

The Circular

The Newsletter of Faithful Circle Quilters

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

From Margaret Minton

Friends,

It is so heartening to see the world beginning to open again. My public library will open in two weeks. Restaurants are open now. Schools are half open. It will really be a treat when our host church is open and we can have guild meetings in person. These restrictions have lasted much longer than I expected. There's a sprite whispering in my ear, "Soon, soon," and I am so ready!

In the meantime, though, we should all be making plans (and quilts) for our May 2022 quilt show. There never seems to be enough time to finish all we hope to, and the clock is running, so stitch, stitch, stitch! I believe the world will be hungering for a quilt show, and we want to have enough things to entertain all.

Many, many thanks to our outgoing officers, Treasurer Nancy Meier and Night Vice President Jean Storrs, plus our retiring editor of *The Circular*, Lauren Swanger. New officers will be sworn in at our first Monday night meeting in June. Probably no tiaras, though.

www.photobucket.com/albums/w517/FCQuilters

LOVE QUILTS

From Sue Andrews and Sue Leicht

We are happy to report that **498** quilts have been donated so far.

Charity	Date	# WC	#Small	#Medium	#Large	Total
Hope Works	9/14/2020				20	20
Bridges to Housing	9/21/2020		10		10	20
Grassroots	9/24/2020		9	1	1	11
Loan Closet	9/17/2020	5				5
Loan Closet	9/23/2020	9				9
Cool Kids	10/05/2020		10			10
Grassroots	10/12/2020			1	19	20
Loan Closet	10/24/2020			1		1
Grassroots	10/26/2020				10	10
Veterans at Charlotte Hall	11/17/2020	5	45			50
Loan Closet	11/17/2020			20		20
HoCo Department of Aging Holiday Project	12/1/2020	7		27	6	40
Bridges to Housing	12/21/2020		20			20
Grassroots	02/15/2021				8	8
Bridges to Housing	02/21/2021		30			30
Loan Closet Kids	02/28/2021		16	14		30
Loan Closet	03/09/2021			12	8	20
Cool Kids Spring Event	03/12/2021		110			110
Cool Kids Beach Quilts	03/29/2021				7	7
Sleep in Heavenly Peace	04/08/2021				19	19
Sleep in Heavenly Peace	05/04/2021			11	1	12
Cool Kids Beach Quilts	05/10/2021			23	3	26
Total		26	250	110	112	498

LOVE QUILTS SUMMER GET TOGETHERS - UPDATE

From Sue Andrews and Sue Leicht

We had a successful first quilt sewing/tying session at Sue Leicht's house. We will continue these sessions during the summer and ask that only fully vaccinated guild members participate in this activity. Mask wearing at this time is optional. Activities include the threading of large and medium quilt sandwiches, tying sewn quilts and sewing labels. People can switch among the activities or stick with one. If you're interested, please email Sue Leicht and she will put you on the list. We will also provide dates on the Virtual FCQ Facebook page and in a mass email.

THE LOVE QUILTS CHURCH BIN HAS KITS

From Sue Andrews and Sue Leicht

The Love Quilts blue bin (located next to the church kitchen door) is stocked with a variety of kits. Kits are also available at Love Quilt Summer get togethers.

COOL KIDS BEACH PROJECT

From Sue Andrews and Sue Leicht

We've met our initial number of quilts promised to Cool Kids for their beach vacation. We will continue to collect any additional quilts that have not yet been finished; additional beach weeks have been scheduled by families in October. Thanks to all who participated in this project!

From Grace Thorne

Many thanks for the get well wishes...it's slow but steady...planning on walking in to our first meeting on both legs! Grace

2022 QUILT SHOW \$10 AND UNDER ITEMS NEEDED

From Marcia Wolf

Some suggestions for things to make:

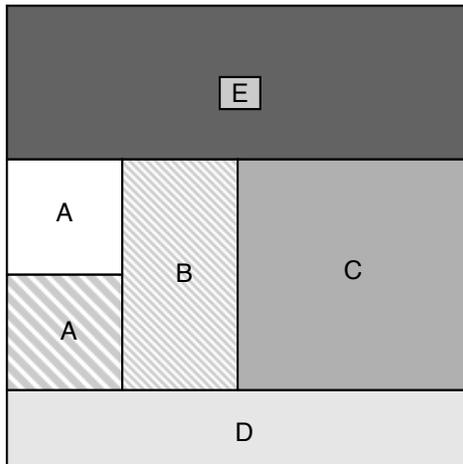
Rotary cutter/scissor holders

Maryland or crab towel scarves to be used while eating. There are instructive links on YouTube and Pinterest.

For now we have a lot of burp mats, mug rugs, candle holder mats and eyeglass cases, bowl cozies, and needle holders. Please, we don't need more. Innovative ideas needed.

Tiling

drafted by Linda Schiffer



These measurements make a 12" (finished) block - 12.5" with raw edges.

This is a simple block for our next charity quilt venture, developed from a tiling pattern I found on a restroom wall when traveling.

Please use at least one sports-theme print somewhere in this block - you can use more than one (up to the entire block) if your stash allows. :)

Blocks are due by August 31st for the next quilt production. You can leave them in the guild's box at the church or mail them to me (address in our directory).

Cutting Instructions:

Cut two A squares, one light colored and one medium colored, each 3.5" sq.

Cut one B rectangle 3.5" x 6.5".

Cut one C square, 6.5" square.

Cut one D rectangle, 2.5" x 12.5".

Cut one E rectangle, 4.5" x 12.5".

Sewing Instructions:

Sew two A squares together.

Sew B rectangle to A-A unit as shown.

Sew C square to A-A-B unit.

Sew D and E rectangles above and below previous pieces, as shown.

LINKS OF INTEREST

From Linda Kerrick

Ever wonder how to plan a large star with smaller motifs within? Visit Aunt Em's Quilts for her Jumbo Scrappy Star Workshop. Videos are also available on YouTube. <https://auntemsquilts.com/classes/jumbo-scrappy-star-quilt-workshop>

Also, Karen Brown (Just Get It Done Quilts) has great interviews with leading quilt personalities on her YouTube channel. They usually run 30-50 minutes. Look for Karen's Quilt Circle. <https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLchS26NEYgVxHZGZOAGYYn-j6WrhZI5GM>

THANK YOU BLOCKS

From Margaret Minton

Members, we will have one more chance to turn in completed Thank-You blocks for Nancy Meier, Jean Storrs and Lauren Swanger. If you have blocks, please email president@faithfulcirclequilters.com to arrange for delivery.

FALL RETREAT OPEN FOR REGISTRATION

From Maria O'Haver

Yes, we are having a Fall Retreat this year at Pecometh Riverview Retreat Center in Centreville, MD! At this year's retreat, our own Sheila Riess will be teaching a workshop called "The Starting Point". Students will learn how to use various materials to create an art quilt featuring a face. Sheila has put together a kit for students, which includes a pre-painted face from which to start your art quilt.

The dates for our retreat are Friday morning September 24 through Sunday afternoon September 26. The cost is \$325 and includes two nights in hotel style single occupancy rooms, along with six meals. Since all rooms are single occupancy, there will be very limited space this year. (Contact Maria if you are interested in a double occupancy room with a friend or family member.) A deposit of \$125 is required to register (link to register is [HERE](#)).

Due to the pandemic, there will be some changes in the facility operation. Meals will be served cafeteria style, with all employees wearing masks and gloves. Dining tables will be limited to 3 per table. Masks are required in all public areas, except when eating. Workspace will be set up with social distancing. In addition, the FCQ board will require all attendees to be fully vaccinated.

If you have any questions, please contact Maria O'Haver.

More information about the retreat location can be found on their website: <https://www.pecometh.org/riverview-retreat-center> .
More information about Sheila's workshop follows.

The Starting Point



Have you ever wanted to make an art quilt but you didn't know where to start?
Have you always wanted to make a quilt featuring a face but you don't think you can draw?
Have you wanted to try using art materials on a quilt but wasn't sure it would be a worthy investment?

Well, have I got an art quilt class for you!



Learn to make an art quilt using a fabric printed face. All students will receive 2 printed faces and a pattern to start their art quilt journey. Students will be able to manipulate one or both their faces with ink and pencils, changing the skin tone and eye color.

VIRTUAL SPRING RETREAT

From Tonya Tiffany

Our Virtual Spring Retreat is June 3rd - 6th. There are 8 separate times set up where you can come and join us. We will randomly play 10 Quilt Bingo games over the course of those times. This will give you the chance to re-use the bingo cards that you made a couple of months ago and to win prizes!! I have 10 pairs of fat quarters that I will mail or deliver to the winners the week following the retreat.

This retreat will follow the Spring Retreat tradition of working on whatever project that you wish. Our family just got a brand new stamped concrete patio and so I will be trying to adapt this fun project for a patio table topper... [Musings of a Menopausal Melon - mmm quilts: Patio Chillin' Table Topper](#)

Work on whatever floats your boat.

Thursday June 3rd	8 - 9:30 pm
Friday June 4th	10 - 11:30 am 1 - 2:30 pm 4 - 5:30 pm
Saturday June 5th	3 - 4:30 pm 8 - 9:30 pm
Sunday June 6th	10 - 11:30 am 1 - 2:30 pm

Here is the Zoom link for the retreat meetings.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85222438957?pwd=bWtJSitCWTFjTk5mZEprWk5UWnRyZz09>

If you need directions for how to make the bingo cards please email Tonya Tiffany at tntfitness@yahoo.com.

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

Online meetings take place
Mondays at 7 PM and
Thursdays at 11 AM.

Betty Kilroy's June Birthday Party

01 Monica Thomas
03 Betty Tyler
05 Lauren Swanger
07 Jane Pollitt
12 Elizabeth (Betsy) Cooper
12 Ann Seed
17 Alice Burnett
20 Kathy Hasson
20 Gilma Squire
27 Linda Bernard
29 Mary Frye
29 Lola Stokes
30 Diana Morraye

Upcoming Special Events

June 3-6 - Virtual Spring Retreat
June 7 - Installation of Officers
June 14 and 17 - Flower Quilts slide show
June 28 and July 1 - "Would You Rather?"
game
September 24-26 - Fall Retreat

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