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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

From Carol Petranek

At a recent meeting, one of our members was patiently disassembling the borders of an old quilt. This had been made by her friend's mother, and it was sorely in need of repair. The friend related that it was a treasure, as it was a tangible representation of her mother's love. It was something that she could hold and snuggle, bringing peace, memories, and comfort.

One of my longtime friends died two years ago. She was a lover of sweatshirts and had accumulated dozens. Her husband asked their two daughters to pick out their favorite sweatshirts from their mother's collection, and he commissioned quilts to be made from them. These now are treasures for them as well.

In our virtual society, having tangible items is almost becoming a thing of the past. Written letters are now electronic; cards are sent via ecard or Hallmark.com; and even virtual museums are being founded. The quilts we stitch can be lasting mementos of our talents and creativity, passed down with love to our families or donated to those in need.

With each new creation, we are not only expanding our talents but also expanding our circle of love and thoughtfulness. Let's continue to keep this special tradition alive. One hundred years from now, what we create will "keep on giving" and earn the status of "treasure" for our loved ones.

www.photobucket.com/albums/w517/FCQuilters

LOVE QUILTS

From Sue Scott

Love Quilts day is October 4th. We will be stitching, tying and labeling these quilts. I'd like to thank you for all your support over the summer making kits, but I will also need your help after the October 11th meeting. If you are able to stay to help, I will be matching backs to fronts and serging fabrics to make quilt backs. Your support is always very much appreciated!

SILENT AUCTION MONDAY EVENING, OCTOBER 8, 2018

By Elaine Bishop

Faithful Circle Quilters will hold their annual Silent Auction on Monday evening, October 8th. The event will be held in Lyle Buck Hall, lower floor at First Presbyterian Church of Howard County. All proceeds are donated to our host church for their Thanksgiving Basket Program.

Set-up will begin at 6:45 p.m.

Bidding will be from 7:30 to 8:00 p.m.

Please bring items for bidding and maybe a plate of cookies for the refreshment table.

Raffle tickets will be on sale for a \$75 gift certificate from Springwater Designs in Columbia. We also will be selling raffle tickets for baskets prepared by fellow members and a certificate for any FCQ class/workshop within the next twelve months. All winning tickets will be drawn at 8 p.m.

Bring your cash and checkbooks (sorry, no credit cards). Bidding forms are available in a yellow folder in the back of 'the box' at the meetings, in this newsletter on [page 6](#), and on the night of the auction. Include a separate form for each item. If desired, a minimum bid can be entered on the first line. Bidding is in whole dollar amounts. At the end of the evening please check the bidding sheets for any items you need to collect, plus any unsold items you provided for the evening's event.

Deacons Judy Dye and Lynne Teoman will definitely appreciate our monetary gift to the church. It is extremely important in helping them provide Thanksgiving meals to needy families in our local communities.

CHRISTMAS STOCKINGS

By Peg McClelland

Thank you to everyone who has already picked up a Christmas stocking kit (or two) and/or handed in finished stockings. We are well on our way to having the ones we need for this year.

We will have stocking kits with us each week between now and the week before Thanksgiving, which is when we give the finished stockings to the church. You can see STEPHANIE SANIDAS, BETH BOHAC, JANET O'LEARY or me if you have questions, need a kit or have finished stockings.

We can always use supplies for this project. Most particularly it would help to get pieces of light batting about 21" by 14". We also need plain white fabric for cuffs. This is an annual project, so we are always collecting supplies and making up stocking kits.

KOMEN QUILT FOR THE CURE OCTOBER 2018

By Stephanie Sanidas

We are collecting donation quilts to be raffled at the Komen Race for the Cure on Saturday, October 13, 2018. Komen raffle quilts can be any size, any color, any pattern and are due by October 1st. See STEPHANIE SANIDAS if you have a quilt to donate.

FCQ WELCOMES BECKY GOLDSMITH IN NOVEMBER

By Maria O'Haver

We are pleased to announce our final guest lecturer and teacher for 2018, Becky Goldsmith. Becky is part of the "Piece O' Cake Designs" team of well known pattern designers, authors, educators and quilt artists. She will be presenting her lecture "A Practical Approach to Color" on Thursday November 8 at 10:30am at the guild meeting. Becky will be teaching three workshops.

Thursday Nov. 8 - Texas Tulip Wool Applique - This half day workshop will be held from 1-4pm in Lyle Buck Hall. Learn the basic techniques of wool applique as you work on the 12" x 12" Texas Tulips center medallion block. The 3-hour class focuses on fusing, the blanket stitch, and outer points. All skill levels welcome. The pattern for the small quilt is provided in class. Cost \$25 (\$20 for multi class registration).



Friday Nov. 9 - Button Box - This full day workshop will be held from 9:30-4pm in Lyle Buck Hall. Don't be afraid! Curved seams and set-in circles are truly simple — and fun — to sew. You will master curved seams in this machine piecing class. All skill levels welcome. The pattern (from Piecing The Piece O' Cake Way, 2nd ed) is provided in class. Cost \$50 (\$40 for 2-class registration or \$38 for 3-class registration)

Saturday Nov. 10 - Improvisational Piecing - This full day workshop will be held from 9:30-4pm at the Gary J. Arthur Community Center. Learn how to make decisions and embrace the unexpected as you work on your very own quilt that will be like no one else's. This class focuses on color and design. You can cut with or without a ruler. All sewing is done on the machine. You can use my quilt as inspiration or come with an idea of your own. In either case, you will find that your quilt will take shape as you cut and sew.



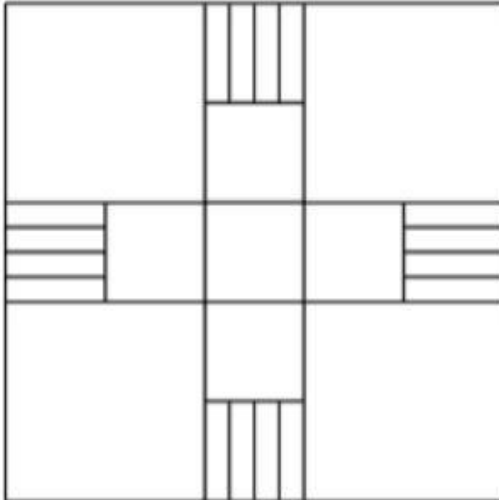
All skill levels welcome. Cost \$50 (\$40 for 2-class registration or \$38 for 3-class registration). Registration for all classes is now open. Contact MARIA O'HAYER to register.

BLOCK OF THE MONTH FOR OCTOBER ELECTRIFY

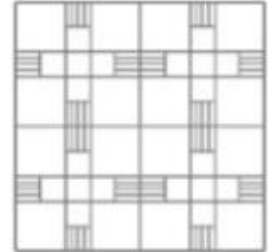
by Linda Schiffer

ELECTRIFY

10" block finished



I first saw this block on Instagram. Made by Jessica Skultety (quiltyhabit.com), the pattern caught my attention for its geometry and color balance. Shared here with the designer's permission.



possible block layout to make your quilt

Fabrics to use for the block of the month drawing:

Use cream, white, white-on-white, low contrast background prints with cream or white grounds for the four squares of background.

Use a reads-as-solid medium value blue, green, teal, aqua, purple or similar color for the large 'plus' sign in the center.

Use two warm colors (red, pink, yellow, orange, peach, etc) and two cool colors (green, blue, purple, aqua, violet, etc) for the thin striped sections.

Cut:

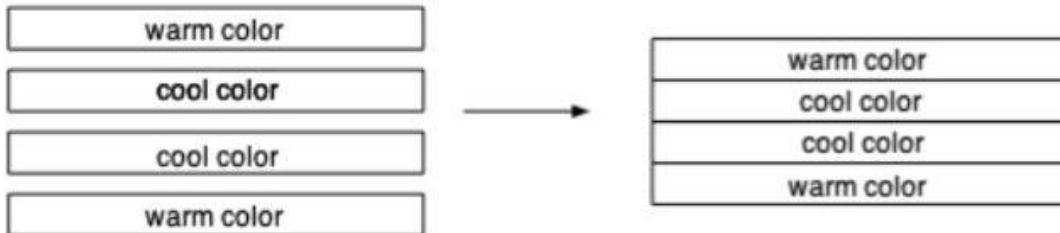
From 'background' prints: 4 (four) 4.5" squares (these can all be different if you desire).

From 'center plus' prints: 5 (five) 2.5" squares (all the same color/print).

From 'thin stripe' prints: 4 (four) strips each 1"x10" in size.

Sew:

Sew the four thin strips of two warm and two cool colors together into a stack or strata like this:



Subcut this strata into 2.5" squares - make 4 (four).

Assemble block as shown.

MYSTERY CHALLENGE

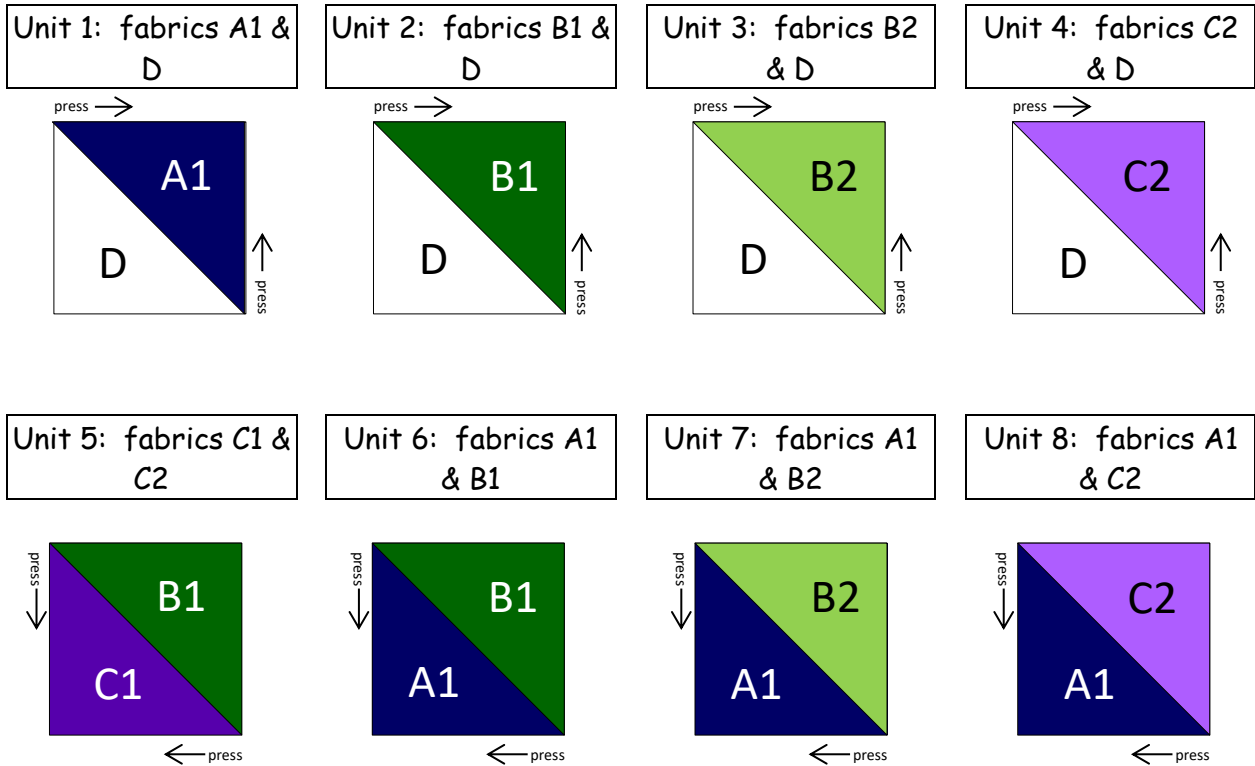
From Janette Tarr and Michelle Tarr

Step 2: Yep more half-square triangles.

Yes, we do need to make more HST. The difference here, is that the HST resulting from this step will eventually be used in another step, so **DO NOT TRIM AT THIS STAGE.**

To make the HST needed for this step and you use the 8 at a time method, cut your squares at 9". To use the 2 at a time method, cut your squares at 4 ½". Press all HST to the fabric depicted in pictures below.

The HST needed here will be made with eight different fabrics combinations:



Again, the number of HST needed is dependent on the size of quilt you are making.

		small	lap	twin	full	queen	king
Size		33" x 33"	51" x 51"	51" x 69"	69" x 69"	69" x 87"	87" x 87"
Unit 1	A1/D	8	18	24	32	41	50
Unit 2	B1/D	12	30	41	56	71	90
Unit 3	B2/D	2	6	8.5	12	16	20
Unit 4	C2/D	2	6	8.5	12	16	20
Unit 5	B1/C1	12	30	41	56	71	90
Unit 6	A1/B1	4	6	7	8	9	10
Unit 7	A1/B2	2	6	8.5	12	16	20
Unit 8	A1/C2	2	6	8.5	12	16	20

If you have any questions, just let us know! (Janette: jmtarr79@gmail.com // 410-465-5038) or (Michelle: metarr9@gmail.com // 410-868-1711)

Silent Auction Thanksgiving Basket

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Description of Item _____

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I just spent two hours organizing my stockpile of fabric.

I think I'll reward myself with a trip to the fabric store!



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Caution: You are entering an artistic zone. This is not Clutter- this is creating. These are not pajamas- it's my work uniform

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Just lie still, we will get you all fixed up. Tell me again how you hurt yourself quilting. I was laughing too hard to really hear it all the first time.



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Quilter's parrot

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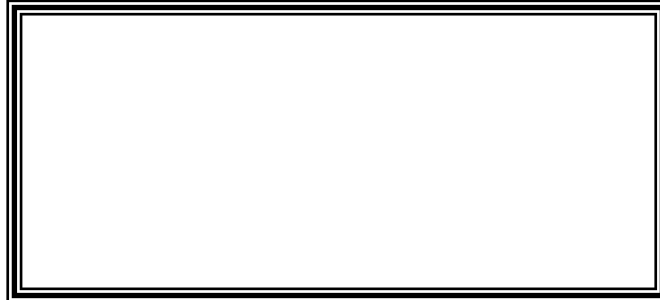
Faithful Circle Quilters
welcomes anyone
interested in quilts and
quilting.

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 October Birthday Party

- 02 Linda McCray
- 03 Stephanie Sanidas
- 03 Terry Wilson
- 04 Janice Liesch
- 04 Susan Mitchell
- 06 Sue Campise
- 07 Joyce Rozas
- 07 Pollie Stevenson
- 09 Mary H. Peroutka
- 13 Bonnie Dank
- 16 Sharon Rhoton
- 17 Beth Bohac
- 17 Mary Corbin
- 18 Alka Mital
- 19 Sandy Schlossberg
- 25 Maria O'Haver
- 26 Patricia Wyatt
- 28 Dawn Byrd

30 Cheryl O'Bannon

CALENDAR

- Thurs. Oct. 4Love Quilts
- Mon. Oct. 8Silent Auction