



DELMARVALOUS QUILTERS, INC.
P. O. Box 66, Georgetown, DE 19947
February, 2026

PRESIDENT'S LETTER



From the President, Maureen Long

It's February, it's cold and Punxsutawney Phil saw his shadow indicating six more weeks of winter. Which of course equates to six more wonderful weeks of being inside quilting!

It's time to create a nominating committee for board elections. We need at least three people willing to do some canvassing for positions coming up for election this year including Vice President. If you are willing to serve on the nominating committee, please let me know. Please consider stepping up and serving on the Board. More info to follow at the next Guild Meeting (February 26).

A reminder of some of the active projects going on; they include blocks for Quilts of Valor, Comfort Quilts, Pillowcases for Seaford House, Baby Quilts for BayHealth and Hug Buddies, to name a few.

Our next Board meeting is scheduled for February 12, 2026, 5:30pm at Delmar Pizza in Delmar Delaware. All are welcome to attend, it's not just for Board Members. If you're considering submitting your name for one of the Board positions, this is a good time to see what happens behind the scenes!

See you on the 26th at our next Guild Meeting!

Fun Fact: The 1863 Jane Stickle Quilt, the most famous Civil War quilt ever, will be on its yearly display at the Bennington Museum from Labor Day through Columbus Day. Brought to the museum over 80 years ago, the Jane Stickle Quilt is only shown for a short time each year due to the fragility of the fabric. Made by Jane A. Stickle in 1863, it is comprised of 5,602 pieces with each block containing between 30 and 40 pieces.

DELMARVALOUS MEETING MINUTES



JANUARY 2026

Maureen Long opened the meeting at 7pm. The minutes from the October meeting were approved by Janice James-Webb and seconded by Laurie Wright. 3 guests were welcomed- Kathy Wilkins, Nancy Sugar, and Irene Rust. A thank you was read from Visit Williamsburg thanking Delmarvalous for the quilt block that we submitted for The Great American Birthday Quilt Project. The finished quilt will be on display in the Williamsburg Art Museum starting April 11th.

Library There has been no volunteer to take over managing our library. After much discussion, the board recommended that the library be eliminated. Members are not using the library as more and more is available online. Signed books will be kept. All others will be put out for members to take for the next 3 months. After that time the books will be donated or recycled. Suzanne Worrall volunteered to check with the Frankford Library about taking some. A vote was taken and the majority agreed to do away with the Delmarvalous library.

QOV Award Ceremony Lenny Truitt is working on an award ceremony for 2 or 3 veterans at our July meeting. During the day we will have a sew day making Quilt of Valor quilts. Some decorating will need to be done for the ceremony. No decision was made on a change of date for the Challenge Reveal previously scheduled for July.

Pillowcases Lenny asked for help in making pillowcases for Seaford House, a facility for children ages 11 to 18 in the foster care system. Kits are available with the 2 fabrics needed to make one. Initially 27 pillowcases are needed but this will be an ongoing project.

Upcoming Classes February- Faux Curve Class March- Hug Buddy

OMG One Monthly Goal formerly called The Finish It Group. Lenny announced that 5 members completed all 8 months of their goals in 2025! A drawing was held of those 5, and Gretchen Taylor won! She won a gift certificate and said that OMG really kept her on task. It's not too late to sign up for it for this year.

Janice James-Webb asked that members give her suggestions for programs and classes for 2027.

Cards were sent to Sandy Muir- ankle surgery and Ann Tomasini-broken hip. It was announced that June Foster, a former member passed in December.

Second Time Around Cindy Baker announced that today's total sales were \$311.75. The 31 pillowcase kits for Seaford Hose that were assembled for members to take, came from the donated fabric that Second Time Around ladies package up.

Retreat Carol Senerchia announced the retreat September 28 to October 1 in Centreville, MD.

Program Video We viewed a video- From Fields to Fabric by Georgia Bonesteel. It was an interesting video showing the steps cotton goes through from the cotton plant in the field to

PROGRAM NOTES FROM THE VPs



FEBRUARY 26, 2026

GROUP C SET UP/CLEAN UP/REFRESHMENTS

ALL ARE WELCOME!

OPEN SEW DAY – 10 am – 4 pm Work on whatever you choose.

DAY PROGRAM 10 am – 4 pm

FAUX CURVES – USING THOSE CRUMBS BLOCKS OR REGULAR QUILT COTTONS

Join Lenny and learn how to make Faux Curves. No special ruler and no sewing curves! It's easier than you think with one magic ingredient. Use those crumbs blocks we made last month or use regular quilting cottons. Check out a few Drunkard's Path layouts to get ideas on how you want your layout.



CLASS COST: \$25 Members/ \$40 Non-Members

Sign up to get supply list. No Pattern Fee!

Please feel free to join us for dinner at Pizza Palace in Georgetown, DE 4:30pm - 6pm.

Social hour 6:30pm – 7pm

7pm BUSINESS MEETING - EVENING PROGRAM – **Working with cork fabric Demo by Peggy Kerr**
– SHOW AND TELL

MARCH 26, 2026

GROUP B SET UP/CLEAN UP/REFRESHMENTS

ALL ARE WELCOME!

OPEN SEW DAY – 10 am – 4 pm Work on whatever you choose.

DAY PROGRAM – 10am -4 pm

HUG Buddies are back with Mary Ann Doland



Join Mary Ann for a fun day making cute stuffed elephants to be donated to children. Mary Ann provides all the materials. We provide the labor. Your sewing machine will be helpful for sewing parts together but there is also a need for hand sewing and stuffing.

Class cost: No Fee for this day

Please feel free to join us for dinner at Pizza Palace in Georgetown, DE 4:30pm - 6pm.

7 pm BUSINESS MEETING / SHOW & TELL / PROGRAM – How and Why to Use Leaders and Enders

APRIL, 23, 2026

SET UP GROUP A/ CLEAN UP/ REFRESHMENTS

ALL ARE WELCOME!

OPEN SEW DAY – 10 am – 4 pm Work on whatever you choose.

DAY PROGRAM 10 am – 4 pm FOLDED PINWHEEL SURPRISE with Frances Hart



CLASS COST: \$25 members/ \$45 non-members

When you sign up you will get the supply list. You will also find the Pinwheel Surprise Supply list as an attachment to this newsletter.

Please feel free to join us for dinner at Pizza Palace in Georgetown, DE 4:30pm - 6pm.

Social hour 6:30pm – 7pm

7pm BUSINESS MEETING - EVENING PROGRAM – SHOW & TELL

EVENING PROGRAM: Half Square Demo and Block of the Month with Carol Jarboe

ONE MONTHLY GOAL/FINISH IT CLUB – It's not too late to join the fun and get a few of those UFOs off your list. The # 4 was chosen early to we could work on our list while snowed in.

2026 CHALLENGE UP DATE - NOTE DUE DATE CHANGE – JUNE 2026

Join the 2026 Panel Challenge Bags will be available at the October meeting. Each bag contains a different panel. You may make anything you wish. And you may add as many additional fabrics as you choose. To give you a few suggestions: pillows, tote bags, wall hangings, Comfort quilts, placemats, etc. Keep the end result or donate it. But the main goal is to Have fun! Sign up and grab a bag at the next meeting. Challenge is due at the JUNE 2026 meeting. We still have a few bags left.

BACK ROOM CLEAN UP DAYS - 10am – 2 pm

If you can join us, please bring a rotary cutter if you wish to help cut fabrics. There are many ways to help our guild organize to make better use of our backroom area. We even have fun while we are working.

February 11 - Wednesday

March 4 - Wednesday

March 18 – Wednesday

2026 DELMARVALOUS PROGRAMS

February 2026

Day: Faux Curves Wall Hanging – Lenny

Evening: Working with Cork – Peggy

March 2026

Day: Hug Buddies – Mary Ann Doland

Evening: The How and Why of Leaders and Enders

April 2026

Day: Folded Pinwheel Surprise – Frances Hart

Evening: Half Square Triangle Demo and BOM by Carol Jarboe

May 2026

Day: Yet to be Determined Bag Class – by Peggy Kerr

Evening: Delaware State Fair Quilt Judge Jennifer Mennard

June 2026

Day: Interleave Design – Suzanne Worrall

Evening: To Be Determined

July 2026

Day: QOV Sew Day – Felicia

Evening: Challenge Reveal & Ice Cream Social & Possible QOV Award

August 2026

Day: Christmas in August – Stockings for Soldiers & Hospice Tree Ornaments

Evening: Dinner by Board members

September 2026

Day: Free and Easy Class – Paula Golden

Evening: How to Make Your Quilt Sing - Paula Golden

October 2026

Day: Scrappy Charms - Lenny

Evening: To Be Determined

December 2026

Christmas Party Group A

FACEBOOK



Hope everyone is staying warm! No need to venture out into the cold when you can stay in your warm sewing area. I am sure everyone has plenty of projects to keep them busy. Please don't forget to share pictures of what's under the needle. I would love to add them to our Facebook page!

We are up to 730 followers on the Facebook page. People love what we are doing!

Please follow the page if you don't already. And please continue to comment and share the posts!

Karen Blakely

COMFORT QUILTS



Mimi Walls met with the contact at Bayhealth Sussex about the baby quilts and dropped off 18 quilts! The Bayhealth contact said the quilts can be any size and was so very excited about all the donations.

QUILTS OF VALOR®



Two Delmarvalous quilts were awarded on Jan 14: Commander Pat Cerchio, Navy, and Spec Francis Geary, Army. I am told both were so appreciative to be honored in this way. It is a warm feeling inside to know our efforts served to honor our Veterans! It is a group effort. You can help too - by taking some star kits home and returning them at a future meeting.

Felicia edandfelicia@verizon.net.



RETREAT 2026



Now is the time to schedule your Retreats for the year!

Register for Delmarvalous Quilters 7th Retreat!

4 Days 3 Nights

September 28 to October 1, 2026. Per Person Double \$410.00-Single \$587.00

—OR—

3 Days 2 Nights September 28 to 30, 2026 Per Person Double \$295.00- Single 485.00

SEE: Attached Details and Registration Form

Carol Senerchia cabinetconnection@juno.com

MEMBERSHIP

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30 members attended either the sew day, class or the meeting. We had three guests attend: Nancy Sugar, Kathey Wilkins and Irene Rust. Thank you, Lenny Truitt for a great class.

Happy Birthday to the January birthdays:

Terri Wyatt

Happy Birthday to the February birthdays:

Susan Adams

Carol Jarboe

Jeanie Johnson

Gregory Kompes

Julia Mower

Doris Richard

Lenny Truitt

I apologize if I have missed anyone. I still do not have everyone's birthday.

Have a great month.

May everyone have a healthy year!

Kathryn

BOARD MEETING



Our next Board Meeting is February 12, 2026, 5:30pm at Delmar Pizza in Delmar DE. All members of the Guild are welcome to attend. It's a good time to see the planning and discussions that drive our Guild.

Please, PLEASE if you plan to attend let me know for reservation purposes.

Thanks,

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Maureen Long

President

Delmarvalous Quilt Guild

SUNSHINE



If you know of anyone needing a cheer up card, please let me know: Sandy Muir

sandymuir0506@yahoo.com

MISCELLANEOUS

See the many attachments to this newsletter.



QUILTING HINT OF THE MONTH

Ever wonder about that tiny hole in the bobbin- here's a video of what it is for:

<https://www.facebook.com/share/r/1C1ZUij1Pz/>

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