

## Threads

### Crazy Quilters of Federal Way

January 2023

find us online at <u>Crazy Quilters of Federal Way</u> find us on Facebook <u>Crazy Quilters of Federal Way</u>

We meet at Christ Lutheran Church, 2501 SW 320th St, Federal Way. Social time 6:15pm; Meeting 6:30pm.

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#### President's Message

January 2023

I am sorry that I am missing both Guild meetings in January, but I am off on a Hawaiian cruise (from San Diego to Hawaii and back).

Jill Ellis took our Raffle Quilt to the Covington Quilters Guild meeting last week and sold 80 tickets. Way to go, Jill! We have not had anyone oversee sales to other guilds for our raffle quilt this past year and I know we have missed many opportunities to sell tickets. The raffle quilt is our major fund-raising opportunity for Crazy Quilters. If we want our Guild to remain viable, we need a member to step forward and oversee this effort. Our 2023 quilt is ready to go, we just need pictures, tickets and a volunteer to chair this committee.

See you all in February!

**Bobbie** 

# TONIGHT is the drawing for our 2022 Raffle Quilt!!!!!

#### Secretary's Minutes for October 2022 business meeting - Xenia McGowan

The meeting was called to order.

Sharon spoke about our new quilt challenge (since people were already getting their favorite pile of material!). All of the quilts in the challenge will go to our Community Service quilts. They must be returned completed (quilted and bound).

- can use 1 block or a lot of each of the block sets
- you may not add a different block other than what is listed
- due at April business meeting
- lap size or twin size (listed on instruction sheet)
- make sure Sharon has your name
- there will be prizes!
- the fabric belongs to the guild, so if you are unable to complete the challenge, the fabric needs to be returned
- questions & answers

We had no guests tonight.

Tickets for the Raffle Quilt were spoken about & the quilt was there for viewing.

Proposed bylaw change (sheets on the table). There was discussion about retreats.

Kathy Wyckoff moved & Cheryl Belcher seconded that we accept the amendment to the Retreat section of the Bylaws.

Current bylaws will be sent in a separate email to members.

An addition to the Bylaws, that will never have to be voted on, but is a reminder, will be added to the end. It is the information regarding records retention. It was deemed a good place to put this so it would not be forgotten.

Bobbie shared about the recent Executive Board meeting.

We will give 20 quilts to Riverton Park UMC for the tiny home project aimed at helping refugees, especially Afghani. Sharon & Bobbie will deliver them (see the picture and info further down & they tagged our Facebook page)

November program meeting is a make & take; there is no business meeting.

December program meeting is our Christmas party.

- Bring your own meal & beverage
- the Board will supply dessert
- Show & Tell
- Gift exchange (NOT white elephant) can be hand-made or sewing oriented, something you would like to receive, \$10 limit; this is optional

There is no December business meeting

Kathy Wyckoff & her sister are involved in an Art Fair (an email with the information went out); Kay Thomas & Dee Lord are at a Holiday Bazaar in SeaTac and Bobbie Mowery is at the Holiday Bazaar

at Federal Way United Methodist Church. They are all on Saturday, Nov. 5 & Kathy's goes thru the 6th.

Cheryl spoke about the NW Quilting, Craft & Sewing Festival (Rusty Barn), where we have a booth.

- all the slots are filled PLEASE remember to show up
- bring your name tag; and you will probably be given a vendor tag
- doesn't know if we need to have donations for their door prize (we learned the potholders are in the raffle quilt suitcase)

Diane Kellar reminded us we need to give a quilt to the Auburn Senior Center for them to use. Tina McC had already taken care of this.

Show & Tell was fabulous! So many creative ladies!!

The meeting was adjourned.

## Treasurer's Report

| Beg Balance as of 10/31/22    | \$12,896.79 |            |
|-------------------------------|-------------|------------|
| Revenue                       |             |            |
| Nov. raffle tickets           | \$          | 80.00      |
| Nov. retreat members dep      | \$          | 30.00      |
| Nov interest                  | \$          | 1.01       |
| Dec raffle tickets            | \$          | 544.00     |
| Dec interest                  | \$          | .93        |
| Total revenue                 | \$          | 655.94     |
| Expense                       |             |            |
| Nov Black Diamond deposit     | \$          | (1560.00)  |
| Dec storage                   | \$          | (210.00)   |
| Total expenses                | \$          | (1,770.00) |
| Ending Balance as of 12/31/22 | \$          | 11,782.73  |

## 2022 Raffle Quilt

The drawing for the 2022 Raffle Quilt will be our Business meeting in January (as usual)!

ALL TICKETS AND \$\$ MUST be turned in to Tina before or on that night. If you sold tickets (or bought them), those tickets need to be in the raffle bucket and the money turned in to balance. All sold tickets need a chance to win the beautiful quilt!

## February Program meeting

Bobbie Mowery will be sharing a wonderful, new (to some of us) art! A class on the 'Folded Kimono', a fun and pretty block.

If anyone would like to make these at the meeting workshop, they will need two pieces of fabric: Main piece should be 7 1/2 in by 21 in

Lining (which can be contrasting or not - I think it looks better with contrasting) should be 7-3/4 in by 21 in.

If someone is using directional fabric, the fabric should be cut with the directional running up and down (I mean, cut it so when you hold it up by the short end, it is running that way.

It would also be helpful if people would sew along the long ends of the fabric matching the sides. NOTE: one piece is a little wider than the other, this will be an edge that shows on the side.



Masks We have checked with our host church and masks are optional.

We want each and everyone of us to feel safe, and that means if you want to keep wearing your mask, please do. If you feel safe and are comfortable not wearing your mask, that is ok also.

# Community Service Quilts

Hip, hip, hooray!!! All of our quilts that were waiting to be quilted have been given out and are in the final process - quilting and binding!

Because it's becoming harder to get our community service quilts quilted, we are going to ask a few things of our donations:

- Community Service quilts need to be given to us completed we don't need just the top you made - we need a completed and bound quilt.
- 2. We have chosen to start sticking with Baby Quilts (for Care Net), Lap Quilts (for our Cancer Quilt Angels) and Twin-size quilts (for groups who approach us needing quilts)
  - a. Baby quilts are typically 30 x 40 inches and crib quilts are usually 36 x 52 inches.
  - b. Our Cancer Lap Quilts are 42-45 x 60 inches.
  - c. Twin-size quilts are typically 70 x 90 inches.
- 3. IF you need backing, we have a lot of material that comes in large pieces. You will have to piece it together for your project, but it is available. You also need to contact Sharon or Tina to meet with them to get what you might like.
- 4. IF you need batting (we only have warm/natural) the same applies. This is a "flat" batting and not really conducive if you are making tied quilts, which need the 'puffiness' of a loft batting.



# Refreshments - brought to you courtesy of our birthday members

You need to bring goodies to both meetings in the month.

People who have birthdays in May, November & December need to pick a month where there aren't many birthday people and do their goodie bringing that time.

Water (cold/hot) is available (there is a microwave) but we aren't going to be providing beverages. Please bring your own beverage to drink.



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## February Birthdays

Feb. 2 - Carol Kochis

Feb. 8 - MaryLou Yeager

Feb. 10 - Crystal Nolet

Feb. 18 - Jean Snedden

Feb. 27 - Carol Cowan

Please join us in wishing our birthday quilters a very Happy Birthday!

### Crazy Quilters - Mark your calendar for these great happenings!

We meet at Christ Lutheran Church, 2501 SW 320<sup>th</sup> St, Federal Way. Social time 6:15pm; Meeting 6:30pm.

| January 12  | Program meeting  |
|-------------|--|
| January 26  | Business meeting & Show 'n Tell                          |
| February 9  | Program meeting  |
| February 23 | Business meeting & Show 'n Tell                          |
| March 9     | Program meeting  |
| March 17-20 | Retreat  |
| March 23    | Business meeting & Show 'n Tell and Election of Officers |
| April 13    | Program meeting  |
| April 27    | Business meeting & Show 'n Tell                          |



## Name Tag reminder -- a reminder for all of us!

Please wear your name tag at all our meetings! Click here for our <u>name-tag</u> (click the link).

## Retreats - Janine Walker

Next year the camp is raising the price by 10%, so our cost will go up to \$88 per day. The dates for 2023 are March 17 - 20, June 23 - 26, September 22 - 25, and November 10 - 13.

We have lots of fun! Upcoming retreats are:

March 17 - 20, 2023 - upstairs June 23 - 26, 2023 - downstairs September 22 - 25, 2023 - downstairs November 10 - 13, 2023 - downstairs

The cost is \$88 per day, with breakfast and dinner provided, along with linens and towels in the bedrooms. Each room has its own bathroom. A \$50 deposit is due when you sign up.

Please call Janine at 206-242-8335 (call or text) or email janinew13@yahoo.com.

## 2024 Raffle Quilt

Yes, it seems like it's early to work on 2024's Raffle Quilt BUT, we are once again making the blocks for the guilt! At the January business meeting you will be able to pick up the bag that contains material for 2 guilt blocks – we need a total of 76 blocks for our quilt, which will be 76x90. If you were at the January Program meeting, you got a 'teaser' for the center blocks.

What about the 2023 Raffle quilt, you ask? We already have that - it was generously donated by Janine, so we are in a good place to be starting to be ready by the end of the year to have a finished, quilted, bound quilt when we start 2024!

You will get directions for the blocks, plus instructions should you want to make a guilt for yourself.

This is an example - ours will be scrappy not shades of green.



## Newest Quilt Challenge - how goes your quilt?

Our newest quilt challenge began at our October business meeting & ends with a totally finished quilt at our April 2023 business meeting. Everybody got to choose a bundle of fabric and the sets of patterns available for the Challenge. You can still join! See or call Bobbie Mowery or Sharon Meeds. Here are the rules again:

If you need the patterns, you can get them here, from a dropbox file:

challenge blocks - larger patterns

challenge blocks - smaller patterns

Those who joined the Challenge are (in no particular order):

Mary Lou Yeagar Pam Elliott Kathy Wyckoff Sharon Meeds Xenia McGowan Gail Foyle Colleen Linstead Tina McCarter Janine Walker Jane Woods Cheryl Belcher Peggy Knell Eileen Peacher Margaret Mortenson Diane Kellar **Bobbie Mowery** 

Kathy Williamson Jan Glazner

## Sewing on Thursdays (make sure to check on holiday closures)

We are meeting at the Auburn Senior Center from 10-3 pm. 808 9th St SE, Auburn, WA 98002

All are welcome. This group is for quilters who want to socialize and work around other quilters. Everyone brings their own projects, materials, tools, etc. The group breaks for lunch, you can or not, and you can bring your lunch or take part in the lunch program offered at the center. Some members have years of experience and are willing to help beginners. Group members are responsible for carting their own supplies in and out of the center. There is no storage available. An ironing board and iron and a large cutting mat are available for your use.

## Places to Go . . . Quilts to See = Road Trip!

This website has lots of quilt shows listed AND right now a lot of them that are up-coming have no dates. You are welcome to check it out for yourself: **Quilt Shows in Washington** or **Quilt Shop Navigator** 



Please check online to see if the show is going on – a lot of shows are still canceled, postponed or virtual.

**Year Round – Kittitas County Barn Quilt Trail**: a self-guided driving tour that celebrated the art of the American quilt and the strong, resourceful women who created them. More info: <u>Barn Quilts</u>

**Kitsap Quilters Guild** - <u>Celebrate</u>, February 17-18, Kitsap Fairgrounds, President's bldg, \$10 donation; vendors, food trucks & more (the link is to their newsletter, it's the only info I could find)

Quilter's Anonymous - Cascade of Quilts, March 17-19, Monroe Fairgrounds, \$10 admission

Piecemakers Quilt Club - Fabric of the Forest, April 14-16, Forks High School, Forks, Wa

Stray Threads, April 21-22, (see also this Facebook link)

Ladies for the Lake Quilt Show; April 28-29, Youth & Family Lind Bldg, Longview, Wa

**Kittitas Quilters** Flowers in the Valley This is a two day quilt show, Friday, April 28, 2023 10 a.m to 5 p.m. and Saturday, April 29, 2023 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. We will have featured artists, quilts, and vendors for your shopping and inspiration.

Fidalgo Island Quilters Quilt Walk 2023 - April 1, 2023, Anacortes, Wa

Evergreen Quilters - 2023 Quilt & Fiber Arts Show, Sept. 15-16, Ferndale Event Center, Ferndale, Wa

## Dear Crazy Quilters,

I wanted to share with you the joy that you have given to wonderful, deserving of kindness, ladies who are residents of Hospitality House in Burien. An art friend led me to Hospitality House through a conversation we were having and as I heard what this organization did for these ladies, I was conscious of how our group 'Crazy Quilters of Federal Way' could help. I brought my thoughts of giving quilts to Hospitality House residents to the guild and you all graciously agreed with me that this



would be a great place to share our quilts. I contacted Hospitality House program director Olivia and was met with enthusiasm and gratefulness. They are thrilled for the gift and in awe of all of your talents in making these beautiful quilts.

Olivia provided me a short explanation of what Hospitality House (see below). I also asked Olivia if there were additional items they were in need of and she mentioned a few things to me so I will pass that on to you in-case you would like to donate any additional items to them. Items mentioned were

- Shower Loofahs.
- Bras sizes D, DD, and DDD;
- Natural Hair products (Hair oil, edge gel etc.)
- Hair Conditioner
- Concealer/Foundation for darker skin tones.

She provided a web site that you can look at for additional items which is regularly updated. <u>'Amazon Wish List'</u> if you would like to look at that.

My hope is that we can continue to provide quilts to this group on an ongoing basis. Residents are provided shelter, counseling, food and more for a period of 90 days and invited to take the gift of our

quilt with them when they move on to their new life, as new residents come into Hospitality House they will each receive a quilt of their very own. So you can see we have a very special place to give our quilts. Lap size and twin are the two sizes we will be providing.

I was able to meet and visit shortly with a few of the residents; what a wonderful group of ladies! I was tickled when I saw the expression on their faces as we brought the quilts in the dining room to take this photo in front of their Christmas Tree. They didn't know they would be receiving one of these quilts soon but said "Oh those are beautiful". Note: Hospitality House will be giving them out as we get closer to Christmas, I am not sure if they will give them out as a gift or just give them out. Either way, please know that your hard work, talents and love is appreciated. Any quilts you have now and want to donate please text me and I will arrange to pick it (them) up. Text: 206 966 3904 Happy Holidays, see you in the new year and thank you, thank you for being such giving and wonderful quilt friends

Kathy Wyckoff

Info about Hospitality House: In October 2000, our community came together alongside twelve local churches to establish a shelter for single women in South King County. This shelter is Hospitality House-a place where we aim to provide home, health, and hope, to women experiencing homelessness. Our 90-day shelter program begins with meeting basic needs. Every client is gifted new pajamas and slippers upon arrival. They're given a bed, hot meals, and a safe and stable environment. The home-like and secure atmosphere of Hospitality House affords clients the opportunity to look beyond their current circumstances and toward their future.

Every resident develops and shares goals with our Case Manager to make a path that best suits them. Staff and volunteers support clients throughout the program-connecting them with resources, problem solving, and lending a listening ear.

Some of our residents even keep in touch after leaving Hospitality House to let us know how they're doing. A client who recently moved out to her own apartment sent us this letter:

#### "To Hospitality House:

I cannot express my gratitude enough for all that you've done to make it easier to move forward in my life. It's hard to start over at any age, and at 65 it's not fun at all, but thanks to your generosity, heartfelt kindness, and hard work, you've helped me move forward with grace and confidence. Some of you know my story and went the extra mile to help me, some of you just showed up at HH to work or volunteer, but every one of you helped me and made me feel like I could do it and things will work out; good people do exist and I'm gonna be okay, thanks to you.

'A single act of kindness throws out roots in all directions, and the roots spring up and make new trees.' -Amelia Earhart"

All of our client's successes are thanks to their own resilience and strength, and Hospitality House is proud to be a stepping stone in their journey.