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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

From Carolyn May

Happy New Year everyone.

We have a lot to look forward to this year-- starting in January with our "dots for tots" show and tell. Please join us on Thursday, January 9 and/or Monday, January 13, bringing your polka dots Linus quilts. Stephanie gave out 72 bags, so come prepared to see lots of dots. Haven't finished your quilt? Just come for the fun. And don't forget Sandy McDonald is showing us her antique quilt collection on Thursday, January 23. What a treat! Our quilt show is fast approaching. May 1, 2, 3--put it on your calendars (if you haven't already). Quilt registration starts January 2! We're planning on another retreat in June and have 2 really fabulous nationally known teachers scheduled this year--Nancy Chong in June and Mary Lou Weidman in October. I know you don't want to miss these classes and lectures. Don't forget the planned bus trips (see newsletter for dates)

And this year (as in the past), we have the opportunity to give back through our talents. We make Love Quilts, Komen Quilts, Linus Quilts, and Christmas Stockings. Some of our members quilt with inmates at Jessup while others make countless projects through the Caring Hands group.

But the best thing the year brings is the many friendships we've made through the guild. I'm looking forward to a fun and prosperous year.

www.photobucket.com/albums/w517/FCQuilters

QUILT SHOW INFORMATION

QUILT REGISTRATION INFORMATION

From Janette Tarr



Registration for quilts displayed at our 2014 show will start soon! Please get your entries ready. Registration begins on Thursday, January 2. Registration ends on Monday, March 31; no registrations accepted after March 31. This gives you three months to register. Direction and information will be available at meetings starting January 2nd and either Janette Tarr or Sheva Farkas will be available at every meeting during the registration period (to nag and pester everyone to get their entries registered early).

Also, there will have a demonstration of the online registration process at the January 9 (Thursday) and the January 13 (Monday) meetings.

SILENT AUCTION COMMITTEE

From Sandy Scholssberg, Susan Mann, Sherrin Murray

We are collecting items for the 2014 quilt show. Suggestions for donations include wall hangings, quilts, handbags, totes, table runners, pincushions, art supply organizers, knitted items and other projects which are textile-related and valued at more than \$10. Donation forms are available at the meetings or on the website.

PEDDLER'S TABLE

From Anne Kelly

Time to start your list of Peddler's items. Email Anne Kelly amksews@gmail.com with your three chosen initials. Approval at this early stage will prevent duplicates. Then begin a list at item number 1 with a clear description and the price: "skinny quarter red rosebuds 2". If you want to start packaging the items be sure to mark them with the same initials and sequence as your list:

Example: Amk001 skinny quarter red rosebuds 2

CALLING ALL ELVES

From Margaret Minton/Sandy Reading

Now that the holidays are over, you wonderful elves are wondering what to do? How about making some items for the \$10 and Under Boutique or the Silent Auction for our upcoming quilt show. Together we can make this the best quilt show ever.

A reminder that the senior elves (chairpersons) have a meeting February 1, 2014, 10:00 am at Sandy's house.

2014 QUILT SHOW: \$10 AND UNDER TABLE

From Beth Bohac and Peg McClelland

As the countdown to our quilt show begins, here's a list suggestions for items for the \$10 and Under Table:

- * Bibs
- * Burp cloths
- * Fabric books for babies and toddlers
- * Knit or crocheted baby hats
- * Potholders and aprons
- * Checkbook covers or eyeglass cases
- * Simple table runners or table mats
- * Needle cases or scissor holders
- * Accessory bags
- * Small wall hangings



This is just a partial list of ideas - you probably have lots more. There are also many free patterns for items available on the Internet - www.craftsy.com is a good source. We're looking forward to having all sorts of goodies for shoppers.

You can bring your finished items to any meeting from now until the quilt show or let us know if you have any questions. Thank you in advance for your help!

EDUCATION

From Maria O'Haver

Upcoming Classes:

SAVE THE DATES! Nancy Lee Chong from the Pacific Rim Quilt Company will be lecturing and holding a class for us on June 19-21, 2014. Mark your calendars!!

LOVE QUILTS

From Marianne Hendrickse

My prayer for this holiday season is that all our guild members were fortunate to be able to spend time with family and good friends. Nothing warms the heart like sharing a meal, playing with the grand kids or going walking with a neighbor. As we start taking down the holiday decorations, packing away all the extra dishes and linens and trying to get back to "normal", I would like to remind all my very generous volunteers about our upcoming Love quilt days. We will work on tying love quilts on Thursday 1/2/14 and Monday 1/6/14. Stephanie Sanidas and I will bring all the necessary supplies to the meetings where we will tie quilts, finish bindings and stitch on labels.

If any members would like to assist with Love Quilts, but are not able to attend the meeting please notify me and I will make sure that you have the necessary supplies. Many members prefer to do the following at home- cut squares, machine quilt the smaller quilts, stitch on bindings and labels. Last month (December) we were able to deliver 35 small quilts and 5 large quilts to GrassRoots. The donation was greatly appreciated by the agency which helps families in crisis living in their emergency shelters. The quilts are a special gift that the residents can take with them when they move into permanent housing. The next Love Quilt committee meeting will be held at my house Monday 1/20/14 at 1pm to 3pm.

BUS TRIP FOR 2014



The first trip is on Friday March 14 to Lancaster, PA for the American Quilters Society show. We need to have 40 people signed up and paid for by **February 7**. The \$45 price includes transportation, driver's tip and entrance to the show.

The second trip is to Oaks, PA on **September 19** for the PA Quilt Extravaganza show. \$45 includes the transportation, driver's tip and entrance to the show.

The last and most popular is the shopping trip on **October 17**. We go to Sauders Fabrics, Shady Maple Smorgasbord for lunch and the Kitchen Kettle area.

Checks are to be made out to **Milltown Quilters** for \$45 per trip. Please sign up and pay to Sheri Thompson (nights), Eleanor Howe or Sandy Lynch (days) or email sandyquilts38@gmail.com.

QUILTING TIPS BOOKLET

From Carol Patterson



Hello Quilters - we are still collecting tips to compile into a booklet to sell at the \$10 and Under Table during our upcoming Quilt Show this Spring. I am collecting all the special things you want to share with us such as time-saving tips, short-cuts that actually work or just something so simple that after years of quilting you came across this tip in something you read or learned from another quilter. Would love to hear from you - the sooner the better so we know what size booklet to print. Remember, what you think everyone knows may have been forgotten!

Please email to me at grandma5five@verizon.net or simply give to me in writing at a meeting.

NEWS OF INTEREST

Antique Quilt Show at the January 23 Meeting

Here's something special to brighten up your cold winter month of January....

Our own Sandy McDonald is going to have an antique quilt show on Thursday January 23 at 11am. Sandy is an avid quilt collector and has an amazing number of beautiful old quilts that she is willing to share with us. Mark your calendars and be sure to attend this meeting!

Raffle Quilt

Friendship Star will have their raffle quilt at our January 30th meeting.

Codi Is Moving

Codi Nowlin is moving to California. She would like Friendship Blocks with brights, but no batiks, with a white strip in the middle.

Original Sewing & Quilt Expo

The Expo has moved and will be at the Hunt Valley Inn on March 6, 7 & 8, 2014. Check for more information at www.sewingexpo.com.

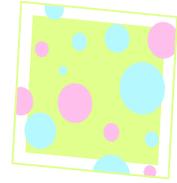
WHITE TEE SHIRT DONATIONS

From Georgia Morris

Thank you very much to all Faithful Circle members who donated packages of Tee Shirts for the Pediatric Department of Howard County Hospital's Emergency Room. My husband Mike and I delivered 5 shopping bags full--223 Tee Shirts in total-- to the Hospital on Monday, December 9th. Your generosity was warmly welcomed by Hospital personnel.

"DOTS FOR TOTS" QUILT CHALLENGE FOR PROJECT LINUS

From Stephanie Sanidas



Polka

I hope you spent time over the holidays putting the finishing touches on your Dot challenge quilt. Remember to bring your quilt to our "Dots for Tots" Show and Tell on Thursday January 9 and Monday January 13. If you have already turned in your quilt, they will be on display at these meetings. We will donate all polka dot challenge quilts to Project Linus after our May 2014 quilt show.

BLOCK OF THE QUARTER - HEARTS



From Sharon Roton

This quarter includes a number of holidays where we celebrate our love for our friends and family -- Christmas, Kwanzaa, Hanukkah (ok, it was a little early this year, but it's usually in this quarter!), all the way up to Valentine's Day. So the Block of the Quarter this time will be hearts -- any technique, any color, on any background, square or rectangle, from 3" x 3" to 12" x 12" (finished). A winner will be drawn on the first Monday in March. Let the love flow!

WINNERS

Block of the Quarter - Codi Nowlin

October Block of the Month - Codi Nowlin

November Block of the Month - Kathy Lee and Bonnie Stapleton

Congratulations!

BLOCK OF THE MONTH - January 2014
Bonnie Hunter's Whirly Girly
From Pat Wyatt



Mix and match your scraps.

Instructions to make the 7.5" Whirly Girl block can be found in Bonnie Hunter's Addicted to Scraps column in the May/June '12 issue of *Quiltmaker*.

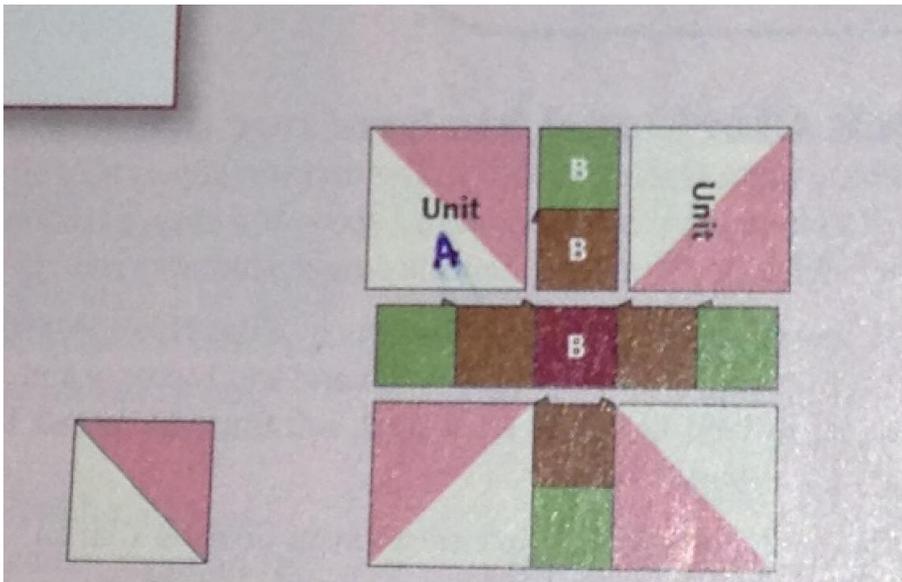
Cutting:

Pink Print and Cream Print: from each -- 2 squares (A) $3\frac{7}{8}$ " x $3\frac{7}{8}$ "

Green Print and Brown Print: from each -- 4 squares (B) 2" x 2"

Red Print: 1 square (B) 2" x 2"

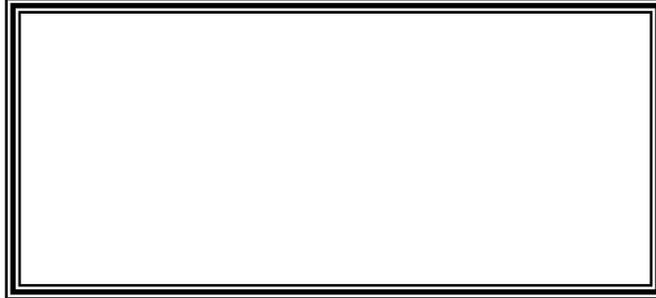
Using the "Triangle Squares" technique, use the pink A's and the cream A's to make four units. Join the patches as shown to complete the block. With right sides together and the lighter fabric on top, pair one square of each color that makes the unit. On the lighter patch, draw a diagonal line from corner to corner. Stitch $\frac{1}{4}$ " out from both sides of the line. Cut apart on the marked line. With the darker fabric up, open out the top patch and press the block. A pair of squares will yield two units.



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Betty Kilroy January Birthday Party

- 02 Gladis McKoy
- 04 Amy Lombard
- 09 Linda Kerrick
- 10 Fran Chernoske
- 14 Jackie Hall
- 20 Ellie Layman
- 21 Sandy McDonald
- 26 Carol Roberts
- 26 Susan Roth
- 27 Julie Cascio
- 28 Sri Poedjastoeti
- 29 Geri Flester

- 29 Roma Knee
- 31 Amy May

CALENDAR

- Jan 2** - Love Quilts
- Jan 6** - Love Quilts
- Jan 9** - Dots for Tots Show and Tell
- Jan 11** - Board Meeting
- Jan 13** - Dots for Tots Show and Tell
- Jan 22** - Caring Hands
- Jan 23** - Antique Quilts Show at meeting