

THE COMMON THREAD

A Publication of the Clustered Spires Quilt Guild

President's Notes

Just like autumn leaves swirling and falling around us, there has been a flurry of activity in our guild! We have had numerous members step up to volunteer in various roles. Welcome and thank you to Sue Heslin for filling in as interim Secretary; to Kara Jones as our Public Relations chair; to Sheila Peters and Kelly Bauer for joining the Programs Committee; to Kasey Channell, Dawn Worley, and Sheila Peters for joining the Membership Committee; and to Denise Wage-



naar and Lisa Huffman for becoming caretakers of door prizes. I am so excited to see so many members, whether new or veteran, take part in shaping our guild!

October was an exciting meeting! Not only did we get to hear about the amazing programs we have in store for next year, it was really incredible seeing all the challenge quilts. The various embellishments people used were so unique and inspiring, and really capture why many of us sought out a community of quilters. Remember that participating in these challenges and bringing your work to Show & Tell is a really wonderful way to contribute to the guild.

Speaking of contributing, our Community Service meeting is just around the corner! Be sure to have projects finished and ready to go for our November meeting. It is such a rewarding experience to have representatives from our Community Service Partners come in and talk about their organizations, as well as what these guilts mean to those they serve. Thank you to everyone who has made guilts, long armed projects for others, and helped organize these projects for this year.

The newsletter still needs one to two more volunteers, so please reach out to Brenda Barnhardt or myself if you wish to help! She is looking for someone to assist in taking high quality pictures, help take Show & Tell notes, and to learn to be a backup to publish the newsletter using her premade templates in case of emergency.

Happy Quilting! Jessica



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Next Meeting: 2nd Thursday each Month Thursday, November 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

OFFICERS

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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.





Clustered Spires Quilt Guild Meeting Minutes - October 12, 2023

The October 12, 2023 meeting began with Jessica Halpin, President, welcoming members and acknowledging our new member and guests. There were 43 people in attendance and 3 visitors. Our guests were Yen Parrott, Laurie Manthey – Silvio, Mary Ann Sapuria (SP?), and Debbie Eagling.

Jessica welcomed and acknowledged our friends from Friendship Star Quilt Guild who brought their guild's Raffle Quilt (Suma Glassman and Lori Coston).

Robin Rippeon, Treasurer, was absent so there was no verbal Treasurer's Report. However, she did send an email with the report to Jessica who then emailed it to all members.

There is a need for a new Secretary since Lynne MacCracken, our current Secretary, resigned. For this evening, Sandy Dunning took notes. Later in the meeting, Sue Heslin volunteered to be the Secretary through December.

There is also a need to have a member become the "keeper" of the Door Prize bin. Denise Wagenaar volunteered to take responsibility for storing the bin and bringing it back and forth to the meetings.

Jessica next introduced member and former President, Fran Scher, who announced that her quilt, "Einstein Tessellation" has been accepted into *Quilting Arts* magazine and will be displayed at the 2024 Quiltcon. Congratulations to Fran!

Brenda Barnhardt, Challenge Chairperson, launched the 2023 CSQG Challenge. Each person was given three buttons and asked to put a button in 3 bags by the quilt they most liked.

During the voting, Sandy and Fran, announced the Programs for 2024.

January:	Virtual Lecture, Kristin Echols "A Lesson in Every Quilt"		
February:	Member Truck Show		
March:	"Tips Tricks, and Demos - Let's Learn from Each Other!"		
April:	Virtual Lecture, Jane Haworth "Fabric Collage: What's It All About?"		
May:	In-Person Lecture "Personal Journey as an Art Quilter" by Lisa Ellis		
June:	Virtual Lecture, "What Makes a Quilt Modern?" by Carol Lyles Shaw		
July:	Community Service Sew Along		
August:	Member Trunk Show		
September:	In-Person Lecture "Seduced by Fabric: A Quilter's Story" by Lesley Riley		
October:	2024 Guild Challenge		
November:	Community Service Presentations		
December:	Annual Holiday		

December: Annual Holiday

After the voting was finished, Brenda announced the winners. First Place: Denise Wagenaar Second Place: Lidia Borquez Third Place (3 way tie): Jessica Halpin, Daryl McCrehan, Joan Watkins

After Show & Tell, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Sandy Dunning, Acting Secretary





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Clustered Spires Quilt Guild 2024 Programs

January 11, 2024: Kristin Echols



Virtual Lecture: "A Lesson in Every Quilt", kristinlaura.com

Kristin focuses on the "Quilt as You Go" method and half of the quilts she will display were quilted this way.



February 8, 2024: Member Trunk Show

Brrrrr! Bundle up and join your fellow quilters for a trunk show at the Delaplaine by several of our amazing members! (Quilt shown is by member Olga Schrichte.)

March 14, 2024: Tips, Tricks, and Demos!



Let's Learn from Each Other! Members who wish to participate will present their favorite tips, trick, tools, or techniques, including hands-on demonstrations.

April 11, 2024: Jane HaworthVirtual Lecture: "Fabric Collage: What's It All About?"

janehaworth.com

Jane will teach us about the fabric collage trend and her approach to making fabric collage. An on-demand workshop on Pet Collage will be available, date TBD.





2024 Programs (Continued)

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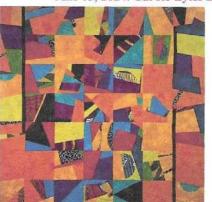
May 9, 2024: Lisa Ellis





In-Person Lecture: "Personal Journey as an Art Quilter", ellisquilts.com

Lisa is from Fairfax, Va. Her gorgeous cathedral window quilts were recently displayed at the Virginia Quilt Museum!





Virtual Lecture: "What Makes a Quilt Modern?" Carole will present principles of modern quilt design and describe trends in the modern quilt movement, with inspiring examples.

June 13, 2024: Carole Lyles Shaw



2024 Programs (Continued)

July 11, 2024: Community Service Sew-In!



August 8, 2024: Member Trunk Show



Beat the heat and join your fellow quilters for a trunk show at the Delaplaine by several of our amazing members! (Quilt shown is by member Mary Pauley.)



September 12, 2024: Lesley Riley

In-Person Lecture: "Seduced by Fabric: A Quilter's Story", lesleyriley.com

Lesley is a local Frederick artist! She will present her journey to become an artist and showcase her mixed-media creations.

October 10, 2024: Guild Challenge November 14, 2024: Community Service Presentations December 12, 2024: Holiday Celebration



FUNDRAISING

We are getting down to our last month of events! Please see below for where volunteers are needed. (Brenda Barnhardt to fill in where needed.)

Delaplaine Pop Up -

November 11, 2023 9:00 to 12:45: Jessica Halpin (Volunteer Needed) 12:30 to 4:30: Two Volunteers Needed

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Delaplaine Workshop - English Paper Pieced Patches Saturday Nov 18 | 1:00 to 4:00pm Volunteers: Jessica Halpin (2 more volunteers needed) Classroom: 2B



Baker Bell Tower



Jessica Halpin, Chair

2024 QUILT SHOW COMMITTEE



Thanks, Joan Watkins, Chair

In December 2024, we will again display our works at the Delaplaine. If you would like to be in on the early planning stages, send me a text 301-461-0348 or email joanspatches@gmail.com. The first steps will be determining a theme and looking at some logistics.

The Baker Bell Tower pattern from the

Frederick MADE work-

shop is available on the

website under Member Resources. Jessica

LAST CHANCE STASH

We will have one more Last Chance Stash sale in 2023 during the November guild meeting.

For those who are new to our guild, this sale is an opportunity for members to donate fabrics, unfinished projects, patterns, quilt books, notions, and ALL things related to quilting and crafts. Donated items are then displayed for members to purchase at very low prices.



It's a win, win, win. Members get to clear out items they no longer need, use, or love. Others purchase those great bargains (and go home so happy), and all proceeds go to support our wonderful monthly programs. I can't help but notice all the folks lately during show and tell who mention how they used fabrics found on the LCS table!

Mary Pauley, Chair



MEMBERSHIP

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Please welcome our newest member -Laurel Manthey-Silvio. She has lived in Frederick for 25 years. Has been quilting for 3 years and joined the DC Modern guild. New to quilting, she wishes to grow her skills. Interested in a longarm group. Doesn't own one but wants to learn more

about using them. She thought our line-up of speakers was exciting. Heard about us thru Facebook. Welcome to our group.

Darlene Morris, Co-Chair

LOST & FOUND

This mini iron was found at the guild meeting last month. Is anyone the owner? Contact Jessica if it's yours.



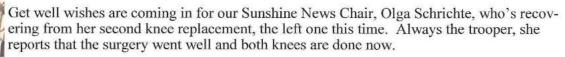
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BLOCK OF THE MONTH

Once you have completed your 72 blocks it's time to add your borders. The first border will be 1.5 inches wide. The second border will be 2.5 inches. The third border will be the pieced half square triangles which are 2.5 inches. You may decide to only add one border. The choice is yours. Happy sewing.

Darlene Morris, Chair

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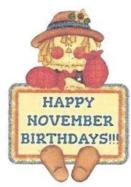


Please send cards, emails and a 5" floral fabric square to Olga to help keep her busy while she's laid up.

Olga Schrichte 2558 Bear Den Road Frederick, MD 21701 olga_schrichte@msn.com







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Mark your calendars now! Worman's Mill Community

Holiday Arts & Crafts Fair

Saturday, November 18th, 2023

10:00 am – 3:00 pm Worman's Mill Clubhouse – 2470 Stony Creek Road, Frederick



20+ Local Artists & Crafters Find one of a kind, hand crafted gifts for everyone on your list!

Our guild will have a fundraising table of handmade and quilted items at this annual sale in Wormans Mill, Saturday, November 18th. Please help us get the word out and increase our sales. Tell all your family, friends and neighbors...everyone is welcome.

Thank you, Mary Pauley



2023 GUILD CHALLENGE RESULTS ARE IN

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This year's buttons and embellishments Guild Challenge is in the books. We had 19 entries as diverse and imaginative as usual. We are lucky to have such talented members of our guild. First prize went to Denise Wagenaar. Her four-piece fabric sculpture was made from preprinted panels with extensive embellishments and buttons from her bountiful collection.

Second place went to Lidia Borquez with her colorful hummingbird design with weeping flowers.

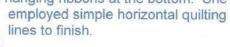
We had a three-way tie this year, proving how hard it was decide on the best ones. First was Jessica Halpin who did an Alice looking through the keyhole theme. The wall quilt was even in the shape of a keyhole and had a lot of hand applique (not her favorite method) and folded fabric flowers.

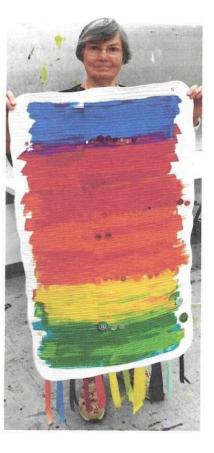
Next was Daryl MacCrehan's, with a pieced black and white background in medium sized prints with yellow, red and orange poppies appliqued over.



And finally, the third, third place winner was Joan Watkins who used a colorful brushstroke printed fabric with buttons and hanging ribbons at the bottom. She









2023 GUILD CHALLENGE (Continued)

Below are the other entries... Darlene Morris's jelly fish with lacy trim, Julie Howell with a landscape of mountains, flowers and stream with fish. Patricia Cronin made 4 small quilts: 2 birds, flamingos, trees and a seascape.





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2023 GUILD CHALLENGE (Continued)... Mary Pauley made a dramatic phases of the moon wall quilt. Julia Triman showed her tree of life with free motion quilting. Marilys Gilbert used a lot of different elements for a moody seascape that Kelly Bauer showed in Marilys's absence. Sandy Dunning did a Halloween themed quilt appropriate for the month. And finally Sheila Peters made a cute dog sweater with photo to illustrate. Thank you everyone and I hope you'll be inspired to enter something next year.

We will likely feature the 2023 Challenge Quilts in our 2024 Delaplaine Quilt Show. Brenda Barnhardt, Chair











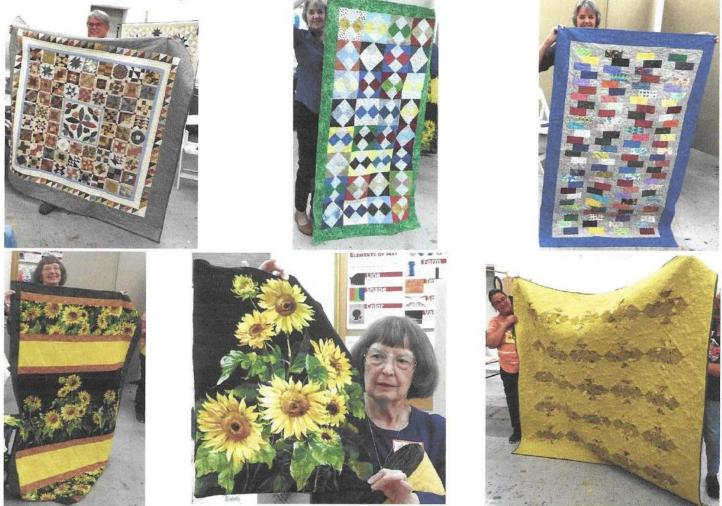


Meeting photos... Suma Glassman and Lori Coston from Friendship Star Guild were our guests to sell tickets to their raffle guilt.





Show & Tell... Danita Frisby amazed us by not only beautifully finishing, but hand quilting her 2023 Block Of The Month! Linda Beavers shared two lovely and cuddle-worthy quilts headed to Stockman, along with bags.



Linda McNey scored some gorgeous sunflower fabric from our Last Chance table which she turned into a cheerful quilt for Stockman, complete with a charming sunflower patch on the back. Dot White shared a stunning quilt inspired by an antique quilt shown at the September meeting, held up with her sister whom it was made for. The quilting was adorable lizards.

Olga Schrichte made a smaller version of her beaufor her son. It was finished by mounting on canvas using Cindy Grisdela's method.

Barbara Scuderi shared her colorful and joyful Stockman quilt. She also shared some cute crossbody projects made from panels picked up from Charlotte's Quilt Cottage.

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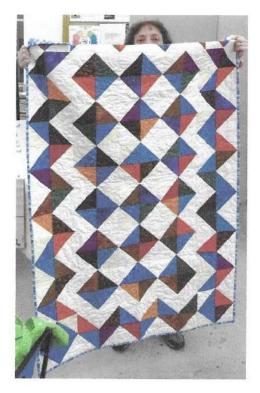




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Show & Tell... Nancy Speck's violet vision and coordinating tote was created for Stockman. Lisa Huffman showed her Stockman quilt, a beautiful arrangement of half-square triangles. Darlene Morris showed the current progress on Block of the Month, as well as one of the smaller samplers done in fall colors that won a second place ribbon at the Frederick Fair!









Show & Tell (Continued)... Darlene also showed another small sampler that is almost complete, as well as another beautiful entry to the Frederick Fair. Darlene then shared a stunning piece made with an incredible find from our Last Chance Table, a kit using a polygon table for the pattern "Channeling MC Escher" by Gyleen X. Fitzgerald.













2023 CALENDAR OF EVENTS				
November 2	Board of Directors Meeting	Linton Shafer Warfield & Garrett		
November 9	Annual Community Service Project	In Person		
	Presentation			
November 13	Sip N Sew	In Person	Sew N Place, Fayetteville, PA 10am - 4pm	
November 30	Wanna Bees	In Person	Location TBD Monthly	
December 11	Sip N Sew	In Person	Sew N Place, Fayetteville, PA 10am - 4pm	
December 14	Annual Holiday Program	In Person		
December 28	Wanna Bees	In Person	Location TBD Monthly	

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