

# Friendship Star Quilters September 2017

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# The Quiltline

## Upcoming Quilt Shows and Events

**August 11-13: Four County Quilters Guild Quilt Show at the Frederick County Fairgrounds**

**September 23 & 24: Friendship & Eternal Quilts Guilds Show in Linthicum Heights**

**October 5,6 & 7: Original Sewing & Quilt EXPO, Fredericksburg, VA**

**October 6-8: Everybody's Quilt Guild Quilt Show in Westminster**

**October 27: Village Quilters Bingo, The Lodge, 2832 Nine Mile Circle, Catonsville, MD [contact@villagequiltersmd.com](mailto:contact@villagequiltersmd.com)**

**November 9-18: Quilters' Quest Shop Hop**

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## October -- Fat quarter Animal prints

### Meetings

Next Meeting is September 11.  
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

September is the exception since the 1st Monday is Labor Day

**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

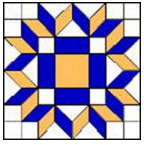
### Service Projects

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:  
Tuesday, September 5th  
Thursday, September 28th

### Executive Board Meeting

The next Executive Board Meeting will be October 10th. 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

Our upcoming meeting comes with a lot of feeling, being on September 11<sup>th</sup>.

I remember where I was on September 11<sup>th</sup> 2001 when the Towers came down. I'm sure most of you do as well. I remember how we all came together in helping the people of New York City, which is still recovering. I remember the quilts that were made to commemorate those who died and the First Responders who worked to save them. The world changed for Americans that day and we should remember that.

That remembrance leads me to Houston, and much of the Texas Gulf coast, which is a disaster area due to Hurricane Harvey and the subsequent horrendous flooding. I know people are concerned about that area of Texas and what can be done to help the people there. There is also concern about the International Quilt Festival scheduled for November 2 – 5 in Houston. While I didn't have plans to go (as much as I'd like to), I have doubts if the city will be recovered enough to welcome the thousands of quilters as it has in the past. Quilt Market Houston is October 28<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup>, just before the International Quilt Festival and is probably also in doubt. This is a major event for all the quilt shops as well as the hundreds of vendors, and the people in the Houston area whose livelihoods depend on the people the convention center brings in. Keep a good thought for the people of Houston and the rest of the flooded region.

I'm a bit sad that our Guild will not be participating in the Pennsylvania National Quilt Extravaganza, a.k.a. Oaks. We participated in the Pennsylvania National Quilt Extravaganza for a number of years, even before it moved to Oaks. Unfortunately, it was decided at the last meeting that we wouldn't be participating this year. This means that we will have to work twice as hard to sell raffle quilt tickets to make up for what we would have made at Oaks. Please consider volunteering to visit the regional Guilds with the quilt to sell tickets or to the various group you may be in

contact with. The sale of these tickets provides the Guild with the funds it needs for a place to meet and programming.

Speaking of programming, I am always in awe of the skill and expertise of quilters in the region, whether they are in FSQ or not. This was apparent at the Montgomery County Agricultural Fair. I would like programming in future years – as I know this next year is set – to consider looking for and asking local quilters to talk about some of their techniques. I'd like to know how to print labels using my printer and how to work with wool, for example. It would be good to have a local quilter who isn't part of the Guild to talk to us about an unfamiliar technique. We might even get a new member! If you have a technique you saw at the Fair, please put a note about it in the suggestion box at the meeting.

I don't know if everyone knows this, but our web page is looking different these days. Our raffle quilt is prominently displayed as well as an announcement for the next meeting. Thank you Lorie, for your continuing work on the website and to promote the Guild!!

Finally, my godson published his first book! He used CreateSpace for publishing and has it available in eBook from on Amazon. His name is Alex Scott and the book is **Thresholds of the Grand Dream**. He has a few short stories on his page on Amazon.

See you at the meeting.

Nicki



## **Guild Minutes: August FSQ Meeting**

Gayle Sunde

Will publish when received.



## Service Projects Update

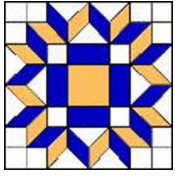
Anne Weaver and Nancy Brennan

Service Projects has had a busy summer! Since the beginning of June, we delivered **50 quilts** to Warm Up America for distribution to local hospitals, **18 quilts** to Fisher House, **30 quilts** to Healthy Families Montgomery, **172 premie quilts** to Holy Cross for their NICU, and **21 quilts** to Mary's Center for their quarterly education baby shower. Our contact with Mary's Center, Amy Shannon, sent this lovely email.

*I just wanted to let you know how much the mothers-to-be at Mary's Center appreciated all of the colorful quilts that were available to choose from at the baby shower on June 9th. Ninety women attended, and thanks to your generous contribution of hand-made quilts, each expectant mom got to select one she wanted. Sometimes a big brother or sister would help, providing an opinion about the best one for the little brother or sister waiting to be born. Thank you! As a volunteer at the shower, it is fun to staff the quilt table. I get to meet the moms and see their enjoyment. THANK YOU!*

THANKS to all of you who have made this generosity possible – by coming to Service Projects workshops, making quilts at home, making quilt tops or premies from our kits, or by donating fabric. We couldn't do it without YOU!

We hope you'll be able to join us for an upcoming Service Projects workshop. We will meet on September 5 and 28 from 9:30 am until about noon at Fairhaven United Methodist Church, 12801 Darnestown Road, about ½ mile west of Quince Orchard High School. Contact Nancy Brennan or Anne Weaver with questions.



## Programs

JoAnne DuChes

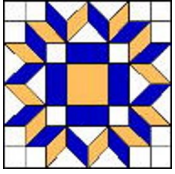
I hope you all come to the September meeting to travel through Indonesia with Judy Gula! Judy, owner of Artistic Artifacts located in Alexandria, loves to share her knowledge and textile travel experience. Her goal is to empowering others to create their own artwork. Artistic Artifacts is a Fair Trade importer of creative art supplies from around the world: Australia, Indonesia, India, Thailand, Vietnam and the United States.

Judy's lecture topic is ***Batik Adventure***. The presentation begins with a 35-minute computer slide show includes photos of Indonesia culture and the many batik processes. The discussion will focus on how Indonesian fabrics are created, including beautiful hand-drawn batik panels, batik fabric yardage, and sarongs. At the conclusion of the slideshow, there will be a variety of batik fabrics and other Indonesian textiles to see and handle. A mini trunk show of art quilts created with these wonderful batiks and panels will also be included.

The Guild will host a dinner for the lecturer on Monday evening at 5:30 before the meeting. The Guild dinners are held at DogFish Head Alehouse, 800 West Diamond Ave., Gaithersburg, MD, 20878, phone: 301-963-4847.

Below is a list of the FSQ 2017-18 Programs and Events

August 7, 2017	<b>Quilto</b>
Sept 11, 2017	<b>Judy Gula</b>
Oct 2, 2017	<b>Diane Doran</b>
Nov 6, 2017	<b>Lauren Kingland</b>
Dec 4, 2017	<b>Holiday Party</b>
Jan 8, 2018	<b>Ricki Selva</b>
Feb 5, 2018	<b>Kimberly Einmo</b>
Mar 5, 2018	<b>Lesley Riley</b>
Apr 2, 2018	<b>Jean Ann Wright</b>
May 7, 2018	<b>Cheryl Lynch</b>
June 4, 2018	<b>Election; 5th Annual Yard Sale</b>



## Yard Sale Finale

JoAnne DuChez

Finally, all items from the June yard sale are gone. Now Meg Tison can finally park her car in her garage. The last of the remaining home dec and dress fabric plus many patterns found their way to the Human Society Thrift Shop located down a few store fronts from Capital Quilts. However, the shop did not take the collection of scrap fabrics. Consequently, these scraps will be available to you free for the taking at the September meeting. The scraps will be in the atrium before the meeting and during intermission. Bring your bags and fill them up. Any remaining scraps will be recycled.



## FSQ 2018 Retreat

Pat Vasaio and Joy

Final payments for those already registered for the 2018 FSQ Retreat are due by the October 2017 Guild meeting. Final payments are:

Option 1 (2 nights) -- \$250

Option 2 (3 nights) -- \$400

**Please make your check payable to FSQ**, and mail to Joy Dorman at 5342 - 32<sup>nd</sup> St NW, Washington, DC 20015. Payments will NOT be collected at the September or October Guild meetings.

The retreat is currently filled. To be added to the waiting list or if you have questions E-mail Joy Dorman or Pat Vasaio at [retreats@friendshipstar.org](mailto:retreats@friendshipstar.org).



## FSQ Summer Service Project Panel Challenge

JoAnne DuChez

You still have a little time to participate in the Panel Challenge. Completed quilts are due at the October 2017 Guild meeting. An assortment of panels will be displayed at the September meeting for your selection. Or you may use a panel from your stash.

Object: create a one of a kind panel quilt

Size: 36" square – twin size

Quilts must be sandwiched, quilted and bound.

Quilt will be donated to FSQ Service Projects for distribution.



## FSQ on Pinterest

Lorie Coston

Think of a cork board and push pins! And photographs of interesting things.

**Pinterest** is a social network that allows users to visually share interests by posting (known as 'pinning') images to their own or other boards and browsing what other users have pinned. Boards are typically theme based. Browse and pin what you like to your account boards or the guild's boards. Think of a cork board and push pins!

You may create an account for free. It's easy. Follow the prompts and answer the questions. You can use your real name or make up details—it's fine. There will not be a quiz. If you have a Facebook account, you may use your username and password to access Pinterest—no need to remember yet another password.

The guild's account may be accessed at this link: <https://www.pinterest.com/> then create your account if you don't have one. Use the Search feature typing Friendship Star Quilters Gaithersburg. Look around and see what others are pinning. If you see something you like, pin it to your own board.

You may Pin any image. Here is how:

Roll your mouse over an image.

Look for a red rectangle to appear with a push pin symbol and the word Save.

Click the red rectangle with your mouse.

Choose to which board you would like to save the image by scrolling with your mouse.

Create a board by clicking Create. Give the board a title. Click Create.

It's easy! You have saved your first pin.

Guild members are granted access to most boards on our page and can pin related items to each board.\* Small Groups have their own boards and only members of each group may post items to their board. It's all in good fun! So get pinning and sharing your ideas and see what others find interesting!

\*Alert Lorie Coston that you have an account and have "Followed" the guild board. Email her at [Publicity@friendshipstar.org](mailto:Publicity@friendshipstar.org) or [loriecoston@hotmail.com](mailto:loriecoston@hotmail.com)



## Membership Renewals for 2017-2018

Barbara Skelly

Please renew your FSQ membership at the September meeting on September 11. The Membership Directory will be emailed only to current members in October. I will have the membership forms with me at the FSQ Service Project meetings on September 5 and 28 as well. If you will be unable to renew at any of these times, you can access the membership renewal form on the FSQ website and send it to me via "snail mail." The address is on the form. Membership dues are \$35.00.



## September Birthdays

Jean Farrell	1
Phyllis Eddy	1
Barbara Kilby	5
Connie Ross	6
Mitsn Mitchell	10
Cathy Miller	13





## Lancaster PA Shopping Trip - sponsored by a co-op of local Quilt Guilds:

**Friday, October 20, 2017**

Departure: 7:30 a.m. (Park and Ride 108 and Presbyterian Circle, Columbia)

Return: 7:30 p.m. approximately

\$60 - Includes transportation, driver gratuity, lunch

Stops: Burkholder's Fabric Shop, Shady Maple lunch, Kitchen Kettle Village (Old Country Store, Zook's)

Need payment by September 18th for 30 people to guarantee it's a go.

**Checks made payable to: Village Quilters**

Send to Sheri Thompson, her address is in the FSQ Directory.



## 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.



## Library News

Rosie Hormuth and Liz Lawrence

Don't forget to drop by the Library table on your way into the Guild meeting. Our books are in good condition, organized logically, and easy to locate by category. Lots of inspiration between the covers. Also we welcome ideas for new books. Let us know if there is a title that you would like to see as part of our library or a particular topic that is not covered adequately in our current collection. My email is [jahrah@verizon.net](mailto:jahrah@verizon.net).



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