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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

From Nancy Meier

With this beautiful fall weather, it's so nice to open the windows and get some fresh air. There's nothing lovelier than looking up from the sewing machine to view the changing colors when, what do I behold, but stinkbugs clinging to the screen. So I must concentrate on sewing and ignore them.

Speaking of which, I see at the show-and-tells that our members are getting started on their comfy critter challenges. My combination of purples and blueberries was definitely a challenge for me. Then I went back to one of my Gyleen Fitzgerald patterns with the help of my seldom-used easy angle ruler and tucker trimmer. I think this is going to work just fine.

What a busy month October looks to be! Some of us are going off to the first fall retreat, which should be lots of fun. Maria has lined up two lectures for us: David Taylor and Diane Doran. Evidently Mr. Taylor is very popular as I have had requests from non-members to attend his lecture. So come early and get a good seat. And do not forget the silent auction on October 12 to benefit the First Presbyterian Church. They are so good to us; it's the least we can do to be good to them as they reach out to the needier in our community. So bring your best selling items and all of your friends.

www.photobucket.com/albums/w517/FCQuilters

ANNUAL SILENT AUCTION

From Rose Panczenko

This is a reminder that our Annual Silent Auction to benefit First Presbyterian's Thanksgiving Basket Program will take place on Monday evening, October 12th. Set up will begin at 6:45pm and bidding will be from 7:30pm - 8:15pm.

Any item may be donated: small finished quilts, unfinished tops and projects, fabric (yardage, cut squares, strips, etc.) and patterns. Non-quilting items are also welcome: picture frames, jigsaw puzzles, plants, pottery, romance / mystery novels, yarn, embroidery, cross stitch. Anything you might consider to be a nice gift for someone would be wonderful. And, of course, **FOOD!!!**

Please donate what you can and bid generously; it's all for a very good cause. If you are unable to attend but would like to make a monetary donation, any officer will be happy to pass it along to us.

Payments must be by **cash or check only**; we are not set up for credit card payments.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact ROSE PANCZENKO at 410-992-1695 or roseofwashsquare@gmail.com. See you on October 12th!

LECTURE WITH DAVID TAYLOR QUILT ARTIST THURSDAY OCTOBER 15 AT 10:30AM

From Maria O'Haver

David Taylor was born in Peterborough, New Hampshire, and currently resides in Steamboat Springs, Colorado. He has been the recipient of the Fairfield Master Award for Contemporary Quilting from the International Quilt Association (2006, 2014), the Brother Wall Machine Workmanship Award from the American Quilters Society (2008), and a two-time Best of Show winner at the IQA's Spring Festival in Chicago (2007, 2008), among others. His art quilts hang in numerous private collections worldwide.

His entertaining lecture will be held on Thursday, October 15 at 10:30am. You'll learn how his love for fabrics evolved into an amazing talent for creating beautiful quilts, and see some of his amazing works of art.

KOMEN QUILT FOR THE CURE - RAFFLE QUILT

From Stephanie Sanidas

Thank you to our guild members for donating four quilts to the Komen Race for the Cure to be held on Sunday October 25, 2015. CATHY KELLEY, our Komen raffle quilt coordinator, is always happy to receive FCQ quilts because our guild is so generous and talented. Special thanks to GENIE CORBIN, NINA GODFREY, SUE HAYNIE, MARIANNE HENDRICKSE, DARLYS HUGHES, MARIA O'HAYER, and GEORGE HUBBLE for all of their hard work. Everyone is busy working on quilts for our April show and Project Linus Cuddly Critter quilts! Remember, the next Komen raffle quilt due date is April 1, 2016.

**LECTURE WITH DIANE RUSIN FORAN CONTEMPORARY QUILT MAKER
MONDAY NOVEMBER 9, 7:15PM**

From Maria O'Haver

Diane Rusin Foran, Contemporary Quilt Maker, has always been fascinated by color and fabric. She has been sewing since childhood, and quilting since 1987. Her work focuses on digital imagery and complex machine quilting. Diane's quilts have been widely exhibited and won numerous awards at a variety of major shows. She is the author of two instructional DVDs, *Digital Collage for Quilt Design: From Start to Finish* and *Digital Surface Design*, as well as many magazine articles. Diane is an editor for *Machine Quilting Unlimited* magazine and has appeared on QATV several times.

Having tried nearly every style of quilting over the years, from traditional to cutting edge, Diane has lots of quilts to share, many of them award winners. Early on she began using computers to assist her in designing her quilts, and also as a means of connecting with quilters around the world. In her lecture/trunk show she shows these quilts and tells the story of how her work has evolved through the years, along with the many ways that computers have been invaluable to her from an artistic and networking standpoint. You can see her quilts at www.dianedoran.com and visit her at oohprettycolors.blogspot.com.

2016 QUILT SHOW NEWS

REGISTRATION

From Janette Tarr and Elaine Bishop

Registration for our upcoming Quilt Show will begin on Monday, January 4, 2016. Because this year's show is earlier than our previous show, the period in which to register your quilt(s) will be shorter. The quilt registration date is not yet fixed but, as always, no quilts will be accepted after the registration ends. A representative of the registration committee will be at all meetings to "gently" (☺) remind you to have your entries ready for early registration. All members may submit up to five (5) quilts, but please remember there is limited space in the church. Prioritize your quilts as "1", "2", "3", etc. In the event that there are too many quilts to display, your prioritization will help our quilt hangers decide which of your quilts is most important for you to have shown.

All of the Project Linus Cuddly Critters Challenge quilts will be displayed, so please remember to enter your "Critters" quilt!

SILENT AUCTION

From Margaret Minton

One of the attractions at our quilt show, with a direct bottom-line impact, is the Silent Auction. A successful silent auction provides funds for education, so we can continue to have the exciting speakers and workshops that help us all develop our craft. Plan now for an exciting, enticing, auction item that you can make and donate to help the guild. Wall-hangings, purses, table runners, and other less-than-bed-size works of art will be welcomed. See SANDY READING or MARGARET MINTON for details.

\$10 AND UNDER TABLE

From Beth Bohac

The \$10 and Under Table inventory is off and running! The first items were donated with several members promising that there were more to come. Donations will be accepted at all meetings from now through the quilt show. If I am not available at Thursday meetings, JANET O'LEARY or PEG MCCLELLAND will collect items and provide forms to help with the inventory of donations, while MARY BETH LITTLE has graciously volunteered to collect things at the night meetings.

If you are looking for ideas for what to make, we are compiling easy-to-make patterns and will make these available at meetings. Thank you in advance for your help.

FALL COLORS AND SPECIALTY RULERS

From Sharon Rhoton

Have you looked through your specialty rulers to see which one you want to use to make a block for the block of the quarter? If you've found a great ruler but aren't sure how to use it, look on-line -- I can almost guarantee that you'll find a YouTube video to walk through using it! It's what several of us have done before, using fall-colored fabrics to make our entries for the current BOQ. Use any specialty ruler (defined as anything but a plain square or straight ruler) and fall colors to make an entry. Any size, or any technique will work. The drawing will be at the Monday night holiday party on December 7, 2015. Mary Beth Little was the proud recipient of 23 red and white blocks from the last drawing.

PROJECT LINUS CRITTERS CHALLENGE

From Stephanie Sanidas

It's wonderful to see so many critter quilts at our meetings. Faithful Circle Quilters are so creative with the challenging mystery fabrics. Ask Toeti to show you her doggie quilt top that was designed and pieced in one week! I'll bet she has more clever ideas if you are puzzled about what to make for the challenge. It's not too late to join - there are a few mystery bags of fabric still available. Quilts should be finished by January 2016 for quilt show registration. If you are not entering your quilt in the show, the finish date is May 1, 2016. Contact STEPHANIE SANIDAS to get your challenge fabric so you can create a quilt to bring comfort and warmth to a child. FCQ gives the stockings to the church the week before Thanksgiving.

"STAR STRUCK" WORKSHOP WITH GYLEEN FITZGERALD

From Maria O'Haver

On Saturday, January 30, 2016 from 9:00am-4:00pm, we will host Gyleen Fitzgerald for a workshop. She will teach her "Star Struck" project. One day is all it takes to make this 22" x 80" table or bed runner. She will teach her butterfly seam technique that makes the piecing effortless. Registration for this workshop is now open. Class fee is \$30 (Polygon Affair book and Polygon and Polygon 2 tools are required). See MARIA O'HAYER to sign up.



SPRING RETREAT MAY 2016

From Paula Henry

The annual FCQ spring retreat will be May 20-22, 2016 at the Riverview Retreat Center at Camp Pecometh in Centreville, MD. Cost for the retreat will be \$250 for double occupancy and \$390 for single occupancy. Registration will not take place until January 2016. For questions, please contact PAULA HENRY.

CARDS AND WELL WISHES NEEDED

From Rose Panczenko

Janice, from SewVac, had a horse riding accident in August. She broke both wrists, a rib, and punctured a lung. She has gone through several surgeries and is now on the mend. FCQ is passing around a card for members to sign and send to her.

We also encourage you to visit the store, inquire about Janice, and let them know how grateful we are to have Ellicott City SewVac as our Quilt Show sponsor.

THANK YOU!

From Nancy Evans and Leah Hurwich

We cannot express enough "Thank You's" and gratitude to the members of Faithful Circle for their timeless assistance (and shopping prowess!) for Leah's downsizing. 'It takes a guild,' has real meaning.

We were absolutely floored with the number of FCQ members, and their family members, who came over! No to mention the hours of time that brought the "Yards Yards and More Yards Sale" to a successful event. We could not have tackled this project without all of the help that came through our doors, and garage, and driveway.

In the end, enough was brought in to fund at least two months of Leah's new housing. Leah moved mid-September, and her new address is in the directory.

Four County Quilt Guild is having a "Yard Sale," Saturday, November 7th from 11:00am - 3:00pm at Calvary United Methodist Church, 403 S Main St, Mount Airy (right up the street from Patches). The remaining items from the August event, as well as some other items that we did not get to see (I am told these are batiks) will be included in their event. Four County held this event last year, and they ended up with quite an assortment of items. Sounds like a sale not to be missed!

FUTURE "SAVE THE DATES"

From Maria O'Haver

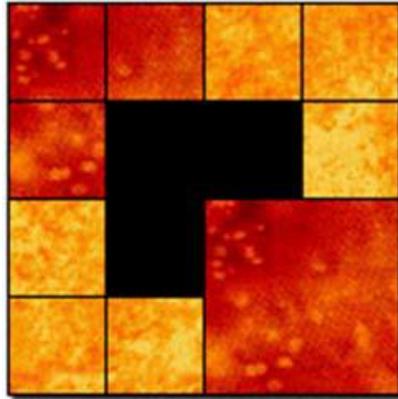
Monday, July 11, 2016 - Lecture with Vikki Pignatelli

Saturday, July 16, 2016 - Workshop with Vikki Pignatelli

September 30-October 2, 2016 - Fall Educational Retreat with Diane Rusin Doran

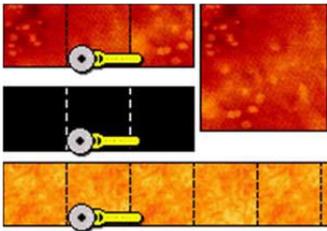
SQUARES UPON SQUARES

This will make a 12" Block.



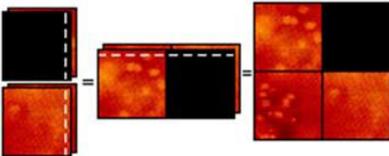
Using Black (color 3) and two other colors (colors 1 and 2)

Step 1:



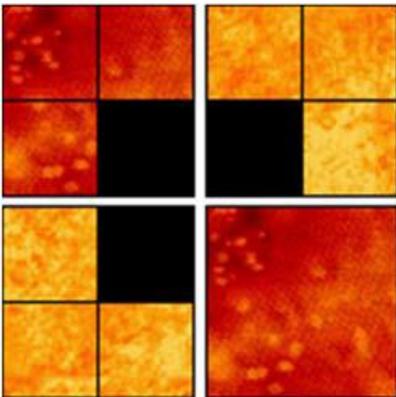
Start by marking and cutting the Color 1 and Color 3 3-1/2" x 10-1/2" strips into three 3- 1/2" squares of each. Mark and cut the Color 2 3-1/2" x 21" strip into six 3-1/2" squares. You also need one 6-1/2" square of Color 1...

Step 2:



To sew three of the corner blocks, sew pairs of colored squares right sides together as shown at left, using 1/4" seams. Press seams towards the darker side. Sew these units together, again using 1/4" seams. Make one unit with the Color 1 and Color 3 small squares, and two units using Color 2 and Color 3...

Step 3:



Now piece the block, sewing your units together as shown at left! Be sure to press row seams in opposing directions, so the seams lay nice and flat!

Source: April 8 2002 Marcia Hohn pattern from <http://www.quilterscache.com>

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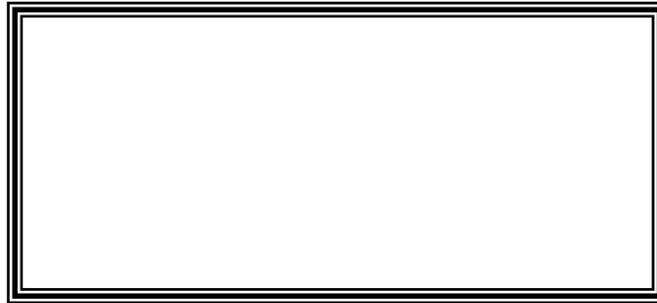
Faithful Circle Quilters
welcomes anyone
interested in quilts and
quilting.

We meet Monday evenings
from 7 to 9 pm
AND

Thursday mornings
from 10 am to 2 pm

At the
First Presbyterian
Church on
Rt. 108 at Rt. 29
Columbia, MD

Please come join us and
visit our web site at
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Betty Kilroy October Birthday Party

- 03 Stephanie Sanidas
- 03 Terry Wilson
- 04 Janice Liesch
- 04 Susan Mitchell
- 04 Silvia Hunter
- 06 Sue Campise
- 07 Joyce Rozas
- 09 Mary H. Peroutka
- 13 Bonnie Dank
- 16 Sharon Rhoton
- 17 Mary Corbin
- 17 Beth Bohac
- 18 Alka Mital

- 19 Carmelita White
- 19 Sandy Schlossberg
- 20 Janet Clank
- 23 Jane Sonn
- 25 Maria O'Haver
- 26 Patricia Wyatt
- 28 Dawn Byrd

CALENDAR

- October 1 & 5** - Love Quilts
- October 12** - Annual Silent Auction
- October 15** - David Taylor Lecture