



# West Suburban Quilters' Guild Newsletter

## Volume 46 Issue 9

### 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](mailto: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](mailto: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

Hello fellow West Suburban Quilt Guild Members!! For this May Newsletter, I want to encourage everyone to take a minute sometime today and email the Programs Committee with your suggestions for Programs, Open Sew, Workshop, and Lectures for this next membership year. We need to hear from YOU, you are who we are working to enrich, entertain, and enlighten at our meetings.

Our next meeting is Wednesday, May 10th, 2023, it will be our annual PotLuck. Please see the list in this newsletter for all the goodies you signed up to bring. If you didn't sign up please fill in where you see a need.

Our May meeting will include the Quilts of Valor presentation by Bonnie Camp"

I hope to see everyone at the May meeting and remember to bring your checks for membership renewal!

In Stitches

Wendy Bannister, WSQG President

## Membership Update

We welcome 3 new members this month which brings our membership up to 43.

Doreen Brechelsen, Denise Stefl, and Cheryl Handley Beck!

Be sure to say Hi at the May meeting!

Respectfully submitted,  
Donna Bilda, Vice President WSQG

## Meeting Minutes

Linda Halpin proved to be wonderful speaker, presenter and educator on quilts and quilt history. Linda provided an in-depth trunk show highlighting many styles and techniques of quilting, borders and binding. Linda has also published seven quilting books exploring quilt history, quilted clothing, applique work and quilt patterns. We also had the opportunity to purchase some of Linda's personal quilt collection and samples.

Mary Weber presented detailed quilt show review highlighting changes that worked well and changes to be considered for improvements for the next show. Our show was very successful thanks to the amazing efforts and cooperation from all of our guild members.

The results from the gift boutique were beyond incredible. Thanks to the efforts of our guild members we generated \$2402.00 profit for our guild. This is the most we have ever earned thanks to all of you! Most visitors at the gift boutique commented on the quality and variety of items each of you made and how nice everything looked. You all did an outstanding job supporting our quilt show and guild!

The raffle ticket sales were even better this year than last time thanks to everyone's efforts and participation, \$3825.00 was generated before expenses.

The money earned at the quilt show will finance all guild expenses for the next two years plus get the next quilt show started. We need to move forward cautiously to make these funds last. With that in mind please remember all expenses must be preapproved by your committee chair and/or president prior to purchase before the reimbursement slip is submitted to the treasurer.

The church proposed a sharp increase in our monthly rent from \$75 to \$135. Darlene Savatski, our church liaison has offered to talk with them discuss a reduced increase.

We are also investigating reducing the storage fees for the quilt show racks currently at \$135 per month. There is a \$76/month commercial option plus Cheri Allen offered a storage locker on her property at a reduced rate for consideration.

The BOM was won by Maryjo Busch

Door Prizes were won by Judy Valentino, Betty Breen and Maryjo Busch.

We are delighted to welcome four new members, please introduce your self and help welcome our newest members:

Doreen Brecheisen

Cheryl Handley-Beck

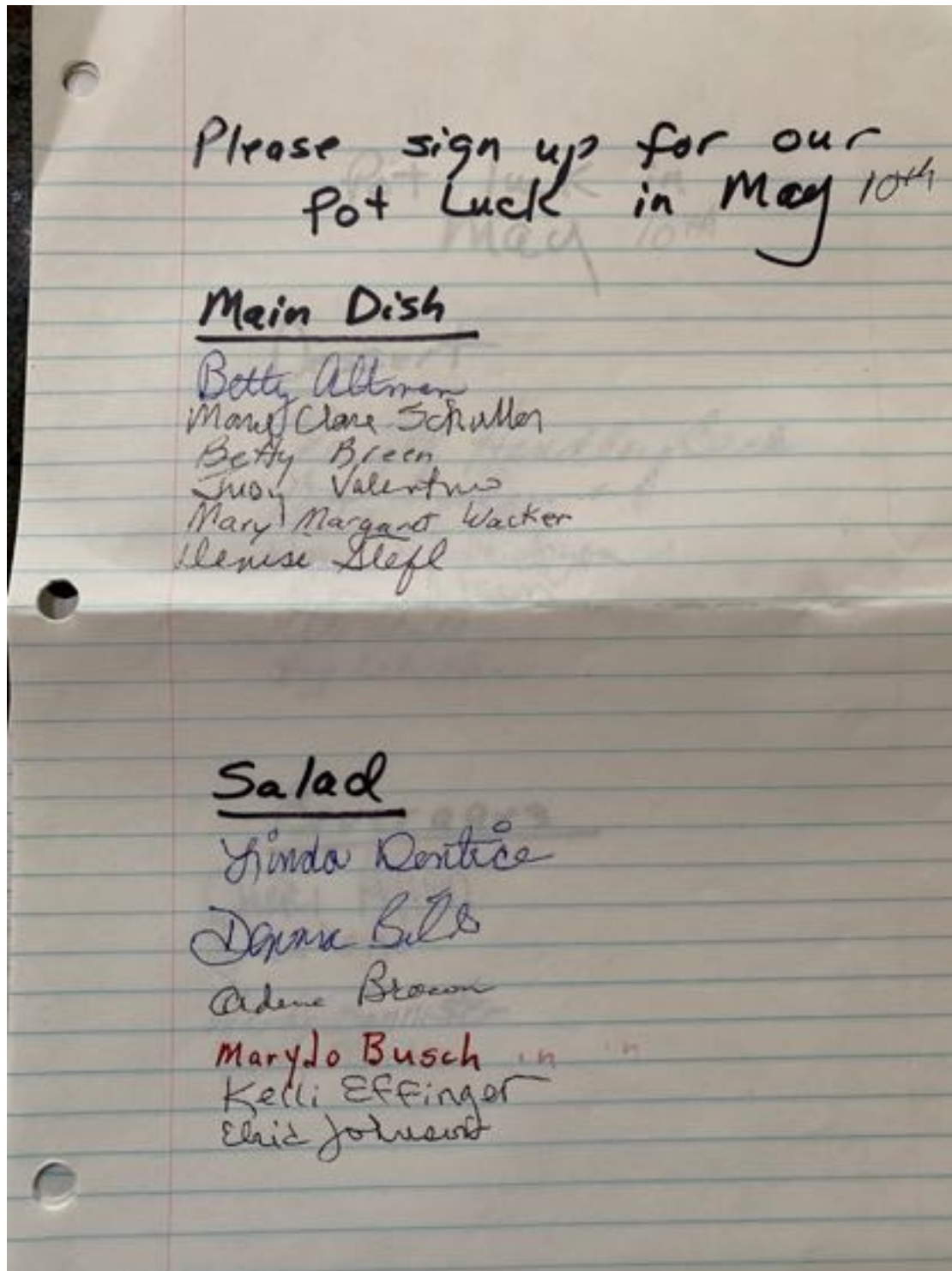
Denise Stefl

Catherine Durand Graves (joined in March)

Holle Kelley has been in the hospital, please keep her in your prayers  
Submitted by Patty Martin, Secretary

## Hospitality

It is Pot Luck time. Here are the sign up sheets for goodies:



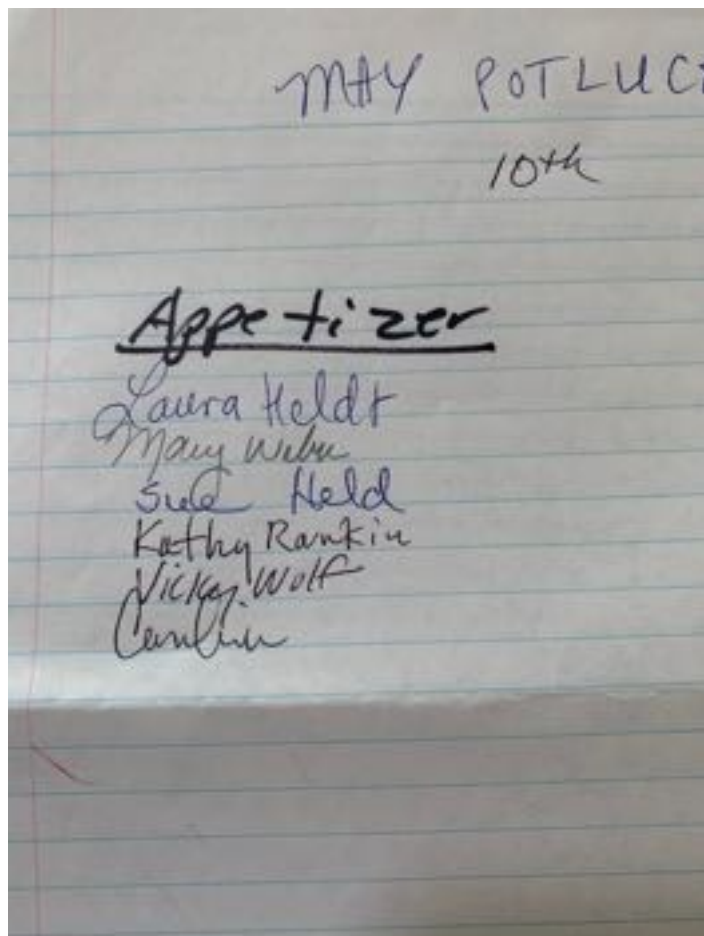
Pot Luck in  
May 10<sup>th</sup>

Dessert

Cheryl Handley Beck  
Joan Bubernick  
Linda Smith  
Karen Hendrickson  
Kim Nelson  
Linda Schack  
Peg Schellin

Beverages

Cheri Allen  
Darlene  
Wendy Bannister  
Patty Martin



### **Treasurer's Report**

Current balance is \$11039.18. Expenses last month Quilt show truck rental \$292.74, Speaker Linda Halpin \$528.05, Church Rental \$75.00, Gift Card for Quilt damaged at show \$25.00. Remaining Expo expense \$5417.67 Revenue last month, BOM \$17.00.

### **Block of the Month**

Hello Quilters – I hope this finds you sewing away.

Congratulations to Mary Jo Busch– the lucky winner of the rain boot blocks. The block for May is the strippy Tulip. Thank you for participating in the BOM. We look forward to seeing you at the May meeting. Happy Quilting!!

Your BOM Team (MaryJo and Vicky)

### **Program Committee**

Wednesday May 10<sup>th</sup>, 2023

“Potluck with Quilts of Valor presentation by Bonnie Camp”



## Retreat

We are in the “ideation” stage for planning a quilt retreat for our guild. Patty Martin shared a questionnaire at our last meeting and there appears to be a great deal of interest. As we continue to search for a perfect location that meets our needs, no stairs, meals provided, reasonable costs, please share any ideas you have about facilities. Contact Patty Martin [pattymart@sbcglobal.net](mailto:pattymart@sbcglobal.net) Gloria Volland [gloriavolland@gmail.com](mailto:gloriavolland@gmail.com) , or Mary Margaret Wacker [jwacker@wi.rr.com](mailto:jwacker@wi.rr.com).

## 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

### West Suburban Quilters' Guild 2023-2024 Membership and Renewal Form

Dues for next year, \$30.00, are due to be paid by the May 2023 Meeting. If you are unable to make it to the May 2023 meeting, please complete the form below and return to: West Suburban Quilt Guild, % Mary Clare Schuller, 1351 N 55<sup>th</sup> Street, Milwaukee, WI 53208.

New members joining after 12/31/2023 will pay half the normal yearly amount.



Your Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday:(mo) \_\_\_\_ (day) \_\_\_\_\_

email \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Receive Newsletter via email \_\_\_\_\_ Receive Newsletter via US Mail

(NOTE: This option requires that you provide pre-addressed, stamped envelopes for each month)

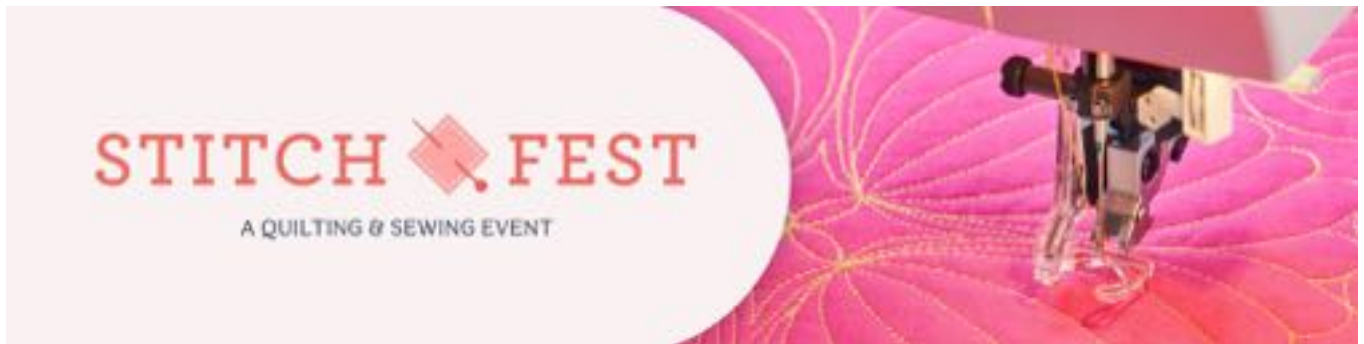
If you prefer to receive the newsletter by US Post, but also have an email, please also give us your email address so that we may pass along other important information.

Suggestions for future programs (topics, speakers, workshops, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

FOR VP USE: CHECK # \_\_\_\_\_ RECEIVED: \_\_\_\_\_

NOTES: \_\_\_\_\_

## Community news



**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>