



Sound Fabrications

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West Sound Quilters
Wednesday, January 13, 2009

2nd Wednesday

Hosted by our January Birthday Members

6:00 PM

NEW TIME

Come early to sign up for Classes, visit with friends,
and meet new members.

6:30 PM

Welcome to Visitors and New Members
Cheryl Tolbert, "Free Motion Quilting and Photo Quilts"
Business Meeting



Newsletter Deadlines:

Wed, December 9th

Wed, January 20th

Wed, Feb 10th

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We should all be finishing up our Christmas gift projects about now. Just a reminder to take time out for yourself...a cup of tea, visit a friend, watch the weather...and relax.

Remember our January meeting is the second Wednesday (13th) and starts at 6:30. We will re-visit the time change later in the year and see if we want to keep it or go back to 7 PM. If the South Kitsap School District cancels school due to inclement weather on a quilt meeting night we are also canceled.

There are several items that will be taken care of in the coming year...a policy for handling guild money transactions, nominations for the following year's Executive Board, a review of the By Laws and Standing Rules, review of our dues structure, and a budget committee. Also we need Co-Chairs for the 2010 Quilt Show. Think about how you can support the Guild and your quilting friends in one of these endeavors. We are all volunteers and depend on each other.

I would like to thank those members who spoke up at the last meeting to discuss our speakers and classes. If you have an opinion, please e-mail or talk to a member of the Executive Board or discuss it in your mini-groups. Be thinking what classes or speakers you would like to have at a meeting. Contact Robin Butler with your ideas.

I wish you a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year with family and friends.

Becky



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West Sound Quilters Guild Meeting Minutes

Givens Community Center

December 2, 2009

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 PM by **President Becky Evans**. **Becky** recognized & thanked December birthday members for hostessing the meeting. Also thanked were those who helped set up the room & put out the decorations.

Minutes of the previous month's meeting were approved as published in the newsletter. Motion was made by Dixie, seconded by Joyce & passed.

Treasurer's report: **Lynne Kuch** briefly reported on the financial status of the guild after the quilt show. Final bills are not yet in. The report was accepted as presented. Details are available in Lynne's report, or by contacting her.

1st Vice President's Report: **Robin Butler** reported on upcoming workshops & projects. An explanation of the cost of speakers & workshops was presented & suggestions & discussion followed. The subject will be discussed further at future meetings.

2nd Vice President's Report: **Lauran Myers** will be moving the guild's items in storage to a new storage facility in Silverdale. The new units are climate controlled, which will allow all items to be stored there, instead of in various guild members' homes. She is looking for helpers with trucks to help with move on Thursday, December 10. Meet at the current storage unit at 9:30 AM to help with moving.

Membership report: There were 65 members & 2 guests present at the meeting.

Announcements:

There are still "Thanking the Troops" books for sale for \$15 each.

Winter Retreat is now full.

You can sign up for \$10 classes at the back of the room during the break or after the meeting.

President's Workshop (Charm Party Totes) will be held on February 20th.

There were no committee reports.

The **next guild meeting** will be the second Wednesday in **January** (the 13th) & will start at **6:30 PM**.

The "program" (desserts, visiting the boutiques, & chatting with other members) commenced following the business.

Meeting adjourned.

Marscha Irving, Secretary

THE MISSION CREEK MADAMS NEED YOUR HELP!!!

Thanks for your positive response at the last guild meeting to the Mission Creek Women's Prison wish list as presented by Meg Shellenberger on behalf of the Mission Creek Madams and the inmates.

Your donations will be gratefully received at our next guild meeting. The donations will be delivered to the prison only after a lengthy item by item approval by Mission Creek staff. This approval process sometimes takes several weeks.

We don't know what offenses the quilting inmates committed to get themselves into the prison system. And frankly, at this point, it doesn't matter to me as a volunteer. What matters to me now is their interest in quilting. Who knows what miracles quilting might facilitate for these women?

Sharon Demianiw

Below is a list provided in the last newsletter:

1. 4 - Omnigard 6"x24" rulers
2. 4 - Omnigard 18"x24" cutting mats
3. 4 pkgs/5 - 45 mm cutting blades
4. 1 - 12.5" square
5. 120" or so measuring tape
6. 3- Black n Decker irons or something comparable - B & D irons are around \$15 or so.
7. 10 pkgs 90/14 sharp quilting needles

Future Meeting Dates

Write these dates on your calendar to plan in advance to attend our great programs and activities.

- January 13th (2nd Wednesday) **Meeting will begin at 6:30. Social time at 6:00**
- February 3rd
- March 3rd

The Executive Board meetings are held at Stafford Suites. Each mini-group should send their representative.

- January 27th
- February 24th
- March 24th

West Sound Quilters Block of the Month—December, 2009



From July 2009 - May 2010 we will have a Coordinated, Themed, Block of the Month. Our theme this year is Pieced Flowers. We will be making 12" finished blocks from The Quilter's Cache/Marcia Hohn. Go to <http://www.quiltbus.com> to find the patterns.

- * **December:** Rosebud For the block that you bring to the January meeting for the drawing, please use batiks, so that the blocks will go together. Leaf color for the 4 leaves, flower color for the rosebuds and tan or cream for the background. As always, use your own color choices for the one you keep to go into your own quilt.
- * **November:** Starflower (no changes to pattern)
- * **October:** Lazy Daisy (for the block you bring back to the guild meeting use 3 batiks: background light batik, med. & dark batik for daisy petals)
- * **September:** Nosegay (follow the colors suggested on the website for the block you bring back to the guild meeting)
- * **August:** Fancy Flowers (Modified—do not include the center 2" cross in the middle)
- * **July:** Bird of Paradise (use 2 batiks and black for background)

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A Warning to our Members:

Dear fellow sewing enthusiasts,

I received a "renewal notice" for my Threads magazine yesterday. I was surprised to see it because I thought I had at least another year before my subscription expired.

Upon closer inspection of the "renewal notice," I saw that it came from Publishers Billing Exchange, Inc., in La Habra, California. The small print on the back of the "renewal notice" stated that it was an independent magazine clearing-house agent that handled over 600 magazine titles, and had no direct relationship with publishers, which in the case of Threads, is Taunton Press.

Further examination of my "renewal notice" showed that my one year 'renewal' would cost \$36 in installments, for a total of \$72. I checked my latest copy of Threads and saw that the actual subscription cost is \$32.95. (This doesn't even take into account any group discount offers available to ASG members.)

And the final 'catch' to the notice was the statement that orders could not be cancelled after 7 days, or, in the rare event that cancelled orders were accepted, there would be a \$20 processing fee charged for the cancellation.

I guess this incident just proves that we need to be careful of any sort of mail solicitations, even when highly reputable names are supposedly attached to them.

A Concerned Sewer



2009-2010 Quilt Guild Committee Chairs

- 2010 Raffle Quilt...Applique Belles
- 2011 Raffle Quilt...Canal Country Quilters
- Block of the Month...Rita Jackson, Donna Darrell
- Challenge Quilt... Sandy Vandeputte, Donna Haggard
- Community Quilts...Dora Trotter
- Emergency Contact Tree...Marscha Irving
- Guild Meeting Door Prizes...Trulee Reed
- Historian/Photographer...Donna Martin
- Hospitality (Birthday Groups as Hostesses each month)...
- Membership...Bev Unruh, Kathy Haner
- Mini-Groups...Meg Shellenberger
- Newsletter Editor...Syndie Hagardt (interim)
- Newsletter Mailings...Sharon Demianiw
- Programs...Robin Butler
- Raffle Quilt Site Sales...Alyce Abrams, Joyce Palsson
- Raffle Quilt Ticket Sales...
- Shirt Sales...Sandy VandePutte
- Sound Tips...Thelma Moyer
- Spring Retreat...Joyce Lorenzen and Meg Shellenberger
- Sunshine...Marscha Irving
- Web Site...Carolyn Fessler
- Winter Retreat...Elizabeth Richmond, Charol Reidel

Great Uses for Dryer Sheets

1. Clean baked-on food from a cooking pan. Put a sheet in the pan, fill with water, let sit overnight, and sponge clean.
2. Collect cat hair? Rubbing the area with a dryer sheet will magnetically attract all the loose hairs.
3. Deodorize shoes or sneakers. Place a dryer sheet in your shoes/sneakers. They will smell great in the morning.
4. Dissolve soap scum from shower doors. Clean with a used dryer sheet.
5. Eliminate odors in wastebaskets, laundry baskets and hampers. Place a dryer sheet at the bottom.
6. Eliminate static electricity from Venetian blinds. Wipe the blinds with a dryer sheet to prevent dust from resettling.
7. Eliminate static electricity from your television screen. Since dryer sheets are designed to help eliminate static cling, wipe your television screen with a used one to keep dust from resettling. A used one will work better than a new one.
8. If you have static electricity in your sewing room and get zapped now and then, try rubbing your chair with a dryer sheet.
9. Eliminate static cling from pantyhose. Rub a damp, used dryer sheet over the pantyhose.

SOUND TIPS:

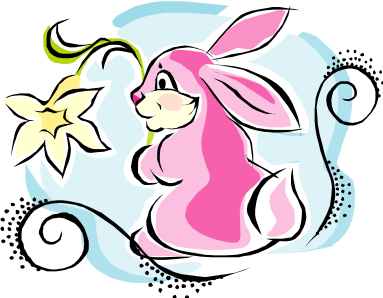
Tips for caring for your Quilts:

The most important thing is to avoid long term contact with acidic surfaces such as plastic and wood. Natural fibers such as cotton, linen or acid free storage paper are the recommended. However, we tend to forget this information when we are storing quilts other than antiques. So below are some precautions to take for everyday.

1. Keep them out of direct sunlight (thread and fabric also. Fabric stored on open shelves should be refolded occasionally as some fabrics fade very quickly, especially blue). Florescent lights can be just as bad.
2. Store surrounded by natural fibers. Wrap the rods on the quilt frame with matching cotton strips. Cotton pillow case for folded.
3. Laying them flat and layered on an extra bed is good.
4. Never use a plastic bag. This also goes for long term fabric and block storage but none of us have any of that! The bag gives off a gas that slowly destroys the fabric.
5. It is a good idea to rest folded quilts. If you do not have an extra bed to lay them out on, put them on your bed when you will be gone a few days (It straightens out and relaxes the folds) and then refold in a different place. You only have to move the fold lines a little to avoid permanent folds. It's just natural to fold in the middle a hard to break the habit.
6. Avoid washing a quilt if possible. Sometimes all you need to do is run it through your dryer on no heat to take out the dust. A damp towel will also freshen at the same time. A wall hanging with a lot of embellishments can be vacuumed on low with a piece of netting or screen over the end of the hose.
7. If you want to use a quilt that is of heirloom quality and want to keep it in good condition, you could use a trick from the past. Before washers and dryers, women used to baste a strip of muslin onto the top of the quilt that could come off and be washed often. This worked well as the part that is near the face and underarms was the only part to really get dirty. Instead of muslin, you could use something to match your quilt and no one would be the wiser. This could also apply to a quilt that is directional. The top will always get the most wear so why not put an additional layer of the binding fabric over the binding by hand. When it wears out, take it off and your binding is still untouched. It would extend the life of the quilt. Just a thought.

Remember the cost and time you spent on your quilt, a little time to take care of it is time well spent.

The Tipster



**WSQ Spring Retreat
March 12-14, 2010**

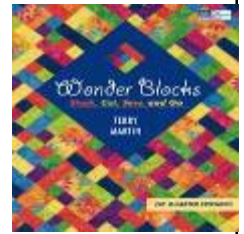
Reserve your space NOW.... Registration Form is available on the web site at www.westsoundquilters.org

Join other members of the guild for a relaxing three-day retreat at Seabeck. We would love to see you there. Contact Joyce Lorenzen, 360-373-6968, or Meg Shellenberger, 360-876-4564, for additional information.

\$149.00 Double occupancy if two beds are in a room or if the room has one bed only.
\$189.00 Single occupancy if there are two beds in a room and occupied by one person only.

2008-2009 GUILD PROGRAMS AND WORKSHOPS
Lot of fun events!

- Jan 13, 2010 **Bingo!! CANCELLED**
- Jan 13, 2010 **Cheryl Tolbert, "Free Motion Quilting and Photo quilts"** Cheryl was a member of one of the original seven chapters for the American Sewing Guild, and was the Education Editor of "Sew it Seams" Magazine. She was also Regional Home Economist for Hancock Fabrics for twenty years. In this position, she wrote directions for over 400 garment, accessory, craft, décor, and quilt projects. She now specializes in small art quilts and wearable's. Cheryl does all her own quilting on her regular home sewing machine, even queen size!
- Jan 13, 2010 **Workshop, Cheryl Tolbert- McKenna Ryan** appliqué in the morning and free-motion quilting after lunch. Cost \$32, At Masonic Temple. **Supply List on webpage.** Must have McKenna Ryan pattern of your choice and fabrics.
- Feb 3, 2010 **Terry Martin, "Thought Process of Techniques"** Author and lecturer.
- Feb 6, 2010 **Workshop** with Terry Martin from the book "Wonder Blocks". You will need to have the book for the workshop. All participants will get a new pattern from Terry. Cost \$20. **Supply List on webpage.**
- Feb 20, 2010 **President's workshop, "Charm Party Tote"** will be held at a time and place to be determined.
- Mar 3, 2010 **Janet Fogg, "Journey of a Quilt Artist"**. Some of her awards are 2006 MQS 1st Place, 2006 APNQ Best of Show, 2007 Houston Quilt Festival 1st Place Innovative and Viewer's Choice. janetfoggquilts.home.comcast.net
- March 12-14, 2010 **WSQ Spring Retreat, Seabeck Conference Center, Seabeck, WA.** You won't want to miss this one, so reserve these dates. **See Registration Form at www.westsoundquilters.org**
- Apr 7, 2010 **Cathy Wieszicki, Author of "Garden Gathering"** and around 15 patterns.
- Apr 8, 2010 **Workshop, Diamond Dust.** Masonic Lodge, \$35
- May 5, 2010 **Delaine Gately, "Hugs From the Past"**. Our own Delaine will share with us information on antique quilts, the care of, and the women who made them.



I surely hope you all appreciate the talented people who share our love of this art form. Any suggestions, call Robin Butler at 253-858-8157 or email: thequiltress@hotmail.com For workshop supply lists/events info: www.westsoundquilters.org

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY

We would like to wish all of the following people a very happy birthday during the month of January. Please arrive between 6:00-6:15 on our meeting night to be our meeting Hostesses. Thanks to all of you and Happy Birthday.



ABRAMS	Alyce	Jan-05	KUCH	Lynne	Jan-24
HUDSPETH	Irene	Jan-06	STONE	Berta	Jan-25
HUBERT	Diane	Jan-12	BOUCHARD	Carol	Jan-26
MOYER	Thelma	Jan-13	RANDALL	Dolly	Jan-27
HOLT	Marilyn	Jan-16	RHEINSCHMIDT	Evelyn	Jan-28
BUSEK	Betty	Jan-18	WHALEN	Mary	Jan-29
JOHNSON	Toni	Jan-19	WIGGENS	Dora	Jan-30