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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

From Carol Petranek

Our raffle quilt blocks are finished! As befitting a new paper-piecer, I was the last one to finish the last paper pieced block. I am proud to have learned a new technique and to have been taught by such talented members of our guild. Our next step, on May 8, is to sew the blocks together.

Quilting fosters patience and persistence. These characteristics are sometimes foreign - and certainly the antithesis - in our instant, on-demand environment. But they matter deeply in building personal character. When we take the time to learn something new, or try something difficult, we are not only growing in patience, but we are taking another step in lifelong learning and personal growth.

Our Thursday "Quilting Evolution" presentations are excellent examples of how patience and persistence enhance our skill development. It's inspiring to see how other quilters' talents have advanced over the years. It encourages me to try a little harder to be a little better!

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WORKSHOP AND LECTURE

From Maria O'Haver

Debby Kratovil will give a lecture and trunk show on Thursday, May 9th at our regular Thursday meeting. She will also be teaching a full day workshop, "Cloisonne Diamonds," on Saturday May 11th. This is a class for all levels of quilters. Try your hand at stitching 4 patch diamonds and setting them with a bold and beautiful print diamond. There are no set-in seams or funky templates involved. All are rotary cut, using a standard ruler with a 60° marked line. The option of making a variety of quilt sizes will appeal to everyone. Make, and finish, a small project in class to try the technique, or make a larger bed sized quilt. This is a great scrappy-quilt project also. There are lots of options!

Registration for the workshop is now open. The class fee is \$50, and the workshop will be held in Lyle Buck Hall. Contact MARIA O'HAVER to register.



FCQ 2020 QUILT SHOW

From Sheva Farkas

Planning is underway for the big show next year. The Quilt Show Chairs will meet on May 25th at 10:30 am after the Guild Board meeting. Discussions have been ongoing about many issues facing us: should we get a food vendor, do we want classes or just demos, as well as other issues and opinions. Please feel free to participate in this planning by attending the meeting on May 25th. You can also contact SHEVA FARKAS or BECKY HASSELL directly about any of your concerns. We will name the show after our raffle quilt, so all suggestions are welcome; especially from those who participated in the construction of this beauty.

Another way in which we would appreciate your participation are the Challenge quilts. Rather than telling you where the quilts will be donated, we would love to hear from you about charities or groups which you would like to see receive some of our quilts. We have certain charities to which we have taken quilts in the past, and we will continue to donate quilts to these charities, but we want to hear your ideas and thoughts on where you would like your quilt to go - other charities or worthy groups that we may not be familiar with. We plan to give out the fabric gifted to the guild at the year-end parties. Quilts made from these fabrics will be shown in a room dedicated to our charity work in the guild. Then they will be given to the various charities or agencies you have suggested.

Thank you for your help in making our quilt show truly OUR show. Any questions or suggestions are welcomed by us at sbpowers@verizon.net (SHEVA) or bj.2468@hotmail.com (BECKY).

TAPS QUILTS

From Stephanie Sanidas

FCQ donated 14 quilts to Montgomery County Project Linus and 9 quilts to Howard County Project Linus for this year's TAPS Good Grief Camp. THANK YOU to everyone who donated fabric, sewed blocks, pieced quilt tops, machine quilted, and stitched bindings. If you still have a TAPS block, please return it ASAP. We are waiting for members to return blocks so we can finish quilt top kits for next year's TAPS quilts.

SAVE THE DATES FOR 2019

Thursday May 2 - No Meeting/Milltown Quilt Show

Monday May 6 - Love Quilts

Thursday May 9 - Debby Kratovil Lecture

Saturday May 11 - Debby Kratovil Workshop

Thursday May 16 thru Sunday May 19 FCQ Spring Retreat

Thursday May 23 - Love Quilts

Saturday May 25 - Board Meeting

Monday June 3 - Installation of Officers and Party

Thursday June 6 - Installation of Officers and Party

NICU HEARTS

From Georgia Morris

KAREN MAGGIO, nurse manager of the Howard County Hospital NICU, would like FCQ members to know (that): "The Hearts program is going VERY well. The parents love it. They say that it makes them feel better leaving their babies here each day knowing that their scent is with their baby. We cannot thank FCQ enough for your generous donation of the hearts."

I will be bringing heart kits and directions to our FCQ meetings each week during May and June so we can keep ahead of the need. Please see me with any questions. Thank you all very much!

THURSDAY DEMONSTRATION

From Carol Roberts

The 4th Thursday demo in May will be Barbara Bennett showing us how to make Quick Ultimate Scrappy 4-patch.

UPCOMING BUS TRIP TO HERSHEY

From Sherri Thompson

We will be offering a bus trip to the Hershey Quilt Odyssey 2019 on Saturday, July 27, 2019. The cost will be \$57, which includes transportation, driver gratuity, and show admission.

There will be two pick up points offered this year:

The first at the Park and Ride at Rt. 108 and Presbyterian Circle, Columbia at 8:00 a.m.

And the second at Deereco Road and Greenspring, Timonium at 8:30 a.m.

We will return at approximately 7:30 p.m.

There will be a dinner stop at Cracker Barrel (on your own) en route home.

Please make your check made payable to: Village Quilters

Your check may be given to your guild coordinator or mailed to: SHERI THOMPSON, 7422 Cherry Tree Drive, Fulton, MD 20759

NOMINEES FOR JUNE 2019 TO 2020 OFFICERS/EXECUTIVE BOARD

From Susan Mann

President: Carol Petranek

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Education: Maria O'Haver

Newsletter Editor: Lauren Swanger

FALL RETREAT WITH JOYCE HUGHES

From Maria O'Haver

This year's Fall retreat at Pecometh will be held Friday September 27th through Sunday September 29th. Six meals, Friday dinner through Sunday lunch, are included. Joyce Hughes will be teaching a Dimensional Thread Painting workshop on Friday. Lunch that day will be planned as a pot luck, with participants bringing a dish to share.

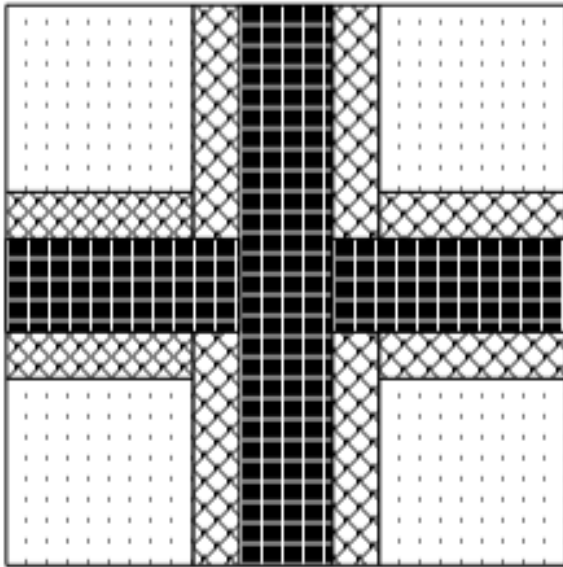
The remainder of the weekend retreat will be UFO sewing time. Pecometh is located near Centreville, MD, and has wonderful sewing space and comfortable hotel style rooms that can be single or double occupancy. The dining room serves farm to table meals that are delicious. There is plenty of space in the facility to lay out quilts, sit in a quiet location, or take a walk outside.

Registration is now open. Single occupancy rooms are \$475 and double occupancy rooms are \$310. Contact MARIA O'HAYER with any questions or to register. A deposit of \$75 is required upon registering.

MAY FLOWER GARDEN

By Linda Schiffer

12" finished (12.5" with seam allowances)



If you enjoy gardening, this is the time of year to dig in (grin). Our block this month will lead to some fabric flower beds and year-round gardens if you just sew along!

Cutting Instructions:

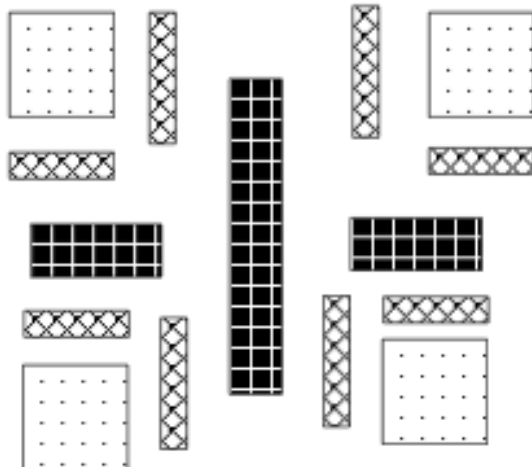


Cut four 4.5" squares of floral print



From coordinating read-as-solids, cut four pieces 1.5"x4.5" and four pieces 1.5" x5.5".

Assemble as shown below:



From 'walkway' print, cut two pieces 2.5"x5.5" and one piece 2.5"x12.5".

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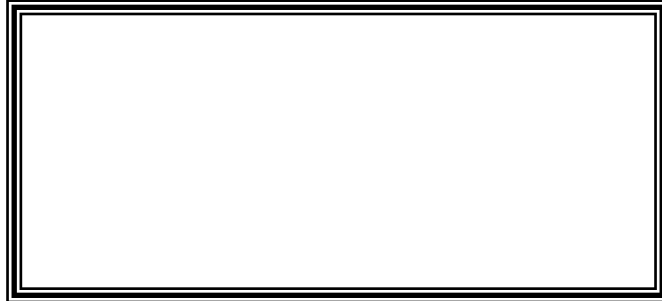
Faithful Circle Quilters
welcomes anyone
interested in quilts and
quilting.

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
www.faithfulcirclequilters.com



Betty Kilroy's May Birthday Party

- 05 Barbara LaNore
- 06 Loren (Buck) Buchanan
- 06 Edith Candee
- 08 Julie Graves
- 08 Kim Reading
- 10 Dede Edwards
- 12 Margo Cramer
- 15 Inge Stocklin
- 16 Marianne Hendrickse
- 17 Jane Ebert
- 23 Mary Beth Little
- 26 Vonda Cline
- 28 Kathy Davis
- 30 Nora Goldstein

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