President’s Message

It is almost the end of February and (hopefully) Spring will be upon us shortly.

We had a wonderful program meeting, Nancy Firestone was a welcome addition to everyone that has been brought to our meetings. She gave us a little psychology, a little quilting and lots of laughs. Thank you.

Nadine Duke had put out information regarding storing our library and Dana Hancock has stepped up and said she can house the books! How nice that we can all work together.

We have our Spring Retreat in April and I am looking forward to it immensely. I love having everyone around me and all the help and guidance that they provide, whether asked for or not!! It is such a great time to meet new people and get to renew some old friendships.

At our next business meeting, Thursday, March 1st, let’s all make an effort to introduce ourselves to new members and make sure they feel welcome. We all tend to stay with (and sit with) the same friends, maybe this time you can invite someone different to sit with you.

Hope to see everyone real soon. Be well. Remember, if you are sick or feeling sick, as much as we love you - stay home.

Marlene Rosen
Fairfax QU President

The Quilt Show - 2018

The Quilters Unlimited Quilt Show will be held on June 1-3, 2018. The theme this year is inspired by Donna Hosek, our Show Chairperson, and her love of puzzles. For the Just Piece It! challenge, just about anything goes: strip piecing, English paper piecing, foundation piecing, hand piecing, etc.. Any completed quilt where the top has been pieced together can be included in this challenge.

Challenge quilts must measure no larger than 40 x 40, and must be show ready, measured and photographed by the end of February 2018. So dig into your stash and start piecing together your own interpretation of Just Piece It!
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FQU MEETING SCHEDULE
St Peter’s In the Woods Episcopal Church
5911 Fairview Woods Drive (at Ox Road)
Fairfax Station, VA 22039

March – April 2018

March 1st
Business Meeting – 10:00 a.m.

March 15th
Program Meeting – 10:00 a.m.
Terry Kramzar: Lecture/Trunk Show
Inspired by Adventure

April 5th
Business Meeting – 10:00 a.m

April 11th – 15th
Spring Retreat

April 19th
Program Meeting – 10:00 a.m.
Gyleen Fitzgerald: Lecture/Trunk Show
The Art of Color Blending
Half-day Workshop: Over and Under Rainbows

Fairfax QU Minutes
February 1, 2018

The meeting was called to order by FQU President Marlene S. Rosen at 10:05 a.m.

WELCOME:
Thank you to those who brought refreshments. Diane Yim needs volunteers to bring refreshments for upcoming business meetings in 2018, specifically one more person for April and three more for May. Please see her if you are able to help out.

PROGRAMS:
Barbara Kauffman reminded us that in two weeks we will welcome Nancy Firestone. The focus of Nancy’s program will be on quilting and therapy.

On March 15, Terry Kramzar will present her program, “Inspired by Adventure”. She is offering a full-day workshop on March 16 at The Quilt Patch. There are still a few openings for this Quilting In Layers workshop. Contact Barbara if you are interested.

On April 19 we will welcome Gyleen Fitzgerald for her trunk show and presentation on color. There are a few spaces left in her half-day workshop, Over and Under Rainbows.

Augusta Cole is visiting on May 17 and she is offering a half-day class on Thursday featuring confetti and a full day class on Friday: I Spy Hexies. If you would like to nab a spot, see Barbara.

NEW MEMBER: Welcome to new member Dora Lockwood!

DOOR PRIZES, BIRTHDAY TREATS:
Louise Sutara reminded us of the nametag drawing prizes and of the four months of titillating birthday treats she has amassed to distribute. She also told us about a sewing shop in Springfield called Bonnie’s off of Edsall Road and says to check it out when you have a chance.

AUCTION FOLLOW-UP:
A belated thank you goes out to Anne Argentieri and Lorna Kruse for their hard work heading up what turned out to be yet another famously successful FQU auction this past fall.

CHARITY NEWS:
The Quilter’s Studio was very kind to donate 27.59 yards of cotton fabric to be used specifically on donation quilts.

Beth Meenehan thanks everyone who made charity quilts and quilt tops. She has quick and easy kits all made up if you have some spare time to make a charity quilt. Remember if you give her a completed quilt, your name goes into a drawing to receive a titillating gift card.

Amy Flenniken is looking for a few good binders! If you would like to bind a charity quilt, please talk to Amy. She especially thanks the long arm quilters offering their services and announced there are lots of quilting magazines available for just a quarter apiece.

FREE TO A GOOD HOME:
Marian Lowry, filling in for Carol Younce, urged everyone to help themselves at the giveaway table that was piled high.

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**UFO –**

The UFO rules are the same - register your UFOs before the November program meeting (Auction) and pay $1.00 each (cash or checks made out to Bobbie Dewees only). For each UFO you complete, your name will go into the “hat.” The winner will be drawn at the Spring Luncheon, you do not have to be present to win. The fabric project must be completed - no tops or crocheting - sorry.

If you need to send your UFO as a gift before a meeting, send a photo to me at banburybobbie@yahoo.com and I will give you credit for the completion. I know everyone has at least one UFO, so join the fun and maybe win some money to pay for more fabric.

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**PROGRAMS AND WORKSHOPS**
**March 2018**

On March 15th, **Terry Kramzar** will present her Lecture and Trunk Show, *Inspired by Adventure*. The following day, Friday, March 16th, she will teach the workshop *Quilting in Layers* at the Quilt Patch. There are no spaces available in Terry’s workshop. I will start a waiting list in case anyone cancels their class slot. Terry is an art quilter who takes her inspiration from nature and from her extensive travels, around the globe and through our national parks. Join us and be inspired by Terry!

April’s program features the work of **Gyleen Fitzgerald**. On April 19th, Gyleen’s lecture and trunk show will focus on *The Art of Color Blending*. After the meeting, we will be offering a half-day workshop with Gyleen, *Over and Under Rainbows*. As we go to press, there is only one space available in the workshop, so call me if you want to attend!

As always, signup sheets for future workshops will be on the side table in the meeting room at every meeting. Volunteer teaching assistants will be offered a gift certificate for a future free workshop. If you are the first person to sign up for a workshop and you indicate to me, Barbara Kauffman, that you are willing to act as the instructor’s assistant, you will receive a gift certificate for a free future workshop of your choice! We are looking for teaching assistants for some of our spring classes.

**All Programs are at 10:00 a.m. Half day workshops cost $25, Full day workshops cost $40.** All half day workshops will be held at St. Peters in the Woods Episcopal Church, directly after the lecture/trunk show, on the third Thursday of the month. All full day workshops in 2017-2018 will be held on Friday, the day after the program meeting, at The Quilt Patch in downtown Fairfax. **As in the past, we are unable to offer refunds on class fees. No exceptions.** If you find you can’t attend a class you have paid for, you will need to find someone to take your place. Your replacement will reimburse you. Remember, any kit/tool fees must be paid directly to the instructor, not to Fairfax QU.

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**Weather Advisory**

FQU meetings follow the Fairfax School District guidelines. If school is cancelled due to inclement weather, so is FQU; if school is delayed, FQU meets at the normal time.

**Advertising /Deadline**

The *Quilters Stash* will publish a business card size ad once for $10, or $25 for 3 consecutive months. The deadline for information to be published in the *Stash* is the 20th of each month. Call Lynn, or email for details.

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**Changing Address, phone number, email address?**

Please notify Jane Brown, Membership Chair with your new info so that we may keep your data up-to-date. Lynn Gayer and I want to make sure you get the latest newsletters, blasts, etc. so that you keep informed of what classes, challenges, lectures and more that are available through your guild and chapter.

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**New Member QU Digest Access**

To join as a new member, you can send an email to QUDigest-subscribe@yahoogroups.com using your email address. In the comment section, please include your full name and the chapter you belong to. Yahoo will send you an email asking to confirm that you want to join the Digest. Once you confirm the request, Cindy Grisdela, the Digest administrator, can approve it and the member will be able to receive the Digest. If you have questions, email Cindy at cpgrisdela@gmail.com

SEND NEWS TO CINDY GRISDELA-- Send your news and events to Cindy Grisdela (McL) at cpgrisdela@gmail.com or just hit "Reply" to a Digest. Give at least one week's notice to give her time to process the information. Digests are normally sent out once a week, usually on Tuesday, or twice, depending on the volume of announcements. *Please* condense the information into a few sentences or a paragraph, and don't include any special formatting or attachments. Any postings not meeting these guidelines will be returned to the sender for editing. Also please give your full name, contact information and chapter affiliation with your posting.
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**BEEKEEPER:**

Roz Johnson said anyone looking to join a bee should see her, because she keeps a list and knows which bees are seeking members.

**FALL RETREAT:**

Leslie Pfeifer will head up the fall retreat this year. She says they are already half full. If you are interested in attending, November 2-5, at the Hilton Garden Inn in Winchester, there was a registration form in the last newsletter. Leslie pointed out that she will have great door prizes and favors for fall retreat. Be sure to make your hotel reservations by mid-October.

**SPRING RETREAT:**

Nancy Adams says 66 people have signed up for this spring’s retreat (April 11-15). There is room for 80. If you would like to sign up, contact Nancy. If you signed up and need to cancel your hotel room for some reason, let Nancy know before you cancel with the hotel. The hotel is full and rooms are short, so please let Nancy know first in case there are FQU members still hoping to reserve a room. The theme this year is High Fiber Diet, and once again, we will be at the Hampton Inn in Winchester. Seat assignments are in progress.

**QU QUILT SHOW:**

Donna Hoseck reports that photos of registered quilts will be taken at the next FQU meeting. Mars Imgrund, quilt collector, says that 11 quilts are registered for FQU and 134 quilts are registered in total, so far. Make sure to register your quilts for the show by the end of February. There are two more opportunities to have photos taken: February 15, right before the FQU meeting, starting at 9 a.m., and also February 26, starting at 10 a.m. at the Kings Park Library conference room. Mars says there is no need to upload your own photos. She asks that you attach your sleeves before the photo session. Don’t forget to see details for the Jinny Beyer Challenge if you are interested in displaying your Jinny Beyer quilt(s).

**UFOs:**

Bobby Dewees asks you to check in with her about your completed UFOs, since she has not attended a meeting for a while.

**CHALLENGES:**

Fran Hays says don’t forget to put your name in for the drawing when you’ve done a challenge quilt.

**DISPLAY QUILTS:**

Maryann Rozelle needs a display quilt for March! Contact her if you have one to display.

**SPRING LUNCHEON:**

Cathron Birge and Martha Fitzpatrick announced that this year’s luncheon will be held on June 14 (Martha Fitzpatrick’s birthday) at the American Legion Hall in Fairfax. It will be a potluck, and the theme will be celebrating summer. Patriotic star blocks can be made (two patterns will be available for two versions). These blocks will be collected and donated to make soldier quilts, with an opportunity for participants to win gift cards. More information on the luncheon will be available next month.

**SUNSHINE:**

Joan Unkel announced that Sally Eskamp, FQU member who is temporarily living in Illinois, would love to hear from you. See Joan for her address. Joan has packets for heart blocks for you to make for those members who could use some sunshine.

The business portion of the meeting ended at 11:10 a.m. and was followed by a titillating Show and Tell.

Respectfully submitted by Donna DeSoto, Secretary February 6, 2018.

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**Sunshine & Hearts**

If you know of anyone who would appreciate being remembered, please let Joan Unkel know. If by some chance the person to whom we are sending the card is not listed in either Fairfax's membership directory or that of Quilters Unlimited, please include an address to which the card should be sent.

Fairfax also has an optional program in which members send a block with a heart on it to members that need some sunshine. Background fabric and patterns for members who wish to send a heart block are usually available at meetings. If by some chance they are not, please let Joan know. She will send it to you.

Joan Unkel  703-830-2965  jeunkel@erols.com
FAIRFAX QUILTERS 2018 FALL RETREAT

WHEN: 2-5 NOVEMBER 2018 (BEGINNING AT 12:00 PM ON 2nd AND ENDING 11:00 PM ON 5th)
WHERE: HILTON GARDEN INN WINCHESTER
        120 WINGATE DRIVE
        WINCHESTER, VA 22601
        540-722-8881
WHY: TO SPEND QUALITY QUILTING TIME WITH YOUR FRIENDS. MAKE NEW FRIENDS AND RENEW FRIENDSHIPS WITH THE NOT-SO-NEW.

COST: $34.00 (NON REFUNDABLE) TO COVER COST OF WORKROOM AND MISC.

Guest room packages at Hilton Garden Inn are $114 single occupancy and $119 for double occupancy. Please call the hotel directly no later than 12 October to secure your guest room—mention you are a Fairfax Quilter.

Breakfast is included in the price plus coffee/tea/water in the workroom. Your guest room has a refrigerator, microwave, and Keurig coffee maker. The hotel has a restaurant and bar available for your convenience for breakfast and dinner as well as food items available at the desk. You can also bring your own food or go out to the many nearby restaurants.

SIGNUP: Limited to 30 slots. Send your form and non refundable $34.00 check payable to Fairfax Quilters Unlimited to Leslie Pfeifer, 4435 Rockcrest Dr, Fairfax VA 22032
Questions: Contact Leslie Pfeifer at lesliepfeifer@hotmail.com or 703-426-0777

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I am a current FQU member and I wish to attend the fall retreat 2-5 November 2018 at Hilton Garden Inn in Winchester. My NON REFUNDABLE fee of $34.00 is enclosed.

Name:____________________________________EMAIL: __________________________

Home Telephone_________________________Cell number ______________________

Emergency contact:______________________Phone number____________________

I can bring an ironing board to share: yes ______ No ______

I can bring an iron to share: yes ______ No ______

I have a nametag from a previous FQU retreat to bring: yes ______ No ______

IF POSSIBLE, I’d like to sit with/near____________________________________________
Fairfax Quilters Unlimited
Fall 2018 Retreat

When:
Friday, November 2, 2018—Monday, November 5, 2018

Where:
Hilton Garden Inn
120 Wingate Drive,
Winchester, VA 22601

Why:
Fellowship, Fun &
Endless Hours of Quilting!

The Hilton Garden Inn Winchester is pleased to offer
the following discounted group rates
to the Fairfax Quilters:

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Don’t miss out...
Book your room by October 12, 2018 to snag these group discounted rates! Call the Hilton Garden Inn Winchester at (540) 722-8881 and tell the Front Desk that you are with the Fairfax Quilters Fall 2018 Retreat!

Questions?
Contact Leslie Pfeifer 703-426-0777
Join us at the Hampton Inn & Conference Center in Winchester, VA on April 11–15, 2018 for a weekend of fun with friends new & old. Retreat will run as usual from 1 p.m. Thursday until noon on Sunday, with a Wednesday option for those who want to get a head start on their work. First make your room reservation by calling the Hampton Inn (540–678–4000) and then mail the form below with your non-refundable check for $30 (made out to Fairfax QU). We will select our workspaces in order of signup. You may choose a seat for yourself and a friend.

The hotel rooms have a refrigerator, microwave & coffee maker as well as an iron and ironing board. A buffet breakfast is provided and we'll be on our own for our other meals. We can bring food from home, go to one of the many nice restaurants in town or have food delivered to the hotel. We will have tables set up outside our workspace for eating and socializing. There is a parking lot just outside the ballroom with ramp access to unload your sewing machine and supplies or you can use the elevator from the main entrance.

There will be a welcome gift for everyone and door prizes for some lucky winners. Our only “required” activity is to make a simple friendship block for the drawing on Sunday. We'll provide directions for a few optional projects, which will be revealed at the business meeting in March. For more information contact Nancy Adams at 703–323–4454 or wva70nba@verizon.net.

Send your check and this registration form to Nancy Adams, 4721 Playfield St., Annandale, VA 22003–3919.

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I am a current member of Fairfax QU and wish to attend the Spring Retreat to be held April 11–15, 2018 at the Hampton Inn & Conference Center in Winchester, VA. My non-refundable $30 fee is enclosed.

Name _____________________________________________________________

Telephone ______________________ Email_____________________________________

Emergency contact name _____________________________________________

Phone_____________________________________________________________

I can bring an ironing board to share if needed _____yes _____no

This is my first Fairfax QU spring retreat at Winchester _____yes _____no

I would like to have my retreat handout sent by e-mail _____yes _____no

I am arriving on: Wednesday _____ Thursday _____
Upcoming FQU Program

March 15, 2018

Terry Kramzar
Lecture/Trunk Show, *Inspired by Adventure*

March 16, 2018

Workshop

*Terry Kramzar: Quilting in Layers*

Lynn Gayer
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