



September, 2026

Next Meeting: September 22, 2026 6 pm

**North Point Church
1779 NE Hostmark St , Poulsbo**

Presidents' Message—Suzi Gaskins

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As we begin a new year, I thought we'd take a moment and reflect on the past and the people who have come before us who make our hobby possible and more enjoyable. I was an historian in my professional life, and like being a quilter, it stays in your blood. As quilters and sewists our sewing machines become part of our lifeblood, too. Many of you own a beloved Singer Featherweight (I'm a bit envious) or have used a Singer model of some sort. But what do you know about the man behind the famous company, Isaac Merritt Singer?

Sewing machines had been around for a while, but Singer improved the design, creating a functional, practical, and reliable machine for home use in 1850, which sewed 900 stitches per minute; a trained seamstress could manage 40 stitches/minute. Until his late 30s, Singer had worked with traveling acting troupes and was, frankly, failing at it. But he was also an inventor and had some skill as a machinist. Asked to repair a sewing machine, he redesigned it instead and launched the legendary company.

However, the machines were heavy and very expensive; in 1856 a Singer cost \$125, but the average household income was about \$500. He and his partner came up with a payment plan: \$5 down and



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Guild Contacts

President: Susi Gaskins

Vice President: Rachael Schweizer

Treasurer: Claire Grantham

Treasurer Elect: Domonique Stuck

Secretary: Jen Rudinsky

2027 Quilt Show Chair: Gail Mann

Newsletter Editor: Marj Deupree

Past President: Katherine Holtgraves

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

August 2026 Kitsap Quilters Guild Minutes—Mary Jo Brisbon

There was no meeting due to the Ice Cream Social.

President's Message Continued

monthly payments of \$3 to \$5. With that innovation sales tripled. He also copied Samuel Colt in manufacturing devices out of interchangeable parts on an assembly line, something still new at that time. Singer increased production and cut costs, allowing him to reduce the price of the machines while still swelling company profits. He also created exclusive showrooms staffed by singer employees who offered excellent customer service and classes. International sales came next and by 1900 the Singer Manufacturing Co. held 80% of global sewing machine sales.

Singer became a household name and a very wealthy man, but by 1863, scandal forced Singer to flee to Europe (with one of his mistresses) and his partner forced him out of direct management. Don't worry, he still held 40% of the company stock and remained on the board of directors. And what was so scandalous? He was a flagrant bigamist. He'd fathered 20 children with four different women. He was legally married to only one of them. He secretly maintained separate households for his four "families" in NYC. When his longtime mistress confronted him with his infidelity, he nearly beat her to death. After fleeing, he married again at the age of 50 to a 19-year-old French woman with whom he had six more children. Altogether he fathered 26 children with 5 different women. He died in 1875 at age 63 (probably of exhaustion!) on his estate in England leaving a fortune of \$13 million. And there is so much more to the story... So the next time you look at a Singer machine, or use yours, give a passing thought to Isaac.

Boutique—Maryjane Efstathiou and Becky Holt

Do you have a large stash of fabrics and various sundries and don't know where to start with bagging and tagging for the Boutique sale at the Quilt Show in February? Are you a bit overwhelmed or unable to get to it? Let us help!

Maryjane and Becky are offering four specific days to help you prepare. They will come to your home and help you tag, bag, and box your items. All you need to do is have your items accessible in a common area of your home and be ready to make quick pricing decisions with their assistance.

- Service Areas: Poulsbo, Kingston, Bainbridge Island, Silverdale, and Bremerton.
- Dates Offered: October 16 or 19, and November 10 or 13.
- Hours: 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM.
- Contact: Please reach out to Maryjane or Becky if you are interested.

Spots are filled on a first-come, first-served basis!

Fellow Quilters, I am running short of prizes for the Bucket Raffle in next year's (2027) Quilt Show. If you have anything that you think would be a good prize please contact me. The same goes for duplicate tools. I was thinking maybe I could make up a Tool Basket Prize. Thank you, Leslie Stapleton,

Tools and Gadgets—Joyce Conbere

AccuQuilt: Tame Your Mount Scrapmore!

Is **Mount Scrapmore** taking over your sewing space? Have we got a tool for that!

The **AccuQuilt cutter system** is fast, accurate, and can make cutting fabric easier—and a whole lot more fun. There are several upcoming opportunities to learn how to put this handy tool to work.

Come discover:



Which dies are available and what you can create with them.

Patterns that use AccuQuilt dies to help get those creative ideas flowing.

Ways to turn your Mount Scrapmore into usable quilts for yourself, your family, and the guild's charitable projects.

Hands-on opportunities to use the cutter during 3rd Saturday workshops, special events, and retreats.

Come Play with the Dies!

At our upcoming **3rd Saturday on September 19th**, 10:00am and 2:00pm, the Tools and Gadget Committee will have **all of our AccuQuilt dies out and ready for you to see and try**.

Sign up for a time slot if you'd like some hands-on time with the cutter -Bring fabric!, or simply stop by, take a peek, and ask questions. Email: for a time slot.

Who knows? You may discover that the AccuQuilt is just the tool you didn't know your quilting toolbox was missing!

Membership—Chris Miller

Our membership renewals are coming along nicely. A big shout out to Claire Grantham for assisting with debit/credit payments. Many members have indicated how much they appreciate this. As of today (9/4) we currently have 80 paid memberships for the 26-27 year. We have 3 new members and 1 rejoin. As a reminder, I will be set up at the September meeting by 5 pm for those of you who wish to pay. We have membership cards if you want one. They will be available at the September meeting.

SEPTEMBER SIGN UPS - FALL RETREAT 2026 - NOVEMBER 11th - 15th

WHERE: Seabeck Conference Center in Seabeck. Seabeck@seabeck.org

PLANNERS: Val Martinson, Donna Gearn, Norma Tipton, Barb Ramey, Margy Falin

DATES: Nov. 11th through Nov. 15th (Wednesday, 10:30 a.m. through Sunday, 1:00)

SIGN-UPS: Sept 22 at the guild meeting in the lobby starting at 4:30. Please renew 2026-2027 membership with Chris Miller, membership chair.

FULL TIME AND PART TIME ATTENDEES: PINES (newer building, 2nd floor with street level entry). The PINES has 18 beds - four single rooms, four double-person rooms and two three-person rooms and bathroom in each room. The ANNEX in the Historic Inn has 12 single rooms that include stairs and a two-person handicap room on the main floor room #100 with private bath. Towels, bedding, meals included. The two large bathrooms are at the end of the hall. **To meet the Seabeck retreat contract, we need at least 14 full-time attendees to sign up in the Pines building.**

SEWING AREAS: The large MEETING HOUSE (building next to the Pines complex) or the much smaller area on LEVEL 2 in the PINES BUILDING with 12 to 14 sewing spaces. Each person has their own sewing table.

COSTS FOR RETREAT: The prices reflect the Washington State Department of Revenue sales and lodging tax of 10.2%.

***FULL TIME:** Wednesday 10:30 a.m. through Sunday 1:00 p.m., 4 nights, 5 days. Full time includes 13 meals served buffet style. Lunch included first day of arrival through lunch Sunday.

PINES - \$586

ANNEX - \$453

***PART TIME:** Any two consecutive nights, three days. Part time includes 7 meals buffet style. Lunch included the first day of arrival through lunch, the day of departure.

PINES - \$385

ANNEX - \$290

***DAY USE PEOPLE:** No overnight stay. Meals are optional. Choose your day/days.

\$11/day plus a one-time \$10 table fee, plus optional meal costs:

Breakfast: \$11/day

Lunch; \$13.50/day

Dinner; \$15.50/day

***ADDITIONAL INFO:**

A supply list and reminders will be provided at the Sept. meeting and the Oct. newsletter.

Seabeck can accommodate dietary restrictions. Fill out the dietary form at signups.

Please be prepared to pay by check when you sign up. If you are unable to be at the Sept meeting, please ask a friend to sign you up or contact Val Martinson or Donna Gearn

Seabeck@seabeck.org has directions and the layout of the conference grounds, buildings and rooms. Please join us at fall retreat for a stress-free sewing vacation mixing with other guild members, laughing, sharing and working on any projects you wish to bring to retreat.

Fall 2026 Kitsap Quilters Registration Form November 11-15 (Wednesday to Sunday)

Name: _____

E-Mail Address & Phone Number: _____

Emergency Contact & phone number _____

Please circle your attendance choice

Full Time Pines: \$586 Full Time: Annex \$453

Part Time Pines: \$385 Part Time: Annex \$290 Which consecutive days?

Day Use: See chart below

Day Use-write dollar amounts in the columns

Day Use Only	Breakfast (\$11)	Lunch (\$13.50)	Dinner (\$15.50)	Subtotal
Wednesday	N/A			
Thursday				
Friday				
Saturday				
Sunday			N/A	
Meals Subtotals				
			Table Fee	\$10.00
			Day Use number of days X \$11.00	
			Grand Total	

Sewing Preference: Meeting House: Main floor Upstairs Pines Upstairs

Special Diet for meals: Vegetarian Vegan Non-Celiac Gluten Free Dairy Free

(Retreat Chairperson Use Only)

Room Assignment: Full Time Pines: _____ Full Time Annex _____

Part Time Pines: _____ Part Time Annex _____

Amount Received _____ Check _____ Cash _____

Membership Current 2026-2027 Y N

Stitches in Time—Nancy Parrott

Every retired person I know says time definitely goes faster with every passing year, and they have less and less time during the day to accomplish tasks. As quilters, the unfortunate thing about this is we have less time to finish those UFOs. The good thing about this phenomenon (for me) is fall comes around sooner than expected. Fall is my favorite season.

The seasonal change also brings with it a change in leadership of the guild and the excitement of what is in store. September will see our newly elected president, **Susi Gaskins**, take possession of the ceremonial rotary cutter from **Katherine Holtgraves**, our retiring president. Many of us are already familiar with Susi through the many volunteer activities she has done for the guild.... and for the challenging game of trivia she devised for the August Ice Cream Social! But we still want to know more. The questions below give Susi the opportunity to officially introduce herself to the guild. Hopefully, you will discover something new and intriguing about her.

“You have volunteered for and been elected to the presidency after a relatively short time in the guild. How long have you been a member and what inspired you to take on this very important position?”

“I joined the guild in Fall 2019 and helped with the February 2020 Quilt Show. Then COVID hit and I did nothing with the guild for several years. I started going to meetings regularly about three years ago. I enjoyed my time with the guild and as secretary. The simple answer is that I accepted the VP post because Katherine asked me and after serving as secretary, it seemed the next step.”

As vice president you have already spearheaded successful food drives for both Fishline and the Kitsap Humane Society. Do you have a special focus for your tenure as president or are you letting it unfold and lead you down new and surprising paths?

“I certainly want to continue the food drive and pet drive next year and put a greater emphasis on our charity work. As a guild we have so much to contribute and we are a generous bunch. I hope to keep things running smoothly and I’d like to see how things unfold. I’d like members to come to me with ideas and see what we can do with them. In addition, serendipity can be a lovely thing.”

You were part of the 2026 Raffle Quilt committee which produced the unique bookcase quilt revealed at the July meeting. In what other ways have you participated in and served the guild during your membership?

“I started off working at the quilt shows and then joined Lynn Thornton on the Scholarship Committee. I’ve sold raffle tickets in the bitter cold at T&C and at other locations. In 2024 I took over as secretary and last year I joined Luisana setting up/hanging for the quilt show. I’ve attended some workshops, retreats, and a Third Saturday workshop. I joined the UFO group and put a dent in my backlog of projects. This year I helped host the holiday party and the summer social. I try to lend a hand where it is needed.”

Do you come from a quilting or crafty background? What originally brought you to the quilting world? Why and when did you make your first quilt?

“I did not come from a quilting or crafting background. I did a bit of embroidery and cross stitch as a young woman. Quilting always seemed the pinnacle of crafting/sewing so I took a class when my son was a toddler (2000). I had a quilt shop close to the house and decided to take a class. I had a lovely teacher and enjoyed seeing how quilt patterns emerged into a final product. After I went back to work, my quilting time shrank considerably. But that didn’t mean that I wasn’t actively building my stash – one of my best talents as a quilter!”

Stitches in Time—Continued

Do you categorize yourself as a certain type of quilter or are you still exploring all the options that quilting has to offer? What is your favorite quilt you have made so far! Pictures?

“I definitely lean toward a more modern feel even if I have chosen a more traditional pattern. I’ve recently gained more confidence with curved piecing and have explored paper piecing which speaks to my precise German soul. I am very much still exploring – so many options so little time! Over the past year I used the Blue Onion pattern to make a quilt, which will be in the next quilt show. I’m surprisingly bad at taking photos of my quilts. And I do LOVE my batiks

Do you have a certain pattern or technique that is currently on your ‘must do’ list? If so, what was the attraction?

“I have always admired art quilts, especially landscapes. It amazes me what can be done with fabric and thread work. Improv seems to be calling my name. I’d like to try more applique quilts but I find these especially daunting. And there is a more paper-piecing in my future.”

We are all looking for ways to live our best lives. Do you have any words of wisdom that guide you day by day you could share with us?

“I’m probably the last person who should be imparting life wisdom to others. But in terms of quilting, I would say perfection is the enemy of good. Relax and enjoy the process; learn something along the way. That is what is important.

Thank you, Susi, for sharing your journey.

2027 Challenge Quilt—Maryjane Efstathiou and Becky Holt

QUILT YOUR STORY

Criteria:

- Quilt Your Story: Make blocks that represent things in your life that tell your story (e.g., books, animals, quilting, travel).
- Finished blocks can be up to 8.5” wide.
- Your top block should have a sleeve to hold a ¼” dowel (preferred hanging method).
- The length of the finished “story” can be no longer than 48” (measured from the dowel to the bottom of the last block).
- Your story must be completed by the January 25, 2027 meeting, where guild member voting will take place.
- Please show your commitment to this project by signing up at the July Guild meeting.
- Questions? Email .

New Board Meeting Times Starting in September

Several of the new board members are employed full-time and cannot attend morning board meetings. As a result, we are changing our meeting time to 4:30 pm on the Thursday prior to the general meeting. Board meetings take place via Zoom. To join us, go to “Zoom Events” on the members’ page and use the Thursday link. Everyone is welcome to attend board meetings. Our first meeting of the year will be on 17 September 2026.

2026 Library Challenge—Karen McCutchen

In the tradition of our first two library challenges, the 2026 challenge is also designed to get our members exploring and using the books in our library.

Challenge - Quilter's Choice: Learn or Try Something New: Use any book from our library to learn a new skill or try something new.

Are you a traditional quilter who would like to try something modern? Are you afraid of paper piecing? Are you feeling guilty about the precuts you have in your fabric stash? Have you always wanted to try applique? Never made a quilt by Eleanor Burns? This year's library challenge is the perfect opportunity to check out a book from our library and learn or try something new. With over 280 books in our library, there is something for every quilter.

Want to team up with a partner or a team to learn something new? Feel free to make this a group experience!

Size - the quilts can be any size and don't even have to be a whole quilt! Or even a quilt!

Timeline - we will show the quilts/quilt tops at the November 2026 meeting, giving us plenty of time to get a top, an entire quilt or an item from the "other" section of the library completed. At the meeting we'll each share what book we used, what we learned or tried, and reveal our quilts (or???).

Are you in? I hope you will choose to make your own quilting challenge. Ready, set, go!!!

Questions? Please contact Karen McCutchen at

The 2027 Quilt Show Volunteer Sign Up

The online **Sign-up Genius link** for volunteers at the quilt show is now on the Member's page and Facebook page. Early sign up will allow you to get the volunteer spots you desire. Unable to sign up online? No worries. We will coordinate with sign-up sheets at the guild meetings starting in September.

For those who prefer to sit down for their volunteer hours, there are sign ups for spots at the Front Entry, Membership Booth, Door Security, Raffle Quilt tickets or the Bucket Raffle.

3rd Saturday Workshop—Audrey Fitzgerald

Barb Peterson will be leading the **19 September** workshop. She has a great car trash receptacle pattern to share that can hang from your gear shift or over a head rest all thanks to the power of Velcro. There are certainly more uses for this product and it would make a great, quick gift. You may want to consider using a vinyl or waterproof fabric for the lining to hold spills in check.

The rescheduled ornament workshop will be held **17 October**. Leslie Stapleton will be showing us how to wrap fabric around a Styrofoam ball that can then add some great color to a variety of events. This isn't just for the yuletide tree; it would be equally at home in an Easter basket or even as part of a mobile over a baby crib. You are only limited by your imagination.

SHAMELESS PLUG: While the 3rd Saturday Workshop will be taking a break during **November** and **December**, the Accuquilt team will be at the church during the Workshop's regular slated days to get you started learning the joys of our most recent incredible time saving tool. If you are familiar with the Accuquilt, you will know just what I mean. With available patterns and dies, this marvel can give you an edge on making last minute, fast gifts for the holidays. Please take a look at the Accuquilt team's article elsewhere in this newsletter to see how the sessions work and what to expect when you attend.

And speaking of the Accuquilt team, stand by for a combined effort with the 3rd Saturday Workshop in early 2027 for both a free sew day to support our charity efforts and making a quilt using the AccuQuilt to cut required blocks/strips. Odds are good the quilt can be scrappy, so get ready to reduce your scrap stash. More details as they get worked out.

In person signups for workshops are in the church lobby during guild meetings. If you are not able to sign up for a workshop in person, please contact me to sign up (. Unless otherwise stated, the workshops run from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the church and there is a \$5.00 class fee. Supply lists will be emailed out a couple of weeks before the workshop to allow for the gathering of materials.

Please remember that workshops are led by quilters like you who have volunteered to share a project with their fellow guild members. If there is something that you enjoy doing or a favorite project that might be of interest to other sewers and you would like to share, please contact me. Also, fresh ideas for future workshops are always welcome.



The Christmas block exchange 4.0

For our new guild members, it's been a tradition to exchange holiday blocks at our Christmas Potluck dinner in December. You can start shopping now for some holiday fabric and a fun 12.5" block pattern. You will need to make 6 of the same block and 7 if you want one for yourself.

Registration to participate in the block exchange at the September, October, or November meetings and receive an assortment of fun blocks in December.

The rules to participate are as follows:

- No blocks on point
- No 4 or 9 patch blocks
- No panels with a border added
- Must be 100% cotton fabric with the exception of embellishments
- Blocks must be 12.5 inches including the seam allowance
- Flannel, felt or wool may only be used for embellishment, which you are free to use, but please attach by sewing
- All appliqued pieces must be sewn down
- Put your name on a back seam allowance of each of the 6 blocks with a fabric marker
- You may make two sets of blocks, but no more than 12 blocks will be accepted
- HAVE FUN!

Any blocks not following the rules will be returned to the maker. Place the blocks in a 2 gallon Ziplock bag labeled with your name. Blocks will be accepted until the November meeting. Your bag will be returned to you at the Christmas party with 6 fun blocks done by your guild buddies. If you cannot attend the party, we will bring your blocks to the January meeting.

Questions? Contact Debbie McKeever:

Raffle Quilt Tickets—Nancy Parrott

2027 Raffle Quilt, *PNW Pages*, Unveiled



Raffle quilt team members, Rachael Schweizer, chair, Brenda Austin, Tanya Duncan, Susi Gaskins, and Sherry Schweizer unveiled a one-of-a-kind bookcase quilt, *PNW Pages*, at the July guild meeting to a chorus of oohs and aahs. The team bagged 80 kits using luscious, donated batik fabrics, supplying enough yardage to construct a 10" x 12" block. Several different patterns were available, all created or curated by the team, that ranged from straight forward piecing to foundation paper piecing to fabric and wool applique in hopes they would span the many experience levels and technique preferences of our members. Their plan worked. Of the 80 kits made, 72 completed blocks were returned, 42 of which were used to make the quilt. The final creation was quilted by Pam Whitt, our

2025 Featured Artist and a multi-venue, multi-category ribbon winner. The label will be made by embroiderer extraordinaire, Kathy Beach.

The goal of this year's team was to create a piece which reflected maximum participation by the guild membership and also appeal to the community at large. The response from the attendees at the Kitsap County Fair, the first public showing of the quilt, was very positive. Tickets for *PNW Pages* can be purchased at future guild meetings until May 25, 2027, when the winning ticket will be drawn. It is scheduled to be outside *Liberty Bay Books* in Poulsbo on Sept 5 and at the vendor mall at the Bainbridge Island Outdoor Quilt show on Sept 12. Cold weather month sales are planned for *Verse and Vine*, a new bookstore in Poulsbo and *Locker 61*, the antique mall across from the Poulsbo McDonalds. Visits to guilds located on the peninsula are in the works. Stay tuned for final dates and additional sales locations.

Volunteers for ticket sales are always welcome and crucial to making these visits successful. We try to have a variety of selling opportunities, indoor, outdoor, weekday, weekend, etc., to accommodate your busy schedules. The income from raffle quilts supports our many charitable projects, funds speakers, and allows Kitsap Quilters to offer a variety of member activities. Contact Nancy Parrott at to put your name on the volunteer list!

We are now gearing up for next year's quilt show and would like to have every ONE of our members submit at least one quilt for display. We have approximately 180 members, but last year only about one-third submitted a quilt. If you belong to our Guild, chances are you've made a quilt. Please remember this isn't Houston - it's Kitsap County! I've heard members say that once they entered their first quilt, it got easier. So please consider entering at least one to next year's show. We would love to see them! Gail Mann, Quilt-show Chair

Sew-ins via Zoom—Colleen Lane

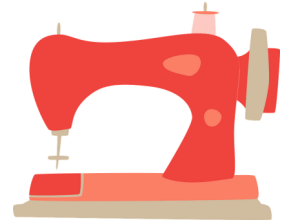
Share the camaraderie of sewing with friends from your home! Great time to work on anything from new projects, UFO's, handwork, organizing your sew space. We're there to enjoy each others company, support, suggestions, laughter and fun.

All Zoom Sew-In's (Saturday, Monday and Thursday) will use the Saturday Zoom sign in link

MONDAYS— 10 am to ?????

THURSDAYS - 1 pm to ????

SATURDAYS- 9 am to ????



To join the Zoom Meeting, go to the Member's page of the guild website and use the Saturday link.

If you have any questions, please contact Colleen Lane at

Open Positions—Susi Gaslins

LOOKING FOR A FEW MORE GOOD WOMEN

Please consider giving your time & talents to one of the following open positions. If you have questions, seek out a board member or approach the person who currently holds the position to learn more about how you can contribute.

PROGRAMS: a new volunteer will have time to learn the ropes with Anita Bernhard's help. Since presenters need to be booked 12 to 18 months in advance, we need someone to fill this position ASAP.

PICNIC/SUMMER SOCIAL 2027:

HOLIDAY PARTY 2026:

Piper Struempfhof) as agreed to host the holiday party this year. She is looking for a few people to join her team to create a fun and festive gathering in December.

KQ's Fall Food Drive —Rachael Schweizer

Our Second Annual Quilt Away Hunger Campaign— Since our food drive was such a success last fall, we thought we'd give it another try. Once again, we will be collecting non-perishable food items at our October and November meetings to benefit Fishline, Poulsbo's food bank. We want to help fill its shelves for the upcoming holiday season. Let's help feed our neighbors! Additional details will be forthcoming at the September meeting.

Fat Quarter Lottery—Carolyn Nannery

Welcome to the 2026 Fat Quarter Lottery! For a chance to win, bring a FQ or ¼ yard for each chance to enter to win in the color/theme each month. One chance for each FQ you enter. The months of August and December there will not be a lottery as we have the picnic and Holiday party.

September - Orange/Foliage

December - No Lottery

October - Black/cats

November - brown/football (Seahawks)

Good luck to everyone!

✿ Have you always dreamed of making Edyta Sitar/Laundry Basket Quilts stunning Alaska Quilt Pattern but felt intimidated by where to begin? ✿

Now is your chance! Open to Anyone who would like to sign up for the class!!!

We are excited to welcome a **Certified Studio 180 Design Instructor, Debbie Kalenty** to Kitsap Quilters for a special **2-day Alaska Quilt Pattern workshop** on **September 23–24, 2026**.

Whether you're new to quilting or have been wanting to tackle this beautiful project for years, you'll receive expert guidance every step of the way.

📅 **When:** September 23 & 24, 2026

🕒 **Time:** 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM

📍 **Where:** North Point Church, Poulsbo, WA

💰 **Cost:** Only \$90 for both days!

You will need to purchase the **Alaska quilt pattern (\$25.00)** from your local quilt shop or Laundry-basketquilts.com prior to class. You will also need the **Pint-Size Wedge Star Ruler (\$41.50)** that can be purchased from Deb Tucker's Studio 180 design at QuiltersObsession.com.

✦ We still have openings, but space is limited!

To register or ask questions, contact:

📞 Anita Bernhard –



Don't let this beautiful quilt remain on your bucket list—join us and discover that you really can create an amazing Alaska quilt!



Kitsap Quilters 2026 Program

January 27, 2026: Lynn Czaban Quilts

Presentation: Lynn Czaban Trunk Show
 2-day work shop (Jan.28-29): Portrait Quilt Technique
 View Lynn's galleries at Facebook: [Lynn Czaban Quilts](#)
 Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/lynnczaban/>

February 24, 2026: Quilt Show Wrap-up

March 24, 2026: President's Challenge

April 28, 2026: Elizabeth Barton

Zoom Presentation: From Inspiration to Quilt: the photograph...then the quilt
[Elizabeth Barton Art](#)

May 26, 2026: Norma Stark

Presentation: Paper Piecing Tips, History and Inspiration
 1-day Work shop (May 27): Fandango
 Website: [Norma's Quilt Studio](#)

June 23, 2026: Quilt University

July 28, 2026: Josephine de la Cruz Keasler

Presentation: Josephine de la Cruz Keasler's Trunk show/Lecture
 2-day Work shop (July 29-30): Judy Neimeyer's Bali Wedding Star
 Website: [Bali Wedding Star](#)

August, 2026: Guild Picnic

September 22, 2026: Deb Kalenty

Presentation: Deb Kalenty's Trunk show/Lecture
 2-day Work shop (Sept 23-24): Jubilation
 Website: <https://quiltersobsession.com>

October 27, 2026: Jill Huntington

Presentation: Jill Huntington's Trunk show/Lecture
 1-day Work shop (Oct 28): Where the Mountain Meets the Roses
 Website: [Huntington Quilt Design](#)

November 17, 2026: Dana Keeler-Pacific Rim Quilt Company

Presentation: Dana Keeler's Trunk show/Lecture
 1-day Work shop (Nov 18): 2-Fabric Applique
 Website: <https://www.pacificrimquilt.com>

December 2026: Holiday Party

****To sign up for any classes or questions about the classes, please contact Anita Bernhard at
[360-689-7238](tel:360-689-7238) or AnitaMBernhard@gmail.com**

Small Groups—Tanya Duncan

Small groups are member-led communities where we learn, explore, and create together. Groups meet regularly to share projects, ideas, and works-in-progress. Sign up, bring your machine, tools, and a curious mind—all experience levels are welcome.

In-person meetings are held at North Point Church in Classrooms 1 & 2, unless otherwise noted. There is a \$5 site fee—waived if your meeting falls on a guild meeting day.

Anything Goes + UFOs

Work on your projects in a friendly, social setting—online or in person.

Contacts: Maryjane Efstathiou, Becky Holt

In person: Second Thursdays of the month from 10:00 am–2:00 pm.

If you have any questions, please contact Maryjane or Becky.

Applique & Handwork

Bring any handwork for a relaxed, drop-in session with fellow stitchers. Great time to visit and get to know other members.

In person: First Tuesdays, 10:00 am–12:30 pm – no need to sign up: just drop in.

Contact: Nancy Mathisrud

Sunshine and Shadow—Chris Miller

Kitsap Quilters has a Sunshine and Shadow chairperson, Chris Miller. If you are aware of someone who might be in need of a card to celebrate something special or a note of sympathy or support, please contact Chris. She will send a greeting from Kitsap Quilters to that member to let them know we are thinking about them.

Chris can be reached at

Newsletter—Marj Deupree

Deadlines: The deadline is the 5th of the month, January through October. The November and December deadlines are one week earlier due to the earlier guild meetings. There will be a reminder in the October and November newsletters.

Submissions: Send submissions via email in an office type format (eg .docx). Preferably one email per submission. If you do not receive a response from me within 24 hours, please doublecheck that I got it. **Proof what you send!** I generally do a copy and paste. Don't assume I will catch typos or gibberish. And please don't ask me to write or re-write your article for you.

Advertising: Advertising is very inexpensive for members, from \$5/month for a business card size ad to \$25/month for a full page ad. Contact Marj if you wish to advertise. Non-members are welcome to advertise, too. Their rate is double that of members.

Publishing: The newsletter will be sent to members via email approximately one week after the deadline. It will also be available on the website at that time.

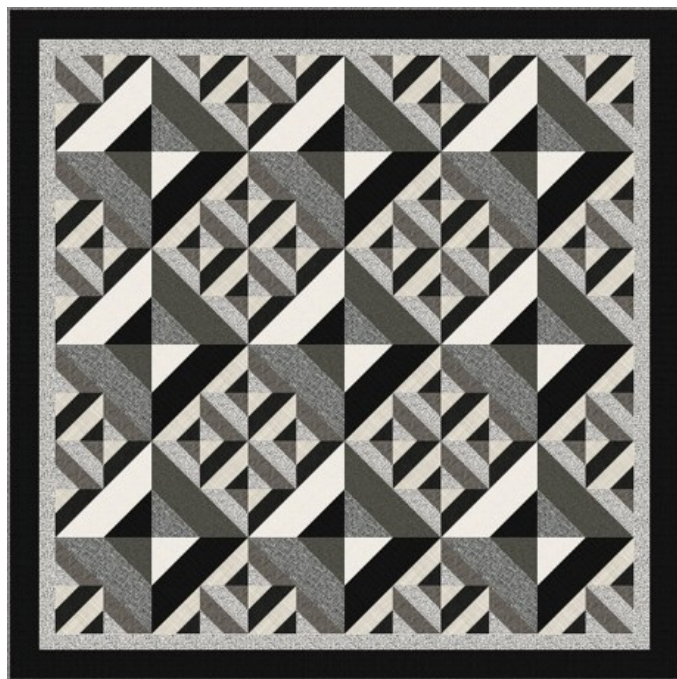


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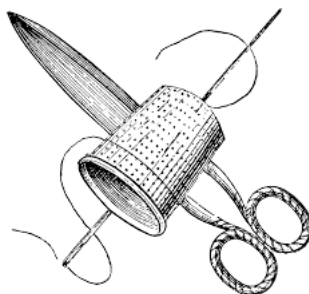
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