

## **Four County Quilters Guild**

## Mount Airy, Maryland

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# October 11, 2022 Meeting Agenda MASKS OPTIONAL

6:30 Sew"cial Time to Meet and Greet

Demo by Melinda Horner: Using Caran D'Arche Crayons

7:00 Welcome & Acknowledge Birthdays

**Approve September Minutes** 

Treasurer's Report

Old Business: "Quilts in the Park" Accolades

7:15 Guest Speaker: Australian Designer Stacy Fielke

8:15 A Quick Break

8:20 Old Business--Continue Approval of By-Law Revisions

8:30 New Business--Approval of Purchases, Zoom Use Update

8:45 Door Prizes & Show & Tell

9:00 Meeting Adjourned & Cleanup

## **President's Message**

Inspiration for quilting is everywhere! Last month I was on vacation touring in Scotland, and one of the highlights of the trip was visiting Pollok House near Glasgow. This was the ancestral home of the Maxwell clan and is now a museum which houses the United Kingdom's largest collection of Spanish art. We had a private tour of the downstairs servants 'areas where a staff of about one hundred once cared for the castle and its three family members.

As we passed through one of the servant's bedrooms, a single bed draped with an "antique" log cabin quilt was featured—I think I was the only one in the group who truly appreciated the quilt! Then we moved on to the linen room where the docent shared examples of white/cream handkerchiefs, nightgowns, under garments, gloves, table linens etc., describing the steps that the servants would have taken to keep the fabrics looking pristine. Each day as chamber pots were emptied, some of the urine was saved and dabbed on the linens to remove stains. Then the fabrics were hung in the sun to dry and whiten. You can imagine our tour



group's reaction to this laundering technique! So, I'm sharing this tip from a long-gone era for you to consider adding to your box of tricks for quilting! Do report back to the guild if you try it out!

Marilyn Whalen, President

## **Pre-Meeting Demo at October Meeting**

There will be a pre-meeting demo at the September meeting. This demo will show the process, technique, and ideas using Caran D'Ache Crayons. This simple art of using PFD (Prepared for Dyeing) Kona fabric, tracing, coloring, scrub painting with water turns your colored image into watercolor on fabric. You will see the "magic" of these crayons. There will be an opportunity for members who are interested in participating in a future free workshop at a Local Library. The Document Camera will be used for this Demo.



### Quilts in the Park - Another Great Year!

To Everyone who helped pull off Quilts in the Park this year, Thank You! We had a beautiful day, beautiful quilts, and the wonderful company of friends, and guests.

I especially thank all of those that got there early, hung clothes lines, hung quilts, and set the pavilion up for dazzling Demo's. My list of helpers is long, my appreciation is longer. Our Challenge was 'Wildlife of North America' and boy was there wildlife! With 30 entrees and three judges counting buttons. But each entry was amazing, I hope you each can bring them to guild so we can hear the story behind each one.

You never stop amazing me my fellow quilters in what you create with needle and thread.









#### **Wildlife Challenge Complete**

Thanks to everyone who entered a quilt or other quilted item in the North American Wildlife Challenge at Quilts in the Park. We had thirty entries and 127 voters.

The winners were:

1st Place winner: Vicki Brewer (A Clamshell quilt with hidden creatures representing Piney Run)

2nd Place winner: Sue Heslin (Night Watchman with sleeping wildlife and an alert owl)

3rd Place winner: Bonny Kindt (Center with a scene of a walk in the woods surrounded by hidden wildlife)

Photos of the entries and winners are on our guild's web page. Congratulations to all the winners and participants.



LOST: 1 red vinyl sleeve for storing a camp chair Please return to Annette Dietrich

FOUND: 1 two-step metal step ladder--see Marilyn Whalen

1 green/gold/rust tablecloth (gold leaves on it)--see Marilyn Whalen

#### **Quilt Show 2023 - Seeking Vendors**

Information regarding our August 2023 Quilt Show is now posted on our *website*. (Thanks, Ann Marie!) Specifically, there is information for vendors who may wish to vend at the show. Along with general information, photos of the church auditorium and a diagram of the proposed layout, vendors may also access the application directly from the site. Here's how to find the page:

- Click More in the website heading area.
- Scroll down past Fun and Free.
- Click Want to Be a Vendor.

<u>Want a specific vendor to be present at our show?</u> Please contact them (A personal phone call is always best!) and direct them to our website for information and application. My contact information is available on the site with the information and application. Alternately, you may also directly refer them to me:

Sandy Dunning <a href="mailto:sdunning0117@gmail.com">sdunning0117@gmail.com</a>
Telephone and Text: 978-806-7894

We are discovering that vendors are more reluctant to vend in person now that Zoom and Online sites are becoming more popular. Reaching out to one of your preferred vendors may be just the nudge they need! It takes all of us to make a Quilt Show successful. Helping us entice vendors is one way any member can contribute to our success! Thanks, in advance, to any member who assists in our effort to attract quality vendors!

## **Clustered Spires Quilt Guild Exhibit**

The Colors of Our World
December 3-31, 2022
The Delaplaine Arts Center
40 South Carroll St., Frederick, MD 21701
301-698-0656
https://delaplaine.org/
Mon-Sat 9-5
Sun 11-5
Closed Dec 25-26



## **Opportunity Quilt Update**



We have had a very busy September with the Opportunity Quilt! Boonsboro Days the second weekend, Quilts in the Park the third weekend, Middletown Heritage Days the fourth weekend and Brunswick Railroad Days the first weekend in October! I am so appreciative for the volunteers who have traveled around with me to make this possible. We started selling tickets at the end of last year but got off to a slow start as guilds were not meeting in person and when meetings resumed they were not well attended. So, we had to seek other opportunities!

With our raffle drawing scheduled to take place at the December banquet we are "coming down the home stretch" but still have tickets to sell to meet our goal. If you haven't picked up your tickets, please see me at our next meeting or give me a call and I will get them to you!

Thanks! Sue Heslin

## Mini Bargello Sunflower Quilt Workshop

https://quiltsbyjen.ca/workshops-seminars-and-trunk-shows/mini-sunflower-bargello-quilt-class/

Above is a link that describes the Mini Bargello Sunflower Quilt workshop that is scheduled to be taught by Jennifer Houlden. The overall cost of the workshop is \$450; if we can attract 15 participants the cost would be \$30. Tentatively the workshop would be scheduled in March 2023. It is recommended that sessions be done over Three (3) Zoom sessions.

**Session 1** (1 hour) will be a presentation about supplies, choosing fabrics and discussion on the level of pre-work required for session 2.

Session 2 (3 hours) focuses on making the Bargello as well as some other bonus material.

**Session 3** (3 hours) focuses on creating the flower, quilting the background and stitching the flower in place.



All sessions have both slideshow presentations and live demos with lots of time for sewing and asking questions. Jennifer recommends a week between sessions for participants to complete their homework and be ready for the next session.

Currently, only two guild members have indicated an interest in the workshop. To make the class cost effective 13 more participants are needed. If you are interested in the Mini Bargello workshop, please email me at rhonda.madden@fourcountyquilters.org subject line Bargello Sunflower workshop. Please respond as soon as possible so that I can confirm Jennifer's availability in March 2023.

## **October Library Bee**

Please email Melinda at <a href="mailto:hornermelinda@yahoo.com">hornermelinda@yahoo.com</a> to let her know that you are coming. To continue to reserve these spaces, we must make use of them.

#### Mt. Airy Public Library

October 22, 2022 - Large Meeting Room 10 am - 4 pm



#### I Found A Quilted Heart

In last month's newsletter, Marilyn Whelan told us about something quilty she had discovered. Recently another member came across it again! Take a minute to visit:

https://www.facebook.com/IFoundAQuiltedHeart/

## **Upcoming Quilt Shows**

| Upcoming 2022 Quilting Events |                            |                                     |
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| Nov 4-6                       | Fall Harvest of Quilts     | Everybody's Quilt Guild (see below) |
| Nov 11-12                     | Tidewater Quilt Guild Show | www.tqgva.org                       |



Currently, all FCQG Meetings are being held at Calvary United Methodist Church in Mt. Airy. Additionally, the meetings will be on Zoom for those who are more comfortable with that format. Join us the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month!

How to connect: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4041727482?pwd=aStPV0tMQy9COTR2UEt2UGJ6NFA2UT09

Meeting ID: 404 172 7482
Passcode: 4cqgisfun
Phone Number: 301-715-8592,
Meeting ID: 4041727482#

Password: 800720123# US (Washington D.C)

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#### Minutes 4CQG—Sept 13, 2022

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Marilyn Whalen, President.

Visitor, Diane Janoski was introduced and welcomed.

September birthdays were recognized.

A motion to approve the August meeting minutes was made by Kristi Dillard and seconded by Kay Worley. The minutes were unanimously approved.

#### **Old Business:**

Bingo: The tickets are sold out! If you have tickets you will not need, Marilyn has a waiting list of people looking for tickets and can match you with someone. Thanks to our members who have been very generous in contributing quilts of varied sizes. Our bees have contributed eight beautiful raffle baskets, 50 door prizes and we have a number of smaller quilts to award as consolation prizes. Any additional door prizes should be given to Sue Deiringer-Boyer.

Annette Dietrich is circulating a sign-up list for homemade desserts to be sold at the Bingo. Please bring whole cakes or pies—they will be sliced and wrapped at the event. Cookies, brownies, cupcakes, etc., will be wrapped and plated at the event, too. The Bingo will be held at Mt. Airy Auxiliary Fire Hall on October 9, beginning at 12:00 PM.

Quilts in the Park: Our guild will be displaying quilts at Piney Run Park on Saturday, Sept 17. On Sept 15 at 7:00 PM, there will be a final meeting of the committee via Zoom. Bonny Kindt asked for members to hang quilts and provide security.

Robyn Keyser reminded everyone about the North American Wildlife Challenge. Quilts should arrive by 10:00 AM. Voting will take place between 10 AM and 1:30 AM. Prizes are \$100, \$75, and \$50 for first, second, and third place based on number of votes.

#### **New Business**:

Everybody's Quilt Guild joined us with their raffle quilt, a large quilty basket and a Featherweight machine!

Ellie Sienkiewicz will be inducted into the Quilters' Hall of Fame in 2023.

Baltimore Applique Society is reopening their in-person meetings.

Eldersburg Library will be available from 9 AM to 4 PM on Sept. 24 for any members who wish to sew there.

There will be a board meeting, via Zoom, on Sept 20 at 7 PM. All members are encouraged to participate. Topics include our storage closet and continuance of Zoom meetings-see newsletter for additional discussion topics.

Marilyn extended a huge "Thank You" to Melinda Horner for picking up and delivering our Cherry Blossom Challenge quilts to the Oaks Quilt Show in PA.

Our speaker, Becky Goldsmith, was introduced by Marilyn. Becky presented a lecture entitled, "A Practical Guide to Color". She explained monochromatic color scheme and the color wheel and left us with the directive to "impose order on chaos".

After time for refreshments and socialization, door prizes were won by Karen Gladfelter, Margaret Minton, Joan Watkins, Cathy Turner, Sandra Horst, Megan Mathews, Phyllis H. and Fran Dunn.

#### Show and Tell-

Carol Yonetz, Megan Mathews, Robyn Keyser, Margaret Minton, Annette Dietrich, Ann Marie Schmelter, Joan Watkins, Diane Janoski, Ann and Helen Layton, Olga Schrichte, and Janel Jenkins each shared their fabulous quilts that were finished this month. Additionally, Terry Sipes, a first-year quilter, shared her quilt. Finally, Megan Harris shared a quilt that she has made for the Tunnels to Towers Project.

An announcement was made regarding a silent auction for charity for Thanksgiving. It will be held at the First Presbyterian Church in Frederick on Saturday, October 1.

The meeting closed at 9:00 PM.



#### **BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

The Board Meeting was held on September 20, 2022 at 7:00PM via Zoom.

#### **Discussion Topics:**

- 1. Should we extend the hours for the church rental period from 6:00 9:00PM for our monthly meetings? This will allow time for the set-up of technology before the meeting, as well as provide more time for show-and-tell. This was approved by a majority vote.
- 2. Should guest speakers be limited to 45-minutes of presentation time and 15 minutes for Q and A? This was approved by a majority vote.
- 3. Discussion of how to expedite the Show-and Tell portion of monthly meetings.
  - Should there be a microphone stand on the stage for those who are sharing?
  - Could there be designated quilt wranglers for each meeting?
  - Could the quilts be displayed both before and during the meeting?
  - Can 3 members share at one time on stage?

## 4. Storage Closet Discussion

Marilyn recently cleaned out and organized the storage closet. She found a camera, a printing dock, an omnigrid ruler, and some thread.

A note will be put in the newsletter regarding these items. If these items are not claimed in a timely manner, they will be discarded.

500 business cards were also found. These had old website information. The discussion included whether the cards should be discarded, or should each of them be corrected to reflect the new website information. Two members volunteered to edit the cards, but no final decision was made to order new cards.

Should the Guild purchase an additional storage closet? Marilyn stated that she would ask the church for permission to place another closet on the stage.

#### 5. Website Host

Our current website host is GoDaddy. There was a discussion to continue to pay for registration with this host. It was voted and approved to continue using GoDaddy, which will allow us to retain our domain name.

#### 6. Opportunity Quilt

a.) Discussion of Space to Display Quilt at Bingo (October 9)

Although many members shared their opinions, no decision was ultimately made regarding this topic.

#### b.) Additional Quilt Tickets

Should more tickets be printed for the Opportunity Quilt? In anticipation of active ticket sales, it was decided to print 500 additional tickets.

#### 7. By-Law Discussion

Mary Jo Richmond requested 15 minutes during the October meeting for By-Law discussion.

- 8. Continuation of Zoom Availability for Monthly Meetings
  - a.) Megan Harris is stepping down as the Zoom coordinator. It was proposed that a committee of 5 members be trained to handle the technology-related duties for meetings.
  - b.) Sandy Duncan offered the use of her personal Zoom account for Guild use, but that was not approved. The Board decided to purchase their own subscription.
  - c.) A motion was made by Mary-Jo Richmond to terminate Zoom presentation to members as of December 1, 2022. Tessa Gordon seconded this motion. The final vote was 13 in favor, and 3 opposed.
  - d.) As a result, it was determined that those members who choose to only attend monthly meetings via Zoom after December 1, would be refunded their membership fees, or they can choose to attend the in-person meetings and keep their membership active.

#### 9. Technology

- a.) Marilyn expressed a need for a projector at a cost of \$200 \$500. Bonny Kindt made a motion to purchase a projector for an amount of no more than \$600. Sue Heslin seconded this motion. There were 14 votes in favor, and 2 against. The projector will be purchased this month.
- b.) Mary-Jo notified the Board that we will need 3 individual internet hotspots for the quilt show in August, 2023. These can be loaned from the local library if requested in advance. This will be included in future discussions.

#### 10. Festivals

- a.) Sue Heslin expressed a need for a canopy with fold-down sides, a table and 2 chairs, brochures about our Guild, and small quilty items. These items are used at various festivals and outdoor venues throughout the area.
- b.) These items will be priced for future discussion. It was decided to also ask Guild members if they have any of these items they could share with the Guild.
- c) Sue Heslin also requested a durable, weatherproof sign to be used on the front of the table to identify our Guild. The current sign, designed by Carol Yonetz, is in our storage closet.

## 11. Consignment Table Option

a.) Linda Dickenson proposed offering a member sales table at our quilt show in August, 2023. Members could sell items at the table, with 10% of the proceeds benefiting the Guild. All items would be juried and vetted by the sales table committee prior to any items being offered for sale.

#### 12. New Activities

There was a short discussion regarding future workshops and Guild sew-ins. One suggestion was to create a "Mystery" quilt.