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*Suzie Buck selects a few fabrics from her fabric closet in her quilting studio at her North Arlington home.*

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*The master bedroom bedcover quilt made by Suzie Buck for her son and daughter in law.*



*The bedroom quilt in Suzie Buck's home.*

# Quilting Studio of Suzie Buck

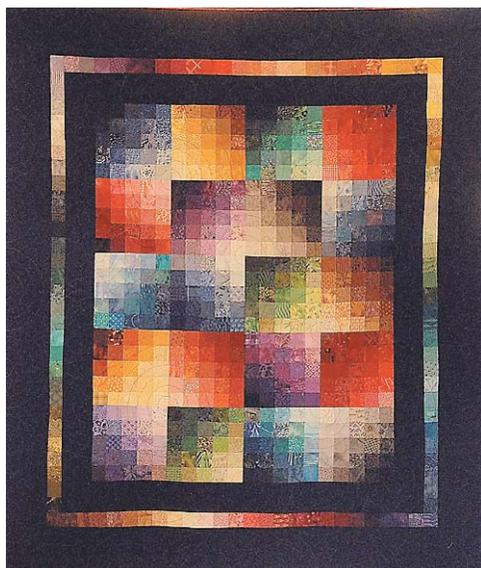
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The children were almost out of school and Suzie Buck became inspired.

She gathered years of her son's t-shirts from age six through his college years and got to work. She began by making the blocks and then one by one sized them, backed them and proceeded to sew them into a quilt. The quilt was her college graduation present to him. That was Suzie's first quilt.

Many, many, many quilts later Suzie is still up early in the mornings and heads straight into her studio to continue working on one of her many open projects. She smiles as she describes her husband's outlook on her work: "Suzie may be the only person I know who wakes up early and heads straight to her studio and begins working before having a cup of coffee."

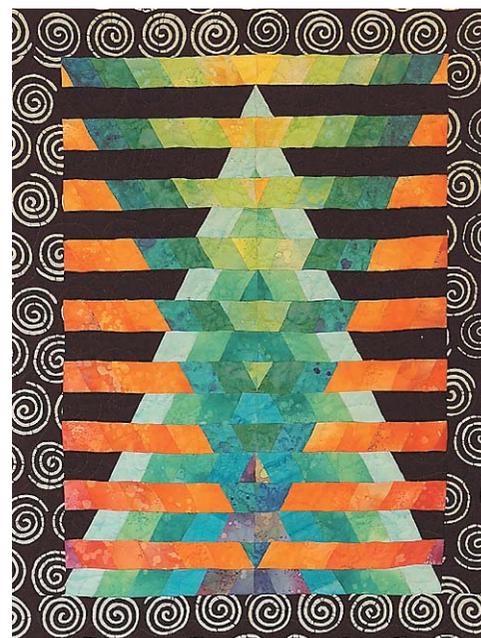
Suzie joined the McLean Chapter of Northern Virginia Quilters Unlimited. The chapter pres-



By Nancy Fallone.

ently has over 125 members of the 1,300 member quilters in Northern Virginia. The McLean Chapter meets monthly at the McLean Baptist Church on Chain Bridge Road. Smaller bees meet weekly in homes or at the church.

Two friends, Nancy Fallone and Mary Pace, also belong to the chapter. Fallone started quilting in the '90s after sewing set of curtains. She came across a quilting book and has been



A quilt by Mary Pace from a workshop with Caryl Bryer Fallert.

quilting ever since. Fallone also works for Jinny Beyer in her Great Falls Quilt Studio.

Her quilt "Roots and Wings" contains Mariner's Compass and elements of Lone Star patterns.

Mary Pace got started quilting after doing a bit of dress making. Not wild about all of the fittings and adjustments, she was drawn to quilting, its

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ON THE COVER: Suzie Buck, Nancy Fallone and Mary Pace work on constructing a color pattern for a quilt in progress.

creative process, and working with her hands. Every quilt is different and available materials for quilting are limitless.

For more information on Quilters Unlimited visit [www.quiltersunlimited.org](http://www.quiltersunlimited.org).

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Blocks are laid out in a pattern on the floor and arranged then rearranged until the final pattern emerges.



A challenge quilt from the quilting circle involves creating a quilt with just curves. Suzie Buck chose the "Orange Peel" pattern also known as "Joseph's Coat of Many Colors." In this design, no two colored fabrics are duplicated and the quilt is being hand sewn.



Nancy Fallone's 'Roots & Wings' quilt. "Two gifts for your children: roots to keep them grounded through tough times and wings to let them soar above everything, explore new worlds and fly farther than we ever did."



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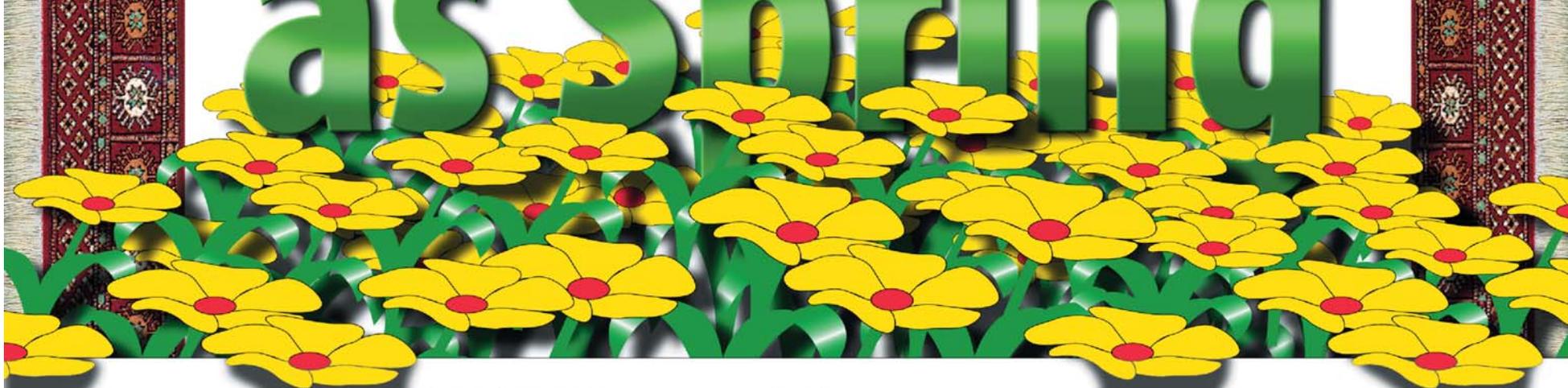
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