



Friendship Star Quilters Quiltline

September 2004

President's Message

Next Meeting:
September 20, 2004
7:30 PM

Speaker: Barbara Olson
"Designing Outside the Lines"

Coming in October:
Mimi Dietrich

September!!! I can hardly believe it. No more pool! No more trips to the lake! Cold weather! Today the neighborhood kids went to meet their teachers for next year. Jo-Ann's has already started putting pumpkins on clearance sale and leaves are falling! I am not ready for this. My daughter has come back from England and is now (with the cat I had all summer) teaching at Mississippi State, my son starts flying to China this month instead of Peru & I am pulling wallpaper off the guest room walls. This is such a busy month for all of us but we must make time to quilt.

The Fair is over and, although the new air conditioning may cause problems hanging quilts in our show, I was really happy to see the support many of you showed for our County Fair by submitting quilts. There were so many ribbons on Friendship Star quilts that I am at a loss to name them all. We did well, ladies. Quilt Day at the Fair also went very well. I had a great time with all of you who came and worked with us. The weather was spectacular, so fewer of the public felt the need to come in out of the heat and we had fewer people tying. But we still managed to work on 100 quilts with about 80 completely finished right to the binding. Thanks again to Mary McInnis who donated many of the tops we were tying. Nancy Newcomer, Sandra Chin and Rose Remund also went beyond the call of duty with their contributions and many others of us also donated tops. We have more to be tied but now we are almost facing a shortage, so if any of you want to use up scraps by donating quilts about 41 inches wide, go for it. It would also be fun to continue those tiny ones for Holy Cross.

Remember that we don't meet till September 20th. We have great speakers coming this Fall and even better workshops, so check so you don't miss anything. The bus to Fort Washington will be jumping with so many of us, so don't forget to sign up for an hour of white gloving. Remember to check in with the people who run the event so we get credit.

I again have a most thoughtful secret sister who is spoiling me.

- Sandy D'Angelo

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UPCOMING LECTURES & WORKSHOPS

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 19 – Barbara Olson, workshop. See description below.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 20 – Lecture by Barbara Olson, "Designing Outside the Lines," understanding your own innate way of creating. Creating with joy and purpose produces wonderful quilts. Think of the energy that great artists exhibit, and the unique artworks they produce. Quilting offers a framework to begin the process, Barbara will help you design outside the lines.

SEPTEMBER - BARBARA OLSON TO TEACH FOR THREE MARYLAND GUILDS!

September 9-10, for Nimble Fingers Guild, "Begin at the End." Quilt borders are often an afterthought. Create a totally integrated small art piece, beginning with a foundation pieced border full of curves and some geometric shapes, then on to the body of the quilt. Machine appliqué and piecing. 9:30-3:30 at the Potomac Community Center, 11315 Falls Road, Potomac, Maryland. \$60 for members, \$70 for non-members. Contact Janet Wildman at 301-948-5079 (janetwild@comcast.net) to register for class.

September 14, for Annapolis Guild, "Fantasy Flowers." You will make a small quilt starting with one of Barbara's flower drawings to create a "fantasy flower." They can be "kinda like chrysanthemums" but use a wonderful variety of multi-colored shaded fabrics. Batiks, hand dyed, painted or marbled fabric and some novelty flowered fabrics work well, but calicos and solids do not. She will also show you how to use decorative threads to add texture. This should be a wonderful workshop and fun for everyone. 10:00-4:00 at the YWCA of Annapolis, 1517 Ritchie Highway in Arnold. \$30 for members, \$40 for nonmembers. Contact Jo Aldrich at 410-766-1298 (aldrichjosephine@aol.com) to register for class. For last minute problems call Helen Hamerstrom at 410-647-1720.

September 19, for Friendship Star Quilters, "Cosmic Spirals." Learn how to design and construct magic spirals, and begin a small wall hanging containing two 18" blocks. Many design options will be demonstrated and discussed. Foundation piecing. 9:00-4:00 at the Potomac Community Center, 11315 Falls Road, Potomac, Maryland. \$35 for members, \$40 for

nonmembers. Contact Coralyn Colladay to register. FSQ members may register at guild meetings.

Check out Barbara's website for photos and more info: www.barbaraolsonquiltart.com.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 3 – Workshop with Mimi Dietrich: "Bed and Breakfast Quilts". Gather your favorite fabrics and make a scrappy quilt from the cover of Mimi's book *Bed and Breakfast Quilts*. First we machine piece blocks for the center of the quilt, then learn to appliqué the vine, leaves, and heart border. Check out Mimi's website www.mysite.verizon.net/vze1zjld.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 4 – Lecture by Mimi Dietrich, "Baltimore Bouquets," a lecture featuring a variety of appliquéd quilts, including floral wreaths, baskets, bouquets, quilts inspired by antique appliquéd quilts, and contemporary Baltimore album quilts. Mimi will share her secrets for making group appliqué quilts.

Reminder: FSQ hosts the speaker for dinner at Ruby Tuesday's, Lake Forest Mall, at 5:30 PM, before the guild meeting. All are welcome to join us.

Location of Meetings

Friendship Star Quilters normally meet at 7:30 PM on the 1st Monday of the Month at the Gaithersburg Church of the Nazarene, 8921 Warfield Road, Gaithersburg, MD.

Workshops are held at Potomac Community Center, 11315 Falls Road, Potomac, MD.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL
for 2004-2005 YEAR

Memberships expired May 31, 2004. FSQ will continue to accept new member registration and renewals for the coming year. If you register in person, there will be a preprinted form with your current membership information at the Membership table. All you will need to do is verify your information and pay your dues. If you want to register by mail, you can print the form available from the FSQ web site, fill it out and mail it in with your check. Click on "Membership" on the Home Page.

Dues are \$20 for the year for regular members; \$10 for seniors (age 62+) and \$10 for non-residents (outside the MD/DC/VA area). Checks should be made payable to FSQ or Friendship Star Quilters. Only new or renewing members paid by the September 2004 meeting will be included in the directory published in October.

Your renew year is printed on the mailing label. If it says 2004, you have not renewed your membership. If this is not correct then please contact Linda August or stop by the membership desk at the meeting.

Linda August, Membership Chair

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING
Monday, September 13, 7:30 PM
Location: Sandy D'Angelo's Home
Montgomery Village
All are welcome.

*Mark your calendars for Harpers Ferry
Independent Study Weekend*

Plans are underway for FSQ's 7th Independent Study Weekend at the Harpers Ferry Quality Inn & Conference Center (Cliffside Inn). A block of rooms and the Ballroom as our sewing workshop have been reserved for January 14-16, 2005. The next newsletter will contain more specific information and the sign-up form. Mark your calendars and join the fun!

FSQ OFFICERS - 2004-2005

President	Sandy D'Angelo
Vice-President	Joyce Rhodes
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Treasurer	Karen Wolske
Programs	Coralyn Colladay

Committee Chairs:

ABC Quilts	Ellen Strait
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Block-of-the-Month	Barbara Kilby, Linda Duzick
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Guild Pin Sales	Susan Schwarz
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Raffle Quilt 2005	Sandy D'Angelo
Raffle Quilt 2006	Gerda Sherwood
Retreats/Independent Study Weekend:	Rose Remund Pat Lefevre
Review of By-Laws	Marian Fox
Secret Sisters	Janet Maple Laurie Bay
Service Projects	
Small Group Coord.	Nancy Willett
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Sunshine	Burt White
Tool Librarian	Rosie Hormuth Ann Walker

MINUTES OF FSQ Meeting – August 2, 2004

President's Announcements -

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by Sandy D'Angelo. She announced that the Custodian at the Church has retired. Therefore, if you know what equipment we need to have set up, please let Sandy know what is needed. She also asked members to please turn cell phones to vibrate during FSQ meetings.

It is time to renew your FSQ membership, and you must renew membership by September to be listed in the Directory. You can sign up in the hallway today or mail in your membership form and payment to FSQ.

September's meeting is scheduled for the 20th. Newsletter deadline is August 27.

The bus trip to Fort Washington sold out at this meeting. If you still want to go, you can put your name on the wait list.

Sandy asked for volunteer(s) to chair the Block of the Month or Mystery Quilt. Barbara Kilby and Linda Duzick volunteered to co-chair this position.

Sandy announced that the 2006 raffle quilt is planned and kits are about ready to be distributed. She invited members to start thinking about the 2007 quilt and submit suggestions. Be creative.

Sandy asked committee chairs who were not at the June meeting to see her for their thank-you gift.

Sandy will set a date for the next Executive Board meeting and communicate this information to the board members.

Sandy announced that we have 88 quilt tops for Quilt Day at the Fair, Wednesday, August 18. If you have any quilts to add to this, please let Sandy know, as we need more tops than we have available. On Saturday, August 7th, tops will be basted at the church. It is hoped that the materials ordered will have arrived by then and in addition, members may bring fabric for the backings. Five FSQ members indicated that they would come on Saturday to help. All are welcome

Sandy showed the 2005 raffle quilt that is back from the quilter. It needs to be bound, labeled and a sleeve attached by the 12th so it can be entered in the County Fair. Sandra Chin & Carol Lewis volunteered to do the binding.

Other Announcements:

Gerda Sherwood had passes for the Montgomery County Fair for people coming on Quilt Day. See Nicki Lynch for passes at

break time. She reminded people to get their hand stamped if they leave the fair and plan to return the same day. FSQ hours at the Fair are 9 am to 9pm.

FSQ needs to provide 32 hours of white gloving at Fort Washington and we also need offers from members to help man the raffle table. See Gerda to sign up.

Sandy Staples announced that the Fall Festival is scheduled for Saturday, October 2, at the Farm Park. Bring hand quilting with you. There will be a paper quilt activity and you will receive a T-shirt for participating.

Nancy Willett asked members to complete the survey in the newsletter relating to small groups. She announced that the Ladybug quilt shop in Dayton, MD, is offering a discount to FSQ members on the fourth Thursday of each month starting in August. Nancy also announced that the fliers for the 2005 quilt show fliers are now available and encouraged us to take some and pass them out.

Kim Jalette is collecting quilts for Race for the Cure. She will collect them tonight or in September, or you can call her and she will pick them up from you.

Sandy Delaney has challenge fabric packets tonight. 42x42 inches is the size that is required for the challenge quilts. The theme is *It's a Small World*. You must use all 4 of the fabrics on the front of the quilt. You may add any other fabrics to this and any embellishments. There are only 75 kits available.

Darlene Summers invited FSQ to make quilts for wounded soldiers, which are being made and collected by Clustered Spires Guild in Frederick. Minimum 36 inches on a side. Contact Lori Woomer.

Laurie Bay announced that if you are still interested in joining the Secret Sister program, she has 2 more who would like to join. She also announced she is selling Heron T-shirts for \$5.

Diana, chair of Montgomery County Fair quilts, announced that August 12 & 13 are the drop off dates for quilts to be entered in the Fair. She asked for volunteers to help hang quilts on Saturday, & reminded us that the Home Arts Building is air-conditioned now.

Coralyn introduced Kyra Hicks as the speaker tonight.

Door prizes were won by Margaret Natof, Caroline Vaccaro, Diana Todd, Holly Hoffman, & Carol Carrier.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Lynch, Secretary

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

We wish those celebrating in September a very happy day!

Thanh Le	1-Sep	Sharon Vioria	17-Sep
Toni Floyd	2-Sep	Ann Pielert	22-Sep
Stacey Yost	3-Sep	Deb Donovan	23-Sep
Donna Rosander	3-Sep	Persis Darling	24-Sep
Barbara Kilby	5-Sep	Jennifer Domzalski	25-Sep
Josia Hagner	6-Sep	Eleanor Loeb	25-Sep
Vera Mae Schultz	10-Sep	Estelle Inn	27-Sep
Judith Bankson	11-Sep	Lauren Kingsland	28-Sep
Sandra Warran	15-Sep	Anne Connery	30-Sep

NEW MEMBERS

Kathy Barton
 Wendy Blackman
 Carol W Clanton
 Ruth Green
 June Hubley
 Kathryn Luzzi
 Barbara Rittenhouse
 Sue Stanton
 Julie Taylor
 Dana M Zetterberg

BUS TRIP TO FORT WASHINGTON

Just a reminder! The bus trip to the Pennsylvania National Quilt Extravaganza in Fort Washington is on September 18. The bus is full but requests to be placed on a wait list are currently being accepted. The bus will leave from the back parking lot of Christ the Servant Lutheran Church at the corner of Centerway and Montgomery Village Avenue, in Gaithersburg, promptly at 6:45 AM.

It would be extremely helpful if you would offer to white glove for an hour while you're at the show. A great way to do this is to sign up with a friend for the same time period and switch stations half way through your tour of duty so you can see the entire show while volunteering time for the guild. Tony Marquez will have a signup sheet on the bus.

To get on the wait list, call Chris Zimmerman.

DO YOU WANT TO JOIN AN APPLIQUE GROUP?

If you are interested in appliqué of any kind, whether a beginning or advanced quilter, Chesapeake and Potomac Appliqué Quilters (C&P) invites you to join them at their next meeting at a new day/time and a new place. C&P will now be meeting at Capital Quilts on the 3rd Wednesday of each month from 2:00-4:00 PM. The next meeting will be on Wed., September 22. Capital Quilts is located at 15904 Luanne Drive, Gaithersburg (301-527-0598). For more information about the guild, contact Eleanor Balaban at Eleanor@eleanorbalaban.com or 301-229-7990.

QUILTS FOR RACE FOR THE CURE

Ladies, we are coming down to the wire to get our raffle quilts finished for the Race for the Cure. Please call or e-mail me to let me know if you are working on a quilt. The quilts may be any size: wall, lap or bed. Consider donating a quilt that you have already made that never found a home. Since our September meeting is not until 9/20, you still have plenty of time. I will pick up any quilts at that meeting and deliver them to the Race folks. Check out their website at www.komenmd.org for additional info about the Race, which will be held on October 9 at Ravens Stadium in Baltimore. The organizers have told me that they will be putting pictures of the donated quilts up on the website as they receive them, to bring special attention to the raffle. Thanks for your help in supporting this very special event.

– Kim Jalette

FSQ WINS BIG AT THE COUNTY FAIR!

The FSQ Raffle Quilt, *"Hidden in the Stars"*, won a blue ribbon at the Montgomery County Fair.

Rose Remund's *"Roosters & Hens"* won the Best of Show at the Fair; Ruth Cohen's *"Wishing you Calm Seas & Prosperous Voyages"* won Grand Champion for Large quilts; and Mary Campbell won Grand Champion of Small Quilts with her *"Trapunto Tree of Life"*. These three quilters also were awarded a \$50 gift certificate from Capital Quilts for their winning entries.

Ribbons were also won by Diane Arcieri, Julie Arnsberger, Jane Bergstralh, Coralyn Colladay, Sandy D'Angelo, Linda Duzick, Ann Ferguson, Jill Fritz, Rosie Hormuth, Estelle Inn, Barbara Kilby, Lynn Lee, Mary Lynch, Nicki Lynch, Shirley Malia, Colette McNickle, Janice Muller, Christine Nelson, Sarah Pavlik, Marie Quattrochiocchi, Joyce Rhodes, Gerda Sherwood, Ruth Silva, and the 3T's small quilt group. Some of these ladies won more than one ribbon.

Congratulations to all the ribbon winners at the Fair!

SILK TIE FABRIC

Did you see the article about using silk tie fabric in quilts in the October issue of Quilter's Newsletter Magazine?

On my recent trip to Paducah, Kentucky, I met a woman who was selling silk tie fabric. This woman, Meme, was retiring from her job and wanted to start an after-school program for young girls (including the granddaughter Cassandra, whom we also met). Meme also has a son who lives in California and works for a company that makes very expensive silk ties. Meme had heard that quilters were using silk in some of their work, and was selling silk tie fabric in an antique shop in downtown Paducah during the AQS show to raise "seed money" for her project.

When we happened upon her, we were in quilter heaven! She had light-weight silks and heavier ones. She had florals, geometrics, stripes, and novelty prints. She had a rainbow of colors. She had precut the fabric into rectangles about 4 X 5 inches with a pinking shears. The first day she was selling them at 4 for \$1, and we bought a lot! The second day we returned, they were 5 for \$1, so we bought more! The great thing about these silks is you don't have to take apart the ties, wash them, dry them, iron them, and hope you have any fabric left that you can use. These are new fabrics that have never been ties (remnants I guess). Luanne Lindeman and I have each made a small foundation-pieced quilt which I will show at the October meeting.

I told Meme I might be able to sell more silks for her to my guild members, and she was interested in trying. So, if you are interested in buying these silks, please see me at the September meeting, or contact me by phone or e-mail. I will still have to work out the details of how we can select fabrics, and how they will be cut. Thanks!

Jane Campos

QUILT SHOW 2005

FSQ Needs a Few (more) Good Women (and Men) for the Quilt Show Committee

Thanks to the many of you who have volunteered to chair the various activities that make our quilt show the best in the area. We are looking forward to working with you all. Meetings will begin on October 18 at 7:30pm. Information about location will be in the next newsletter.

Now, even though many of you have stepped forward to chair activities, there are still opportunities for the rest of you to have the fun of putting on a show.

Would you like to write to quilt shops and other vendors and have a close relationship with Missy Molina of Quilt Odyssey? Then step right up to be the Chair of Catalogue Advertising. Send an invitation and advertisement form, follow up with a phone call. It takes about 30 hours of your time. Coralyn has done this before.

Would you like to get up close and personal with a wonderful Featherweight? Then sit right down in the Featherweight Raffle Chair. Printing, distributing, and selling raffle tickets, and making sure there are tickets with the raffle quilt will be your primary responsibility. Sandra Chin and Marie Quattrocchio have done this before.

Like to wear a hat and blow a whistle? Then Security can be your bailiwick. Assuring we have enough folks who are closely watching the quilts on the days of the quilt show, and providing them with whistles and identifying hats, badges, or T-shirts will be your responsibility. This job doesn't really start until February when volunteer signup begins. Carol Jones has done this before.

Of course, everyone who has volunteered to head an activity needs help.

Most important, however, are two (or more) of you who will consider being the Co-Chairs of the 2006 show. It is a lot of fun, but easiest when you have worked on the committee the year before. Please chat with any of us who have chaired a show and consider joining our exalted ranks.

Coralyn Colladay

Margreta Silverstone

2005 QUILT SHOW COMMITTEE

Co-Chairs:	Coralyn Colladay Margreta Silverstone
Treasurer	Rose Remund
Advertising	
Boutique	Suzanne Brown Mary Moore Payne
Brochure/Flyer	Linda Paine
Catalogue	Darlene Summers
Challenge	Wendy Bauman Sandy DeLaney Mary Jo Haczewski
Featherweight Raffle	
Hospitality	Linda August Leslie Sorenson
Insurance	Colette McNickle
Photography	Betty Holme
Publicity	Nancy Colladay, calendars Joyce Rhodes, flyers Nancy Willett, flyers Beth Smith, media
Quilt Poles	Joe & Brenda Finch
Raffle Baskets	Cheryl Wangner
Raffle Quilt	Sandy D'Angelo
Raffle Quilt Marketing	Gerda Sherwood Carol Carrier
Raffle Quilt Tickets	Karen Wolske
Registration	Barbara Kahla
Security	
Silent Auction	Burt White Margaret Natof Mary Lynch
Sound System	Brenda & Joe Finch
Staging	Liz Notter
Vendors	Patty Hayes Karey Herriman
Viewers' Choice Awards	
Volunteers/Hostesses	Jeanne Shaw
Workshops	Liz Brodsky Chris Zimmerman

UPCOMING EVENTS

September 12 - 31st Annual Sully Quilt Show & Sale; Sully Historic Site, 3601 Sully Rd., Chantilly, VA. 10AM - 4:30 PM. \$8 admission, \$7 Senior. Info: 703-437-1794.

Sept. 16-19 - Pennsylvania National Quilt Extravaganza, Fort Washington Expo Center, Fort Washington, PA.

Sept. 30 - October 2 - Original Sewing & Quilt Expo, Dulles Expo & Conference Center, Chantilly, VA. General Admission \$10; Thursday & Friday, 10AM - 6PM; Saturday 9AM - 5PM. Classes can be purchased separately at the door. www.sewingexpo.com.

October 15-16 - NeedleChasers of Chevy Chase Biennial Quilt Show, St. Columbia's Episcopal Church, 4201 Albemarle St., NW, Chevy Chase; Friday, 10AM - 5 PM, Saturday 10 AM - 4PM. Quilt Exhibit, Boutique, Silent Auction & Raffle Quilt. Admission \$5, Seniors \$3. needlechasers2004@yahoo.com

October 23-24 - Quilt Gala of the Northern Neck, Festival Hall in Reedville, Virginia. Hosted by the Tavern Quilt Guild. Workshops by Lois Smith on Oct. 22-24 at Reedville Fisherman's Museum. Silent & Live Auctions. Call 804-453-6529 for more information.

Nov. 11-14 - Quilters' Quest 2004 - Maryland & Northern VA Quilt Shop "hopping" with participating shops throughout Maryland & Northern Virginia. Call 410-788-1720, 703-273-6937 or 301-527-0598 for more info.

2005 Mark Your Calendars!!

Feb. 24-27 - Mid-Atlantic Quilt Festival - New Location: Hampton Coliseum, Hampton, VA.

March 11-13 - Rose Hill Quilt Show "If I Were a Quilt Block...", Rose Hill Manor Park, 1611 N. Market Street, Frederick, MD.

March 31 - April 3 - 18th Annual Quilters Heritage Celebration, Lancaster Host Resort & Conference Center, Lancaster, PA.

May 20-22 - 15th Annual Southern Maryland Quilt & Needlework Shop, Sotterley Plantation, Route 245 North, Hollywood, MD.

June 3-5 - Quilters Unlimited 32nd Annual Quilt Show, Chantilly, VA.

NEXT NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

September 22

Send newsletter articles to:
Rose Remund

QUILT SHOP REVIEW
The Fieldstone House
by Jane Campos

While on vacation, I always look up the local quilt, yarn, and craft shops and try to squeeze in a visit or two. My husband has tolerated this very well, and has even shopped for me while traveling on business! Amazing! My children have even begun to complain less and less.

This summer vacation took us once again to central "upstate" New York to the small town of Oneonta. This is where my older son's baseball team went to play in a tournament for the second year in a row. This is also about 20 miles from baseball heaven, Cooperstown, and the Baseball Hall of Fame. The hostess of the bed and breakfast where we stayed told me about a local quilt shop I might like to see. She even scouted it out beforehand to make sure we could find it and it was worth the trip!

So off we went to the small village of Franklin, NY. Just outside of town and up a big hill, we found the "Fieldstone House" owned by Jane and Allen Kirby. It is not much to look at, my hostess had warned, and it certainly was not, but when has that ever stopped a true fabricaholic from investigating? Once inside we found room after room stuffed full of fabric. I'm talking 1,400 bolts! What fun! They had all the big name fabric lines, but what I most want to tell you is this . . .

If you are like me, a year or two ago you fell in love with some certain fabrics. Without a plan in mind, you bought what you thought would be a reasonable, sufficient amount for a future project of some vague type. Time comes around to actually make something with it and of course, you need more of one or two fabrics. The Fieldstone House may be your savior!! I saw lots of fabrics that have come and gone from our local shops, never to be seen again. Mr. Kirby said just send him a swatch and he'll be glad to see what he can do for you. If you plan to be in that area, you are welcome to call me for your information and a copy of their brochure.

The Fieldstone House
Jane and Allen Kirby
(607) 369-9177
www.fieldstonehouse.com
fieldstonehouse@frontiernet.net

Quilts for Wounded Soldiers

At the August FSQ meeting, Darlene Summers invited FSQ to participate in making quilts for Wounded Soldiers, along with the Clustered Spires Quilt Guild of Frederick. Here is more information about the project from Lorie Woomer, member of both FSQ and Clustered Spires.

A request was received from the Quilters Guild of Southern Maryland for help in making quilts for the wounded soldiers returning from Iraq and Afghanistan. Since then Susan Eitnier and I have been working to get that information out to other guilds and anyone wishing to help.

The returning wounded service men and women are met at Andrews Air Force base by a military liaison. They board the plane, welcome each returning service man and woman home and present them with a quilt. They are then taken to either Walter Reed or Bethesda Naval Hospital to begin their recovery. Our service men and women have sacrificed so much - these quilts are a great source of comfort to them.

The only requirement for this project is that all quilts MUST BE made with 100% cotton, including the batting. The injuries are such that the wounds need to be able to breathe, which only the cotton fabrics allow and, there may be some of the wounded who are allergic to polyester.

Guidelines that were received for the quilts are:

Size: 36" x 36" minimum up to lap size

Color: Your choice - most are patriotic

Label: Optional - You may prefer to only put the name and location of the guild on your label. Some have incorporated "To an American Hero" or "War on Terrorism" on the quilt. If you write on your label, please use a Pigma pen. Any other ink will run or disappear when the quilts are washed. If you would like to send a note along with your quilt, please attach it with a safety pin.

I will collect the quilts at the monthly meeting. If you need more information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you — Lorie Woomer

Mystery Quilt 2004-2005

A STAR WITH A TWIST

This is a serial mystery; monthly chapters will be published in the FSQ Quiltline.
Once you solve the mystery, you will have created a 48-inch square quilt top.

CHAPTER	CONTENTS	ISSUE
Prologue	Fabric requirements	September 2004
One	Cutting directions	October
Two	Assemble five blocks	November
Three	Assemble eight blocks	December
Four	Assemble twelve easy blocks	January 2005
Five	Assemble the top and add borders; you have now solved the mystery!	February
Epilogue	Add batting, backing, quilting, binding & sleeve	February/March
Quilt Show	Display your quilt	April 2005

If you get off to a late start, you can still participate. (It is possible to assemble the whole top in a weekend, but more fun to keep pace with others.) Clues, tips, and progress reports will be shared at FSQ meetings.

The instructions for this quilt appear by courtesy of the Sew 'N' So Quilters of Hanover, Pennsylvania. Their second annual retreat is the weekend of November 5-7, 2004. For details, visit www.kappeskreations.com.

If you have questions about the mystery quilt, call us: Linda Duzick or Barbara Kilby

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PROLOGUE

Our mystery begins on a dark and stormy night and ends on a 48" square quilt top.

Suspects: 2 yards of dark fabric (this includes borders and binding)
3/4 yard of medium or bright fabric
1-1/2 yards of background or light fabric

You will need extra yardage of one of your fabrics for a 54x54 inch backing
(or choose a coordinating print).
You may select your batting after solving the mystery.

Clues: Solids, mottled, textured, and non-directional small prints work best for this quilt top. Large prints and directional designs are not recommended! Seasonal color schemes work, provided that the values have high contrast. Monochromatic color schemes also work well--such as a dark, medium, and light fabric of one hue.

Wash, dry, and press all fabrics.

TO BE CONTINUED