

Threads

Crazy Quilters of Federal Way

March 2023

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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

March 2023

I had so much fun doing the folded kimono with all of you. Thanks to Janine Walker and Tina McCarter for bringing sewing machines, irons, and pressing surfaces.

I am still recovering from my cruise from San Diego to Hawaii and back. It was fabulous and I loved sewing during the days at sea. It was my first quilt cruise and after this experience, I will definitely do another one. It was so much fun sewing as we traveled from continental USA to the islands. And, the instructor, Joan Ford (www.hummingbird-highway.com) was so organized. It was a mystery quilt until the final reveal. It was also my first experience with laser cut pieces. Everything fit so well together. I look forward to finishing the quilt and showing it at a future Guild meeting.

Now, back to the Guild. Kathy Wycoff is in the process of recruiting people to take elected positions for our next fiscal year. We will also need a new Community Service Chair because Tina McCarter is moving this summer out of state. Tina has agreed to work with the new Chair to show them what she does and how she does it. This would be a starting point for the new Chair within which to make any changes she / they deem appropriate. One change I would like to see is an inventory of quilts and a record of when, where, and how many quilts we donate. At this time, we do not know how many quilts we have donated and to where. Please consider serving in this position. It can even be a shared position.

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President's message cont.

One of our continuing concerns is the financial health of our Guild. We need a team of people to oversee the opportunities to sell tickets for our raffle quilt. This would involve contacting other Guilds to take the quilt to their meetings to sell tickets. This is a key fund raiser for us. Please volunteer to cover this for the Guild.

I just want to remind everyone, this is your Guild. It will only continue to exist and grow with your willingness to give of your time. Please be involved.

See you at the meeting!

Bobbie

Secretary's Minutes for February 2023 business meeting - Xenia McGowan

The meeting was called to order by President, Bobbie.

She introduced our guest, who became a member, Valerie Taylor.

Bobbie introduced the officers

Sharon M moved and Tina M seconded that the minutes be approved as written. The motion passed.

Pam had the audit done. Everything matched and Pam "passed" with flying colors.

Pam reported on our finances - we are getting poorer. Questions were entertained.

Old Business:

Kathy talked about our upcoming elections and the need to have a full slate of officers. We have, mostly a full slate, however, nominations may be made from the floor.

Xenia and Pam will continue.

Gail Foyle and Jan Glasner have agreed to be co-Vice Presidents.

Bobbie will be President, unless somebody else will step forward.

Raffle Quilt blocks (to be made) have all been handed out for the 2024 Raffle Quilt and many have already come back in. The quicker we get them back, the quicker we get the quilt top done; then quilted & bound.

Challenge Quilts are due at the April business meeting. Several people have their's finished! There will be some great prizes. These quilts all become Community Service quilts. If you are participating, please check the rules if you have questions.

2023 Raffle Quilt was donated by Teresa Koe. It came from a stash of Nan Naubert, we all got to see how lovely it is, and it is already quilted! We will title it "Nan's Quilt" and Sharon Meeds will make a label and Pam will finish the binding.

New Business:

- March business meeting is also Election of officers.
- There will be a Board meeting on Tues., March 7th, 6pm and New Peking Wok on 1st Ave. S. for the new and incoming Board. Please let Bobbie know if you'd like to attend.
- Janine W shared the our Warm Beach camp (who also owns the camp where we hold retreats) would like us to make a couple of lap-size T-shirt quilts for their use. These would be "good will" quilts and the camp plans on reimbursing the guild for any expenses.

- The Church, where we meet, has changed their guidelines. We will have a 2-year contract.
 They aren't raising our donation amount. Currently Kathy Wyckoff is our liaison. The only
 issue would be if we lose our 501c3 status because we don't have a full board. Discussion
 followed.
- Community Service quilts we are low on the larger than lap-size. We will get more in April, after our Challenge contest.
- March program meeting is by us we are each to bring our favorite quilting notion or hack.

Show and Tell was beautiful with many wonderful things!

The meeting was adjourned.



Treasurer's Report

Here's the financials so far. We only had the insurance cost so far in March.

Checking = \$7166.71 Savings = \$1832.67

March will include an insurance payment of \$706



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

We thought we had all our community service quilts done - but it turns out we still have one to be quilted. It's ready to go with backing and batting. Check with Tina or Sharon if you can guilt it.

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

- 1. 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.

Quilts delivered!

Xenia McGowan delivered 8 quilts NW Medical Specialties for

chemo patients. They were very excited and thankful to get them!



Members

Barb Vander Weilhas a new email: vanderweil65@gmail.com

New member: Valerie Taylor

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vtdolls2@gmail.com

Birthdate: December 18

Valerie is from Bedford, Pa. She loves quilting and working on new projects. She is also a member of Pieceful Quilters in Bedford, Pa.

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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April Birthdays April:

Kathy Wyckoff - 25 Karen Reynolds - 25 Carol Novotney - 29

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

By-laws Change Proposal March 2023

ARTICLE III: MEMBERSHIP

Section 4 A. Members are required **strongly encouraged** to buy or sell 30 **20** tickets to the yearly Guild Raffle quilt. The number of tickets required may change at the discretion of the Executive Board.

Crazy Quilters – Mark your calendar for these great happenings!

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

March 23	Business meeting & Show 'n Tell and Election of Officers
April 13	Program meeting - featuring Eileen Peacher's trunk show
April 27	Business meeting & Show 'n Tell
May 11	Program meeting, New Officers begin
May 25	Business meeting & Show 'n Tell
June 8	Program meeting
June 22	Business meeting & Show 'n Tell
July 13	Program meeting
July 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

I would encourage anyone who has not checked out one of our retreats to come visit us at Black Diamond Camp. We have a wonderfully large light-filled room for our quilting, and well as great bedrooms with separate bathrooms. We always have a great time. Great people = great times. The cost is \$88 per person per day when you stay overnight, \$50 per person per day when you don't. Breakfast and dinner are provided. We are very happy to have found this facility for our retreats.

We have lots of fun! Upcoming retreats are:

June 23 - 26, 2023 - downstairs September 22 - 25, 2023 - downstairs November 10 - 13, 2023 - downstairs

A \$50 deposit is due when you sign up. We need a minimum of 20 people to attend, and there is room for more than that!!!!

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 quilt!

All of our blocks were taken for everyone to try their hand at string piecing!

Return them NOW!



Quilt Challenge - ends next month; how goes your quilt?

Our latest 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.

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

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

Kathy Williamson Jan Glazner Jill Ellis (?)

2023 Next Block Quilt Challenge

Our next quilt challenge will begin at our April Business meeting and end at the October Business meeting. Some of the rules will be similar to our current challenge (we'll be giving out bags of material to use), and some rules will be different! It promises to be lots of fun and you may be challenged to learn to make a new-to-you quilt block! Watch for more details!

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. 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>

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



Bobbie's Baubles – Gift cards & certificates don't expire!

The other day a friend went to a local quilt store with a gift certificate. The owner told her it was over a year old (by two days) so they would not honor it. When she told me the story, I said that gift cards and certificates in Washington State do not expire. It is a state law. So, I am wondering how many of you do not know this and have gift cards and certificates you believe

have expired.

According to Washington State Law 19.240 - In order to protect consumers, the legislature intends to prohibit acts and practices of retailers that deprive consumers of the full value of gift certificates, such as expiration dates, service fees, and dormancy and inactivity charges, on gift certificates.

So, to paraphrase the law, gift cards / certificates cannot contain an expiration date and must be honored. Additionally, the law does allow for expiration dates for specific purposes, such as awards for loyalty programs. Get out those old gift cards / certificates and use them!