

# The Circular

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

*From Sharon Rhoton*

It's hard to believe, but we are in the final run-up to our 2010 Quilt Show!! By the time you read this, registration will have closed, but you can still be working to finish items for the Silent Auction and selecting and organizing what you hope to sell at the Peddler's Table. And, of course, please sign up to work, during set-up on Tuesday night, Wednesday during the day, and the three actual quilt show days. Please be generous with your time; "many hands makes for light work" was never truer than during a quilt show. We need people everywhere, the whole time, doing everything - staffing the admission table, the raffle quilt and raffle basket tables, helping in the Silent Auction and Peddler's Table rooms, talking to people about our guild at the membership table, sitting in the vendors' rooms while the salespeople get much-needed breaks, and, of course, white gloving, which gives you a fabulous opportunity to get up close and personal with the quilts. And, don't forget, if you can bake or cook something for the kitchen, everyone who is working will love you all the more! Our quilt show will be an incredible success, but only if everyone pitches in and helps. I can't wait to see you there!

**PLEASE NOTE: There will be no Monday evening meeting on April 5<sup>th</sup>!**

## QUILT SHOW NEWS

*From Carolyn May*

The 2010 quilt show month is here! This is a last reminder to members of all our responsibilities to make sure that this year's show is the best ever!

First, **registration for entries is closed** as of April 1. Bags and tags will be provided to you for each quilt registered for the show in the next few weeks, and you will be instructed on how to deliver your quilts on set-up day, April 28.

Make sure you turn in all **raffle ticket** money (sell lots!) to Carol Roberts or Alka Mital by April 28. We still need oodles of quilt related items for the **Silent Auction**. Deadline is April 22 and items can be turned in to the committee at any of the meetings. And start getting your items ready for the **Peddlers Table** (you need to bring these to the Church on set-up day April 28).

Finally, please sign up to **volunteer** for any of the many jobs needed for set-up/take-down or during the actual show. During the show, a volunteer table will be set up for you to sign-in (upstairs near the chapel). And remember that we will again be providing lots of great food in the kitchen for workers on the day(s) that they work. (Thanks to Susan Adams.)

Admission at the door will be \$6 again this year; children (10 and under) will be free (no strollers, please!). Members wearing their FCQ name tags will be admitted free. (If you need a new name tag, contact Alka Mital - but please give her lead time to make another one for you). Before the show, discounted tickets will be provided at \$5 for members to buy for their friends and family. Tickets can be purchased at meetings in April from Peg McClelland at day group meetings; Jeanette Crocker at evening meetings.

**We all need to pull together to make this the best show ever.**

## NEEDED FOR THE QUILT SHOW

Please check with Kenzie Preston (410-531-0813) if you have freestanding quilt hangers available.

Remember to bring your decorations for the show to Sandy McDonald (410-461-4337) on Wednesday, April 28<sup>th</sup>.

## 2010 PEDDLERS' TABLE INFORMATION AND RULES

*From Anne Kelly*

1. all peddlers need to be members
2. items must be quilting or sewing related
3. limit of 200 items/peddler
4. 10% fee will be deducted from dispersal of actual sales money
5. all unsold items must be picked up from 4 - 5:30 on Sat., May 1
6. no early sales except to volunteers for first 2 hours on Thurs a.m.; it's a hard slot to work and workers deserve a special perk!
7. forms must be received by April 22, but changes to items and/or markdowns can be made during the show

### PEDDLERS' TABLE REGISTRATION INSTRUCTIONS

An Excel 2003 form is on the FCQ website; below you will find an Excel 2003 form with sample entries. If you are in the majority and have NO comfort with Excel, you can provide the same info on paper (available at meetings), or copy the sample to your pc and start making entries. You'll be surprised with yourself. After you copy this to your Excel software, if you have 2003: click **FORMAT, COLUMN, AUTOFIT**, (if you are using 2007: click <home>, **CELLS, AUTOFIT**). Hint: Use tabs and arrows to move to the next field, cell; <Enter> is used within a cell. Hint2: the price field will only accept whole numbers; **do not** add "\$\_.00"; just leave the whole numbers.

INITIALS	ITEM NUM	DESCRIPTION or PHONE NUMBER + MEMBER NAME for item num = 0	PRICE	SOLD
AMK	0	410 730 1377 Anne Kelly		0
AMK	1	2 yds blue print left from round robin		2
AMK	2	2 yds blue print red dots		2
AMK	3	thread holder		3

When you are ready to submit your registration, **SAVE AS** an **EXCEL 2003 file**, **ATTACH** your spreadsheet to an email and send to [Annemkelly@comcast.net](mailto:Annemkelly@comcast.net).

### RAFFLE TICKET SALES

The sale of raffle tickets helps provide FCQ with funding for programs and events from one quilt show to the next. Please continue to sell as many tickets as you can!

## **FCQ SLATE OF OFFICERS**

*From Maria O'Haver and the members of the Nominating Committee*

Nominations from the floor will be taken on Monday, April 19 and Thursday, April 22; elections will be held on Mon, May 17 and Thurs, May 20.

President - Sharon Rhoton  
Monday VP - Nancy Evans  
Thursday VP - Margaret Minton  
Monday Secretary - Kenzie Preston  
Thursday Secretary - Margo Cramer  
Monday Treasurer - Anne Kelly  
Thursday Treasurer - Peg McClelland

Other non-elected chair positions for your information:

Night Membership - Alka Mital  
Day Membership - Leigh Eirich  
Webmaster - Patricia Lane (Bonnie Stapleton: photo gallery)  
Education - open  
Newsletter - Beth Bohac  
Night BOM - Deborah Kinsey  
Day BOM - Sandy Reading  
Day Sunshine - Sue Haynie returning  
Night Sunshine - Patty Stenpeck  
Day Bus Trips - Eleanor Howe  
Night Bus Trips - Sheri Thompson  
Day/Night Love Quilts - Maria O'Haver (+committee of 10)  
Librarian - Stephanie Sanidas  
Day Historian - Eleanor Fabiszak, Gwen Hartong and Fran Chernoski  
Night Historian - Jane Scott, Janette Tarr

**Thank you** to all the officers and committee chairs who have been so generous with their time over the past year!

## **EDUCATION NEWS**

*From Sheva Farkas*

On Monday, April 12, **Margaret Miller** will hold a workshop at the guild from 10-4 on "Strips that Sizzle". Signup begins immediately and the cost is \$50. She will be lecturing the guild at 7:30 p.m. on "Looking Ahead". That will be free to guild members. Contact Sheva for more info at [sbpowers@verizon.net](mailto:sbpowers@verizon.net).

## FCQ RETREAT 2010

*From Irma Bast*

Many of you have already signed up for this year's retreat which will be held June 4, 5, & 6 at the New Windsor Retreat Center in New Windsor, Maryland. We will again have Gyleen Fitzgerald present an exciting class for all attendees beginning after dinner Friday evening. This class will provide custom layouts and individual guidance to complete a quilt top based on 4 to 12 completed blocks you will bring with you. Gyleen will review the additional finishing fabrics you bring and will advise on a layout and construction techniques to finish the top. This class will be a real learning experience, since we will also watch the design process of other members' quilts.

**Important:** Please check at the volunteer table during the quilt show to sign up for a roommate. If you don't have one, you can see who the other attendees are and then decide. The cost of the retreat, which includes semi-private lodging for two nights, 5 meals and the class, is \$215. The balance of payment (\$170 for most) is due by May 1<sup>st</sup> and can either be paid in advance of the quilt show to the Guild Treasurers OR to Irma Bast at the show.

We still have a few vacancies, so if you are interested in joining the fun, please contact Irma Bast by May 1<sup>st</sup>. An email will be sent to attendees in early May with details for supplies, arrival times, etc. Hope to see you there!

## NOTICES

Because of the Margaret Miller lecture and the quilt show, there will be a few changes in our regular monthly schedule:

**Monday evening Love Quilts** will be held on April 19

**Newsletter articles** for the month of May will be due on April 20

**Caring Hands** will meet on Wednesday, April 21

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**Friendship Star Quilters: Quilted Jewels and Gems**

April 23 - 25, 2010

Montgomery County Fairgrounds, Home Arts Building, Gaithersburg, MD

Merchant mall, raffle baskets, Featherweight raffle, service projects Sit and Sew, demonstrations, etc.

<http://www.friendshipstar.org>



## BLOCK OF THE MONTH -- KITE BLOCK

*Another easy block since we know how hard everyone is working on getting ready for the show!*

Kites have a long history in China and Japan, and there are festivals to fly and show off elaborate kites. The biggest kite festival is in Weifang in China on April 20, and there are many in Japan in early May.

We will create our own kite block, 11" square which will finish to 10  $\frac{1}{2}$ " square. "Float" the kite on the background: leave a margin of background fabric on all sides. Let's use a white to cream background to show off the colors. There are several possible techniques: pick your favorite and feel free to use your imagination to personalize your kite shape in any way you want. You could also make the kite using more than one fabric pieced together. Many quilt pattern books have samples that you can use.

**Basic diamond kite shape:** Draw a line 7  $\frac{1}{2}$ " long and mark it 2" from one end. At the mark, draw a cross line 3" to each side of the long line. Connect the adjacent ends and you have a kite (finished size). Add seam allowance as needed for your chosen technique.

### **Classic Appliqué Technique:**

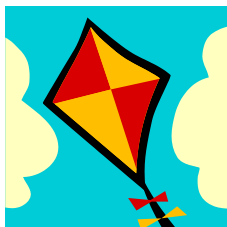
Draw the kite shape onto paper, adding a turning allowance. Use pattern to cut out kite shape from fabric and stitch onto background fabric, turning seam allowance under. Add cross piece lines and a tail: satin stitch, embroidery, or couching down a thick thread or thin yarn.

### **Fusible Appliqué Technique:**

Draw the kite shape onto one paper side of lightweight double sided fusing material. Remove the other paper from the fusing, iron onto the back side of your kite fabric and let cool. Cut out kite. Fuse onto background, add edge stitching as needed. Add cross pieces and a tail: satin stitch, embroidery, or couching down a thick thread or thin yarn.

### **Paper Piecing Technique:**

Draw the kite shape onto paper. Place and pin the kite fabric under the paper pattern, wrong side of fabric to backside of pattern, leaving a generous seam allowance around the kite. Cut generous pieces of background fabric. Line up edge of one piece of background with one side of kite, right sides of fabric together. Pin in place. Placing the paper side up, stitch along the line marking the edge of the kite through the paper and both layers of fabric. Remove pins and flip the background fabric over the stitched line and press. Repeat with the other three sides of the kite. Add cross pieces and a tail as above.



# Silent Auction Donation Chit

Our Quilt Show is April 29 to May 1 2010. We are now collecting items for the **Silent Auction**. Two donation chits appear below for your use. These chits will be available at FCQ meetings or downloaded from the FCQ website. Use two chits for each donated item. Fill both out for each item. One chit stays pinned to the item and the other we use to do the paperwork necessary for our records. If you choose to keep the item and bring it in the day we set up the show, please give one chit to a Silent Auction committee member. To avoid last minute hassles, please begin donating items now so we can process the paperwork in an orderly fashion. We will be collecting donations at both the Monday evening and Thursday morning meetings.

As we did last year, we will offer some items as “**Red Hearts**” which means the item can be purchased immediately for 4 times the suggested starting bid amount or be bid on in the usual way. There will only be a limited number of items designated as “**Red Hearts**.” Please mark the check box on the chit as to whether or not you want the item you donate to be considered for the “**Red Hearts**” designation.

We hope every member of Faithful Circle will donate at least one handmade item to our Silent Auction. Remember the money we make at the auction goes to our education fund. Last year’s list of instructors was first rate and we would like to be able to continue with the same level of instruction.

Sandy Schlossberg, Susan Mann, Sherrin Murray

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<b>Name of Item:</b>	<b>Type of item:</b>
<b>Description:</b>	<b>Size:</b>
<b>Donated by:</b>	<b>Suggested Starting Bid:</b>
<b>Made by:</b>	
<b>This item can be considered for designation as a Red Heart Selection:</b> <span style="float: right;">Yes <input type="checkbox"/></span> <span style="float: right;">No <input type="checkbox"/></span>	
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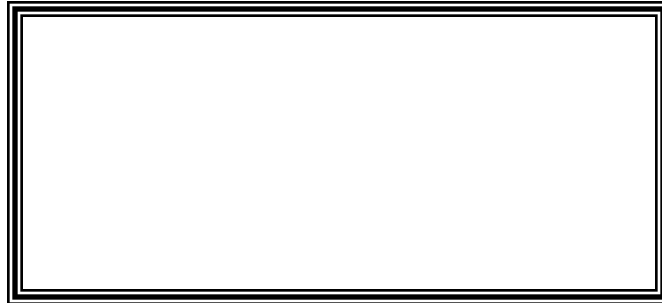
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welcomes anyone  
interested in quilts and  
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We meet on Monday  
evenings  
from 7 to 9 pm  
AND

Thursday mornings  
from  
10 am to 2 pm  
At the  
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## BETTY KILROY APRIL BIRTHDAY PARTY

02 Marylou McDonald  
05 Genie Corbin  
06 Anna Norton  
07 Carol Miller  
09 Sharon Beall  
12 Susan Schultz  
13 Susan Mann  
14 Beth Cooper  
14 George Hubble  
15 Urmila Agarwal  
15 Joyce Barnes  
16 Frani Klein  
16 Margaret Ward  
17 Joanne Brazinski  
17 Helene Ross  
19 Patricia Neal  
24 Ellen Burns  
25 Leigh Eirich  
26 Shelley Beall

26 Vesta Ellerbe  
28 Jo Ann Adkins  
30 Kathleen Werner

## CALENDAR

April 1 Thursday Love Quilts  
April 5 NO Monday evening meeting  
April 12 Margaret Miller class 10-4  
April 12 Margaret Miller lecture 7:30 pm  
April 18 articles for May newsletter due  
April 19 Monday Love Quilts  
April 21 Caring Hands (changed because of show)  
April 22 Silent Auction items due  
April 22 Peddler's Table registration forms due  
April 28 Raffle ticket \$\$ due  
April 27 Evening - quilt show set up begins  
April 28 Quilt Show set up  
April 29, 30 and May 1 QUILT SHOW