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The President's Message and Block of the Month will return in September.

THINGS TO DO THIS SUMMER:

QUILT ODYSSEY

Hershey Lodge & Convention Center July 20 - 23.

Merchant's mall and exhibits are open Thursday - Saturday from 10-6, and on Sunday from 10-4. There will be nationally known teachers, a merchant's mall with 80+ merchants and a fabulous quilt show.

For directions to the lodge and convention center, go to <http://www.hersheylobby.com/> and click under "location & directions."

With summer almost here, it's time to start thinking about vacations **and our upcoming quilt show!** You can finish and bind your quilts, make something for the Silent Auction (either for the church in the fall or for our FCQ show), and clean out your patterns, books, etc for the Peddler's Table. Don't forget the \$10 and Under Table either. Many of these projects can be easily finished by the pool, or on a rainy summer's day.

Whatever your plans for the upcoming months, please keep those creative juices flowing and remember - April 2018 will be here before we know it!

www.photobucket.com/albums/w517/FCQuilters

KOMEN QUILTS 2017

If you want to donate a quilt for the Komen Quilt Raffle on October 15, 2017, quilts are due by September 28, 2017. Any size, any pattern, any colors are acceptable for the Komen raffle. This year is the 25th anniversary of the Komen race and the course is returning to Baltimore City, near Fort McHenry.

BLOCK OF THE MONTH

The block of the month is on vacation for the summer. But if you want to make blocks for donation quilts, kits will be available all summer. We are making red, white, and blue 12 inch churn dash blocks for TAPS quilts. If you can volunteer to sew quilt tops and quilt the TAPS quilts made from these blocks, contact STEPHANIE SANIDAS.

To the right is a sample churn dash block. Lay out your pre-cut pieces as shown, sew with an accurate 1/4 inch seam. Return your finished block to the bin.



LOCAL QUILTING EVENTS

July 1-9 Kutztown Folk Festival
KutztownFestival.com

ART EXHIBIT, with a QUILT

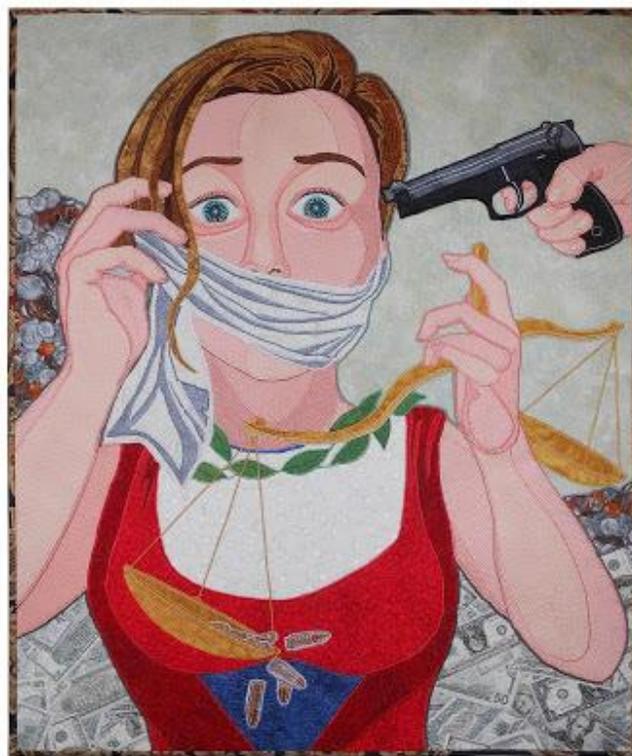
In 1972, the still young Faithful Circle Quilters decided to create a Columbia "People Tree" quilt for "Joy Sunday" on December 17, 1972. You can read about this in our History Scrapbook, on pages #3, 3a, and 3b. This quilt was eventually auctioned, and went to James Rouse. It is now on display at the Rouse Company Foundation Gallery at Howard Community College Galleries. The exhibit is called "The heART of Columbia: Creating Community with Art".

It runs through July 17th. Gallery hours are 10:00 a.m. to 9:30 p.m.



THREADS OF RESISTANCE

Our own Sheila Reiss has had her "Don't Shoot" (Until You See the Whites of Their Eyes) quilt accepted into the "Threads of Resistance" exhibit. The exhibit opens at the New England Quilt Museum beginning July 15th and will travel the country, for at least a year, at different venues. Follow this link for additional information.



<http://threadsofresistance.blogspot.com/2017/06/dont-shoot-until-you-see-whites-of.html>

UPCOMING BUS TRIP TO HERSHEY'S QUILT ODYSSEY

This trip is being sponsored by a co-op of Quilt Guilds in Howard County:
Faithful Circle Quilters, Milltown Quilters, and Village Quilters

Hershey Quilt Odyssey 2017 - Saturday, July 22, 2017 - \$57

Departure: 8:00 a.m. (Park and Ride 108 and Presbyterian Circle, Columbia)

Return: 7:30 p.m. approximately

Price includes transportation, driver gratuity, and show admission. There will be a dinner stop at Cracker Barrel (on your own) en route home.

Payment is needed by June 20th. 30 people must sign up for a guaranteed "go"

Please make checks payable to:

**Village Quilters
c/o Sheri Thompson
7422 Cherry Tree Drive
Fulton, MD 20759**

If you have any questions, please contact SHERI THOMPSON at 301-490-4448.

UPCOMING CLASSES

By Maria O'Haver

Award winning quilt artist and publisher from England, Philippa Naylor will be giving a lecture at the Monday meeting on July 31 at 7pm. She will also be teaching two separate classes (see below). Philippa is known for her intricate applique and whole cloth quilts and her attention to detail. She has won numerous prizes for her quilts at international exhibits and has two quilts in the National Quilt Museum in Paducah, KY. Read more about Philippa on her website: <http://www.philippanaylor.com/about.html> Classes are now open for registration and will be held in the Fellowship Hall where we meet. Classes are \$50.00 each. Contact MARIA O'HAYER to register.

PRECISION PIECING - TUESDAY AUGUST 1, 9AM-4PM

Full-day class suitable for all levels. A practical workshop to help you achieve prize-winning accuracy. Many techniques, information and advice on every stage of the piecing process. Fabric selection, correct rotary cutting methods, sewing accurate seams, matching points and pressing are all examined in detail, with extensive demonstrations. Make a perfectly-sized, 'no points lost' block. Learn about borders, and how to produce really neat corners. Add double borders to your block choosing either mitred or square cut corners for a perfect finish!

FREE-MOTION MACHINE QUILTING - WEDNESDAY AUGUST 2, 9AM-4PM

Full day class suitable for all levels. Exploration of this wonderful technique begins with an in-depth discussion of materials, equipment and working methods. After extensive demonstrations, students practice the techniques and sew a range of samples including wavy 'squares', spirals which grow into flowers, clam shells which become brick designs, and feathers which evolve into all-over sophisticated stippling. Students will leave the class feeling inspired, confident and keen to continue improving their skills.

UPCOMING "SAVE THE DATES"

By Maria O'Haver

July 31 - Lecture Philippa Naylor

Aug 1, 2 - Classes with Philippa Naylor

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

Oct 7, 8 - Classes with Karen Eckmeier

Oct 9 - Lecture Karen Eckmeier

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.

VILLAGE QUILTERS BINGO EVENT

By Patty Wheeler

Village Quilters Bingo is coming on Friday, October 27, 2017. It will be held at The Lodge, 2832 Nine Mile Circle, Catonsville, MD 21228. Join us for an evening of fun! Cost is \$20, if tickets are purchased ahead of time, or \$22 at the door. Doors will open at 6:00pm and games begin at 7:00pm. There will be food for sale, raffle baskets and lots of door prizes. For tickets or more information see PATTY WHEELER or STEPHANIE SANIDAS or e-mail Patty at contact@villagequiltersmd.com

WORKSHOP OPPORTUNITY FROM VILLAGE QUILTERS

By Patty Wheeler



Village Quilters is hosting Ami Simms in October! She will be teaching her "String Quilting" workshop on Wednesday, October 18. We still have some spots available and they are now being opened to non-VQ members. The workshop will be held at The Lodge, 2832 Nine Mile Circle, Catonsville, MD 21228 from 10-4:30 (doors will open at 9:30 for setup).

A short video about the class can be seen at amisimms.com/stquf.html.

Don't let the photo fool you: this fun block has many setting and color possibilities! COST: \$48, check payable to Village Quilters. Contact PATTY WHEELER at contact@villagequiltersmd.com to register for the workshop.

PROJECT LINUS CHALLENGE QUILTS FOR 2018

By Stephanie Sanidas

It's Project Linus Challenge time and we still have a few mystery bags available. Pick a letter, a word, or the entire alphabet for inspiration. The show and tell date is the first meeting in January 2018. Then your quilt will be ready to register in our April 2018 Quilt Show. Challenge quilts will be donated to Project Linus after the quilt show in May 2018. If you have any questions, contact STEPHANIE SANIDAS or NANCY EVANS.

CHRISTMAS STOCKINGS

By Peg McClelland

Once again we will be making Christmas stockings for the church Christmas outreach. As in years past, kits will be available at meetings from now through Thanksgiving. We usually provide about 110 stockings, so please help if you can. Please contact me if you have questions.
