



Mukilteo Lighthouse Quilters

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Next Guild Meeting:

Tuesday, September 20th - 7:00 pm

Where: Point of Grace Lutheran
Church, 5425 Harbour Pointe
Boulevard, Mukilteo

Program: Small Art Quilts

Refreshments: Barbara Burke &
Sue Utt

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Girls Just Want to Have Fun!!!

President's Message

I just returned from a most amazing vacation and can't wait to share some of the stories and events with you all - We were on a cruise leaving from Rome to Sorrento, Patmos (Greece), Kusadashi, Turkey, Israel - Haifa one day and Jerusalem and Bethlehem the second day, Egypt, also two stops - Cairo and Alexandria, Santorini and back to Athens. The political climate was a little concerning to us, but we were ultimately safe and secure. The weeks flew by and even though we had some challenges, it was absolutely extraordinary! Let me know if you'd like to hear more! :)

And, we left right after the Annual MLQ Picnic - wow, what fun! The weather was perfect, Lisa's garden and home were gorgeous, the food - wonderful, and we each got to pick a cloth napkin - to use, but mostly to cherish. What a fun idea - Many, many thanks to the committee: Diane C., Romona, and of course Lisa M. What a special evening of friends and fun, oh, and "Show and Tell", too!

Our year is winding down and there are a few things the Board would like you all to consider. First, we do have our programs through the rest of 2011, but would like to have something for next year, too. If you have a special technique, have gone to a great seminar or class, or have a favorite topic you'd like to share, please let one of us know! We'd also like you to think about adding to the board, maybe not officially, but in a volunteer fashion. For instance, we have only three board members representing over 40 of us . . . If we each volunteer to attend a board meeting (either before or after our regular meeting) once during the year, we feel that the board would be a lot more in tune with what the membership wants. Think about it! We'll discuss at our meeting. September is will also be our meeting for forming a Nominating Committee for presentation of our slate of officers in November, with voting to occur in January. Think about the opportunity here to give back to our guild. I think the time commitment is relatively small especially considering the feeling of pride at being involved with such a great group of women. The requirements, per our new By Laws (Feb. 2011) are minimal, so toss the idea around in your head and consider running for the board.

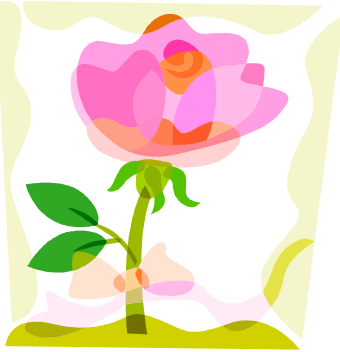
Last, we have our very own extremely talented Dawn Rieck giving the September presentation - don't miss it. She is presenting her Small Art Quilts, techniques, thoughts, and I think a bit of a trunk show, as well. I do hope to see you all this month!

As always, Sydney

Things They Don't Tell You When You Volunteer...



Proving once again that many hands make the task lighter Alice (and a friend) pack up poles/hangers long after the Quilt & Garden Show was over.



A CHALLENGE FOR CHALLENGE GROUPS

OUR GROUP HAS DECIDED TO CHALLENGE OURSELVES TO MAKE A GROUP GRAD QUILT AND WE WOULD LIKE TO INVITE OTHER GROUPS TO JOIN US IN THIS ENDEAVOR. IF YOU'RE NOT INVOLVED IN A CHALLENGE GROUP, PERHAPS THIS WOULD BE AN OPPORTUNE TIME TO FORM ONE WITH 5 OR 6 OTHER MEMBERS.

AS A GROUP YOU COULD DECIDE HOW YOU'D WANT TO SET UP AND PROCEED WITH THIS CHALLENGE BUT AS AN EXAMPLE, OUR GROUP IS GOING TO MAKE A ROW QUILT. EACH OF US ARE GOING TO MAKE A ROW OF PREDETERMINED SIZE AND THEME. THEN WE'LL DIVIDE AND SHARE THE FINISHING JOBS AND PUT THE ROWS TOGETHER WITH SASHING, BORDERS, QUILTING AND BINDING. ANOTHER FUN IDEA WOULD BE A ROUND ROBIN.

WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO DOING THIS CHALLENGE. WE THINK IT WILL BE FUN... AND THE END RESULT WILL BE A QUILT FOR A GRADUATE IN THE FOSTER PROGRAM. IT SOUNDS LIKE A WIN/WIN SITUATION.

VICKI, CONNIE, MARY, AIMEE, MARION AND LESLIE





Upcoming Quilting Events

MLQ FALL QUILTING RETREAT

Where: Crazy Quilt Shop - in Roslyn

When: Thursday, October 27th - Sunday, October 30th

Cost: Total with tax for 3-night stay - \$243

Great Quilting Facility, Great Town, and Great Fresh Mountain Air

We have five spaces left (maximum 10). If you've never been on a quilting retreat, think about joining us. Bring a friend. The retreat is also open to non-members. A retreat is the ideal time to get some serious (or not so serious) sewing done and get to know other guild members, too.

If you're interested, please call Nancy at Crazy Quilt Shop to make your reservation - (509) 649-3777 Also, once you've made your reservation, please call or email Susan Palmer - (360) 629-0551, susan@blueorchidquilting.com

MQX WEST

October 11-15th

Oregon Convention Center, 777 NE Martin Luther King Boulevard, Portland, OR 97232. MQX is the only Machine Quilting Convention on the West Coast.

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

MGQT 2011 Slideshow CD

Available for sale at the Sept MLQ meeting - \$10

2011 Quilt Festival

September 30 – October 2, 2011

La Connor Quilt & Textile Museum

<http://www.laconnerquilts.com/quilt-fest>

WA State Quilters

Spokane's 33rd Annual Quilt Show

Puttin' On the Glitz with Pam Mostek, October 14th-

16th, 2011 Spokane Co Fair & Expo Center

www.WSQuilts.org



A Lifetime of Quilts: Remembering Elaine Colvin A Quilt Artist, Elaine lost her struggle with cancer in December of 2010 but her legacy as an award winning quilter and long-arm machine quilter lives on in the works she has created. **Thru September 25, 2011.**

Camilla Watson

Camilla is an award winning textile artist who has exhibited in New Zealand, where she lives, and internationally. She is well known for her innovative appliqué, both hand and machine, her photo collages and art quilts. **Elemental Art Quilts, Thurs, Sept 29 & Vines 'n More: Hand Appliqué, Fri, Sept 30**

Mixed Greens: Saving the Earth One Quilt at a Time

A collection of quilts and fiber art, featuring the works of the Pacific Northwest African American Quilters – inspiring viewers with the guild's signature artistic creativity and sustainable earth, global footprint message. "Mixed Greens" is a celebratory project exhibition, offering a diverse perspective of regional and local Northwest efforts to re-use, re-purpose, and recycle, while continuing to honor "America's favorite pastime." **Thru October 2, 2011.**



A Quilted Garden

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. **October 5 - December 31, 2011**

<http://www.laconnerquilts.com/>



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 pm

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

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