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February 2024



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TQG Calendar

Date	Event	Click to download printable calendar
Feb 2	Friday Night Drop-In Bee - Zoom	6:00 – 9:00 pm
Feb 3	Saturday Chapter	9:30 am – 3:00 pm
Feb 6	Tuesday Drop-In Bee - Zoom	10:00 am – 2:00 pm
Feb 6	Modern Group Sit and Sew - Zoom	6:30 – 8:00 pm
Feb 9	Friday Night Drop-In Bee - Zoom	6:00 – 9:00 pm

Feb 12	Day Chapter	<u>10:15 am</u>
Feb 12	Night Chapter	7:00 pm
<u>Feb 13</u>	Tuesday Drop-In Bee - Zoom	10:00 am – 2:00 pm
Feb 15	Executive Board Meeting	<u>6:30 pm</u>
Feb 16	<u>Friday Night</u> Drop-In Bee - Zoom	6:00 – 9:00 pm
Feb 20	Tuesday Drop-In Bee - Zoom	10:00 am – 2:00 pm
Feb 20	Modern Group	7:00 pm
Feb 23	Friday Night Drop-In Bee - Zoom	6:00 – 9:00 pm
Feb 23	Newsletter Deadline	
Feb 27	Tuesday Drop-In Bee - Zoom	10:00 am – 2:00 pm
Feb 28	Longarm Quilters' Group	6:00 – 8:00 pm

CURRENT NEWS AND INFORMATION:

If you are lucky enough to receive The Quilt Show Newsletter to your inbox then you already know that TQG's Debby Coleman and Pamila Bowen were mentioned in the January 21, 2024 edition. Debby's quilt 'The Street Where I Live' was based on the Quilt Show 2021 Block of the Month designed by Wendy Williams called 'Color My World' and was quilted by Pamila Bowen of The Quilted Seahorse. Debby's quilt was part of the Tactile Architecture Exhibit at the 2023 Houston International Quilt Festival. For more information and to see Debby's quilt, please click here.

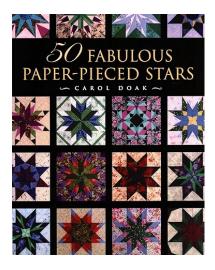




We are certainly in the midst of winter, and I am sure you are all keeping warm by working on the quilts you need to finish for the guild's June Quilt Show (I know I am). Speaking of which, Debby Coleman, our Quilt Show Chair, is looking for someone who would be interested in locating and scheduling some food trucks for the show. Also, she needs some short term hands-on help with the Silent Auction. She is not asking for you to be in charge, just help with making baskets. If you are interested, please contact Debby at carIndebbycoleman@gmail.com

The Mid-Atlantic Quilt Show is coming up at the end of February. TQG will have an exhibit and sell tickets for our raffle guilt. It is a great benefit to our guild that we can exhibit quilts, sell raffle tickets, and promote our guild at the show. It truly is the most targeted audience we have access to for encouraging new membership. We need people to sell raffle tickets, but also to white glove. Our one day of being white glove workers is what allows us the golden opportunity to be included in the event. Two hours is a long time to white glove for many of our members, but there is a way around all that standing and walking. For the last two years, two of my friends and I share the two hours which makes it just 40 minutes each. So, organize yourself into a small group with some guilting friends and sign up for a 2-hour block at the Feb. meetings. It is a wonderful experience. You will be assigned a small area to watch, you can touch the guilts, and it is fun talking to people.

At the show we will need to staff the guild booth for all four days. This is a sit-down job and a very important one. I have done this for several years, and it so much more than selling tickets. We get to promote the guild, talking about the many ways we meet and the diverse interests we serve. So, sign up to help sell raffle tickets and promote the guild. See Linda Kelley or Debby Coleman to sign up and



This month I want to tell you about stars - stars in quilts, that is! Last month we had Cyndi McChesney as a speaker at the Monday meetings, and in Night chapter she talked about Lone Star or Texas Star quilts. She highly recommended two books which the library doesn't own, but we'll be adding the Jan Krentz book soon. I have the Judy Martin book, and I assure you it's as spectacular as you heard. In the meantime, check out Red library 113 - Shirley Stutz' "Easy and Elegant Lone Star Quilts".

Star blocks are a different animal entirely - check out Subject Heading number 3240 (ask your librarian to show you the list) and every chapter has a few titles. For example, Carol Doak has foundation pieced stars (Blue 64); Edyta Sitar has scrappy stars (Red 59); Alex Anderson has her own collection (Yellow 9). Star blocks of all kinds can also be found in the big collections like Brackman. Check out Judy Martin's book on Log Cabin quilts (Blue 25) to see how a sprinkling of stars adds sparkle to any top!

The collections have rotated for the February meetings. Saturday will have the Blue collection, Day will have Yellow and Night, Red, so your browsing choices will be different. As always, books can be requested from any collection through

thank them for organizing this opportunity for us all.

Happy and warm quilting. Norene

your chapter librarian.

Laura Storm Library Chairman





Valentine's Day is a day we celebrate the ones we LOVE. And what a better way to show our love than with something we've made. February's Meeting will showcase 4 techniques I'm sure you will want to see

February: School House Corner which will feature; Quick Curve Ruler, Coping Strips and Imperfect Blocks, Drunkards Path and Add-A-Quarter Ruler.

March: Quilt Show Categories – Linda Kelley and Debby Coleman

April: Quilt Sleeves and Labels

May: Color Me Different – Stephanie Mertig will present a 6-month challenge on doing traditional blocks your way.

It's time to straighten up those sewing studios and donate to the Silent Auction. Thank you to Pam Traynham for such a wonderful program in January. There were 50 members present. The Guild has sewn and contributed 1,967 fabric bears which will be donated to children at CHKD. Ann Sinclair collected last month's red and white Snowflake Blocks. There 19 total



Day Chapter

There were 74 members on January's Day Chapter's Zoom meeting. Cyndi McChesney gave a lecture based on her book, Panels: Create One-of-Kind Quilts. She told of how she reluctantly got into working with panels, described how she grew to cutting up panels to make a wide variety of ways to make exceptionally creative quilts that enhanced the basic panel, even winning a prize at Paducah with a panel that was creatively cut up and embellished that it would hardly be identified as having started with a panel.

Door Prizes were won by Debby Coleman and Layla Fisher.

Our February meeting program will be provided by Dr. Tracy Thompson who will provide a trunk show. Tracy is a Quiltworx Certified Instructor and the owner of Lotus Owl Fiber Arts. LLC which specializes in quilting and sewing instruction as well as longarm quilting and embroidery services. (Home I Lotus Owl Fiber Arts, LLC) In 2019 she discovered Quiltworx (aka "Judy") patterns and was hooked. She currently teaches the Quiltworx method for paper piecing in her own studio/classroom on the grounds of the Hampton Roads Executive Airport, at the Great Bridge and Kemps River Tidewater Sew & Vac locations as well as Sunshine Quilt Corner in the Hampton Roads area of Virginia. Attending the

blocks collected. Winners were Jan Krebs and Lillie Neidig. This month's door prizes, \$15 gift certificates from Fabric Hut, were won by Yvonne Moran and Linda Kay.

Deb Garrett Saturday Chapter Coordinator February meeting in person is highly recommended to get an up-close look at Tracy's beautiful quilts.

Happy Quilting! Mary Witwer Day Chapter Coordinator



I wish I could've seen everyone in person last month, but I was happy to not have to come out in the cold. It's great that Zoom enables us to learn from more national educators than we ever have before. Cyndi McChesney had a fabulous lecture on Lone Star quilts for us. Some of them were exactly what you picture when you think of a Lone Star, but some of them were so creative that you really had to search to see the pattern. I've never made one, but she might have inspired me to add it to my quilting bucket list.

Our February meeting will feature a lecture from our very own Karan Fisher on Redwork. If you've never tried the slow stitching approach to quilting, she'll have some tips and tricks to give you the confidence to try adding an embroidery element to your quilts. What better than snuggling up under a quilt on a cold winter day than with a needle and thread in your hands. If you have a redwork quilt (or blocks), please bring them to show and tell.

We had such a fun time with the last mystery quilt that we thought we'd do it all over again. Our next mystery quilt will be starting this month. This one might have you stepping way outside of your comfort zone, but it will all be worth it in the end. You'll have a beautiful quilt and some

Modern Quilt Group



January's meeting was Modern Triangle Quilts and if you missed it, check out the guild website soon for the video. The bibliography for resources and the instructional YouTube videos are at the end of the article. Remember to have your triangle challenge blocks ready for Show and Tell at the Feb. meeting. February's meeting topic will be Half Square Triangles presented by Deb Garrett. Quilting with half square triangles (HSTs) offers a versatile and dynamic approach to quilt design. You can create various patterns by arranging them differently, like chevrons, pinwheels, or star designs. Precision in cutting and piecing is crucial for successful HST quilting. Join us as we look at how modern quilting incorporates bold colors, asymmetry, and improvisational techniques with HST.

Triangle Bibliography

Alana Craft, Cutting and Sewing

new skills to go with it. The month-bymonth approach allows this complex looking quilt to be broken down into manageable pieces. You'll be amazed at how far you've come by the time we're done. I can't wait to see everyone's fabric choices!

Don't forget your block of the month and lucky buck blocks for the drawing.

The night chapter is in need of a new chapter Secretary. Please consider volunteering your time! Happy Stitching! Kelly Night Chapter Coordinator

Equilateral Triangles: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ub4IZw9XNX0

Amy Ellis, Improv Triangles: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IWdCYxy83nI

Made and Making, HSR: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CUgXuEGTyMw

"Katie Collern Quilting Triangles": https:// katecollerandesigns.com/exploringquilting-basics-quilting-triangles/

Suzy Quilts, "Minimal Triangles": https://suzyquilts.com/minimal-triangles-quilt/

"Spiraling Triangles Quilt" by Sarah Ruiz : https://saroy.net/2021/11/spiraling-triangles-mini-quilt-pattern/

Modern Triangle Quilts by Rebecca Bryan

Inspiring Improv by Nicholas Ball





When you see a new face at Chapter Meetings, go say hello and make our new members feel welcome. Those that joined as new members this month: Stacie Wilcox of Virginia Beach, Valerie Downes of Norfolk, Cathy Striegel of Reynoldsville Pennsylvania, Pat Tashner of Chesapeake, Debbie





Introducing TQG's Raffle Quilt for 2024. The pattern is called the Disappearing Hourglass Medallion, and is called 'Cobolt

Feiereisen of Virginia Beach and Charet Thill of Virginia Beach.

We now have 304 active members. Keep that number growing by telling your friends to sign up on the **TQGVA.org** website under the membership tab. Please **click here** for a printable version of the form.



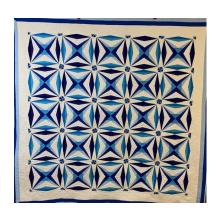
The quilts for the TQG special exhibit for the Mancuso Quilt Show will be collected at the February chapter meetings. They must be finished, labeled, and have a 4 inch sleeve attached.



Blue Starburst'.

The quilt was pieced by the Sea Bee Group which includes Rosemary Rooney, Janis Krebs, Holly Owen, Ruth Nixon and Lillie Neidig who also did the quilting.

Tickets will be available at all Chapter meetings.



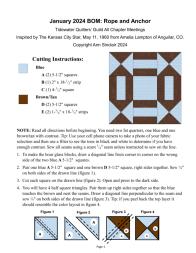
2024 Quilt Show Committee Raffle Quilt Tickets \$1

The Quilt is a 71 x 71 paper-pieced beauty designed by Amy Garro. Help support our 2024 Quilt Show and buy a ticket. Sell them to your neighbors, your family, church, wherever you can.

The drawing for the 2024 Show Committee Quilt will be on the last day of the Quilt Show. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Deb Garrett at (704) 860-9711.



Silent Auction needs the following items: Quilting Fabric, New or Gently used Notions, Rulers/Templates, Quilting Patterns, Thread and Baskets Note: Recycle those baskets from last

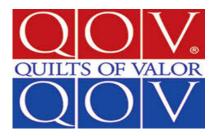


Here is the January Block of the Month for all Chapters. Please **click here** for a printable version of the pattern.



At the Executive Board meeting on January 11, 2024 Deb Garrett made a motion to accept the previous months minutes as corrected. The motion was seconded by Lisa Frieman. The motion passed.

The full minutes, and the Executive Board Treasurers Report can be found on the **TQG website in the member section.**



year!

Bring your donations to your Chapter meeting and we'll take it from there





Virginia Quilt Museum:

Our guild supports the VQM in Harrisonburg, VA. The museum houses special quilt exhibits, offers many

kinds of events, and challenges. Please check out their website for detailed information

vaquiltmuseum.org/ and sign up for their monthly newsletter.

VQM Has two upcoming challenges.
"Your Favorite Traditional Block Mini Quilt Challenge" on April 10, 2024, and
"Flowers and Pinwheels Raffle Quilt Drawing" on December 14, 2024. Please visit their website vaquiltmuseum.org/events for more information.

The Annual QOV NATIONAL SEW DAY - Feb 3, 2024 from 9:30 am to 2:30 pm. We will meet at VFW Post 392, 2408
Bowland PKWY, Virginia Beach 23454. We will also have an AWARD CEREMONY which will begin at 1:30 pm.

For space planning, please RSVP by January 25th to Sue Paschal, **spaschal1976@gmail.com**, if you wish to sew.

We will have kits for the QOV 2024 block, the Ohio Star. If we can make 30 blocks then we will have enough for one quilt top. We will have easy directions to make the Ohio Star in each kit. No sewing triangles!!

More information on the National Sew Day is posted at www.QOVF.org

The Mid-Atlantic Quilt Festival is <u>Feb 28-Mar3.</u> QOVF Virginia will have a booth in the usual spot in the Main Hallway.

Future Sew Days are:
20 Apr - Kempsville Recreation Center
15 Jun - VFW Post 392, Boland Parkway
Virginia Beach



The Fellowship Quilters Guild is sponsoring a Quilt Show February 17-18, 2024 at Sixth Mount Zion Baptist Temple (SMZBT) Streaming Center, Hampton, Virginia. The Quilt Show is free and open to the public. We are extending an invitation to the Tidewater Quilters' Guild. Attached is a flyer for sharing with your guild members, family and friends.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you and we look forward to seeing you.

Karen Barrett Secretary Fellowship Quilters Guild

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