



April, 2024

Next Meeting: April 23, 2024 **6 pm**

North Point Church

1779 NE Hostmark St , Poulsbo

President's Message—Jeannette Schanbeck

Spring is here and we are looking for guild members to volunteer for club positions. The volunteer leaders keep our club active, and members engaged with offerings such as, third Saturday workshops, meeting night speakers, workshops to learn new techniques, and club retreats. It is always a pleasure to see the many club members attend these activities and to watch their smiling faces as they listen, learn and visit.

These good times can't happen without volunteers. If you or a friend of yours have attended an event, then please give serious consideration to volunteer to lead an activity in this upcoming year. Here just a few opportunities for you:

Vice President; helps the Pres when needed prepare for monthly meetings, especially when Pres has been called away on emergency. **Secretary. Nominating Committee,** and

Quilt Show Chair 2025; This is a special leadership opportunity for an individual. We have people coming miles away, just to see our Quilt Show, and they look forward to this event every year. You get to work with club members and the community as well.

Please take the time to reflect on how you can contribute...where would the club be if no one volunteers? Raise your hand, and let join together, and fill these positions. Who knows we might have some fun doing it.

One other thing to consider, it is time to choose the next featured artist for the 2025 Quilt Show. At our membership meeting this month, I will be asking for names, of guild members, that can fill these shoes with their amazing quilts. Think of someone who can shine, has grace, and kindness and is hard working. It's time to let them know, we notice. Who will you nominate? And who can prepare and put together committee to head the nominating committee. Again, let's see those hands.

Guild Contacts

President: Jeannette Schanbeck

Secretary: Lisa Jette

Vice President: Karen Boeve

2024 Quilt Show Chair: Pam Whitt

Treasurer: Luisana Sawyer

Newsletter Editor: Marj Deupree

Treasurer Elect: Barbara Martin

Past President: Sarah Lewis

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.

March 2024 Kitsap Quilters Guild Minutes—Lisa Jette

March 26, 2024 General Membership Meeting

President Jeannette Schanbeck called the meeting to order at 6:06 pm

BUISNESS MEETING

Minutes: The February 27, 2024 General Membership minutes were approved as published in the January newsletter. A motion was made by Colleen Lane, seconded by Chris Miller and passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Treasures Report: Checking Balance \$54,146.22 Savings Balance \$9,935.89

Membership: We have 172 members. 3 new members and 1 guest. A name tag order will be going in soon.

Guest Speaker: Robin O'Neil was our speaker on Improv quilting. She brought a trunk show of her improv quilts and lots of fun energy.

COMMITTEES: Karen Boeve reports

Education: Audrey Fitzgerald – April: Sewing Machine Cover, May: Tote Bag with wood handle, June: Back to Basics; paper piecing.

Programs: March 27 workshop: Birds with Abandon with Robin O'Neil. April 23 Moda Fabric Representative. May 28 Scott Hansen of Blue Nickel Quilts Trunk Show, May 29 Scott Hansen workshop Tree Time. June 25 Quilt University.

Library: The new Library Cart, made by Karen McCutchen's husband, was available and in use. There are some new Kaffe books in the library and Karen is challenging members to use the books to make some quilts, any size and show them at the September meeting. It will be fun to see what our members make.

Tools and Gadgets: Elaine Tanner – If you need a new template or tool, contact Elaine and the guild may be able to purchase it and after you check it out, it can be added to our tool box.

Raffle Quilt Tickets: Sarah Lewis – 1426 tickets are left. For every 5 tickets members purchase between now and our drawing on May 28th will have their name put in a drawing for a door prize each month. Members are needed to sell tickets at Town and Country Market (contact Sarah Lewis) and in Federal Way on May 9th at a sister quilt guild meeting.

Small Group: Debi Snyder - Check out our small groups. First Tuesday – Hand sewing/Applique, First Thursday – Improv, Second Thursday – Dear Jane in person, every Thursday Dear Jane on Zoom.

Scholarship: Susi Gaskins and Lynn Thornton - The due date for the scholarship application is April 15. Information can be found on washboard.org.

Hospitality: Katherine Holtgraves – Katherine is looking to mentor someone to takeover Hospitality in September. Please contact her for more information.

March 2024 Kitsap Quilters Guild Minutes—Continued

Fred Hutchinson Cancer Quilts: Leslie Stapleton – Lap Quilts are needed that are 48x55 in size.

Donations: Lynn Thornton – A parking lot sale will be held at our 1st Saturday parking lot meet up on May 4th with fabric and supplies donated to our guild. Any fabric and supplies used for donation quilts will be free. For your personal stash there will be a donation asked – you decide how much, no judgment.

Spring Retreat: Nicky North and Fran Pilato are stepping down as the chairs of the Spring Retreat. Sarah Lewis along with Debi Snyder and Linda Moran will be taking over.

OLD BUSINESS:

Meeting Times: The board reviewed the meetings staying or changing after the vote last month. It was voted on to stay at 6:00. The board would like to give it some time and review in 6 months.

NEW BUSINESS:

Quilted Strait - borrowed some of our quilt stands in exchange for having our raffle quilt at their show to sell tickets at their show. The stands were returned and stored in our storage locker.

Library Cart Damages to the church – after reviewing the damages from the old library cart falling apart the church will repair the minimal damage to the wall when they repaint in the near future. The damage to the photo from Side by Side Ministry will likely be replaced soon but the church asked that we make a donation to them. The board voted to donate \$50 for the replacement.

North Point Church donation – The church is replacing equipment (tables and chairs) that we and the community use while at the church. The church is asking us and other partners to donate to the fund. The board voted to donate \$500.

TRIVIA: Audrey Fitzgerald and Jeannette Schanbeck. Tonight's question 1) what is shot cotton? Answer: Warp and Weft threads are different colors. Kaffe Fassett has a line. 2) What sizes does a rotary cutter come in? Name 3? Answer: 60mm, 45mm, 28mm, and 18mm.

RAFFLE TICKET INCENTIVE DOORPRIZE: Donna Burt

FAT QUARTER EXCHANGE: Mary Jo Brisbon. Next month is a Jelly Roll Strip (2.5" by width of fabric) – any color.

SHOW AND TELL

HOSPITALITY RAFFLE DRAWINGS

Meeting Adjourned – 8:20

Respectfully Submitted by Lisa Jette, Secretary

Upcoming Dates:

April 6 – Parking Lot Exchange – 12:00-1:00 – Church parking lot

April 18 – Board Meeting – 9:30 – Zoom

April 20 – Third Saturday Workshop – 10:00 - Church

April 23 – Membership Meeting – Moda Fabric Rep – 6:00 – Church

Gadget Library—Elaine Tanner

NEWS from Tools and Templates

This month one of our members donated The Braided Twist book and template. It looks like it will be fun and easy since it has no quilting, binding or handwork due to the hidden seam in the back. She also donated the book and template for the Little Nine in the Window, which looks similar to but different from the Cathedral Window, which we also have. Thank you so much for the donation.

I have ordered and expect to have by the April Guild Meeting two of the 3/8th inch Mosaic rulers. And also the One-derful One Patch Tumbler Template, which was a special request. Please let me know if you'd like to see any new templates in the library AND if you have any you'd like to donate.

Anita Bernhard graciously made a beautiful example for the library. Thank you Anita!

Raffle Quilt Ticket Sales—Sarah Lewis

ARE YOU ABLE TO HELP SELL TICKETS?-a Raffle Quilt Update

We have the opportunity to visit 2 guilds in May to sell raffle tickets. Are you able to go and sell tickets?

Thursday, May 9th –Crazy Quilters in Federal Way. 6 PM

Kathy Nannery

Wednesday, May 22nd—Quilters by the Bay in University Place. 6 PM

Sarah Lewis

Please let me know if you can help out.

As of April 4th, we have 874 tickets left to sell!!!

As an extra incentive, for every 5 tickets you buy at the April and May meetings, your name will be entered into a drawing to win a bundle of fabric goodies. We will do a drawing at our monthly meeting in April and May, so there are 2 chances to win. This drawing is only open to current members and you don't have to be present to win. We gave away a lovely fat quarter bundle to one of our new members at the March meeting.

Raffle Quilt Ticket sales help to support the Kitsap Quilter annual budget and the programming and events we provide for the membership. We encourage each member to purchase or resell a minimum of 10 tickets as a way to help the effort to sell the 5000 tickets.

If you want to purchase tickets but can't make it to a meeting, please contact Sarah Lewis at

. We can make arrangements to get raffle tickets to you.

LET'S SELL ALL THESE TICKETS!!!

Sarah Lewis, Raffle Quilt Chair

Programs—Luisana Sawyer

April 23 – Mario Urbano – Representative for Moda Fabrics for the Washington and Oregon region. Although he's been on the sales and marketing side of the fabric industry he has made a few quilts! He has also represented Shannon Fabrics, Free Spirit, Clothworks, Poppie Cotton, Fableism Supply Co and Alexander Henry. *I am collecting questions to provide to Mario ahead of time. Email me your questions! I've received only a few – I would like to provide those to him before the meeting.*

This will be fun!!

May 28 & 29– Scott Hansen from Blue Nickel Studios. Presentation and Workshop.

Workshop – Tree Time Pattern

Cost: \$60 – includes pattern and cost for the church contribution.

Sign up for the workshop during the April meeting. (10 folks are already signed up....)

Check out his website: <https://bluenickelstudios.com/about-scott/>

JUNE, 25 - Calling all volunteers for Quilt University! Do you have something you'd be willing to teach in a 15-20 minute snippet session? This is the round-robin where 4 smallish groups move between classrooms to share a little bit of a skill or technique that might be educational for our members. Please let me know if you would like to share your talents.

Focus for the Quilt University will be Back to Basics! These are appetizers.... If the groups wants an expansion of the topic we can plan some educational sessions.

July 23, Teresa Duryea Wong – Lecture – topic TBD. Check out her website: <https://teresaduryeawong.com/lectures/?v=47e5dceea252>

MORE TO COME - Charisma Horton, March 2025....

Also, are you the next Program Chair? Let me know!

Scholarship Information—Susie Gaskin and Lynn Thornton

The award is \$1500 and the website to apply is www.WashBoard.org.

The recipient must be a Washington State resident, OR a graduate of a Washington State high school, OR be attending a Washington State college/university or technical institute, 20 years old or older at time of application and enrolled in an accredited program. Fiber Arts may include sewing, weaving, clothing or costume design, quilting, dyeing, basketry, embroidery and needle arts, curatorship and preservation, history and the technical production of textiles. Art courses that include design, composition, surface design, and art history may be included.

REMINDER: The next board meeting will be held on Thursday, April 18 at 9:30 am on zoom.

Small Groups—Debi Snyder

Small groups are a great way to meet and get to know other guild members that are interested in similar techniques.

Applique / Handwork

First Tuesday each month – 10 to 12:30 at North Point

Join us for a great social time doing handwork and applique

Improv

First Thursday each month – 10 to 1 at North Point

Come join us if you are interested in working and learning with others on improvisational piecing and design.

Dear Jane -- work at your own pace and share with others your version of the Dear Jane quilt originally pieced by Jane Stickle in 1863.

Second Thursday each month 1 – 3 in person at North Point church

Every Thursday except for second each month 1 – 3 Zoom, using Saturday log on

Please email, call or talk to me at a general meeting if you're interested in any of these groups or have another small group idea.

Quilts for Cancer Patients—Leslie Stapleton

There has been a request for us to supply quilts to the cancer patients who are receiving treatment at the Fred Hutch Cancer Treatment Center in Poulsbo. They have asked for 10 quilts to start with measuring approx 48" X 55" or Lap Size. The guild is going to also supply bags for the quilts to be carried in to make it easier for the patients to bring them to their appointments. I will collect and deliver the quilts to them. Thank you in advance for your generosity. Leslie Stapleton .



3rd Saturday Workshop—Audrey Fitzgerald

The 20 April workshop is an organizer for your work space that doubles as a sewing machine cover. When your sewing machine is sitting in it, it not only muffles noise and eases vibrations, it also offers a double row of pockets that fall below your work surface for notions you want to keep on hand. A removable thread catcher is also included. The organizer can also double as a sewing machine cover with two ties to secure the draped sides together. A sample product is not yet available for viewing, but members can review the pattern at the signup table to confirm interest. Debbie McKeever will be leading this workshop.

On 18 May you will have an opportunity to make a large carry all tote with wooden handles. This was identified as the favorite project in the past Monthly Mystery survey. Sample bags are on the Education table in the lobby. This tote really is a workhorse, is quick to make, can be adapted to just about any size (I have actually seen a quilter use a larger tote to carry her sewing machine to a sewing event) and it is easy to embellish with quilting, outside pockets or a stiff interfacing to make it a sturdy, stand up bag. Jeannette Schanbeck will be heading up this workshop.

Sign ups for workshops are in the church lobby during guild meetings. If you prefer, email me, Audrey Fitzgerald, at to sign up. 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 to 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 our group and you would like to share, please contact me. Fresh ideas are always welcome, and the workshop crowd is really a pretty fun bunch. Attending the workshops is also a great way to meet other guild members since the group size generally does not exceed 20 people.

Library—Karen McCutchen

Kitsap Quilter's First Ever Library Quilt Challenge

At the March meeting, the first ever Kitsap Quilter's Library Challenge was announced. This challenge is designed to get our members using and exploring the books in our wonderful library. It's not too late to join! If all the Kaffe books get checked out, check the Kitsap Library system for other copies.

Challenge – Use a Kaffe Fassett book from the library (or your own) to make one of Kaffe's Quilts. You do not need to use his fabric.....

Size – the quilts can be any size – maybe a downsized or improv version of one of Kaffe's pattern – use your imagination or stick to his pattern.

Timeline – we will show the quilts/quilt tops at the September meeting, giving us plenty of time to get a top or entire quilt completed. At the meeting we'll each share what book and pattern we used, and reveal our quilts.

I hope you will join in the fun.

Questions? Please contact Karen McCutchen at



In-House Quilt—Nancy Mathisrud and Marj Deupree

We are going to have a scrappy quilt for the first 2024 In-House Quilt. You will make 4 identical 4.5" (unfinished) blocks and sew them together to make one 8.5" (unfinished) block. Each block will finish at 8" and members may contribute up to four 8.5" blocks. Each block earns one entry into the drawing for the finished quilt.

Fabric Selection: This is a two color quilt. One color should be red, pink, blue, yellow, or orange. The other should be white, off-white, or white-on-white.

Cutting: You will need to cut four (4) 4.5" squares from your "colored" fabric and eight (8) 2.5" squares from your "white" fabric.

Piecing: Draw a diagonal line from corner to corner on the back side of each 2.5" square. Place the corner of a white square on the corner of a colored square, right sides together and sew on the drawn line. Repeat for the other 3 colored squares.

Trim off the excess fabric from the corners. Press the seams. Tip: If you press the seams on two of the blocks towards the center and press the other two towards the outside, you can nest them when you sew the four blocks together.

Sew the four blocks together as shown in the picture to make an "X".

Blocks may be turned in to Nancy Mathisrud or Marj Deupree at the March or April meetings. Be sure they are labeled with your name. No blocks will be accepted after April 30th. The drawing is tentatively scheduled for the June meeting.

Questions? Ask Nancy () or Marj ().

For any new quilters who wish to try this out and want more information, there are tutorials on YouTube for XO quilt blocks. Note that they may be using different sizes than what we have above.



April, 2024 Fat Quarter Lottery—Carolyn Nannery

Welcome to this year's FQ lottery! Bring a FQ in the color/theme to enter each month. One chance to win for each FQ you enter. The months of August and December there is no FQ lottery because of our parties.

Here's the line up for 2024:

Apr. - Any color of 2 x 2.5" strips (WOF Jelly roll)	Aug. - No lottery due to picnic
May - Blues/sky fabric	Sep. - Browns/ fall fabrics
Jun. - Batiks any color	Oct. - Orange/Black
Jul. - Flowers any color	Nov. - Holiday/ Reds and Greens
	Dec. - No lottery due to Holiday Party

Looking forward to seeing all the wonderful fabrics you bring this year!



Sunshine and Shadow

Kitsap Quilters has a Sunshine and Shadow chairperson, Leslie Mirkovich. 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 Leslie. She will send a greeting from Kitsap Quilters to that member to let them know we are thinking about them.

Leslie can be reached at

Sew-ins via Zoom—Colleen Lane

Share the camaraderie of sewing with friends from your home!

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

MONDAYS— 10 am to ?????
SATURDAYS- 9 am to ?????

To join the Zoom Meeting, checkout the schedule on the Member's page of the guild website and **use the Saturday link for all Sew-In's**. If you have any questions, please contact Colleen Lane at

Celebrating our Favorite Quilts Part 1 of 2

Our quilt shows fulfil many needs. One of the most popular is to share our work with guild members and the community at large. Another is to get feedback on our efforts and encouragement to continue exploring patterns and techniques. Over 800 votes were cast by visitors to the February show and the top ten quilts and their makers were awarded ribbons at the February meeting. Pictures are worth a thousand words, but often it is the story behind our quilts that make them special. Below are the top five makers who have graciously shared their quilts and their stories. The next five will be featured in the May newsletter. Congratulations to all!

Pam Whitt 1st Place: *Daisies A Buzz*

When I started quilting in 1984 and then joined Kitsap Quilters when it was formed, I did all of my quilting by hand. In 1991 I put quilting on hold for quite a few years to raise my family and when I rejoined KQ, almost everyone machine quilted their quilts or sent them to a longarm. I started quilting on my Pfaff and enjoyed it for years but realized I loved quilting more than piecing, so I purchased a longarm in 2021 and dedicated as much time as possible to practicing. After quilting several traditional quilts, I found that I liked the creativity of free motion quilting and while browsing on spoonflower.com I ran across this fabric and fell in love with it. The background areas were perfect for free motion quilting, and I let the bees and daisies inspire me as to how to quilt them, which was definitely out of my comfort zone, but I learned a lot and truly enjoyed the process of creating this quilt.



Pam Whitt 2nd Place: *The Belles of the Ball*

The beautiful ladies in this quilt are a collection of pieces embroidered by myself, my grandma and those purchased in antique stores. I assembled it in large sections made up of several ladies and filler pieces to make the overall block fit the section next to it, kind of like making my own puzzle. I quilted it on my longarm and thoroughly enjoyed spending time with each Belle as I decided how to quilt her while admiring her beautiful dress and embroidery. The scalloped border was intended to look similar to how their dress swung out as they "danced" around the quilt together. I really enjoyed making this and getting these beautiful Belles out of boxes and dresser drawers to be admired once again.



Stitches In Time—Continued

Debi Snyder 3rd Place: *Times and Seasons*

2000 Piecemaker's calendar quilt. This quilt has been in and out of the UFO bin for 18 years, I started this quilt thinking it would take a year as the 1999 Piecemaker's calendar quilt had, but other projects kept drawing my attention. This quilt is hand appliqued, embroidered, and quilted. The background fabrics were bought specifically for this quilt, but all the other pieces came out of my scrap bins. I hand dyed most of the silk ribbon I used in the silk embroidery being limited to what I had on hand during the pandemic. There is another Piecemaker's calendar quilt hiding in my UFO bin at this time waiting for the embroidery to be done, except for the embroidery it will be all machine done.



Andrea Rudman 4th Place: *David*



I've been doing "piecwork" since 1969. I did my first quilt in 1972 and still have it. I'm self-taught and became an avid follower of Eleanor Burns. Whereas I prefer patchwork, I've been known to do some applique. I helped bring English paper piecing back before the pandemic.

I'd done some foundation piecing in the past, but David is a whole other level. The pattern is by LegitKits. I found them because I wanted to do *Skulliver*. In June 2022, I became a tester on David. He is a 2-sided quilt, and my machines would not do free motion on him. I broke 2 machines pushing him through a 5.5" throat and then my back went. I was able to finish him for the 2024 show. David took 227 hours to make.

Nancy Mathisrud 5th Place: *Star Quilt*

I fell in love with Tula Pink's "Inspiration" quilt. It was designed by Tula Pink with her fabric. The star has 2200 paper pieces in it. Bob, my husband and KQ member designed the pattern for each diamond in the star and quilted it.



Cuddles—Barb Peterson**Kitsap Cuddles is Back in Action!**

It's been two months since Cuddles has created kits, accepted quilts, made donations, etc. February was the Quilt Show Month and during March I was out of town for a family emergency. But now I'm back!

So here goes. Tuesday, April 16, from 10 am to 2 pm, I am hosting a Kitsap Cuddles Fabric Sorting and Kit Making session. We've gotten some more donations of fabric that need to be sorted out. Plus it's always fun to put them together into kits to give. If you'd like to come help with the kit-making and the fabric sorting, my home address is on the roster. Call, text, or Facebook message me if you can make it. We always have lots of fun.

After this month's meeting, I will be taking our beautifully made baby and toddler quilts to St. Michael's Birthing Center and KidVantage. Both are worthy causes in our community. And they are truly appreciated.

I'll be seeing you then, and our next guild meeting.

Karen Cromack

Quilters Boutique Sale

Saturday, April 20, 2024
9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

3145 Aegean Blvd NE

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Lots of patterns, books, fabric, storage solutions, Paper piecing magazines and more.



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Lots of fabric to purchase by cash or check!
Pay whatever donation you want! Pay what you feel!
May 4th from noon until 1pm
North Point Church parking lot

All donations go to the Guild!

Many thanks to the volunteers on the Donations Committee

The guild has received a large donation of fabric and we want to share it with you! We are holding a fabric sale on Saturday, May 4th where you pay what you can. Great way for quilters to save money!





Sherry's Cozy Quilts

Fabric, notions, and all things warm & cozy.

Thank you everyone for making our anniversary weekend a success. It was wonderful seeing so many of you and watching as you received your prizes.



New in the shop is Sea-Breeze by Northcott

as well as Shoreline by Camille Roskelly for Moda.



Also in the shop are precuts of Leila Boutiques line Hey Boo and the quilt kit to make this adorable quilt.

Don't forget to attend this month's guild meeting to hear Mario Urbano talk about fabric and how it is made.



Regular business hours:

Wednesday through Saturday 10am-5pm

Sundays 11am-4pm.

We are located at 19735 10th Ave NE, Poulsbo WA 98370.

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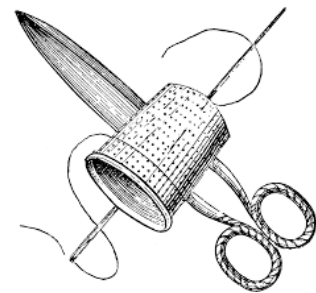
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Quilted Strait 2024 Mystery Quilt

All proceeds will benefit Fishline



Kitsap Quilters welcomes new members throughout the year.
You are invited to attend two meetings free, after which membership is required for further attendance.
Please visit our website at www.kitsapquilters.com for more information.