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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

From Margaret Minton

Confession: I started a new quilt today. Even though I have a number of quilts in progress, even though I still cannot sit comfortably at my sewing machine for over an hour, even though I don't need yet another project, I could not resist. Teaser: it will be red and white, only two colors.

A friend once asked me what was my favorite quilt. What's your answer? Do you have a favorite? My answer was, "The next one." I'm always ready to start something new! You will get to see this one, in time - but by then I may have started another one or two. Quilting has so much to offer - so many designs, so much color, so many opportunities to play with fabric. (Excuse me, I'm getting giddy here.)

I can see from our show and tell that many members are enjoying new projects, just as I am. I hope there is something quilty and new for all of you.

www.photobucket.com/albums/w517/FCQuilters

QUILT BINGO!

From Jean Storrs

Our meetings on March 22nd and 25th will be BINGO!! Join us for a chance to win big, big prizes*!!
*actually, a moderate amount of chocolate.

In order to play, you will need to prepare a game board. Because we're quilters we don't want to be using that boring old B-8, N-32 nonsense! So we need specialized game boards. Here's what you're going to do:

Gather 25 2 ½-inch squares. One should be black or white. The others can be yellow, orange, red, blue, purple, pink, or green. Each one should have one very strongly predominant color—no multi-colored prints for this project. They should also fit into one of these 13 categories: batik, floral, geometric, heart, metallic, holiday, novelty, paisley, plaid, solid, star, stripe, or 30's/feed sack.

Assemble your squares in a 5 x 5 square grid. The black or white square should be in the middle—that will be your "Free Space" square. Arrange the others in any order/design/random assembly you wish. Sew them together.

You will also need markers to note what's been called—buttons are good, but you could also use coins or beans or anything else that fits in the square and will stay more-or-less put during the game. The bingo "call" will be things like, "orange batik" or "green stripe". When you get 5 in a row—vertically, horizontally, or diagonally—and are the first to unmute (!) and shout "BINGO," you win!

You may make and play as many "cards" as you like.

I would suggest we hold onto our cards and use them again when we can get together in person—possibly just at a meeting, more likely at our summer party, if we can have that in person, or our winter party at the latest. We can discuss what to do with the cards after that—2 sewn together with a border or 2 would make a fine placemat, or we could collect them all and make them into one or more charity quilts if that is the will of the group.

So, gather up your random, leftover 2 ½" squares (I'll bet you have some) and get them put together in time for Bingo on March 22nd and /or 25th.



FCQ FAVORITE WEBSITES AND BLOGS

From Linda Kerrick

Please share your favorite websites and blogs to update FCQ's quilting web links! Things to do online:

Riley Blake challenge: <https://www.rileyblakedesigns.com/2021-rbd-block-challenge-patterns>

International Quilt Museum Potholder Fundraiser Make a potholder and support the museum

<https://www.internationalquiltmuseum.org/announcing-project-potholder>

Karen Brown's 11 day declutter challenge Day 1 Link:

<https://www.bing.com/videos/search?q=just+get+it+done+quilts+declutter&&view=detail&mid=4ADE2CCD199692AD380A4ADE2CCD199692AD380A&&FORM=VRDGAR&ru=%2Fvideos%2Fsearch%3Fq%3Djust%2Bget%2Bit%2Bdone%2Bquilts%2Bdeclutter%26qpvt%3Djust%2Bget%2Bit%2Bdone%2Bquilts%2Bdeclutter%26FORM%3DVVDRE>

VIRTUAL WORKSHOP WITH LINDA HAHN

From Maria O'Haver

On Saturday April 17 from 1pm-4:30pm, we will have a half day virtual workshop with Linda Hahn. She will be teaching her technique for foundation piecing using a paper that can be left in the quilt. The block being taught can be used in various configurations to create a variety of quilt designs. The registration fee of \$40 includes a required kit which includes full color pattern, foundation paper that stays in the quilt, re-useable foundation piecing stencil.

Registration is now open on our Education webpage: <https://faithful-circle-quilters.square.site/>

If you have any questions, contact **MARIA OHAVER**.



FCQ MEMBER QUILTING GOALS FOR 2021

Make quilt for wedding gift for son Zachary and Rachel. Make quilts for two sisters. Figure out what to do with some big pieces of fabric I've inherited. Start paper pieces to work on banners for church. **Judy Barnett**

Make another Porthole Quilt. **Claudia Pearce**

One (8-) of my quilting goals for 2021 is to make a jewel box quilt. **Jean Storrs**

Downsize the amount of donation fabric in my basement and garage. I need to sew faster, and find subcontractors. **Stephanie Sanidas**

My quilting goal for 2021 is to finish the year with less UFOs than I started with. 2017 183 UFOs (46 tops), January 2021 102 UFOs (40 tops). **Maria O'Haver**

To use my longarm regularly and to keep up with quilting all of my quilt tops. **Kenzie Preston**

Quilt all of my finished quilt tops. **Sandy Reading**

Linda Hahn, creator of the New York Beauty block, does a nice Zoom presentation of her system. We might want to consider her for a future presentation. **Kesten Blake**

I would like to finish my children's Double Wedding Ring quilts. **Mary K.**

We are hoping to move this year. I am trying to go through all of my fabrics, projects, threads, and notions to minimize what has to be moved. Then, I hope to organize a new sewing room! **Janette Tarr**

To finish as many UFOs as I can and clean out a lot of my stash. Although I am sure I will be starting new projects too. **Marcia Holcomb**

I want to finish more UFOs, then start new projects. **Debbie Castner**

My quilting goals will include the wedding quilt for Michael and Lisa (the top still needs to be finished) along with several easy scrap quilts that live in various boxes. 😊 **Vicki**

Make an Arts and Crafts (William Morris) style sofa quilt for my daughter. **Linda Schiffer**

Finish Christy's quilt, wedding quilt, Project Linus quilts, dragon quilt. Buy less fabric. Get creative. **Helene Ross**

My quilting goal for 2021 is to complete the quilts that I want to longarm, as well as incorporate orphan blocks into some kind of project. **Rose Panczenko**

Finish Ladies of the Sea quilt and hand it off to a quilter. **Barbara Bennett**

To continue to slog through UFOs. Finish hand quilting my Irish Chain timeline quilt. Turn a bunch of my scraps into quilts, or at least finished blocks. Longarm tops into quilts (or write a check). **Susan Schreurs**

My goal is to make 100 placemats for seniors, to move my quilting kingdom to Florida, and have it up and running by this time next year. **Georgia Morris**

Cut fabric left over from finished quilts into squares for Love Quilts. **Anon**

Learn all of the steps, and not skip them. I'd like to not be lazy or in a hurry. I want to make a jaybird, colorful quilt. **Anon**

- 1) To complete my Thanksgiving wall hanging
 - 2) To finish quilting the Hawaiian quilt
 - 3) Complete BOM blocks from 2020 and complete top
 - 4) Complete top for my cousin's quilt.
- Extra credit if #'s 3 and 4 are quilted too!
Alka Mital

I want to finish my Frieda Anderson quilt from 10 years ago, finish Kyle's Japanese quilt, finish putting labels on many quilts, finish Sudoku quilt, etc., etc. **Deborah Kinsey**

I took a class from Linda Hahn and was intrigued by her New York Beauty quilt. I just wonder if it'll get in the way of my already aggressive UFO plan... 😊
Karen Kaiser

I want to finish what I have. I'm going to have to rearrange rooms, and can't add more stash. **Anon**

My 2021 goal is to make more pieced quilts as well and making new art quilts. **Sheila Reiss**

I did an inventory of UFOs and kits when we redid my sewing space. I plan to finish some UFOs and hope to make several more. **Susan Mann**

I want to use more fabric than I bring in the house (said the gal who bought 4 yards of 108" wide fabric for backing!).
Bonnie Stapleton

Finish all the baby quilts and finish my Elizabeth Hartman quilt. **Anon**

Finish cutting my Ocean Waves, the New England sampler and, hopefully My Stars in a timewarp AND Joseph's Coat too. Plus, some small wall quilts... Is that enough? LOL. **Anon**

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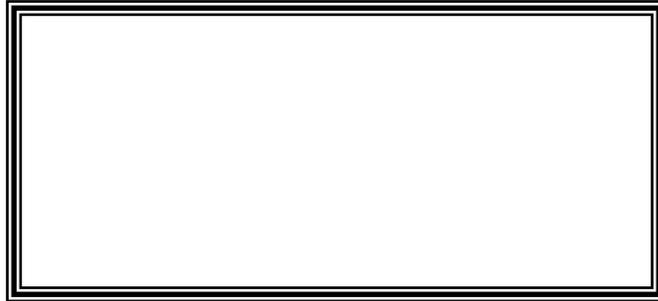
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from 7 to 9 pm

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
www.fairfulcirclequilters.com



Betty Kilroy's March Birthday Party

- 03 Janet Currotto
- 07 Barbara Laskowski
- 11 Cynthia Porter
- 12 Janine Byrnes
- 13 Kesten Blake
- 14 Bonnie Stapleton
- 15 Georgia Morris
- 22 Margaret Minton
- 24 Elaine Bishop
- 26 Darlys Hughes
- 31 Patricia Baker

CALENDAR

ONLINE MEETINGS

- Mon. Mar. 1- Demo and/or Sit and Sew
- Thurs. Mar. 4 - Demo and/or Sit and Sew
- Mon. Mar. 8 - Demo and/or Sit and Sew
- Thurs. Mar. 11 - Demo and/or Sit and Sew
- Mon. Mar. 15 - Demo and/or Sit and Sew
- Thurs. Mar. 18 - Demo and/or Sit and Sew
- Mon. Mar. 22 - BINGO!
- Thurs. Mar. 25 - BINGO!
- Mon. Mar. 29 - Demo and/or Sit and Sew