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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

From Carol Petranek

As we move further into the holiday season, our focus smoothly shifts from ourselves to others: which gifts to buy for families/friends; how many cookies do we bake to share; who is going through a difficult time and could use a special remembrance. These feelings of compassion and kindness are among our finest human characteristics and as such, they bring joy to us as well as to the receiver.

We are a group of sensitive and caring people, which is richly manifested in the many charitable activities which FCQ supports. As quilters and friends, let's encourage each other to spread an extra bit of personal cheer this year. If we stay tuned to those around us, we may notice someone who is feeling apprehensive about a medical diagnosis, sorrow from a loved one's passing, anxiety about a family member, or angst from the nightly news. Our kind-hearted outreach can ease these mortal concerns and bring peace to someone's heart. Thank you for the personal contribution that you make to our guild. My sincerest wish is that you have a meaningful and joyous holiday season!

www.photobucket.com/albums/w517/FCQuilters

STOCKINGS THANK YOU

From Peg McClelland

Thank you to everyone who made Christmas stockings for the church's outreach program with FIRN. They were all wonderful. I delivered 80 stockings to Caroline in the church office the week before Thanksgiving. I am sure that we will have put a smile on the face of a lot of children.

We will continue to collect stockings all through the year. And we would be glad to provide kits to anyone who would like one. So, once your Christmas sewing is done, and before you put away the extra fabric, consider making a stocking (or two).

MONTHLY DEMOS

From Carol Roberts

The 4th Thursday has been designated as "Demo Thursday." The demos will begin around 11:00am and last for 15 to 20 minutes. Since Thanksgiving falls on the 4th Thursday, we will have the demo on the 5th Thursday, November 29th. MARIA O'HAVER will be demonstrating chain piecing Y seams.

CAROL PETRANEK'S November demo featured Peg Spradlin's "Fold and Sew" technique. This is a link to the video on YouTube, which shows exactly how to use this easy technique. You can chain piece the folded seams which makes the project go super quickly! <https://youtu.be/cgV64kXet7s>

FCQ 2019 SPRING RETREAT

From Paula Henry

The FCQ 2019 Spring Retreat will be held at the Black Rock Retreat Center in Quarryville, PA. The fun begins Thursday, May 16th, 2019 and goes until Sunday May 19th, 2019. The cost for Thursday through Sunday is \$340, per person, double occupancy. There is an option of staying Friday through Sunday, at a cost of only \$260, but with the same restrictions. Prices include all meals starting with dinner on the day of arrival and ending with breakfast on Sunday.

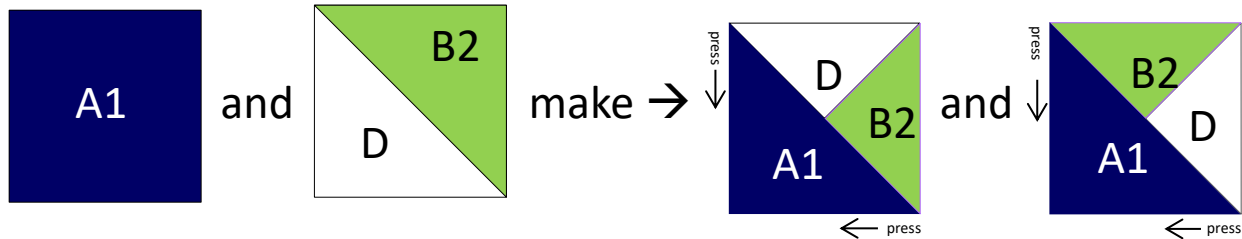
This is a UFO retreat, so you will be bringing your own projects to work on over the weekend. You will also have 24 hour access to the sewing room. Oftentimes there are small demonstrations, or quick "make and take" projects that you may wish to participate in. But, otherwise, the time is yours to sew, chat, go fabric shopping in Lancaster, etc. It's always a great time!

Send your deposit of \$50 to Paula Henry at 6300 Mellow Twilight Ct. Columbia, MD 21044. Or, see me at a guild meeting. Balance for the trip is due February 15, 2019.

MYSTERY CHALLENGE

From Janette Tarr and Michelle Tarr

Step 4: We'll take the remaining untrimmed HST and turn them into Split Quarter Square Triangles (SQST). This involves combining a single half square triangle and a 4" square of fabric to make two mirror-imaged split quarter square triangles. For example:



The SQST will be made with four different fabrics combinations:

Unit 1: fabrics A1//B2/D	Unit 2: fabrics B2//A1/D	Unit 3: fabrics A1//C2/D	Unit 4: fabrics C2 // A1/D
4" square A1 B2 / D half square Triangle	4" square B2 A1 / D half square Triangle	4" square A1 C2 / D half square Triangle	4" square C2 A1 / D half square Triangle

You should have the following numbers of untrimmed HST left, based on the size 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"
A1/D HST	4	12	17	24	31	40
B2/D HST	2	6	8.5	12	15.5	20
C2/D HST	2	6	8.5	12	15.5	20

To make the SQST we need 4" squares of fabrics A1, B2 and C2 to pair with the untrimmed HST. Cut the following number of 4" squares dependent on the size of quilt you plan to make.

	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"
fabric A1	4	12	18	24	32	40
fabric B2	2	6	9	12	16	20
fabric C2	2	6	9	12	16	20

Trim each SQST to 3.5" square, unfinished (3" square, finished).

The number of SQST needed is dependent on the size of quilt you are making.

		small	lap	twin	full	queen	king
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Unit 1	A1//B2/D	4	12	17	24	31	40
Unit 2	B2//A1/D	4	12	17	24	31	40
Unit 3	A1//C2/D	4	12	17	24	31	40
Unit 4	A1//C2/D	4	12	17	24	31	40

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

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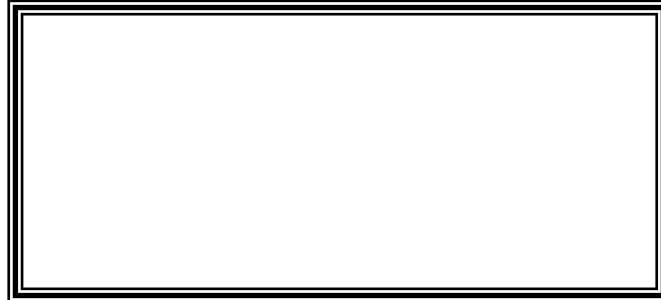
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welcomes anyone
interested in quilts and
quilting.

We meet Monday evenings
from 7 to 9 pm
AND

Thursday mornings
from 10 am to 2 pm

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Columbia, MD

Please come join us and
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Betty Kilroy's December Birthday Party

- 05 Nancy Meier
- 10 Carol Custer
- 10 Tonya Tiffany
- 12 Susan Lutz
- 13 Nancy S. Martin
- 13 Carol Patterson
- 16 Anne Kelly
- 18 Carla Ketterer
- 18 Martha Tyree
- 19 Susanne Hilton
- 19 Kathleen Panzera
- 23 Sherry Mackmin
- 23 Sandy Reading
- 24 Carol Petranek
- 29 Sheva Farkas
- 29 Debbie Jensen
- 31 Vicki Greisman
- 31 Marie Kittelberger

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