



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 Message

Our Quilt Show, "Quilts Tell Stories", will be this March 2023. Now held in the odd years, This year's Quilt show is on Friday, March 10 & Saturday, March 11, 2023.

We have five Quilting Bees active this year if you are interested let me know at the meeting!

We have Board Member positions opening up so let the Nomination committee know if you are interested.

May we continue to share and grow in quilting, creativity.

Our March meeting we have a speaker Kristin Kulinski who is going to show us how to use up all our scraps.

Wendy Bannister
WSQG President

Membership Update

No change to membership, current paid membership at 39. 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 February meeting began with a fun introduction from Mary Margaret on the many useful benefits of a Tootsie Roll Pop and why a quilter would want to keep one available.

Mary Weber began the Quilt Show updates with appreciation and thank you to Cathy Helgeson and Lucy Herman for all their work to get the quilts registered. The quilt locations will be emailed the end of February for all entries. The quilt location needs to be written on your label for each item entered.

Key Points:

- Quilts larger than 36" need a rod pocket with pins less than 12" apart for a smooth appearance.
- 90" is the maximum length for a hanging quilt.
- Quilt drop off on Thursday, March 9th is from 8:00 to 10:00 AM on the West side of the Arena at door #6 or 7. Set up will begin after registration, please plan to help set up and bring your family and friends to help.
- Bed Turning quilts and stories are managed by Mary Margaret, please get your information to her well before the show. Bed Turnings will be Friday at 11:00 AM and 1:00 PM. Saturday at 1:00 PM.
- Quilt appraisals will be done by Carol Butzke for \$55.00. Reserved times are recommended.
- WSQG members are asked to wear white tops with black slacks while at the show Friday and Saturday.
- Quilt Show recap report will be presented at the April meeting.

Door Prizes were won by Ardene Brown, Mary Clare Schuler and Joan Berman.

Mary Margaret did a great job closing the meeting with quilt word games and a quilt puzzle.

Please bring all your contributions to the quilt show gift boutique booth or drop of payment for the items that stayed home. Thank You All!

Respectfully submitted
Patty Martin

Hospitality

March: Mary Jo Busch, Peg Schellin, Donna Bilda, Elrid Johnson

Treasurer's Report

Nothing to report until after the Quilt Show

Block of the Month

Block of the Month - Remember to bring your Exploding Expandable block!

A quick reminder to our Block of the Month participants that we will not have a block of the month for February this year. Why? Because – It's show time!! Also, you will NOT be turning in your Exploding "Expandable" block until **March**.

As always, thank you for participating in the BOM. We look forward to seeing all of your finished BOM quilts in the show!!

Happy Quilting!!

Your BOM Team (MaryJo and Vicky)

Program Committee

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 initiative. 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.

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Quilt Show Corner

A big THANK YOU to all for your work to bring us a successful quilt show. It takes many hands to make this happen. From Mary Weber

Editors Note: Mary Weber as our fearless leader should be congratulated for another great Quilt Show! THANK YOU SO MUCH MARY!!