

## President's Pieces

### *Lines from Linda*

Do you have questions or want any information about our guild?

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Where oh where did our summer go?  
Oh, where, oh, where did it go?  
With its sunny (?) days and its short nights,  
Oh, where, oh, where can it be?

Summer did not live up to my expectations, but I am moving on and looking forward to fall. The crisp air, the colorful falling leaves, the mounds of raked leaves, the plants getting ready for winter, these are some of the things that make this time of year special. Each of our seasons has its distinct characteristics and I look forward to each change. And my rake is ready to attack the leaves as they fall.

Thank you, Pam Elliott, Cathy Norgaard, and Marianna Garrett, for the fun program this month. Yoyos may not be everyone's thing, but the talking and laughter while making our candy canes once again shows why Crazy Quilters are such a great group of women sharing a common interest.

And thank you, Pam Elliott and Jill Ellis, for getting our directories compiled, printed and distributed. They are outstanding. By the way, if you have not received your copy, please see Pam at the next meeting.

I am sorry that my piece is so short this month, but believe it not, words just aren't coming to me. So I will sign off with a reminder to:

Keep stitching,  
Keep smiling,  
Keep stretching, and  
Keep staying happy.

Linda

MSC donations for October will be baby food and baby items.

The Multi-Service Center is currently NOT accepting any household goods. If this changes, I will let you know. Also, please be aware that MSC does not accept cosmetics or any partially used personal items; i.e., hand/body lotions, body wash, shampoo, etc. If you have any questions, please give me a call. Linda

General **monthly donations** should be baby items, candles, children's books, general food items, paperback books for adults.

**THANK YOU**



**Newsletter Contributors**

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

## 2010 Raffle Quilt – Jean Snedden

Our raffle quilt is called, "Scrappy Hugs & Kisses." It is 79 x 94 inches. The quilt is done and will be displayed at this meeting. The pictures are taken and ready to be distributed along with tickets; Carol Berge will have tickets for distribution at each guild meeting.. The Evergreen Quilt Store, 4106 South M Street, Tacoma, will be displaying the quilt in the near future. I would ask that you take a look at the excellent job that was done by everyone on the quilt, and, once again THANK YOU. This feels like a quilt by the guild for the guild.

I am looking for volunteers for the 2011 Raffle Quilt to do the color planning.

## Websites for Quilters

Susan Alcalá, our newest member, has this review of [www.cafepress.com](http://www.cafepress.com): I've purchased from this business before and was happy with their products and service. This site offers many items with phrases (including quilting themed) on the T-shirts, sweatshirts, aprons, mugs, note cards, etc. Clothing includes plus sizes! Some of their quilting expressions are, "Crazy Quilter" (how cool is that!), "Quilting Chick," "I'd Rather be Quilting," "I Love Quilting," "Sew Happy to Be Quilting" "Born to Quilt," and dozens more. Great for gifts, even gifts to yourself!

Other websites I've found and enjoyed – Jill Ellis

[www.thequiltedb.com](http://www.thequiltedb.com) – this is a local online shop, out of Puyallup. The owner, Barb, is a very nice lady. I ordered and paid for two yards of fabric, but was sent a fat quarter. I called the number listed on her website, talked to Barb, and she drove from south Puyallup to SeaTac Mall that very afternoon to bring me my fabric. She's been at several quilt shows lately; be sure to drop by her booth when you see her, because her customer service is excellent.

[www.Quiltmag.com](http://www.Quiltmag.com) --- lots of free patterns

[www.quiltbug.com](http://www.quiltbug.com), patterns, free download --- lots of free patterns

[www.maryquilts.com/](http://www.maryquilts.com/) great, lots of scrappy quilts

[www.how-to-quilt.com/patterns/free-quilt-patterns.shtml](http://www.how-to-quilt.com/patterns/free-quilt-patterns.shtml) free quilt patterns

[www.quiltblocklibrary.com/](http://www.quiltblocklibrary.com/) free videos, quilt blocks

[www.quilterscache.com/QuiltBlocksGalore33.html](http://www.quilterscache.com/QuiltBlocksGalore33.html) quilt blocks galore, indeed!

[www.ehow.com](http://www.ehow.com) – how to do almost anything

### 2010 CQ Retreat Schedule

Those who didn't attend the previous retreat may sign up first. Questions? Contact Janine Walker. Retreats are \$30 a night..

2010: October 22-25 & November 15-18

2011: February 4-7, March 11-14,  
and July 8-11 (more to come)



Reminder: if you'd like to attend a retreat, but find it to be a financial burden, the guild may be able to sponsor you. Contact Janine Walker.

## October Auction – Pam Elliott & Cathy Norgaard, Vice Presidents

Have you cleaned out all the unfinished projects you will never finish, found things that you forgot you had, and collected lots of other items for the auction? Well, here are some details as to what you need to do next. Last year we tried a new way of collecting the items which worked so well that we'll do it again this year. Each person will put their items into a large Ziploc bag with a piece of paper or index cards listing what the bag contains. When you arrive, a number will be assigned to the bag, then it will be placed up front in a central area for bidding. You get an auction number and place your name on the sheet of paper next to the number you choose. There will be index cards available for recording the item number and amount of the item(s) you won. Prior to the auction, everyone will be able to view all the great stuff. The auction will move at a fast and steady pace, so be ready to place your bid on the items you want.

As the auction on each item is closed, the number of the person who won the bid will be placed on the item and it will be taken to the back room and held until the auction is finished (or until you are ready to leave). This will eliminate the crowding/piling of stuff next to the chairs and in the aisles. At the end of the auction, you will need to go to the cashier to pay your tab. Then go to the holding area and pick up your items.

Hopefully this will be a fun and exciting time for everyone as you bid on the treasures you want.

**Quilt Buddy Program – Jill Ellis**

The Quilt Buddy program is underway and I know it will be a success! We have five people who have agreed to mentor new members. Being a Quilt Buddy is simple: seasoned guild members explain to a new member how things work, introduce her to other members, and help her feel comfortable at meetings. Please see me to volunteer; I'd like to have 3-4 names in reserve so we're ready each time someone joins the guild. This will be a rewarding experience for new and old members alike!

**Directory Updates/Corrections/Additions:**

Directory, Page 1: should be 2010-2011 Officers and 2010-2011 Executive Board  
 Barb VanderWeil - email: Vanderweil66@yahoo.com and Birthday: Sept 1 (correct on birthday list)  
 Carol Berge: email is carol\_berge@msn.com  
 Carolyn Grennan: add Birthday, November 16  
 Jane Knudtson Miller: email is Karlandjane@comcast.net  
 Jill Ellis – change zip code to 98063 and add work phone 206-544-1200  
 Martha Lamerson: add email Lamer98003@earthlink.net  
 Mary Jo Knittel: remove email  
 Nan Naubert: email is nnaubert@bradken.com and remove home number  
 Pam Pollinger - email: Pampollinger56@hotmail.com  
 Sue Smith: Change street to 324th Street (from 224<sup>th</sup>)  
 Cathy Norgaard: home phone 253-874-4027 (under her name, not under Officers)

**Returning Member:**

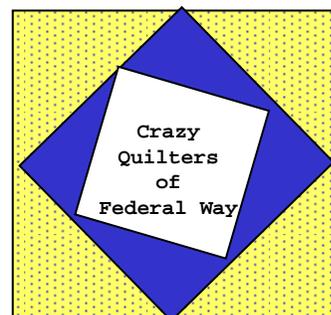
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 Tacoma 98422  
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 Don not call after 8:00 p.m.  
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 Birthday: December 6

**Upcoming Events for Crazy Quilters**

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 3-day holiday such as July 4, Memorial Day, Labor Day, or if the Community Center is closed. Available for our use: iron and table-top ironing board, large cutting mat, and some rulers.
October 14	Auction. Start gathering your no-longer-needed/-wanted or why-did-I-buy-this items and bring them to the auction. It's always a lot of fun! See the article here in the newsletter.

**Wear Your Badge! – Jill Ellis, Membership**

At each meeting, please sign in to the Membership Book. Signing in not only satisfies the insurance requirement to know who is present in case of an emergency, but you may also win a prize! At each Business meeting, I will draw a name from the members signed in and if the person whose name is called is wearing her membership badge (one made of fabric, not the plastic one), a prize will be won! If I draw a name of someone not wearing her badge, there will be no winner for the month. If you need directions for making a badge, please see me.



**Secret Pal Program**

We have 16 people participating in this fun activity, and everyone should now have the information sheet about their Secret Pal. Remember to bring your gift for your Pal to the Business Meeting each month (we only have one meeting in November and December, so you'd bring your gift to those meetings). I will have a place set up for everyone to leave their items; please make sure your gift is clearly marked so each person will know which gift is hers. We will have the reveal in January 2011. I'm already compiling a list of things that my Secret Pal will hopefully like!

## Places to Go . . . Quilts to See!

How about a road trip? Near or far, there's a trip for you.

WHEW! Lots of fun places to visit in the upcoming months ...



**June 17-September 11:** 1930s Quilting & Today, sponsored by Westside Quilters Guild. This is a joint exhibit with Washington County Museum featuring quilts, tools, and more from the 1930s, as well as current versions from the museum's collection. Admission \$3. 17677 NW Springville Road, Portland OR 97229. Info [3toad@housesloth.com](mailto:3toad@housesloth.com).

**July 30-October 31:** Annual Heritage Quilt Festival at Fort Walla Walla Museum, 755 Myra Road, Walla Walla WA. Special exhibit of museum's 90+ heritage quilts and coverlets. Museum hours are 10-6 daily, admission \$7 adults, \$6 students and seniors, \$3 for children 6-12. Info [www.fortwallawallamuseum.org](http://www.fortwallawallamuseum.org).

**September 23-25:** Northwest Quilting Expo, Portland Expo Center, Portland OR. Info [www.nwquiltingexpo.com](http://www.nwquiltingexpo.com).

**September 24-25:** "Quilted from the Heart of the Northwest," sponsored by Moonlight Quilters, New Horizon Community Church, 4500 Meridian Street, Bellingham. Friday 9-7, Saturday 9-5. Info [www.moonlightquilters.org](http://www.moonlightquilters.org), Michele 360-305-6246.

**September 25:** "A Festival of Color," Sponsored by The Quilter's Garden. 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Outdoor Quilt Show, Main Street, Duvall WA. Historic and new quilts (historic quilts will be displayed indoors), demos, live music, several raffle quilts. Registration begins September 2. Contact The Quilter's Garden, 15705 Main Street NE (SR 203), Duvall WA, phone 425-844-1621.

**September 29-December 31:** "Double Take," featuring the works of Helen Remick and Janet Kurjan; and "Tapestries," by Linda Rees and Carolyn Price Dyer. La Conner Quilt & Textile Museum, 703 South Second Street, La Conner WA. Wed-Sunday, 11-5. Info [www.laconnerquilts.com](http://www.laconnerquilts.com).

**October 1-3:** Quilt Fest 2010, sponsored by La Conner Quilt Museum, La Conner WA. The Quilt Fest will take place in two venues, Maple Hall and the La Conner Quilt & Textile Museum. Three-day show of appliqué quilts, vendors, silent auction, four days of workshops and quilt events, six-week quilt walk (September 1-October 15) in local shops, plus three floors of new exhibits in the museum. Info [www.laconnerquilts.com/quilt-fest](http://www.laconnerquilts.com/quilt-fest).

**October 1-2:** "Quilts for All Seasons," sponsored by Ladies of the Lake Quilt Guild. Demonstrations, door prizes, raffle quilt, vendors, country store, and lunch available. This is always a very nice quilt show. New Life Fellowship Church, 2441 42nd Avenue, Longview WA. Friday 9-2, Saturday 9-4. Admission \$5 donation. Info, Nancy Harris, Publicity Chair, [rockinthreads@comcast.net](mailto:rockinthreads@comcast.net).

**October 1-3:** "A Whale of a Quilt Show!" presented by Sea Gal Quilters, Ocean Shores Convention Center, 120 West Chance A La Mer, Ocean Shores WA. Boutique, vendors, demos. Friday-Saturday 10-5, Sunday 11-3. Free admission, donations welcome.

**October 15-17:** "Women's Voices," Celebrating the Many Ways Women Express Themselves, sponsored by Washington State Quilters Spokane Chapter. Over 600 quilted items, merchant mall, hourly demos, boutique of handmade items. Spokane County Fair & Expo Center, 404 North Havana, Spokane Valley, WA. Admission \$7 for all three days. Hours Friday and Saturday 10-7, Sunday 10-5. Info [www.wsqspokane.org](http://www.wsqspokane.org)

**October 22-24:** West Sound Quilters Annual Quilt Show, Kitsap County Fairgrounds, President's Hall, Bremerton. Friday and Saturday, 10-5; Sunday 10-4. Admission \$5. [www.westsoundquilters.org](http://www.westsoundquilters.org)

**October 22-31:** Quest for the Cure Southwest Washington Fall 2010 Shop Hop. Passports will be available at all participating shops during the Hop, or can be downloaded soon from [www.sw-washingtonshophop.wetpaint.com](http://www.sw-washingtonshophop.wetpaint.com) and participating shop websites. Participating shops include Cranberry Bay (Ocean Shores), Quilt Harbor (Aberdeen), Pfaff Creative Sewing (Lacey), Just for Fun! Quilting (Vancouver), Art & Sew'l (Vancouver), Quilter's Junction (Centralia), Sugar 'n Spice (Morton), Country Manor Fabrics (Battle Ground), Quilt Nest (Castle Rock), Gee Gee's Quilting (Yelm), Sue's Stitch in Time (Shelton), Ruby Street Quiltworks (Tumwater), Paisley Duck Quilting (Kelso), The Quilt Barn (Puyallup), The Quilter's Stash (Westport), Creative Quilter (Graham), Wilde Rose Quilt Shop (Orting), Parkland Parish Quilt Shop (Parkland), Shibori Dragon (Tacoma), and Variety Story (Elma). You have 10 days to visit all of the shops.

## UFO Challenge 2010-11 – Diane Kellar

These are the current guidelines for the UFO Challenge. If anyone has suggestions for ideas for something different or additions, please let me know before July 22. I reserve the right to change the guidelines before July 31, 2010.

Project must have been started prior to June 2010 and completed by April 21, 2011.

- Project start date is the date CQ member began work on the project.
- "Started" means some progress has already been made. Simply buying fabric/patterns doesn't qualify as a UFO.
- Total outside perimeter must be at least 54 inches.
- "Finished" means that quilting and binding are done. Embellishments are optional.
- UFO Entry forms should be submitted when project is shown during "Show 'n' Tell at business meetings.
- Entry forms may be submitted with a picture of completed project (if project is not be available for show 'n' tell)
- UFO projects other than quilts are eligible for entry if project has at least 6 hours labor involved in completion.
- Have fun. Get creative.

### Protect and Preserve

Quilts and other textile heirlooms and keepsakes are fragile pieces of history that link generations, inspiring and educating us about our shared past. Because textiles are subject to deterioration from environmental conditions, they require special care. There is little we can do to make them last forever, but taking simple preventive measures such as controlling the home environment (temperature, humidity, pests, and light) is the most important way to ensure that family quilts and other heirloom textiles last for generations.

### Stop the Rot!

A stable environment is essential for the long-term preservation of heirloom textiles. Avoid attics and basements where fluctuations in temperature and humidity levels may be extreme. The recommended temperature is 62°F to 72°F and the humidity should be 45 to 55 percent RH (relative humidity). It is best to store quilts and family keepsakes in areas of the home that are cool and dry year round—generally the areas where the family lives. Warm and moist air coupled with a lack of air circulation encourage mold and mildew growth that can stain fibers and cause deterioration.

### Proper Storage

When storing folded textiles in ordinary cardboard boxes, wooden drawers or on closet shelves, protect them from direct contact with the cardboard or wood by lining the shelves, drawers or boxes with layers of archival (acid-free) tissue or washed unbleached cotton muslin or sheeting. Why? Ordinary cardboard and wood emit volatile acids that deteriorate and yellow textiles over time. Archival boxes and tissue are available from museum suppliers, as well as some local dry cleaners. Plastic containers made of new (not recycled) High Density Polyethylene (HDPE) or Polypropylene (PP) may be used for storage of textiles if they are lined with layers of archival tissue or washed cotton muslin or sheeting. To identify containers made of new plastic, select clear or milky white translucent (not colored) containers, then check for these symbols like these on the bottom:



Why do you need to line the container? Because this will protect your quilts and keepsakes from coming in direct contact with the plastic, where damaging volatile gases may be present in higher concentrations and where moisture may condense, possibly leading to mold and mildew growth.

### Deter Pests!

Deter pests by keeping storage areas clean with frequent vacuuming, by making sure items are clean when placed in storage, and by maintaining proper temperature and humidity. Then inspect the storage area regularly, so that evidence of pests is discovered early and corrective action can be taken. The major insects that attack textiles are webbing clothes moths and carpet beetles. These insects are especially attracted to wool, silk, hair and feathers.

Cedar chests and closets may have almost no value as moth- or carpet beetle- repellents. The value of a cedar chest is that the chest is tightly closed, thus preventing entry of moths or beetles. Furthermore, woods of any type release volatile, acidic oils that yellow and weaken textiles if items are placed in direct contact with them. Therefore, line wooden shelves and cedar chests with a barrier of washed cotton sheeting or muslin or acid-free tissue paper. The active ingredient in mothballs is harmful to humans and should be avoided.

### Dim the Lights

All light fades and weakens textiles. Sunlight and fluorescent light are especially damaging because they emit high levels of ultraviolet radiation. Damage caused by light is cumulative and irreversible. Therefore, store textiles in darkness and dim the lights in areas where quilts and textile keepsakes are displayed. Keep the shades drawn on windows, reduce the number of lights and/or reduce the wattage of light bulbs, and turn off any artificial lights when not in a room.

### To Clean or Not to Clean?

Generally the answer to this question is a resounding “no!” Washing a quilt has too many risks involved to recommend it. Colors can bleed and the agitation and abrasion of washing—even a gentle hand washing—can damage fragile textiles. It is best to consult a textile conservator before washing a quilt or heirloom textile. A musty smelling quilt can be aired by placing it outside on a sunny day (sandwiched between two sheets) and monitoring it closely. If it appears dusty, the quilt may be vacuumed by putting a piece of tulle (a soft, sheer netting) over the nozzle, setting the vacuum cleaner at its lowest suction level, and gently passing the nozzle over the surface.

### Doing Your Part

Store quilts and family keepsakes in areas of the home where the environment is most stable. Avoid attics, basements, kitchens, laundry rooms and unheated spaces. Store textile items flat if possible, such as on a spare bed that is rarely used. If items must be folded, use acid-free tissue or muslin to cushion folds. Refold periodically to minimize the chance of permanent creases and fold lines.

Some quilts are made to be used over and over again. They require frequent washings and are often tossed into the dryer every time. But when you have a quilt you want to protect – one you want to last for many years or even generations – it needs to be “babied” a little.

Many quilters clean their quilts using a washing machine. Some antique quilts may require a different method of washing, but most of what we make today can certainly stand up to the rigors of machine washing. Use the gentle or hand wash setting on your machine for added care.

We all know that handling a wet quilt is a potential hazard to the quilt itself. The water makes the batting heavy, which can pull against the stitching and harm the fabric in the worst-case scenario. Go ahead and allow your washing machine to complete the spin cycle on your quilt. Spinning will get as much water out of the quilt as possible before you lift it out to dry. When you remove the quilt from your machine, do so with caution. Even though most of the water has been spun out of it, the quilt will still be heavy. Don't find a corner and start pulling! Reach down into the machine and lift the quilt out as evenly as possible. Lifting the quilt out this way will help eliminate too much pulling against stitches in one particular area.

Drying is the area in which many quilting professionals offer varying ideas. Some machine-dry for a short period of time to remove more water and to eliminate mildew when they later lay the quilt flat for drying. Some dry indoors. Some prefer outdoors.

If you choose to dry your quilt outside, lay one sheet on the surface on which you will dry the quilt, then one sheet on top of the quilt once it has been laid out. The top sheet helps eliminate worries over sun bleaching and insects (and bird poop!...ed). If you decide to lay out your quilt for drying inside your house, use plastic and sheets to help protect your floors, your bed, or whatever surface you put the quilt on. First, lay out the plastic. Light weight tarps or sheeting that is used for floor protection while painting are great to use.

Lay out the plastic, then put a bed sheet on top of it. Then, place your quilt on the sheet to leave for drying. Putting a layer of fabric between your quilt and your plastic helps inhibit the possibility for mildew growth.

Fans help a lot, too. If there's a ceiling fan in the room in which you are drying your quilt, turn it on. Face a box fan or oscillating fan toward the quilt to speed the drying and to keep the air moving around it. When the quilt feels dry to the touch on top, flip it over and turn the fans back on. Make sure it is dried thoroughly.

If you are concerned that there might still be a little dampness to the quilt, put it in the dryer on the “fluff” setting. This setting doesn't use heat. It relies on tumbling to remove the remaining water.

The one thing quilters do agree on as far as laundering your quilts is that they should never, ever be hung to dry. Even though your machine spun much of the water out, the batting will still be heavy. Hanging a wet quilt will pull against the stitches and can weaken (and even rip) both the stitches and fabrics. No one wants that to happen!

### **Midpoint Incentive for Stashbuster and UFO Challenges Coming!**

November is the midpoint of our guild year (May-April). At the November meeting, there will be incentives given out pertaining to the UFO and Stashbuster challenges.

Sometimes it's hard to keep working on UFOs when there are so many new and exciting patterns and techniques to try. I know I feel a bit more light-hearted each time I finish a UFO. Maybe it's because I'm silencing that voice that's nagging at me, “Finish me, finish me, you know you need to finish me!”

It's also hard to not buy new fabric, when they just keep making more beautiful stuff. I've recently made four baby quilts from just stash (okay, I've misplaced one and can't find the dang thing anywhere, but it WAS all from stash), and that made me feel less guilty when I bought two yards of something perfect for the next baby quilt. Actually, I don't feel guilty about buying new fabric, just a bit sick to my stomach when I get home and try to stuff it in the proper bin and it just won't fit. But I digress....

Get some UFOs completed and put your info in the Sputnik box that Linda brings to the Business meeting. Shop your stash and make something out of all that beautiful fabric you just HAD to have. I have the box for the Stashbuster challenge with me at meetings, along with a measuring tape. Show off your accomplishments and maybe get a little prize at the same time!

## Fat-Quarter Exchange at Business Meetings – Marianna Garrett

Here is a list of what we'll exchange this month and throughout 2010:

Aug	Anything	Your name will be in the drawing for each fat quarter you bring, so the more you bring, the more chances you have of winning. Reminder: A fat quarter is 18x22 inches. If you're bringing more than one, please make them different, so we get a variety of fabrics.
Sep	Animals / autumn colors	
Oct	Halloween / darks	
Nov	Plaids / golds / browns	
Dec	Red / green	



### September 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.

#### Happy Birthday!



Eileen Peacher	1	Margaret Roth	24
Debby Coleman	2	Pat Hightower	27
Dorothy Le	3	Margaret Mortenson	28
Sue Johnson	9	Cathy Norgaard	29
Betty Howard	12	Jill Ellis	30
Nita Leiser	12	Susanna Gantt	30
Michelle Bunker	15		



#### Quotable Quotes:

Really I don't dislike to cook, but what you cook is eaten so quickly. When you sew, you have something that will last to show for your efforts.

~Elizabeth Travis Johnson

**Residents of Emeritus are welcome to attend any and all meetings of Crazy Quilters, without being paid members. Please keep in mind we are meeting in THEIR home, and we are their guests.**

Holy cow, this is a huge hole!  
I probably have something to put here,  
but I'm out of time!  
I'll just make this bigger.  
There! That doesn't look too bad.

### Pillowcase Challenge



American Patchwork & Quilting® magazine is challenging quilters across the country to "Make a Pillow-case, Make a Difference." Local quilting enthusiasts will join the cause to help reach the goal of making and donating one million pillowcases to benefit local charities. Every pillowcase can make a difference in your community. A pillowcase can provide comfort for a cancer patient, hope for a foster child, encouragement for a battered woman, or beauty for a nursing home resident.

Throughout 2010, quilters across the nation will make pillowcases at their local quilt shops. The shops will donate them these pillowcases to a local charity of their choice and update the pillowcase counter at [allpeoplequilt.com/millionpillowcases](http://allpeoplequilt.com/millionpillowcases). The counter will track nationwide progress toward the goal of one million pillowcases.

Joining American Patchwork & Quilting in support of the One Million Pillowcase challenge are 2010 sponsors: BERNINA, AccuQuilt, Clothworks, Handi Quilter, Moda, Paintbrush Studio, Presencia, Red Rooster Fabrics, RJR Fabrics, Robert Kaufman, The Fabric Shop Network, and Timeless Treasures.

One Million Pillowcase Challenge information is available at [www.allpeoplequilt.com/millionpillowcases](http://www.allpeoplequilt.com/millionpillowcases), including a list of shows where you can turn in your pillowcases.

## **Minutes – August Business Meeting – Kathy Wyckoff**

Our meeting was called to order by President Linda Hill. A welcome to new members and visitors was extended. Rachel was our visitor this month, she is Margaret Mortenson's granddaughter. We welcome Susan Alcalá as our newest Crazy Quilter; so nice to have you with us.

### **Announcements:**

Thank you Pam Elliott for printing our new Directory....IT IS FABULOUS! I love mine. NOTE: if you have any changes or corrections in your information, please get that information to Jill Ellis, who will put it in the newsletter so other members can add the updates into their own directories.

Insurance for Officers....Nan is working on it.

Quilts at Dumas Bay: volunteers are needed to help take down the quilts on October 5. Please check with Linda as to what time that starts. If you have a quilt on display it is your responsibility to arrange for pickup, don't just leave it for someone else to deal with. Several people reported they had heard very nice comments about our display. Thank you to all that participated. Each time we do something like this, it gets our guild name out there and people find out about us, and maybe we make a new friend and quilt sister.

Treasury Report: Checking account, \$3486. Savings, \$3607.

Vice-President Report: August program, we made 4 quilts. It was a busy night.

Auction in October: at our program meeting in October we will have our auction/fund raiser. Gather your donation items (notions, fabric in any size or quantity, rulers, whatever you want to donate that is sewing/craft related). Package them in a clear plastic bag with a list of what is in the bag posted clearly inside the bag. If you are giving yardage, please list the amount. This makes it easier for previewing and much easier for our auctioneer. Preview time for shoppers will be prior to the Auction so come a little early to scope out what there is to bid on.

### **New business:**

Connie Mayor will now be taking the donations to the Multi Service Center. Thank you Connie, for stepping up.

Community Outreach: Barb McClure has kits for members to take home and make tops.

2010 Raffle Ticket are on sale now. Each CQ member is supposed to sell a minimum of 20 tickets, either to yourself or other people. Of course, if you sell more than the required number, Crazy Quilters benefits!!!! Yahoo! This is a fundraiser for the guild.

UFO/Stashbuster Challenges: When you complete a UFO or make something from your stash, fill out an entry sheet and put it in the proper container. Linda has the UFO container, Jill has the container for Stashbuster.

No quilts for the residents of Emeritus at this time; however, you may want to do a couple now to be ready for gifting to Emeritus Residents later. This will then give Susanna and Marianna time to quilt them and someone to get a binding on. Keep thinking ahead. Thanks to Susanna and Marianna for volunteering to quilt these quilts, that's a big job and we appreciate it.

Block in the Box: Box exchange at the business meetings.

Hospitality has a new chairman: Roxy Dysert. During your birthday month you are responsible to bring or send your food treats. You are responsible to help Roxy stage the food and clean up. You are also responsible to take your leftovers home, do not leave them for someone else to dispose of. Your help with putting the room back together is also appreciated.

Retreats: Janine Walker has the October sign-up sheet.

Mentoring: We need a few more people to work with our new guild members at meetings, please talk with Jill.

### **Announcements:**

New Fundraiser for CQ: 50/50 drawing to be done at the business meeting allocated for the Library Fund. Susanna will chair this fundraiser. Mici Wiggins won this month; the pot was \$38.00, so the Library and Mici each received \$19.

#### **Drawing Winners:**

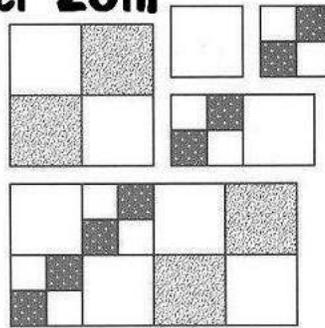
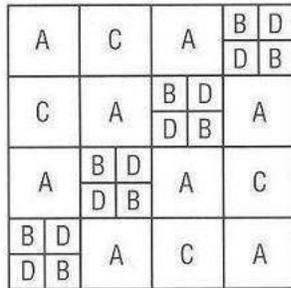
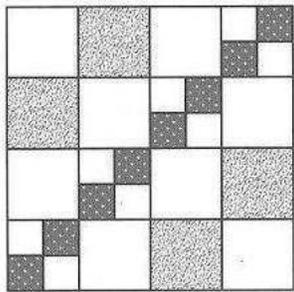
Block of the month: Lynn Ready  
Community Outreach: Jean Snedden  
Fat Quarters: Marianna Garrett (40 fat quarters)  
Badge Drawing: Margaret Mortensen  
Library: Mici Wiggins, pot = \$38.00

We had a great Show & Tell; wonderful stuff, you guys. Thank you so much for sharing with all of us. I continue to kick myself when I arrive at the business meeting with no finished projects in hand. I have several things done (or almost) but continue to forget to bring them—you, too? Let's all try to remember to bring our creations next month. All of us love to see what our Crazy Quilters Sisters have been doing. No project is too big or too small. We love TELLS too.

For those that helped clean up and put the room back together, we thank you....keep up the good work.

# Community Service Block - September 2010

## Carrie Nation - Due October 28th



**For 1 Block = 12 1/2 unfinished**

<b>Cream Tonal</b>	A: 8 □ 3 1/2" x 3 1/2"	<b>Sew Fabric A to Fabric C</b> <b>Make 2 - 4 patch units</b> ++++++ <b>Sew Fabric B to Fabric D</b> <b>Make 4 - 4 patch units</b> <b>Sew a Fabric A Square to unit</b> <b>Make 2 - 4 patch units</b> ++++++ <b>Sew units together as shown above</b>
	B: 8 □ 2" x 2"	
<b>Pink Floral Print</b>	C: 4 □ 3 1/2" x 3 1/2"	
<b>Mauve Tonal</b>	D: 8 □ 2" x 2"	
Fabric Strips will be provided when possible		

**Please call Carol Berge if you need assistance constructing your block, @ 253 - 859-8913**

Thanks to everyone who participates in the Community Outreach Block of the month program.

Generally I have a different block pattern each month, members are encouraged to participate either by checking out a kit or by submitting a quilt block made from your stash.

Just a friendly reminder, these block kits are free to all members. Please return the blocks at the business meeting the second Thursday of the month, along with the plastic baggies. I do recycle these baggies each month, so please return with the completed block.

Thanks again. If you have questions about this program, please call me.  
 Carol Berge 253-859-8913

### Community Outreach - September - Barb McClure

This is an update to the e-mail I sent to you on September 6.

Thanks to everyone who participated in the recent effort to produce small quilt tops at the program nights with the Community Outreach Committee. Many of you took fabric strips home to make more strip pieced panels after those meetings. Thanks also to all our members who have gone through their stash and donated fabric, quilt tops and completed small quilts.

Linda Hill offered to receive your Orphan Blocks (hooray!). Kay Thomas and I have made lots of "Kitty Tush-Cushs" as a way to use the blocks, matching "orphans to orphans". PETSMART and the county animal shelter loved receiving them to make kitties "comfy and adorable" while waiting for adoption. I'm anxious to see what Linda creates with these orphan blocks.

Emeritus has recently changed hands again. They have started out with all new personnel from the front offices, nurses, kitchen workers, housekeepers, etc.

The new Activity Director, Ines, and our liaison to Emeritus, Pam Elliott, discussed how our club has been donating small quilts to the residents over the years and that we wanted to store these quilts in the Activity Storage Room. Ines said she didn't have room to store more than five quilts at a time. After another meeting with Ines, we were given the okay to deliver the small quilts and Christmas stockings to the residents' rooms, but we need to call her first before delivering each time. This will eliminate having to store any quilts in the Activity Storage Room. Our immediate goal is to complete 75 quilts by the end of October. Currently I can account for about 50 quilts that are finished or in progress. But we still need 25 more before our deadline. It would be terrific if we could manage to put together 16 more so all residents would get one and not feel left out. Kathy Wyckoff volunteered to hold the quilts at her house until they could be given to the residents. Thanks, Kathy!

Currently, there are 91 residents living at Emeritus, so keep making small 40-inch-square quilts. They can be quite simple. A colorful print fabric with batting, a back and binding, and simply tied is perfect!

Until next time stay well, drive safe and keep quilting.