



FABRICATIONS

Colonial Piecemakers Quilt Guild

Our next in-person meeting is ????. Right now we are predicting Saturday, August 1st, but stay tuned for further changes and announcements. **In the meantime, go to Page 2 to find directions on how to join our online May 2nd meeting via Zoom.** It worked pretty well in April, over 50 attending. And you can even come in your PJs! And enjoy your enforced sewing time: this is what we've all been training for, right? Personally, I have enough in-house to keep me going for many many more months, maybe years! All those years of fabric accumulation are paying off! Beth Filko, our service project chairperson, has kits for making quilt tops, pillowcases, and completed tops to be quilted, in case you run out of your own (see page 13), or just, as many of us, feel a need to reach out and apply your quilting to greater needs. **Also, on page 3, find directions if you desire to make cloth masks.** Stay safe, stay distanced, stay focused, and remember to help those who are really struggling during this time.

Your newsletter editor, Corrine Vance

May 2020



Next Meeting:

*Saturday,
May 2nd
9:30 a.m.
VIA ZOOM*

*See page 2
for directions*

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***Any Fabrications
underline is a
hyperlink.***

During this trying time of “social isolation,” may we all take a moment to check on friends and neighbors, and to remember our dear friend Mary Jane Gantzler who passed away from COVID-19 on Saturday, March 21, 2020. Her infectious smile, kind demeanor, constant willingness to help and the countless years as our “Sunshine” committee of one – will be truly missed. She was a long time friend (over 20 years), an integral part of the Academy of Applique, as well as a valued member of several shared appliqué groups. Goodbye, my dear friend.

Please keep Mary Jane’s husband Dick, in your prayers.

Yours in Sisterhood,
Barbara Blanton





Guild members, We miss you!!!

So we are going to have a VIRTUAL meeting on Saturday, May 2nd starting at 0930 using Zoom thanks to Lifepointe Christian Church. We used this technique successfully for our April meeting, with over 50 attending. Start your log in process by 0915 or so to make sure you can get on. The meeting will start right at 0930.

Zoom is a FREE application. You do NOT have to have an account and you do NOT have to be on camera... so you can attend in your PJs! (but if you have your camera turned on, we may see them.)

If you are going to use your phone, you will need to download the app prior to Saturday to make sure you are ready. Please see the helpful links to YouTube at the bottom of this page if you would like to review and feel more comfortable. You can log in anytime between now and Saturday to test your system.

Please use this link to log connect on Saturday, May 2nd, between 0915-0930.

<https://zoom.us/j/8653905380>

Everyone but the president will be muted so we won't hear anything you say unless you "raise your hand" and Valerie unmutes you. Valerie will also be monitoring the chat room if you want to type in a question.

Please be patient with us as we work through this together.

We know you've been busy, and show and tell is a big part of the excitement of the meeting. If you have finished a project, please send me an email (president@colonialpiecemakers.com) with a picture and your FULL NAME, name of quilt, who quilted it, and who/what it's for. I will make a slide show and present during the VIRTUAL meeting on Saturday. Only 2 quilts per person please. Email it no later than 8pm on Friday night before the meeting!!! Sooner is better.

Dawn Brotherton, CPQG President

YES, WE'LL BE VOTING SOON ON CHANGES TO THE BY-LAWS!

You will soon be receiving something from Survey Monkey to vote on the proposed changes to the bylaws as discussed at the March guild meeting. They were supposed to be voted on during the April meeting, but because of the change to the meeting format, we are using Survey Monkey instead. This will be good practice for you because we will also be holding our voting for new board positions using Survey Monkey in May. A quorum will be established by the number of people who participate before the deadline. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Dawn at President@ColonialPiecemakers.com.

To refresh your memory, these are the items up for consideration:

- 4.1.1. Two-thirds of the Board members shall constitute a quorum for the transactions of business of the Board. Once a quorum is established, a simple majority shall carry the vote.
- 5.3. Nominations will be taken from the floor. If nominee accepts the nomination, their name will appear on the ballot.
- 5.4. For purposes of Article 5, the Guild members present constitute a Quorum. A majority of those present shall carry the vote.
- 5.5. The one-year term of each office will begin following the June meeting of each year.
- 5.6. No member of the Board shall serve more than three consecutive terms in office without the majority consent of the remainder of the Board.
- 9.4. If a member must cancel attendance at a workshop, a 30-day-notice must be given in writing in order to receive a refund from the Guild.
- 11.3. Notice is to be given to the Membership no less than forty-five days prior to the date of the vote.



Making Facemasks, from one of our CPQG nurses, Marlene McInturff

I found a great video explaining the difference between masks. I recommend it. It is done by a nurse. It recommends non-woven fabric for blocking the virus. I did not have surgical sheeting or olefin by Fairfield so I used fusible featherweight interfacing or fusible fleece on batiks or twill.

https://youtu.be/NnSL3J7J0_E

This is the pattern I have used which gives good coverage and seal. The PDF template is free. I mostly did not use the filter pocket but did in some cases. I used pipe cleaners for the nose area, sewing around them when I top stitched. I made my own ties using a bias tape maker.

<https://lorrienunemaker.com/product/face-mask-with-filter-pocket-pdf-pattern-only/>

Stay safe. I am a nurse. COVID-19 can lead to Acute Respiratory Distress Syndrome (ARDS). This ends up damaging the walls of the air sacs of lungs - alveolar damage. For those who recover it can take up to 2 years to regain lung function. Some will have life-long impairment.

AND MORE INFORMATION ON STITCHING FACE MASKS:

Please ask people to take masks to our CPQG drop off bin at Williamsburg Financial Group at 4365 New Town Avenue.

The recommendations for masks is on our FB page pinned to the top.

· The following patterns are recommended: [Craft Passion: Face Mask Sewing Pattern](#) or The Stitching Scientist (see link below).

- Recommended fabric for the outer portion of the mask includes heavier, non-stretch fabric such as denim, duck cloth, canvas, twill, or other tight woven fabric.
- Recommended fabric for the inner lining can be either cotton or cotton-blend non-stretch fabric.
- It is important to have two layers for protection needed in a healthcare setting.
- Must be laundered in HOT water prior to sewing to prevent future shrinkage.
- Polyester or other less breathable fabric will not work as well, due to moisture produced when breathing.
- If using denim or other fabric that is being “recycled”, please be sure it is clean and in good shape. Worn or dirty fabric will not be protective.
- Elastic should be in good shape, with plenty of stretch and of an appropriate size to fit over the ears. 1/16 inch round cord or 1/8 inch braided work best.
- If elastic is not available, fabric ties can be sewn on the mask. There will need to be 4 ties (one tie on each of the 4 corners). Ties should be approx. ¼ inch in width, sewn in such a way that there are no frayed edges, and long enough to be tied into a bow on the top of the head for the top corners and behind the head for the bottom corners.

[How to sew a face mask | The Stitching Scientist](#)

Masks for some of our more vulnerable population!





Operation Clean Out Your DrawersDenise Harrell

Thank you to all who helped find the elusive CPQG newsletters and some photos in 2017. We are still missing a few issues of Fabrications as well as the CPQG Scrapbooks and Photos printed over the years. Please continue the search! I am able to scan any hard copy photos, newsletters, scrapbooks, etc. you may have and return them to you. You can send me an email at historian@colonialpiecemakers.com letting me know if there are any you have to share. Thanks!

Missing Fabrications

1980s

- September-86
- February-87
- July-88*
- August-88*

1990s

- November-94
- November-99

2000s

- October-01
- May-02
- June-02
- October-02

* July and August issues (and others) may not exist.

CPQG Scrapbooks

Any you find would be awesome! We would be very happy to locate the Guild Scrapbooks from over the years and we think our members will enjoy viewing these also.

Photos

We are missing photos specifically from the following dates but any from retreats, meetings, etc. would be appreciated.

1983 - 2002

2003 April

2005 Aug, Sept, Oct, Nov, Dec

2006 Jan, Feb, Mar, Apr, May, Jun

2010 Feb

2011 Sep

2012 Feb

2013 Oct

2014 Jun, Aug

2015 May

Block of the Month for August!! ~

.....by Catherine Swetnam, Jeanne Sanders, & Amanda Lightfoot.

Starting today, until our August meeting, we are asking members who would like to participate in the Block of the Month program to help re-build our CPQG community one house at a time! Using any pattern you would like in any fabrics you would like, make one or more "House" blocks. For each block you make, you will get one chance to win all the blocks brought to the August meeting. The only rule is that your completed house/houses block measures 12.5 x 12.5.

Here are some free patterns/tutorials I found on the internet:
<http://www.thesewingchick.com/2013/03/wonky-house-block-tutorial.html/>
<https://www.thesprucecrafts.com/easy-twelve-house-quilt-block-pattern-2821182>

Also, Here are some 6 inch house blocks...you can make 4 to combine into your 12 inch block!:

<https://blog.fatquartershop.com/wp-content/uploads/2017/01/FullHouse-Template.pdf>

<https://blog.fatquartershop.com/wp-content/uploads/2016/12/Woodland-Template.pdf>

You are NOT limited to just these patterns. There are tons out there to choose from!

We'll keep you posted with some sample photos and other patterns we find over the next couple months.

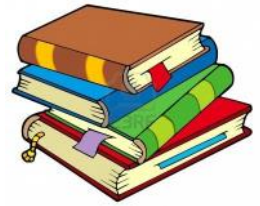
In between making masks and other projects we hope you will find time to participate!





From your Librarian!.....Clarisse Bushman

Greetings dear quilt friends!! Just because the Guild Library is not accessible, do not be sad! Here are a few fun opportunities available to you online to keep those literary and creative juices flowing:



- Williamsburg Public Library: Check out the e-book collection. Might be time for a sassy romance or a nail biting mystery!! All free and easy to access.
- Colonial Piecemakers Quilt Guild : New online catalog for your enjoyment:

Colonial.libib.com

For more good news:

- Special thanks to Sandy Hale for her work on the new online catalog!
- The library police will not track you down: just put your library books in a safe place and return them at the next meeting!

SOME THINGS TO KEEP YOU IN STITCHES (submitted by various members)

1. www.quiltedtwin.com currently has a mystery going on: Old World Fantasy Mystery Quilt
2. www.ByAnnie.com has 10 free patterns to download. Go to Patterns, then choose Free Patterns.
3. Alison Glass Sew-along on www.Alisonglass.com. Pattern fee required.
4. Go to www.YouTube.com and search on Sue Overy. She has some free tutorials on Sew Talk with Sue.
5. Bonnie Hunter free mystery quilt, called Unity Quilt-a-long, for a limited 7-week period. Download the pattern anytime, but it will be taken down from website at end of this period. www.quiltville.com
6. The Jolly Jabber Blog. Fun articles and free patterns. <https://blog.fatquartershop.com/>
7. Missouri Star Quilt Blog: Who doesn't love Jenny and her awesome tutorials?! <https://blog.missouriqltco.com/>
8. Cluck Cluck Sew: Super fun sewing projects and patterns. <https://cluckclucksew.com/>
9. She Quilts A Lot Blog: Cute patterns including a Beach Boxes Mini Quilt Pattern. <https://shequiltsalot.com/>
10. A Quilting Life: Fun tutorials: quick and easy. <https://www.aquiltinglife.com/>

CreativeBug is **FREE** to WRL Members.

If you are a Williamsburg Regional Library member, you have unlimited access to Creativebug.com, which has more than 1,000 award-winning art and craft video classes. There are quilting classes as well. The classes are taught by recognized design experts and artists.

Service Projects



Beth Filko would like us to use up some of our newly found sewing time because of virus cancellations! If you need something to do, Beth can fill that need! She has, ready to go:

- Quilts to be quilted
- Quilt kits to be pieced
- Pillowcases to be made

Call Beth at 814 880 3039 to arrange to pick up your special donation to guild service projects!



2020 Commemorative Earrings



Williamsburg Contemporary Art Center Textile Extravaganza Williamsburg

Contemporary Art Center has been rescheduled for July 28-August 14 tentatively....more information will follow. The Art Center is located at 110 Westover Ave, Williamsburg, VA 23185 It is closed until the middle of April. Here is your chance to make something to sell at the show since we are all staying home with our sewing machines and fabric. Everyone stay healthy and happy creating.

Any questions: Priscilla Stultz quilter73@hotmail.com 757 378 2348 571 992 3728

My website: www.priscillastultz.net

So put your creative hats on and think about displaying or teaching a class.



Recently, attempts were made to contact members using information from the roster (the one on the website). In several cases, the information was incorrect and the member could not be reached.

PLEASE LOG ON TO

THE CPQG WEBSITE AND VERIFY YOUR PHONE AND EMAIL INFORMATION. IF THE INFORMATION ISN'T CORRECT, PLEASE SEND ME AN EMAIL WITH THE CORRECT INFORMATION.

Thanks, Dave Banks

Send corrections to membership@colonialpiecemakers.com

We are on Social Media!

We have our very own Facebook Group called Colonial Piecemakers. The Colonial Piecemakers Quilt Guild Facebook page is a place to share quilting related news, information, and observations. If you want to be part of this private group, please message

Leigh Anne Langston at publicity@colonialpiecemakers.com.



Buyer Beware:

Pictured below: standard US wooden ruler, above which is a tape measure received as a "freebie" in a package of sewing notions shipped from China!



Colonial Piecemakers Quilt Guild

- President Dawn Brotherton
- Vice President..... Valerie Horner
- Treasurer Barbara Blanton
- Secretary Suzanne Sealey
- Block of the Month..... Catherine Swetnam,
.....Jeanne Sanders, Amanda Lightfoot
- Door Prizes Marlene McInturff
- Greeter Eva Burke
- Historian Denise Harrell
- Info/ETree..... Catherine Swetnam
- Librarian Clarisse Bushman
- MAQF.....Kaye McWhirter
- Membership Dave Banks
- Monthly Mini's..... Erika St Dennis
- Newsletter Corrine Vance
- Programs Bonnie Tucker
- Publicity Leigh Anne Langston
- Retreat..... Trish Byrnes
- Service Projects Beth Filko
- Sunshine.....
- Web Manager Amber Horner
- White Elephant Melissa Campbell,
..... Maggie McCain



CPQG TREASURERS REPORT for the Period Ended 31-Mar-20					
Beginning Balance Checking Account		\$ 17,434.02			
				remaining	
Receipts	March	year-to-date	budget to date	Annual Budget	
Membership	\$ 115.00	\$ 5,458.87	\$ (458.87)	\$ 5,000.00	
Raffle	\$ 118.00	\$ 935.00	\$ (185.00)	\$ 750.00	
White Elephant	\$ 273.45	\$ 1,902.16	\$ (102.16)	\$ 1,800.00	
Workshop/Programs	\$ 2,070.00	\$ 4,853.08	\$ (3,353.08)	\$ 1,500.00	
Monthly Minis	\$ 82.30	\$ 255.30	\$ (105.30)	\$ 150.00	
Retreat	\$ -	\$ 657.92	\$ (657.92)	\$ -	
Yard Sale	\$ -	\$ 1,607.54	\$ (1,507.54)	\$ 100.00	
Unbudgeted - Leftover Bus Trip 2019	\$ -	\$ 107.66	\$ (107.66)	\$ -	
Transfer From Savings		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Total Income	\$ 2,658.75	\$ 15,777.53	\$ (6,477.53)	\$ 9,300.00	
				remaining	
Disbursements	March	year-to-date	budget to date	Annual Budget	
Admin Supplies			\$ 240.00	\$ 240.00	
PO Box rental	\$ 92.00	\$ 92.00	\$ (12.00)	\$ 80.00	
Publicity	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00	
Website	\$ -	\$ 125.00	\$ -	\$ 125.00	
Storage Unit	\$ 64.00	\$ 512.00	\$ 268.00	\$ 780.00	
PayPal fees	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Set up/tear down	\$ -	\$ 200.00	\$ 250.00	\$ 450.00	
Membership (pins?)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	
Library	\$ -	\$ 125.80	\$ 24.20	\$ 150.00	
VA Quilt Museum	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	
Am Quilt Study Group	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 120.00	\$ 120.00	
Donations	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Workshops/programs	\$ 1,808.40	\$ 5,557.96	\$ 942.04	\$ 6,500.00	
Newsletter	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	
Retreat	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Service Projects	\$ -	\$ 404.45	\$ (4.45)	\$ 400.00	
Block of the Month			\$ 20.00	\$ 20.00	
Unbudgeted Expenses -			\$ -	\$ -	
(Wagon, Tax Filing)			\$ -	\$ -	
(Print Raffle Tickets, Cake/Food)			\$ -	\$ -	
(Bus Trip Deposit)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
(Yard Sale)	\$ -	\$ 93.93	\$ (93.93)	\$ -	
Equipment Purchases			\$ 85.00	\$ 85.00	
Total Expense	\$ 1,964.40	\$ 7,111.14	\$ 2,188.86	\$ 9,300.00	
Ending Balance Checking Account		\$ 18,128.37			
Restricted Account - RETREAT		\$ (415.00)			
Restricted Account - BUS TRIP		\$ -			
Balance Money Market		\$ 4,834.54			
Balance PayPal		\$ -			



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CPQG Meeting Minutes – April 4, 2020

The April 4, 2020 meeting of the Colonial Piecemakers Quilt Guild was called to order by Dawn Brotherton, at 9:30AM via Zoom Meeting.

Secretary’s Note: The April guild meeting was originally canceled. When it was realized that, because of new Stay at Home orders effective through Jun 10, 2020, the May and June meetings could not be held it was decided to hold the meeting via Zoom as a trial run for future meetings.

Old Business:

Dawn reminded us again that we are looking for nominations for guild officers. Please contact Dawn or someone on the nominating committee if you would like to nominate someone. Remember, all positions are open for nomination every year. Dawn stressed that if we don’t have a person to fill the role, the work will go undone. As of now, we have no one to fill the position of Secretary.

During the May meeting nominees will be presented to the guild. Nominations will be taken from the floor. Vote will be taken via Survey Monkey in June. A quorum will be based on the number of people in attendance (tracked by SurveyMonkey). More information will follow. It is not explicitly stated in the bylaws that voting can be held in this manner but, it is explicitly stated that voting must occur. Our primary mandate is to vote in a new slate of officers for the 2020-2021 term.

Further updates to Bylaws. Please see eTree and the bylaw changes posted on the website in the Members Only section. They will be voted on between now and May via SurveyMonkey. A quorum will be based on the number of people who vote.

4.1.1. Two-thirds of the Board members shall constitute a quorum for the transactions of business of the Board. Once a quorum is established, a simple majority shall carry the vote.

5.3. Nominations from the floor must be (wording to be changed) accepted by the candidate, and those nominees will appear on the June ballot.

Note: Debbie Noonan brought up the point that the wording “must be” was misleading as to intent. Kathleen Decker suggested that “if accepted” would be more appropriate. Dawn will work on the change.

Follow up Note from Dawn: New wording for 5.3 Nominations will be taken from the floor. If nominee accepts the nomination, their name will appear on the ballot.

5.4. For purposes of Article 5, the Guild members present constitute a Quorum. A majority of those present shall carry the vote.

5.5. The one-year term of each office will begin following the June meeting of each year.

5.6. No member of the Board shall serve more than three consecutive terms in office without the majority consent of the remainder of the Board.

9.4. If a member must cancel attendance at a workshop, a 30-day-notice must be given in writing in order to receive a refund from the Guild.

11.3. Notice is to be given to the Membership no less than forty-five days prior to the date of the vote.

Board Reports:

President, Dawn Brotherton, presented to membership.

MINUTES:

The minutes from the March meeting were posted in the Newsletter and sent out via the eTree on March 20th. Dawn asked if there were any corrections or discussion from the floor. Valerie asked members to raise their hand and she would recognize and/or they could type their comment in chat. There were none. It was moved and seconded that the minutes be approved. Dawn asked that only those members who oppose the minutes to raise their hand. The minutes were passed as written.



CPQG April 4, 2020 Minutes, continued

TREASURERS REPORT:

The Treasurer's Report ending February 29th was posted via the eTree on March 20th. Dawn asked if there were any corrections or discussion from the floor. Valerie asked members to raise their hand and she would recognize and/or they could type their comment in chat. There were none. It was moved and seconded that the minutes be approved. Dawn asked that only those members who oppose the Treasurer's Report to raise their hand. The Treasurer's Report was passed as written.

Reminders:

Newsletter Deadline is Saturday, April 11th.

May Guild Meeting will be held on May 2nd at the regularly scheduled time of 9:30AM.

Sew Day There will be no Sew Day this month but if you want to make pillow cases contact Beth and pick them up at her house.

VERY important time to ensure the roster is up to date. Please log on the website under members and MAKE sure your info is correct. If not, please email membership@colonialpiecemakers.com.

New Business:

Dawn stated that in order to be reimbursed for ANYTHING, please give receipts to guild president (not the Treasurer).

Programs: Programs and Workshops are canceled through the end of the year. They will be rescheduled, if possible, once we can meet in person again.

Membership: There were 50 members in attendance via Zoom.

Activity Chair Reports

Service Projects: Dawn made this announcement for Beth:

1. Thank you to everyone for their donations of quilt tops and fabric. Especially thankful to all who donate endless hours sewing and quilting.
- 2 I have been making quilt kits and pillowcase kits. Please call to pick some up from my front porch. It is great to keep busy, the time just flies.
3. We have completed 48 quilts and 50 pillowcases so far in 2020. Quilters are really needed!!! I have over 100 tops ready to be quilted and bound! Call and we can arrange for pick up or delivery.

Also, if you have kits, quilts, and pillowcases checked out, please finish them soon. If you have decided not to do so, please return them.

Members have been making facemasks. So far, 160 have come from Peninsula Patriots, 350 from the Glory Bee at King of Glory Lutheran Church, and 68 from CPQG. Over 600 have been delivered to several area hospitals, doctors' offices, first responders and The Landing.

Announcements from the Floor:

Dawn as received from **Priscilla Stultz** announced the Textile and Weaving Extravaganza and Spring Co-op show are postponed until later this year. If all goes well they will re-open with their Annual Members Show on June 9 – 24th. If rescheduled, they will be looking for teachers and demonstrators for the show. The gallery will pay \$10/hour. They are also looking for quilters who would like to show and sell their pieces.

Leigh Anne Langston stated that the Stonecroft Ministries Women's Connection luncheon had been canceled.

Kathleen Decker stated that Peninsula Patriots would meet, as scheduled, via Zoom.

Valerie Horner has supplied a link to our Zoom meeting for anyone that who would like to view it. This will be posted on our fb page and on Member's Only section of Website. Please fast forward to the 9:30AM point for start of meeting.

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https://zoom.us/rec/share/xfBSBu_72DpOZM_itlrGc_IGGJnZX6a80yEd_PZYxUqV6OQ9TmGzlxBpmnsm996v

Dawn Brotherton stated that WAVY News 10 aired a lovely piece on the passing of **Mary Jane Gantzer**. A link to this spot (<https://www.wavy.com/.../williamsburg-man-says.../>) can be found on our Facebook page.

PROGRAM: No Program was held.

SHOW and TELL: Dawn had asked that anyone with Show and Tell to send pictures/info to her so that she could build a Power Point presentation for today’s meeting. A number of people took her up on this and a wonderful Show and Tell was held. It was great to be able to view everyone’s work ”up close”.

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 10:00 AM.

Respectfully submitted,
Suzanne Sealey, Secretary

.....*Kathleen Decker*



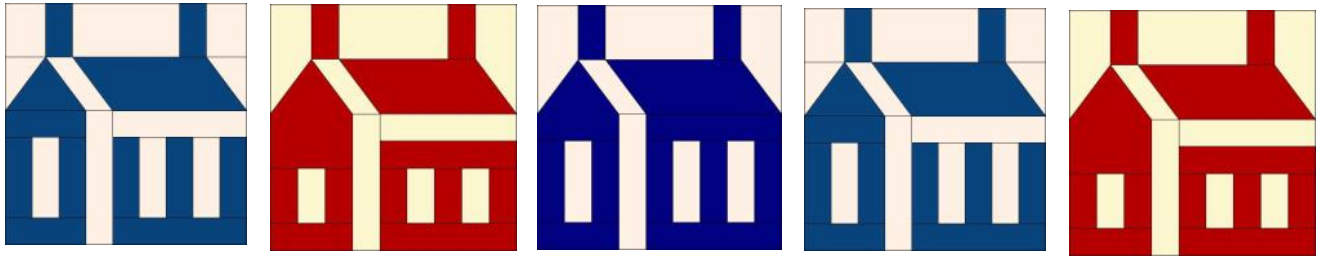
Peninsula Patriots postponed its planned award ceremony on March 13th, 2020 due to COVID-19 concerns. Between March 22nd and April 13, Peninsula Patriots diverted quilting efforts to mask-making, and has donated 1185 masks to the following sites: Riverside Doctor’s Hospital, Sentara Regional Medical Center, Eastern State Hospital, Windsor Meade’s Assisted Living, Patriots Colony, Spring Arbor-the Landing’s Assisted Living, Williamsburg Fire Department, Bruton Fire Department, Army and Navy sites, and Roanoke Hospital Neonatal Unit. We have used geographically separate but assembly-style production, with some contributing strap-making, and others mask assembly. St. Martin’s Church members cut and bent wire for H600 masks. Other CPQG members contributing to the Peninsula Patriots’ mask initiative include Hope Brans, Diane Green, Susan Leitzsch, and Susan Neidlinger. Trish Byrnes coordinated a number of Colonial Heritage residents. Glory Bee, the new Bee led by Diane Hare, contributed some of the masks donated by Peninsula Patriots. Until the crisis is over, please contact Kathleen Decker at: PeninsulaPatriots@yahoo.com or (757) 897-2836 for patterns and to obtain special material (Halyard H600) to make masks for hospital use.



Garnetta Smith meeting Kathleen with a bag of masks for delivery to hospitals.



Kathleen Decker delivers a batch of masks to Eastern State Hospital



Leigh Anne Langston has found an interesting article in onlinequiltmagazine.com entitled “67 Quick Tips for Quilters.” Here are the next six for your reading pleasure and edification! More to follow in future Fabrications! Or go online and sign up for the free list and online magazine by going to the website.

13. If possible, lay your batting out flat somewhere for a couple of days to allow it to relax before you quilt it, so you won't get caught with wrinkles or creases.
14. Iron your fusible web just around the edges of your larger applique shapes, and you can then cut away the center portion to get rid of excess bulk and stiffness, which will make appliqueing easier, and your finished quilt softer.
15. Everyone has UFOs (Unfinished Objects). Make the effort to go through them and decide what you do actually want to finish, and then you can cull the rest and either give them to friends or to charity, or sell them.
16. Ensure your binding goes on smoothly by running a row of stitching around the edge of the quilt to hold all three layers together, before you attach the binding.
17. Quilts made of wools or fancy fabrics should be dry cleaned to avoid any damage. Use a Wedding Dress cleaning specialist, as they are used to handling fabrics delicately.
18. Quilting can be good exercise, too! Keep your ironing board well away from your machine and get in the habit of getting up to press every seam as you sew.



We will be voting to elect our new slate of officers in May-June 5th!

During the May meeting, we will be hearing from our nominees for the new board. We will also take nominations from the floor via the chat room. We will vote during the month of May using SurveyMonkey which will be sent out on eTree. All voting will close June 5th so we can introduce the new board during the meeting.

Please make sure to exercise your chance to vote. You can practice the system by voting on the bylaws, which have been sent out via eTree as well.



Upcoming Events

May

5/2 **Guild Meeting** via ZOOM. Other guild events/workshops are cancelled.

June

6/4-6 **Quiltfest Greenville SC** sponsored by Mancuso Show Mgt. Greenville Convention Center Conference Hall, 1 Exposition Dr, Greenville. Info at www.quiltfest.com **RESCHEDULED.**

6/5-6/6 **Tidewater Quilt Guild's Quilt Show** at Cape Henry Collegiate School, Virginia Beach. Quilt display, vendors, door prizes, silent auction, café. Details at <https://www.vabeach.com/.../general-events/tidewater-quilters-guild-2020-quilt-show>

6/6 **Guild Meeting** via ZOOM.

August

8/1 **Guild Meeting**

8/4 **Service project sew day**, at home of Beth Filko, 4143 Winthrop Circle, Williamsburg, 10 a.m.

8/5-7 **QuiltWeek Lancaster—The Nook** sponsored by AQS. Info at www.quiltweek.com

8/9 Newsletter Deadline

8/19-20 **QuiltWeek Grand Rapids** sponsored by AQS. Info at www.quiltweek.com

September

9/2-5 **QuiltWeek Paducah** sponsored by AQS. **RESCHEDULED.** Info at www.quiltweek.com

9/5 **Workshop** by Lorraine Mooney, “Twirl Around Block”

9/5 **Guild Meeting**

9/8 **Service project sew day**, at home of Beth Filko, 4143 Winthrop Circle, Williamsburg, 10 a.m.

9/9-13 **AQSG Seminar** in Harrisonburg.

9/12 Newsletter Deadline

9/12-13 **2020 Quilt Show** by Cabin Branch and Stone House Quilters. Prince William County Fairgrounds, 10624 Dumfries Rd., Manassas, VA. Admission \$8. Quilts, merchant mall, silent auction, boutique, emporium, raffle quilts, appraisals, scissor sharpening and more! Info at www.cabinbranchquilters.org or www.stonehousequilters.org

9/16-22 **CPQG Quilting Retreat** at The Edge Christian Camp, Spring Grove VA (see p.4)

9/30-10/2 **QuiltWeek Charleston** sponsored by AQS. Info at www.quiltweek.com

October

10/3 **Guild Meeting**

10/6 **Service project sew day**, at home of Beth Filko, 4143 Winthrop Circle, Williamsburg, 10 a.m.

10/10 Newsletter Deadline

10/16-17 **Richmond Quilters' Guild Show.** “Seasons of Quilts.” Commonwealth Building, Richmond International Raceway, 600 E. Laburnum Ave. Richmond. Info at www.richmondquiltersguild.com

November

11/7 **Guild Meeting**

11/10 **Service project sew day**, at home of Beth Filko, 4143 Winthrop Circle, Williamsburg, 10 a.m.

11/14 Newsletter Deadline

11/6-8 **Quilting Retreat** at Williamsburg Christian Retreat Center. Info at <https://www.werc.info/quilting-retreat.html>

