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Gees Bend is Coming to Town!

There will be an exhibit of Gees Bend Quilts at the Walters this summer for June 15 - till August 28th. A docent tour has been scheduled for Thursday, July 26, meeting at 11 am. Admission to the Walters is free, but the tour costs \$7.00 per person. The tour will be 1 ½ hours and is limited to twenty.

The church will be closed to us that week, and a tour is one of the options available to the members. Will a change of pace be in order by then?

Those of you that are interested in attending, please contact Nancy Evans, dotcom@comcast.net. Checks, payable to FCQ should be given to Nancy Evans or Lynne Douglas. The cutoff date for sign up and payment for the tour is July 12th.

Snack 'n' Shop!

There is NO regular meeting on Monday night, July 23, because of the church's Vacation Bible School. Instead, everyone is invited to meet at Seminole Sampler in Catonsville, from 6-8 pm, for an evening of snacking and shopping! Bring a dessert or munchie to share, and we can have lots of fun socializing, snacking, and, of course, checking out all the goodies in the store! Hope to see you there!

Report from Quilt Show Chair

Hi everybody, Things are progressing well for the quilt show next April. The raffle quilt is in the process of being quilted. I'll be bringing to guild meetings soon for help in completing the binding (remember many hands make light work!). And the raffle tickets will be here soon!

Quilt show contd-

Many of our members have come forward to offer their help, but I'm still looking for a few volunteers to fill some key spots: Peddler's table coordinator (or 2), demonstrations coordinator (and "teachers" with ideas and the will to demonstrate them). If you're interested in these positions, please e-mail me. Publicity is being spread (we'll be in the Maryland 2008 calendar and several national quilting magazines as well as internet web sites). Start thinking about which of your lovely quilts you want to enter into our quilt show! Thanks, MaryBeth

Maryland Quilt Project

Attention all quilters! The Maryland Library Association is in the planning and budget stages of a Maryland Library Quilt.

The Library Association has a coordinator for this project, Karen Thennepohl. Karen will coordinate and direct the library's contributions to the project; which is to create and make the blocks for the libraries being represented. Karen is in need of someone to help execute the quilt construction portion (the "mechanics") of the project.

We're assuming this is not a one person project, and will take a period of time. This challenge takes an individual that can gather together a group to skillfully complete the construction. It is possible that the final composition will rotate between libraries or has the potential to be used as a fund raiser.

Should you have any interest in this project, or know of someone else that might be, please contact Karen at 410-750-9413 or via email at ktrennepohl@comcast.net.

BOM

May BOM Remember...It's 5 O'clock Somewhere 19 blocks won by Peggy Duke.

EDUCATION NEWS

Eleanor Moland is currently taking class reservations for fall (Judy Mathieson, Barbara Barber, and Linda Poole). To register see her at the meetings or pop a check in the mail made payable to FCQ to Eleanor Moland
9415 Steeple Ct
Laurel, Md 20723
301-483-4770
themolands@verizon.net

Thanks to Beth Bohac for a wonderful job on the **EQ5** class. We are very grateful for your gift of the course.

Mariners Compass Lecture by Judy Mathieson

Thursday, September 13, 2007, time TBD

Judy Mathieson, included in the 100 Best Quilters of the 20th Century is famous for her gorgeous Mariners Compass quilts, so you won't want to miss this lecture. She'll also be giving a class on Friday as described next. For more info on Judy Mathieson, go to <http://www.judymathieson.com>

Mariners Compass Class by Judy Mathieson—*only 3 spots left*

Friday, September 14, 2007, time 10 - 4:00 pm

Cost: \$40

Judy Mathieson is presenting a class on her techniques for Mariners Compass quilts. Learn from the master on how you can create these stunning beauties. Judy explores the history of compass designs from old sea charts and how those designs have been used by quilt makers, past and present. Eleanor Moland is already signing up students - you need to give her your payment to reserve your place. For more

info on Judy Mathieson, go to
<http://www.judymathieson.com>

Lecture by Barbara Barber
Monday, October 8, 2007, time 7:00 p.m.

Barbara Barber is a world famous award-winning quilter and author of "Fool Proof Curves", "Completely Quilted", plus other books and videos. Barbara is known for her easy paper-piecing method of achieving precise points, appliqué and inseting circles into a background. You will be amazed. She'll be presenting a lecture to FCQ! For more info on Barbara Barber, go to
<http://www.barbarabarberbritishquilts.com>

Workshop "Really Sharp Piecing" by Barbara Barber

Sunday, October 7, 2007, time TBD
Cost: \$40

Barbara Barber will be presenting a class on Really Sharp Piecing. Her description: This workshop is taken from the book and video of the same name. This is a foundation piecing workshop but after this workshop you will look at foundation piecing in an entirely new light - the possibilities are endless! Go the full circle, with ease, and be assured of really sharp, very fine points throughout. This is what Barbara calls her 'instant gratification' workshop. It was developed from her award winning quilt, "Solstice". Barbara demonstrated her technique earlier this year on the television program 'Simply Quilts'.

By "going the full circle, Barbara is referring to inseting circles within an uncut background, and it really is very easy. I took her class in Hampton this spring. It is an "instant gratification workshop." See me, Eleanor Moland to sign up and reserve a spot. For more info on Barbara Barber, go to
<http://www.barbarabarberbritishquilts.com>

Lecture: Borders by Design by Karen Kay Buckley

Monday, October 15, 2007, time 7:00 pm

Karen Kay Buckley will present a lecture on her techniques for designing borders. "To Border or Not to Border, That is the Question" - During this lecture I will discuss if a quilt needs a border and how to select a border for your quilt. I will also explain how I design many of my borders. My hope is that this will inspire you to think about how to enhance your quilt with the right border. Karen is an award winning quilter and a delightful lecturer, so you won't want to miss this. For more info on Karen Kay Buckley, go to
<http://www.karenkaybuckley.com>

Workshop: Counted Creations by Linda Pool

Date November 10, 2007
Cost: \$30

Linda Pool will be presenting her technique on how to draft a pattern. This is the technique that she used for her award winning "Bride" quilt that has to be seen to be believed. Here's her description: Strip-piece even the most intricate designs. Learn the method of planning and executing a quilt using a gridded pattern as Linda did in her "The Bride" quilt. Learn the techniques of gridding your own pictures and turning them into quilts. Plan and stitch a precious rocking horse quilt of Linda's own design. For more info on Linda Pool, go to
<http://www.lindaslance.com>

Workshop: "Finishing Techniques" by Lois Smith

Saturday, February 9, 2008, time 10-4:00 (will be rescheduled if weather is bad)

Cost: \$30

This is a new class that Lois has developed for Houston this fall. Lois Smith is one of

our favorite teachers and she'll be presenting her techniques for finishing your quilt, including piping, edges, and machine stitching sleeves. Just in time to help us finish our quilts for our quilt show in April. See Eleanor Moland to sign up.

Workshop: Kaleidoscope Quilts by Paula Nadelstern

Two Day Class: Saturday and Sunday, March 8 and 9, 2008 Cost: \$100

Paula Nadelstern's award winning kaleidoscope quilts are truly magnificent so you'll want to sign up for her class to learn her secrets. Here's her description: The kaleidoscope configuration and its symmetrical repetition allows students to explore a variety of design possibilities using intricately printed fabric. The class covers a unique machine-piecing technique and both color and fabric guidelines for fabricating the complex and mobile reflection of a kaleidoscope.

See Eleanor Moland to reserve your spot. For more information about Paula Nadelstern, go to

<http://www.paulanadelstern.com/>

Lecture: Snowflake Quilts by Paula Nadelstern

Monday, March 10, 2008, time 7:00 pm.

Paula Nadelstern has extended her kaleidoscope techniques to create beautiful snowflake quilts that have to be seen to be believed. She'll be presenting a lecture on these beauties so be sure to mark the date on your calendar. Here's her description: Explore the common hexagonal pattern and endless variety of structural details synonymous with a snow crystal. For more information about Paula Nadelstern, go to

<http://www.paulanadelstern.com/>

Workshop: Prismatic Flowers by Barbara Olsen

Saturday, April 26, 2008

Cost: \$40

Playing with color, texture, depth and shading, students will manifest a small flower piece filled with light and energy. Choosing from one of Barbara's flower drawings eliminates the drafting and allows students to go right to designing with fabric.

See Eleanor Moland to reserve your spot.

For more information about Barbara Olsen, go to <http://www.barbaraolsonquiltart.com/>

Lecture: Barbara Olsen

Monday, April 28, 2008

Topic to be determined. For more information about Barbara Olsen, go to <http://www.barbaraolsonquiltart.com/>

2007 BUS TRIPS

The next bus trip will be on Friday, September 7, 2007 to the

PENNSYLVANIA NATIONAL QUILT

EXTRAVAGANZA XIV. It is again being held in Harrisburg, PA . According to the

Mancuso web-site - "It is the largest

textile arts event on the East Coast all

under one roof. Entries to the competition

include traditional and innovative quilts. The

exhibits of the Extravaganza will offer over

six hundred quilts and garments presented

in gallery style as well as over two hundred

vendor booths offering everything from

completed quilts and garments to all the

supplies and equipment used in making

them." The \$40.00 cost includes the bus

cost, the driver's tip and entry to the show.

If you have signed up for this trip, but not

yet paid - **the money is due by the**

Monday July 16th or Thursday July 19th meeting.

The Fall PA Shopping Trip will be Friday October 12, 2007. The date was changed to the second Friday in October to avoid the British tour that we kept 'running into at Sauders. And we will also go to Zooks and the Kitchen Kettle area and have lunch at Shady Maple. The \$40.00 fee includes the bus, driver's tip and lunch and tip. This is a great way to get some fabrics at discount prices. If you have signed up for this trip, but not yet paid - **the money is due by the Monday August 20th or Thursday August 23rd meeting.**

All bus trips will leave the 'park and ride' lot (in front of the Church) promptly at 7:30am and should be back by 7:00pm. These bus trips are a great way to spend time with quilting friends and save money on gas.

If you want to sign up or you want more information about the September and October trips- day members should contact Sandy Lynch and night members should contact Leah Hurwich. ***ALL CHECKS FOR THE BUS TRIPS SHOULD BE MADE OUT TO MILLTOWN QUILTERS.***

FCQ Friendship Block DESIGN CONTEST

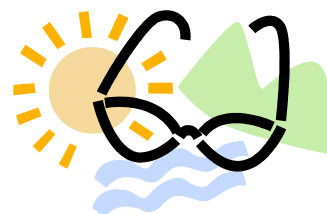
We're looking for a new design for the FCQ Friendship Block. This is the good-bye block that we give to members who are leaving the guild. The block should be easy to make, have space for a signature, and perhaps be a bit smaller than the current size of 10 1/2" square. You'll need to make a sample block. Here are the specs:

- Design can be original or traditional, but please, no designs already copyrighted
- Size 6" - 9" or so
- Space where a signature can be placed
- Easy to piece
- Written instructions included
- Sample block to display

- Show the block in a quilt (a drawing is okay)

We'll vote on the winner when we return in the fall. The current block will be one of the choices. Winner will get a prize - something quilty! Monica Thomas will be coordinating this effort, so if you have questions, contact her.

Happy designing!



Betty Kilroy July Birthday Party

02	Debra Gabel
02	Sherrin Murray
06	Irma Bast
06	Peg Burkhard
08	Judy Mummert
09	Betty Egerter
15	Patty Stenpeck
17	Caren Fitzpatrick
18	Peggy Duke
18	Missy O'Conner
19	Gudrun Huden
20	Nina Godfrey
20	Janet Piche
21	Hillary Fay
21	Daisy McClelland
23	Mary Anderson
25	Carole Auth
28	Janice Brown
30	Julie Rizzello

CALENDAR

July 5 Love Quilt Kit Production
July 9 Love Quilt Kit Production
July 23 and 26 No meeting; Bible School
July 23 Snack 'n' Shop!
July 26 Gees Bend Tour at Walters Art Gallery
Aug 2 Love Quilt Kit Prep
Aug 6 Love Quilt Kit Prep & Dessert Night
Sep 3 Labor Day, no meeting
Sep 7 Bus Trip - Pennsylvania Quilt Extravaganza XIV; must register
Sept 13 Judy Mathieson lecture
Sept 14 Judy Mathieson class; fee

Oct 7, Barbara Barber class, fee
Oct 8, 7pm Barbara Barber lecture
Oct 12 Bus Trip - Pennsylvania Shopping Trip; must register
Oct 15, 7pm Karen Kay Buckley lecture
Nov 10 Linda Pool class, fee

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Feb 9, 10 am - 4 pm Lois Smith class, fee
Mar 8&9 Paula Nadelstern 2 day class, fee
Mar 10, 7pm Paula Nadelstern lecture
Apr 16-19, 2008 Quilt Show
Apr 26 Barbara Olsen class, fee

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