



The Circular

Summer "Lite" July '05 Edition

Pieceful Weekend Retreat

Our weekend retreat is rapidly approaching. If you are coming, please plan to arrive after 3 p.m. Friday. Specific rooms are registered this year, so please check with Carol, Beth or Irma before taking a room. As in past years, although we are offering a quilting class on Saturday, you are welcome to bring your own project if you wish. We will be working in the dining room. Everyone attending the retreat will receive a copy of Gyleene's pattern. If you would like specific beverages, please bring your own (including wine, beer, etc.). Coffee, tea and some sodas will be provided. Also, bring your own snack foods and don't forget your wrapped, surprise project from the challenge fat quarter. If you have not yet gotten a retreat schedule, please contact Irma Bast. If you would like a massage, please let Beth Allendoerfer know by July 10. At the present time, there is not enough interest for us to have a masseuse. Beth can be reached at bethdorf@yahoo.com or at 240-568-0036.

Smithsonian Trip

On Thursday, July 28th, FCQ members will have the opportunity to take a behind-the-scenes tour of the quilt collection of the National Museum of American History on the Smithsonian Mall. Docent Marti Phelps, member of the Annapolis Quilting Guild, will be our guide. Before or after the formal tour, members will have time to explore other exhibits in the Museum which include the Star Spangled Banner, First Ladies' Inaugural Gowns, and Julia Childs' kitchen. Lunch will be on-your-own at the History Museum Cafeteria or at other venues around the Mall.

Transportation to the Smithsonian will be by Maryland Commuter Bus (#929) which leaves from the Broken Land Park & Ride Lot (Route 32 and Broken Land Parkway) at 9:24 am and arrives in front of the Museum at 14th & Constitution at 10:29 am. Returning buses depart at 3:11pm or 3:42pm arriving at the Broken Land Lot at 4:22

pm or 4:56 pm, respectively. Please note: if you wish to travel to the Museum via MARC, the Metro or your own car, plan to meet in the Museum Lobby at 10:45 a.m. Also, be aware the trip will require some walking and that the area may be crowded this time of year.

The Smithsonian trip is limited to 24 FCQ members on a first-come, first-serve basis. One group of 12 people will tour quilts at 11 am and the second group will tour at noon. A signup sheet is available and reservations must be made by July 15th. Please do not put your name on the list unless you can make a firm commitment to go. There is no admission charge for the Museum, but round-trip bus fare is \$8.50 and exact change is required. Questions? Contact Irma Bast (410-604-7489) or Pam Wilson(cyberpam@mindspring.com).

Bus Trips

If you have signed up for the Fort Washington, Friday Sept 16, or the Lancaster shopping trip, Friday Oct 7, payment is due and should be made ASAP. While there is a waiting list for the Fort Washington trip, there are still some openings for the Lancaster trip. You can sign up by contacting Jean Webster or Leah Hurwich. If you signed up with Jean, give her your check. If you signed up with a night person, pay Leah Hurwich.

Upcoming Education Activities

Jinny Beyer, September 12

Thanks to Georgia Morris, Jinny Beyer will present a lecture/demo on Color Confidence to the guild on Monday evening, September 12. Through hands-on experience you will "learn Jinny's exciting color system and leave with a feeling of increased confidence in your own ability to put colors together." Sound good? Even better, there is no fee, unless you bring a guest from whom we will ask a \$5 donation. We are still working out the details, but go ahead and mark your calendars and stay tuned for an

update. For more information on Jinny visit her at www.jinnybeyer.com.

George Sciliano, Oct 17, Oct. 22

Nancy Evans found us an excellent instructor who will visit the guild for a trunk show on Oct 17 (7:30) and class on Oct 22 (10:00 to 4:00). According to Nancy "Whenever I went to the quilt show in Lancaster I saw these small wonderful quilts made by George Sciliano. Now, was this a nickname for a gal name Georgia, or were these marvelous small quilts made by a man? Yep, made by a man. George's wife Virginia has been quilting for many years. The inspiration finally struck George and he made a log cabin quilt back in 1997. In it's evolution and in some cases revolution, George has continued to make log cabin quilts. His designs take the log cabin block into the realm beyond the ordinary square block we are all familiar with. If the design of the block isn't enough this big man has moved the block into miniature sizing too. His pieces are wonderful, his classes are fun, have a relaxed atmosphere, and they are informative. Virginia comes with George and brings her expertise to the workshop as well." George has won numerous awards for his miniature quilts. With his wife Virginia he will teach specific techniques which, when learned, will enable the student to increase speed and accuracy. The class charge will be \$35 payable, as usual, to FCQ. George's trunk show is entitled "This Guy Must Be Nuts." He will bring a good collection of his works. Virginia, who is known for her hand quilting, will bring several of her quilts. Feel free to check out his web site at www.georgesiciliano.com.

Jackie Janowsky, September 24 (tentatively)

Jackie Janowsky's specialty is appliqué and she has taught for FCQ before. Guild members who belong to the Baltimore Applique Society give her glowing recommendations and she has agreed to teach us again. We have her tentatively scheduled for a full day on September 24, but she is checking her calendar.

Betty Kilroy July Birthday Party

03 Dawn Stewart
05 Misha Bernard
06 Irma Bast

06 Peg Burkhard
08 Mildred Johnson
08 Judy Mummert
09 Betty Egerter
11 Cor-Rae Petri
15 Patty Stenpeck
17 Caren Fitzpatrick
18 Peggy Duke
18 Gudrun Huden
21 Hillary Fay
21 Daisy McClellan
23 Julie Rizzello
31 Neva Leatherwood

Member News

Julia Graves, her husband David, and son Ricky, went on a trip to Peru to hike the Inca Trail to Macchu Picchu and then visited the jungle in the Amazon basin. Ask her about the tapir in the dining room and the tarantula on the jungle hike... This was a graduation trip for Ricky who graduated from Paint Branch High School and is going to Case-Western in Cleveland in the fall.

Cynthia Hall is happy to continue as Sunshine Co-chair for the day group. She won't be attending summer meetings often but can be reached at home. If anyone knows of a member in need of comfort or congratulations please call Cynthia Hall @ 301-854-1659.

Block of the month

Just a reminder, fabric squares are available for the Sept. block of the month. Incorporate the fabric in a "Back to School" inspired block, pieced or appliqued. Blocks are 12" finished and will be drawn the first Thursday in Sept.

Upcoming events

July 7 Love quilt kit production
July 22, 23, & 24 FCQ Weekend Retreat
July 27 Deadline for newsletter
July 28 No Thursday meeting
July 28 Smithsonian Trip
Aug 4 Love quilt kit production
Sept 12 Jinny Beyer "Color Confidence"
Sept 16 Fort Washington trip
Oct 7 Lancaster Shopping trip
Apr 19-22 Quilt Show

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