

Tidewater Quilters' Guild

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*Deadline for next newsletter*

*April 17th*

## Spring Fling 2014

Saturday, March 29, 2014, at Bethel Baptist Church.

Doors will open at 8:00 a.m. Watch your email for further details.

Bethel Baptist Church, 1832 Elbow Road, Chesapeake, VA 23320.

Remember to bring cash to purchase raffle tickets for the Mystery Basket (\$2 or 3 for \$5), machine embroidery supplies basket (\$2 or 3 for \$5) and the sewing machine raffle (\$5). Exact change is appreciated. • Scissors to have sharpened (\$4.00 per pair). Payment must be made directly to the Scissors Man the day of the event. Correct change please. • Your registration/lunch ticket. • Breakfast/Dessert item if you are bringing one. If your last name begins with A to M, please bring a breakfast item. If your last name begins with N to Z, please bring a dessert item. Be sure to label your serving utensil and dish. Bring your dish to the door when you arrive. A committee member will take it to the kitchen for you. • Bring items on your class supply list and all sewing supplies for the class for which you have pre-registered. • Your completed blocks for the block drawing if participating. • Your TQG name badge.



“Feel the Rhythm”

Original design

featuring Elsie Harriman’s  
hand dyed fabric.

Musical instruments are hand  
appliquéd and embroidered.

86 in x 92 in

Quilters:

Carole Dull, Karan Fisher,  
Jackie Gaskins, Millie Johnson,  
Adrienne Maples, Leora Norstrom,  
Elaine Page, Ann Walls,  
Constance Spotts

2014 Raffle Quilt “Feel the Rhythm” Thank you to all the quilters who volunteered to assist at the Mid-Atlantic Quilt Festival. We did great, sold 860 tickets. Cindy Reno headed the volunteers for the Virginia Beach Spring Craft Market where an additional 256 tickets were sold. We are off to a wonderful start. Tickets will be sold at Chapter meetings. Remember to get your 10 tickets. \*\*\*Still looking for a ticket sales coordinator from each Chapter. If interested please contact Constance Spotts at [constance.spotts@gmail.com](mailto:constance.spotts@gmail.com) or 904-233-4294.

### **FYI**

I’m looking for some who might be interested in turning a collection of Neptune Festival t-shirts into a quilt. I’d be willing to provide, in exchange, a 10 X 10 space on the Boardwalk during Neptune Festival Boardwalk Weekend – at no charge – to sell products. Approximately 350,000 to 450,000 people are out there, and it might be a very lucrative site.

Contact: John Ickes, Director, Operations and Logistics, Virginia Beach Neptune Festival, 265 Kings Grant Road, Suite 102 Virginia Beach, 23452 (757) 498-0215 [jmi@neptunefestival.com](mailto:jmi@neptunefestival.com)  
[www.neptunefestival.com](http://www.neptunefestival.com)

Pen and Ink Change. Please make the following pen and ink correction to your copy of the TQG Policies and Procedures, page 25, Specific Membership Procedures, paragraph 1, next to last sentence, delete the word “April”. This change is required to comply with the Bylaws of the Constitution.

**REMINDER :** The Day Chapter meeting in May will be on the third Tuesday of the month - **TUESDAY, MAY 20, 2014** so there will be no conflict with the Senior Olympics.

**LINES FROM LINUS (Collier Webb 588-0838)**



Sadly, the March Linus Workshop will conflict with Spring Fling. As the workshops are scheduled up to a year in advance and the quilt shops work their schedules around Project Linus, there is nothing to be done about this. The workshop will go on March 29th at scheduled at A Different Touch from 10 AM until 3 PM. The April workshop will be held at Sarah's Thimble on Saturday, April 26th while the May workshop is due to be held on May 31st at Nancy's Calico Patch. For any Project Linus workshop, please bring your sewing machine, cutting mat, ruler, and rotary cutter. All other materials will be provided. Hope to see you soon. Collier Webb

**Community Service Cindy Reno 497-6330**

"The Gathering of the Guilds" at the Francis Land House is Saturday April 5th from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM. I need volunteers to demonstrate quilting and help sell Raffle Quilt Tickets. Please contact me at 497-6330 if you can help. Thanks, Cindy Reno



Anita Himes used to be a member and moved to New Mexico when her husband retired. Her quilt was chosen for "1st place in its category" and then subsequently as "best quilt in the show!" in a quilt show in New Mexico.

This is a photo of Anita and her quilt as displayed at the show. Congratulations Anita!!!

**FABRIC EXCHANGES**

Day Chapter		Strips (7) 2 1/2" & Fat Quarters	
Contact:		Denise McCue & Gene Ann Hall	
April		Civil War Fabric	
May		Stripes and/or Circles	
Night Chapter	2 1/2" Strips (14)	Fat Quarters	Lucky Buck
Contact:	Judy Ross	Margo Bavry	Marie Bauckman Linda Yeager
April	Flowers	Pastel colors - your choice	Cost \$1 Fabric provided. Use any pattern for the block.
May	Batiks		

A fat quarter is a piece of fabric cut so that it is 18" x 22" straight of grain. 2 1/2" strips are cut the width of the fabric. These are fun ways to get some variety in your stash.



**I deeply believe in the spirit of “volunteerism”.** I often ask myself, “How can I be a better person in my life? What can I possibly offer because I am only one person?” I ask myself these questions because of my mother. Through her example she instilled in me and my siblings the idea that to make a difference or to help change things for the better I need to become involved. I need to contribute whatever talent or gift I might have toward something or someone by volunteering myself and my time without expectations of any compensation or accolades. To get involved with my family, the organizations I belong to, my community and my country.

Tidewater Quilters’ Guild (TQG) will struggle and fail without its membership getting involved. Often times, society struggles with hardships and catastrophe. It is during these times that we look for and believe we will find hope and survival. A society without its government will fail, without its financial foundation will fail, without its people’s contributions will fail. After all; it is the volunteers from the guild’s membership that provide the governing bodies of the Executive Board and Chapter Boards. It is the membership that provides our financial foundation so that there can be a guild. It is the membership that provides the knowledge and talent to help the guild achieve its purpose of “providing the educational programs and workshops in various techniques relative to the art of quilt making and similar arts; to educate the public about this fine art; to preserve the tradition, culture and the history of quilts.” With that being said, I ask each member to take an introspective evaluation of how you can contribute to your guild through volunteering your talents and time. Our guild needs you and only you can keep us strong!

Just what are the needs of TQG and how can you help provide the continuation of this guild’s existence? Simply put, by volunteering. There are several elected positions and appointed committee chairpersons of the Executive Board and Chapter Boards that will become vacated the end of June 2014. TQG needs its governing bodies to continue its purpose. Our guild is in need of volunteers for nomination for the positions of President, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President, Executive Treasurer, Day Chapter Coordinator, Night Chapter Coordinator, Saturday Chapter Coordinator, Raffle Quilt Chair, Newsletter Editor, Community Service and QOV Chair. TQG is also presenting the TQG 2014 Quilt Show and many volunteers are needed to sign up for various tasks.

In accordance with the TQG’s By-Laws, under Article IV. C.

- “1. Nominating Committees shall meet in person (as per *Robert’s Rules*), at least once, and thereafter, as often as deemed necessary by the Chairperson.
2. Nominating Committees shall present the slate of the officers under consideration for the following term to the Executive Board in March.
3. Executive Board shall then publish the slate in the April newsletter.
4. The slate will be presented to the membership at the April Chapter meetings. Nominations from the floor will be accepted at April Meetings. Nominations will then close.”

As you can conclude, we are already behind the power curve. Therefore, I urge each of you to honestly ask yourselves: **Am I willing? Am I able? Am I involved?** If your answer is **YES**, than we thank you for all that you have and are doing. If your answer is **MAYBE** or **NO**, then consider volunteering and serving your Tidewater Quilters’ Guild and its members. As a collective body of quilters, we can be successful in our endeavors to sustain our guild and its purpose by simply contacting me or any board member and volunteering yourself or nominating another member for any of these vacant positions.

I invite members to find their TQG By-Laws and to look inside the Policies & Procedures section to read the Job Descriptions for all of the Executive Board & Chapter Boards and also about the various committee chairs as this will help you identify which position you may want to volunteer for. My contact information is Karan Fisher, (757) 761-1173 or Email me at [karanfisher@cox.net](mailto:karanfisher@cox.net).

**Day Chapter Coordinator** (Collier Webb 588-0838)

DAY CHAPTER MINUTES

Jane Shoemaker, secretary

A great time was had by all who came to the March day meeting. The Swirley Girl came from Richmond with a treasure trove of trunk show quilts. Very inspiring. She had some great ideas along with some of the Swirley Girls patterns, books and kits. Good Program!

It was announced that the MAY meeting will be on the 3rd Tuesday.

In April there will be an after school program - putting together the shoe blocks.

Jim Dollar; the Scissors Man will be at the April meeting. Bring in any scissors that need sharpening. The price is \$3.00 each. He also does pinking shears. He also works on sewing machines if yours needs any repairs.

A sad moment when Suri announced she was retired from UPS and they were moving to North Carolina. We will miss you Suri!!

The BOM winner was: Lyn Valos

The Fat Quarter winners were: Charlene Freeland and Diane Beavers

Door Prizes were won by: Geneva Gray, Suri Hoover, Lorrie Ames, Karen Pernini, Joann Samson, Davis Main, Mary Lang & Denise McCue

**Day Chapter will have an afterschool session to put the SHOE quilts together following the April Day Chapter meeting on April 8th. If you have not handed in your SHOE block, the Day Chapter meeting will be your last chance.**

**Night Chapter Coordinator** (Karen Bastone 499-7055)

Night Chapter Minutes

March 10, 2014

126 members and 13 guests in attendance

Karen Bastone opened the meeting with introduction of guests and recognizing March birthdays. Marie Bauckman, Quilt Show Chair, asked for items for the silent auction and baskets or containers to package auction items in. Please bring to the meetings. If you donate an item for the silent auction you will be given a raffle ticket. All the information you need for the quilt show is on our website, [www.tqgva.org](http://www.tqgva.org). Check it out! Faye Hannah won the raffle drawing for the evening. Our new Embroidered Block of the Month Program started this evening. For just \$1 you will receive a 10" square of fabric to embroider in the theme presented. Use fabric from your stash to complete the block at 12 1/2" unfinished. Theme to be turned in for April is Easter. Frieda Doubts of Sew EZ told us about a shop hop coming back to our area. It will be a row by row hop and will certainly be fun. She will have more information for us but you can contact her in the meantime. Our program was presented by Susan Emory of Swirly Girls Design. She presented a beautiful trunk show with explanations on how she creates her patterns and the testing that it takes to make sure there are no mistakes before publishing. It was interesting to learn, and appreciated by our members that own shops, that she supports the quilt shops by not selling on her website but has information as to where you can purchase her products. Thanks Susan for a fantastic presentation. Winners for the evening: Block of the Month-Gene Ann Hall Lucky Buck-Cindy Reno and Judy Ross Fat Quarters-Judy Ross and Deb Grabel Door Prizes-Carol Winn, Becky Blevins, Karan Fisher, Kathy Bucher and Diane Wicker

Total members 380

<b>New and Returning Members</b>							
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<b>Change of Address</b>							
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If you recently joined and did not get a TQG pin, please see me at the night membership table or Ann Walls at the day or Saturday chapter to get your pin. Sorry about that.

### Night Chapter Program

The night guild program will be a demonstration on how to assemble a thread catcher.  
If you would like to try to make one too, you will need the following supplies and preparation:

- 1 - 4" embroidery ring- we will only use the inside ring
- 1 - fat quarter
- 1 - scrap of batting, minimum 4" square
- 1 - piece of cardboard, minimum 4" x 8"

Hand sewing kit - needle, neutral or matching thread, scissors, other scissors to cut cardboard  
The card board should be thicker than the board that comes in pantyhose packages, but not as thick as a corrugated cardboard box. If you can't find any, I will have some extra.

Before guild night, you will need to cut a section from the fat quarter 11" x 14".  
Sew the long sides, right sides together with a 1/2" seam to create a tube.  
Press the seam open. Turn over 1/4" to 1/2" on each end of the tube to the wrong side, and press.  
Bring the tube and remainder of the fabric with you. You should be able to finish the project at the meeting.

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## 2nd Vice President—Programs (Ann Walls 426-2653)

Hats off to Wilma Gerald for arranging the trunk shows at the March Day and Night Chapter meetings by Swirly Girls Design. Susan Emory showed some beautiful quilts and gave us insight into the design process she uses to construct her quilts.

I have already had two people inquire about signing up for Charlotte Angotti's workshop in August. Registration will begin May 1. Look for the registration form in next month's newsletter and on our web site.

### CURRENT SCHEDULE

**JUNE 2014.** Sue Reich will present two trunk shows and presentations on WWI and WWII quilts. This is the centennial year for WWI quilts so it is a timely presentation. We were hoping to have an after school workshop following the Day Chapter but she has to be in Texas on Thursday.

[www.coveringquiltshistory.com/](http://www.coveringquiltshistory.com/)

**AUGUST 2014.** Charlotte Angotti is returning to conduct a Saturday workshop (August 9) and presentations to both the Day and Night Chapters. She owned a quilt shop in this area several years ago. Please schedule your vacation around this workshop and save your pennies. The workshop is called "Let Me Surprise You." She will provide a laser cut kit for the participants; so, there will be no pre-cutting/preparation for the workshop—just bring basic sewing supplies. I hear it is very popular at the Houston show and sells out fast. That's the good news; the bad news is that the kit costs \$95 and is due at the time of registration. I thought long and hard about offering this class but when looking at the cost of fabric and in my own case, I sometimes spend more than I would have if I had just gotten the kits. Charlotte can't give us dimensions because it is all a surprise but tells me that her patterns are easily enlarged if you want a different size. There are samples on her web site of previous class projects. Her presentations are: Night Chapter, "Why Aren't You Making More Quilts? I know you have the fabric."; Day Chapter: "Surprise Yourself! The book, the quilts and all the fun of the method." <http://www.quiltmakersstudio.com/>

**NOVEMBER 2014.** Sara Bliss Wright will be making PowerPoint presentations to the Day and Night Chapter. She is not a quilter but has thoroughly researched quilts and quilting. I saw her presentation at the AQSG seminar in Charleston and immediately thought our members would want to hear of her findings. Night Chapter: "The Mt. Ida Quilt Project: One Community, Two Quilts, Three Centuries"; Day Chapter: "Alabama Cotton and Bemis Bags: Pieced into Quilt History" (this is the one I saw and it tracks the history of how feeds sack fabrics were started manufactured and stopped).

**MARCH 2015.** Suzi Parron will has published two books on barn quilts and she will present slide shows of barns and the stories behind the quilts. I have been following her on Facebook and they are gorgeous.

<http://barnquiltinfo.com/>

### A Message From Your President Carole Dull 615-9925

Dear Quilters,

Happy Spring everyone. I certainly enjoyed seeing the quilts at the Mid Atlantic Quilt Show.

I was very proud of all the entries presented by our members. Congratulations to all.

There are many positions on our executive board and at our chapter meetings that need to be filled.

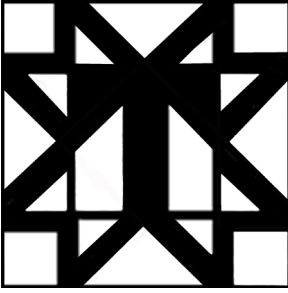
I hope you are thinking of where you can help out next year. Please, really consider this. The guild doesn't run on its own.

I am looking forward to Spring Fling now. I hope you are too. It is always a great opportunity to see friends, meet new people, learn something new and have a great time. Sandy Reynolds and her committee have worked hard to plan a great day.

Welcome to all the new members who have joined recently.

As always, keep on sewing for all the good we can do.

Sincerely, Carole Dull



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<b>Date (2014)</b>	<b>Meeting or Event</b>	<b>Program/Notes</b>
Saturday, March 29	<b>SPRING FLING</b>	Bethel Baptist Church Registration begins at 8am classes 9 am - 4:30 pm
Wednesday, April 2	Quilt Show Committee Meeting	5:30 pm Gus and George's Restaurant
Saturday, April 5	Gathering of the Guilds	10 am Frances Land House
Tuesday, April 8	Day Chapter Meeting	Ocean View Senior Center
Monday, April 14	Night Chapter Meeting	CUMC
Tuesday, April 15	Executive Board Meeting	6:45 pm CUMC
Saturday, April 26	Linus Workshop	10 am Sarah's Thimble

<b>Day Chapter (Second Tuesday)</b> Social 9:30 a.m. Meeting 10:00 a.m. Ocean View Senior Center 600 E. Ocean View Ave., Norfolk.	<b>Night Chapter (Second Monday)</b> Social 6:30 p.m. Meeting 7:00 p.m. Community United Methodist 1072 Old Kempsville Rd., Va. Beach	<b>Saturday Chapter (First Saturday)</b> Social 9 - 10 am Meeting 10:00 am A Place for Girls 912 Cedar Rd., Chesapeake	<b>Executive Board (Tuesday– the week after night chapter meeting)</b> Meeting 6:45 PM Community United Methodist 1071 Old Kempsville Rd., Va. Beach
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