CALVERT COUNTY QUIILT GUILD
March 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: March 14

April Newsletter Deadline: March 20

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calvertquiltguild@yahoogroups.com

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

Calvert Quilt Guild Website:

http://www.calvertcountyquiltguild.org/

President's Message

Did you know that, when you volunteer, you are improving your life and maybe even your health? Volunteering:

1. **Boosts self-esteem**: Researchers consistently find that these activities can lead to greater self-esteem, life satisfaction and sense of purpose.
2. **Builds Community**: You strengthen your community and your social network when you volunteer. You make connections with the people you are helping, and you cultivate friendships with other volunteers.
3. **Makes you feel good**: When you give your time to others, you attain a personal sense of accomplishment, which accounts for some of the positive effects that volunteering has on your mood.
4. **Contributes to a longer life:** Volunteers encounter greater longevity and less frequency of heart disease. Volunteers may be at a lower risk for memory loss, too. The social interaction can significantly reduce the progress of Alzheimer's and other types of dementia.
5. **Gives purpose**: As people get older, they experience a higher risk for isolation. Volunteering combats that statistic by adding a sense of purpose to your life.
6. **Combats stress/depression**: Studies show that you become happier the more you volunteer. Your brain releases dopamine, which has a positive effect on how you feel.

Here's to your health!

Julie

Upcoming Programs:



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.

May 9 – TBD

June 13 – End of Year Party

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March Birthdays

Mary Pat	Murray	March 15
Elizabeth	Sawyer	March 23
Karla	Sisson	March 2

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:

- March 26,2018, 2-9 pm

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
www.delawaresewing.com
Prints Charming Quilt Shop
11711 East Market Place
Fulton, MD 20759
301-490-2342
www.printscharmingqs.com
Spring Water Designs
9691 Gerwig Lane
Suite G
Columbia, MD 21046
410-381-0695
www.springwaterdesigns.com
Hoppin Bobbin
690 S. Philadelphia Blvd. (Rt 40)
Aberdeen, MD 21001
410-272-2226
www.hoppinbobbin.com
Quilt Vine
3987 Main Street
Trappe, MD 21673
410-476-6166
www.quiltvine.com
Tomorrow's Treasures
2110 Priest Bridge Drive
Suite 12
Crofton, MD 21114
410-451-0400
www.tomorrowstreasures.info

QUILT RETREATS

SPRING 2018	FALL 2018
April 29 to May 4	October 14-18
(5 nights)	(4 nights)
Lodging $262.50 plus food	Lodging $210 plus food
(cost based on 8 attendees)	(cost based on 8 attendees)



Cocalico Quilters'Inn
295 S. Cocalico Rd.
Denver, PA 17517
www.Cocalicoquiltersinn.com



Eight private rooms with hand pieced/quilted quilts and bed pillows, 6.5 baths. Bring your own linens for double bed and towels. Can be provided for $10 a night.

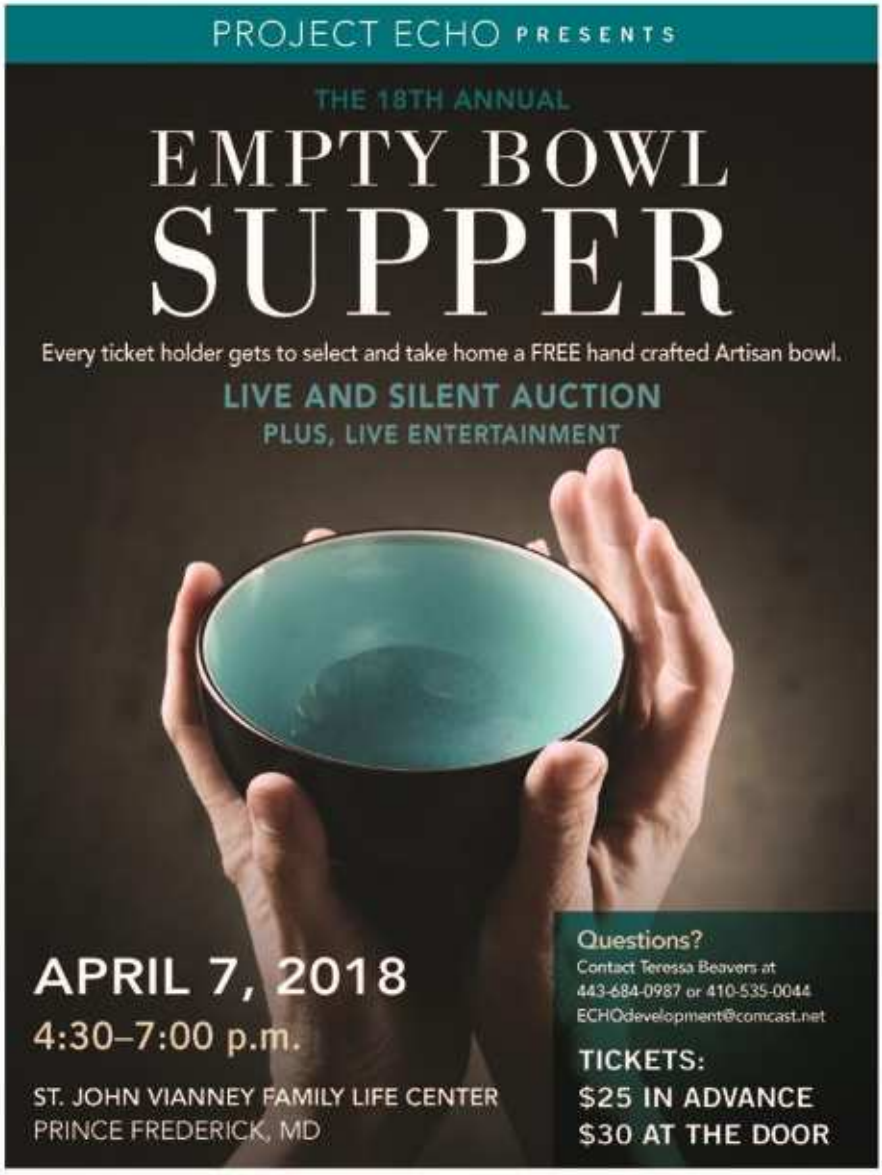
Fully stocked modern kitchen with two ovens and two large refrigerators, sitting area, finished basement with large screen TV and exercise equipment, WiFi, central air and heat.

Large quilting area with two design walls, four ironing stations, cutting areas, adjustable sewing chairs with wheels, plenty of outlets.
Inspiration, fun, laughs, and usually food to share.

Plenty of shops nearby:
Hinkletown Sewing Center-sewing machine repairs, sales, supplies, quilt tools-reasonable prices.
Burkholders Fabrics very nearby
Family Farm Fabrics
Obie's (an experience like no other)
A fabric warehouse in Goodville
Good's Department Store (fabric and everything else!)
Kountry Korner with broasted chicken and soft ice cream
September Farm Cheese and Restaurant
Shady Maple Smorgasbord and other restaurants galore
Nearby supermarket and many more! This is fabric mecca!!

First eight to register and pay $75 deposit reserves your spot. A waiting list is maintained. Balance due 45 days prior to retreat. *The fine print: the last day to cancel your reservation & have your deposit returned is 60 days prior to retreat date. Exception: someone is available to take your place.*

For more information, contact Jan McBain (CCQG) at jmmcbain@comcast.net, Marcia Smith (CCQG & AQG) at msmith91565@yahoo.com, or Sharon Fossett (AQG) at SLFossett@comcast.net or leave message at 443-964-6451.



What's an Empty Bowl Supper?

Empty Bowl Suppers are a national movement that began several years ago, in California, by artisans who wanted to raise money for their local homeless shelter. They put together a soup supper complete with food donated by local restaurants. The meal was included with the purchase of a handmade artisan bowl and then all proceeds were donated to their local shelter.

Project ECHO's Empty Bowl Supper also includes local food, local artists, live entertainment, a silent auction, a live auction, a raffle, and much, much more. This has become an annual community event and we can't wait to show you what we have in store for you this year!

Each year we put a call out to all quilters and crafters to enter something in the silent auction. Please consider donating one of your quilts valued at more than $50.00. There is a submission form at Project ECHO or contact Linda Murphy for describing your donation. Linda can be reached at 410 414-3118 or text at 443 532-1970. Teressa Beavers is collecting the items for the auction so you can leave them at Project ECHO and complete the form or contact Linda to pick it up and get your information.







Show and Tell February 2018 Meeting







Calvert Quilt Guild Meeting Minutes

February 14, 2018

The Guild meeting opened at 7:06PM by President, **Julie Trollinger**.



Introduced was **Penni Domikas** and trunk show. Penny Domikas had products available for sale including three books – All Scrapped Out, What a Load of Scraps, and Still All Scrapped Out. She presented her history of how her scrap quilting came about. The main themes of the trunk show and presentation was that scraps can be used in both traditional and modern quilting, and there are no rules when quilting with scraps. She will be leading a workshop on February 24, 9AM – 3PM.

Julie Trollinger presented that Jack Smack contacted **Karla Sisson** on rent increases from $50 to $100 per meeting. He also indicated the rent would again go up next year. Workshop space rental fees are increasing from $15 to an as yet to be determined amount. For annual fees, the Guild has paid through December, 2018. A comparison was made against the fees as listed on the St. Paul's Church website; the fees charged to the Guild are lower. Guild members will look at other places for meetings and workshops. Julie wanted to ensure the Guild members were aware of the rate increases.

Membership – **Jan McBain** stated no new members. The badge incentive drawing was won by **Allison Korb.**

Library - There were no updates from the library collection; members are encouraged to check out books from those offered at the meeting.

Sunshine – A card is being passed around for signatures to be sent to **Tobey Kriemelmeyer**.

Block of the Month – The BOM was won by **Laurel Kirkman**.

Raffle – The raffle of two poppies was won by **Linda Murphy**.

Programs: **Kathy Gerardy** mentioned programs for upcoming months are:
February 24 – Workshop with **Penni Domikas** using scraps from your stash February 24, 9-3. Need to buy a $19 kit from her.
March 14 meeting – **Phyllis Hatcher** will present on Aboriginal Dot Quilts.
April 11 meeting – **Joyce McComas** will present a Judy Niemeyer trunk show.



Julie Trollinger announced the President (Julie) and Secretary (Anita/Laurel) positions will be up for election which will be held in the spring. For committees, the by-laws state the President chooses two individuals and the executive board chooses one to form a three-person elections committee. Julie chose **Adrienne Sims** and **Allison Korb**. The executive board will need to choose a member from the Guild roster.

Open sewing – Julie announced open sewing at the Fairview Library from 2-9PM on both February 26 and March 26 (Mondays). Work can be for the Guild donations or personal projects.



Julie asked for organizers for the Artsfest (Annmarie Garden), the County Fair, and a ticket wrangler for the raffle quilt. **Hilke Hoefer** will organize Artsfest, **Allison Korb** will organize the County Fair, and **Sharon Burns** will be the raffle ticket wrangler.

Charity Outreach
Julie stated that **Deb Huebner** did not receive return phone calls from the numerous calls made to county services on any individuals to receive the remainder donation quilts. **Allison Korb** stated she could contact the Sheriff's office as they are at the home when a child is removed and would be able to distribute a quilt. **Karla Sisson** also stated that Project Linus provides quilts for that same purpose when a child is removed from a home. **Anita Konzak** recommended that the quilts be sold at Artsfest and the County Fair. **Linda Murphy** indicated the hospital has a closet used to hand out blankets, quilts, pillows, etc. to patients that is now empty, and the quilts could be donated to the hospital. All members agreed a decision will be made after more information.

Angel Tree – **Karla Sisson** stated a suggestion was to make quilts for Angel Tree kids. She stated that she had called Social Services who indicated there were usually 50-100 children that were identified in last minutes who were needy of gifts. Karla stated that Patrice (Social Services point of contact) would need the quilts by December 12.

Empty Bowl Supper – April 7, 4-7PM at St. John Vianney Church in Prince Frederick. Tickets are $25 in advance. **Linda Murphy** announced that she is looking for quilt donations for raffle at the Empty Bowl Supper. 100% of funds received go to Project Echo. All food and time is 100% volunteered. Linda requested that if anyone were to donate a quilt to have it to her by April 5. She also recommended coming early as the food goes quickly. Linda stated tickets could be purchased through her or the Project Echo thrift shop (Main Street in Prince Frederick). They also have a website: www.EchoDevelopment@comcast.net.



Laurel Kirkman – Mariner's Compass hanging.
Betty Tilley – Candle/wall wreath and table runner, both with chicken themes.
Allison Korb – Large basket (used Pellon 71F lining), star table runner and placemats using Japanese fabrics, Ferdinand the Bull quilt for Harvey.

Motion to adjourn at 8:55PM was made by **Marlene Diehl** with second by **Elizabeth Sawyer**.



Churn Dash Block – "Hole in the Barn Door"

Calvert County Quilt Guild
Block of the Month
March, 2018

Black/White and Bright print fabrics.

Block seams are ¼".
www.calvertbarnquilttrail.org
Directions by Anita Konzak Turley.

This makes an 12 ½" unfinished block without green border; 16 ½" block with green border.

	Focus – Black Fabric Two – 5" squares Four – 4 ½" x 2 ½" strips
	Background – Yellow Gold One – 4 ½" square Two – 5" squares Four – 4 ½" x 2 ½" strips
	Border and Accent – Lighter Green One – 12 ½" x 2 ½" strip One – 16 ½" x 2 ½" strip

There is a celebrity in our midst – Karla Sisson designed the first barn quilt block installation of the Calvert Barn Quilt Trail on September 8, 2017 for the Mulberry Farms in Huntingtown MD. Per the web site, Karla's square was inspired by one of her favorite designs, "Hole in the Barn Door", and her childhood on a farm. For her block, Karla incorporated a tobacco leaf and colors of the Calvert County flag. Note – when using the green border, this block will be 16 ½"; if a quilt is made from all blocks on the Calvert Barn Quilt Trail, the border could be considered as sashing.

1) For the center leaf, copy or cut out the watermark leaf on this page for size. Cut from green fabric. Use black thread for the vines, green thread to tack down edges and one stitch line down the center of the leaf when attaching to the 4 ½" center square. Sew at an angle into the center block.

2) From each of the 5" squares, cut in half on the diagonal to **make four** triangles. Match each yellow triangle to a black triangle and sew along the LONGEST edge to **make four** half-square triangles. Figures are in red/white and taken from historical Guild records; see figure 2. Trim to 4 ½".

3) **Make four** pairs of yellow and black bars together using the rectangle strips. Sew along the longest edge. See Figure 3. Press to the dark. If needed, trim to 4 ½".

4) Sew one set of bars in between two triangle sets. **Make two**. Press to the inside. See Figure 4. Sew the other set of bars to opposite sides of the center yellow square. **Make one**. See Figure 5. Press to the outside blocks.

5) You should have three rows of the block assembled. Sew in order of the block in Figure 1. Press all fabrics to the dark side except where noted. Trim to 12 ½". Add one 12 ½" strip on either side of the block sides. Press out. Add one 16 ½" strip on opposite block sides to complete the green border. Press out. Trim to 16 ½". Have fun making this block!

Figure 1	Figure 2	Figure 3	Figure 4	Figure 5
				