CALVERT COUNTY QUIILT GUILD
February 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: February 10

March Newsletter Deadline: Feb. 20

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Calvert Quilt Guild Website:

http://www.calvertcountyquiltguild.org/

February Birthdays



Hilke	Hoefer	Feb 8
Julie	Trollinger	Feb 24

Enjoy your special day ladies!



Upcoming Programs:

February 10: Sit & Sew from **6-9 pm** at the church. Bring your machine and come have some fun as you finish your UFO's blocks for the raffle quilt!



A mystery quilt will be presented this winter in February. Here's how the mystery quilt works: The fabric requirements and cutting instructions are given the first week. Construction steps are posted in the following months -- just enough to keep you guessing! At the end of the mystery, everyone brings in their quilt tops to show.

Saturday Workshop Alert!

Saturday, March 12th we will have Barbara Cline presenting a workshop from her new book, "Amazingly Simple Triangle Stars". The workshop, "Let's Party", will be held at the Northeast Community Center, 4075 Gordon Stinnett Ave., in Chesapeake Beach. The time is from 1pm until 7pm. (410) 257-2554. We will be in Room A.



"Let's Party" by Barbara Cline

Contact Julie Trollinger at sew42n81@comcast.net to sign up. The registration fee is $40 and there is a $6 pattern fee. The supply list can be found on page 4.

Of Special Note:

Membership:
If you have not received your Guild membership card or need a new badge holder, please see **Jan McBain**. Just a friendly reminder that everyone should be wearing their badge at the meetings.

Raffle Quilt 2016:

Hilke Hoefer has the sewing for the raffle quilt underway despite the setback with the weather. Several people picked up kits for Mariner's Compass blocks at the January meeting. Others picked up kits for the nine-patch blocks from Hilke at her home as the blizzard was looming since the January sewing session had to be cancelled. The next sewing session for the quilt is as follows. All are invited.

- Saturday, February 6, 10:45am to 3:00pm, Prince Frederick Library, Room 2

New Block of the Month Program

Starting in February **Allison Brown Korb** will be offering 12 months of coordinating sampler blocks. Our Guild Block of the Month will have colors assigned. You are also welcome to follow along with your own set of fabrics each month and make a second block in your fabric colors. All blocks will be 12 inches finished size for the year.

For example, February's Block (see Page 5) will be a churn dash in reds & whites.

1) Make one Red & White block to play in the guild's BOM drawing at the meeting.

2) Make a second block in your own fabric colors to hold on to for your own sampler quilt.

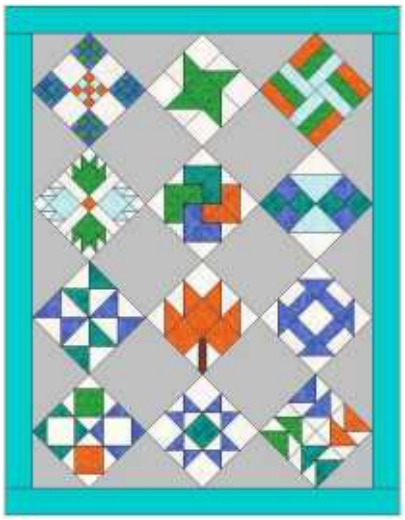
In order to follow along with your own fabrics each month you will need: (total for the year)

- 1.5 yards of base colored fabric
- 2.5 yards of alternate fabrics

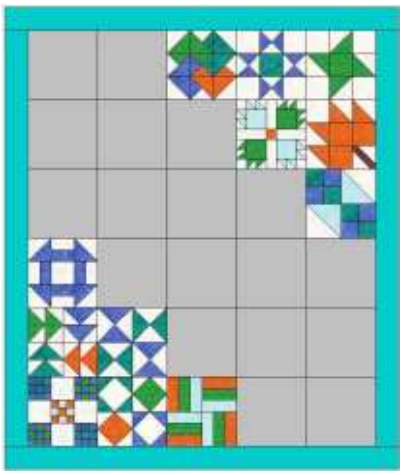
Example: Choose a white print or similar neutral fabric as a base fabric and FIVE fabrics at 0.5 yard each (total 2.5 yards) to use in your personal sampler.

Using these sample quilt layouts you will also need 2.5 yards for background fabric (shown in grey) and 1.5 yards for borders (shown in teal at 4 inches wide). You are also welcome to finish your 12 blocks in ANY WAY you choose.

The finished traditional quilt is 59" X 76". The finished Modern Quilt is 68" X 80" (Colors shown are EXAMPLE only. Guild BOM colors will be assigned monthly.) Instructions for finishing the quilt will also be distributed.



Traditional Sample Layout



Modern Sample Layout

Upcoming Regional Quilting Events:

Greenbelt Courthouse Show and Reception

Guild members are encouraged to see this unique setting of quilts, which will hang thru Friday, April 29. The show features 65 quilts by Maryland quilters from beginner to professional level and from traditional to art form. There will be an "Artists Reception," on Thursday, March 10 from 5:00-6:30pm in the lobby of the Greenbelt Federal Courthouse.

Any exhibitor plus their family and friends may attend, provided they RSVP to Hilke by email [hrhilke@comcast.net] before March 7 so the courthouse has a headcount for the caterer. The courthouse is located at 6500 Cherrywood Lane, Greenbelt, MD 20770.

Other Regional Events:

24-27 February 2016 - American Quilter's Society is hosting the new "AQS Quilt Week" in Daytona Beach, FL. Further information can be found on www.quiltweek.com/locations/daytona.

25-28 February 2016 - Mid-Atlantic Quilt Festival, Hampton, Virginia. Go to http://www.quiltfest.com for more information.

16-19 March 2016 - American Quilter's Society is hosting the new "AQS Quilt Week" in Lancaster, PA. Further information can be found on www.quiltweek.com/locations/lancaster.

Community Service:

Hilke Hoefer is coordinating the effort to make lap quilts for the Calvert Memorial Hospital's Infusion Therapy Center. Quilts donated will be either lap or throw sized. Please consider this during the year. This is a wonderful way to give back to the community and put some of the fabric in your stash to a good cause. Another great project for the Sit and Sew on February 10!



Valentine's Day with a quilter.

Supply list for "Let's Party"



Fabric

Stripe: 1/3 yard (if fussy cutting 6 repeats)
Background or Navy: 1 yard
Background or Red: 1 yard
White: 5/8 yard
Backing: 1 1/4 yard
Batting: 22" x 58

Supply List:

Rotary cutter mat
Rotary cutter ruler
Rotary cutter
One sheet of template plastic or self-adhesive laminated sheets
Pencil
Double sided tape
Neutral or gray thread
Pins
Scissors
Paper scissors
60 degree ruler (optional)
Sewing Machine with 1/4" foot

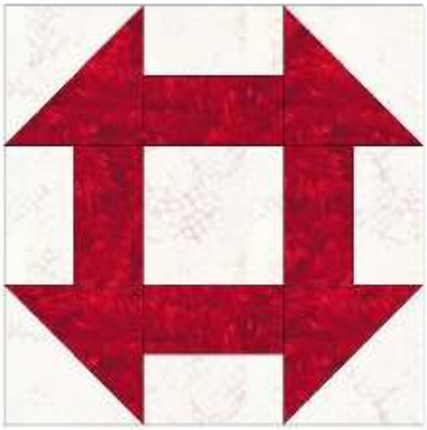
Pre Cut before class

WOF means width of fabric

Stripe (stars)
Cut 3 strips 3 1/4" x WOF;
Navy
Cut 2 strips 4 1/4" x WOF;
Cut 1 strips 8 1/4" x WOF;
Red
Cut 2 strips 4 1/4" x WOF;
Cut 1 strips 8 1/4" x WOF;
White
Cut 6 strips 1 1/4" x WOF;
Cut 4 strips 2 1/4" x WOF (For binding)

FEBRUARY 2016 BLOCK OF THE MONTH

Fabric: Red Fabric and White Fabric



Cutting:

Cut 2 squares each at 4-7/8" from the red and white fabric. Cut those squares in half on the diagonal to make FOUR triangles.

Cut one 4-1/2" square of the white fabric.

Cut four rectangle pieces from each fabric 4-1/2" X 2-1/2"

Sewing:

Match each white triangle to a red triangle and sew along the longest edge to make FOUR half-square triangles.





Sew FOUR pairs of red and white bars together using the rectangles. Sew along the longest edge.

Sew one set of bars in between two triangle sets. Make Two.





Sew the other sets of bars to opposite sides of the center white square. Make One.

You should now have three rows of the block assembled. Sew these rows in order as shown above.

Press all fabrics to the red side. Don't forget to make a block in your own fabrics to save for your sampler quilt! ☺ When you have finished these blocks they should measure 12-1/2" X 12-1/2".