# **Bayside Quilters**

of the Eastern Shore, Inc.

#### July 2020 Newsletter



# President's Corner

Although Maryland (and everywhere, it seems) has started a gradual re-opening, I still haven't felt comfortable revisiting the

retail scene and I have discovered that I really have plenty to do pondering all the projects that I had planned to do before time and the lure of a new technique or fabric or project distracted me.

I have found gadgets: At the time I bought this, I was sure it was going to save time or ease the process of completing a project and now I'm not sure exactly how to work with it. Or this particular item was going to make a more perfect seam or join and now I'm not sure that matters to me.

I have found books: several are treasures, if only to read and marvel at the creativity of the author. Jan Mullen comes to mind right away: simple techniques used in slightly different ways. And there are many more, some with beautiful photos of complex designs which are truly beautiful, but way beyond my skill set and time......as an example, I have always admired EPP, but don't think it's in my future.

Along with books, there are many patterns that I know I was going to make and I even have all the fabric and supplies, but there are just too many projects and too little time. The technique was appealing at the time or I was inspired by the beautiful quilt exhibited by one of our members or a featured speaker and it would be fun to try to make. Our free table at our regular meetings was a great resource to share these and to discover new to-dos, I'm hoping this is something we can look forward to in the future once again.

And, of course, there's the fabric and in some cases, the trimmings for a featured project. I have found "new" fabric and the "Why did I ever buy that?" fabric, so I can only imagine the goodies that we will be sharing on the free table!

On the flip side, I've found one of my favorite quilts for coziness and comfort is one made from cotton gauze and simple batting, no piecing or other challenging techniques, but it's soft, warm and comforting. Something to think about as I think of the next project, but now, the weeds are winning in the garden and I need to tackle them!!

Stay cool and healthy and I hope everyone is well and safe!

Liz

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Cancelled Indefinitely
Due to Coronavirus Issues



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#### **Editor's Comments**

Even as things begin to open up, these are difficult and uncertain times. With all activities of Bayside on hold until next July 2021, we will not collect dues or publish a new directory this fall. The Board will revisit the situation in December 2020 and will continue to publish the newsletter to keep us all in touch.

Please send pictures of your work or you bee's activities, we will publish a virtual "Show & Tell." If you send pictures to Kay Butler, she can post them to our Facebook page.

Stay at Home! Stay Safe! Stay Well!

#### **Policy on Bayside Events**

The Bayside Board's policy going forward is that all Bayside activities are cancelled for the foreseeable future subject to the EVFD and state policies. We will keep you posted as things evolve.

The Bayside Board also decided that anyone who has paid for a class that was cancelled will receive credit for a future class when we are able to reschedule.

We all hope we can get together safely soon.



### BEE BUZZ



**Bay Hundred Bee** 9:30 AM Third Wednesday of the month. Closed. Meets in members homes Ann Clayton, 410-745-2372

**Easton Club East Bee** 10AM-12PM Third Friday of the month. (ECE residents only) Donna Michalek, 410-820-4485

**Fiber Arts Bee** 9:30 AM Third Wednesday of the month. Location changes so contact Phyllis Parker, 410-770-9645, if Interested in attending.

Hand Stitchers Bee 10AM-2PM
Third Wednesday of the month
Talbot Hospice, 568 Cynwood Dr., Easton
Accepting Members, new hand quilters welcome
Marianne Hamilton 410-304-2107 (H) or
717-779-4503(C)

Modern Quilting Bee 6-8PM First Wednesday of the month Trappe Firehouse Accepting members Jackie Granger, 908-507-3966

**Needle Turners** (Full at this time.) 10AM Second Friday of the month. Anne Marie Ellis, 410-819-0235

Outreach Bee 9:30 AM-2PM
Beginners Welcome!
Fourth Wednesday
Immanuel Lutheran Church, Rt. 50, Easton
Michelle Hegadorn, 410-745-3221
Chris Dorset, 410-364-5750

Retreat Bee 9:30 AM-3:00 PM First Tuesday of the month. Royal Oak Comm. United Methodist Church, Accepting Members—Brown Bag Lunch Kitty Reiser 410-353-9970

Please contact Beekeeper, Anne Kelly, at amksews@gmail.com, with changes.

#### Stay in Touch! Send us Pictures!

Send us news on your bee's activities. We will share it with all members in the newsletter. While we may not be able to have a big meeting, we can stay in touch by sharing information and pictures through the many virtual means available to us these days.

# Just a friendly reminder ...

#### Important Deadlines

The following are gentle reminders of some deadlines. Adhering to these dates make all our volunteer jobs easier.

Newsletter articles – 20th of month. They will appear in the newsletter that is sent out a week before regular meeting.

Reimbursement forms with invoices and/or receipts for Bayside expenses – Within 30 days of expense.

Reimbursement checks to you – Please cash within 30 days of receipt.

Payment for Workshops, Camps – Minimum of 10 days before event. Retreats will set a date that will be announced as needed.



### Bayside Yard Sale

Fabric, Books, Patterns, Notions...

Saturday, June 11th

8am - Noon

29759 Dustin Avenue, Easton
(in Easton Club East)

Cash & Checks Only Masks Mandatory

#### What I did during Covid 19!

I promised myself I would clean all of my closets and then my sewing room! I managed to clean two closets. So before I could clean my sewing room, I had to clean the closet in there. In that closet, were 3 stacks of "I Spy" children's fabrics, 95% of them were Fat Quarters. I cut close to 3,000 5" squares with Pam W's help! The first 6 stacks have no duplicates. One stack has gone to Katie W. One stack is promised to Anna N. The rest are up for grabs! I will give you 130, 5" squares if you will make Outreach a small top 35 x 41. Call me or email chdorset@atlanticbb.net.



# Table Talk in the Time of Coronavirus by Alice Kish

I wish we had the Free table this month. I miss seeing everyone finding a special treasure amongst all the chaos. I miss finding my own little gem. Plus, my giant pile of things to get rid of taunts and tempts me every time I walk by. Each discarded fat quarter says "give me a second chance. I would be perfect in that floral quilt you should make." The operative word here is SHOULD. I'm never going to make that floral quilt and these poor pathetic prints need to GO. However, I continue to SHOULD on myself, constantly making that mental list of things I should do.

I have found that I always have three lists of quilting projects: what I AM working on, what I SHOULD be working on, and what I WANT to be working on. They are usually three very different things.

What I AM working on is quite often something that is due for some reason; a challenge, class sample or something to get done before a meeting. Requests from family for Superman capes and American girl outfits fit into this category. Get it done, get it done. Deadlines!

What I SHOULD be working on usually involves the Mt. Everest of UFOs in my sewing room or the endless list of projects swimming around in my head or in the various states of construction piles on my cutting table. I always have to push these aside to work on the due stuff described above. Guilt!

What I WANT to be working on is mostly the latest and greatest thing I have discovered on line, in a book or magazine, or from some outside source of inspiration. I want to do it RIGHT NOW! Sometimes I cave in to temptation, sweep the cutting table clean and just do it. Giving in and working on my WANT list does make me so happy though. Fun!

The danger is that my WANT project could migrate to the SHOULD list after awhile. But hopefully my WANT projects become AM projects after all the masks, capes, challenges, etc. are done. Best case scenario!

If I can't face any of the above I will occasionally do what I call PRODUCTIVE AVOIDANCE. This is when I avoid all current projects but still do something productive, like refold all the fabric, rearrange the shelves, go through some books or some other mindless task. It's very meditative and has been my go-to quite often in the last three months. This can lead to lots of stuff for the Free table (that doesn't currently exist). Hence, my giant pile of those discarded fat quarters trying to get their second chance! It can also lead to finding the newest thing to do in the WANT category, especially if you start looking at books.

All of this said, I am so glad to have this thing that is such a big part of my life and so important to me. We quilters are lucky to have this consuming interest during this time of isolation. I love that I have fabric to fold and cut and sew and that I can get lost in the zone of quilting. So grateful. So I hope all of you are finding yourself either working on things you SHOULD be working on or WANT to be working on or both. And remember, we'll meet again some sunny day! And there will be a free table!



# They Couldn't Vote, but... "1920 Challenge"

In honor of this year being the 100th anniversary of women's suffrage, Bayside is inviting all members to participate in a quilt challenge. Your challenge leaders have selected 15 period blocks, both pieced and appliqued, and we invite you to adapt, interpret or reproduce one or more of these blocks in a small challenge quilt.

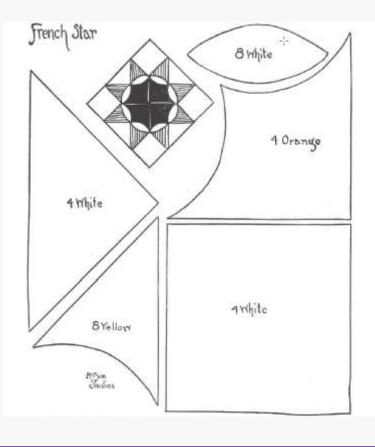
The only parameter for the challenge other than the blocks is the quilt size. It must be *no bigger than* 160" in circumference, e.g., 40"x40," 20"x60," 30"x50," a 50" diameter circle, a hexagon with 25" sides.

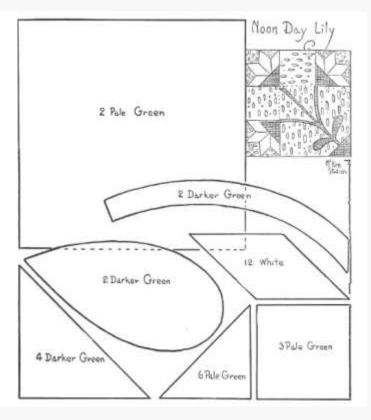
The due date for the entries will be the August regular meeting event. The entries will be judged, and there will be

prizes for the top three winners. So get those creative juices flowing and join the fun celebrating our hard won right to vote!

The chosen blocks will be sent to all members in a separate email. When you get it you will see that they are "old time patterns" from a long out-of-print book, *101 Patchwork Patterns* by Ruby McKim. Be sure to read the descriptions!

#### Sample 1920 Challenge Blocks





#### Some Virtual Show and Tell



## And a bit of nostalgia from Historian, Gloria Gibson...

This quilt (above) was made by some members of Bayside Quilters in 1996-1997 to thank Londonderry for letting us use their Community Center for our meetings. It was recently found here and given to Clare Kettell to return to BQ. I recall coming to several meetings here and seeing it on the wall in the dining room.

Quilt label—right.





#### **And from Nita Brayton**

Used Ricky Tim's hand dyes.
Sooooo hard to finally cut into
them. This little bit is finished. A
practice piece mostly because
the orange was too much for
larger piece below.







Jean Rhian makes her Londonderry neighborhood colorful with lots of changing quilt displays!

A quilt brightens her front porch at .

Jean stopped by to show neighbor, Gloria Gibson, her baby quilt top of mainly Kaffe Fassett fabric.





Here is Jean Rhian's Fiesta quilt on her porch (front left, back below)



...and her Bubbles quilt left.

Victoria McConnell sent us a picture of this adorable gecko quilted on fabric she hand-dyed.





**Sharon Miller** did a quilt along online with Alex Anderson. Pattern is Sequoia Sampler Remix.

#### From Jeanne Hechmer

Amabie is a 19th century Japanese mythological figure who supposedly wards off plagues and viruses. With the outbreak of COVID, it has regained popularity. The mermaid figure has 3 tails, a bird beak and fin ears. This is my version complete with seaweed type hair. My sister and a friend who saw it think that it is scary enough to scare off almost anything.



Editor's Note: I for one hope it works. Stay well all!

## Support our area quilt Shops, shows AND GUILD FVFNTSI

It's even more important now that we support our local businesses in any way we can. Many are required to be closed except for mail order, others may still provide curb side pick-up and delivery. Please think about our local friends and neighbors during these difficult times.



# We are changing our Hours beginning July 1st. Tuesday - Friday 10-2 Saturday 10-3

Limit to 3 Customers at a time Face Mask Required - Mouth and nose must be covered.

#### Curbside Pick Up is still available.

We will call you when your order is ready. Call 410-476-6166 when you arrive

You can order from the Web Site 24/7

Choose shipping or curbside

Thank you for your support!

https://www.quiltvine.com/

#### **Bernina Servicing**



Own a BERNINA sewing machine? When was the last time you had your machine serviced? If you cannot recall, it is possible, it needs It! We can assist with all aspects of service, including cleaning, oiling, adjusting, or helping with accessories. Whatever your BERNINA needs, The Crabby Quilter is an authorized BERNINA dealer at the ready to assist you.

Please call The Crabby Quilter for sewing machine services.

410-263-3897 or email: info@thecrabbyquilter.com

# Things Folks want to Sell, Give Away and Buy

#### **FOR SALE**

Baby Lock Coronet Mid-Arm Less than 5 hours sewing time! \$4000 (Originally \$5500) 16" lighted workspace with LCD touch display, built in stitch regulator, bobbin winder, 5' quilt frame and full bonus bundle

Please call Kathy at 443-253-3207 or email kathyciam@gmail.com

# FOR SALE ALMOST NEW BERNINA OVERLOCKER/SERGER

Model 700D

IT SEWS BEAUTIFULLY AND I HAVE ONLY USED IT ABOUT 4 TIMES.
I AM ASKING \$600 WHICH I \$200 LESS THAN I PAID ON SALE

Pat Waters

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Some Talbot County Resources

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#### Check out the Library's online resources. It's not just books!

If you have a library card and internet access, you can enjoy our many eResources, ebooks, streaming movies, audiobooks, music, and much more.

If you don't already have a library card, you may sign up for a temporary card. Go to tcfl.org for all the information on the library.

#### **Local Virus Information**

For complete local information visit

Talbotcovid19.org

This site has all the local information and the latest news releases from the county, as well as links to other local, state and national resources.

#### **JULY OUTREACH NEWS**

Outreach members have been very busy! These pictures show the variety of work that we do. The steps are: fabric cut into kits, kits made into tops, tops matched with backing, quilts quilted and sent to someone else to apply the binding and label for the handworkers, bindings finished and finally, delivery to the quilts' last destination. Outreach receives items in various stages. Some just the tops, some are completed projects needing just the label applied. An example might be: a quilt top and backing, given to a long armer who quilts it and applies the binding and label with the handwork left to do. Sometimes we receive complete quilts just needing labels that were made from that quilter's fabric. The almost finished quilts go to someone wanting handwork. When that quilt is completely finished, it will be delivered to the appropriate charity. Then there's the generosity of members who have donated time, materials, kits, tops, finished quilts and pickup and delivery service!

May and June deliveries to our charities were: 108 quilts (42 doll quilts), 5 bibs, 73 burp cloths, 1 hat, 3 pillows and 21 placemats. 211 people have benefited from your generosity!!

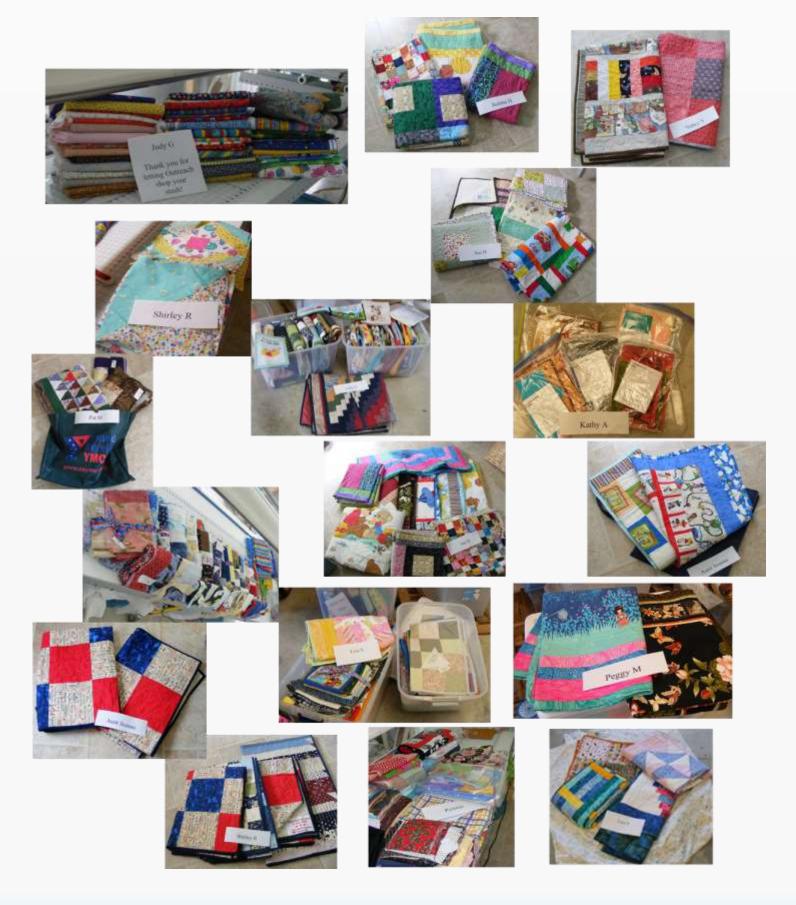
Thank you everyone! Chris Dorset chdorset@atlanticbb.net



Thank you Tyra, for the many pickup and deliveries to KI!

(More pictures on next page.)

### Outreach has been busy!



#### July Birthdays



Beth Stephens 7/1 7/4 Kathy Hunt Kin West 7/4 7/4 Judy White Barbara McGuinness 7/5 Ruth Crovo 7/6 Patti DeWitt 7/6 Anne McAnulty 7/6 Cathy Spence 7/6 7/10 Linda Meade Alice Kish 7/13 Deborah Brobst 7/14 Esther Montgomery 7/14 Peggy Duke 7/18 Jan Bohn 7/20 Madi Yates 7/21

Judy Gross

Pat Heilman JoAnn Murphy 7/25

7/31

7/31

Happy Birthday, A II!!!





And July 5th is a special birthday this year for Barbara McGuingss...

Happy 90th, Barbara

Let's send her some virtual hugs on this special day. Real hugs will follow when we are all safe again!

XOXO



# And, Finally...

#### Sunshine

Don't forget, Ann Bishop is the Sunshine Chair. If you know of anyone who needs some sunshine, let Ann know.

#### Photos Needed

Historian Gloria Gibson needs a few photos from the summer camps or the Bees for the BQ scrapbook. Please bring them to a meeting or email them to her at "g59gibson@gmail.com".

There is no regular meeting or workshop in July due to the coronavirus restrictions and the indefinite closure of the EVFD to community events

Stay Safe! Stay Well!

We will let you know when activities can resume.



Stich in the Ditch Club

#### **Donations to the Guild**

Bayside welcomes any donations you are able to make to help us support our Outreach, Education, and Preservation activities. All donations to the guild, a 501(c)(3) organization,

### 1920 Challenge

Adapt, interpret, reproduce a vintage block in honor of the 100th anniversary of our right to vote!

Details on page 6.

#### FOLLOW BAYSIDE ON FACEBOOK

Our Facebook page is under the name of Bayside Quilters of the Eastern Shore. If you search using only Bayside Quilters you will get a quilters page but it's not us.

There are lots of great pictures from our meetings, thanks to Kay Butler, on our page.