



# The Circular

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

*From Carol Petranek*

Even though I have been out of school for more years than I care to remember, the month of September continues to represent a "new start" - a time to try something different or learn something new. I've started by volunteering to be on the 2020 Raffle Quilt Committee. Designing a quilt is a totally new experience for me, and I am eager to be part of the design, production and finishing processes. Consider joining us! If you would like to participate, please contact GEORGE HUBBELL.

Being a member of FCQ means belonging to a group whose members are talented, creative, kind and supportive. In this season of change and renewal, let any Board member know if there is something that you would like to learn. Perhaps a new sewing technique, quilt binding shortcut, or design and color ideas? Maybe there is something you can teach which will help others develop their skills. For simple concepts, we are happy to hold "mini-classes" at the end of a weekly meeting; for more extensive techniques, we can plan a sew-in. We have so much to learn from each other! The position of President brings me many additional opportunities to grow and develop, and I am both honored and excited to serve in this capacity. Thank you for participating in our guild!

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## EXCITING LECTURE AND WORKSHOPS

### JOEN WOLFRAM COMING TO FCQ

*From Maria O'Haver*

At our meeting on Thursday September 6, Joen Wolfram will be giving a lecture called "Adventures in Design - Creating Spectacular Quilts." She will be presenting a multitude of ways to design quilts by considering design choices, innovative ideas, border concerns and quilt design pit-falls. She will be presenting some very basic design concepts which can make the difference between an OK-looking quilt and a *stunning* quilt. Joen will be teaching two separate, non-sewing, workshops which will be held at the Gary J Arthur Community Center. The cost for one workshop will be \$50. If you register for both workshops, the cost for each workshop will be \$40.

#### **Friday Sept. 7 from 9-4pm - "A Celebration of Color"**

Joen will teach methods for selecting colors and fabrics for your quilt projects. You will learn what companion colors work best with your favorite color, how you can create your own dynamically-colored quilts, and how you can use your favorite colors to their fullest potential. You will also learn how easy it is to work intuitively with color through visual coloring.

**Saturday Sept. 8 from 9-4pm - "Stretching & Squeezing - Exercising Your Blocks"** Traditional block quilts are captivating when they are stretched and squeezed in different directions. Learn how to create fascinating quilts by changing a block's design grid. Exciting new designs evolve when blocks are changed from squares to rectangles - or magically evolve into another captivating shape. Learn how to play with design to create quilts with fascinating shapes and exciting movement.

Registration for workshops is now open. Contact MARIA O'HAVER to sign up for one (\$50) or both (\$80) workshops.

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## 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.

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## SAVE THE DATES

Monday September 3 No Meeting  
Thursday September 6 Joen Wolfram Lecture 10:30  
Friday September 7 Joen Wolfram class  
Saturday September 8 Joen Wolfram class  
Monday September 10 Love Quilts  
Thursday September 13 Love Quilts  
Saturday September 15 Board Meeting  
Friday September 28 - Sunday September 30 FCQ Retreat

## SILENT AUCTION

*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, on the lower floor at First Presbyterian Church of Howard County. **Forms for donations are provided on page 7 of this newsletter.** All proceeds will be 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 that need to find new homes. Quilt items do not need to be finished, and they don't even have to be quilt related. A few examples include fabric, patterns, incomplete quilt tops or other projects, books, jigsaw puzzles, plants, yarn, picture frames, pottery, placemats ... anything that someone may find useful and/or interesting, and wrapped BAKED GOODS.

Refreshments will be available for purchase and consumption during the evening. Plates of cookies are very much welcomed by the refreshment volunteers.

Over the next few weeks, we will be selling raffle tickets for a \$75 gift certificate from Springwater Designs in Columbia. At the auction, raffle tickets will also be for sale for special baskets prepared by the members. 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 folder found in 'the box' at the meetings, in the September and October newsletters, and at the night of the auction. Include a separate form for each item. Bidding is in whole dollar amounts. Come and see all the great items provided by your fellow members at this great guild event. At the end of the evening please check the bidding sheets for any items you need to collect, including those you provided for the event.

Monetary donations may be given to our treasurer, Kathy Lee, or the vice presidents at both evening and morning meetings. They will give you a transmittal slip to fill out. Our income must be tracked for our annual audit.

As you shop and purchase tickets, remember every dollar goes directly to the Thanksgiving Baskets provided by the First Presbyterian Church of Howard County to needy families in our own communities.

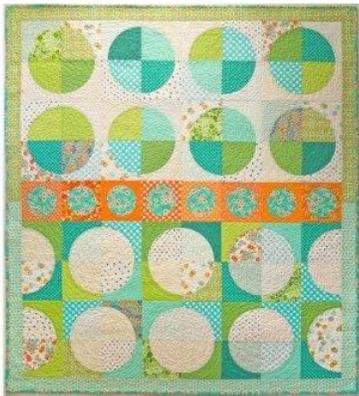


## FCQ WELCOMES BECKY GOLDSMITH IN NOVEMBER

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 SEPTEMBER KEN'S CABIN

by Linda Schiffer

When I traveled to Nebraska last May, I had the chance to visit the display of quilts in the collection of Ken Burns (the documentary film maker) at the International Quilt Study Center and Museum in Lincoln. One of my favorite quilts in the exhibit was a red and white unusual version of the log cabin block. This block can be set into many different overall patterns yet is easy to piece.

Here are the September block guidelines:

- Sew a 12" (finished) block (12.5" with seam allowances).
- Use a sewing-themed print of any coloration for the 'positive' log strips.
- Use a white-on-white or softly colored print on a cream or white background for the 'negative' log strips.

Cut:

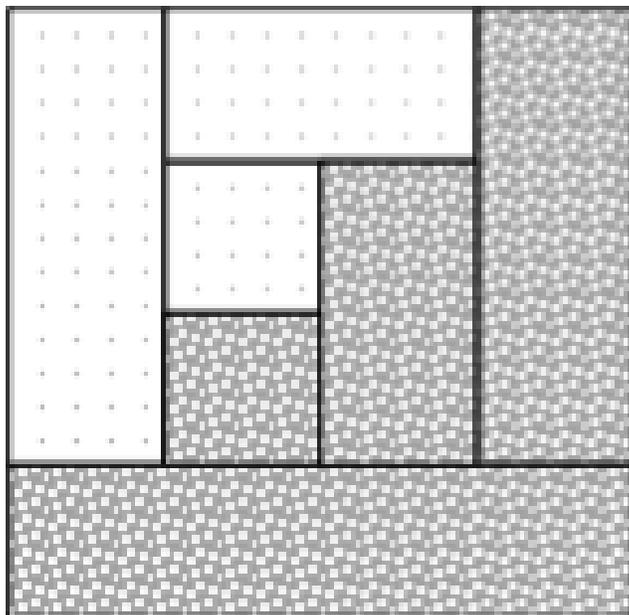
**From 'positive' print:**

One 3.5" square, one 3.5"x6.5" rectangle, one 3.5"x9.5" rectangle, and one 3.5"x12.5" rectangle - total four (4) strips.

**From 'negative' print:**

One 3.5" square, one 3.5"x6.5" rectangle, one 3.5"x9.5" rectangle - total three (3) strips.

Sew together to make the block shown below:



## MYSTERY CHALLENGE

From Janette Tarr and Michelle Tarr

Step 1: Let's make some half-square triangles.

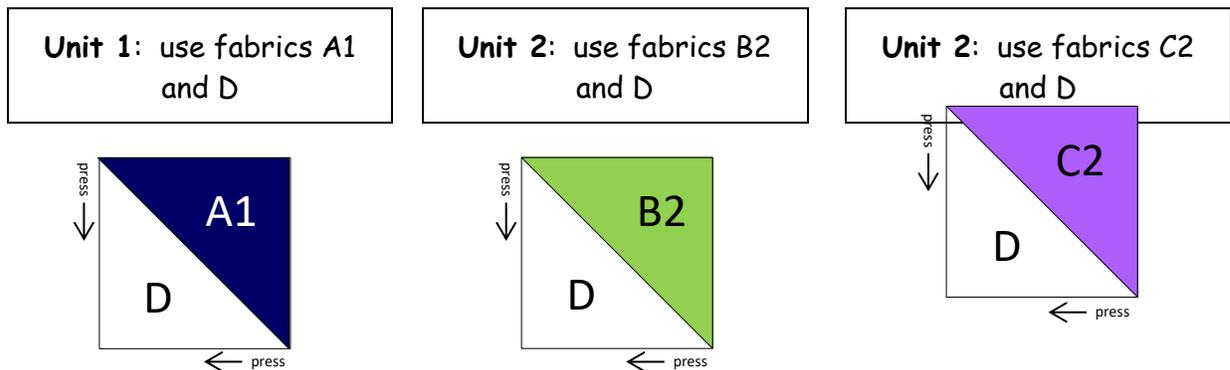
Yes, there are half-square triangles (HST) needed for this quilt. There are lots of ways to make HST. Two common methods can be used here.

We usually make as many as we can eight at a time. The remainder are made two at a time. All of the HST need for this step must be 3.5" square, unfinished (3" square, finished). To use the 8 at a time method and achieve a 3" HST, cut your squares at 8". To use the 2 at a time method and get 3" HST, cut your squares at 4". Check out the following video as examples for these two methods:

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bqPx2yuppaM> (8 at a time)
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hM2jHjci64w> (2 at a time)

I will demo both methods during the first Thursday meeting in September (9/6) and the last Monday meeting in August (8/27).

The HST will be made with three different fabrics combinations:



**Note:** press all HST to the background.

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	24	48	62	80	98	120
Unit 2	4	12	17	24	31	40
Unit 3	4	12	17	24	31	40

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

Silent Auction Thanksgiving Basket

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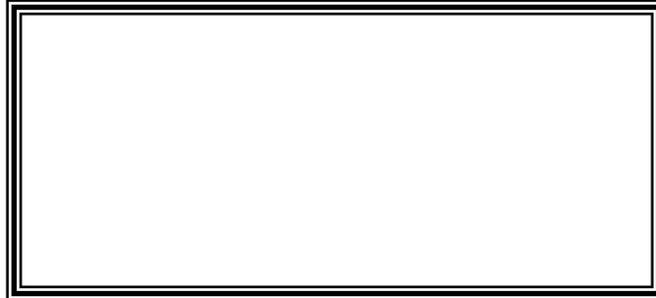
Faithful Circle Quilters  
welcomes anyone  
interested in quilts and  
quilting.

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](http://www.faithfulcirclequilters.com)



## Betty Kilroy's September Birthday Party

- 01 Jane Sinek
- 08 Sue Ellian
- 12 Barbara Buchanan
- 13 Eleanor Howe
- 18 Ann Corbett
- 19 Judi Warren
- 23 Barbara Herron
- 23 Rita Plonski
- 23 Joyce Ritter
- 26 Kenzie Preston
- 28 Nancy G. Martin
- 29 Della LeConte
- 29 Sheila Riess
- 30 Debbie Castner
- 30 Claudia Pearce

## CALENDAR

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- Thurs. Sept. 6 ..... Joen Wolfrom  
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