



West Suburban Quilters' Guild Newsletter

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Meetings

Meetings are held the 2nd Wednesday of the month, with the exception of a couple Tuesday meetings. See the schedule in this newsletter.

Meetings begin at 6:30 PM

Social time begins at 6:00

Brookfield Lutheran Church

**18500 W. Burleigh
Brookfield, WI 53045**

Website

Follow us on the website at <http://www.wsqg.net>

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Submit items to Cathy Helgeson at clhqilts@yahoo.com

Facebook

Please check the WSQG Facebook page. This is a closed group. Contact Cathy Helgeson to join the page.

Newsletter

Submit items for the newsletter by the 25th of the month to Judy Valentino at judyv1954@sbcglobal.net

The newsletter will be published on the [WSQG.net](http://www.wsqg.net) website. An email, with a link to the website, will be sent to membership when the newsletter has been published.

President's letter

Oh December how cold you can be, however with some fabric and thread we can stitch our own beautiful views of pretty fabrics cut into pieces and sewn back together in quilts!! And then submit them for our next Guild Quilt Show in just a few months from now, March 2023.

Do you want to help choose the programs for next year? Volunteer for the Program Committee!! Do you want to Join a Quilting Bee? We have several that just started this year, attend the meeting for more information & if you come at 6PM you can sit in with one also!!

6:30 PM Our December Program will be Allison Rainboth presents "Civil War Christmas and Quilts" Website: <https://sisterschoiceblog.wordpress.com/>

I hope to see everyone at the December meeting

In Stitches

Wendy Bannister, WSQG President

Membership Update

Our current paid membership at 38. 3 past members have not responded to my messages. I am still working on them.

Please continue to speak with your quilting friends and encourage them to join us. I am hopeful that ALL members are doing this. Invite them to a meeting - there is no charge for a single meeting, they would be our guest.

Respectfully submitted by

Donna Bilda, WSQG Vice President

Meeting Minutes

Our November meeting opened on one of the last warm days of the season with an informative presentation by Kristi Droese of Windswept Quilters on the many uses of Stripology rulers. This ruler is so well thought through it replaces several rulers. It is designed by Gundran Erla of GE Designs who has written many books and has numerous YouTube videos demonstrating the applications and patterns. The ruler is designed to square up blocks, make bias strips, triangles, diamonds and half hexagons of all sizes.

Kristi hosts an open sew Tuesday, Thursday and Friday every other week and is planning to have a sale on thousands of her fabric bolts in the near future. Contact Kristi for more info kdroese@gmail.com.

Quilt Show details will be discussed at the December meeting with information on the categories. Volunteer sign-ups will be available at the meeting. Support from each member is what makes our show fun and successful, please be generous with your time. Volunteering is a great way to enjoy the show, our guests and get to know each other better. Bags for quilted items will be handed out at the January meeting.

The Gift Boutique team appreciates the wonderful items brought in and looks forward to a variety of many great offerings for sale at the show. Everything earned from the boutique sales goes directly to our guild's bank account.

Free patterns for boutique items are located on Pinterest under Quilt Guild Boutique Items on my account, PattyMartin2819. Please enjoy the resources and try making a few new items

Block of the month, Slice of Pie was won by Linda Dentice.

Next month's block is Christmas Bauble Ornament; please contact Vicky or Maryjo for information.

Door prizes were won by Betty Breen, Sue Held and myself.

Patty Martin

Hospitality

December: Ardene Brown, Susan Held, Gloria Volland, Cheri Alter, Judy Valentino

Treasurer's Report

Balance as of 11/30/22 \$11519.66. Expenses in November: Storage Mart 680.00 (5 mos.), Speaker fee Kristi Droese \$152.50, Brookfield Lutheran \$75, Donna Bilda (raffle ticket printing, pics of raffle quilt, ribbon supplies) \$225.74. Total Expense: \$1133.24 Revenue in November Membership dues \$30, Raffle Tickets (3) \$150, Quilt Show Vendors (5)\$1300.00. Total Revenue:\$1480.

Block of the Month

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Hello Quilters – I hope this finds you sewing away.

Congratulations to Linda Dentice – the lucky winner of the Slice of Pie blocks. We are sew looking forward to seeing them in a quilt.

A quick reminder to our Block of the Month participants that you are not required to use a solid/ single piece of fabric for your ornament – Be creative!! Stitch various pieces of fabric together to make up the bauble size unit of 6 ½ inches square. We look forward to seeing your creativity...

Sew – if you don't have your ornament bauble block sewn and pressed – YOU better get stitching...

Thank you for participating in the BOM. We look forward to seeing you at the December meeting. Happy Quilting!!

Your BOM Team (MaryJo and Vicky)

Program Committee

Tuesday December 13th, 2022

Allison Rainboth "Civil War Christmas and Quilts"

Wednesday January 11th, 2023

"Schoolhouse for gift boutique: materials provided
Foot Pedal Stop, Project Board & Heart Hot Pad

Wednesday February 8th, 2023

"Quilt Show Details"

Tuesday March 14th, 2023

Kristin Kulinski "Maximize leftover bits and pieces"

Wednesday April 12th, 2023

Linda Halpin "Borders on Parade"

Wednesday May 10th, 2023

"Potluck with Quilts of Valor presentation by Bonnie Camp"

Sunshine

If you know of anyone who needs a little sunshine please notify Patty Martin.

Our History

Nothing to report.

Charity Committee Projects

These are the projects that we will be supporting in the coming months. Please give items to the listed member. It would be nice to use show and tell to share what we are creating.

Placemats for Meals on Wheels	Mary Margaret Wacker
Quilts for Kids	Judy Valentino
Walker Bags	Caroline Koch
Pillow Cases for Ryan's & All People's	Mary Margaret Wacker
Blankets, scarves, hats, mini shampoo	Mary Margaret Wacker
Time of the Month	Karen Hendrickson

Meals On Wheels- We'd like to provide placemats that can be distributed twice a year to their clients. These can be as simple or as complicated as you like. Fabric 2 pieces 19x13 and used Pellon interfacing 926 for stiffness.

<https://jmbhandmade.com/easy-placemat-sewing-tutorial/>

Pillowcases- Holiday theme for the Advent bags that All People's Church shares and any kid type fabric for Ryan's Case For Smiles.

Quilts For Kids- Judy Valentino is the contact for this initiate. The quilts go to Children's Hospital and while the preference is for approximately 40-50 inches, they will also accept larger and smaller ones.

Walker Bags- Caroline Koch put the pattern for these on our website. They are being used at Assisted Living and rehabilitation centers in the Waukesha/Brookfield area.

All People's Church is so grateful for the pillowcases and fleece blankets that we've been able to provide. They're also able to use children's hats, mittens, new small stuffed animals and new children's books. I provide them with gently used children's books for their Little Library as well.

Fabric for clothing can be given to me and I will get it to Hanan Refugee Relief.

Mary Margaret Wacker
170 Rip Van Winkle Dr.
Waukesha, WI. 53186
414-587-6008

November Update: We have about 30 placemats but I think we would need at least 75 to make a donation to Meals On Wheels. Otherwise, I think Tracy Last has a contact where we could

send them. I'll wait and assess how many we have after the November meeting. Thank you, especially, to Vicky Smith for her diligent efforts in turning out placemats!

We donated 18 fleece blankets and 70 pillowcases to All People's Church so they'll be thrilled. Thank you so much for helping! Quilt Show Corner
Hello Everyone

Quilt Show Corner

A few dates to remember: Quilt Show March 10th and 11th, 2023, at the Waukesha Expo Center. Set-up will be March 9. Quilt registration will again be online. Registration dates will be announced soon. Plastic bags will be distributed at the March 8 meeting and drop off will be by 10a.m. at the Expo Center on March 9.

As we prepare for our next quilt show in March of 2023, the entry categories for the quilt judging have been updated. A few definitions have been added to clarify the categories so you will be able to enter your quilts in the appropriate categories.

A challenge category has been added to highlight the theme of the show "Quilts Tell Stories".

December Update:

Hard to believe but the next show is only 3 1/2 months away 🙄

I hope you are out there selling your raffle tickets for our beautiful quilt. Everyone should try to sell at least one pack.

Once you've finished your holiday gifts, finish up your entries for the show. The registration will be open January 1 on the web site.

We will begin the sign-up sheets for working at the show in January. One big hole that needs to be filled is renting and driving the truck for set-up and teardown. If you have questions about what is involved please see me at the meeting.

Thanks, Mary Weber

Picture of our raffle quilt in progress!



Raffle Quilt Ticket Sales

First off -- thank you to the ladies who worked on this magnificent quilt --- Judy Valentino, Mary Weber, Patty Martin and Betty Breen made the quilt top. It was quilted by yours truly, and the beautiful label was stitched out by Patty Martin.

Most members have their Ticket Packets. You can sell them to family, friends, and basically ANYONE you come into

contact with. Or, you can purchase them yourself. . I still have 7 Ticket Packets that have not been distributed. Hopefully these members will be at the December Meeting.

There are several members who have requested and sold additional packs of tickets. No names at this time, but I have 6 members that have taken 2 packs, 2 members that have taken 4 packs, and 1 member who has taken 9 packs. YES -- 9 Packs of 60 tickets. She is our Super Seller.

Remember to turn in monies and stubs as soon as you can. And, of course, get more tickets to sell if you want.

Thank you all for your efforts to make the Raffle Quilt Sales a successful fund raiser for WSQG.

Respectfully submitted by
Donna Bilda
Raffle Chair WSQG Quilt Show 2023

Gift Boutique Ideas & Suggestions		
Crochet Dish Cloths	Aprons	Thread Catchers
Decorated Towels Hand/Kitchen	Kleenex Box Covers	Pin Cushions
Pot Holders	Toilet Tank Topper	Needle or Scissor Keeper
Plastic Bag Keepers	Toilet Seat Covers	Thread Catchers
Casserole Carrier	Pillow Covers	Baby Blanket
Rope Bowls	Tote Bags, all sizes	Baby Bibs or Burb Cloths
Table Toppers & Runners	Wine Bags	Stuffed Animals
Basket Liners	Gift Bags	Tether for Pacifier
Coasters, Round or Square	Lunch Carrier	Seat Belt Cushion
Bowl Cozies	Notebook Covers	Wall Hangings
Can Cozies	Purses	Lap or Throw Quilts
Teddy Bears	Name Tag Holder	Greeting Cards
Themes:		
"Quilts Tell Stories" show theme		
St. Patrick		
Easter		
Spring		
Patriotic		
Wedding		
Baby Gifts		
Please consider sewing with appealing colors & fabrics to attract interest & eager buyers.		
Watch for more gift ideas to make while at festivals & craft shows.		

2023 Quilt Show Theme: Quilts Tell Stories March 11 and 12, 2023

Entry Categories

Division 1 - Bed Quilts

Minimum size 60" x 80", intended for a bed. Quilt top made by guild member.

Class A: Pieced, Hand or Machine Quilted.

Class B: Appliqué, Hand or Machine Quilted. Applique is significant portion of quilt.

Class C: Mixed Technique, Hand or Machine Quilted.

Division 2 - Crib/Lap Quilts

Minimum size 36" x 45", intended for a crib or small bed. Quilt top made by guild member.

Class A: Pieced, Hand or Machine Quilted.

Class B: Appliqué, Hand or Machine Quilted. Applique is significant portion of quilt.

Class C: Mixed Technique, Hand or Machine Quilted.

Division 3 - Wall Quilts

Quilt made for display on a wall. Quilt top made by a guild member.

Divided into two sections by size: Section One: Total perimeter measurement is less than 144"

Section Two: Total perimeter measurement is greater than 144"

Class A: Pieced, Hand or Machine Quilted.

Class B: Appliqué, Hand or Machine Quilted. Applique is significant portion of quilt.

Class C: Mixed Technique, Hand or Machine Quilted.

Division 4 - Modern Quilts

Quilt made with a non-traditional pattern using bold colors, high contrast, improvisational piecing, minimalism, expansive negative space and alternative grid work. Quilt top made by a guild member

Class A: Bed Quilt (Minimum 60" x 80")

Class B: Lap Quilt (Minimum 36" x 45")

Class C: Wall hanging (Minimum 12" x 12")

Division 5 - West Suburban Quilters' Guild Sponsored Event

Class A: Workshops and Programs; Any size. Must be an item made as part of (or directly inspired by) a WSQG workshop or program.

Class B: Block of the Month/Block Exchange; Any size. Must be an item made as part of a WSQG Block of the Month program or WSQG Block Exchange.

Division 6 - Other Quilted Items

Class A: Miniatures (Maximum size 24" x 24") a miniature is a small scale replica of full-sized quilt with all of the quilt components reduced in scale.

Class B: Clothing and Accessories

Class C: Home Décor

Division 7 – Show Challenge Theme: Quilts Tell Stories

Create a quilt that depicts a fiction book that relates to the theme.

Must be 36" square. Include label with title of the book that inspired your quilt.

DIVISION 8 – President's Challenge Theme: "Happy Tomorrows"

Dimensions: 30" wide by 40" tall; the color blue must be used somewhere on the front, it does not need to be the dominant color. The quilt top must be made of fabric, pieced, foundation

pieced, paper pieced or appliqued, embellishments are allowed. A quilt label should be placed on the back with the title of the quilt and your inspiration for the design.

DIVISION 9 HALL OF FAME THIS IS NOT A JUDGED CATEGORY

The quilts in this category will be used to enhance the viewing experience of our guests. They will also showcase the superior level of talent in our guild. They can be of any size but would prefer mostly bed-sized. We would like at least one entry from each member. If your entry has won a ribbon in the past from our show, another show, or State Fair, please include the information with the quilt registration so a plaque can be made.

ALL QUILTS MAY BE QUILTED BY A GUILD MEMBER OR ANOTHER QUILTER.

Winter Quilt Show put on by WI Museum of Fiber Arts

We are all set with our booth to promote our Quilt show for this year.

Also, I indicated that we would contribute a couple door prizes as I thought this would be a great opportunity to share our guild with the lucky ticket holder by enclosing our program schedule to invite them to a meeting along with our membership form.

In addition to this invite, do you have any ideas as to what we should give away as our door prizes? All ideas are welcome....looking forward to hearing from you...

Thanks...

And, Happy Quilting!

Vicky Wolf