



President's Notes

Got my vegetable garden planted. My irises and peonies are blooming. Spent a day recently picnicking in the woods by a babbling brook and looking for salamanders, slugs, and centipedes with my grandkids (I'm quarantined with my daughter and her two boys). Celebrated my birthday on Mother's Day with coconut cream pie. Finished my Tree Quilt Challenge quilt and all of the Blocks of the Month. Got hit in the face with a "pie" during a hilarious game. Watched robins fledge from a nest on top of the back porch light. Taught school and made masks. Enjoying warmer weather. Thankful for life, health, family, and friends.



Danita Frisby

June 2020 Newsletter

Next Meeting: **Thursday, June 11, 2020 - via ZOOM @ 6:30pm**

Meetings:

Second Thursday of the Month
(unless otherwise noted)
6:00 - 6:30 pm - Arrival, Social Time
6:30 - 8:30 pm Guild meeting
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HOSPITALITY

Although we are unable to meet in person, the monthly door prize still goes on. Brenda Barnhardt won the prize for May, an issue of Quilt Folk Magazine and \$30 dollars in gift cards to Quilt Folk. Congratulations!

Barbara Scuderi, Chair

GUILD BUSINESS

Our May meeting would have had the two Board of Directors officer's elections but needed to be held via email due to the coronavirus quarantine and meeting cancellation. As there were no additional nominations, Brenda Barnhardt made a motion that Kathy Shankle and Robin Rippeon be elected by acclamation to serve as Vice President and Treasurer respectively for the upcoming 2 year term. Joan Watkins seconded the motion. I did not receive any "nay" votes. Congratulations to Kathy and Robin, and thank you.

Danita Frisby, President

JUNE MEETING VIA ZOOM

Exciting news! We will be having a virtual guild meeting through Zoom. Thanks to Karen Smith for setting it up and hosting. The date and time is June 11, 2020 at 6:30 PM. You can join the Zoom meeting at <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/9387621981?pwd=SWxnMDdXV3NBS2VNaGtpOWRqZDB5UT09>. The meeting ID is 938 762 1981, and the password is 494937.

You log in to the website. You will be prompted to put in the meeting ID. And then you will be prompted to put in the password. The "waiting room" feature is enabled due to the fact that people were getting into meetings that didn't belong there. All that means is that when someone logs into the meeting, Karen, the host, will hear a bell and will have to admit you.



I hope to see you there! Have show and tell ready. Olga is working to present a short program.

Danita Frisby, President

This was sent to me from a quilting friend in Hawaii. Museum tours, classes, instruction, etc.

https://www.quiltingdaily.com/museum-tours/?utm_campaign=Quilting%20-%20Promotional&utm_medium=email&_hsmi=87638675&_hsenc=p2ANqtz--gLOptdMs5qLECoN0sUCtY2czKSCQCaovJjqQ6Nfvf5Lo18rRN-k6YFf4hCMLNL0PZL6PMG&utm_content=87638675&utm_source=hs_email



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- Art quilting
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- Block construction and new block patterns
- New ideas for finishing a quilt
- Beginner quilt instruction
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Submitted by Jacque Janss



JUNE'S VIRTUAL MEETING PRESENTATION BY OLGA SCHRICHTE

Danita asked if I would present a small program if we set up a Zoom meeting for our guild meeting in June. Since it looks like we will need to wear masks in the foreseeable future, I've decided to demonstrate the 2 different ways I'm making adjustable masks for friends and family. I'll also give tips that I've learned along the way.

I spoke with Robin Rose, Vice-President of the Developmental Office at Frederick Health Hospital, last week when I dropped off 60 masks that my neighbor had made. I asked her if they still needed masks and her answer was an emphatic "yes." She said they need more for two reasons. First, satellite offices are opening and they need more masks for the people manning them, and secondly, the elastic is wearing out in the first masks we provided due to being washed and dried in harsh conditions. In many cases, the fabric is still good so they're just replacing the elastic. She also commented about the quality of the masks our members have provided so keep up the good work. She said that the health care providers appreciate the care that goes into constructing each and every mask.

This is the mask I'm going to be demonstrating in our Zoom meeting:
<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1rG7BK3zPHQGZmRzbMAMjuzBVqaSrsj21/view>



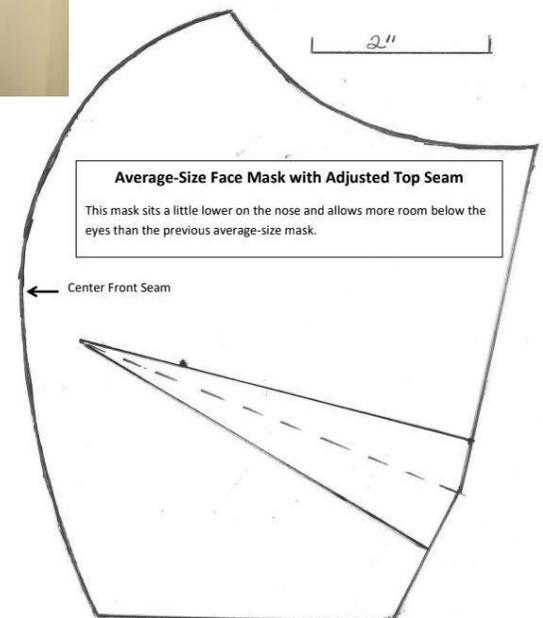
Reversible Average-Size Face Mask with Adjusted Top Seam

By Olga & Stefan Schrichte

Reversible Average-Size Face Mask for Friends and Family Directions

1. I recommend you cut the pattern out of freezer paper if you have it, otherwise use regular paper and pins.
2. Press the shiny side of freezer paper to the wrong side of 2 pieces of fabric for the outside of the mask. Cut out the 2 pieces. Before removing the pattern, mark the ends of the pleat by making tiny snips, no more than 1/16" in from the raw edge. (This looks like a dart, but it's a pleat. Do not sew on the solid lines!)

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Reversible Average-Size Face Mask Directions (Continued)

3. Repeat with 2 pieces of fabric for the lining.
4. Stitch center seam of outside fabric (RST), and press. Either clip seam allowance or pink this edge starting and stopping 1/2" from the ends.
5. Stitch center seam of lining fabric (RST), and press. Either clip seam allowance or pink this edge starting and stopping 1/2" from the ends.
6. Place outside of mask with the right side facing you. Fold down the diagonal pleat on one side of the outside fabric. To do this easily, pinch the top pleat at the snip and fold it to the bottom snip. You know you've positioned it correctly if the raw edges remain straight and don't kick out. Pin on the wrong side and finger press in place. (The pleat should be folded up on the wrong side.) Repeat with the pleat on the other side.
7. Fold the mask (RST) to double-check that both sides are the same length and that the pleats are in the same position. If not, adjust one pleat.
8. Repeat step #6 with the lining.
9. **Bottom seam:** Working from the wrong side of the lining, place a mark at 1" and another at 2.5" from the left side of the bottom seam. This allows plenty of room through which to turn the mask. Nest center seams at the bottom and stitch the bottom seam, backstitch at the beginning and at the end and on either side of the opening.
10. **Top Seam:** Nest the center seams at the top. Stitch the top (pointed) seam. Backstitch at the beginning and at the end. Clip the seam allowance in several places to release the curve.
11. **Ties and Loops:** Cut 1 length of twill tape, T-shirt knit, or ribbon (not slippery) about 45" long. This is enough for both ties and the loops. I used 1/2" twill tape, folded it in half and stitched along the edge. If your machine has an edge-joining foot, this would be a good time to use it to keep your stitching nice and straight.
12. With the tape still intact, fold one end of tape up 1-inch and tack it with the sewing machine just in the center to keep the ends even. Cut it from the length of tape and repeat to make the second loop. Cut the remaining tape in half for the 2 ties.
13. **Side seams:** Place the mask in front of you with the wrong side of the outside fabric facing up. First, make sure that the sides are even. If not, adjust the pleat on the underneath lining side of the mask. (Remember, you already made sure that the pleats were even on the right side.)
Working with one side, insert the loop at the bottom. Make sure it is snug against the bottom seam. Let the raw edges of the loop peek out about 1/8" beyond the raw edges. Pin through both layers of the fabric snug against the loop to hold it in place.
Roll up the tie for the top and lay an end in snug against the top seam. (I like to have the seam that I sewed on the tape facing down.) Again, let about 1/8" of the tie peek out beyond the raw edges. Pin the tie snug against the top seam. Remove the pin that's in the pleat in the lining (underneath) and use it to pin that seam.
Begin stitching on a charger piece of fabric to keep your machine from jamming. Backstitch through the loop and continue stitching to the end of the side seam. Again, backstitch through the ties and off the mask.
14. Repeat Step 13 for the other side of the mask.
15. Turn mask right side out and press well. Make sure no extra fabric is tucked under at the seams.
16. Topstitch 1/8" from the edge around the mask.
17. **Install Toggle Lock:** I used a pipe wrench to hold a toggle lock open. Thread the ends of the tape through the loops at the bottom of the mask. Straighten them out. Cut the ends at an angle and stitch just the ends together with quilting thread. You're just going to take a few stitches. Thread the needle through the toggle lock. Pull the needle and twist the ties until they come through. While the toggle lock is still open, untwist the ties to make sure they're nice and straight. Remove the toggle lock from the wrench. Slide it up and knot the ends of the ties.



From Megan Mathews:

My niece is working as a visiting nurse in New Mexico, where they have been hit hard by Covid-19. She asked me for as many masks as I can provide. There is such extreme poverty in "The Nation" (an Indian reservation) that most house holds has 10 family members under one roof. Their houses are small and cramped with very close living spaces.

She asked for enough masks for 10 households. So that's one hundred masks. I'm asking if any of our members could possibly help me? I was hoping to send several hundred to start and then add more in the coming weeks. I also wanted to make masks for kids 6-10 years old. Those would need to be 6 inches across.

I will pick up your donations at your convenience. Please feel free to text or call me. Thanks to anyone who can help me.

Megan Mathews
301-728-2873



From Darlene Morris,

Just wanted to let you know that MAQ has been cancelled. They have been sending out refunds.

2020 GUILD CHALLENGE

We hope you're working on your guild challenge this year with the theme of "trees." Now's a good time for inspiration with everything being in bloom again and with extra days of home time to make progress. Contact Brenda Barnhardt at 301-662-2943 or check the guild's website for the February newsletter for details.



2020 COMMUNITY SERVICE

We have some Show & Tell of Community Service lap quilts for Children of Incarcerated Parents Partnership. Easy-peasy: <https://www.coipp.org/>

Quilt Goal: 40 quilts

Quilt Size: Baby, small child, or lap size quilt suitable for adult or teenager

Quilters Choice: color, design, fabric: cotton or flannel

Kay Rice and Marcia Walker, Co-chairs

Below are quilt tops in progress or completed ones by Kay Rice, Marcia Walker and Barbara Scuderi who used a sealife panel.





COIPP Quilts Show & Tell (Continued)

Below are two quilts by Pat James in different colorways who says: "...Community Service quilt tops ready to quilt. I saw this quilt on Pinterest and found tutorial at Fortworthfabricstudio.blogspot.com. I used fat quarters I won at quilt guild meetings in the past and stash too." To the right is a quilt top Brenda Barnhardt's working on using sailboats and polka dots prints donated to the guild in a simple layout.



Opportunity Quilt?!!

Whether we meet in person or virtually or not at all for a while, one thing is sure – **we can still sew!!!** I have sewn masks and hospital gowns and quilt of valor blocks, etc. But, stuck at home, I wanted a big project, so I decided to make the quilt the committee selected for an opportunity quilt. So are things up in the air or what? Will we have any marketing venues? Do we even need an opportunity quilt? I'm going to make it any way, or at least try. I spent an afternoon back and forth on the phone with Kat at Capital Quilts and selected fabrics that I like – a variety of whites and jewel tone batiks (see attached picture). Maybe I will get it finished over the summer and maybe the guild will want it for an opportunity quilt – or not. There is enough green so that it will fit fine in my bedroom. As with everything else these days, we will see what happens. Meantime I'm going to enjoy sewing with pretty colors if I have to stay at home. Hope everyone else is also staying at home and staying well - and **keeping on sewing!!**



From my sewing room – Nancy Speck

BLOCK OF THE MONTH - JUNE - BLOCK 6

For June we will be constructing the Linen and Berries Sampler Block. This is an easy block that requires 1 - 2 1/2" square and 2 - 3" squares of 5 different colors. Then cut 2 - 7" squares of a contrasting color. From the background fabric, cut 2 - 7" squares and 45 - 2 1/2" squares.

Pictured at right are Danita Frisby's blocks 6 (this month) and 7 (July's). This can be found at:

www.corlanderquilts.com/sunday-best-quilts-sampler-block-5-2/



Kathy Shankle, Chair



HAPPY 
Father's
Day



Show & Tell... Sharon Keller completed 3 projects in her stash. One picture is a souvenir from her 25th wedding anniversary when they went to Hawaii (9 years ago)! The second picture is a souvenir from Alaska. And the third is a panel that she completed. Sharon says "I finally learned how to free motion quilt and to complete a binding."



At left is a work in progress by Danita Frisby, and below is Robin Rippeon's "R" Collage letter from the workshop by Carly Mul from Web Fabrics given April 2019. One more UFO completed.





2020 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

June	4	CSQG Board of Directors Meeting - TBD	
June	11	CSQG Meeting via Zoom Teleconference @ 6:30pm	
June-Sept.	TBD	Row by Row Experience Shop Hop	www.rowbyrowexperience.com
July	9	CSQG Meeting - Sit & Sew	
July	10-12	Mid-Appalachian Quilters Seminar - Cancelled COVID-19	www.maqonline.org
August	5-7	AQS Lancaster Quilt Show at The Nook - Cancelled COVID-19	www.quiltweek.com
August	13	CSQG Meeting - Community Service Sit & Sew	
September	5-Feb	AQS Spring Quilt Show @ Paducah, Ky - Moved from April.	www.americanquilter.com
September	3	CSQG Board of Directors Meeting @ Linton Shafer Warfield & Garrett Offices @ 7pm	
September	10	CSQG Meeting - Barbara Cline: "Where, When, Why, and How of Quilting"	www.delightfulpiecing.com
September	11	Workshop with Barbara Cline: "Star Tricks"	www.delightfulpiecing.com
September	17-20	Pennsylvania National Quilt Extravaganza @ Oaks, PA	http://www.quiltfest.com/upcoming-shows-and-events/pennsylvania-national-quilt-extravaganza/
September	18-26	Great Frederick Fair	www.thegreatfrederickfair.com
October	8	CSQG Meeting - Guild Challenge Awards and Community Service Presentation	
October	8-12	Quilters' Quest Shop Hop	www.quiltersquest.org
November	12	CSQG Meeting - Karen Fricke "Beads, Buckles and Buttons"	www.karenfrickequilts.com
December	5-27	Delaplaine Center Clustered Spires Quilt Guild Quilt Exhibit	
December	10	Guild Holiday Banquet	

For more information, go to www.clusteredspiresquiltguild.org/programs

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And finally, some more masks our guild members are cranking out. Here are Kathy Shankle's latest:



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