

The Circular

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Report from Quilt Show Chair

Hi everybody. Wow! The Hershey Show really inspired me and revved my spirits. I hope it did the same for you. There are still some time slots needed to fill at the Harrisburg show. If you can give us an hour or 2 on either Thursday, September 6 or Friday, September 7 to white glove please email me at mblittle001@comcast.net. We also need the raffle booth manned on Friday, September 7 and Saturday, September 8. The raffle tickets will be here soon. We'll also have note cards available very soon with our beautiful raffle quilt featured on the front. Linda Schiffer of Seminole Sampler has agreed to cover the cost of printing our greeting cards as advertising for her business!! I hope you're thinking of and/or working on your quilts for the show! MB

Funding for Love Quilts

As many of you may recall from discussions at prior meetings, the large designated donation of \$4000 for Love Quilts has been used up over the past several years. The guild must now fund this very worthwhile activity from our standard operating budget. Discussions and suggestions from the membership have resulted in the FCQ Board's decision to request a donation from members during the annual registration period this fall.

The regular membership fee will remain \$15. Each member will be requested to consider an optional donation of an additional amount to fund Love Quilts for the coming year. Love Quilts requires a budget of \$1200 annually which is used to purchase batting and label material. All the fabric and crochet cotton used for Love Quilts is 100% donated. So, as we near the time to begin annual registration, please consider what you may be willing to give to help Faithful Circle Quilters continue to produce the much needed and appreciated Love Quilts for our community.

Love Quilt Committee 2007-08 to Convene

The guild's work on Love Quilts at our monthly meeting could not happen without the dedicated work of the committee responsible for doing all the set up and preparation. A group of 8-10 people meet on the third Monday of each month at Maria O'Haver's house from 1-3pm. The preparation work includes, cutting fabric into squares, sewing backings, cutting batting, ironing quilt tops/backings, preparing work for tables, and making additional quilt kits as needed. With everyone present we finish all the work for both day and night groups in the allotted two hours! If you're available and interesting in being on the committee, please contact Maria (410-750-3866 or mohaver@comcast.net). The first meeting will be Monday August 20, 1-3pm.

Love Quilt Donations

The final numbers are in. Faithful Circle Quilters, this past year, made 202 small quilts and 65 large quilts! Thanks again to everyone for participating in the year long process!! During the summer meetings we are making the kits for the quilt tops. If you have some extra time this summer, consider sewing several quilt tops in preparation for the tying and finishing we will be starting in September.

Here's the summary of where the love quilts went:

- Grassroots: 8 small and 20 large
- Christian Services of Ho. Co.: 20 small and 25 large
- Howard County Hospital: 55 small
- House of Ruth, Baltimore Womans Shelter: 25 small and 20 large
- Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore: 49 small
- University of MD Children's Hospital in Baltimore: 45 small

Snack 'n' Shop!

Many thanks to FCQ member Linda Schiffer and the Seminole Sampler quilt shop for hosting the Monday evening group's "Snack 'n' Shop" on July 23. We had a good turnout, with lots of fun, good food, and plenty of shopping! Thanks, Linda!

SURPRIZE?

This may be news but it is not a *surprise* that Leah Hurwich is collecting 7 inch purple squares.

REQUESTED REMEDIES

Ellie Layman has done some research requested by the night group but of interest to all who have put so much work into a project.

To remove pencil markings:

- 6 tablespoons rubbing alcohol
 - 2 tablespoons water
 - 6 drops dish washing detergent (yellow).
- Most any will do - it's the degreasing agent you want. No rinsing necessary but my preference is to rinse.
- Source: Member Ellen McClaraty in February 1989 "Circular"

To remove yellow/brown spots from quilts:

- 1 quart buttermilk
 - juice of 1 lemon
 - 1 gallon water
- Soak the stain
- Source: Guest lecturer - don't recall name

To remove blue pen markings which didn't come out in soaking:

- 1 teaspoon baking soda
 - 1/4 cup warm water
- Source: Alex Anderson (?) show

Hope these "recipes" will be helpful.

BOM

Still have to wait a little---a new series begins in September.

Hearts for Members

Sonia Jimenez is facing a long recovery so we'd like to send her hearts to let her know her friends at Faithful Circle are cheering for her. Sonia's favorite colors are **green and yellow**, so make your heart in green or yellow fabric, or even green *and* yellow fabric, with a **white** background. The finished size for the hearts is 6 inches, but it's best to make the block oversize, say 7 inches and let Sonia cut it down. Use your own appliqué or pieced pattern, freehand draw a heart, or trace one designed by Debra Gabel. You can find links to these pdf files from our "Patterns" page at: <http://www.faithfulcirclequilters.com/patterns/patterns.html>. Mail your heart to Sonia in a cheerful little note to wish her well.

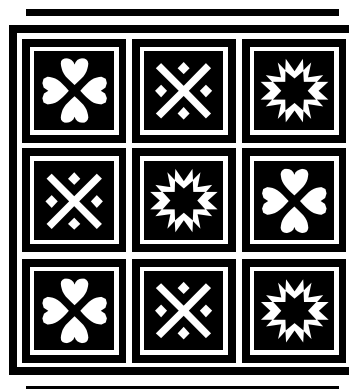
MORE MEMBER NEWS

Eleanor Fabiszak will present a demonstration of her Project Bag on August 16. There was so much interest that a class was not doable.

Debra Gabel has created templates of the new FCQ logo. They're posted online and attached to the printed newsletter so they're available if you want to use them for your project bag "front" block. A link to the patterns is included with the description of Eleanor Fabiszak's project on our events page at <http://www.faithfulcirclequilters.com/events/events.html> and you'll find them on our pattern page at <http://www.faithfulcirclequilters.com/patterns/patterns.html> Thanks Debra!

Pam Wilson announces the website that she designed for Maria O'Haver's quilting business is up. It looks great; Pam really captured the right tone for Maria very classy and yet fun. Pam says she's still working with it, but it's ready for folks to visit. The site is <http://www.mariaohaver.com>. It is also on our website on the quilting links page and the member's business page

Virginia Fry is planning to display her collection for the Thursday group. Hopefully Sept 20 will be the date.



FCQ Friendship Block DESIGN CONTEST

How are your ideas coming? This is the good-bye block that we give to members who are leaving the guild. The block should be easy to make and have space for a signature.

We'll vote on the winner when we return in the fall. The current block will be one of the choices. See previous newsletter for details. Address any questions to Monica Thomas.

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 trip cost includes the bus cost, the driver's tip and entry to the show. There IS still room on the bus.

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 great 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.***

EDUCATION NEWS

Spring classes are now open for registration, and there are still some spots in the fall classes. Eleanor is taking registrations for Lois Smith, Paula Nadelstern and Barbara Olson` For info, go to our events page at <http://www.faithfulcirclequilters.com/event/s/events.html> Eleanor says she's getting a lot of inquiries from all over the country about these classes but she's limiting registration to members only for now. Smart members will sign up now so that they can get ahead of people signing up as members just so they can take the class.

To register see her at the meetings or pop a check in the mail made payable to FCQ to Eleanor Moland
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Note from Eleanor: Judy Mathieson will be at Patches on Saturday, September 15, 9-4 doing a split mariners compass. The cost is \$75. www.PatchesQuilting.com We are able to have Judy because Patches is splitting air fare with us. Our class is now full, so I don't mind advertising the class.

August Betty Kilroy Birthday Party

01 Margaret Kaufman
02 Glenda Kruger
05 Julia Graves
08 Jeanette Cocker
09 Frances Parker
09 Molly Young
10 Beverly House
12 Maureen Bumiller
13 Susan Adams
14 Candace Hutcheson
14 Sandy Newsome
15 Rose Panczenko
16 Lynne Douglas
16 Betty Thorp
18 Paula Woods
24 Gerry Pickering
25 Fran Reardon
25 Sandy Schreurs
28 Gwen Hartong

CALENDAR

Aug 2 Love Quilt Kit Prep
Aug 6 Love Quilt Kit Prep & Dessert Night
Aug 16 Eleanor Fabiszak
Sep 3 Labor Day, no meeting
Sept 6 Love Quilt Tying
Sep 7 Bus Trip - Pennsylvania Quilt Extravaganza XIV; must register
Sept 10 Love Quilt Tying
Sept 13 Judy Mathieson lecture
Sept 14 Judy Mathieson class; fee
Sept 20? Virginia Fry's collection
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 5 Silent Auction to benefit Thanksgiving Baskets
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 27 Barbara Olsen class, fee

