

Friendship Star Quilters

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The Quiltline

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FSQ Calendar

Aug 4: FSQ Guild Meeting — Quilto

Upcoming Quilt Shows and Events

Jul 1-Sep 2: [Maryland Row by Row Experience](#) Travel and collect rows and license plates between July 1-September 2, 2014. Bring in completed quilt for a prize: July 1-October 31, 2014. Click on the link above for participating quilt shops in Maryland.

Aug 8-18: Montgomery County Agricultural Fair (<http://www.mcagfair.com/>). Montgomery County Fairgrounds.

Sep 18-21: [Pennsylvania National Quilt Extravaganza](#) in Oaks, PA in September

Oct 4-5: [Flying Geese Quilt Guild](#) of Harford County, MD presents "Harvest of Quilts" quilt show celebrating the 200th anniversary of the Star Spangled Banner. Held at Veronica Chenoweth Activity Center, 1707 Fallston Rd, Fallston, MD 21047 (Md 152). Raffle Quilt: Patriotic Elegance.

Oct 17-18: Quilt Show & Artisan Boutique, [NeedleChasers of Chevy Chase](#). Kensington Armory/Town Hall, 3710 Mitchell St., Kensington, MD.

Meetings

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/>. We will try to put a message on our Website once a decision has been made.

Workshops

Workshops are normally at: Hampton Inn & Suites 960 N Frederick Ave Gaithersburg, MD 20879

To sign up for a workshop, stop by the Program Desk at a Guild meeting. Between meetings call or e-mail the [Programs Chair](#). Registration forms with workshop fees are on the FSQ Website: www.friendshipstar.org

Note that FSQ workshops are opened to non-members two months prior to the workshop. We hope that this will encourage more of our members to sign up early and will defray the costs of workshops and lectures.

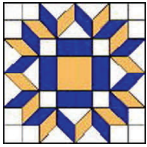
Service Projects

Service Projects are usually held at: Fairhaven United Methodist Church 12801 Darnestown Rd. Darnestown, MD

Fabric of the Month

August

No Fabric of the Month for August



President's Message

Dottie Acton

This coming year should be a great one for our guild – the quilt show, service projects, the bus trip to Oaks, retreats and of course, great programs. I hope that each of you will enjoy the many guild activities, and will encourage others to become members as well. It would be wonderful to add at least twenty new members this year.

I've been retired for a month now, and must say that retirement is far more fun than working for a living. I'm finally getting caught up on my homework for the quilt class I'm taking, and actually may finish on time if we don't get too many summer storms.

Next week I go to Cleveland to the National Sports Card Show with my grandson Kenny, so if I seem a little dazed on Monday night, don't be surprised. I'm worried that five days of men talking

sports will do something to part some (or all) of my brain. I'm so glad that the guild meeting is the day I get home so I can re-orient to the real world. I get my turn for a vacation at the end of August when my husband and I go to the AQS Quilt Show in Grand Rapids, MI. The only reason we're driving that far is to see the [Quilt of Belonging](#). I bought the Quilt of Belonging book at our quilt show a few years ago and can't miss an opportunity to see it. We'll stop at the Studebaker museum for his share of the trip - I won't make him look at quilts the whole vacation.

I hope to see many of you at the guild meeting on Monday. Please share your thoughts, ideas and concerns so we can work together to continue to improve our guild and grow our membership.

Dottie



Guild Meeting Minutes From June 2, 2014

Ann Ramey-Smith

The June 2, 2014, meeting of the Friendship Star Quilters (FSQ) Guild was held at the Gaithersburg Church of the Nazarene. Karen Moss, guild president, called the meeting to order and welcomed new members as well as two visitors from Germany.

- The minutes of the last guild meeting on May 5th were approved, with corrections, as published in the FSQ guild newsletter.
- Karen Moss again encouraged members to volunteer for 2015 FSQ guild show positions. Volunteers are especially needed to co-chair the show. (*Contact: Dottie Acton or Linda August*)
- Karen announced that AQS no longer offers a discount for group orders. Consequently, the guild board has discontinued the associated committee chair position.
- Karen Moss volunteered to coordinate the September 20th bus trip to the Pennsylvania National Quilt Extravaganza XXI quilt show in

Oaks, PA. The cost of the bus is \$53 per person and show admission is \$12. More information will be available in the guild newsletter. Let Karen know if you plan to attend. (*Contact: Karen Moss*)

- Upcoming meetings for the guild's Service Projects activities are scheduled for June 12th and June 17th to sew and bind preemie quilts. The guild newsletter contains information about the service projects completed during the period of June 2013 - May 2014. These projects include 500 quilts for children and military adults, 1032 preemie quilts, 1083 hats, and 283 pillow cases.
- Nicki Lynch has developed some information about entering quilts to win in the Montgomery County fair. See the guild newsletter for details.
- Upon receiving no additional nominations for the open positions on the FSQ guild board, Karen Moss closed nominations. The guild membership elected FSQ Guild officers for the 2014-2015 fiscal

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year: Dottie Acton – President, Linda August - Vice-President, Ann Ramey-Smith - Secretary, and Barbara Dryden and Barbara Kilby - co-Treasurers. Karen Moss thanked the nomination committee once again for their efforts and congratulated the new officers.

- A “Yard Sale” of fabric, sewing and quilting notions, machines, frames, and more was held during the June meeting. The sale was sponsored by the Programs Committee and was supported by numerous volunteers who solicited, donated, transported, unpacked, and setup materials for sale and served as cashiers. The sale was well-attended.
- The annual membership drive continued with dues of \$35 being collected and member information updated. The membership drive will continue at the July meeting. Please bring cash or check to pay the dues and be sure to update your email address, if needed.
- Karen Moss thanked FSQ guild members for their support, especially those who helped her as president during the past year. On behalf of the guild, Karen presented gifts to each FSQ guild officer and committee chair in appreciation for their service. Anne Flaggs then presented Karen with a quilt top adorned with signatures and sentiments of guild members expressing their gratitude for Karen’s service as guild president for the past two years.
- After the presentation of gifts, members displayed

their latest accomplishments in show and tell.

- The winners of the June fabric drawing were Sandra Chin, Alice Washburn, Nicki Lynch, and Carol Carrier.
- Winners of the door prizes were Carol Carrier, Susan Entwistle, Kate Foley, Anne Trudel, Holly Trotter, Ann Ramey-Smith, and Barb Dryden.

The meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by Ann Ramey-Smith



Friendship Star Guild Pins

Suma Glassman

A reminder to continuing members and a note to new ones: we have Pins! You can purchase an FSQ Guild pin or pins representing our past shows. We have pins from all the show years except for 2010, that one is sold out. We currently have only 11 left from 2012 and 12 from 2013. If you are interested in any or all, they are five dollars apiece and I am usually set up in the lobby before each meeting. Stop by and get yours!



Service Project Updates—continued from previous page

Anne Weaver and Nancy Brennan

Thanks to your generosity, Service Projects is off to a great start this year. Since June 1st, we have made and donated over 50 quilts to Warm Up America, over 60 pillowcases, and more than 90 preemie quilts and 16 preemie hats to the Holy Cross NICU. Thank you all so very much for your continued support over the summer months. You are appreciated!

The Service Project Workshops for August will be held from 9:30 until 12:15 on Thursday, August 7th and Tuesday, August 19th at the Fairhaven United Methodist Church, 12801 Darnestown Road. If you can, plan to join us for lunch afterward in the Fellowship Hall. Bring your lunch (a refrigerator and microwave are available) or plan to go out and pick something up and come back and join us. We'd love

to see you. Contact Anne Weaver or Nancy Brennan with questions.



Retreat Registration Forms — Click link below

[2015 Retreat Registration Form](#) (doc)

[2015 Retreat Registration Form](#) (pdf)



January 2015 Bon Secours Retreat—Price Reduced!

By Teresa Peterson

The 2015 FSQ Retreat will be held from Friday, January 16th, until Sunday, January 18th (with an option to stay until Monday, January 19th), at the Retreat and Conference Center at Bon Secours in Marriottsville, MD. There are just 13 spaces left, so if you're interested, please contact Teresa Peterson or Judy Walsh. You'll enjoy a weekend of sewing and socializing with other quilters, having your meals provided just a short walk away from your sewing table and, if you wish, access to an exercise room and a TV room (no TV's or radios in the rooms).

The cost of the Retreat has been revised. The cost of the two night stay (Friday and Saturday) is \$303 per

person, single occupancy, for two nights' lodging, six meals and snacks... The cost of the three night stay is \$455 per person, single occupancy, three nights' lodging, nine meals and snacks. Shared moments, companionship and friendship.....priceless.

For either option a \$50 deposit and a completed registration form is required. The registration form can be found on the FSQ website. The balance is due no later than the October 6th Guild Meeting. Give your check and the form to either Teresa Peterson or Judy Walsh, or mail your check and registration form to Teresa Peterson, (see 2014 Yearbook for address).



June 2014 Rhodes Grove Retreat Update

By Teresa Peterson

In early June, twenty-four adventurous quilters from FSQ, Quilters Unlimited and Mother Seton Parish Quilting Angels traveled to Rhodes Conference Center in Chambersburg, Pennsylvania. We each had an eight foot table to spread out our projects and gadgets, lots of lighting and wide walking space between tables, ironing boards, cutting tables and design walls.

The food was delicious, the weather was perfect and the accommodations were very comfortable. The sewing area, dining room and our rooms were all under one roof. There was also a great quilt shop nearby and many of us visited and helped the local economy with our purchases.

There were lots of projects completed, moved

along or started during the weekend. All in all we were pretty productive. We saw a top completed from the Cindy Souder cruise, a beautiful top finished that will be the focus for Capital Quilt's Second Saturday Group, and a lovely red, white and blue Quilt of Valor top completed as well.

Pat showed us how to make continuous bias binding and Megan demonstrated Bonnie Hunter's Spiderweb block.

We had not been here before on retreat, and we did not all know one another when we started the weekend, but as quilters do so well, we chatted with one another and many went home with a new circle of quilting friends. And all agreed that they would like to return next year.



Lovely Quilt



Nancy Colladay's "Beetle Mania"



Karen Slayton



Coralyn Colladay and Danee Wilson



FSQ Bus Trip to Pennsylvania National Quilt Extravaganza XXI

By Karen Moss

FSQ is planning a bus trip to the PA quilt show on September 20, 2014. We must have at least 30 people to make it a “go” so the cost of the bus is covered.

If you’re interested in joining us on the bus, please let me know as soon as possible. The bus trip is always fun and it’s a great opportunity for you to sit back and enjoy the ride to the show, see all the beautiful quilts and do a little shopping. Since we will **NOT** be stopping at Sauders this year, you’ll have plenty of time to give back to FSQ by volunteering to white glove at the show. Mancuso allows us the opportunity to display and sell tickets for our Raffle quilt. In return, they require us to provide a total of 36 hours of white gloving at the show. Hey, what better way to touch the quilts that no one else can!

When: Saturday, September 20, 2014

Time: Bus will leave at 7:00 a.m. from the I-270/Rt 124 Park and Ride lot—easy access from I-270! Bus will depart the quilt show at 6:00 p.m.

Cost: \$53 for bus ride

Show entry: Group discount entry to the show is \$12

Total Cost: \$65 (don’t stand in line at admissions...we’ll get it for you!)

Contact [Karen Moss](#) by phone or e-mail to reserve your seat. (Please refer to the 2014 Yearbook for Karen’s phone or e-mail.) Once we determine the trip is a go, I’ll forward instructions for payment.



Membership Renewal

By Teresa Peterson

Membership registration renewal began in May 2014 for the 2014-2015 Membership Year. FSQ membership year runs from June 1 to May 31 of the following year. Membership is \$35/yr. (\$15 non-

residents). Make your check payable to FSQ or if paying by cash, please bring the exact amount to the August meeting. Thanks



Guild Committee Chair Vacancies

By Barbara Bean

There are several Committee Chair positions vacant and we could use your help.

Membership: (currently Teresa Peterson)

If you would like an opportunity to meet, greet and get to know more quilters in our guild, a great first step is to volunteer to be the FSQ Membership Chair. The membership chair is quite often the first person that a potential member meets when they attend a Guild meeting for the first time. The Membership Chair also has a voice and a vote on the FSQ Executive Board.

The primary responsibility is to collect membership dues from new and continuing members. Some knowledge of Excel is helpful for

tracking the membership. If you are interested, contact [Teresa Peterson](#).

Hospitality: (currently Barbara Kilby)

Schedules members’ participation in providing refreshments for the December holiday and June end of year meetings. Schedules greeters to welcome new members and answer questions.

Quilt Show: Currently vacant

Coordinates annual quilt show

Small Quilt Groups: Currently vacant

Maintains a list of small quilt groups and meeting times; helps match those desiring to join a small quilt with existing groups or in creating a new group.



FSQ Programs Update for 2014

JoAnne DuChes

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 must say that I haven't been as productive as I wanted to be – but are we ever as productive as our imaginations think we can be?

This FSQ year will be full of programs, speakers and workshops. On August 4, we'll start with Quilto! Yeah! This is a great way to ease back into our monthly meetings and get to socialize with friends we haven't seen in a while. It's 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 money goes towards the yummy markers used for marking the Quilto cards. Lots of chances to win!

Below is a list of programs scheduled for the coming months. Please consider attending the workshop in October when Paula Golden will show us how to use our large scale fabrics to create beautiful stars.

Sept 8, 2014: **Shannon Shirley**, *Once in a Rabbit Moon Quilts*, shannonshirley.com. **Lecture:** "Celebrate the Day with Quilts."

Oct 5, 2014: **Paula Golden**, paulagolden.com.
Workshop: "Simply Stunning Sliced Stars."

Oct 6, 2014: **Paula Golden**, paulagolden.com.
Lecture: "Color, How to Make Your Quilts Sizzle."

Nov 3, 2014: **Lauren Kingsland**,
laurenkingsland.com. **Lecture** - "The Kolam Quilt."

Dec 1, 2014: **Holiday Party.**

Workshop Registration Forms: [FSQ Workshop Registration Form 2014-15](#) (doc)
[FSQ Workshop Registration Form 2014-15](#) (pdf)



Directory Updates: New Member

Teresa Peterson

New Members

Julie Bradley Kate Foley
N. Potomac, MD Gaithersburg, MD

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.



August Birthdays ... Happy Birthday To You !

Teresa Peterson

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

Also in August

Montgomery County Fair
August 8-16





Elected Officers		
President	Dottie Acton	prez@friendshipstar.org
Vice-President	Linda August	VP@friendshipstar.org
Treasurer and Co-Treasurer	Barbara Dryden Barbara Kilby	Treas@friendshipstar.org
Secretary	Ann Ramey-Smith	Secy@friendshipstar.org



Committee Chairs

Fabric of the Month	Liz Plantz and Harriet Sheinson	Programs	Jo Anne Duchez
Field Trips	Jean Farrell	Quilt Show 2015	Vacant
Guild Pin Sales	Suma Glassman	Retreats	Teresa Peterson and Judy Walsh
Hospitality	Vacant	Secret Sisters	Laurie Bay and Sharon Viloría
Library	Susan Entwistle	Service Projects	Anne Weaver and Nancy Brennan
Membership	Teresa Peterson	Sit and Sew	Pat Vasaio
Newsletter	Barbara Bean	Small Group Coordinator	Vacant
Newsletter Production	Vacant	Sunshine & Shadow	Coralyn Colladay
Raffle Quilt Marketing	Harriet Sheinson	Webmistress	Barbara Bean
Raffle Quilt Ticket Sales	Anne Flaggs		



Executive Board Meeting Schedule 2013-2014

All members are invited to attend Executive Board meetings. **Call first to verify the time and location.** If you wish to submit an item for discussion but are unable to attend please e-mail the information to [Dottie Acton](#), or provide it in writing at a guild meeting. The next Board Meeting will be at Dottie Acton's home. Check with her for Directions.

Tuesday, September 16, 2014 at 6:30 pm

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