



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

Happy almost Spring everyone!!!

Our Quilt Show was amazing and we had a good number of attendees! We also had half a dozen attendees who came to visit our regular guild meeting in March. What a wonderful growth in our guild.

Wednesday April 12th is our next Guild meeting and the speaker will be Linda Halpin on Borders on Parade



You will want to bring a camera to this one! Borders are not just to make your quilt bigger! Over 3 dozen quilts will be shown, all with different border treatments for your consideration. How you frame your quilt can be so much more than just four strips of fabric added to the edges. This program explores the wide range of possibilities for border treatments by examining dozens of variations on border treatments. How wide to make borders and lattices as well

as making edges that don't ripple are just a few of the topics to be covered.

Format: Trunk show of quilts from my personal collection, examining dozens of variations on border treatments

Our program committee is working hard for next year already. Please continue to share with us when you learn of a new speaker you would like.

I was fortunate to have won the Quilt Show raffle quilt and am very grateful to have won it. I absolutely love it!!

See everyone at the April meeting. If you are unable to attend please let someone know so we can share with you what we learned at the meeting.

Wendy

Membership Update

We have a new member, CATHY DURAND-GRAVES. Please be sure to welcome her if you see her at one of our meetings.

That brings our membership up to 40.

We also had a few visitors at the March meeting, which I was unable to attend. These ladies are possible new members as well:

Betty Altman
Denise Stefl
Judy Spaight
Connie Niles
Cheryll Handly Beck

I'm looking forward to the April 12th meeting. And -- I'm looking forward to meeting our new member, Cathy, and the other visitors as well.

Respectfully submitted by
Donna Bilda, WSQG Vice President

Meeting Minutes

No Minutes were received but we had a wonderful presentation by Kristin Kulinski on how to use up your scraps. She was quite an inspiration.

Mary Weber won the Exploding Block of the month.

Quilt Show was a success despite the snow. The financials will be presented at the next meeting.

Hospitality

April: Holle Kelley, Lucy Herman, Tracey Last, Wendy Bannister

Treasurer's Report

Still awaiting our big bill from Waukesha Expo for the quilt show but current balance is \$17332.64

Block of the Month

Hello Quilters – I hope this finds you sewing away.

Congratulations to Mary Weber – the lucky winner of the exploding “expandable” blocks. We received some fun blocks – thank you to all of our participants for pressing-on through this pattern that depended on that scant ¼ inch seam. We are sew looking forward to seeing them in a quilt.

A quick reminder to our Block of the Month participants that you will want to use bright spring fabrics for your “Let’s go Puddling” rain boot block – Be creative!! Also, you may want to stitch various pieces of fabric together to make up the boot fabric pieces. Use those scraps! We look forward to seeing your creativity...

Sew – if you don’t have your “Let’s go Puddling” rain boot block sewn and pressed – YOU better get stitching...

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

Your BOM Team (MaryJo and Vicky)

Program Committee

Wednesday April 12th, 2023

Linda Halpin “Borders on Parade”

BORDERS ON PARADE speaker Linda Halpin

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Trunk Show

Linda Halpine is in the process of downsizing her collection of quilts and quilt tops. She will also present a trunk show of 45 - 50 pieces available for purchase. This will take place following the Borders on Parade lecture. Sizes range from quilt blocks to a few that are queen size. Most are wall hanging/laptop size.

Prices range from \$5 to \$100.

10% of the proceeds will be donated back to the guild.

**She is not set up for charge card purchases.
All purchases are by cash or check.**

She will also bring books and patterns she has authored to sell following the program.

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.

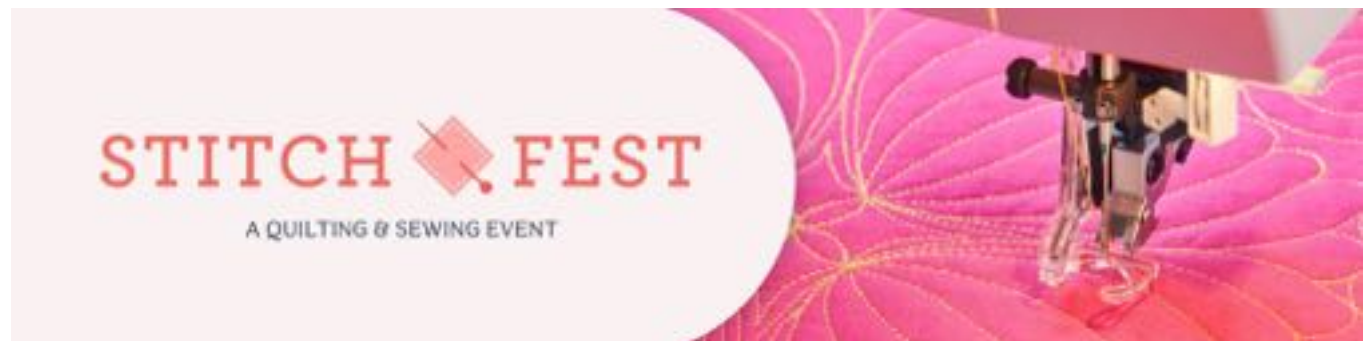
All People's Church is so grateful for the pillowcases and fleece blankets that we've been able to provide. They're also able to use children's hats, mittens, new small stuffed animals and new children's books. I provide them with gently used children's books for their Little Library as well.

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

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Community news

The guild was notified that there is a person with fabric for sale. If interested please contact John Sinitski at 262-567-8569. He also has a featherweight for sale.



Milwaukee, WI
May 24-27, 2023

A NEW QUILTING AND SEWING SHOW COMING TO MILWAUKEE. CLICK ON THE DATE FOR THE LINK!! or visit <https://quiltingdaily.com/stitchfest/milwaukee>

a Show Corner

CATEGORY	FIRST PLACE	SECOND PLACE	THIRD PLACE
BED QUILTS	Rob's Turn	Sweettooth	Leeandall's Wedding Quilt
1-A	<i>Vicky Spiering</i>	<i>Kathy Palmer</i>	<i>Mary Margaret Wacker</i>
	Magnificent Owls		
1-B	<i>Kelli Effinger</i>		
	Right on the Money	Peony Garden	
1-C	<i>Donna Bilda</i>	<i>Mary Jo Busch</i>	
CRIB/LAP	Sunflower Kaleidoscope	Moroccan Market	9 Kids in PJ's and 1 Na-Kid
2-A	<i>Patty Martin</i>	<i>Cindy Vick</i>	<i>Mary Margaret Wacker</i>
	Woodland Creatures	Taste of Summer	Stars and Poppies
2-B	<i>Darlene Savatski</i>	<i>Gloria Volland</i>	<i>Elrid Johnson</i>
			Magnificent Owls 2
			<i>Kelli Effinger</i>
	Both Sides Now		
2-C	<i>Susan Held</i>		
WALLHANGINGS	Abstract Modern Challenge	My Country Bunnies	Pumpkin is My Favorite Season
3A-1	<i>Vicky Spiering</i>	<i>Vicky Wolf</i>	<i>Becky Anderson</i>
			Cranes Over Wisconsin
			<i>Mary Margaret Wacker</i>
			Birds in the Tree
			<i>Vicky Smith</i>
	Green Eyed Girl	Seed Pods	Springtime
3B-1	<i>Cindy Vick</i>	<i>Angie Legett</i>	<i>Elrid Johnson</i>
	Honey I'm Home	Bugs in Bloom	Scratch Art Butterflies
	<i>Cindy Vick</i>	<i>Chris Kirsch</i>	<i>Donna Bilda</i>
			Dragonflies
3C-1			<i>Catherine Borneman</i>
WALLHANGINGS	Hello Sunshine	Stained Glass Star	Is It Love or Is It Lunch?
3A-2	<i>Vicky Spiering</i>	<i>Betty Breen</i>	<i>Marianne Kane</i>
	Unstrun Heroes	Hawaii Dreaming	
3B-2	<i>Kelli Effinger</i>	<i>Mary Margaret Wacker</i>	
	Be My Valentine	Ant 'Titude	Sewist's Splendor
3C-2	<i>Kelli Effinger</i>	<i>Catherine Boreman</i>	<i>Laura Heldt</i>
MODERN QUILTS	Timewrap	Castlelife	Fresh as a Daisy
4-A	<i>Betty Breen</i>	<i>Betty Breen</i>	<i>Betty Breen</i>
	Feathers	Trees 3	Winter Blues
4-B	<i>Kathy Palmer</i>	<i>Cathy Helgeson</i>	<i>Kathy Palmer</i>
	Chasing Dreams	Beautiful Circles and Curves	Reflections
4-C	<i>Betty Breen</i>	<i>Donna Bilda</i>	<i>Judy Valentino</i>

GUILD SPONSORED EVENTS	Tumbling Bordermires	Native American Pottery	Paisley Wool Table Topper
Workshops	<i>Donna Bilda</i>	<i>Mary Margaret Wacker</i>	<i>Mary Margaret Wacker</i>
	Let a Smile be your Umbrella	Tranquility	Wine Tasting
BOM/Exchanges	<i>Mary Margaret Wacker</i>	<i>Betty Breen</i>	<i>Judy Valentino</i>
OTHER QUILTED ITEMS	Little Buds	Etc Etc Etc	Tranquility
Miniatures	<i>Darlene Savatski</i>	<i>Vicky Spiering</i>	<i>Mary Margaret Wacker</i>
	Perfectly Practical Bag	It's in the Bag	Enlightened Conversation
CLOTHING AND ACCESSORIES	<i>Kelli Effinger</i>	<i>Mary Margaret Wacker</i>	<i>Joy Zuerner</i>
	Folded Star Table Runner	Cookies for Santa	Tablerunner
HOME DÉCOR	<i>Donna Bilda</i>	<i>Mary Margaret Wacker</i>	<i>Mary Clare Schuller</i>
SHOW CHALLENGE	A Quilt for a Reader	Out of Africa	Jonathan Livingston Seagull
	<i>Caroline Koch</i>	<i>Mary Margaret Wacker</i>	<i>Donna Bilda</i>
	Mixed Emotion		
	<i>Judy Valentino</i>		
PRESIDENT'S CHALLENGE	Happy Tomorrows w Sunflowers	Happy Tomorrow	A Note from Mom
	<i>Gloria Volland</i>	<i>Cheri Allen</i>	<i>Vicky Wolf</i>
	Woodland Creatures		
BEST OF SHOW	<i>Darlene Savatski</i>		
	Rob's Turn	Sunflower Kaleidoscope	
COMMITTEE'S CHOICE	<i>Vicky Spiering</i>	<i>Patty Martin</i>	

We will do an evaluation of the Quilt Show at the April meeting. The financials will be presented as well as what went well and what went wrong. Please come ready to discuss your thoughts.

Nominations

The slate of Officers and Committee Members is mostly complete. My sincere thank you to all those who graciously agreed to serve this coming year. There are a couple of committees remaining that still need a member to volunteer. We will need to fill these positions at the meeting. Please come prepared to assist! If you have questions, know someone who is willing to assist, or would like to volunteer before the meeting, don't hesitate to contact me via email: ardenebrown@yahoo.com or phone: 262-784-1347.

Nominations for 2023-24

President -	Donna Bilda
Vice President -	Mary Clare Schuller
Secretary -	Patty Martin / pending
Treasurer -	Judy Valentino
Newsletter -	Judy Valentino
Programs -	Joy Zuerner Wendy Bannister Patty Martin / pending Laura Heldt / pending
Block of the Month –	Mary Jo Busch Vicky Wolf
Charity -	Betty Breen
Hospitality -	Caroline Koch and Cheri Allen
Door Prizes –	Mary Margaret Wacker and Linda Dentice
Show and Tell -	Cathy Helgeson Tracey Last
Historian -	Elrid Johnson

Photographer-	Mary Margaret Wacker
Media Liaison –	Cathy Helgeson
Facebook and Webpage –	Cathy Helgeson
Quilt Show –	Mary Weber
Sunshine –	<hr/>
State Fair Liaison –	Vicki Spiering
Nominations -	Ardene Brown
Church Liaison -	Darlene Savatski