

Friendship Star Quilters

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The Quiltline

Upcoming Quilt Shows and Events

August 12-20 2016 Montgomery County Fair, Information available at <http://mcagfair.com/>

More to come.....

HAPPY SUMMER!!!

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August Fabric of the Month: No Drawing

Meetings

Next Meeting is August 3rd.
 Guild meetings are normally at 7:30pm on the 1st Monday of the month at:
 Gaithersburg Church of the Nazarene
 8921 Warfield Rd.
 Gaithersburg, MD

Inclement Weather: If Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS) evening activities are cancelled, the FSQ meeting will also be cancelled. Cancellations of MCPS activities are posted on <http://www.mcps.k12.md.us/>.

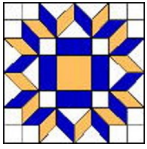
Service Projects

Service Projects Workshops are held from 9:30 AM to Noon at:
 Fairhaven United Methodist Church
 12801 Darnestown Rd.
 Darnestown, MD

Service Projects Workshop Dates:
 Thursday, August 11
 Tuesday, August 23
 If you can, plan to join us for lunch afterward.

Executive Board Meeting

The next Executive Board Meeting will be announced soon. The board meeting is open to all guild members. If you have a topic to bring up to the board, please contact any of the officers to add your item to the agenda.



President's Message

Nicki Lynch

Hi everyone! Liz Lawrence and I were elected to co-president the Guild and I said I'd write the first President's message. After talking about the idea of a co-president, we decided I would be the president, with Liz helping out where needed.

I hope everyone is enjoying their summer and will be ready for the first Guild meeting of the 2016-2017 year. It's going to be a busy and exciting year as we have a quilt show in April. Yea! However, we don't yet have a show chair or co-chair. So, that will be the first order of business when we meet on August 1st. Please consider volunteering for the quilt show chair position. It can and often has been shared, so talk to friends in your small quilt group or the Guild. We need a chair ASAP. April will be here before we know it.

I decided to keep the Suggestion/Question of the month box that Dottie started. It's a good way to keep dialogue going within the Guild. One topic I'd

like to see discussed is outreach to get more people interested in the Guild. What can we do to let people know we are here and open to all quilters, not just the experts? I'm sure there are a lot of ideas out there.

These hot summer days are a good time to be in the cool sewing room. We not only have a show coming up, but the Montgomery County Agricultural Fair – August 12th – 20th. Our fabulous opportunity quilt will be on display – a good advertisement for us – as well as the work of many of us in the Guild. I encourage all of you to put at least one item in the Fair. The Fair catalog is on line and easy to access. I wrote about how to enter the Fair in our newsletter last year, so please take the time to look it up. Enjoy the Fair.

Nicki



Service Projects Update

Anne Weaver and Nancy Brennan

We are starting our new season of workshops on Thursday, August 11 and Tuesday, August 23. Our September dates are Thursday, September 15 and Tuesday, September 27.

If you're available during the day, please join us at Fairhaven United Methodist Church, 12801 Darnestown Road (Route 28), from 9:30 am until about noon. Questions?

Contact Anne Weaver or Nancy Brennan.



Guild Minutes: June 2016 FSQ Meeting

Linda August

Dottie Acton called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm. Minutes of the May meeting were approved as submitted.

Announcements:

The guild needs one more auditor for the annual audit. Members are requested to contact Barbara Dryden or Barbara Kilby if they are interested in volunteering. (Note: after the meeting, Carol Unger volunteered to Barbara Dryden.)

Summer Challenge:

Packets for the summer challenge are in the lobby. Each contains several black and white fabrics. Members can make a quilt from 36" square up to twin size. Entries are due at the September meeting. All quilts will be donated to service projects. Any design is ok and a splash of color may be added.

Retreat:

There are two openings remaining in the January 2017 retreat.

Business:

A motion was made to approve the revised bylaws. The majority of members voted to accept the changes. The revised bylaws were approved. Nancy Colladay voted no and will document her concerns in an email to Dottie Acton which the new board will discuss in September.

Elections:

The nominating committee consisting of Liz Lawrence, Nikki Lynch and Veronica Smith presented the slate of Connie Ross for Vice President, Sayle Sunde for Secretary, and Jennifer Rossmere for Treasurer and noted that there was still no candidate for president. Nikki and Liz agreed to be co-presidents. The slate was then approved as presented. Vice President Linda August presented President

Dottie Acton with a thank you gift for her work over the past two years.

Drawings and Show and Tell:

The monthly drawing from raffle quilt tickets turned since the previous meeting was held by Kathy Brown. Pat Current won. The drawing for a winner of the 2016 raffle quilt will be held in the yard sale room at 8:30 pm.

Judy Walsh won the fat quarter drawing.

Show and Tell: Gayle Sunde, Jane Campos, Sharon Waggoner, Wendy Bauman, Nikki Lynch, Teresa Peterson, and Marie Q presented their works.

The meeting was adjourned to the gym for the annual yard sale.

Respectfully submitted,
Linda August, Acting Secretary



2016/2017 Programs

By JoAnne DuChez

Can you believe it is almost August already? The time just goes by too fast. Hopefully, everyone has had a great summer full of family, friends and quilting. I've had a very busy summer with family and travel -and the beach is yet to come.

August 1, 2016 Guild Meeting:

On August 1, we'll start the year with QUILTO! This is a great way to ease back into our monthly meetings and to socialize with friends we haven't see in a while. QUILTO is like BINGO with fabric prizes. Everyone starts with 2 Quilto cards (at a cost of 2 fat quarters and \$2); additional cards may be had for 1FQ and \$1. The fabric everyone brings becomes the prizes; the \$ go towards the yummy markers used for marking the Quilto cards and the Church setup. Lots of chances to win!

September 12, 2016 Guild Meeting:

Our September meeting will feature Karen Kay Buckley, Lecture: TO BORDER OR NOT TO

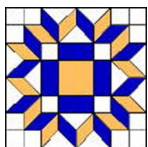
BORDER... Does a quilt need a border? How do you select the right border for your quilt? How do you design borders? How do you measure to ensure a flat quilt? Get answers and see quilt examples during the discussion.

Karen Kay Buckley has a very busy schedule teaching, judging and designing. She has published books, DVDs, patterns, quilting templates and products. She has over 300 quilts to her credit, and has received numerous awards including nine Best of Show awards, and was voted teacher of the year by the PROFESSIONAL QUILTER MAGAZINE in 1997.

Check out Karen Kay's work on her website, karenkaybuckley.com.

Programs scheduled for the 2016-2017 year.

August 1, 2016	Quilto
Sep. 12, 2016	Karen Kay Buckley , Lecture: TO BORDER OR NOT TO BORDER...
Oct. 3, 2016	Heather Kojan , Lecture: Quilt Math: Triangles, Wedges and a little Fibonacci for fun!
Nov. 7, 2016	Bunnie Jordan , Lecture: TBD
Dec. 5, 2016	Holiday Party
2017	
Jan. 2, 2017	Mini Group Presentations , organized by Nicki Lynch
Feb. 6, 2017	Andrea Schnur , Lecture: Trunk Show. quiltworx.com
Mar. 6, 2017	Melinda Lowy , Lecture: Spice Up Your Quilts with Unusual Fabrics
April 3, 2017	Phyllis Twigg Hatcher , Lecture, Ultimate Applique: Fabrics and Design in the San Blas Islands
May 1, 2017	Donna Radner , Lecture: Trunk Show & Lecture
June 5, 2017	Election; 4th Annual Yard Sale



Fabric Drawings

Liz Plantz, Harriet Sheinson

August: No drawing



Membership

By Barbara Skelly

New Members

Welcome to the following new FSQ members:

Cathy Miller, Poolesville, MD

Deveda Powell, Gaithersburg, MD

Membership Renewals

If you have not renewed your FSQ membership for 2016-2017, you may do so at the August meeting. The dues are \$35.00 annually, payable in cash or by check. Dues may be paid at the Membership sign-in desk before the meeting or at the break. Please turn in your dues as soon as possible so the Member Directory can be finalized and sent to the membership in October. You will be asked to verify your information when you renew your membership.

Barbara Skelly
Membership



Sunshine and Shadows

We mourn the passing of our members and friends. They will be missed.

Judy Lundberg

Pam Compton

Sally Gilbert

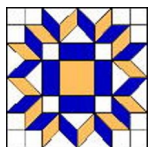


FSQ Summer Black and White Challenge

By JoAnne DuChez

I hope that many of you have been working on our Black & White challenge quilts. I know that a lot of the black and white fabric from Services has been taken, so we're expecting a lot of finished quilts to be on display during the September meeting. According to the rules you may use one or many colors for the "splash" of color, but the final quilt should be recognized as a black and white quilt.

The quilt size should be a minimum of 36" square, up to a twin size quilt. All quilts should be quilted and bound. The members will vote at the break, deciding which quilt makes best use of the B&W and color. Winners receive Yard Sale bucks, and all quilts will be donated to Service Projects.



January 2017 Retreat at Bon Secours

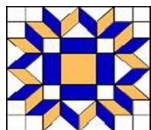
Joy Dorman

Retreat Web Page – Click link: [2017 Retreat Web Page](#)

Retreat registration forms will be available at the June guild meeting for anyone who wishes to secure a place by making a \$50 deposit. If paying by check, please make it payable to FSQ.

Please note that in 2017 the retreat will be Jan 20 – 23. This is the weekend **after** Martin Luther King's weekend.

Questions? E-mail Judy Walsh or Joy Dorman at retreats@friendshipstar.org



Keep current with Facebook!

Suma Glassman and Ellen Robinson

Did you know that FSQ has a Facebook page? If you are on FB, why not like our page: <https://www.facebook.com/FriendshipStarQuilters/> And if you aren't on Facebook, the page is "public" so you can still view it just by going to the link. We will be

posting meeting reminders and other items deemed of interest to you. If there is something you think might be good information to others, quilt related of course, contact us, the page administrators, and we will get it posted.

Because we are publishing our newsletters on our Web Site, we will no longer publish personal information such as addresses, phone numbers and personal e-mail addresses. All of the e-mail links for officers and committee chairs/members in the newsletter are directed to an FSQ e-mail address.



FSQ Library News

Jennifer Rossmere

After two months away, I welcome you back. I am wondering if some of you wanted to try a new skill or were looking for a new pattern over the summer and missed having the library to look through. I hope you will take a few minutes to browse and see if a book will pique your interest and inspire you to further creativity.

Although the library remains, this librarian would like to pass along this job to someone else. Since I have taken on the job of Treasurer, I won't have the time to dedicate to the library. I have really enjoyed being FSQ Librarian and I hope someone else would like to take on this role. It is a very easy job with the main time commitment at the FSQ monthly meeting.

Please let me know if you are interested and I will try to answer your questions. You can e-mail me at the address below.

The FSQ website has a list of all the books in our library. If you would like me to find a particular book for you, please send me an e-mail and I will have it ready for you at the next meeting.

Also, I welcome your ideas for new books. Let me know if there is a book that you would like to see as part of our library or a certain topic that is not covered by our current books. Please e-mail me with your suggestions at library@friendshipstar.org.

Jennifer Rossmere



Birthdays

Cathy	Berman	Aug 14
Jane	Campos	Aug 8
Jean	Crabtree	Aug 18
Linda	Duzick	Aug 14
Brenda	Grey	Aug 21
Lizabeth	Lawrence	Aug 24
Jenae	Redmond	Aug 6
Maryjean	Spencer	Aug 10
Sheri	Thompson	Aug 25
Carol	Unger	Aug 29
Alice	Ward	Aug 5
Anne	Weaver	Aug 21



Elected Officers		
President	Liz Lawrence	prez@friendshipstar.org
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Treasurer and Co-Treasurer	Jennifer Rossmere	Treas@friendshipstar.org
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Committee Chairs			
Fabric of the Month	Liz Plantz and Harriet Sheinson	Programs	Jo Anne Duchez
Field Trips	Jean Farrell	Quilt Show 2017	TBD
Pins	Susan Spencer	Retreats	Judy Walsh and Joy Dorman
Hospitality	Michele Barnard	Service Projects	Anne Weaver and Nancy Brennan
Library	Jennifer Rossmere	Sit and Sew	Pat Vasaio
Membership	Barbara Skelly	Small Groups Coordinator	Nicki Lynch
Newsletter	Liz Brodsky	Sunshine & Shadow	Coralyn Colladay
Raffle Quilt Marketing	Kathy Brown, Sew Watt Quilters	Webmistress	Barbara Bean
Raffle Quilt Ticket Sales	Kathy Brown, Sew Watt Quilters	Facebook	Suma Glassman and Ellen Robinson