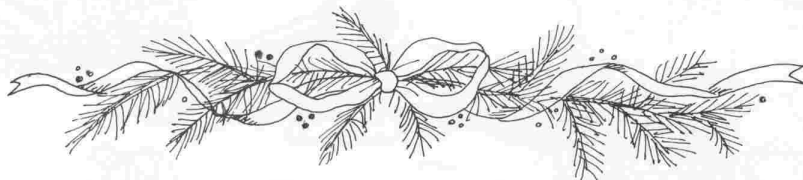


Friendship Star Quilters Quiltline

December 2003

Next Meeting:
December 1, 7:30 PM



Holiday Party

- Ornament / Gift Exchange
- Holiday Boutique
- Bring Party Items (See Page 2)

Coming in January:
Paula Golden

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President's Message

Here we are – getting ready for the holidays. I am not cooking the turkey this year so I don't have to clean the house, which will leave me more quilting time. I am almost finished making the four family quilts for the kids with some old family photos I found. I am really excited and I hope they are also. Our holiday party is upon us and we are busy cooking goodies and making items to give and sell. As usual, we will allow people who want to try out boutique items to set up a mini-boutique, but please remember that tables are at a premium, so space is shared and limited. We are also looking forward to an ornament exchange and a gift exchange. If you have a hand-made (by an adult) ornament or gift (under \$10) please feel free to bring it to the meeting. Since some people did not see the food sign-up, please bring your favorite finger food to share. I know you all are making holiday gifts, so show and tell will be wonderful.

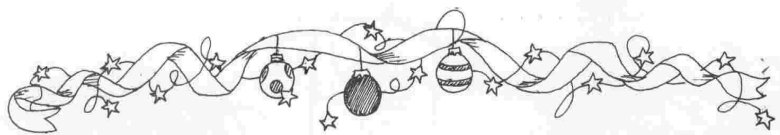
We still need a photographer for the guild or we will have no pictures of all those wonderful quilts we are making. We are a large guild and someone must have a good camera that works. Cathie Shelton has volunteered to take over the block of the month so look for exciting things in the future. I thank her because the blocks have been such fun that it would have been a shame to lose the opportunity. The quilt show committee is under way but there are still opportunities to join in the fun and fellowship which joining in brings. I have met so many people working on committees.

Remember to work on those little stars. I will have an open workshop at my house on December 10 at 7:00 PM. Please let me know if you can come.

– Sandy D'Angelo

Next Newsletter Deadline Dec. 17

FSQ HOLIDAY PARTY – DECEMBER 1



HOLIDAY BOUTIQUE

ORNAMENT & GIFT EXCHANGE

FSQ will have its annual Ornament and Gift Exchange at the December 1 meeting. In order to participate, you will need to bring a wrapped gift or hand-made ornament with a value of \$7 to \$10. Please put your name inside the wrapped package.

There will be two boxes, one for ornaments and one for gifts, in which you place your package. If you bring a gift, you will receive another gift; the same with an ornament.

Please call Burt White if you have any questions.

Any FSQ member who is interested in selling her handmade crafts at the December meeting is invited to do so. A limited number of tables will be set aside on a first-come, first-served basis. This is a great way to test the marketability of a potential Quilt Show boutique item.



DECEMBER 1 PARTY SIGN-UP LIST

If you were not at the meeting or did not get a chance to sign up to bring something, please bring your favorite holiday goodie(s) to share...All food is welcome and none will be turned away at the door!

DESSERTS	HORS D'OEUVRES/ FINGER FOODS/MISC	SODA / JUICE	PLATES/CUPS	UTENSILS
Marian Purtell	Sally Gilbert	(2 each)	<u>50 PLATES</u>	<u>50 FORKS</u>
Janet Maple	Ronnie Sullivan	Kim Jalette	Sandi Harris	
Joyce Rhodes	Jane Campos	Burt White	Cheryl Wangner	Susan Morris
Vivian Downs	Laurie Bay	Margaret Hartranft	Karey Herriman	Sandra Chin
Cheryl Wangner	Suzanne Brewer	Gina Kitsoulis		Judy Newton
Nicki Lynch	Rosie Hormuth	Barb Coyle	<u>HOT CUPS:</u>	
Carol Lewis	Beth Smith	Barbara Kahla	Clare Ginther (100)	<u>50 SPOONS</u>
Janice Muller	Mary Zmitrovich	Liz Brodsky	<u>COLD CUPS:</u>	Susan Morris
Heidi Bahr	Diane Heller	Chris Zimmerman	Karen Wolske (100)	Sandra Chin
Ginger Peebles	Heather Heller		Toni Marquez (50)	Estelle Inn
Carolina Vaccarro	Mary Jo Haczewski	<u>ICE (1 BAG)</u>	Heidi Bahr (50)	
	Wendy Bauman			<u>50 NAPKINS</u>
	Sue Thornton	Ede Harris	<u>TABLECLOTH (1)</u>	
	Karla Reilly	Elizabeth Plantz		Marilyn Adkins
	Marie Quattrococchi		Suma Glassman	Sandra Chin
			Sheila Jeanotte	Margaret Moore
			Ann Kennedy	

QUILT SHOW 2004

MESSAGE FROM THE CO-CHAIRS:

Before the rush of the holidays begin we ask that you take a moment to think of giving a gift to the Quilt Guild this year. This gift is not an expensive one; rather, one that will share our love of quilting beyond the boundaries of our membership. The gift is sharing your time and talents in putting together the show.

While almost every activity has a chairperson to lead it to completion, we still need extra hands to make the work light. Now is an ideal time for you to volunteer to assist in your preferred area of expertise and/or enjoyment.

The Quilt Show Committee met this month and has set the schedule for the remaining 5 months before the show opens. These dates are: December 8, January 12, February 9, March 8, and April 12. All meetings will be held at Liz Brodsky's home.

Another gift of sharing time is selling raffle tickets. Take the raffle quilt with you to a gathering of family, friends, your house of worship and other groups you meet with to sell tickets - it is not only easy but fun to sell to people you know (and who will appreciate the work that went into the quilt).

Please contact one of the Quilt Show or Activity Chairs to volunteer - your gift of sharing your time will help make the show and the raffle ticket sales successful!

- Mary Solomon, Liz Brodsky & Diane Heller

Raffle Quilt Tickets

It's that time of year again--time to start thinking about selling tickets for our beautiful Friendship Star Beauty--the 2004 opportunity quilt. Karen Wolske is distributing tickets and will be available before each guild meeting for you to pick some up. We ask that each guild member make an effort to try to sell at least 2 packets of tickets.

Remember, these make great stocking stuffers or secret sister gifts! You don't need to have any money when you pick up the tickets; just bring your ticket stubs and the money for them to the next meeting. Tickets are 6 for \$5 or \$1 each. If you need any tickets between meetings you can call Karen.

UPDATE - FSQ 2004 Quilt Show Challenge

At the November meeting I announced a couple of additional rules: Your challenge quilt must have been completed since the last quilt show, that is, since April 27, 2003; and there is a firmer deadline. While I hope that you will sign up by the January 5, 2004 guild meeting, the absolute deadline for signing up is the March 1, 2004 guild meeting. Remember that signing up only means you have to declare your challenge to me.

Brief recap: The challenge is two-fold - to interpret the show theme "Stars Across the Centuries" and to incorporate a personal challenge.

Don't hesitate to contact me if you have questions or would like to sign up between guild meetings.

- Nancy Colladay

2004 QUILT SHOW COMMITTEE

Co-Chairs:	Liz Brodsky Diane Heller Mary Solomon
Treasurer	Rose Remund
Advertising	Coralyn Colladay
Boutique	Suzanne Brown Mary Moore Payne
Brochure/Flyer/Website	Linda Paine
Catalogue	Darlene Summers
Challenge	Nancy Colladay
Featherweight Raffle	Sandra Chin
Hospitality	Linda August Leslie Sorenson
Insurance	Colette McNickle
Photography	Betty Holme
Publicity	JoAnn Aulick
Quilt Poles	Joe & Brenda Finch
Raffle Baskets	Laurie Bay
Raffle Quilt Marketing	Gerda Sherwood
Raffle Quilt Tickets	Karen Wolske
Registration	Barbara Kahla
Security	Bill Herriman
Silent Auction	Burt White
Sound System	Brenda & Joe Finch
Staging	Melinda Lowy Margreta Silverstone
Quilt Show Set-Up	Gerda Sherwood
Vendors	Patty Hayes Karey Herriman
Viewers' Choice Awards	
Volunteers/Hostesses	Carole Weikert Peggy Kipling
Workshops	Lauren Kingsland Coralyn Colladay

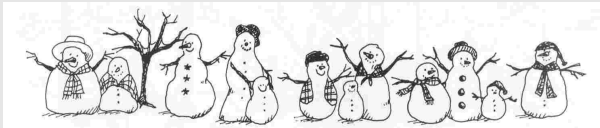
UPCOMING LECTURES & WORKSHOPS

Sunday, January 4: Workshop with Paula Golden, "Mariner's Compass Combo." Learn how to draft mariners' compasses and create your own paper foundation pattern. Learn how to select color and value to enhance your compass before sewing it on a paper foundation. 9am-4pm, Potomac Community Center. Class list & directions available at guild meeting. Visit her website for examples: www.paulagolden.com.

Monday, January 5: Lecture by Paula Golden, "Hawaiian Quilting". (Perfect for a cold winter's night!)

Sunday, February 1: Workshop with Bonnie McCaffrey, "Fantasy Fabric Sampler Workshop". Create several different fun pieces of fabric by trapping various items under a layer of tulle. Some of these items will include Tintzl, feathers, threads, and sheer fabrics. This class and technique are playful, quick, and instantly rewarding. See a sample at the December meeting; <http://home.ptd.net/~bmccaffe>

Monday, February 2: Lecture by Bonnie McCaffery, "Fantasy Fabrics".



INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY

If Montgomery County Public Schools evening activities are cancelled, the FSQ meeting will also be cancelled. We will try to get a message on our web site as soon as possible once a decision has been made.

FSQ Library News

The guild library will be available for returns only at the December meeting, so that the librarians can participate in the holiday party. Please feel free to bring in any returns you have. The guild library will be open again at the January meeting for both check-outs and returns.

NEEDLES MAKE A HUGE DIFFERENCE

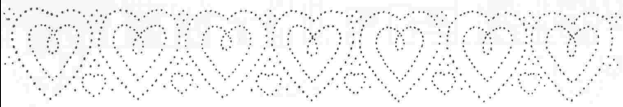
Do you sometimes wonder if different needles make a difference? Here are some pointers from the QuiltArt list:

Invest in jeans, topstitch and metallic needles in sizes ranging from 65 to 110. Metallic threads need a 90 or higher most of the time. Sliver types take an 80, rayons a 70 or 75. Jeans/denim needles work the best, so you may only use the metallic & topstitch needles occasionally. Sometimes a Universal needle works best if working thru a lot of layers with a lot of Wonder Under, which might require as big a needle as a Universal 125. Sometimes a stretch needle will work wonders when nothing else will. It has to do with the construction of the needle. Universal and ball point needles are made to weasel their way between the fibers, sharps are made to punch their way through.

Another important factor when using metallics, sliver types and other decorative threads is to use a fresh needle. Throw them away at the first sign of getting dull. This may be after a few hours or only an hour or so. Depends on the kind of abuse you have been giving it. The more fusible layers the quicker they wear out.

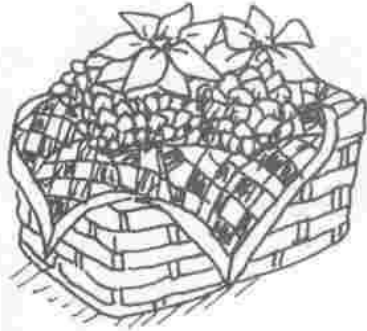
Changing needles often might save a lot of wasted time and patience on rethreading broken and frayed threads.





Judy Miller's family has created a website so that friends can get an update on her condition without having to call.

Our thoughts and prayers are with Judy Miller.



DERWOOD QUILTER FEATURED IN GAZETTE

Margaret Hartranft and her Manhole Cover Quilt "Derwood: Don't Play in the Traffic" were featured in the November 5 Gazette Community News.

Near the close of a recent County Council hearing on the proposed Upper Rock Creek Master Plan, Margaret's quilt was displayed to make a point of community opposition to increased development in the Derwood and Shady Grove areas and the widening of Redland Road.

Margaret's Manhole Cover quilt won the top Viewers Choice Award in that category at the FSQ Quilt Show in April, and was one of the quilts submitted to the AQS Ultimate Challenge in Nashville, Tennessee, for exhibition August 28-30.

Margaret also won a 'Grand Champion' in the Wall Quilt category at the Montgomery County Fair in August for her Miniature Sampler quilt.

Congratulations, Margaret, for the wonderful recognition!

FSQ OFFICERS - 2003-2004

President	Sandy D'Angelo
Vice-President	Kim Jalette
Secretary	Liz Brodsky
Treasurer	Karen Wolske
Programs	Coralyn Colladay

Committee Chairs:

ABC Quilts	Ellen Strait
AQS Book Sales	Louise Myers
Block-of-the-Month	Carol Jones
Field Trips	Diane Heller
	Chris Zimmerman
Guild Pin Sales	Susan Schwarz
Historian	Flo Meit
Hospitality	Janora Parker
Library	Cathy Butler
	Karey Herriman
	Cathy Afable
Membership	Linda August
NQA Representative	Colette McNickle
Newsletter	Rose Remund
	Jeanne Noel
	Anne Luther
Photographer	Judy Miller
Quilt Show 2004	Mary Solomon, Diane Heller & Liz Brodsky
Raffle Quilt 2004	Gerda Sherwood
Raffle Quilt 2005	Sandy D'Angelo
Raffle Quilt 2006	Gerda Sherwood
Retreats/Independent Study Weekend:	Rose Remund
Review of By-Laws	Marian Fox
Secret Sisters	Janet Maple
	Laurie Bay
Service Projects	
Small Group Coord.	Mary Hagen
Sound	Brenda Finch
Sunshine	Burt White
Tool Librarian	Rosie Hormuth
	Ann Walker

MINUTES OF FSQ Meeting – Nov. 10, 2003

President's Announcements -

Sandy D'Angelo called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM. New members and visitors were recognized. Minutes from the last meeting were approved as published. Deadline for the next newsletter is November 19th. The Executive Board will meet on Monday, November 17th, at Diane Heller's office in Rockville. Contact her for directions.

Judy Miller is ill and as a result we need a new photographer for the guild. Judy would appreciate cards from the group. Cathie Shelton volunteered to assume the "Block of the Month" responsibility from Carol Jones.

Ellen Strait has given out the last ABC quilts for tying. There is a need for big quilts for the homeless. They will take large quilt tops to finish.

Everyone was asked to make tiny Ohio stars for 2005 raffle quilt. Gerda will demonstrate how to do this more simply than the paper piece method in the lobby. This technique is also written up in the November newsletter.

A Quilt repairer is needed, contact Sandy if you are interested.

General Announcements:

Speakers and Workshops - Coralyn Colladay announced that in January Paula Golden will be here, and Bonnie McCaffrey will be here in February.

Quilt Show Challenge, 2004 - Nancy Colladay

Nancy will take questions in the lobby. The quilt must be completed since the last quilt show. The deadline for signing up will be the March 4, 2004 meeting. Signing up for the challenge is declaring that you are working on it. Challenge is flexible and is a personal challenge to you. There is no size requirements for the Friendship Star Show but if you want to be considered for entry into the Ultimate Guild Challenge, they require that the quilt be between 30" and 90" wide and long. A newly learned technique is considered a challenge.

Raffle Quilt, 2005 – Gerda Sherwood

Gerda Sherwood will conduct a mini-workshop at her house to make the 2005 little stars. Please contact Gerda if you are interested.

Raffle Quilt, 2004 Marketing – Gerda Sherwood

Consider marketing the 2004 Raffle Quilt. Taking it to your office or other meetings where it can be viewed and tickets can be sold. Until we get someone to help Gerda, she will coordinate getting the quilt to the next person. Contact Gerda to schedule time to market the quilt. In addition, we are marketing the quilt at the Mid-Atlantic quilt festival in Williamsburg on Feb 25th – 28th. We are obligated to provide 32 hours of white gloving on Saturday, February 28. If you are going to Williamsburg that day, please volunteer a couple hours of your time for white gloving.

Holiday Party – Janora Parker

Please sign up to bring food and drink to December holiday party. If you don't get the sheet during the meeting, bring what you can to the December party.

It was suggested that we have both a gift exchange and ornament exchange at the holiday party. Anyone would be able to participate in either or both of the exchanges as they so choose. To participate, bring a \$7.00 - \$10.00 gift or ornament to the party.

Challenge Quilts, 2003 – Ruth Cohen

Ruth Cohen wants to return the challenge quilts, see her in the lobby. If you have not gotten your challenge quilt back, contact Ruth.

Quilt Show, 2004

We are still in need of a publicity co-chair to help JoAnn Aulick and a quilt raffle marketing chair to take this over from Gerda.

Colette McNickle's husband is seriously ill and needs your thoughts.

Marion Fox has Kansas City Star patterns to share.

Speaker

Esterita Austin (Teri) spoke to us on "creating the illusion of depth". She will soon publish her patterns. She has displayed her works at both quilt and gallery shows. See more information about her at website: <http://esteritaustin.com>

Block of the Month

The Block of the Month was won by Sandy Delaney and Joan Kennedy. Door prizes were won by: Susan Schwarz, Susan Morris, Janora Parker, Clare Ginther, and Ronnie Sullivan.

The next meeting will be Monday, December 1st.

Respectfully submitted,
Liz Brodsky, Secretary

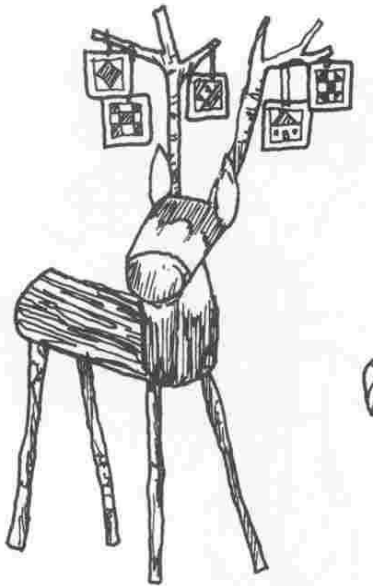
UPCOMING EVENTS

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS



We wish those celebrating in December a very happy day!

Marilyn Russell	1-December
Diane Moritz	4-December
Margaret Hartranft	7-December
Maryanne Culliton	9-December
Nicki Lynch	9-December
Ronnie Sullivan	11-December
Jeanne Noel	12-December
Bill Herriman	15-December
Liz Notter	16-December
Susan Morris	17-December
Valerie Taylor	18-December
Barbara Morten	18-December
Betty Holme	20-December
Peggy Dillon	21-December
Beth Dewhirst	24-December
Denise McRoberts	26-December
Amy Stevenson	26-December
Luanne Lindeman	27-December
Mary McKnight	31-December



NOW thru January 4, 2004: The City of Gaithersburg presents the Arts Barn Studio Artists: Howard Cohen, Tony Glander, Lauren Kingsland, Linda Bradley Liotta & Dale Eno Shore.

Reception: December 3, 2003, 7-8:30 PM. Gaithersburg Arts Barn, 311 Kent Square, Gaithersburg. For information & viewing hours: 301/258-6394.

NOW thru May 9, 2004: Baltimore Museum of Art Presents "Baltimore Album Quilts: Appliquéd Artistry". Wed-Fri, 11AM - 5PM; Sat & Sun, 11AM-6 PM. Admission \$7 adults, \$5 for seniors over 65. Located on Art Museum Drive at North Charles & 31st St., 3 miles north of Baltimore's Inner Harbor.

For info: 410/396-7100 or www.artbma.org.

NOW thru December 15, 2003 - Cloth and Chocolate, a Montgomery County Art Quilt group, exhibits art quilts at the Sandy Spring Museum in Sandy Spring, MD. The museum is at 17901 Bentley Road, Sandy Spring, MD, at the intersection of Bentley Road & Route 108. 301/774-0022.

Hours: Mon, Wed, Thurs: 9 - 4; Sat, Sun: 12 - 4.

NOW thru February 29, 2004 – African-American Quilts from the Robert & Helen Cargo Collection, Textile Museum, 2320 S Street, NW, Washington, DC. Hours are Monday - Saturday 10-5 & Sunday 10-5. Admission is free; suggested donation \$5.00; www.textilemuseum.org.

Now thru January 2, 2004: Quilts & Other Works of the Daughters of Dorcas & Sons; The Sumner School Museum & Archives, 1201 17th St., NW, Washington, DC (Farragut North Station on Metro's Red Line); Admission is free; Hours are Monday to Saturday, 9-4.

February 25-29, 2004 - Williamsburg Festival Week.
www.quiltfest.com/activities.asp?id=8

April 1-4, 2004 - Quilters' Heritage Celebration, Lancaster, PA.
www.qhconline.com

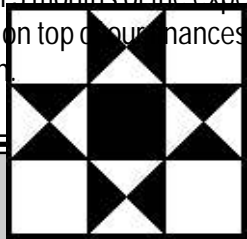
NEXT NEWSLETTER DEADLINE
DECEMBER 17

Send newsletter articles to:
Rose Remund

Articles via e-mail or on disk are preferred

REMINDER FROM FSQ TREASURER
REIMBURSEMENT FOR GUILD EXPENSES

If you need reimbursement for money spent for guild activities, you must send a request with receipts to the treasurer, Karen Wolske. Her address is in the directory, or you can bring it to a guild meeting. Reimbursement request forms can be downloaded from the guild's website. Amounts over \$75 must be approved by a member of FSQ's Executive Board. Please try to submit requests within 3 months of the expenditure as we want to be able to keep on top of our finances! If you have any questions, call Karen.



WANTED:

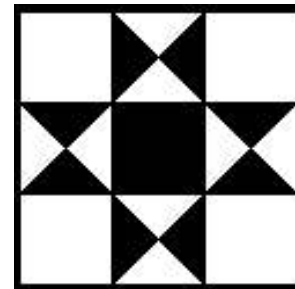
An FSQ member with math skills
to review FSQ's financial records
from last year.
Please volunteer to Sandy D'Angelo.

FSQ Independent Study Weekend

The sixth FSQ Independent Study Weekend is planned for January 16-18, 2004 at the Quality Inn of Harpers Ferry. Come and enjoy the company of other quilters and get inspiration and guidance from fellow FSQ members.

The cost is \$170 per person, double occupancy, or \$225 per person for a single. This cost includes two nights lodging and six meals, one full and two partial days of sewing, a Friday night opening activity, and Saturday night ice-cream social and door prizes. A massage therapist will be available to give us 15-minute seated massages (for a fee of \$15) on Saturday afternoon. The Quality Inn is newly renovated, so we'll have use of the heated pool and an exercise room, if you need a break from sewing.

You may register for the weekend by submitting a deposit of \$50 (made payable to FSQ) no later than December 1 to Rose Remund. The registration form is in the November newsletter.



Don't forget to make some 3" Ohio Stars
for the next Raffle Quilt.
Instructions on how to make them were in the
November newsletter.

Sandy D'Angelo will hold an open workshop
at her home on December 10 at 7:00 PM
to give guidance on making the stars.