



President's Notes

In February, I attended the Mancuso quilt show in Hampton, VA. Wow! Such beautiful quilts were on display! The Mancuso show is "juried", so not all quilts that are submitted are entered in the shows. Judges then review the accepted quilts and determine winners for cash prizes. I've only entered quilts in a show once (Quiltcon) and NONE were accepted! Oh, the feeling of rejection! But then I saw all the beautiful quilts on Instagram under the hashtag #quiltconrejects and realized I was far from alone.



Feeling brave? Why not enter your quilts in an upcoming show? Jessica Halpin entered her rainbow challenge dress and it was juried into the Mancuso show (and it was so fun to see it there)! I did a little research and here are two online articles that might be helpful if you are interested: The first is tips for entering juried shows:

<http://thenotsodramaticlife.com/nervous-knowledge-is-power-5-tips-for-entering-a-juried-quilt-show/>

The second is a list of upcoming 2023 quilt shows in the USA: <https://quiltersplanner.com/quilting-events-in-2023/>

Let us know how it goes!

Happy quilting,
Fran

March 2023 Newsletter

Next Meeting: **2nd Thursday each Month**
Thursday March 9, 2023

Guild Meetings:

Second Thursday of the Month
6:15pm Social Time
6:45pm Meeting Begins

Delaplaine Visual Arts Center
40 South Carroll Street
Frederick, MD 21701

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NOTE: Articles for the newsletter are due on the 25th of each month. Send to Brenda Barnhardt at brenz2catz@gmail.com. Thank you.



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CSQG MEETING MINUTES – FEBRUARY 9, 2023

Fran Scher called the meeting to order at 6:46 PM with 34 members and 1 guest, Pam Blodgett.

Several chairs spoke:

Brenda Barnhardt spoke of Mary Beth Glover, a member of the guild from 2004 to 2016. She recently passed away and bequeathed all her quilt paraphernalia to CSQG. She has a work table that is free to anyone who wants it. The table is heavy and would need professional transport. Email regarding the table is forthcoming. Mary Beth's three Janome machines, recently serviced, will be auctioned off by email. Once announced, email the guild with a silent bid; highest bidders take the machines home. Mary Beth's fabrics and notions will be placed on the Last Chance Stash table over the coming months. All proceeds go to the guild. Support our guild with a purchase.

For Community Service, Kate Lane has asked members to make pillowcases. The recipients are children and teens who have experienced loss of a family member or trauma in their lives. Jenny Chua will cut leftover fabrics from the Last Chance table for members to sew. They are due in May to allow time for delivery.

Kate Lane announced that a bee is starting on the 3rd Thursday of each month. It will be held at various locations. The first will be at Wegmans in Worman's Mill on February 16 at 3PM.

Sandy Dunning announced that there will be two boxes filled with quilting goodies to be raffled off for those who pay their membership dues by March.

A reminder that Sew 'N Sip is still happening at Sew 'n Place every month. Carpooling is available. Contact Sandy if interested. Cost \$10.

The next workshop is by David Sirota, the quilt maven. His lecture at the March meeting will be by Zoom at the Delaplaine followed by his workshop on Saturday. Go to his website for the list of items needed for the workshop and for fabric cutting instruction. His lecture will be recorded and be made available to those who registered for his workshop. Contact Sandy for vellum paper.

Marty Simmons is the chair of the Nominating Committee. She needs the names of those who are interested in becoming the guild President by April. Marty ran a Q&A with Fran and Joan Watkins, current and former Presidents. The President is the conduit between the outside world and the guild. She must keep the communications flowing. Advantages of the position include getting to know members better and being always in the know of guild events. The position is for two years. The Secretary position is also up for election. Jenny Chua plans to run for re-election as Secretary. However, she will need a backup in the event that she is unable to make a meeting. Her main responsibility is to write the minutes of regular meetings and Board meetings.

Stella Peñalver led the guild through making a 10" x 10" design board by demonstrating how it is made. Supplies were prepared and provided to all in attendance. All members took home a finished board.

Despite the weather, Jessica Halpin and Sandy raised \$266 at the February pop up market. The best-selling items were the Valentine's Day cards. She sold remaining Valentine's inventory at the meeting. CSQG swag (bags, stickers, etc. with the CSQG logo) are available through the RedBubble website.

Numbers were drawn for the door prizes. Show & Tell followed after.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:38pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Jennifer Chua





THE COMMON THREAD

Clustered Spires Quilt Guild, Inc. Financial Statement Actual vs. Budget February 2022 through January 2023

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	Feb '22 - Jan 23	Budget
Income		
Fundraising Income		
2021-2022 Opportunity Quilt Inc	1,404.00	1,500.00
Fat Qtr/Monthly Drawing Income	121.00	100.00
Last Chance Stash Income	686.50	500.00
Merchandise Sales	1,096.00	500.00
Note Card Sales	146.89	50.00
Total Fundraising Income	3,454.39	2,650.00
Membership Dues Income	2,202.00	1,750.00
Programs Income		
Workshop Fees Income	353.00	775.00
Total Programs Income	353.00	775.00
General Income		
Amazon Smile Income	23.89	
Donations Income	507.00	500.00
Donations in Kind Income	394.36	
Total General Income	925.25	500.00
Total Income	6,934.64	5,675.00
Expense		
Challenge		
Guild Challenge	150.00	200.00
Total Challenge	150.00	200.00
Community Service		
Community Service		400.00
Total Community Service		400.00
Fundraising		
2021-2022 Opportunity Quilt		260.00
2023 Opportunity Quilt & Permit		260.00
Fundraising Costs-Note Cards	45.69	40.00
Misc. Fundraising Costs		50.00
Total Fundraising	45.69	610.00
Membership		
Hospitality & Membership	328.28	200.00
Sunshine		26.00
Total Membership	328.28	226.00
Program Expenses		
Education	50.00	50.00
2022 Holiday Banquet	75.61	300.00
May Guild Birthday Expense	89.77	
Refreshments		75.00
Speaker Fees	1,956.00	1,900.00
Speaker / Workshop Mileage	489.84	352.00
Speaker/Workshop Lodging/Meals	180.46	315.00
Workshop Teacher Fee	825.00	775.00
Misc. Program Expenses	149.90	
Total Program Expenses	3,816.58	3,767.00
Public Relations		
Public Relations	50.00	200.00
Website Email	76.20	450.00
Website Security	199.98	90.00
Total Public Relations	326.18	740.00
Quilt Show		
2022 Delaplaine Quilt Show		100.00
Total Quilt Show		100.00
General Expenses		
Donation Expense		50.00
Insurance Policy	205.00	205.00
Meeting Room Rental	400.00	400.00
Paypal / Square Reader Fees	83.46	100.00
Supplies/Printing/Postage		75.00
Miscellaneous Expense	150.00	
Total General Expenses	838.46	830.00
Total Expense	5,505.19	6,873.00
Bank Balance at 1/31/23 \$12,063.91		
Net Income	1,429.45	(1,198.00)



I want to thank everyone for all the cards and beautiful fabric squares after my recent 5day hospital stay. I really appreciated all of your prayers and kind words for healing. Your kindness helped give me strength to improve each day.

*Thank you,
Robin Rippeon*



Second Monday, Sew 'N Sip

The next Sew 'N Sip will be Monday, March 13 at the Sew 'N Place in Fayetteville, PA. from 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM. Quilters from Four County Quilters Guild and Clustered Spire Quilt Guild are invited to join each other at The Sew 'N Place for a fun day together sewing, laughing, sharing, and indulging in one of the many coffee drinks offered at the cafe bistro. Cost is \$10 per person. For more information, please contact Sandy Dunning at sandy0117@me.com or 978-806-7894.

Membership:

March 9, our Thursday March regular meeting, is the last day to renew your membership and be eligible for the drawing for the "Quilting Bins." Each bin is a sturdy art bin with dividers. Inside are all kinds of goodies including a \$25 gift card to Charlotte's Quilt Shoppe in downtown Frederick, a jelly roll, a yard of fabric that just arrived at Charlotte's Cottage, a package of fat quarters from Pineapple Quilts, sewing notions, and other surprises. Total value of each bin is \$200. To be entered into the drawing, just renew your membership no later than March 9, 2023. Membership dues are \$35 for the year. You may pay by check or through PayPal. Check our website for a link to PayPal.

Welcome New Membership Committee Member, MJ Greer:

We are pleased to announce that MJ Greer is now an "official" member of the Membership and Hospitality Committee. Many of you have assumed she is already a member, but she has actually just been volunteering to help out. She has become a very essential member of our team, so please join me in officially welcoming her to the Membership and Hospitality Committee!

Welcome New Program Committee Member, Libi Driggers:

Libi Driggers, new and former member to CSQG, has agreed to be part of our Program Committee! Libi is a long-time, accomplished quilter with an in depth knowledge of quilters and quilt opportunities, not only in our area, but also across our country and throughout the quilting world. We are very pleased to have her join our team. The Program Committee, I believe, is the heart and soul of most guilds. It is where we gather to make decisions about the central focus of each of our monthly meetings. We are always looking for new members to join us, so if you are also interested, as Libi was, please let me (Sandy Dunning) know. We will be starting our search for the 2024 programs in May. Please join me in welcoming Libi to our committee!

March Program and Workshop:

Our March 9 Program will feature Quilt Maven Dave Sirota via Zoom.

Quilt Maven Dave, a nationally respected and highly sought after lecturer and workshop instructor, will be coming to CSQG via the magic of Zoom. On March 9, 2023 Dave will present a Zoom lecture during our monthly meeting at the Delaplaine. His lecture, "What Makes a Quilter Tick?" is a fun filled look in the mirror. We will all be able to relate to some of his quilty stories!

Dave will then present his workshop using the paper piecing technique he has made famous, "No More Tears", on Saturday, March 11, again via Zoom. I am pleased to announce that this guild sponsored workshop is full. However, if you are interested in being placed on a waiting list, let Sandy know.

April Program Preview and An Exciting Announcement:

The April program will feature renown quilter, RaNae Merrill, author of Magnificent Spiral Mandala quilts. She will present a live online lecture, entitled "Magnificent Spiral Mandala quilts." Followed by her lecture, our own Helen Wasserman will do a follow-up and show some of her own lovely Mandala quilts.

Now, for the exciting announcement:

Helen is teaching a class on Mandala quilts at Sew 'N Place in Fayetteville, PA. Below is the listing that you can find on the Sew 'N Place website under classes.



Class Title: Spiral Mandala quilt

Instructor: Helen Wasserman

Dates: April 26, May 10, May 24, and June 7 11:00 – 4:00

Cost: \$200 for all four sessions

Skill Level: Advanced Beginner – Intermediate

Class Size: Minimum 3, Maximum 6

Short Description:

In this class you will design your individual Mandala quilt, choose color and fabric placement, and construct your quilt.



Long Description:

The literal translation of *Mandala* means circle. A Mandala quilt starts with a center point and the quilt radiates outward from the center geometrically. The design can be simple or complex. In this class the design will be foundation pieced.

April 26 Session One:

Explore the mandala concept by viewing various Mandala quilts. Then draw a few mandalas and find the hidden designs in your drawings. Learn how to transfer your drawing into a Mandala quilt, create wedge patterns and begin exploring color.

May 10 Session Two:

Select fabric and prepare your foundation patterns. Cut and organize fabric.

May 24 Session Three:

Create and begin sewing your Mandala quilt.

June 7 Session Four:

Finish sewing and assemble your Mandala quilt.

Skill Details:

An open, relaxed state of mind, and a willingness to let your imagination and creativity take over.

Must know how to use a domestic sewing machine.

Required Materials:

Book: Magnificent Spiral Mandala quilts by Ranae Merrill
Marti Michell Magic Mirror 4.5 X 11.5
Foundation Piecing Material – Fun-dation Transparent Quilt block Piecing Material recommended
Add a quarter ruler
Seam roller
All of above available for purchase at the store

12 inch ruler
Scissors for cutting paper
2 highlighters in different colors; orange, pink or yellow are best
Double sided tape
Glue stick
Basic sewing supplies
Sewing machine

Materials that will be helpful but not required:

Binder clips
Ziplock quart size baggies



Instructor Bio:

Helen Wasserman is a local fiber arts quilter who has been quilting for 25 years. She has studied with Ranae Merrill, the author of "Magnificent Spiral Mandala quilts", the book required for this class. Helen has been commissioned to create and make original art quilts. Her quilts have been displayed at various juried quilt shows and galleries. In addition to her love of quilting, Helen enjoys sharing her passion and skills with others.

Anyone interested in having this opportunity to expand and enhance your quilting expertise, may sign up on the Sew 'N Place website. This really is an excellent opportunity to participate in a workshop of this kind and quality. In order to maximize instructor/participant interaction, Helen is limiting the participants to a maximum of 6. If you are considering this, sign up early!

Carpools can be arranged if desired.

May Program Preview:

Our final online guild sponsored lecture and workshop will be in May. On May 11, our virtual speaker will be David Owen Hastings from Washington State. David is a modern quilter, graphic designer, and textile artist. He creates modern minimal quilts and textiles inspired by architecture, modern abstract art, and Japanese textiles and crafts. His one hour lecture is entitled, "Minimal Design, Maximum Impact." David will then conduct a virtual 3 hour workshop on Saturday, March 13, "Mini Mid-Mod Quilts".

More information to come later, but put these dates now on your calendar.

Submitted by Sandy Dunning, Chair

LAST CHANCE STASH

Wow, we had a great sale in February! Many thanks to Brenda, Marty, and others for collecting, storing, and transporting items donated from former quilters' estates to the guild meetings. We made a whopping \$235 in February. We anticipate **MANY** more items over the next 6 months – adding a fourth table to our space! Hope everyone is enjoying their bargains.



MEET-UP BEE



The first Meet-Up Bee took place in February at the Wegman's Café and we had 9 members in attendance. Everyone enjoyed visiting and working on projects.

We hope even more members will attend our March meeting:
Thursday, March 16th 3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Cugino Forno – Frederick (the former Coca Cola bottling plant)
Cugino Forno has fantastic pizza, gelato, and pastries!
1705 N. Market Street, Ste 100
Frederick, MD 21701
(240) 575-9903
There's plenty of parking

In case you missed the first meeting and announcement - We are hopeful that these monthly gatherings will appeal to members who would like to just relax, quilt, work on projects, visit, share, give/get advice and ideas, learn, inspire, laugh, support and get to know each other in a casual setting. It's open to all members, no need to RSVP... just show up 😊



All meetings will be from 3 p.m. until 5 p.m. on the third Thursday of the Month. We plan to change the location every month, so you will need to check your newsletter for monthly announcements.

March 16
April 20
May 18
June 15
July 20
August 17
September 21
October 19
November 16
December 21

Kate, Mary, and Pat

FIELD TRIP – VIRGINIA QUILT MUSEUM

Several guild members have expressed interest in traveling to the Virginia Quilt Museum for the Jinny Beyer Retrospective (which ends April 8th). So far, we have a small group planning to visit on **Friday, March 31st**. If anyone is interested in being part of the group, please e-mail Mary Pauley - pauley.mary.ann@gmail.com by March 20th. I will make a list of those interested and send the names out to all. Then individuals will be responsible for planning/figuring out their own carpooling arrangements.

If we have a large enough group, it might be nice to make a group lunch reservation nearby.

SUNSHINE NEWS

Charmaine Richman shared with me that longtime member, Cheryl Kershner, is dealing with some health issues. In addition to macular degeneration, Cheryl has terrible osteoporosis and has been bedridden for some time now. Instead of sending cards and fabric swatches, Charmaine suggests that you text Cheryl to let her know you're thinking of her. Her cell number is 301-514-1175.

Cheryl created beautiful quilts when she was able to sew. Her work was meticulous and always a joy to see. Please lift up Cheryl with your thoughts and prayers.

Thank you very kindly for being part of our caring, creative community.

Olga Schrichte, Chair Sunshine Committee



MAQ registration starts March 4, so it is time to look through the schedule and decide if you'd like to attend! Classes fill quickly, so if you have a special class you REALLY want, register early.

For full info on MAQ, see here:

<https://www.smore.com/wt543-notes-from-maq?ref=email>





BLOCK OF THE MONTH

Blocks for March will be blocks 13-18. Samples will be shown at the meeting. Stella's project for last month works just great for our BOM. It's the perfect size for our BOM. I've been using mine while making my blocks.

If you have the AccuQuilt 4 inch Mix and Match set and the Go Me cutter, these blocks will be a whiz.

Darlene Morris, Chair

PILLOWCASE PROJECT



Update on the Pillowcase Project - Please bring your completed pillowcases to the March and April meetings. This project can be supported for the whole year but the pillowcases are needed in May and this summer for camps.

The pillowcases go to the Hospice of Frederick County for their many camps for children who have lost a family member:

1. Camp Jamie - (a children's grief camp). Weekend and day-camps each year for children 6-14 who have lost a significant loved one. Attendance always varies, but we could host up to 25 children.
2. Project Christine - (A grief support group for children who lost a sibling.) We host this group once/week. The number of attendees could vary, but we might have 10 at a session. We support children from K - 12.
3. Patients with young children or grandchildren - There is always a possibility that we have a patient on our program who has young children or grandchildren who are sad about the impending death of their parent/grandparent.

The Rock Creek School in Frederick County have reached out to me asking for pillowcases. They support a group that make beds for children who do not have beds. On May 4th their will be a fundraiser for this cause - Sleep in Heavenly Peace. The target is 25 pillowcases to give to students and families who donate \$25 or more. The children would be able to choose a pillowcase with for their donations. They also would like another bunch of pillowcases for the START/END line of the walk. This would give our guild a great amount of public recognition.

Kate Lane

FUNDRAISING

Hey everyone!

All items in our RedBubble shop are 20% off from February 28th through March 7th -- if you were interested in purchasing any of the guild themed items, now is a good time!

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Find
Bargains
Here!





REDBUBBLESHOP ON SALE (Continued)

You can find our store by copying and pasting this link into your browser: <https://www.redbubble.com/people/ClusteredSpires/explore?asc=u>

Under our logo, you will see the options "Shop Products" and "Explore Designs" -- if you click "Explore Designs", you can choose the design you like best and see what products are available.

ClusteredSpires is an independent artist creating amazing designs for great products such as t-shirts, stickers, posters, and phone cases. www.redbubble.com.



Spring is on the way! Local makers' market "Frederick Made" in the FSK Hotel downtown is having a "Spring Makers Flea Market" on April 22 and 23 — we will have a table both Saturday and Sunday to clear out much of Mary Beth's stash and leftovers from Last Chance. We have been sorting for classes/kits/Community Service and select items from inventory that have not moved in over a year for clearance prices. I will have sign up sheets for those who can help at the table — it is indoors!

Jessica Halpin

PUBLICITY/PUBLIC RELATIONS

An article written by Becky Lyon about the guild's Community Service activities during the past year, accompanied by a photo taken by Jessica Halpin, was featured in the Neighbors section of Frederick NewsPost in the February 11-12, 2023 edition.

On Instagram, Jessica Halpin plans to start "Featured Member" posts. This will consist of two parts – the first part will be a tip, project, favorite technique, demo in the form of a 30-60 second video showing the member highlighting a certain project or technique – the second part will show 2-5 images of the result. Initially, the posts will be tried out to see how members feel about their usefulness and to gauge how many members are willing to participate in the posts. Joan Watkins has volunteered to go first and demo her amazing greeting cards. There is no firm date yet as to when the first post will appear, as details are still being worked out. Links to the posts will also be provided on the guild website so all members can access them.

Becky Lyon, Chair



Courtesy photo/Jessica Halpin
Key Rice, chair of the Clustered Spires Quilt Guild Community Service Committee, shows Bob LeBron, veteran coordinator at Frederick Health Hospice, some of the quilts made for veterans at the hospice.

Clustered Spires Quilt Guild donates to veterans, refugees

For THE FREDERICK NEWS-POST
Quilters have long been known for their generosity of spirit. The members of the Clustered Spires Quilt Guild (CSQG) proudly carry on that tradition by sharing their talents with each other and with the community.
Each year the CSQG Community Service Committee selects one or more organizations to receive quilts made by guild members, for distribution to those who need them in the local community. In 2022, the guild selected Veterans Hospice Care of Frederick Health Hospice to receive quilts to veterans in hospice care.
In addition, quilts were given to Lutheran Social Services of the National Capital Area (LSSNCA) for children and teens in the program to resettle Afghan refugee families.
Thirty-five quilts were made for veterans at Frederick Health Hospice (FHH) and 56 quilts were given to Lutheran Social Services.
Representatives from both organizations attended the Nov. 10 meeting of CSQG, and described their respective programs and what the gift of quilts means to those who receive them. Bob LeBron, veteran liaison at FHH explained that each quilt is packaged and presented to the veteran with a card to indicate it was hand made and is given to help provide comfort and warmth during a difficult time. Veterans' faces light up with appreciation when they receive their quilts. Christine Dean, pastor and director of community engagement for LSSNCA said that quilts will be given to children ages 2-15 and they provide warmth, comfort and a feeling of safety during the unsettling time after arrival in a foreign country.
The Clustered Spires Quilt Guild meets the second Thursday of each month at the Delaplaine Arts Center at 6:30 pm and is open to anyone who quilts or shares a love of quilting.



WYOMING

Mar-Apr., 2023 The Maryland Register
Westminster, MD

Quilt Feature by: Jean Meile

Clustered Spires Quilt Guild, Frederick, MD



The Clustered Spires Quilt Guild has a tagline: "Sharing a Love of Quilts and Quilt-Making." But these aren't just your grandmother's quilts! Although they absolutely love those, too!

From modern, traditional, art, and rag quilts, there is someone in the guild who will share and celebrate your interest. Founded in 2001, members range from beginners through experts. The guild meets monthly and also sponsors seminars, exhibitions, workshops, and more!

The year has already been busy! In February, the guild held its first pop-up market at the Delaplaine Arts Center during the Sunday Artwalk in downtown Frederick. From traditional quilts and artful wall hangings to handmade cards, mug rugs, and canvas art pieces, there was a lot for art lovers to enjoy. Missed the pop-up shop? Mark your calendar for May 7 and September 3 to join future pop-ups during the Sunday Artwalk.


Looking for another fun activity in Frederick? Sign-up for a class on "Traditional Quilting: English Paper Pieced Patches" led by guild member Jessica Halpin. Participants will create beautiful, geometric patches with this traditional quilt technique experiencing a modern renaissance. The class is Saturday, April 29 from 1-4 pm at the Delaplaine Arts Center, and registration is online at www.delaplaine.org.

For more quilting fun, join the guild's monthly meetings on the second Thursday of the month. Doors open at 6:15 p.m., and the meeting starts at 6:45 pm at the Delaplaine Arts Center at 40 S. Carroll Street in Frederick.


Additionally, the guild hosts two monthly sewing bees, annual quilt challenges, and a large biannual quilt show. They also support local charities through quilt donations. Two past recipients included the Veterans Hospice Care of Frederick Health Hospice and Lutheran Social Services of the National Capitol Area for young Afghan refugees in need of warmth and comfort.

The guild is thrilled to be a supporter of their community partners, and they welcome all community members who share their love of quilting to come and join them. For more information about upcoming events, visit clusteredspiresquiltguild.org.

"Making Magic, a Disappearing Block Sampler Quilt." - Workshop



This 6 hour workshop will be conducted like a "sew-along". There are 9 blocks and I will teach each block in turn. I will have an overhead camera, projector and screen to demonstrate how each block is cut and the pieces re-arranged. The students will take turns showing their finished blocks. The in-person students will receive handouts with pictures of 30 optional blocks that students can choose to replace any of the standard blocks in the quilt, or to make additional blocks for a larger quilt.



As each of the blocks are finished, I will show slides of what a quilt would look like made entirely of that block.

Brita Nelson
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brita@questioningquilter.com
<https://questioningquilter.com>

The guild was featured in the March-April issue of the Maryland Register. The information was supplied by Jennifer Chua.

Becky Lyon, Publicity Chair

My name is Beth Stitely and I am the current president of the Antietam Quilt Guild in Hagerstown.

Our guild is having Brita Nelson as a guest presenter and a workshop on May 10th from 9-3. We have several open spots still available and was wondering if you could get the word out to your members.

We'd love to have some of your members join us. Cost is \$55.

Please feel free to have people contact me for more info. I've included info on the workshop.

Beth Stitely
301-730-8282
Purplehooker@myactv.net

MEMBERSHIP

Wow, we now have 51 members. In February we had 39 renewals and 3 new members. Please welcome them to our guild.

Welcome Monica Spilis who has been quilting 1 1/2 years. She is a member of Friendship Star Quilt Guild as well. She hopes to be have fun, be inspired, and to improve all her quilting skills.



Marilyns Gilbert (photo at left) is from Martinsburg, WV and has been quilting for 10 years. She is hoping for new ideas, friendships and charity opportunities. She would like to improve her binding technique and is willing to share her skills on applique and bargello.

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MEMBERSHIP (Continued)



Our third new member is Rebecca Swift who lives in Accident, Md. She's been quilting for about 6 years and wants to learn, teach and have fun with us. She found us through friends, Stella Peñalver and Sandy Dunning.

Thank you to all the ladies for renewing and joining our guild.

Darlene Morris & Sandy Dunning Co-Chairs



March birthdays

- 21 Celeste Schley
- 22 Susan Heslin
- 25 Darlene Morris



SHOW & TELL... **Joan Watkins** shared the quilt made from the President's blocks she received when she was President of the guild to show one of the memorable perks of holding office in our guild. She also brought a twin-sized scrap buster quilt created using the pattern "Traffic Jam!" by Pat Sloan for the charity Sleep In Heavenly Peace.

Kathy Cramer wowed us with a beautiful and meaningful dresden plate quilt titled "Big Door Prize" created from neckties. What a creative way to commemorate a loved one!



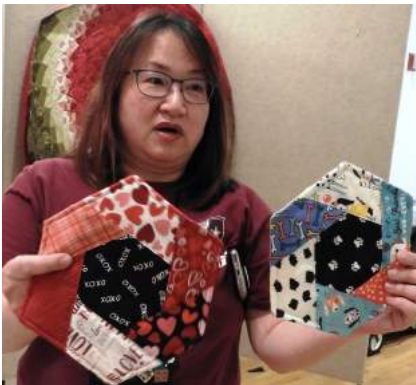
Olga Schrichte brought a sweet chocolate table runner just in time for Valentine's Day. She also showed a heart wall hanging using a pattern by Romanian quilter, Geta Grama. The fidget mat was made to be donated to the Rock Creek School in Frederick as part of Four County's Community Service project.





SHOW & TELL (Continued)... **MJ Greer** brought a collection of sweet dresses for her granddaughter's American Girl doll. They were created from various fabrics in her stash, as well as one made from a lovely fabric from our Last Chance stash table in January. The fabric happened to have a decorative selvage that made the perfect belt. She also shared a lovely wool appliqué penny rug using the pattern "The March Hare" by Bonnie Sullivan.

Barbara Ogden left us dizzied and dazzled with her beautiful round bargello quilt in a lovely array of reds and green.



Jenny Chua shared some fun and modern hexagon mug rugs that are completely machine sewn without pesky y-seams! Jenny was kind enough to print off copies of the free pattern for those in attendance to our meeting, but if you were unable to come or get a copy, you can find a tutorial here: <http://sewinlovewithfabric.blogspot.com/2016/10/mug-rug-blog-hop-day-2.html?m=1>.

Cindy Shugars' peachy keen pickle dish was a result from our workshop with Debby Kratovil in September 2021. The fabric came from an auction she and her sister attended in 2019. Her second work was the design "Topsy Turvy" from the book "3-Yard Quilts" by Donna Robertson and Fran Morgan of Fabric Café. She quilted it with an allover cacti, spurs, and stars motif, and donated it to Quilts for Kids.

Sandy Dunning scored big time from our Last Chance Stash table! All of the blocks from her pieces came from Last Chance, and after reworking and adding borders she was able to create a beautiful wall quilt, table runner, hand towels, mug rugs, AND napkins. Wow!



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SHOW & TELL (Continued)... **Fran Scher's** playful I-Spy four patch was created for a family friend's toddler — functional and fun! She quilted it with her new computerized Intelliquilter system.

Jessica Halpin shared some scrappy greeting cards made with her Cricut Maker, featuring Spring-themed cut outs. These will be going into the Delaplaine Gift Gallery as part of our guild fundraising efforts.

Nancy Woods crafted these gorgeous braided table runners from leftover pieces from a workshop long ago. These were gifted to her two lucky daughters.



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March 2	Board of Directors Meeting	Linton Shafer Warfield & Garrett	
March 9	David Sirota Lecture "What Makes a Quilter Tick?"	Zoom	www.quiltmavendave.com
March 11	David Sirota Workshop "Storm at Sea" Paper Piecing	Zoom	www.quiltmavendave.com
March 13	Sip N Sew	In Person	Sew N Place, Fayetteville, PA 10am - 4pm
March 29 - April 1	Lancaster Quilt Show @ The Wyndham		www.lancasterquiltshow.webs.com
April 10	Sip N Sew	In Person	Sew N Place, Fayetteville, PA 10am - 4pm
April 13	RaNae Merrill Lecture "Paper Piecing and Mandala"	Zoom	www.ranaemerrillquilts.com
April 16	Nimble Fingers Quilters Yard Sale, Germantown, MD		
April 22 - 23	Baltimore Heritage Quilters' Quilt Expo 4H building at the Maryland State Fair Grounds		www.baltimorequilters.com
April 26 - 29	AQS Fall Quilt Show @ Paducah, Ky		www.americanquilter.com
May 5-6	Milltown Quilters Quilt Show, Columbia MD	In Person	www.milltownquilters.com
May 8	Sip N Sew	In Person	Sew N Place, Fayetteville, PA 10am - 4pm
May 11	David Owen Hastings Lecture "Minimal Design, Maximum Impact"	Zoom	www.davidowenhastings.com
May 13	David Owen Hastings Workshop "Mini Mid Mod Quilts"	Zoom	www.davidowenhastings.com
June 1	Board of Directors Meeting	Linton Shafer Warfield & Garrett	
June 8	Cheryl See Lecture "Journey of My Work"	In Person	www.CSeesQuilts.com



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June 12	Sip N Sew	In Person	Sew N Place, Fayetteville, PA 10am - 4pm
July 10	Sip N Sew	In Person	Sew N Place, Fayetteville, PA 10am - 4pm
July 13	No Meeting - MAQ		
July 14 - 17	Mid-Appalachian Quilters Seminar		www.maqonline.org
August 4 - 5	Four County Quilters Guild Quilt Show		www.fourcountyquiltersguild.org
August 10	Kara Mason and Teri Young Lecture "The Stories in Our Quilts"	In Person	www.needleseystores.com
August 14	Sip N Sew	In Person	Sew N Place, Fayetteville, PA 10am - 4pm
September 6	Board of Directors Meeting (held on Wednesday)	Linton Shafer Warfield & Garrett	
September 11	Sip N Sew	In Person	Sew N Place, Fayetteville, PA 10am - 4pm
September 14	Rae Cumbie Lecture "Fit for Art"	In Person	www.fitforartpatterns.com
September 14 - 17	Pennsylvania National Quilt Extravaganza @ Oaks, PA		http://www.quiltfest.com/upcoming-shows-and-events/pennsylvania-national-quilt-extravaganza/
September 15-23	Great Frederick Fair	In Person	www.thegreatfrederickfair.com
October 9	Sip N Sew	In Person	Sew N Place, Fayetteville, PA 10am - 4pm
October 12	Annual Guild Challenge	In Person	
November 2	Board of Directors Meeting	Linton Shafer Warfield & Garrett	
November 9	Annual Community Service Project Presentation	In Person	
November 13	Sip N Sew	In Person	Sew N Place, Fayetteville, PA 10am - 4pm
December 11	Sip N Sew	In Person	Sew N Place, Fayetteville, PA 10am - 4pm
December 14	Annual Holiday Program	In Person	

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