

The Kitsap Quilter

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Monica Dixon, PhD

In Search of Our Elusive Muse

Wouldn't it be wonderful to just dream up fabulous quilt designs and wake up the next morning ready to sew? Although that *does* occasionally happen, more often than not we have to work a bit harder than that.

Our muse, or creative inspiration, doesn't just show up at breakfast every morning ready and raring to go. It needs to be fed, nurtured and challenged if you want to move to the next level in your quilting and your life.

We'll discuss the ten essential ingredients for "Creativity Stew" and do some exercises to help hone our skills.

<http://www.monica Dixon.com>

**Meeting begins at 7:00pm
Tuesday, May 27th**

Kitsap Quilters was established to foster & encourage the art of quilting, both in its traditional approach & its contemporary adaptation, to bring together those who love the art form & to share the art form with the community.

Dear Quilters,

Well the sun is finally showing a bit of her stuff. Some of the garden work is starting to pay off and... I still want to sew! It's not that I don't want to be outside, but all those gorgeous projects are calling to me too. I certainly feel blessed to have good choices like these right now. I can forget some of those long gray days. Be sure to take a look at what's on our fabulous website, you can see our upcoming plans, speakers and terrific classes. Take a moment to sign up for one of the classes and while you are at it, invite a friend, perhaps a new quilter, to the next meeting. That's what will make our Guild grow and blossom. This month's speaker, Dr. Monica Dixon, will be speaking on "In Search of Our Elusive Muse". With spring here, this will be a wonderful topic for heading into our great summer of Quilting! See you at the meeting!

Laurie Bevan and Peggy Kent, co-Presidents

TREASURER'S REPORT

Accounting duties were very light in April, just routine transactions. The rent on our storage space was raised \$10 a month. We ended the month with \$18,133 in the bank, of which \$15,000 is in a savings account. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Bonnie Isaacs, Treasurer

KITSAP QUILTER'S GUILD GENERAL MEETING

First Lutheran Church, Poulsbo, WA.

Minutes for April 22, 2008

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER @7:00 by Co presidents Peggy Kent and Laurie Bevan.

- Guests – Becky O'Neill from Bremerton, Cindi Olmstead, Silverdale and Linda Prosser, Poulsbo.
- February & March 2008 minutes were approved.
- Peggy showed the guild the newspaper article featuring Barb Wright and Kitsap Cuddles project.
- Peggy asked for volunteers for Historian, Raffle Quilt chairperson along with, nominees for our nominating committee for the coming year.
- Treasurers Report - Bonnie Isaacs reported, \$ 4,463 from the quilt show, \$ 4,420 Raffle Quilt Sales, Members Boutique dollars earned was \$1700 this year. We changed bank account this year to Bank of America, Wanda received \$50 for the recommendation and donated the money to the guild, we received an addition \$ 70 for changing accounts from the bank and was also added to our account.
- Sharon Walker – has name tags that were previously ordered, prices have gone up to \$8.50 and will increase to
- \$ 9.50, Sharon has previously covered the tax and is asking an additional \$1.50 if you are picking up your tag tonight.
- **Committee reports-**

- QUILT UNIVERSITY - Jannat Davis & CarolAnn Jackson have scheduled 14 demonstrations for the June meeting. We are so fortunate to have so many talented people willing to share their expertise.
 - Kitsap Cuddles –28 quilts were turned in tonight. To date 168 quilts have been donated, plus we have 8 quilt tops ready to quilt for those who are interested.
 - Maggie Magee – next year’s 2009 challenge quilt is music and songs, there will be a card next to the quilt with a title. Size is 48 x 48 any shape. Give Maggie a call or search the web for most any song.
 - Doll Quilts -Sheila Wagner & Carolyn Knivila reported that we have all sizes of stuff animal 1 or 2 ft square sizes are needed, these quilts go to children in crisis’.
 - Library – Cheryl McCurdy reported that we have several new books added to the library, come check out the library.
 - Fabric Exchange -Lillian Asher -for Diane Allen – fat quarter for tonight was children’s fabric, Sherry Loomis was the winner.
 - In House Quilt – Lillian Asher – There will be a work party to organize the blocks **May 6th** at Heirloom Quilts, Poulsbo, 10:30am.
 - Education – Wanda announced for the Judith Baker Montano class – we need you to pay tonight if you have signed up. Carla Alexander, teaching from new book “New Cuts for New Quilts”. Wanda has a sheet for the next year on the back table.
 - Quilt Show – Linda Moran “my chariots are on fire”, “I am fired up about the quilt show”. ***The Quilt Show will be February 20 & 21, 2009.*** Next meeting will be at ***Heirloom Quilts May 8th***, there are several opening for people to take part . ***It’s not too soon to sign up and it’s a great way for new people to get involved.***
 - 2010 – Peggy announced, ***“it is time to step up to design the 2010 raffle quilt”, do we have anyone interested?***
 - Mary Marler – Kitsap Art and Crafts Fair coming up in Bremerton, she has the applications tonight for those who are interested in entering their quilts .
 - Shirley Kinert – Thanked everyone for the great turn out Sunday in honor of Judy Stephenson. Shirley has blocks for those who wish to join in on the memory quilt for Judy.
 - **Show and tell** –Several quilts were shown tonight.
 - Peggy reminded everyone to be sure to visit our tables at the break.
 - Karen Knowlton introduced our guest speaker Barbara Shapel
 - Door Prizes – There were many wonderful prizes handed out this evening.
- Meeting Adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by *Jannat Davis*

FABRIC EXCHANGE


For the month of May, the fat quarter drawing will be Batiks.
The fat quarter should measure 9 x 42 inches or 18 x 22 inches.

Diane Allen

QUILT UNIVERSITY COMING IN JUNE!



PLEASE BRING YOUR BATTING SCRAPS FOR PURDY.

 <p><i>Final Touch Quilting</i></p>	<p>ANN JONES 12833 Central Valley Rd Poulsbo, WA 98370 (360)265-4815</p>
<p><i>Professional Longarm Quilting And Quilting Classes</i></p>	<p>ajones@kpud.org</p>

DOLL QUILTS

Thanks to the generosity of our members, Carolyn Knivila and I were able to wrap **54** stuffed animals in their very own quilts this month. They will go to children in crisis in five different locations, food banks, crisis centers, etc. They are so appreciative of them. Thank you so much, but please keep those little 12 or 24 inch square quilts coming. Maybe you have seen a pattern you would like to try. This is a good opportunity to try just one square to see how it will turn out. Experiment with your leftover scraps or dig into you stash. A big thanks for all you have done in the past.

Sheila Wagner and Carolyn Knivila

2009 CHALLENGE QUILT

Theme: Music

Music is something that is integral in our lives. Choose a song from any source or era--with or without words. Think of the myriad of melodies and lyrics we have to draw from, and inspire us. Make a quilt in any style you like that reflects your song. Your quilt can be traditional, or an art quilt--but most importantly, your own creation using techniques and materials of your choice--piecing, whole cloth, embellishments, painting, stamping, stenciling, etc. The quilt should be constructed in the usual 3 layers. Let your imagination be your guide!

48" x 48"--any shape or size, as long as it fits within this limitation.

Quilts will be presented for voting at our January 2009 guild meeting. Each quilt will be accompanied by a card posted with your title. Your name will not be revealed until the quilt show in February.

Most of all--have a great time creating your quilt!

If you have questions, please contact: *Maggie Magee*, Chairman, 2009 Challenge Quilt
email: mrealart@centurytel.net phone: (360)638-0494

KITSAP CUDDLES

I am so blown away by this group! We collected 29 finished quilts and 8 quilt tops at the last meeting. I have already delivered them and the hospital was thrilled that we are keeping them in supply. The total count since September: 169 quilts have been delivered to Harrison. I'm so motivated and believe we are going to meet the goal of 250 this year.

Thank you so very much to the long-arm quilters that volunteered to quilt the tops that were turned in. The article in the March Silverdale Life Kitsap Sun, with our friend Barbara Wright sewing her heart out at the show, was so helpful in explaining what this program is about and that we depend on donations for supplies to meet our goals for Kitsap County. We have received some generous supplies of batting and fabric from several. You can read the article at <http://www.kitsapsun.com/news/2008/mar/16/quilts-babies-need-cuddle/>

Linda Strathman (360) 598-4564 linda@kochlaw.com

MEMBERSHIP

Please remember that our membership year goes from our September meeting through August of the following year. In a way, you could say that we have zero membership on September 1st of each year.

I create the membership roster and sign-ins from scratch as people sign up and pay their dues to me. Therefore, if your name is not on the roster or the sign-in sheets, you probably have not paid for this year. Of course, it is entirely possible that I have made an error but please check with me. I should have your form and the treasurer should have your name on the list of checks submitted. If we have neither, you haven't paid.

Now that it is May, dues are only \$12.00 (\$6.00 if you are 80 years old or older).

If you believe that you have been omitted by mistake, please call me, my phone number is (206) 780-5712. If you wish to join, download the form from the website and send it to me with your payment at the address on the sheet.

THANK YOU SO MUCH! *Lisa Jowise*

LIBRARY NEWS

The Library gained several new books last month. Thank you to Nancy Martin for donating her newest book, Rolling Along. It was quickly checked out, as were the other new additions.

We hate to keep nagging, but we STILL have several hundred dollars of books overdue from 2005 - 2007. Keeping quilt books this long is very unfair to other Guild members, who have requested these books. The Library budget won't permit us to replace all of these books.

Here are the overdue books:

BORROWER	BOOK TITLE, DATE BORROWED
MELODY ALBERTSON	More Quilts for Baby Easy As ABC, July '05
SHARON BROOM	Machine Applique, Nov '06
SHARON CLAYTOR	Small Wonders, Oct '06
GERLIND JENKNER	Nine Patch, Nov '05 Optical Illusions for Quilters, Nov '05 Thinking Outside the Block, Nov '05
BONNIE ISSACS	Borders & Bindings, May '06 The Magical Effects of Color, May '06 Sweet Dreams, May '06
LESLIE MIRKOVICH	Steps to the Altar (Earlene Fowler novel), Jan '07
JUDY MOORE	Decorating With Theme Quilts, Sep '06 Lickety-Split Quilts, Nov '05 American Quilt Blocks: 50 Patterns for 50 States, Nov '05
RUTH NELSON	The Big Book of Quilting, May '06 Changing Seasons, May '06 Karen K. Stone Quilts, Mar '06 Landscapes and Illusions, Jan '07 Stitching Free, Nov '05
JANET PETERS	Paper Piece a Merry Christmas, Apr '06
JENNIFER PIELOW	The Quilt Maniac's Playbook, Nov '05
CAROL WEBB	Gallery of American Quilts, Apr '07 Quilting Makes the Quilt, Jan '07 Quilts Say It Best, Jan '07

PLEASE LET THE LIBRARIANS KNOW IF THESE BOOKS ARE LOST
via email, phone, or in person.

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IN HOUSE QUILT

At the May meeting there will be 39 packets for members who would like to make a pieced or applique block for the in-house quilt. Members will need to sign for a packet. The finished blocks must be returned no later than the September meeting.

For those who didn't return the packet of donated fabric for the in-house quilt, you can send it to me or bring it to the work party at Heirloom Quilt Shop on May 6th @ 10:30am. Anyone is welcome to come to the work party. Fabric will be

cut, and packets will be organized with lots of laughs and sharing ideas.

If you work weekdays and would like a work party on a Saturday, please let me know and if I have enough interest, I will try and organize one for a Saturday.

The quilt pattern is called "COTTAGE CHARM" found in the August 2007 issue of "American Patchwork & Quilting" magazine.

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GUILD MEMBERS' WORK SPACES

Several years ago we had a program showing about 12 members' quilting workspaces. We can call them "studios," "quilting rooms," or the "dining room" - we are referring to the spaces we have to create our quilts. Being fancy or elegant is not the intent here, it's not about showing the most perfect or beautiful rooms. It's about showing how we have each solved our own problems space needs to continue to be creative in our own homes.

Some of us sew in rooms that are multi-purpose, doubling as guest rooms, bedrooms, computer rooms, etc. Others of us have the luxury of a separate space of our own. Some of us have many interests, like doll-making, or dying fabrics, stamping, or painting, or we have extensive collections of embellishments. Some of us have longarm machines, mid arms, embroidery machines, etc. Of course we have to find space for everything as we add to our "toy" collections.

Anyway, we are planning another program to show some of our individual solutions to these issues. Please do not feel shy about coming forward and telling us about your space and storage solutions, how you work, anything. We also would like the use the opportunity to get to know one another better and how better than to come into our homes.

Please call me with any ideas you have..... Don't be shy --

Terry Loy, phone 360-394-1926 tloyteigla@wavecable.com

An Appeal from Hospice of Kitsap County

I have been approached by Jim Pledger, Director of Hospice for Kitsap County, who is a friend of ours. The brand new 15 bed Hospice in-patient facility, behind Belmont Terrace in Bremerton, is just about to open up any day now. I have taken a tour and it is beautiful. Every bed has a quilt on it, and some of the walls do. They look so nice on the beds and in the family area couches. They were all donated by Sinclair Quilters. He asked me if our guild could make some lap quilts and donate them. Does this sound like a possibility?

Their hope is that every patient who comes through the doors will have a quilt which can be sent home with the family. I volunteer there every Wednesday. Any help you can give would be greatly appreciated.

Thanks, *Julie Burdette*, phone 479-4821, jewl_e48@hotmail.com

Hospice of Kitsap County's Care Center is a new and important option for dying individuals who cannot be cared for at home, providing a level of care that is so important during the last days, weeks, or months of life. At this time when illness is most acute, the Care Center setting allows staff to assist individuals around the clock, controlling pain and other symptoms, while also attending to loved ones' needs for support and information. The Hospice Care Center is quite different from any health care facility. The building has been designed to create a peaceful, homelike feel. Private rooms are large enough to allow family members to stay overnight; kitchen areas are available so that families can prepare food for themselves or their loved ones, if they wish. The Care Center also features a chapel/meditation room, private family counseling areas, and beautiful outdoor areas.

While providing care in the home has always been, and will continue to be, the main focus of Hospice of Kitsap County, we are excited to be able to fulfill such a large need in our community with its first Hospice Care Center. Before now, those who need end-of-life care outside the home setting have limited options. These individuals have intensive needs for emotional and spiritual support, as well as for medical and nursing care; the Hospice Care Center is specifically designed for these purposes.

This Care Center will have an impact on our community's families for generations to come, and we wish to honor this impact by offering each patient and their family the opportunity to select and keep a special quilt from the Hospice Care Center. We estimate needing 200 lap quilts each year to fulfill this special wish.

Would Kitsap Quilters guild like to help furnish the Hospice Care Center with patient lap quilts which the families could keep as a special remembrance for generations to come?

Quilts, like hospice care, wrap us in love and remind us how precious life is.

Thank you for your kind consideration,

Valerie Youngren
Director of Development and Community Relations
Hospice of Kitsap County
(360) 698-4611ph (360) 692-1893fax

Kitsap Quilters Class Schedule

Contact: Wanda Rains 360-620-5720 www.rainydayquilts.com

Mail checks to Wanda @ 22448 NE Jefferson Pt Rd, Kingston, WA 98346

Classes are available to both guild members and non-guild members. All classes are held at the Poulsbo Library from 9:30-4:00 unless otherwise noted. Please bring your lunch or eat out.

Date	Instructor	Title	Cost	Other Information
5/24-26/08	Judith Baker-Montano	Landscape or Seascape Class 3 Days		judithbakermontano.com see 5 day landscape class on website
			110	
7/23/2008	Karla Alexander	To be announced soon		Saginawstreetquilts.com
			40	
9/24-25/08	Susan Cleveland	Piping Hot Binding Piping Hot Curves	40 40	PiecesBeWithYou.com
			40	
11/19-20/08	Reynola Pakusich	Designing with Circles 2 days	70	Reynola@earthlink.net
1/28/2009	Rosemary Eichorn	To be Announced 2 Days	70	Sewjourn.com
3/24-6/09	Velda Newman	Creating Realism 2 3 Days	110	
4/29/2009	Norah McMeeking	To be Announced	40	

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UPCOMING EVENTS ~

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June 18-22, 2008 Wednesday-Saturday 9am to 9pm, Sunday 10am to 5pm

Over 60 shops to visit - Newsletter available in March

For more information, visit <http://www.westernwashingtonquiltshophop.com/>

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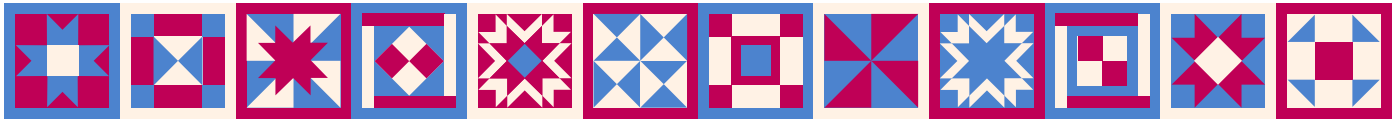
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Pacific Northwest Quiltfest

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In keeping with our mission statement to foster & encourage the art of quilting, both in its traditional approach & its contemporary adaptation, to bring together those who love the art form & to share the art form with the community ...

We welcome advertising that relates to sewing and quilting from our members and from others in the quilting community.

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Mongolian Quilting Center

Once again, our own Maggie Ball has received national attention for her efforts in the quilting community. The current e- newsletter from Quilter's World includes a call to action for "Quilters Without Borders". The group's goal is to raise \$100,000 to purchase a permanent facility for the Mongolian Quilting Center where low-income and unemployed women in Ulaanbaatar can learn quilting skills, make items to sell, and forge new friendships.

To make an individual donation and receive your gift of a handcrafted item made by the women of the New Way Life Mongolian Quilting Center (depending on the level of your contribution), visit Maggie's website, www.dragonflyquilts.com

As they piece together their quilts, they are piecing together a better future for quilters in Mongolia.

Your support will be greatly appreciated.

Newsletter Notice sent to you ...

Unless you've given us instructions to the contrary, we will send you an e-mail when the newsletter is posted on the website so you can view it there. If you would prefer to receive your newsletter by mail, just let us know.

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