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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

From Nancy Meier

I'm looking forward to this month. I anticipate that we will receive the last instructions for the mystery quilt in this newsletter. (Am I assuming too much and must I wait until May?) I can't for the life of me figure out what the end result will be.

Also I hope we will see our raffle quilt. From what I have seen of the blocks I finished and some of the applique blocks, it should be gorgeous. George Hubble and her team have done an excellent job of including guild members in the process. And what will be the name of the quilt and quilt show?

It is hard to believe that it's been nearly two years since I became guild president. We have elections for the next board in May and have a great slate of candidates:

President - Rose Panczenko

Day VP - Kim Reading

Night VP - Terry Wilson

Treasurer - Kathy Lee

Assistant Treasurer - Geri Fleister

Day Secretary - Janette Tarr

Night Secretary - Nancy Evans

Of course that's not to say others of you might want to suggest yourself or others.

www.photobucket.com/albums/w517/FCQuilters

LOVE QUILTS

By Sue Scott

Please return completed tops on or before our April 20th meeting. We do not have enough tops for our May Love Quilts, so if you have unfinished kits at home, please finish them. I will need assistants to help match tops with backs before our May Love Quilts meeting. The time and place to meet will be determined by the numbers of helpers and their availability. Perhaps before a Thursday or Monday meeting? Please email me at sue.scott5312@verizon.net or see me at a Thursday meeting to volunteer. Thank you for all your help with Love Quilts.

PROJECT LINUS CHALLENGE QUILTS FOR 2018

By Stephanie Sanidas

It's time for a new Project Linus Challenge... The topic for this year's challenge is "Alphabet." Pick a letter, a word, or even the entire alphabet! Numbers and special characters are okay too.

Seventy-five challenge bags have been prepared, each with at least one yard of fabric. There are a minimum of two pieces of fabric in each bag. And to add some interest, some bags have the same fabrics. Ooooh, how will each quilter use the same fabrics?!

I will distribute the bags and bring them to upcoming meetings in May. If you can't make a meeting, but want to get a bag, please get in touch with me, STEPHANE SANIDAS.

There are only two rules:

Alpha/Numeric/Special Character must be on the front of the quilt

And at least one piece of fabric from the bag must be on the front of the quilt

The quilts can be any size, and can be as simple as an alphabet panel, and the fabric in your bag. Or, pick a favorite letter or word and design a quilt around that. Don't forget to sew a label on the back of the quilt. The due date will be the first meeting in January, 2018. Eye candy to look forward to in the New Year! Challenge participants are strongly encouraged to register their challenge quilts in the FCQ 2018 Quilt Show.

Thank you to NANCY EVANS for donating the challenge fabric. Thank you all for your participation! We are looking forward to the challenge quilt display at our next quilt show, and then donating the quilts to Project Linus.

TAPS AND WOUNDED WARRIOR QUILTS

By Stephanie Sanidas

It was so heartwarming to see FIVE TAPS (Tragedy Assistance Program for Survivors) quilts on display at the Monday 3/27 meeting! Last call for TAPS quilts for this year's Memorial Day camp. Quilts are needed by May 1, 2017. Please remember Adult Wounded Warrior quilts are always needed and appreciated at our local medical hospitals. Contact STEPHANIE SANIDAS to turn in your quilts.

MAKE YOUR OWN CHATELAINE

By Maria O'Haver

We've all admired the handy way Margaret Minton stores and keeps her various sewing implements close at hand, and now she has volunteered to teach us how to make our own Chatelaine. The class will be on Saturday April 8 from 9:30am - 12:30pm in the Fellowship Hall. The class fee is \$5. Registration is open now and limited to 20 students. Contact MARIA O'HAYER to sign up.

JUNE LECTURE AND CLASS

By Maria O'Haver

We have an exciting lecture, and class, coming in June with renowned quilter Jane Sassaman. She will be giving a lecture entitled "Under the Influence" on Thursday June 1. In this lecture, she will talk about the visual and philosophical ideas that have influenced both her and her work. She will also be teaching a two day workshop entitled "Shape Shifting" on Friday and Saturday, June 2 and 3.

The "Shape Shifting" class will explore photographs and slides, of a variety of historic and ethnic decorative objects, to help uncover some of the motifs and symbols which may have powerful personal resonance. For example, you may be drawn to Buddhist mandalas or Mexican Milagros. You may be attracted to the design of an Inuit mask or the pattern from an Art Nouveau vase or the shape of an Egyptian chair. Each student will select historic motifs, shapes and images which they will manipulate and reinterpret into a unique statement in fabric and thread. By lifting an image from one time and place to another, the student will begin to exercise the power to recognize their personal touch stones to imagination.

The aim of the workshop is to nurture your intuitive skills. Students should have a desire to develop their own design language and unique visual symbols, plus an interest in the history of decorative design. The cost for the two day workshop is \$100, and registration is now open. Please contact either MARIA O'HAYER or LINDA KERRICK to sign up.

FALL RETREAT AT PECOMETH

By Maria O'Haver

Registration is still open for the Fall Retreat, Friday Sept.29 through Sunday Oct. 1 2017. The retreat this year is a UFO retreat - everyone will be working on their own projects. The cost is \$260 for a Double Room and includes 2 nights and 6 meals. A deposit of \$75 is required in order to sign up now, with the remaining fee due by August 1. See LINDA KERRICK to register.

UPCOMING "SAVE THE DATES"

By Maria O'Haver

June 1 - Lecture Jane Sassaman

July 31 - Lecture Philippa Naylor

Sept 29 - Oct 1 - Fall Retreat at Pecometh - no classes

Oct 9 - Lecture Karen Eckmeier

June 2, 3 - Class with Jane Sassaman

Aug 1, 2 - Classes with Philippa Naylor

Oct 7, 8 - Classes with Karen Eckmeier

LOCAL QUILTING EVENTS

- April 27-29 Milltown Quilters
2017 Quilt Show
milltownquilters.com
- April 28-30 Friendship Star Quilters
"Sunshine and Moon Glow" Quilt Show
friendshipstar.org
- May 5 Everybody's Quilt Guild
Annual Quilt Bingo
For tickets - Luray Hill, (410) 596-5369
- June 2-4 Quilters Unlimited
"Wing It" quilt Show
quiltersunlimited.org/quiltshow
- June 2-4 Bayside Quiltgers
"A Garden of Quilts"
baysidequilters.org
- June 10-11 Annapolis Quilt Guild
"Quilts by the Bay"
annapolisquiltguild.org
- July 1-9 Kutztown Folk Festival
KutztownFestival.com

SUMMER TRAVELS

By Linda Kerrick

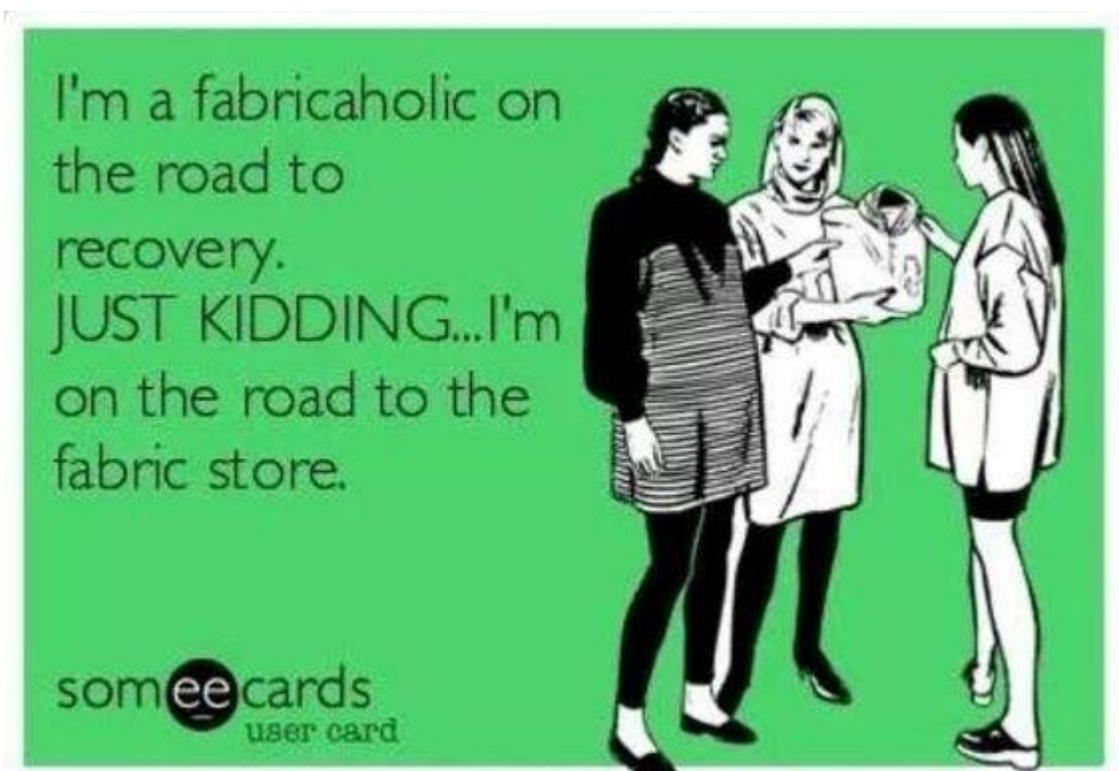
Traveling this summer? Go to quiltinghub.com. Use their trip planner to find quilt stores and guilds along your route!

LIDS NEEDED

By Georgia Morris

Please save the large plastic lids from Skippy, JIF or similar (peanut butter) jars. I hope to make pincushions for the "\$10 and Under" table. My main concern is that the lids are plastic, about the size of a peanut butter jar, and deep enough to make a pincushion with.

Just Cutting Up...



SCRAPPY TRIANGLES

By Frances Parker

The triangle pattern is provided in the "BOM folder." Please take only 1 or 2 pattern pieces.

The technique is called foundation paper piecing-stitch & flip or flip & sew. The flip comes in when you peel the top fabric back and press in the opposite way.

The pattern is of an equilateral triangle that measures 6.5" on each side. Please take only 1 or 2 triangle pattern pieces. If you want more the triangles, use the foundation pattern to make more. I used tracing paper, you can also use news-print. Keep your stitches small; it will be easier to remove the paper.

Start at the top of the triangle.



Make sure the scraps cover the paper completely when in place.

Choose two fabric scraps, the smaller the better.



Sew right sides together, right through the paper. Set your stitch length short.



Fold down the scrap on the right and press well.



Pick another scrap, sew, and press.



Repeat until the triangle is covered.
Flip the piece upside down.



Trim, using the paper as your guide. There is a *little* waste, but not much. Yay!



Remove the pieces and give the triangle a final press.



Repeat to your heart's content!

Disclaimer: Sewing through the paper will dull your needle. Change it as needed.



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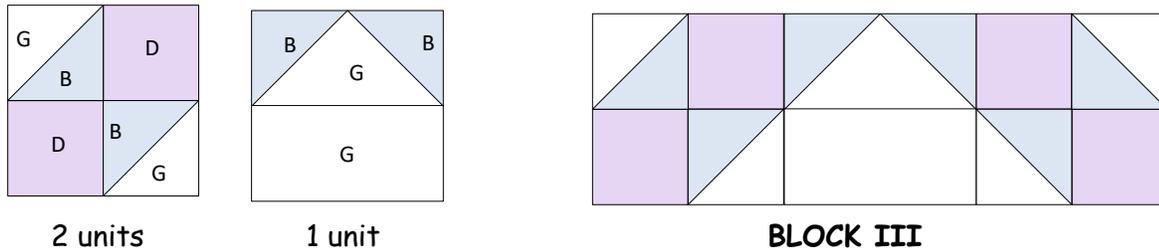
MYSTERY CHALLENGE

From Janette Tarr

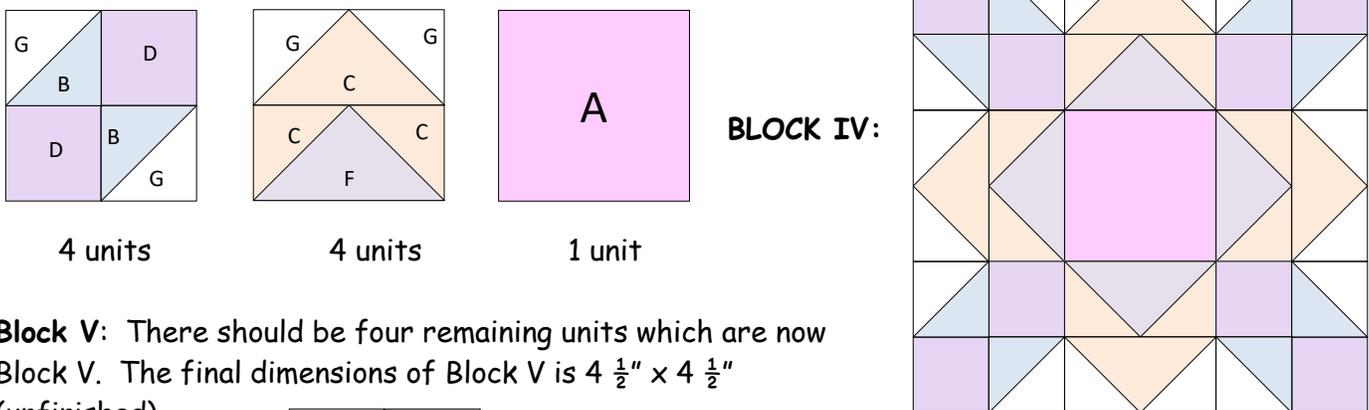
Step 8: Let's finish this!

Again, with this step, 3 blocks will be assembled from previously made units.

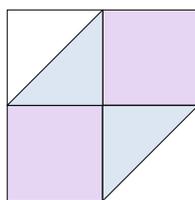
Block III: Use the following units to build this block. The final dimension of Block III is $4\frac{1}{2}'' \times 12\frac{1}{2}''$ (unfinished).



Block IV: Use the following units to build this block. The final dimensions of Block IV is $12\frac{1}{2}'' \times 12\frac{1}{2}''$ (unfinished). Pay attention to orientation!



Block V: There should be four remaining units which are now Block V. The final dimensions of Block V is $4\frac{1}{2}'' \times 4\frac{1}{2}''$ (unfinished).



BLOCK V:

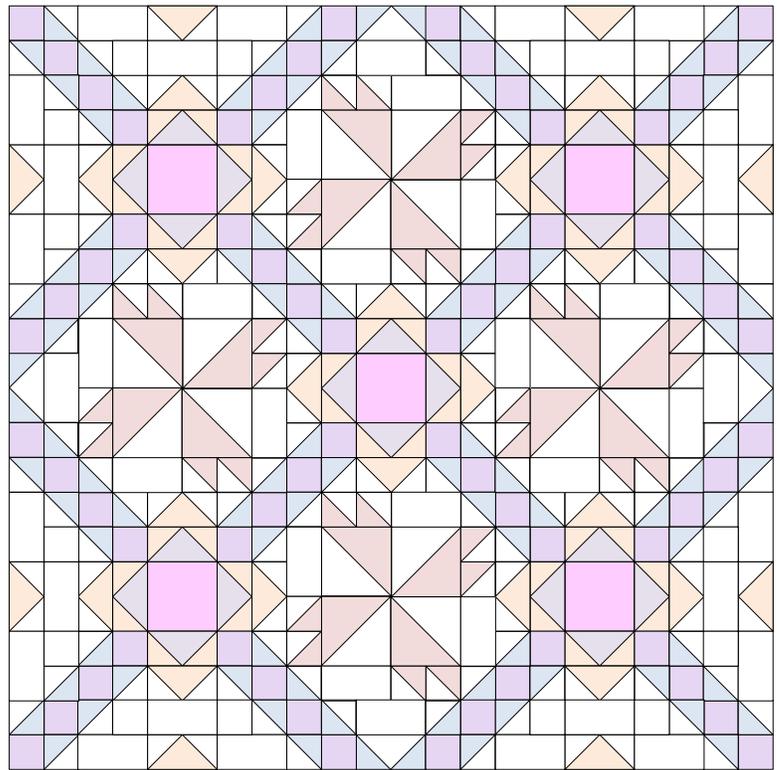
The number of blocks needed will be dependent on the size of the quilt being made.

	Small	Lap	Twin	Large
	44" x 44"	44" x 68"	68" x 92"	92" x 92"
BLOCK III	4	6	10	12
BLOCK IV	5	8	18	25
BLOCK V	4	4	4	4

THE BIG REVEAL:

If you have made a small quilt, the layout of the block will be as follows.

V	Block I	Block III	Block I	V
Block I	Block IV	Block II	Block IV	Block I
Block III	Block II	Block IV	Block II	Block III
Block I	Block IV	Block II	Block IV	Block I
V	Block I	Block III	Block I	V



If you have made a lap quilt, the layout of the block will be as follows.

From this you can probably figure the layout of other sizes.
Let me know if you have any problems!

Janette
jmtarr79@gmail.com

Block V	Block I	Block III	Block I	Block V
Block I	Block IV	Block II	Block IV	Block I
Block III	Block II	Block IV	Block II	Block III
Block I	Block IV	Block II	Block IV	Block I
Block III	Block II	Block IV	Block II	Block III
Block I	Block IV	Block II	Block IV	Block I
Block V	Block I	Block III	Block I	Block V

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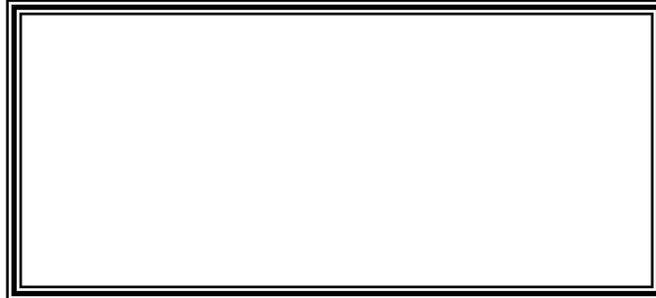
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Betty Kilroy April Birthday Party

- 03 Michelle Tarr
- 05 Genie Corbin
- 06 Anna H. Norton
- 13 Susan Mann
- 14 George Hubble
- 14 Beth Cooper
- 15 Gayle Sternheim
- 17 Helene Ross
- 17 Joanne Brazinski
- 19 Kathy Lee
- 22 Roberta Yaklich
- 24 Stephanie Hagberg
- 25 Leigh Eirich
- 27 Patty Wheeler
- 28 JoAnn Adkins
- 29 Marcia Ostiguy

CALENDAR

- Monday, April 3 - Love Quilts
- Thursday, April 6 - Love Quilts
- Saturday, April 8 - Chatelaine Class

NO MEETINGS ON THE FOLLOWING DAYS:

- Monday, April 10 (Holy Week)
- Thursday, April 13 (Holy Week)
- Monday, April 17 (Holy Week)
- Thursday, April 27 (Milltown Quilt Show)