770

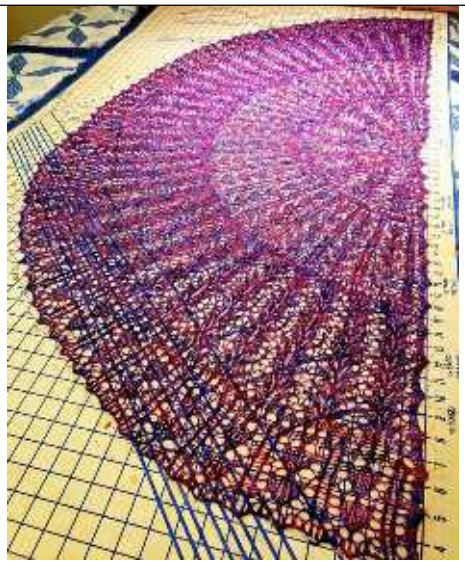
Quilters' Quest
See you in 2021!

Visit us at www.quiltersquest.org
and sign up for our email newsletter
while you are there

June 2020 Show and Tell –Quarantine Style



Elizabeth S. –Beautiful batik butterfly quilt for a lucky baby in Colorado



Laurel K. – A very intricate Hearts and Vines knitted lace shawl.



Jan McB. - Jelly roll rug!





Melanie D. - Two more finished projects getting some summer sun!

June 2020 Show and Tell –Quarantine Style



Joan S. - from a Penni Domikis class last summer.



Joan S. - Felt kit hand appliqued and hand quilted.



Joan S. - Vase was supposed to be a One Block Wonder around a panel, but I used the brightest to make a wall hanging.



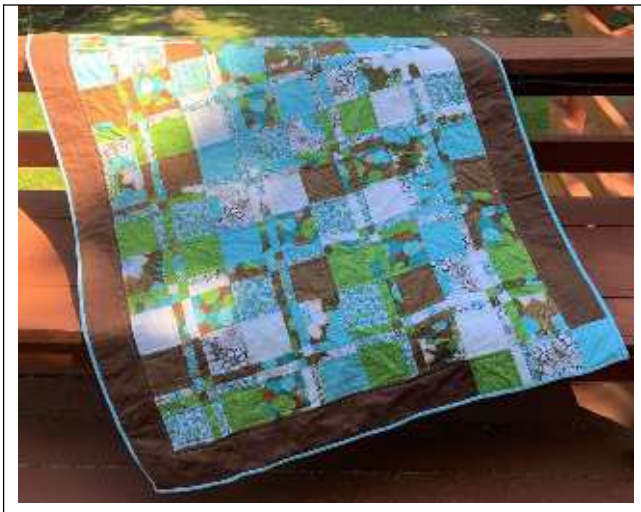
Joan S. – Another quilt from the Vase leftovers!



Joan S. - Lone Star from a jelly roll and black yardage.



Karla S. -"I Woof You." At the Christmas gift exchange I received a jelly roll from Nancy Jo and used it for this.



Adrienne S. – Beautiful Baby Quilt



Adrienne S. - Portable Tic Tac Toe







Nikki H. - Quilts of Valor Series!



Susan B. – Baby quilt made from orphan blocks and scraps from various baby quilts over the years.



Karla S. - "Men at Work", a flannel quilt for Project Linus.

June 2020 Show and Tell –Quarantine Style



Betty T. - Close up of phone holder for charging to sell at AMG Artsfest



Betty T. - Phone holders for charging to sell at AMG Artsfest



Betty T. - Binky holders to sell at AMG Artsfest



Betty T. - Baby quilt for great grandson! The first column spells out Tilley: Tee Shirt, Ice Cream, Light house, Light house, Envelope, and Yo Yo.



Betty T. - Baby quilt for great granddaughter!



Evening Star Block

Each block makes a 12 ½" unfinished block..

	Focus – Dark grunge, dotted, or star patterned 4 – 3 ½" squares 4 – 4" squares
	Background – white/light/off white with small contrast print (dots or stars preferred) 4 – 3 ½" squares 4 – 4" squares

Calvert County Quilt Guild
Block of the Month
March 2020 Meeting

All seams ¼".

Pattern and instructions by Anita Konzak Turley.
Copied from a traditional block.

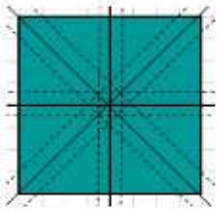
I was out star watching – a beautiful night sky was a jumble of stars and clouds and satellites (maybe a UFO or two??? – LOL). Regardless of what was/is in the sky I was thinking that a quilt of star blocks that look like a night sky would look pretty cool.

1) **Using the four (4) 4" squares**, create eight (8) half square triangles by creating four (4) sets of focus and background blocks. Mark a line on the diagonal and then sew ¼" on either side of the diagonal line. Cut on the diagonal, press to the dark, and then trim each to 3 ½" square blocks.

2) **Optional cutting and sewing instructions to create half square triangles** – see Figure 1: Cut an 8" square block from each of the focus and background fabrics, and facing each other, mark both diagonals and then vertical and horizontal lines (solid lines in figure 2). Using the guide below sew ¼" on either side of all diagonal lines. Once finished and without moving the block after the first cut, cut horizontally at 4" and then vertically at 4", and finally, cut on the marked diagonal lines. You will end up with eight (8) half square triangles. Press to the dark. Trim to 3 ½" square blocks.

3) Lay out the blocks to make a star and then sew the blocks of each row together. Do not press the row blocks until all four (4) rows are sewn. For the first and third rows, press the blocks to one direction. For the second and fourth rows, press the blocks to the opposite direction. When sewing rows to each other, the block seams will intersect making a more crisp alignment for piecing. Once all four rows are sewn together, press rows to one direction. Trim to 12 ½" as necessary.

4) This is a very quick and easy block, so have fun with it!

Figure 1	Figure 2	Inspiration
		

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Scrappy colors: light, medium, dark

Block seams are ¼".
Inspiration from mccallsquilting.com
Block by Anita Konzak Turley



Patchwork SIS Block

This makes a 11" unfinished block.

	Color 1 – Focus – multiple colors – use your scraps!!! Cut a total of 36, 1 ½" squares in light, medium, and dark blocks (adds dimension) to result in a 36-piece 6 ½" x 6 ½" square.
	Color 2 – Background – any color pastel. This can be solid or print (recommend if scrappy colors are solid, use a solid fabric; if scrappy colors are print then use a print fabric). One – 9" square (will be cut diagonally into 4 pieces)
	Color 3 – Trim around patchwork square – Red solid. Cut four (4) 1" x 8" strips
	Press seams per instructions.

I found this unfinished pattern with my 'notes' of things to do for the future. So, instead of July 2017 when I first drafted the pattern, it is now coming out in June 2020. Never throw away a scrap!!!! LOL!!!

The SIS – square in a square – is easy to do. This SIS block has a bit of a twist with the inside being a patchwork and then the patchwork square having a border. The photo is of a baby blanket (I think it was from a charm pack); however, I was thinking more in the order of a throw or quilt for a summer picnic, a gift, baby, beach, etc., as multiple blocks built into a quilt. This block is intended to be scrappy. Note - be mindful when aligning the triangles in step 4.

1) Cut a total of 36, 1 ½" squares. Sew them together in rows of six, making a total of 6 rows. Press each row in opposite directions so the seams from one row to the next can be nested when stitched together. Trim completed block to 6 ½" as necessary.

2) From opposite sides of the patchwork piece, add one red strip to each side and then press to the red. Trim the ends to 6 ½" to fit the block. On the remaining sides sew on the red strips, press to the red. Trim the ends to the square, which will be unfinished at 7 ½". Fold the block in half and use a light pencil or press a crease to show the center of the block on the sides. Unfold and do the same in the other direction so the block will show 4 creases.

3) Fold the background 9" square block in half one direction and either mark the back with a light pencil line or press a crease to show the **center of the block** on each side. Unfold and do the same in the other direction so the block will show 4 creases. Open the block and **cut diagonally** across the block, and diagonally again. The result is that you will have four (4) section triangles with center marks at the middle to align with the inner block patchwork square marks.

4) Align the triangle crease/mark to a crease/mark on one side of the sewn block and sew down the triangle. Repeat on the opposite side. Press to the outside. Do not trim the points – yet. Repeat for the opposite sides and then press to the outside. Trim the block to 11" while removing the pointed pieces.