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Next Guild Meeting:

Tuesday, October 18th - 7:00 p.m.

Where:

Point of Grace Lutheran Church

Program:

“Three Quick Christmas” gifts

Refreshments:

Rhonda Eija & Anay Liias

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Girls Just Want to Have Fun!!!

President's Message

Wow – what an inspiring presentation by our very own Dawn Rieck! I heard so many of you say that you'd be trying some of her techniques. We are such a talented group. I'm so glad that we can share our creativity and inspiration with each other. Thank you so much, Dawn, for a great demonstration.

Our October program will be “Three Quick Christmas” gifts so come prepared to see some easy gifts and decorations you can use through the holidays. I'm thinking of giving some easy to make things in holiday fabric at Thanksgiving for use through Christmas – pillowcases, napkins – that sort of thing. We'll have some thoughts for you, and hope you, too, have some ideas!

It sure seems that our very short summer is now truly autumn. We're not big Halloween celebrators at our house, but do have some adorable Halloween “cat” decorations when I pulled out today. Fun to reminisce about when and where we got them, and in some cases, in which year I made them!!! My very own Halloween “decoration cats”, Buddy and Calli made their first trip (with me) to the vet. They succeeded in convincing me that it is in my own best interest to never have to return there . . . it was quite a thrilling experience. One that I'll try to avoid at all cost!

Thank you to those who volunteered to serve on the Nominating and Budget committees. Lisa Akin will be looking for Audit committee members in October, as well! So don't worry – there's still time to raise your hand! And, of course, keep thinking about next year's opportunities, on the board and also on the valuable and necessary committees the guild has. (I will do a lot more thanking later☺.) And, a very gracious thanks you to Joyce Trees who volunteered her home for our Christmas Party!

Oh, one thing – we've just about “broken even” on the sale of our “Life is Uncertain, Eat Dessert First” recipe books! Yeah! Everything now is pure profit. In fact, if we each take 3 or 4 more – I can vouch for the fact that they make great Christmas gifts, wedding gifts, birthday and Mom's Day gifts – we will have just about “gifted” them all. So, come ready to take the last few and save yourself some holiday shopping, too!

Will see you all next week – if I've forgotten anything, I'll remember by then! Best, Sydney

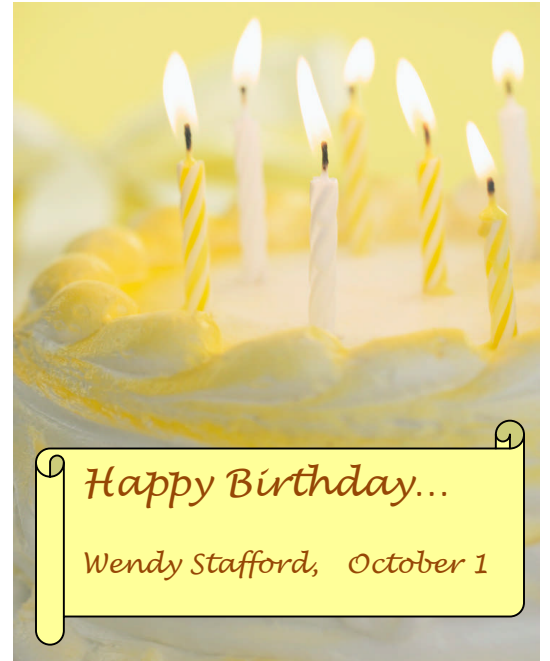
Comfort Quilt Committee

Last fall we had a "COMFORT QUILT SHOP-A-THON", for the first time, and you all loved being able to pick out just the fabric you wanted. Remember, all this charity fabric is FREE to you. The committee brought several bins of charity fabric to the guild meeting, and you made your selections. The committee will be busy over the next month organizing the fabric and we will be bringing it to our November guild meeting, where you may select just what you would like for your Comfort Quilts.

We all seem to love making quilts for the foster care "Grads" and also for "Seniors" who receive Meals on Wheels, but you may remember we were looking into a place for our younger children's quilts. Rhonda and I visited Safe Place just before our September guild meeting, they take in children from infants to 12 years. Safe Place is a short term shelter for children who are in a crisis situation. When a social worker or the police pick up a child who is in crisis Safe Place will offer them a temporary place to stay. Many of these children are quite traumatized. Safe Place will provide them with a home like environment while the right place is found for them. Rhonda and I were quite pleased to see how much interest our guild members had in learning more about Safe Place, and pleased that 6 guild members volunteered to attend an informational meeting with us on November 2nd.

Mark your calendar, as we will be having a Sew-In on Friday, November 18th at the Mukilteo Library from 10:00 am until 3:00 pm. I hope to see many of you there.

Happy Quilting,
Carol



Happy Birthday...

Wendy Stafford, October 1

Challenge Withdrawn

What a difference a month can make. We are so sorry, but the challenge we threw down last month – for the Challenge Group(s) to make a 2012 grad quilt, needs to be withdrawn. Since then, our challenge group has made the decision to disband, due to moves, family illnesses and other conflicts. So, we've had to table the Grad Quilt Challenge. Thank you for your consideration in doing this...and if your group decides to go ahead with the endeavor, we thank you and look forward to seeing your project.

Vicki, Connie, Aimee, Mary and Marian.

Upcoming Quilting Events

MQX WEST
October 11-15th

Oregon Convention Center
777 NE Martin Luther King Blvd.
Portland, OR 97232

MQX is the only Machine Quilting
Convention on the West Coast.

<http://www.mqxshow.com/MQX/West/Home/index.cfm>



October 5 – December 30, 2011.....AWE: Award Winning Entries... An exhibit of the outstanding quilts that were juried and judged to be the best of the 2011 Quilt Festival. In addition to Best of Show, we will have the top entries in Traditional Pieced, Appliqué and Mixed, Non-Traditional Pieced, Appliqué and Mixed, Wearable Arts and our special Eco-Green Categories. This exhibit is your opportunity to really study the works of top quilters.

October 5 – December 31, 2011.....A QUILTED GARDEN – Exhibit by Ann Fahl. Ann Fahl is a prize winning quilter and author from Racine, WI. Her new book about her cat is “*A Black and White Tale*.” “*Dancing with Thread*” is about free-motion quilting in a free-spirited style. Her first book and DVD, “*Coloring with Thread*” covers every aspect of machine embroidery and use of decorative thread.

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SEW-IN

Friday, November 18th

Mukilteo Library from 10:00 am until 3:00 pm.



September 28 – December 31, 2011... TOGETHER. A collaborative project between pairs of Canadian artists – one working in fibre and the other in their chosen media. This exhibition has brought together a group of textile, quilt, and fibre artists working in a wide range of styles and paired them with painters, woodworkers, mixed media artists, potters, and glass artists. Each pairing of artists chose their own theme and their themes are as diverse as their media.



REMINDER – Cookbooks are still available – 2 for \$18. Contact Sydney or Tracey, or bring your money to the next Guild meeting.

Our Meetings

Where: Pointe of Grace Lutheran Church
5425 Harbour Pointe Boulevard, Mukilteo
When: Third Tuesday of Each Month
7-9:00 p.m.

Our evening includes a short business meeting, program, and show and tell. Guests are welcome!

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