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Upcoming Events

Board Meeting

July 26, 2008
Kelso, Washington

Due Dates

Due Date for August
Newsletter
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July 31, 2008

Need Schedules
From Area Groups for
September, October, November

Seminar 2009

Red Lion Inn
Olympia, Washington
May 28-31, 2009

Membership Renewals Due
August 31, 2008

President's Letter

By Betty Cooper

I would like to give you members some information on 2 of our members and their accomplishments. This has to do with the Latimer Quilt & Textile Center located at 2105 Wilson River Loop Road in Tillamook, Oregon. Our own Ginger Christmas is showing there right now and her exhibit is entitled "The Many Moods of Me". The dates of her exhibit are May 6th - July 6th. Then right after Ginger we have our own Caroline Burton and her exhibit is entitled "Mixed Media of Textile Art Walking Forward". She will be showing her exhibit July 8th - September 7th 2008. Way to go girls. We are proud of you. If you get a chance to go over to Tillamook check out their exhibits. Remember we as a group (MEOW) exhibit there in the fall of 2009. That will be coming up sooner than we think.

Remember to submit your LOGO submissions to Jyll Jones this month or next. Next seminar will be our 21st seminar and you can use that in your Logo submission. Be creative and create some fantastic logos for us.

Our Seminar is about here and hope you are getting excited and ready to go. Remember get plenty of rest and get your machines cleaned and ready to sew. See you at Seminar.

Strut Your Stuff

The annual MEOW Fashion Show is always a highlight of the seminar. Next year we will celebrate our "coming of age" 21st birthday. Please consider participating and get those machines humming! If you have seen a MEOW fashion show, you know there are lots of OOH's and AHH's and clapping. No matter what your level of expertise is, we want to see what you are creating. A couple of rules apply:

1. The item(s) must be wearable and sewn or embroidered or embellished by you.
2. Group entries are encouraged.

You will see more information about the Fashion Show and how to enter in upcoming newsletters and the seminar brochure. The seminar dates are May 28-31, 2009. Plenty of time left to CREATE!

Oregon State Directors Report

Kathy Brock

- **Country Kitties:** The January meeting was canceled due to weather. Will reschedule for this class. February-Peyote Stitch Beading was taught by Nancy Howard. The ladies were amazed how at many things one can do with beads to make beautiful jewelry. Nancy brought in several samples for Show and Tell. March- Quilt as You Go. The ladies found this class useful learning quilting techniques which are so valuable when it comes to quilting. This led to a discussion on how they could be adapted for other applications. The Country Kitties decided to send out their report not only to the State Director each month but also to all their members. It keeps members unable to attend that month to know what went on. They discussed the idea of the Sunshine Chair sending out cards for anniversaries, birthday etc. They agreed things should be left as they are. People that receive cards when ill or when more tragic things accrue means more to them than getting one for any occasion.
- **Snippy Cats:** Jan reminded the members to prepare for the State Fair and Marion County Fair. They will have two really nice baskets for the raffle at seminar.
- **Valley Cats:** January - The Valley Cats held an Open House

at Oregon Sew and Vac where their regular monthly meetings are held. February - Free motion wall hanging with 4 techniques was presented by Roberta Strebe of McKits. She presented 4 techniques-Pin tuck, Scrunching, Bobbin work, and Couching. Roberta also demonstrated using silk flower petals under tulle with stippling stitches. March - Angelina How I Love Thee was presented by Kitty Young who showed the Valley Cats assorted techniques using Angelina. The group had a new member -Beth Wiley. She was welcomed with open arms. The group has a new member.

Claudia Buntyn

- **Aristocats:** We are having fun experimenting with new techniques and going over older ones that we have done in the past. This group always has fun and would love anyone to just drop on by and join them.
- **Bytes & PCs:** We are so happy to welcome Ranae Butt to our group. She is from Corbett. We want to thank Nancy Shepard again for helping us with "hooping".
- **Hollywood Stars** has a couple of enthusiastic new members who always stimulate the group meetings! It's so wonderful to see the growth of our members as they go from unsure newbees to self confident teachers. We have all been down that path!

Jo Anne Cross

- **Creative Cats** has a full schedule of very interesting meetings scheduled. They are doing interesting techniques and are using the workshop methods, taking 2-3 months to complete each project. Call Area Rep if you want to attend. During May - August: Curved Pieced Jacket with Free Motion Animals. Sounds very interesting. Creative Cats that have finished their wall hanging are going to celebrate at an ice-cream social after the April meeting.
- **Kalico Kitties:** Carmen is not moving to Klamath Falls! Last month was felting by Ruth. We had a very good turn out. Next month is fabric bowls made with cording taught by Carmen. June is planning meeting, so will not show classes for the summer months until then. We are sending pictures to the web site.
- **Multi-Media Kats:** It is good that there are so many creative people in the world. New products and new processes are always being discovered or rediscovered. At Multi-Media Kats we are part of that constant discovery. After 5 years we are still going strong in our creative research into new and exciting ways to enhance our free-motion embroidery. We see no end in sight. Check out our Sharing Display at Seminar.

Jan Story

- **Cascade Cats:** No report was given.
- **Mouse Connection:** Nancy Shepherd demonstrated how to re-hoop designs when using larger designs at their March meeting - no mean feat if you have ever tried doing that. Their April meeting was spent doing a cutwork project presented by Pam Hockman. They were treated to a showing of their new banner, a picture of which will be posted on the MEOW web site.
- **Stray Cats: Robin Slocum** has been busy teaching free motion stitching to members of her quilt guild in **Idaho**. Seems there is a lot of interest for it in that area. She is also busy working on a proposal for the 2009 Seminar. Busy lady, that one!

Up in **Montana** heavy snow has kept **Bobbie Demmer** locked indoors. But making sweet lemonade out of the lemons the weather has given her, she used her computer to create Old Testament redwork designs for a baby quilt. Hope we can see some of them posted on the MEOW web site in the future!

Down in Bakersfield, California **Judy Betz** reports that she won a BIG raffle prize - a Baby Lock Embellisher - at the CAME (California Association of Machine Embroiders - our sister organization) Seminar. In spite of still having to wear her orthopedic "boot" she has made and entered a garment and a small wall hanging in the Best of the Valley Quilt Show. We will be interested in

seeing pictures of them when she comes up to teach at our Seminar in May.

Sally Dunkin in **Dallas, Oregon** just finished bridesmaids' dresses for one wedding and is busy working on three ring bearer pillows and two bridal veils for summer weddings. In addition to working full time at Western Oregon State University, she finds time to keep up with her own free motion stitching. Another busy lady!

Alice Morris also of **Dallas, Oregon** has been busy teaching at the McKits and Snippy Katz meetings as well as getting ready for her Basic Machine Embroidery class at Seminar 2008.

Bev Mallett down in **California** spent most of February taking care of her husband after back surgery. He recovered enough for them to make a quick trip up to Oregon in early April to see their son receive his Bachelor's degree from Geo Fox University. In between time, she has been doing a bit of quilting and some early gardening.

Donna Brooke currently residing in **Texas** but soon to be a Washington native writes that she just returned from the American Embroidery Conference in Georgia. She said that there was very little free motion stitching featured but what little was there was very much appreciated. At the time she sent her report (early April) she said the temperature was 100 degrees - crazy huh!

Barbara Isom

- **McKits:** The McKits' January meeting project was the cross-stitch Poinsettia instructed by Jan Story. The group did not meet in February. They are working on making the registration bags for Seminar. March meeting found the group doing Crazy Birds instructor being Alice Morris. Membership present was 10.

- **Mt. Hood:** At the March meeting an excited new gal joined the group and they discussed things they could do to increase their membership.

- **Silver Kits:** The Silver Kits started the year with a Shattered Circle design project. The project was brand new and challenged the members to think outside the box, and in a circle. In February, Jan Story, led the group through the Shattered Circle Part 2. In March, Jan Story, again instructed the group in another project - Garden Rose Arbor. The group is also preparing for the upcoming Seminar in ways to participate.

Washington State Directors Report

Karen Bennett

- **Daffy Cats:** They will be continuing their community service project of baby quilts for St. Joseph's Hospital. They are still working on a sweatshirt that is indicative of Washington State.

- **Mountain Cats:** They are working on the Linus Quilts project for their community service.

- **Pampered Persians:** Their community service projects are funeral gowns for Madigan Hospital and hospital gowns for the faceless dolls given to cancer kids after their surgery at Mary Bridge Children's Hospital. They completed their Round Robin Sweatshirt and are looking forward to planning another Sew Weekend soon.

- **Pink Panthers** is the same as Pampered Persians. They are an evening group that meets the same day as Pampered Persians so people can continue with the project started in the day group if they want.

Toni Colby

- Capital Cats are having a great spring. They have finished their Community Service Project for the year. They made 48 stuffed animals for the SouthSoundKids who are children that have lost a close family member. Five Capital Cats met at a local Senior Center and dazzled a large crowd with a huge show and tell exhibit and demonstrated 3 free motion techniques simultaneously. The occasion has been widely advertised and the turn out was surprising. There is a great deal of interest in our organization in the Olympia, Lacey, Tumwater area. This group has members at all skill levels. While the newer members learned the basics in thread painting recently, the more skilled members are working on a challenge project. This project entails thread painting a large crewel design using the intermediate and advanced stitches

in MRO's book. The rules are that no stitch may be used more than once in the major design components. A record of the stitches used; along with the page number from the book will be kept. When we meet in June, the group will choose a people's choice and an award will be given. The newer members have been given a smaller version of the design and will have their own judging and award. Everyone is having great fun with this project, and it forces us to stretch out of our comfort zone and learn some new stitches. Look for some of these to be displayed in the Sharing Room at Seminar.

- **Cyber Cats:** No report was given.

- **Designer Cats:** No report was given.

- **Klassey Katz:** The change was made to present Fabric Manipulation by Ann Tosland this month only on Wed. the 19TH. From now on we will meet on the second Tuesday of every month at Quilt Harbor 208 South Broadway, Aberdeen from 10 A.M until we want to quit.

Vicky Wyrick

- **Digi-Cats:** Area Rep Arlette Wentz reports that the group recently completed a group of sampler technique classes. They learned several texturizing, coloring and embellishment methods. They are preparing for MEOW seminar by making the water bottle tote for the gift exchange during class. Fabric postcards and other gift cards will be donated to injured

soldiers for their community service project.

- **Sandy Katz:** Kathy Jones the owner of Cranberry Bay Fabrics will be the new contact person.

- **Silver City Kitties:** Two of our members received ribbons for their Art Individual entries in the Kitsap Quilters 2008 quilt show in February. Cynthia Keim received a blue ribbon for *Autumn Glory* and a white ribbon for *Sprit Bear Mountain*. Gay Fawcett received a red ribbon for *her Grand Canyon Beauty in Stone Creek Falls*. The quilts can be seen at www.kitsapquilters.com Click on 2008 winners list on the left hand side. All ribbons are viewers' choice.

Throughout the year we work on doll quilts for Kitsap Community Resources. Members, who spot them while shopping, pick up stuffed animals at bargain prices to wrap in the quilts. This year we have added flannel pillowcases in funky fabric print/color combinations to our repertoire to be given to the older children.

- **Tacoma Tabbies:**

COMMUNITY SERVICE:

Making pillowcases and putting together doll hospital gowns for the faceless dolls given to the cancer units like Mary Bridge Children's Hospital. This was a personal request from the hospital. Planning to make adult bibs for the area nursing homes.

MEMBERSHIP: Our membership is staying steady at 10 members.

ACTIVITIES: We are in the process of completing the teachers'

gifts for the 2008 Seminar. This has been a fun project for all of us. Our group is doing fine and enjoys each and every meeting. We are still in the process of completing our group banner and are really pleased with what is coming together. We are still talking about taking a field trip to some area Quilt Shops. There are several that our members have never been to and we all thought it would be fun to do this. Several of us will be doing the Shop Hop again this year and hope to get some new ideas for possible projects.

Sali Lusk

- **Juanita Gatos:** They had a really great mix of Seminar projects and other projects researched and presented to the group by their members. Carole Horner taught a great free motion collage for two months. Everyone in the group is so talented and a lot of fun to have around. We all enjoy each other, always benefit from everyone's teaching styles and totally love being a MEOW group. Diane Baker lost three family members in two months this year and it has been very comforting for her to have such wonderful friends.
- **Seattle Katz:** This group lost their meeting place and will be meeting at Pat Bridwell's home in April and May. Area Rep, Shelley Watson recommends that interested parties email or call her to learn the exact meeting times and place. They are looking forward to their upcoming projects.

- **Tri-Katz:** The Tri-Katz will meet in May but will not meet during the summer months. They will resume meetings in September.

Marjorie Mathison

- **Fabricats** have two members going to seminar.
- **Fantasy Felines:** The members made greeting cards using a technique called "Whipped Spider Web Flower". These will be sent to the MEOW Secretary to be used as Sunshine cards. Since moving to a larger facility there have been an average of 15 members at each meeting. A few members will be making tote bags for the foster children and women's shelter; others will be knitting/crocheting helmet liners for the military overseas while others will be making scarves for the V.A. Hospital. In April each member received a "brain storming" list of possible future classes. They will return them in May to be tallied. Then at the June potluck the favorite class choices will be voted on to fill their class schedule for next year.
- **Tiger Mt. Kitties** had a very good turnout to Martingale Press in April. The group will meet for the first time at Quality Sewing and Vac in Issaquah in May. They will not be meeting over the summer, so look for news from them again in September.

2008 SEMINAR

By Alice Howell

Plans are moving forward for our 20th Anniversary Seminar. It's time to get your machine serviced, pack up your items for your Group Display, the Scholarship Drawing, and the Fashion Show, and put the finishing touches on your Water Bottle Tote for the exchange, Put the supplies for each class in a Ziploc bag so they are ready for each class. If the class uses a machine, plan to be in class early enough to have your machine all set up.

Please contact me if you have any questions about seminar. I look forward to seeing you all there. Alice Howell
lace lady@verizon.net or 503-472-8522

Seminar 2009 Theme and Logo Contest

We are gearing up for the 21st MEOW Seminar in Olympia and we need to choose our theme and logo. I have seen many clever ideas and creative skills from our members, so please consider submitting an entry, dust off an old one that did not win, or come up with some great ideas for a logo and theme for 2009. These basic rules apply:

- Any current MEOW member may enter
- Choose a theme and a design; the logo must include MEOW and 2009
- Logo design may be round, square or rectangle.
- You may use up to 4 colors plus an outline and lettering color
- Your inspiration may be machine embroidery, needle arts or geography related
- Logo design should be 2½ to 3 inches in size, drawn on white paper. If possible, please provide one in black and white and one in the colors you have chosen.
- The winner will be selected during the July board meeting by the members that attend.
- Winner is to receive appreciation, recognition and a smile.
- Mail entries to seminar chairperson by **September 1, 2008:**

Jyll Jones
11340 Case Road SW
Olympia, WA 98512

or

e-mail me the picture – stitchnstuff@comcast.net
Looking forward to seeing your creativity in *action*.
Jyll Jones, 2009 Seminar Chairperson

Calling all authors, artists, educators or creative people!

Are you bursting to teach something you love to do? Do you love to share your knowledge with friends? If you are an experienced teacher or a first-time teacher, I would like to invite you to submit a Class Proposal for the Machine Embroiders of Oregon and Washington (MEOW) Seminar, May 28-May 31, 2009, held in Olympia, Washington.

Our yearly MEOW seminar provides class instruction, fun activities, sharing of knowledge and expertise, and learning new creative techniques in the field of crafting, but most of all, it's a great time to make new friends. All classes, including free motion embroidery, sewing, pattern making, beading, polymer clay, hand embroidery, computerized embroidery, fiber arts, weaving, scrapbooking techniques, quilting, etc., are acceptable for submission. **Think out of the box!** MEOW members include a wide variety of skill levels from beginners to professionals, and we love to learn anything! In our yearly seminar we would love to see classes that offer various techniques and skill levels. Classes may be technique- or project-oriented. Three- and six-hour classes are offered. If your class is a project, it should be one that the average student should be able to finish in the time allowed.

Any member of MEOW or any creative person is encouraged to submit proposals. If you have submitted a proposal in the past but it was not chosen as a class, please submit it again. Every year is different and attendees love new techniques and projects. Feel free to submit proposals for more than one class!

Please use the form provided in the MEOW newsletter, or you can download the form at www.sewmeow.org. Look under Seminar 2009/Forms. **Please submit one proposal per form.** You can submit samples and/or photos, but samples are preferred, and will be returned to you by October 31, 2008. Photos often don't do justice to the project.

Send all proposals by **September 1, 2008**, to:

Connie Hasten

5310 157th Place SW

Edmonds WA 98026-1477

e-mail: chasten4@msn.com Please e-mail her if you are sending a package so she can be on the lookout.

Include estimated value of your samples. (For postal insurance when returning samples and/or photos).

All proposals will be presented for the initial selection process at the October 2008 Board meeting. MEOW members then choose their classes from those initially selected. All teachers are paid a fee for teaching, and any kit fees are paid by students. If you have any questions or have a suggestion for a teacher who should be contacted, email us.

Where else can you teach to a group of talented and eager students? AT THE 2009 MEOW SEMINAR!

We're looking forward to seeing your class proposals!

Jyll Jones – Seminar Chairperson (stitchnstuff@comcast.net)

Connie Hasten – Teacher Submission Chairperson (chasten4@msn.com)

2008 Spring Sew Expo

By Vicki Nelson

I wish to thank all of the many volunteers who worked in the MEOW booth in March at the Spring Sewing & Stitchery Expo in Puyallup, WA. It was a four day show so we had at least 8 volunteers per day who did free motion demos, talked about MEOW and handed out flyers. Many thanks to Tammy Bennett for the business cards she made. If someone didn't want a flyer, then we gave them a business card to remember us in the future. I gave each volunteer a ruler as a small thank you gift. If you did not get one, please let me know and I will see that you do. I especially want to thank Betty Cooper who not only came up on the day before the Expo to help set up the booth but she also brought along her husband, Gary who also helped with setting up the booth. I could not have done it if it had not been for the help of my co-chairs: Sali Lusk, Texanna Cato, Shelly Watson, Pat Bridwell and Wilma Simpson. These ladies went above and beyond for the MEOW organization. As you know I have been the chairperson for 2 Expos per year for the past 15 years and I am worn out. Pat Bridwell has graciously volunteered (no, I did not twist her arm!) to take over as the chairperson for the Rusty Barn Quilting and Sewing Festival in November. We still need to find a chairperson to take over the spring Sewing & Stitchery Expo. This person needs to be found at least by August of 2008 as the contract needs to be signed and the booth rental needs to be paid the first part of September. The remainder of the paperwork needs to be completed by February 1, 2009. I am going to try to write up some guidelines as to what, where, when and how to deal with everything pertaining to the Expos. If someone does not volunteer to be the chairperson for the spring expo, then we might have to forfeit our booth space. If that happens chances are that we will not be invited back in the future as there is a waiting list for vendors who want to get into that expo. Please think about it and feel free to contact me if you would like to discuss this further. A database was made from the 62 names that stopped by the MEOW booth of ladies who might be possible new members. The database was sent out to all area reps for Washington & Oregon, State Directors and Board members. I hope everyone will do their best in trying to contact these ladies to invite them to come to a meeting

2008 Carol Cornford Scholarship Winners

By Arlene Harrison

Thirty-seven members submitted their name to be drawn for the 2008 Carol Cornford Scholarship. At the Jan. 26th board meeting, 15 names were drawn for the \$150 scholarship and 8 alternates. The scholarship will help defray the cost of the winner's Seminar 2008 expenses. Money raised by the Seminar 2007 raffle support these 15 scholarships.

The following members have accepted a scholarship:

Diane Baker, Claudia Buntyn, Anna Dalke, Leona Dickow, Joyce Eslinger, Kathy Goetz, Pearl Johnson, Mona Hermens, Barbara Herget, Betty King, Bev Mallette, Justina Maurer, Alice Morris, Jill Rue and Barbara Williams.

If one of these winners lives in your area, invite them to teach a class at your Area Group. This will help them fulfill their scholarship requirements and your group will enjoy the opportunity of an "outside" teacher.

Of the ten 2007 scholarship winners, 7 have sent completion forms confirming that they have done their teaching obligation. Reminders were sent to the remaining 3 members last month. A response was received by only one of these members.

Teaching must take place by May 15, 2008 to preclude the MEOW board from billing the recipient for the amount of the scholarship. Appropriate paperwork (sent to the recipient at the time of acceptance) must be sent to the Scholarship Chair to complete records.

	Date	Member Name	From (group)	Reason
1	1-14	Mary Dicks	Daffy Cats	Illness - self
2	1-29	Diane Baker	Juanita Gatos	Loss – spouse
3	1-29	Tracy Black	McKits	Surgery – spouse
4	2-4	Barbara Wolfendale	Cyber Cats	Loss-mother
5	2-4	Kathy Petty	Tri Katz	Surgery-self
6	2-4	Betty Leick	Cyber Cats	Loss-(Member)
7	2-4	Chrys Hulshof	Valley Cats	Surgery – spouse
8	2-4	Fanny Hendricks	Capital Cats	Illness – spouse
9	2-4	Fanny Hendricks	Capital Cats	Loss – mother
10	2-4	Kay Moore	Cyber Cats	Loss – friend
11	2-4	Wilma Burtsch	Valley Cats	Illness-self
12	2-5	Beth Heesaker	Hollywood Stars	Birth-grandbaby
13	2-11	Rena Andrews	Country Kitties	Illness - spouse
14	2-12	Sandi Bjorkman	Silver Kits	Loss-father
15	2-16	Helen Cobb	Creative Cats	Loss-son
16	2-26	Chrys Hulshof	Valley Cats	Illness-self
17	2-26	Mary Langenvin	Snippy Cats	Surgery-self
18	2-26	Joan Webster	Capital Cats	Special sunshine
19	2-26	Tami Bennett	Capital Cats	Special sunshine
20	2-26	Karen Bennett	Capital Cats	Special sunshine
21	2-29	Jill Roe	Silver Kits	Illness-self
22	3-19	Alice Goetschius	Hollywood Stars	Illness-spouse
23	3-19	Mary Langenvin	Snippy Cats	Surgery-self
24	3-19	Chrys Hulshof	Valley Cats	Illness-self
25	4-2	Diane Marinig	Tiger Mt. Kitties	Loss – spouse
26	4-2	Diane Baker	Juanita Gatos	Loss-mother
27	4-2	Claudia Wickman	Stray Cats	Loss-mother
28	4-2	Toni Colby	Pampered Persians	Illness-mother
29	4-2	Marian Desgranges	Cyber Cats	Illness- self
30	4-2	Anna Dalke	Creative Cats	Illness-Mother
31	4-2	Kathy Goetz	McKits	Illness-mother
32	4-14	Bev Mallett	Stray Cats	Illness-spouse
33	4-14	Anne Tosland	Klassey Katz	Illness-self

Capital Cats

* Olympia, Washington *
May 1993
Meets: 2nd Fr

Aristocats * Portland, Oregon *
September 2001
Meets: 1st Tuesday
1:30 pm – 4:30 pm
Place: A Common Thread
15320 Sequoia Parkway
Contact: JoAnne Cross
(503) 925-0894
June: Planning
July: Call for Program
August: Call for Program

Bytes & PCs * Boring, Oregon *
September 2005
Meets: 2nd Monday
10:00 am – 2:00 pm
Place: Boring Fire Hall Annex
Hwy 212
Contact: Linda Rigby
(503) 668-9785
June: Planning
July: Call for Program
August: Call for Program

Place: Lacey Library 500
College Ave SE, Lacey
Contact: Wilma Simpson
(360) 754-6610
Velma Fitzsimmons &
Betty Akin
June: Foundation
Piecing/Seminar Review
July: Silk Ribbon Embroidery
August: Pine Cone Silk Ribbon
Embroidery

Cascade Cats * Bend, Oregon *
August 1992
Meets: 1st & 3rd Fridays
10:00 am – 2:00 pm
Place: Mountain Country
Mercantile Fabrics
1568 NW Newport Ave
Contact: Lauri Boldenow
(541) 383-0908
Hazel Boldenow
(541) 383-0908
June: Planning
July: No Meeting
August: No Meeting

Country Kitties * Hood River, OR *
Feb. 1991
White Salmon, WA
Meets: 2nd Friday
10:00 am – 3:00 pm
Place: Hood River Extension
Office
2990 Experiment Station
Dr
Contact: Carla Labrousse
(541) 298-1393
June: Enchanted View
July: No Meeting
August: No Meeting

Creative Cats * Salem, Oregon * Dec.
1990/Aug 2004
Meets: 2nd Friday
10:00 am – 2:00 pm
Place: Capitol Manor
Retirement Center Hwy 22
Contact: Lyda Banick
(503) 399-4741
June: Curved Pieced Jacket
July: Curved Pieced Jacket,
cont.
August: Curved Pieced Jacket,
cont.

Cyber Cats * Renton, Washington *
April 2004
Meets: 4th Thursday
9:30 am – 2:00 pm
Place: King of King's Lutheran
Church
18207 – 108th Ave SE
Contact: Kay Moore
(425) 255-8063

June: Call for Program
July: Call for Program
August: Call for Program
Daffy Cats * Federal Way, Washington
* Sept. 1991
Meets: 3rd Thursday
9:30 am – 12:30 pm
Place: Quality Sewing &
Vacuum Federal Way
Contact: Janice Hammock
(360) 491-0982
Mary Dicks
(253) 531-1372
June: Treasure Box
July: Call for Program
August: Call for Program

Designer Cats * Chehalis, Washington
* Sept. 1998
Meets: 4th Friday (Flexible)
3:30 pm – 5:30 pm
Place: Billie's Designer Fabrics
Contact: Ericka Suhrbier
(360) 748-3295
June: Call for Program
July: Call for Program
August: Call for Program

Digi-Cats * Kirkland, Washington *
Nov. 2005
Meets: 3rd Monday
6:30 pm – 8:30 pm
Place: Quality Sew & Vacuum
13501 100th Ave NE
Contact: Arlette Wentz
(425) 885-2871
June: Planning
July: Call for Program
August: Call for Program

Fabricats * Wenatchee, Washington *
June 1993
Meets: 1st Wednesday
1:00 pm – 4:00 pm
Place: Wenatchee Sewing &
Vac
1544 N Wenatchee Ave.
Contact: Nadra Betcher
(509) 745-8378
June: Call for Program
July: Call for Program
August: Call for Program

Fantasy Felines * Lynnwood,
Washington * May 1994
Meets: 2nd Tuesday
6:00 pm – 9:00 pm
Place: Fire Station #14
18800 68th Ave W
Contact: Elaine Solvang
(425) 743-2328
Vicki Nelson
(425) 774-9406
June: Planning
July: Call for Program
August: Call for Program

Hollywood Stars * Portland, Oregon *
October 1991
Meets: 2nd Saturday
10:00 am – 2:00 pm
Place: Montavilla Sewing
Center 8326 SE Stark
Contact: Kitty Young
(503) 621-3760
June: Planning
July: Cutwork
August: Surprise

Juanita Gatos * Kirkland, Washington
* June 1992
Meets: 4th Monday
6:00 pm – 8:30 pm
Place: Quality Sew & Vac
13501 – 100th Ave NE
Contact: Diane Baker
(425) 488-3488
Marsha Kurle
(360) 794-1819
June: Planning
July: Community Service
August: Call for Program

Kalico Kitties * Vancouver,
Washington * October 1994
Meets: 3rd Saturday
10:00 am – 3:00 pm
Place: Felida Fire Station
11600 Lake Shore Ave
Contact: Carmen Groves
(360) 263-8931
June: Planning
July: Call for Program
August: Call for Program

Klassey Katz * Aberdeen, Washington
* October 2004
Meets: 2nd Tuesday
10:00 am – 3:00 pm
Place: Quilt Harbor Two
208 Broadway
Contact: Jennie Giles
(360) 289-0242
June: Metallic Chrysanthemum
July: Fantasy Flower Garden
August: Silk Ribbon Embroidery

McKits * Lafayette, Oregon * January
2000
Meets: 3rd Saturday
10:00 am – 2:00 pm
Place: Lafayette Comm. Church
365 Third Street
Contact: Roberta Strebe
(503) 435-2048
Mona Hermans
(503) 662-5061
June: Community Service
July: Straight Stitch Poinsettia
August: County Fair Demo

Mountain Cats * Port Angeles,
Washington * May 1996
Meets: 1st Friday
10:00 am – 2:00 pm
Place: Viking Sew & Vac
707 E 1st Street
Contact: Sherrie Rogers
(360) 452-2930
Joyce Holt
(360) 582-9707
June: Mary Ray Osmus
Manual
July: Call for Program
August: Call for Program

Mouse Connection * Beaverton,
Oregon * August 2005
Meets: 2nd Tuesday
5:00 pm – 8:00 pm
Place: Fire Station
Murray Blvd & Butner
Contact: Ginger Christmas-
Beattie (503) 640-2720
June: Planning
July: Call for Program
August: Call for Program

Mt. Hood * Boring, Oregon * July 1988
Meets: 1st Monday - Community
Service & UFO's
4th Monday - Program
10:00 am – 2:00 pm
Place: Boring Fire Hall
Hwy 212
Contact: Betty King
(503) 653-5071
June: Planning
July: "Stripes" Felting
August: Tidy Tote

Multi-Media Kats * Milwaukie, Oregon
* August 2003
Meets: 3rd Monday
10:00 am – 4:00 pm
Place: Gladstone Nazarene
Church
4180 SE Jennings Ave
Contact: Beth Heesacker
(503) 357-8804
Apral Harrel
(503) 631-3525
June: Planning
July: Call for Program
August: Call for Program

Pampered Persians
Puyallup, Washington * April, 2005
Meets: 2nd Thursday
9:30 am – 2 pm
Place: South Hill Quality Sew &
Vacuum
Contact: Gail Mikuchonis
(253) 405-8096
Toni Colby
(425) 432-2231
June: Appliqué Fish
July: Swan
August: Finishing Techniques

Pink Panthers
Puyallup, Washington * April, 2007
Meets: 2nd Thursday
6:00 pm – 9:00 pm
Place: South Hill Quality Sew &
Vacuum
3715 S Meridian
Contact: Gail Mikuchonis
(253) 405-8096
June: Appliqué Fish

July: Swan
August: Finishing Techniques

Sandy Katz * Ocean Shores, WA *
October 2006
Meets: 1st Monday
10:00 am – 2:00 pm
Place: Cranberry Bay Fabric &
More
897 Minard Ave NW
(360) 289-0984
Contact: Kathy Jones
(360) 289-0984
June: Swiss Cheese
July: Painted Fabric
August: Community Service

Seattle Katz * Seattle, Washington *
September 1999
Meets: 4th Monday
11:00 am – 2:00 pm
Place: Bernina NW 540 NE
Northgate Way #D
Contact: Shelley Watson
(206) 542-4369
June: Planning (Different
Location)
July: Call for Program
August: Call for Program

Silver City Kitties * Silverdale,
Washington * Jan 1999
Meets: 1st Tuesday
9:00 am – 3:00 pm
Place: Eagles Nest - Kitsap
County Fairgrounds
Contact: Beverly Robinson
(206) 842-0286
June: Finishing Up Projects
July: Community Service
Mid-July: Lavender Festival
August: Call for Program

Silver Kits * Silverton, Oregon * March
2006
Meets: 4th Thursday
4:30 pm – 7:30 pm
Place: Family Fabric
207 High St.
Contact: Jessica Kennady
(503) 873-3830
June: Snippet/Pizza
Landscapes

All area groups must be organized according to MEOW By-laws and Area Group Guidelines, under the direction of the MEOW Vice-President. Please contact her for assistance.

All area group schedules are subject to change. Please call ahead if you intend to visit another group.

July: Bobbinwork
August: Designing with Fiber
Etch

Snippy Kats * Keizer, Oregon *

August 2004
Meets: 4th Friday
9:30 am – 1:00 pm
Place: John Knox Presbyterian Church

452 Cummings Lane N
Contact: Jan Story
(503) 623-9698

June: Planning
July: No Meeting/Marion
County Fair
August: No Meeting/Oregon
State Fair

Stray Cats

Contact: Jan Story
(503) 623-9698
Jansews327@aol.com

Tacoma Tabbies * Tacoma, WA *

January 2002
Meets: 3rd Saturday
9:30 am – 12:30 pm
Place: Shibori Dragon 11124
Gravelly Lake Drive
Contact: Karen Bennett
(253) 848-3605
June: Community Service
July: No Meeting
August: Community Service

Tiger Mountain Kitties * Issaquah,

WA * Sept 1993
Meets: 3rd Tuesday
12:30 pm – 3:30 pm
Place: Pacific Fabrics
East Lake Sammamish
Parkway
Contact: Linda Brandon
(425) 392-6771
June: No Meeting
July: No Meeting
August: No Meeting

Tri-Katz * Pasco, Washington * April
2004

Meets: 1st Saturday
1:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Place: Janean's Bernina 6303
Burden Blvd. #C
Contact: Kathy Petty
(509) 547-9914

June: No Meeting
July: No Meeting
August: No Meeting

Valley Cats * Albany, Oregon *

October 1994
Meets: 1st Saturday
10:00 am – 2:00 pm

Place: Oregon Sew & Vac
401 – 1st Ave NW

Contact: Vy Fredericks
(541) 967-7875
Chris Hulsof
(541) 926-6568

June: Community Service
July: Picnic
August: Call for
Program

Website Report

By Jyll Jones and Tami Bennett

Pictures are beginning to be sent to us, so stop by the area group pages and see what they are up to. If your area group has some pictures, send them to us!!! We can accept a jpeg or tiff picture. Be sure to attach as a file, don't put it in the text of the email.

In the last newsletter, I asked each group to choose someone within their group to be the website contact. Could you please send those names to either Tami (pse@oz.net) or me (stitchnstuff@comcast.net)? Thanks to all who have been sending in their schedule changes and meeting place changes, we really appreciate your help in this.

Exciting news: The website will be updated with your new elected board members including pictures of them.

A discussion was had at the board meeting that we want the website to be a communication and education source, so to that end, the bylaws and standing rules will be up on the web, so you can use the website as an information highway!!! Also the web site has the newsletter available even before you get it in the mail!!! This makes for communication to you in an easier and timely manner.

Seminar is almost here!! Check out the website and see what is being offered. Next year's seminar will be in Olympia!!

Recently, there were some questions about why some of the articles on the website and in the newsletter were not exactly the same, that's because the newsletter editor and the website mistresses need to work on their communication. Please be patient with us we are working on

