



Four County Quilters Guild

Mount Airy, Maryland

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FourCountyQuilters.org



September 2023

September 12, 2023

Meeting Agenda

- 6:30 Snack & Chat
Demo by Joan Watkins: Repeat of her Quilt Show demo on fabric notecards
 Sign up to bring a side dish if you're coming to the Picnic on Sat., September 16.
 Small toiletries donations—Laura Mombay collecting
- 7:00 Welcome and Acknowledge September Birthdays
- 7:10 Guest Speaker: Amy Hunt of Heritage Frederick
 Current Exhibit: "Stitches Through Time"
 For more info: frederickhistory.org
- 8:00 Stretch Break
- 8:05 Old Business: Approval of August Minutes
 Treasurer's Report
 Quilt Show Wrap Up & Financial Report
- 8:10 New Business: Committee Updates
- 8:35 Door Prizes
- 8:40 Show & Tell
- 9:00 Adjourn

President's Message

Since our last meeting, I spent five days in Orlando enjoying Epcot, the Magic Kingdom and Hollywood Studios with my husband and two granddaughters. Yes—it was very, very hot! More importantly, though, I must report a startling bit of info. Though Disney markets every conceivable item with their brand, while in the park I saw no evidence of quilting on small, souvenir items . . . nothing on mugs, nothing on t-shirts, nothing on jewelry, etc. I felt a bit of a let down until one lady in the throng of visitors walked past me shouldering a cloth tote that featured a beautiful quilt block in soft golds and creams. That tote made me think of our Quilt Show crafts and right away I realized something—Disney needs our Linda Dickinson to create a "Disneyporium" for them! With her creative mind, the possibilities would be endless to make Mickey's land even more magical!



Marilyn Whalen



Birthdays

Sharon Harris
 Jeanne Luke
 Marilyn Whalen
 Carol Buswell
 Susan Vrahoretis
 Janie Tegeler



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SEPTEMBER PRE-MEETING DEMO

Many of you missed the fabulous demos at our quilt show because you were helping run the show. Now is your chance to attend one of the demos! Joan Watkins has graciously agreed to a repeat performance of her demo. This month Joan will be doing a demo on how to make fabric notecards. Please join Joan to learn how to make beautiful cards that you can send to your quilty friends.



The demo will start at 6:30 on September 12th in the back corner of the room we meet in at the church.

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING REMINDER



Our quarterly board meeting will be held via zoom on Tuesday, September 19, at 7:00. Everyone is encouraged to attend using the same Zoom link that is listed in each newsletter.

The agenda will be emailed to members a few days before the meeting. Contact Marilyn Whalen@ president@fourcountyquilters.org if you have any items to include on the agenda for discussion.

COMMITTEE SIGN-UPS

This spreadsheet shows the 2023-2024 Committee Sign-ups so far.



FCQG Committees July 1, 2023–June 30, 2024 (as of 9/1/23)

Committees: 7/1/23 - 6/30/24	Budget (if applicable)	Chairperson(s)	Members	Additional Members Needed
Bee Keeper		Chris Daily		0
Bylaws & Policy and Procedures Manual				5
Communications—Ad Hoc		Sue Heslin		0
Communications—Technology at Meetings (AV/PA/Zoom)			Pool of Helpers: Mary Jo Richmond, Leslie Cole, Sue-Dieringer-Boyer, Maureen Dixon, Bonny Kindt	2
Communications—Facebook		Kristina Crowe		0
Communications—Newsletter	xxxx	Leslie Cole		0
Communications—Sunshine Committee	xxxx	Ruth Poffenberger		0
Communications—Website	xxxx	Ann Marie Schmelter		0
Door Prizes	xxxx	Ann Marie Schmelter		0

Guild Challenges—1 Challenge at \$225 or 2 Challenges at \$225 each	xxxx	Kristi Dillard	Diane Janoske, Linda Dickinson, Mary Gulas	0
Historian				1
Hospitality (Refreshments)	xxxx	Linda Beavers	Sept - Marilyn Whalen, ?, ? Oct - Diane Janoske, Sue Dieringer-Boyer, ? Nov - Leslie Cole, Cindy Forrest, Ann Layton Jan - Vicki Brewer, ?, ? Feb - Emi Izquierdo, Ami O'Hara, Cortni Robinson Mar - Pie Night! Apr - ?, ?, ? June - ?, ?, ?	11
Ice Cream Social—August 2024	xxxx	Ann Layton & Karen Phillips	Deb Cera, Mary Gulas	0
Library Bees				
May Banquet & Annual Meeting—May 14, 2024	xxxx		Deb Cera, Mary Jo Richmond, Sandy Dunning	5
Membership	xxxx	Mary Jo Richmond	Kristi Dillard, Amanda Mosko	0
Nominations for Officers—Spring 2024				3
Opportunity Quilt 2024—Marketing 2024				
Opportunity Quilt 2024—Creation 2023-2024				
Parliamentarian		Nancy Willett		0
Philanthropy 2023-2024	xxxx		Carol Zahorodny, Sue Dieringer-Boyer	3
Photographers				2
Picnic—Fall 2023 (in place of May 2023 Banquet)	xxxx	Karen Carpenter	Sue Heslin, Kristina Crowe, Robin Keyser, Linda Dickinson, Roberta Christie, Marilyn Whalen	0
Pre-Meeting Demos (6:45-7:00)		Karen Carpenter	Maryjean Spencer	0
Programs/Workshops	xxxx	Robin Keyser (Vice President)	Vicki Brewer, Karen Carpenter, Sandy Dunning, Sue Heslin	0
Quilt Bingo—Sunday, October 27, 2024 (12:00-6:00)	xxxx	Marilyn Whalen	Carol Collins, Marty Simmons, Linda Dickinson, Karen Carpenter, Sue Dieringer-Boyer, Sandy Dunning, Sue Heslin	2
Quilt Show—Summer 2025	xxxx		Vicki Brewer	14
Quilts in the Park <u>or</u> Picnic—Summer/Fall 2024	xxxx		Kristi Dillard, Leslie Cole, Ann Layton	3
Retreats—Guild Sponsored (Pecometh, Hallowell, etc.)			Marty Simmons, Marilyn Whalen	0
Service Projects	xxxx	Carol Zahorodny	Mary Jo Richmond, Mary Gulas, Linda Beavers, Ann Layton	0

Spring Tea—May/June 2024 (Free tent—contact Janie Benton)	xxxx	Karen Carpenter & Kristi Dillard	Linda Dickinson, Megan Myers, Emi Izquierdo, Mary Gulas	1
Welcome at Meetings (New Members & Visitors)			Kristi Dillard, Maryjean Spencer, Vicki Brewer	1
Winter Celebration—December 12, 2023	xxxx		Linda Dickinson, Amanda Mosko, Mary Gulas, Marilyn Whalen, Ami O’Hara, Cortni Robinson	2
Yard Sale—Fall 2023			Linda Dickinson, Terry Sipes	1

I have highlighted in red the jobs that need volunteers right away to get the task started.

This year, Melinda Horner is not able to take on projects she has been doing for the guild so please note that I have added two jobs (and their descriptions) to the Committee Sign-up Genius Sheet. First, one member is needed to set up the library bees. Next, a committee is needed to plan out the next Opportunity Quilt . . . we already have the fabric and pattern.

If you are willing to help, please go to the guild’s website (fourcountyquilters.org) and under “More” click on “Committee Sign-ups.” The link to the sign-up sheet will be there and you can “Sign Up” for jobs for which you will help. Email or call me if you need help with signing up: (president@fourcountyquilters.org or (phone number in directory).

Marilyn Whalen

SEPTEMBER SPEAKER

Please join us as we host Amy Hunt of Heritage Frederick, who will speak about the current exhibit "Stitches Through Time" at the Museum of Frederick County History at 24 E. Church Street in Frederick.

A few words from the Heritage Frederick website:

The “Stitches Through Time” exhibit explores one story of women’s work, interpreting the history of textile production up to the 1950s. It features a beautiful selection of hand-sewn quilts and clothes from the 1800s; equipment, advertising, photographs, and ephemera from the factory era; and selections of mid-20th century clothing by Claire McCardell that reflect the department store culture that emerged after World War II. Ten wedding dresses spanning 100 years showcase the themes in our story.



For more information, visit Heritage Frederick's website at:

frederickhistory.org

DONATIONS NEEDED:



Do you have travel sized toiletries leftover from your summer trip? I would love to take them off your hands! I will be taking up a collection of these items at the September Guild Meeting to donate for the use of female mentally ill inmates at the Montgomery County Correctional Facility where I work. I can take hotel or travel sized shampoo, conditioner, body wash, lotion, toothpaste and soap. I am **not** able to take full-size toothbrushes, mouthwash, dental floss/picks, sewing kits, or deodorant for security reasons. I would also love to have packages of white cotton socks (no colors, please) or white cotton underwear in a variety of sizes. We have a large number of mentally ill people in the jail system who have very little and if not for their mental illness and/or homelessness, probably would not be there. Thank you so much from me and my team for any donation of items you are able to make.

Laurie Mombay

FOUR COUNTY QUILTERS GUILD 35th ANNIVERSARY PICNIC

The Guild will be celebrating our 35th anniversary with a picnic in Kemptown Park on Saturday, September 16th from noon till 4pm. We plan to eat at 1pm.

The Guild will provide chicken, a sheet cake, chips, and drinks.

At the September meeting, we will invite members to sign up to bring a side dish or a vegetarian dish. Additionally, we would like 2-3 non-cake desserts.

If you are coming to the picnic and did not sign up at the August guild meeting, contact Karen Carpenter at (contact info in guild directory). Remember, we have invited the men who helped at the quilt show to join us at no charge. Please let Karen know if your husband/significant other will be coming. To place our food order, the committee would like a final attendance count by Saturday, September 9.

Coral is the gem for the 35th anniversary, so we are giving out a fat eighth of coral fabric for you to incorporate into a 10½" quilt block that will finish at 10 inches. You can find pattern ideas on Riley Blake's website. The Riley Blake Block Challenge website has 48 free 10" finished (10 1/2" unfinished) block patterns available for download. The patterns are simple and one page. At the link, choose a year to look at that year's patterns. There are three years with 16 blocks for each year. The link is: <https://www.rileyblakedesigns.com/block-challenges>

Make the block with white or some coordinating colors. At the picnic, all blocks will be entered into a drawing. The winner will receive all the blocks to make her own quilt. We will have special archive pens at the picnic so that everyone can sign her block.

You can contact Kristina Crowe to obtain a piece of coral fabric at (contact info in guild directory).

For Show & Tell, bring a quilt that was not in our quilt show. We will also have some fun games and prizes to help us celebrate 35 years.

The address is Kemptown Park, 3456 Kemptown Road, Monrovia, MD—pavilion number 3. The park is located behind Kemptown Elementary School and shares a driveway with the school.

There are plenty of picnic tables in the pavilion; however, you are welcome to bring lawn chairs.

Also, there are some electrical outlets and a water faucet available.

Hope to see you there!

Karen Carpenter



QUILTER WANTED

One of our quilt show attendees contacted the guild via the website, looking for someone to make a baby boy quilt. If you are interested, please contact Sue Hecht at suehecht@aol.com.

DAVID SIROTA WORKSHOP ON SEPTEMBER 23

Here is an update on the popular David Sirota Virtual Workshop on September 23.

At the request of several members from both Clustered Spires Quilt Guild and Four County Quilt Guild, this workshop was scheduled for the Collide-O-Scope Quilt. This is one of David's newer workshops and provides a method for making what used to be a complex quilt pattern with lots of curves into a much simpler method, without even one curve - all straight lines!

Originally all the spots were filled. However, due to some last minute cancellations there are currently 6 openings for this Zoom workshop on September 23 from 10:00 - 4:00. Cost is \$40 for the entire workshop.

David's workshops are not only instructional, but also a lot of fun! Please consider joining your fellow guild members and create this amazing quilt!

If you are interested in signing up for one of these spots, please let Sandy Dunning know by email or text/phone.

Email: in guild directory

Text/phone: in guild directory

Payment may be made by PayPal on the Clustered Spires website or by mailing a check to the guild treasurer:
(Contact Sandy Dunning for Clustered Spires contact information)

CHALLENGE QUILTS AT MANCUSO IN OAKS, PA

Come to the Pennsylvania National Quilt Extravaganza September 14-17, 2023, in Oaks, PA to see our Spring Challenge quilts on exhibit!

Kristi Dillard

UPCOMING EVENTS

September 9 - 10, 2023 Schuylkill County Quilters Guild "It Takes Two" Quilt Show Walk In Arts Center 220 Parkway, Schuylkill Haven, PA 10 am - 5 pm

September 23, 2023 Helping Hands Quilt Guild, Wyoming United Methodist Church, Dover, DE - 9 am - 4 pm
"Gathering Piece by Piece" Quilt Show
Anna Maria Horner will present "Anna's Blueprint Quilting" Lecture/Trunk Show for all attendees at 1 pm.

October 13 -15, 2023 "Sew Many Colors" Fall Festival of Quilts Brookhaven Municipal Building 2 Cambridge Rd, Brookhaven, PA 10am - 4 pm

November 4 - 5 2023 Quilting on the L9ne Quilt Guild " Autumn Ribbons" Quilt Show
Jarrettsville Fire Co. 3825 Federal Hill Rd, Jarrettsville, MD 10am - 5pm

LIBRARY SEW-IN DATES



Mount Airy Large Meeting Room at Mount Airy Branch on September 30, 2023 at 12:30pm to 4:30pm

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 2nd Tuesday of each month!

HOW TO CONNECT: (NOTE: NEW ZOOM INFORMATION)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4041727482?pwd=MkVNRDdTVmhVTIZTTWdwL3J2VkZ6dz09>

Meeting ID: 404 172 7482

Passcode: Quilts2022

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Meeting ID: 404 172 7482

Passcode: 4209865904

Find your local number: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/kdC67U3FCK>

Other Guild Contacts

Mary Jo Richmond, Membership

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Four County Quilters' Guild Meeting Minutes–August 8, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 7.03 by Marilyn Whalen, President.

Two new members were welcomed – Kim Petty and Carol Stacey.

Members with an August birthday were invited to take a complimentary fat quarter from the birthday box.

The guest speakers were introduced by Robin Keyser, our new Vice President. Terri Young and Kara Mason of “Through the Needle's Eye” presented a trunk show of their collected and original quilts. They have enjoyed a friendship and working relationship for over 20 years. Their first quilts together were “stories” told in fabric. Using applique, ribbonwork, and embroidery, they were able to portray fairy tales and other stories. Terri was a member of 4CQG about 15 years ago and even won our 20th anniversary challenge! More recently, they are designing patterns and teaching classes.

OLD BUSINESS:

Kristina Crowe noted that there was an error in the July newsletter stating that FCQG is celebrating our 35th Anniversary. We are, in fact, celebrating our 36th Anniversary! With that change, a motion was made by Sue Dieringer-Boyer to approve the minutes. It was seconded by Kay Worley and approved by a majority!

Treasurer's Report: Annette Dietrich informed the guild that e-mails between herself and Marilyn Whalen were hacked. Annette was able to quickly retrieve a check that was written erroneously by contacting the postal service hot line, the post office involved and our bank. There was minimal loss to the guild account—a bank fee and a postal fee totaling less than \$75. Annette reported the balance in the bank account at \$42,483.09.

Committees:

Marilyn asked everyone to consider signing up for one or more committees for the coming year. We are using “Sign-up Genius” for this task and the link can be found on the guild website (fourcountyquilters.org) under the “More” tab.

There will be a quarterly Executive Board Meeting via Zoom on Tuesday, September 19, at 7:00. All members are encouraged to join in and participate.

NEW BUSINESS:

QUILT BINGO! The date has been set for the next Bingo! Save Sunday, October 27, 2024. It will be held once again at the Mt. Airy Fire Hall.

Committee Reports: Mary Jo Richmond was pleased to announce that we DID make a profit from our recent quilt show. There were many favorable comments by our visitors.

There was a line waiting to get in when the doors opened! A complete report will be shared when all of the accounts have been settled.

Picnic: Our picnic to celebrate our anniversary and the success of our Quilt Show will be on Saturday, September 16, at Kemptown Park, in Kemptown, Maryland. The address can be found on the guild website. There will be food and games from 12 noon to 4 pm. The guild will provide chicken, beverages, chips and cake. Members planning to attend were asked to sign-up to bring a side dish. Additionally, members wanting to participate in a quilt block raffle were to pick up a fat 1/8th of coral fabric to include in their block. Make a 10” finished block and bring it to the picnic. Free block patterns are available on Riley Blake's website. Also, attendees are encouraged to bring a quilt that was not in the Quilt Show for Show and Tell. The men who were invaluable helping us at the Quilt Show are invited to come. During the picnic discussion, there was a concern raised by Laura Schwartz about the inappropriate date for the picnic since Rosh Hashanah falls on September 16 this year. This was noted by the organizers and the guild will be more sensitive to conflicts such as these in the future.

Toiletries for inmates: Laura Mombay asked the guild members for donations of small toiletries (from hotel stays) for inmates at the detention center where she works. Socks and other basic toiletries would also be welcomed. Bring these items to the September meeting.

Antique Quilts: Linda Beavers announced a private sale of antique quilts. If interested, contact Carl Dixon at 301-748-4932.

Door Prizes were raffled by Karen Carpenter.

Show and Tell: The following members displayed quilts, jackets, purses and fabric color charts: Cathy Turner, Annette Dietrich, Melinda Horner, Margaret Minton, Olga Schrichte and Chris Rhodes.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00.