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President's Piece: Sharon Meeds

Greetings, fellow quilters!

Happy Fall! Some of the leaves have been changing colors already; it will be interesting to see what kind of weather Fall brings this year.

The Puyallup Fair is almost over and we have some great new quilts done! And visiting and sharing as we sat and tied (or will soon sit and tie!).

Hopefully you all got information into Sue Smith for quilts to grace our upcoming show. It's not too early to start baking your cookies for our Tea Room! Or to clean out your stash or make little (or big) things to sell at our Boutique! (I seem to be 'explanation point' heavy today...hmm, not good. My 9th grade English teacher would not be happy.)

Here's to a great year ending for CrAZy QuILTeRs!

Sharon

Notes from the September 17 Quilt Show meeting – Jill Ellis:

With the quilt show rapidly approaching, here are some things decided on at the last Quilt Show meeting:

- Please bring your boutique items to this week's business meeting. All items must be at the Aquatic Center Banquet Hall by 6:30 p.m. the night of set-up, October 22. Please pre-price your items.
- Pick-up of your items is by 5:00 p.m. on the last night of the show, October 25. Anything not picked up will be donated to charity.
- On the night of set-up, bring your raffle baskets ready to put out with a half-page list of the contents of your basket.
- Quilt pick-up on 10/25 will be done in an orderly fashion. No one will be allowed to get their quilt prior to when the take-down committee is ready to hand them out. This is for your protection, to make sure everyone gets their own quilt.

Multi-Service Center Donations:

Canned soups (pop tops lids are best!), canned meals (like chili, etc.), canned veggies, canned fruit,

Newsletter Contributors

Sharon Meeds	Janine Walker
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Char Peterson	Carol Berge
Marianna Garrett	May O'Nays



This is YOUR newsletter. If you have something you'd like to contribute, please email (jillzquilts@hotmail.com) or mail (P.O. Box 4243, Federal Way 98063) it to me by the 15th of the month. Thanks! jill

Members' Sale Table – Jill Ellis

Every business meeting, you have an opportunity to sell your good stuff to good people. You'll go home with money, they'll go home with bargains, the guild gets 10% of what you made, and everyone's happy! Eileen Peacher gave the guild a donation of \$2.50 from her sales at the February business meeting; that's not much, but she got rid of a lot of small stuff and was happy about that. If you'd like to sign up to sell your STUFF, please contact me. jillzquilts@hotmail.com or 253-927-1260. We have no one signed up for any month for the rest of 2015.

Community Outreach Block of the Month – Marianna Garrett

There will be no more BOMs till January 2016. We have plenty to set together and sew into tops. If everyone will turn in ones already out, and ones from Threads already printed, that will be wonderful. Thank you all so much for your generous participation. Quilts will be coming in at upcoming meetings for members to take home and bind..

Safe Sewing Tip – Contributed by Carol Berge

The chief of our fire department told us to never use polyester in a baby quilt. Always use 100% cotton batting. If they go in house on fire they grab the first blanket they find to wrap the baby in. If it is made with polyester it will melt to the baby's skin. Cotton will not and it can take the heat from the fire.



Upcoming Events for Crazy Quilters

We meet at Avalon Care Center, 135 South 336 th Street, Federal Way. We can get in the meeting room at 7:15 p.m.	
September 24	Business meeting: Committee reports, show & tell, block of the month.
October 8	Last day to turn in your quilts for the quilt show. Bring them tonight, or get them to Pam Elliott prior to the meeting. Program: JaNita Clairmont, embellishments and applique.
Friday Friends (every Friday)	Join several club members every Friday, 10 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Milton Community Center, 1000 Laurel Street, Milton 98354 Bring your lunch, work on your unfinished projects or start a new one, and have fun with fellow Crazy Quilters. We generally do not meet the Friday before a major three-day holiday such as July 4, Memorial Day, Labor Day, or if the Community Center is closed.
November 7	Make a new badge, 5 inches so everyone can read your name. Or just come and sew! Des Moines Library, 21620 11th Avenue South, Des Moines WA 98198

October Hospitality and Birthdays

Please bring hospitality goodies to guild meetings during the month of your birthday. In addition to bringing treats, you are responsible for helping with room setup and cleanup. Contact Pam Elliott, 253-941-9052, if you have questions or are unable to attend.



Eileen Peacher	1	Pat Hightower	27
Betty Howard	12	Margaret Mortenson	28
Theresa Fancher	16	Jill Ellis	30
Anna Hudson	21	Susanna Gantt	30
Margaret Roth	24		



Places to Go . . . Quilts to See: Road Trip!

September 24-October 3: North Central Washington Quilt Shop Hop. Info: call Dianne at The Attic Window Quilt Shop, 509-888-2006, www.theatticwindowquiltshoppe.com

September 26: Annual Outdoor Quilt Show, "A Festival of Color," Main Street, Duvall WA. www.duvallquiltshow.com

September 25-26: Cabin Fever Quilters quilt show, Jefferson County Fairgrounds 4907 Landes Street, Port Townsend. Friday & Saturday 10-5, admission \$5.00.

September 25-26: "Quilted from the Heart of the Northwest," presented by Moonlight Quilters, New Horizon Community Church, 4600 Guide Meridian, Bellingham. Friday 9-7, Saturday 9-5, admission \$3.00.

October 1-31: La Conner Quilt Fest, La Conner WA.

October 1-3: Washington Rainy Daze Quilt Show, Southwest Washington Fairgrounds, 2555 North National Avenue, Chehalis WA. Thursday & Friday, 10-56, Saturday 10-4, admission \$5.00

October 2-4: La Conner Quilt Show, somewhere in La Conner

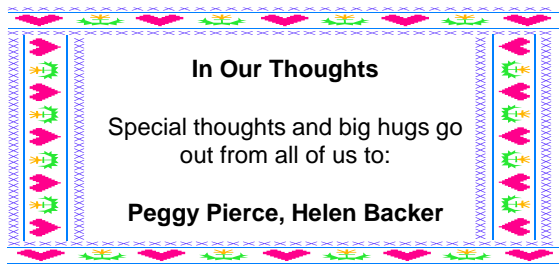
October 2-3: "Quilts for All Seasons," presented by Ladies of the Lake Quilt Guild, Youth & Family Link bldg, 907 Douglas Avenue, Longview. Friday 10-05, Saturday 10-4, admission \$5.00.

October 9-10: "Sharing out Stitches," presented by Crystal Quilters of Enumclaw. Hours Friday, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m., Saturday 10-5 p.m. King County Fairgrounds, Enumclaw, Expo Center Exhibit Hall. Admission \$5.00

October 23-25: "Imagination," presented by Crazy Quilters of Federal Way presents. Weyerhaeuser King County Aquatics Center (Banquet Hall), 650 SW Campus Drive, Federal Way. Hours Friday & Saturday 10-5, Sunday 10-4. Admission \$5.00. Quilts, vendors, boutique, bed turning, tea room, raffle quilt, raffle baskets, door prizes.

November 13-15: "Shapes & Angles," presented by Block Party Quilters. Issaquah Community Center, 301 Rainier Boulevard South, Issaquah WA. Friday & Saturday 10-5, Sunday 10-4. Admission \$7. Featured artist is Janet Steadman. Info: www.bquilters.org.

November 12-14: Northwest Quilt, Craft, & Sewing Festival, Puyallup Fairgrounds, 110 Ninth Avenue SW, Puyallup, Pavilion Building. See and buy the latest supplies, fabrics, notions, patterns, and tools, all under one roof. Admission \$10 (discount coupons are available—check quilt shops and Pacific Fabrics). Free parking. Info quiltcraftsew.com. Hours Thursday & Friday, 10-5, Saturday 10-4.



If you know of someone in need of a bit of sunshine, please let Peggy Pierce know. peggypierce@mail.com, 253-750-0220

Charitable Request – Marianna Garrett

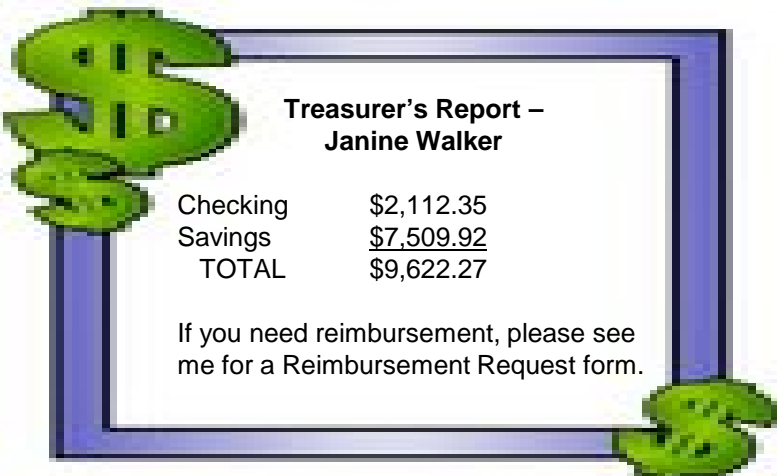
I am collecting color/activity books and crayons for Children's Hospital in Seattle and Mary Bridge Children's Hospital in Tacoma. These books are usually given at holiday time. If we have a huge amount, they can be distributed earlier than December. The nurses insist on Crayola brand only for the crayons. I get my books at the Dollar store. I also find new ones at garage sales. So, you are shopping this summer, for children and grandchildren, perhaps you could remember the kids in the hospitals, too. Thank you!

Retreats – Janine Walker

The October retreat is full, but if you want your name on a waiting list, let me know. It's time to pay for the October retreat to secure your place. The cost is \$30 per day per person, plus the shared cost of one meal. If you are on the list for October and find you will not be able to attend, please let me know to make room for someone else. This is our highest attended retreat. There is still room in the November retreat, which is November 9 thru 12, Monday thru Thursday.

Future scheduled retreats are:

- November 9-12 2015
- January 22-25, 2016
- May 9-12
- October 14-17
- April 22-25
- June 17 - 20
- November 7 - 10



NEW INFO: Quilt Show 2015: Boutique – Sharon Meeds & Susanna Gantt, Boutique Co-Chair

Fellow quilters – It's just a month till our Quilt Show! Wow – how time flies. This is information for you who are planning on selling your own goods at the Show and for you who are donating items for the Guild Boutique.

This year everything will be in the same area. The sellers will have tickets (including tax!) in their price and will be assigned a number. Items donated to the Guild for sale should be priced (it makes life so much easier at set-up) and you know what your item is worth.

On Sunday, consignment sellers are responsible for getting any of their unsold items. Those who donated, if you want your items back, you are responsible for getting them on Sunday after the show. We will not be bringing things back to a guild meeting (our November meeting is a program and our December meeting is our Christmas party/potluck), because we are not holding on to them until January. All items not taken home will be donated.

Those of you donating items: we will have a list that you will need to sign as to whether it is okay to mark your items down on Sunday. It is also okay if you do not want your items marked down. A quilt top is worth as much at the end as at the beginning to me.

Set-up will be on Thursday, October 22, from 10 a.m. until 7:30 p.m. We will be setting up the donated items, but individual consignment people MUST bring and set their own items. Please DO NOT bring anything to do a "first-time" set-up on Friday, although you may restock your items during the show.

And lastly, we are aiming at "quilting/crafting/sewing" type items. We would love to have many wonderful, handmade items donated for our Boutique Sale. Pincushions, cord minders, aprons, tote bags, gently used patterns and quilt books are just a few suggestions. The guild benefits 100% from the items sold in the "donated" category.

If you still have questions, please call, or read the article in previous newsletters. Thank you.

NEW Information: Fat Quarter Basket Raffle – Jill Ellis and Diana Rawlings

Jill Ellis and Diana Rawlings are in charge of collecting fat quarters for a raffle "cake" at the quilt show. For every quilt-shop quality fat quarter you donate, you will receive a ticket to enter the drawing for the basket.

- A fat quarters is 18x22 inches. It is a half yard of fabric (18x44) cut in half.
- Please do not donate a quarter yard of fabric, which is 9x44. Those will not be accepted.
- Please make sure your fat quarter hasn't had a chunk of fabric cut out of it for a project. ☺

Donate as many fat quarters as you like, but not 2 of the same (per person), please. Last date to donate is the September business meeting, this week. Thank you.



Quilt Show Raffle Baskets – Rebecca Keller

Below is an updated list of raffle baskets and who has signed up to do them. If you'd like to do a basket, either from the list or from an idea of your own, contact me.

1. Mariners Basket- Jean Markl
2. Patriotic Basket- Rebecca Keller, Sonia Parisi
3. Cat's Meow Basket- Charlotte Rea, Diana Rawlings, Xenia. McGowan
4. Doggie Basket- Sharon Meeds, Kathy Wyckoff
5. Appliqué Basket - OPEN
6. Wildlife – Carolyn Jones
7. Beginner Quilters Basket- Rebecca Keller
8. New Family Additions Basket – Maddie Hall, Elizabeth Darling
9. Borders and Beyond Basket - OPEN
10. Everything A Doll Could Want Basket – OPEN
11. Beary Friendly Basket - OPEN
12. Wildlife Basket - OPEN
13. Floral Fat Quarters Basket - Jill Ellis
14. Fat Quarter Cakes – Diana Rawlings, Jill Ellis
15. Christmas Basket – Kay Thomas
16. Holiday Basket- Mary Bobbitt, Tracey Messana
17. Batik Basket - Jo Ann & Larry Undlin
18. Chocolate Basket – Connie Mayor, Diane Kellar, Peggy Pierce
19. Sugar & Spice – Frances Painter
20. Crazy Quilt Basket- Tina Mc Carter, Debbie Guthrie, Marianna Garrett, Anita Seigenthaler
21. "Make a Tote or 2" – Sharon Meeds (12 fat quarters, 3 patterns, 2 tote patterns, 1 checkbook/wallet pattern)

Quilts at the Washington State Fair in Puyallup

Several members of Crazy Quilters had quilts entered in the fair this year, and some won ribbons. I apologize if I missed anyone. I found myself looking for names, forgetting to enjoy looking at the quilts. Diana Rawlings, Carolyn Jones (I assume it was OUR Carolyn Jones), Carol Berge, Pam Elliott, and I all had quilts entered. Diana entered two quilts, and one won an Honorable mention ribbon. Teresa won a First-Place ribbon and Best in Category on her chicken quilt. Pam won an Honorable Mention ribbon. I entered two items and won a third-place ribbon on a table runner. There was a quilt by a woman named Sheryl Ramstad that won a ribbon, quilted by Eileen "Pilcher"; it's my assumption that's supposed to be Eileen Peacher and someone misread the paperwork. Good job to all of our members for promoting the art of quilting, and congrats to the ribbon winners! P.S. I must be doing something wrong when determining which category to put my quilts in when doing the online 'paperwork', because I saw people with more than five quilts in the fair, all close to the same size, seemingly in the "small quilts" category, and I tried to enter a second quilt in that category and the system wouldn't let me. I'm going to investigate that next year.



Two years ago, Maddie Hall and Elizabeth Darling took on the task of scanning photos from albums compiled over the years, then putting them on our website. I said I would write the names of the people I recognized on sticky notes and put them on each photo. I did that for four albums, but still had four sitting in my kitchen until recently, when Maddie said she'd like to get that project done. She doesn't like UFOs, and I'm a procrastinator—this might not have been the best matchup for a project. However, I finished up with the photos and took them to Maddie this past week.

One of the final photo albums I went through was from 2006. In that book, there were photos of most of the guild members who have passed away while I've been in the guild. Every time I turned a page, I'd say, "Awwwww, there's Nita," or, "There's Peggy." I don't remember the year these ladies passed, and I don't recall the causes of their deaths, but they were all members for several years. I wrote down names of five ladies who were guild members, but as I'm typing this, I have come up with three more. There may be former members who have passed that I don't know about.

Peggy Burgess did really wonderful applique work and had a smile that lit up her face.

Virginia Creelman also did exquisite applique and had a great laugh.

Nita Leiser made her own fleece socks and always wore Birkenstocks. Nita was hard of hearing and probably thought she was whispering at meetings, but she wasn't. ☺

Fran Hubner bought lots of fabric, LOTS of fabric; I believe the guild has bought batting from her estate twice. Fran made aprons for an ice cream store on the coast and had run out of fabric with ice cream images, so I gave her several yards I had. It wasn't the first time she hugged me and it wasn't the last, but it was the best hug, because she was so happy I had some fabric she needed and she squeezed me big time.

Royce Gilcrease was one of our quieter members, at least at the meetings. At her funeral, I learned Royce liked doing wild and wacky things, and her cheesecake was mentioned by several friends and family members as being a masterpiece.

Clara Gallas showed some great quilts at Show & Tell. I remember she once said she didn't make bed quilts any more, because how many do people need? I was kind of startled at that, thinking, "You can quit making quilts?"

Mary Meyers belonged to Evergreen Piecemakers, Puyallup Valley Quilters, and Crazy Quilters. She sewed regularly on Friday nights with a group of friends, and when she passed, Mary's friends sorted out all of her quilting "stuff" and divided it up between her three guilds. Each guild held an auction and made more than \$2000. I have several things I bought at Mary's auction, mostly baggies of five- and four-inch squares, but I have been reluctant to do anything with them yet.

Mauvaneen McMullen was the person I felt closest to of those we have lost. Her smile was like a beacon, and I always looked for it on the television commercials she did for local companies. I drove past Mary's house on my way to my vanpool every morning, and I would call and ask why her lights were on at 4:45 a.m. Her sense of humor and quick wit were delightful.

We may have lost other ladies who were members at one time, but I can't recall hearing any names. Arline Dailly had Alzheimer's and I'm not sure of her status.

Everyone leaves a legacy and memories. I've been in Crazy Quilters for 20+ years. I have great memories of so many people, not just the ones who are no longer here. Going through those photo albums made me a bit sad, but I mostly smiled to see sweet faces of old friends.