

### Executive Board and Committee Chairs

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## President's Ponderings Mary Ann Morris

December, the final month of the year. We started the year with Sharon Meeds as our president, who then passed the gavel on to me in May. This has been a real learning experience for me, as I have never been the leader before (I'm the one you will find in the background). I'm having fun writing this column each month and I wish to thank Jill for doing the editing of it. Char has had some great programs for us this year and has more lined up for next year. Cheryl has been doing a really good job doing the minutes of our meetings. Janine, I can't tell you how much I appreciate all the work that you and Sharon did on the budget and we get to do it again next month. I will also like to take the time to thank all the ladies who help make this the quilt guild that we all love: Rebecca, Xenia, Marianna, Tina, and Margaret M, just to name a few--and for the ones that I missed, you are not forgotten. Thank you all very much.

As we are taking the time to be ever so thankful for this year, let me add a few more things. This is from Pons and Porter online:

Ten Things to be grateful for:

- 10) Bias – We all need a little forgiveness in our lives.
  - 9) Scant 1/4 inch – Often a reminder that we can do more with less.
  - 8) Seam ripper – All things are possible when you can try, try again.
  - 7) Our pets – Who else will offer endless quality control checks?
  - 6) Pins – with all great achievements comes a little pain.
  - 5) Spray bottle – Removes wrinkles, pets, and anyone asking about dinner. (works best if filled with vinegar and water)
  - 4) Storage containers – Because filling our lives with joy and color is only better when we have our fabric under every bed in the house.
  - 3) Rulers – We all need a little squaring up every now and again.
  - 2) Quilting – Sometimes we just have to trust it will QUILT OUT.
- And number one is Each Other – We laugh, we cry, we sew, we share stories, we learn, we grow, we cherish, we stitch each other into our hearts everyday – and thank goodness for that. (Betsey & American Quilter's Society)  
I'm sure that we can come up with lots more to be thankful for if we tried.

Now for the mundane things: Remember to get your quilt raffle tickets sold or turned in because the drawing will be January 26. This is our biggest moneymaker, so we can get more supplies for more quilts. Don't forget the Christmas dinner this week. I will love to see you all there.

Now from me to you have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.  
P.S. My Dear Husband told me to stay out of his tool box next year. LOL

See you in 2017. -- Mary Ann



#### Newsletter Contributors

Mary Ann Morris	Georgia Tech
Char Peterson	Janine Walker
Sue Hopper	Sharon Meeds
Linda Hill	Eileen Peacher
Tommy Knocker	Kelly Gail

#### Multi-Service Center Donations:

Toiletry items: toothpaste, toothbrushes, disposable razors, shampoo, soap, combs, brushes, lady's sanitary items.  
Canned goods, especially the kind with a pop top.

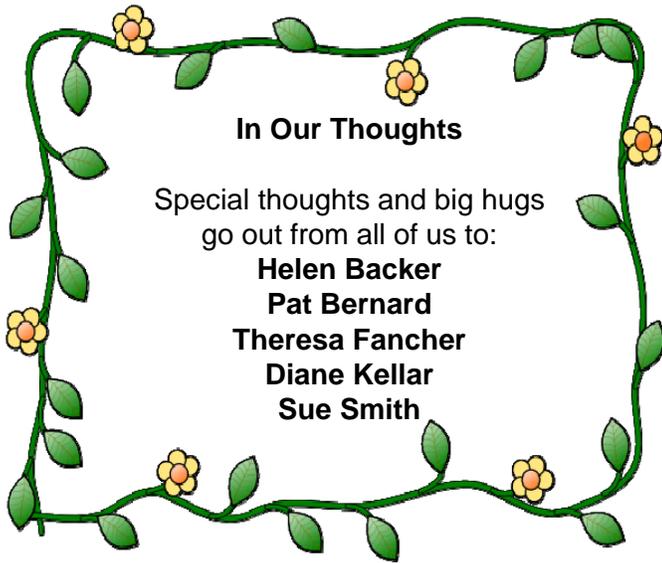
This is YOUR newsletter. If you have something you'd like to contribute, please email ([jillzquilts@hotmail.com](mailto:jillzquilts@hotmail.com)) or mail (P.O. Box 4243, Federal Way 98063) it to me by the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month. Thanks! jill

## School Supplies for Children's Hospital – Marianna Garrett

I am collecting coloring books and Crayola-brand crayons for the kids at Children's Hospital (anything other than Crayola brand are donated to another program). This week's meeting is the last time I will be collecting them, as they will be delivered on December 23. The Dollar Store has thick coloring books. Thank you!

## 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. If you'd like to sign up to sell your STUFF, please contact me. [jillzquilts@hotmail.com](mailto:jillzquilts@hotmail.com) or 253-927-1260. We don't have a business meeting again until January, and we have no one signed up for any month in 2017.



**Treasurer's Report – Janine Walker**

Checking	\$7,012.48
Savings	<u>5,516.48</u>
TOTAL	\$12,528.96

If you have receipts for reimbursement, bring them to a meeting, fill out a reimbursement request form, and I will give you a check.

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## Retreats – Janine Walker

The November retreat was quite busy. Nineteen ladies attended, 13 of them for all 4 days. The food, as always, was wonderful. Marianna Garrett won 20 beautiful Christmas blocks. The figures for 2016 Retreat Reconciliation are available for anyone who would like to see them. Overall, the guild received \$216 from the retreat proceeds. Gwinwood is now under new management and in the transition process. So far, things are looking up. They are very enthusiastic about keeping Gwinwood in top condition. Our 2017 retreats will be:

January 20-23 / March 10-13 / June 16-19 (Father's Day weekend) / October 12-16 / November 6-9

## January Hospitality and Birthdays

Please bring goodies to meetings during your birthday MONTH. You are also responsible for helping with room setup/cleanup. Contact Rebecca Kellar, 253-219-6408, if you have questions or are unable to attend.

Mici Wiggins	9	Diana Rawlings	16
Claudia Perkins	13	Cherie Warren	28
Xenia McGowan	14	Betty Grover	31
Dee Lord	16		

## Upcoming Events for Crazy Quilters

We meet at Avalon Care Center, 135 South 336 <sup>th</sup> Street, Federal Way. We get in the meeting room at 7:15 p.m.	
December 8	Note from Char Peterson, VP in charge of programs: For the Holiday Potluck, bring something you would like to have on your holiday meal table. We will have an optional exchange game; if you wish to participate, bring a wrapped gift, \$10-15 value. Make sure it is wrapped and it will not be opened until the end of the game. Your gift can be something bought or handmade: a few suggestions are fabric, sewing supplies, books, patterns, gift certificates, etc. Be inventive! CQFW Members only for this event. Remember to bring serving utensils for your dish. I look forward to seeing everyone and having a wonderful time.
January 12	Program night: nothing submitted yet.
January 26	Business meeting: committee reports, Block of the Month drawing, Show & Tell, Secret Pal gift exchange. If it's your birthday month, please bring a treat to share and help set up the room. THIS IS THE NIGHT WE WILL DRAW THE WINNING TICKET FOR THE RAFFLE QUILT, so make sure you bring all of your tickets and money to this meeting.
Friday Friends (every Friday, but not Nov 13, as that's when the workshop is)	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.

### Business Meeting Minutes – October 2016 – contributed by Cheryl Belcher, Secretary

- Meeting called to order at 7:30 pm. No September minutes in newsletter. (Sorry).
- Guests tonight - Karen Reynolds & Ginger Korsgaard. Welcome, ladies.
- Multi-Service Center donations -give to Connie Mayor. Thanks.
- Retreat -Sign up for November Retreat is available. Dates are 11-7-16 to 11-10-16, Monday through Thursday.
- Quilter's By the Bay Guild have Raffle Quilt tickets for sale. Tickets are \$1. They are from University Place. Members are Sandy Dunning & Irma Bast. Welcome.
- Children's Hospital- Collecting coloring books & Crayola crayons only. Give them to Mariana Garrett. Thanks.
- Show & Tell- Margaret Brown showed 5 quilted jackets.  
Kathy Wyckoff -rose pillows & tissue box covers for Rose Society.  
Xenia McGowan -Comfort Quilt for a friend.  
Kay Thomas -Cloth covered CD card holders for a bazaar.  
Dee Lord -Quilt she entered in the fair that won 3rd place & 2 People's Choice awards. Congratulations, Dee.  
Helen Backer- showed Roxanne Carter's "Starry Night" & "Road to Jericho" from Shibori Dragon Quilt Shop & from 1999, "Hearts".
- Ugly Panel Quilt Challenge- 21 panels given out. There will be prizes for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd & "most creative use of panel". Voting was during the break.
- Secret Pal Reveal: Jill had Anita, Anita had Diane, Diane had Tina, Tina had Connie, Connie had Cheryl, Cheryl had Corrine, Corrine had Jill.
- Vice-president Report from Char - November program is Bonnie Sabel demonstration of Quilted Postcards. Workshop on Friday at MAC. \$25 fee, see Char.
- December program- Potluck Dinner. The Guild will provide a ham, members will bring sides. Will have a voluntary gift exchange of \$10-15.
- Amendment to the By-laws - Members 85 years old and older do not have to pay dues. Dues will be voluntary for them.
- Quilt Show for 2017- No volunteers to organize Quilt Show has come forward, so NO quilt show next year.
- Badge Drawing -no winner tonight. Wear your badges, ladies.
- Results of Ugly Panel Quilt Challenge: Most Creative, Joan Bassett. 1<sup>st</sup> Place, Linda Hill. 2<sup>nd</sup> place, Susanna Gantt. 3<sup>rd</sup> place, Francis Painter. Congratulations, everyone. Avalon Care Center will be thankful for the quilts.
- BOM Drawing - "Floral Squares" won by Debbie Guthrie. Congratulations, Debbie.  
New BOM is "Spool" - Only \$1.
- Meeting adjourned at 8:32 pm. -- Happy Quilting! Cheryl