

Threads

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Crazy Quilters of Federal Way

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Musings from Mary Ann

We said good-bye to 2017 and hello to 2018.

We also said good-bye to Marianna Garrett who is moving to Florence, Ky. When we asked for quilt blocks for a quilt for Marianna, I really thought that we would have until late February or March to get the quilt done. At the Christmas dinner she said that they were going to leave at the end of January, she wanted to be here for the drawing on the raffle quilt. I got busy and put the top together with what blocks that I had and thought that any blocks that came in January could go on the back. Then I was informed that she will be leaving on the 22nd of this month. All blocks that came in at the last meeting were given to Marianna along with the backing and binding so she can finish it when she gets her sewing room set up in her new home. I did give her the choice to take it with her or we could finish it and send it to her.

The apartment building that Gale Woods lives in was badly damaged by a fire. Gale and her son had to move out of the apartment because it was damaged by water and smoke. She reported that they did not lose much to the fire, and they will be able to move back in about 8 to 10 months. This is not a good start to the new year. May it only get better.

Diane Kellar did our program for this month on sewing and quilting with our walking foot. I'm sure that we all learned something from her program. I think that I will try my walking foot again I tried it once and stopped because it was so slooow .

I hope to have better news next month. Mary Ann

Multi-Service Center Donations:

Toiletry items: toothpaste, toothbrushes, disposable razors, shampoo, soap, combs, brushes, lady's sanitary items

Business Meeting Minutes – Oct. 2017

Cheryl Belcher, secretary

These were in the November newsletter – go here: [Crazy Quilters of Federal Way](#) if you'd like to review them



So THAT'S what that is for!

A reminder for all of us!

We need to wear our name tags at all meetings. Yeah, I know that we haven't been wearing them, for the most part, at Program meetings – and we really need to. Some of us have been members since the beginning, but not everybody. Some of us are good with names and putting the correct name to the face (count me out on that), but not everybody.

There will be a name-tag drawing at all meetings, both Program and Business.

It's not that we're trying to be hard on you or make you find your name tag all the time – there is an ulterior motive beyond learning who we are. And we have an insurance policy that asks us to "take roll" at our meetings. And, should there be an emergency and we would have to evacuate the building, Anne would be able to say, without a doubt "Yes, we all got out safely".

Dig out your name tag, or make one ([pattern is on the Crazy Quilters webpage](#)) and come prepared.



Treasurer's Report - Janine Walker

Checking: \$ 2,973.75
Savings 3,522.11
Total: \$ 6,495.86

If you have receipts for reimbursement, bring them to a meeting, fill out a Request Form, and Janine will give you a check.



Have you turned in your Raffle Quilt tickets and money??

Tonight, January 25, we draw the winning ticket. Please make sure that you have all the ticket stubs for the tickets you sold in to Jill Ellis.
Last year a Crazy Quilter won!

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 Keller, 253.219.6408, if you have questions or are unable to attend.

Mici Wiggins	9	Xenia McGowan	14	Diana Rawlings	16
Claudia Perkins	13	Dee Lord	16	Pat Buckingham	21
				Cherie Warren	18



Members' Sale Table (YES! this is still available!)

Every business meeting, YOU have an opportunity to sell you 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. Everybody WINS!

If you'd like to sign up to sell your STUFF, please contact Jill Ellis at jillzquilts@hotmail.com or 253.927.1260.

Crazy Quilters – Mark your calendar for these great happenings!

We meet at Avalon Care Center, 135 S 336th St, Federal Way. We can get into the meeting room about 7:15pm.

January 25	Business meeting & Show 'n Tell
February 8	Program meeting
February 22	Business meeting & ELECTIONS
Mar 4	Take It with You Tote Class, cost \$15/each, 1-5pm, Browns Point United Methodist Church
March 8	Program meeting
March 9-12	<i>Retreat</i>
March 22	Business meeting & Show 'n Tell
April 12	Program meeting
April 26	Business meeting & Show 'n Tell
May 10	Program meeting – New Officers 1st meeting
May 24	Business meeting & Show 'n Tell
Friday Friends	Join in the fun as several guild members meet every Friday, 10am – 4pm. Milton Community Center, 1000 Laurel St., Milton, 98354 Bring your lunch, work on your unfinished projects or start a new one, and fun with fellow Crazy Quilters. We generally DO NOT meet the Friday before a major three-day weekend (July 4, Memorial Day, Labor Day) or if the Community Center is closed. We use the little room for our Friday Friends – come sew and have fun with us!

The Week After Christmas by Dessie Nichols

'Twas the week after Christmas and all through the house,
Not a creature was stirring, not even her spouse.
The quilting frame had replaced the tree by the stair, in hopes she'd not be disturbed, as she quilted there.
Outside the flurries of snow from the sky, made not a sound as they floated by.
The needle also made not a sound as through the quilt it slid up and down.
When out from the kitchen there arose such a clatter, she flew out of her chair to see what was the matter!
There in his long johns, stood a sleepy-eyed spouse, grumbling, "Why can't I find something to eat in this house?"
A knock on the door gave them both a fright, who'd be calling at this time of night?
They opened the door, and what a surprise! A very weary-looking Santa stood before their eyes.
"I know its past Christmas, and you think I'm out of my mind, but I'd like one of your quilts, if you'd be so kind."
"You see I'm ashamed, " he said with a pause, "But I forgot a present for Mrs. Santa Claus.
Sir, please help me 'cause you must know how I feel, a woman can make a man feel like a number one heel."
The lady smiled, and turned with a grin, returned with a quilt, and handed it cheerfully to him.
"Here, Dear Santa, is my latest creation. The quilting is good, and the colors quite nice, I want her to enjoy it; there will be no price."
"Thank you and God Bless. I knew quilters were great! Now I must hurry, as the time is quite late."
And they heard him exclaim, as he turned to depart" Only a quilter would have such a big heart."

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

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. For more information at www.barnquiltsWashington.org



March 1-4 Sewing & Stitchery Expo in Puyallup at the Puyallup Fairgrounds

[Sew Expo Information](#) Some classes begin on Feb. 28. Tickets are available at the door, and often, your favorite quilting store has some for sale.

March 16-18 Quilters Anonymous Quilt Guild – The Great American Coverup. Evergreen State Fairground Events Center, Monroe, Wa. Fri-Sat: 10-5; Sun – 10-4; \$8 donation good for all 3 days. More than 500 quilts & items on display. Merchant mall of 25 vendors

Retreats – Janine Walker

Our next retreat will be March 9 - 12. Come and join us for a great time. Get to know your fellow quilters better, and learn from each other. It's amazing the things we know and can share. The food is great, too. And you can get a massage. For only \$42.50 per day you can have 2, 3 or 4 days of fun with the Crazies. If you can only join us for the days and don't spend the night, it's \$25. We'd love to have you. The sign-up sheets will be at the next several meetings, contact Janine 253.941.4958 or janinew13@yahoo.com

2018 Retreat dates are confirmed!!!!

March 9-12

June 22-25

Sept 28-Oct 1

Nov 12-15





Sew You Oughta Know

On Sunday, March 4, from 1-5 pm, there will be a class on a Take It with You Tote. If you were at the January program meeting, you saw the samples. Just to get your creative juices flowing, the things needed are listed here:

Materials needed:

TOTE OUTSIDE:

44 5-inch squares

(or 2 pieces of material 27.5x18.5-inches OR 20 2.5x28-

inch strips)

tote flap: 2 6x6-inch squares

strap: 4 30x2.5-inch strips

TOTE LINING: 2 27.5x18.5-inch pieces of material

fusible fleece: 1 yard; 2 yards if you want a “more upright” bag.

Other options include Soft/Stable, Floriani Stitch & Shape or another layer of fusible

thread to match or contrast

straight pins

marking pen/pencil

scissors

acrylic ruler

iron

turning tool for straps

OPTIONAL:

pockets – 1 piece 15x10-inches (or 2 8x5.5-inches)

1 piece 15-16-inches (or 2 8x8.5-inches)

key fob holder 2.5x8-ish-inch mat'l; jump ring & hook

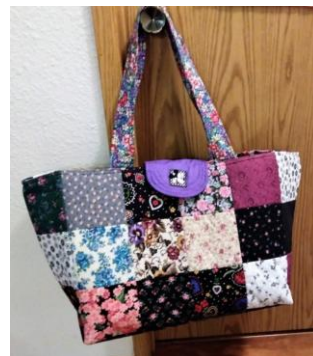
More Options:

walking foot either magnet set or Velcro (3-inches) button/decoration for flap

plastic canvas (2 pieces) or fiberboard to make a “bag bottom” and enough material to make a “holder” for it. It will measure about 9x18” or so finished, so mat'l needs to be 10x37”

Your cost for a fun afternoon of sewing is only \$15.00. (YES, you will need your sewing machine in good working order, you ¼-inch foot and/or your ‘regular’ foot, an extension cord – all the stuff you’d need to go sewing!)

If you are interested, please contact Char Peterson, 206-909-1510 to reserve your space. Pattern is included in the price of the class, and direction to our “sewing fun place” will be given when we are closer to the date.



This is YOUR newsletter. If you have something you'd like to contribute, please email (sameeds@comcast.net) or mail or give it to me at a meeting by the 15th of the month. Thanks! Sharon