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Thank you, Belle!

A Big Thank You to our outgoing Treasurer, Belle Temple. Belle has served as our Treasurer for the past four years and has turned over her big duties to Kandi Davis in Sheridan.

Belle said she has enjoyed serving as Treasurer. She has been quilting for more than 20 years and does some long-arm quilting for others. She is a member of two Gillette quilt groups, Quilt Chicks and NE Wyoming Quilt Show. She has six grandchildren, two in San Diego and four in Gillette. She plans to spend more time quilting and enjoying the grandchildren.

She is modest and always positive. She told me: "I have learned about the workings of the Guild and have come to be acquainted with many quilters across the state of Wyoming, as well as, out of the state."

Volunteers like Belle make the organization a success. Again, Thank you Belle. We will miss you on the Board.



A special THANK YOU to all who participated in the 2019 Wyoming Quilt Shop Hop! There were 23 Quilt Shops that participated. We had right at 100 passports returned and out of those 100 18 participants had been to all 23 quilt shops. Our winners were:

Susan Beliaj, Laramie won the 1955 Singer Featherweight
Box 1 Deb Zelenak, Lander
Box 2 Sharon Adams, Riverton
Box 3 Sandy Rose, Cheyenne
Box 4 Ronald Covey, Rock Springs
Box 5 Rene Moore, Rock Springs
Box 6 Joe Boursaw, Loveland
Box 7 Belle Temple, Gillette
Box 8 Leslie Rouse, Cheyenne
Box 9 Lisa Hill, Kaycee
Box 10 Sandra Maben, Casper

We are currently planning the 2020 Wyoming Quilt Shop Hop. The dates will be May 26 - August 31 and the theme will be Super Stars Across Wyoming. We have confirmation that we will once again have a Singer Featherweight as our Grand Prize.

Stay up to date. Like our Facebook Page "Wyoming Quilt Shop Hop". Check the website: www.wyomingquiltshophop.com

Quilt Wyoming 2020

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Are you getting ready for Quilt Wyoming 2020? The committee is working hard to get ready for you.

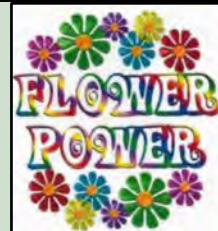
The featured teachers are preparing to present unforgettable trunk shows and classes. The committee is offering a wealth of local teachers with a variety of classes.

The **Western Wyoming Community College** is a wonderful facility. The committee has secured great rates on conveniently-located local hotels. You will spend the time in your room in comfort. It's not necessary to bring bedding or other items.

Enter your quilt in the quilt show and be prepared for great vendors and lots of fun!

Renew your membership now to ensure receipt of a mailed copy of the Brochure. If you are renewing by mail please submit your membership application by February 15. If you renew online you can renew up to the membership grace period of February 29.

If you have questions you may direct them to Nena James njames@wyoming.com or use the contact form on the website.



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The Wyoming State Quilt Guild is a non-profit organization. All officers, directors and appointees are volunteers.*

Wyoming State Quilt Guild 2020 Membership Application

Membership is valid from January 1, 2020 – December 31, 2020

Membership is open to all who love the quilter's art without regard for race, nationality, gender, age or religion

Please Print Clearly

Name: _____ New Member: ____ Renewal: ____ Returning: ____

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Please place a check mark in the box or boxes that apply:

☐ Please mail a copy of **WSQG Patchwords** to me. Bulk Mail will not be forwarded. **Partial-Year Residents please provide your temporary mailing address:** _____ **Months:** _____

☐ I will access the **WSQG Patchwords** Newsletter on the WSQG web site www.wsqg.org. **Do not mail Patchwords to me.**

☐ I am willing to be a **Mentor** on a list to be maintained by Regional Directors to help other quilters or answer quilting questions.

☐ I **do not** want my contact information to be listed in the password-protected WSQG Membership Directory on the WSQG web site. (Name and City will be listed.)

Send Directory changes to Membership Director Tauna Leathers wyotauna@gmail.com

Make \$20.00 Check Payable to WSQG Mail to:

Kandi Davis, WSQG Treasurer
955 Pioneer Road
Sheridan, WY 82801

*or go online to the Membership tab and register with
credit card or PayPal (\$1 processing fee)*

A WSQG member is one whose current dues are paid. The website password will be included with the Welcome Letter.

Attention Teachers: *To be included in our Teacher's Directory (or to make changes in your listing) send your contact information, your area of teaching, website/facebook information (if applicable) directly to wsqg@hotmail.com or complete the on-line form.*



President's Message Deb Zelenak, President

Do you do monthly breast exams? I know this has nothing to do with quilting but it hit close to home this year. Many of you



know that my daughter was diagnosed with breast cancer this past summer. I've been with her family for a couple of months helping her, her husband, and taking care of my grandsons while she recovers from a double mastectomy. While the chemo and surgery was difficult, the outlook is good for a full recovery with an extremely low chance of a reoccurrence. If you don't do monthly breast exams, DO THEM (fortunately, her doctor did the breast exam at her yearly physical so it was caught early)! If you have daughters and/or granddaughters, emphasize the importance of doing the monthly exam, no one is too young! Last year at QW19 my daughter and I took an English Paper Piecing class together. While she was resting, we made a couple of EPP Christmas ornaments. It was nice to discover we didn't forget everything we learned, plus the handwork was small and not too taxing.

While winter is a great time to quilt since there is no competition with outdoor chores, except from the shoveling, it's not usually great for traveling. However, if you're looking for a quilt show to attend, there are two scheduled in the next couple of months. The first quilt show is hosted by Sweetwater County Quilt Guild at the Sweetwater County Library in Green River from 1-29 February. The Wyoming Star Quilt Guild's Quilt Show is the second show and will be held at the Riverton County Fair Grounds, in the Fremont Building, from 29 February (10:00-5:00 p.m.) until 1 March (10:00-3:00 p.m.). With any luck there won't be too much snow so the roads will be good for traveling.

We're getting positive comments on the new online membership signups/renewals. If you still want to mail in your renewals, you can. Whichever renewal method you choose, your membership card will be mailed to you along with the password for the members only part of the website. Remember to renew by 29 February to ensure you receive a mailed copy of the Quilt Wyoming 2020 brochure. I'm getting excited to see what classes will be available. If you haven't already, mark your calendars to save 25-28 June so you can attend QW20 in Rock Springs. Also, if you don't mind and are willing to share some of your quilting knowledge with members who ask for a little help, sign up to be a mentor when you join or renew.

The WSQG Mystery Quilt is underway. So far 26 people have signed up. There are four sets of clues, the first and second set of clues went out on December and January 1st. It's not too

late to get started. The next two sets of clues will be released on February and March 1st. If you sign up, the clues will be emailed to you (or mailed if you don't have a computer) on the 1st. If you don't want to sign up but still want to make the quilt, the clues will be posted in the Members Only part of the website. I'm using fabrics all from my stash that I first bought when I started quilting back in 2013. I'm working on setting up a time we can meet and share whatever progress we have made on our Mystery Quilts at QW20. Plan on bringing yours with you, whether it is finished or not.

The WSQG Tee shirt order form is on page four of this issue of *Patchwords* or on the website, www.wsqg.org in the Members Only section to find all the details. Orders can be mailed or ordered online and will be taken until March 1st. Shirts will be delivered by the end of April. If you're thinking of getting one, order now. The response we receive will determine if WSQG Tee shirts will be offered again.

The board is working on getting WSQG on social media. Stay tuned for more details in the next issue of *Patchwords*. I'm off to another "big" quilt show, Quiltcon, put on by the Modern Quilt Guild the end of February in Austin, Texas. If you're interested in modern quilting check out their website, www.themodernquiltguild.com. I'm looking forward to all the great quilting inspiration and classes. Are you interested in modern quilting? Let me know! A couple of us are exploring the possibility of establishing a Wyoming MQG chapter and are wondering what is the interest level.

Happy Quilting!

Deb Zelenak

Election of Officers 2020

The 2020 election of officers will be held at Quilt Wyoming 2020 in Rock Springs. The following positions are open:

President-Elect
Secretary
Membership Director
Regional Directors for Southwest and Central Regions
Director-at-Large

The President-Elect is responsible for nominations.

Questions may be directed to April Pendleton.

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Descriptions of duties are included in the Bylaws and Standing Rules which may be found in the Members Only section of the website www.wsqg.org. A sample ballot will be printed in *Patchwords* before the election. Please consider putting your name on the ballot for one of these positions. Nominations may also be made online. Go to the Officers and History tab.

Thank you. *April Pendleton*



Wyoming State Quilt Guild Tee Shirt Order Form

Orders will be accepted until March 1, 2020.

Our logo will be embroidered on the vee-necked 100% cotton tee shirt. A choice of two sleeve lengths are offered. Examples of colors and styles are shown below. Tee shirts will be ordered in quantity and mailed individually to members during April 2020. The price includes postage. If you prefer to order online you may place your order in the Members' section of the website.

Mail this form to Kim Hicks, 479 E. 8th St., Powell, WY 82435. *Make your check payable to WSQG.*

You may contact Kim directly by phone at (406) 850-8802; email: quilt4kix@gmail.com

If there is additional interest, we will offer tee shirts in another choice of colors again in the fall.

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_____	3XL
_____	4XL

Comments/Questions:

REGIONAL DIRECTORS

**NORTHEAST****Deb Kipp****Josy Daniel**

It has been a busy holiday season for the northeast region. Groups, guilds and

clubs had get-togethers and celebrated the festivities with friends and fellow quilters.

The Creative Fiber Guild in Sheridan had their dinner/auction on December 4th. Fifty-five attended and over \$1,400.00 was raised at the auction. They also had a Christmas party at Cathie Wallick's and exchanged gifts. The guild will be having their Mystery Quilt sewing day on February 22. Contact Janet Hoxie for details and to get signed up. The Creative Fiber Guild's 2019 "Orphan to Awesome" challenge was won by Vikki Chenette who used western shirt sleeve scraps and turned it into a gorgeous quilt. Their 2020 Challenge will be announced at the January meeting. In January Donna Stubbs demonstrated the use of Natural Materials for Dyeing. Other upcoming events for this busy group include: January 26th - Weaving and Spinning, February 22nd - Mystery Quilt with Janet Hoxie, March 7th Sisters of the Cloth National Quilting Day Celebration at the Sheridan Holiday Inn 9-4. Contact Robin Wacker 672-6847 or Carol Kolf 461-7131 (quiltercarol@yahoo.com) for more details on registration. Space is limited so register early.

Buffalo Quilting Gals had a busy couple of months with their Christmas party with gifts, games and a huge show and tell of quilts, clothes and other items. January 18th was the Community All Day Sew. The monthly BQG Meeting will be held February 8th at 9:00 a.m. at St Luke's Episcopal Church..

The annual Johnson County Library Quilt Show will be held the entire month of March. On March 14 they will gather at the Library for National Quilting Day at 10:00 a.m. with a trunk show by Rachael Bourgault. The public is invited.

Newcastle's Funky Fiber Artists met December 14th and January 11th at Strawberry Patch Quilt Shop to work on Freedom Quilts and personal projects.

The 20th Annual Ucross Retreat will be held January 17-20th.

The Crafty Stitchers in Hulett meets the 3rd Saturday of the month at the Senior Center from 10-4. They have various programs presented by a member of the guild each month

and visitors are welcome. To date this group has donated over 30 care quilts to various community groups and individuals. Contact Lynn Conzelman at (307) 281-6032 for more information.

Quilters in the Gillette area donated items to the annual Campbell County Library Foundation Silent Quilt Action. We will report more details in the next *Patchwords*.

And last, but not least, CONGRATULATIONS to Jennifer Golden. Her quilt "My Monarch", (a My Butterfly Pattern by Tula Pink, www.tulapink.com) is featured in the AQS QUILTART 2020 Engagement Calendar. This is a collection of prize-winning quilts from across the country researched and selected by Klaudeen Hansen and photographed by Charles R. Lynch. Great Job, Jennifer.

A last note for this issue, Northeast region groups, committees and guilds, please contact Deb or Josy with community projects/programs that you are involved so we can let the other regions know what's happening up in the Northeast. Thank you.

Happy Valentine's Day to all,

Deb Kipp and Josy Daniel

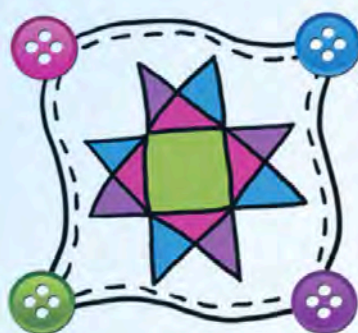
Call for Entries!!

This is a call far and wide for "Button Art". This is a fundraiser for the Homesteader Museum in Powell WY. Buttons are the theme for this show, there are no other rules. Your button artwork must be received at the Museum on or before February 7th. The show will start early in March and will be in the Museum Gallery until May 1st. At that time the show will be moved to the Commons (Community Center) to be displayed at the 8th Annual Tea and Table Setting fundraiser event on Saturday May 9th. The Art pieces will be for sale (unless you opt out of selling) with a 60/40 split. (60% to the artist / 40% to the Homesteader Museum.)

Artist / Creators will establish the minimum and maximum (buy it now price) prices. Open up your imagination.... Wall art, sculptured pieces, decorated vases, platters, jewelry – just be sure it has a button theme. If pieces are not sold they can be returned to the Artist with postage to be determined after the Tea.

Your button art piece can be mailed to Homesteader Museum, PO Box 54, Powell WY 82435 or to Homesteader Museum, c/o Marybeth Richardson, 685 Ave E, Powell WY 82435.

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Returning Members: Patsy Moody, Green River; Colleen Muchmore, Cheyenne; Shelly Rowland, Green River

The Membership Directory is available on the website, www.wsqg.org. The current password is required to access the directory. Contact us if you misplace the password. The directory is not to be used for commercial purposes and is available solely to WSQG members. Please contact us if you change your address or contact information. Partial-year residents please let us know what months you will not be in Wyoming.

Members receive the bi-monthly newsletter either by accessing from the website or by mail. The password is not required to read Patchwords online.

If you would like to be identified in another region, submit the Change of Region form (www.wsqg.org) to the Membership Director.

WSQG Region

Central	105
Northeast	131
Northwest	48
Southeast	120
Southwest	57
Out-of-State	34
TOTAL:	495

January 5, 2020

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SOUTHWEST Nena James

Quilters in Sweetwater County took time to celebrate the holiday season with their fellow quilters.

The Sweetwater County Quilt

Guild had a holiday party and exchanged holiday gifts.

Barb Walker and Linda Travis demonstrated how to make a fabric ornament and provided everyone at the meeting with supplies necessary to make their own ornament. We all left the party with a completed ornament.



Members of the guild also shared their holiday quilted projects. Barb Walker displayed a particularly beautiful holiday table runner.

Sweetwater County Quilt Guild members will have a quilt display at the Sweetwater County Museum in Green River during the month of February. The theme is "patriotic".



The Quilting on the Green Committee is gearing up for its annual event which will be held on May 29 and 30, 2020. It is sponsoring a fundraiser on February 8, 2020, titled "Quilt, Junk & Trunk". Participants can rent a table and sell their unwanted quilting, general sewing, craft, scrapbooking, tole painting and knitting supplies. The event will include a silent auction, pasta bar dinner and trunk show by Nancy McConnell and Linda Travis.

The Sweetwater Piecemakers Quilt Guild also celebrated the holidays with a potluck lunch. Instead of exchanging gifts, the guild opted to have a yarn drive to benefit the girls at the Wyoming Girls School in Sheridan. Sweetwater Piecemakers has been providing yarn to the Wyoming Girls School for several years and it is greatly appreciated by both the staff and residents of the Wyoming Girls School. Pictured below are members of the guild with some of the yarn donated by its members.



This is a project that is near and dear to my heart and I'm going to take this opportunity to explain how it started. As a former District Court Judge, I sent many girls to the Wyoming Girls School. I became aware that girls at that facility were given the opportunity to learn to crochet. Knowing how much hobbies such as knitting and quilting have enriched my life, I was thrilled to know that the girls could return home with a lifelong hobby. The girls were very proud of their completed projects and often shared them with me and others involved in their court cases.

Several years ago I became aware that the Wyoming Girls School did not have very much yarn and that each girl was given a certain allotment. When they used it up they could either stop crocheting or rip out their completed projects and crochet with the same yarn over and over again. That seemed totally wrong to me. I thought about how awful it would be to complete a quilt and then have to take it apart and sew it again if I had no more fabric!

I began collecting yarn for the girls at the Wyoming Girls School. Knowledge of this spread by word of mouth and soon people began donating yarn. Some people cleaned out their yarn stashes and donated what they no longer wanted. Others bought yarn at yard and garage sales. Yarn shops have also donated clearance yarn. Members of the Sweetwater Piecemakers voted to support this project and have donated yarn for several years.

Southwest continued on page 9....

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... *Southwest continued from page 7*

If anyone wishes to participate in this project, please contact me. Both whole and partial skeins of yarn are welcome. Also, donated yarn can be brought to Rock Springs by quilters attending Quilt Wyoming in June. Hundreds of skeins of yarn have been donated but the Wyoming Girls School can always use more. It has been very gratifying to see the sense of accomplishment the girls have when they complete their projects.

Speaking of encouraging and assisting young people in learning a lifelong hobby, Pam Wiggen has continued to teach BOCES quilting classes to young people in Sweetwater County. This past November she taught the "Charm on Point" pattern to nine students ranging in age from fourth graders to high school students.



Pam also taught local girl scouts to make pillowcases and bags. I admire Pam for her continued efforts to promote the craft of quilting to young people in our area. Hopefully, these young people will continue to sew and quilt and will become future members of the Wyoming State Quilt Guild.



Every quilter I've talked with since the New Year seems to have made the same New Year's resolution — finish old projects before starting new ones. I, too, have made the same

resolution. While some people hate this time of the year, I love the months of January, February and March because it is my time to catch up with myself and get things done. It is a time with no major holidays and no yard work. Although it was sad to have the holidays end and out-of-town family members return home, I kept repeating my post holiday mantra — Time to Quilt! I hope this is a happy and productive time for everyone in the Wyoming State Quilt Guild.

Nena James

Are you working on your challenge quilt?

If you purchased a challenge packet at Quilt Wyoming 2019 you have some pretty fabrics and beads to make a challenge quilt with the Peace and Love theme.

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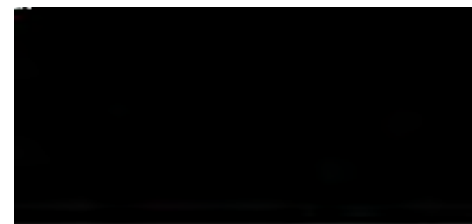
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Past President, Jennifer Golden.

The form and instructions can be found on the website www.wsqg.org. You can now submit the nomination form from the website (Golden Thimble tab) or mail or email it to Jennifer.

The winner of the Golden Thimble Award will receive \$100.00 cash in recognition of the recipient's contributions, presented during Quilt Wyoming, June 25-28, 2020, in Rock Springs, Wyoming.

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NORTHWEST Michelle Quick

Hi everyone! There are lots of stitching happenings in the NW region! Most of the shops in the region have classes and retreats planned. **Do** support our shops

and those teachers who create classes for us all to hone our quilting skills. I am always saddened when talking to shop owners who tell me that they plan requested classes and then no one signs up! A good New Year's resolution might be to commit to a new class or attend a retreat! Sorry, a bit of a rant there!!

Here is the news from NW:

Marylou Doyle in Hyattville:

The 2020 Cowboy Carnival Quilt Show will begin Saturday afternoon, May 23, from noon to 4:00 p.m. through Sunday, May 24th, from 10:00-3:00 p.m. The cost on Saturday is \$5.00, and \$10.00 on Sunday, which includes all activities of the day including lunch, complete with homemade pie. Entry information for your quilts is on their website www.hyattville.org/cowboy-carnival. Plan to send your quilt to Hyattville then come join us for some great food and fabulous quilts.

Kathy Hammond in Thermopolis:

Our guild has made the commitment to finish UFO's. In order to do that we have decided that this year we would have a business meeting once a month and a longer meeting that is a work session for us to work on our projects. We also decided that we would dedicate two of these work sessions to work on a group quilt(s) for the Quilts of Valor. In January and February we will create and join our red, white, and blue blocks.

LindaMacdonald of TAGY:

Textile Artists of Greater Yellowstone (TAGY)

The "Doors and Gateways" 2019 challenge quilts will be hanging at the 1st Bank in Powell for the month of January. The Challenge theme for 2020 is "My Own Inspiration" and will hang alongside a photo of what inspired each member.

The Library of Congress Special Exhibits of quilts: January 2020 - **Inspired by National Parks**. Linda MacDonald's "Yosemite Fauna" will be one of 60 quilts featuring National Parks on exhibit in January. February 2020 - **HERstory: A Celebration of Strong**

Women. Linda MacDonald's "Final Flight" and "Rosie the Riveter", and Jeanne Knudsen's "Aretha" will be among 45 quilts on display in February. They will also carry the HERstory books for sale.

Marybeth Richardson of the Paintbrush Piecers Quilt Guild:

The PPQG is starting their new year with needles threaded! New officers for 2020 are Marybeth Richardson - President, Mary Ellen Goff - VP, Lili Turnell - Treasurer and Judy Mackie - Secretary. They are planning a fun year. Barbara Pike is in charge of the Yellowstone Quilt Fest September 17-19 in the Cody Auditorium. Entry information will be available soon.

A Thank You was received by the Paintbrush Piecers and TAGY groups from the quilters of Paradise, California. Both northwest Wyoming groups sent large amounts of sewing supplies after the devastating fires in Paradise last year.

Nancy and Your Four Winds Quilting Team in Billings, MT

Nancy and crew have an amazing assortment of classes starting soon. Call them or check out their website www.4windsquilting.com (406) 694-1025.

Vicki of Friends and Co. Quilt Shop in Cody:

Vicki and staff have fun classes and a March 18-22 retreat planned for the new year.

Bernina Sewing and Fabric Center:

Many terrific classes are listed on their website, check it out! www.billingsbernina.com or call (406) 656-4999.

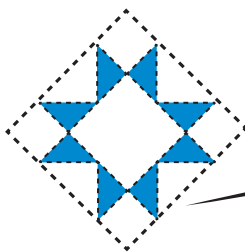
Milda Korsakaite of the Adidas/Yeezy group:

Some of you may have heard that Kanye West has moved a portion of his clothing and shoe design group to Cody (Yes, we all are amazed too). They are searching for designers and skilled sewers. If you or someone you know has the skills and interests needed, please contact by email: milda.korsakaite@adidas-group.com. Specific jobs can be found by doing a search on the internet (adidas/yeezy jobs in Cody).

Michelle:

The spring Quick Quilt Retreat (QQR) will be April 15-19, 2020 at the Holiday Inn in Cody. Contact me for more information at quicksfamily@gmail.com. Do not call me, I am not at home!

Happy stitching! *Michelle Quick*



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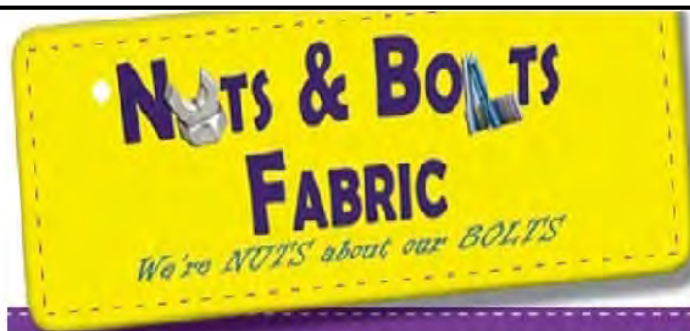
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I will teach several hand stitching projects while at sea. The main project will be a Mola. Molas are reverse appliques, mainly done by the Kuna Indians.

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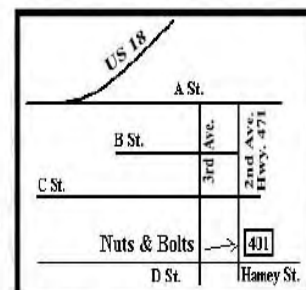
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SOUTHEAST Linda Herget Frances Tormey

Come on Spring! Hello fellow quilters! We hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas and New Year! We survived another Holiday and are ready

to get back to quilting. I'm sure now everyone is looking through their UFO list and deciding what they can finish this year!

We have our Spring Retreat coming up and we are changing things up this time around. Our featured teacher will be Robin Dempsey. She will be instructing us on a wonderful block called the "Compass Rose". It is a paper-piecing technique so be sure to save your spot early



I have a flyer to send out with a registration form for all interested in joining our Spring Retreat March 27-29, 2020. If you do not receive the flyer and would like information please contact me. Frances Tormey, Email: werhic13@gmail.com - Phone: (307) 631-5085

There is a new group starting in the Southeast Region called "High Plains Modern Art Quilters". They meet every third Friday of the month at the Sewing Center of Cheyenne at 10 a.m. This was founded by Robin Dempsey and she has this to say about the new group:

The group is open to anyone having an interest in modern quilts or art quilts. We want to be a place where folks can come and feel comfortable sharing their work and talking more about modern quilts and art quilts. We will be doing lots of challenges to help members become

"at one" with their creativity! So far, we have had a "split block" challenge where Sandy Pistono showed us a technique of splitting a traditional block with sashing. It was fun! I talked about improvisation and had an improvisation challenge where projects were created with what was on hand, with no specific pattern".

Here are some pictures that Robin has shared with us. The great thing about this group is that some have joined via email and facebook only. So you do not have to attend the meetings in person to become part of this exciting and innovative new group. If you would like more information about this group, please contact me and I can provide you with Robin's contact information.



The new President of the Cheyenne Heritage Quilters (CHQ) has shared with me just a few of the upcoming events happening this year; Apps4quilting, Posh Penelope Class, and Working With Wool. They continue to support Quilts of Valor and Community Quilts. To find out more information on this group, they meet 7 p.m. the first and third Monday of each month at The First United Methodist church located on 19th Street in downtown Cheyenne.

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Central Julie Haptonstall

Hello from Central! I hope the holidays found you among the ones you love. Between my foot surgery, illness and holiday travels I haven't gotten much accomplished in the last couple months. I am looking

forward to this new year, healthy and back on both feet, ready to accomplish my to-do list. Let's look around central Wyoming to see what others have going on.

Popo Agie Quilters - Lander

The Popo Agie Quilters will have their Spring Retreat on March 20 - 22, 2020. Contact Betsy Thurlo to reserve a spot at the retreat. email: lizzieann714@gmail.com

They will also host a quilt show in Lander at the Lander Senior Center on September 18-19, 2020.

Prayers and Squares - Lander

A group of ladies, helped by a Lander quilt group, made quilt tops. They met to attach the backs, label and tie the quilts. Some of the church quilts were tied with church people who said a prayer for the recipient with each knot tied. They completed quilts for the oncology center in Lander. These quilts were tied with prayers and delivered all at the same time. They have made many quilt tops out of leftover fabrics and scraps!

Never Sweat Needlers' Quilt Guild - Dubois

The Never Sweat Needlers' Quilt Guild had an amazing

Christmas party with lots of fun . . . great food (prime rib or Cornish hen), great company (about 30 of them). They drew for new 2020 "Secret Quilters", they had an entertaining Grab Bag exchange. Don Brown who was a pediatric dentist, who now has Alzheimers, gave the guild all his old shirts and wanted a picture of all quilt makers wearing them. So they did just that at the Never Sweat Needlers' Quilt Guild Christmas party. They plan to turn the colorful shirts into baby/child quilts.

Their guild presented 25 Quilts of Valor this past year and they have another long list of eligible recipients for 2020!

Out of their 115 UFO quilts entered to be finished, 76 were completed! Now they are entering 2020 unfinished items (at least a year old) at \$5 each or a good fat quarter each and the deadline is their October, 2020 meeting to get their money or fabric back. It's quite an incentive to get to work. If they don't finish, they don't get their money/fabric back!

They've chosen their 2020 Raffle Quilt pattern, "Into the Forest", and have already begun construction.

At their February meeting, they plan to feature a Membership Exchange Night which will offer fabrics, patterns or notions which they no longer want, some for free or some for a price.

With April Pendleton entertaining cute Quilters' Bingo game and Bernadette teaching them a class on rug making this group is sure to have a fun and productive year.

Kalico Kat Quilt Shop - Casper

Kalico Kat has some fun things planned. On January 2nd they started a challenge. The cost is \$20.00 plus tax. Participants get four fat quarters and a saying. A small wall hanging/quilt representing that saying must be designed and made. Each one

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A Mystery quilt Block of the Month (BOM) will begin on January 16th. Participants will select fabrics and a kit will be created by Kalico Kat. The patterns each month will be provided at no additional cost. For those who choose to use their own fabrics will be provided with the patterns for a cost of \$7.00 per month.

They are starting a BOM on January 30th called Supernova Mist by Clothworks. There are only ten openings, at this time. The first month will cost \$45.00 for the complete pattern and first month's fabric. After the first month the cost will be \$25.00 per month for eight months.

The last class will be held on February 8th for the Poppins bag with Carla. This will be the last class for this for quite a while, if ever. So anyone who wants to do that, call the store as soon as possible. Carla will also be teaching the Ultimate Bag in February. The dates are February 22nd, 23rd and 29th. For more details, give them a buzz.....

The Riverton Quilt Show is coming up on February 29th (leap year) and March 1st. If the weather cooperates, Kalico Kat will be there, so drop in and say Hi!!

Work on the quilts for graduating students will begin soon. They have ten plus to back and quilt and bind. They are unsure how many they need but will be getting that figured out soon. May is coming up quickly.

Blakeman Sewing and Vacuum - Casper

Join Blakeman for their new monthly sewing party. Sample projects are pictured below. Celebrate your favorite hobby with them. They will teach you to make a project, learn new techniques, share snacks and more! They will hold these sewing parties on Saturdays from 10 a.m.- 4 p.m. This will be offered at every Blakeman's location. The projects are really fun and cute! The parties are on January 11th, February 22nd, April 4th, May



30th, July 11th, August 1st, October 24th, November 12th and December 12th.

Lickety Stitch Quilts - Lusk

Lickety Stitch Quilts has big news! They have been chosen to appear in *Quilt Sampler Magazine's* spring 2020 edition as a Top Ten Shop. They plan to have a celebration for this honor and for their Tenth Anniversary on May 2nd. I, for one, plan to be there to help them celebrate.

Lickety Stitch has a full class schedule for the upcoming months. The Table Topper club meets once a month on the third Thursday to make a seasonal table topper. They plan to fill the classroom with lots of fun and chatter at the free open sew days every Wednesday. They will give those who participate the opportunity to get those UFOs finished. Call if you would like to join them! January 25th is "Support your Local Quilt Shop Day". Be sure to let your local quilt shop know how important they are to you. They are starting a Fifth Saturday Club. Buy a big yellow Lickety Stitch Quilts reusable shopping bag for \$5. Come in each fifth Saturday during the year for a 20% discount on any regular-priced fabric that you can stuff into the bag. February 29th is the first Fifth Saturday. Plan ahead and get that fabric to finish your projects. Michele Everts will be teaching monthly Judy Niemeyer classes starting in March.

Lickety Stitch will have a quilt retreat March 13-15th in Lusk. Call the store to sign up.

Prism Quilt & Sew - Casper

Prism Quilts have so much planned for this coming month, starting with a new quilt class "Season's Abundance", beginning on Thursday nights from 5:30 to 8:30p.m. starting January 9th. It runs for nine Thursdays, finishing up with an all-day Saturday class on March 21st. It's a really wonderful, LARGE quilt (94" x 94") and great for intermediate quilters. Class fee is \$100 payable in class, directly to the instructor, Ruth-Anne Bray. A finished sample of the quilt is at the store.

Due to many requests, they are going to be repeating their beginner class again on Tuesdays from 5:30 to 8:30pm starting on January 14th and finishing on February 25th. They will be making the quilt "Sweet Tea", which is a fantastic beginner quilt...this is a real 'nuts and bolts' class, starting from zero to actually quilting it on your home sewing machine and binding. Class fee is \$65 payable directly to the instructor.

Beginning on Saturday, January 11th from 10:00 to 4:30pm they will kick off the year with a "Quilt Adventure". They will meet the second Saturday of every month and work on a different quilt each time. Ruth-Anne will pick the patterns, probably Missouri Star Quilt Company's designs because using pre-cut fabrics will help to get the projects done quickly. They did this a few years ago, and by the end of the year, they had ten completed quilts...Christmas was so awesome that year! No last minute rushing and gifts for everyone! For January, they have picked the pattern "Inside Out Heart"...participants will have a fun wall hanging completed for Valentine's Day! The fee is only \$10.

On the third Saturday, January 18th they are looking for a few volunteers to help sew some quilts that they can take down to the Cheyenne Veterans Hospice. The store will be supplying the fabric. Participants just need to bring their skills and a

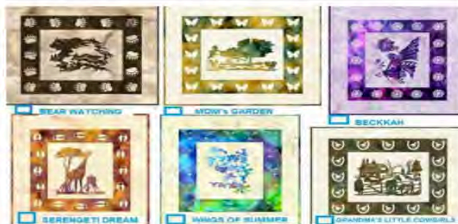
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sewing machine. A pattern is all worked out. Some of you have already volunteered to either stitch a top or get some quilted. If you would like to help out, give them a call at (307) 234-4841 to be added to the list. If you'd like to participate but don't want to sew, perhaps you can join them to help get some ironing done! It'll be a fun day and a worthy cause.

On Saturday, January 25th and February 22nd from 10:00 to 4:30 p.m. they will be having a class on a pattern called "Versatile Wave". It's the funnest bag EVER! They have a sample at the store. The class fee is \$20.

The schedule for Wooly Wednesday with Becky is a bit different for the month of January. The first date is Wednesday January 8th from 5:30 to 8:30. The second date for January will be Wednesday, January 22nd.

Sagebrush Sister's/PHD Quilters - Douglas

In September I took over the Sagebrush Sister's club after Tammy Townsend retired. We have been very busy planning for the upcoming year. One of the things we decided was that we wanted a fresh start. We changed the group's name to PHD Quilters (projects half done or pretty hot dames - both are a pretty good fit!).

In December we had our christmas party, we had some really good food. These ladies really know how to bring together a delicious potluck. We each brought a gift to exchange. I read a story. Every time I said "right" we passed to the right and every time I said "left" in the story we passed to the left. It was a lot of fun. We played a couple games of Left-Right-Center (LRC). The winner made sure everyone went home with at least one fat quarter.

We presented our Quilt of Valor that the group made to a very deserving Veteran Frank Foster on January 8th. Mr. Foster has been serving our country for 30 years and has been a member of the American Legion for 20 years. When Frank was deployed, in his absence, his wife Melina and sons Bohan and Reed ensured that the flags were placed around town and in the cemetery for every holiday. Mary Ann Sierz, Sue Fern and I went to the American Legion to present the quilt to his whole family.

We have many things planned for the coming year, I'm really excited to be able to be a part of this amazing group of ladies! I hope you all have great plans to get your projects done too.

Happy Quilting! *Julie Haptonstall*

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Terry Dunn is the current Chair for the Books for County Libraries committee. She has been working hard to find books that will be useful to WSQG members and the community.

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Saturday May 23 12:00-4:00pm \$5
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Mallo Camp www.blackhillsquiltretreat.com
Newcastle, WY

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Western Wyoming Community College
Rock Springs, WY



August 7-9, 2020

Annual Never Sweat Needlers' Quilt Show
Friday 10-6pm; Saturday 10-8pm; Sunday 10-2pm
Headwaters, Dubois, WY



August 20-22, 2020 Star Valley Quilt Trail

www.starvalleyquilttrail.com

Star Valley Community Center
Etna, WY



September 10-13, 2020

Central Quilting Rendezvous

Contact Deb Zelenak dzducks@wyoming.com
307-438-1159 Wind River Casino, Riverton, WY



September 17-19, 2020 Yellowstone Quilt Fest

Contact barbara.pike@connectseward.org
www.yellowstonequiltfest.info
Cody Auditorium, Cody, WY



September 18-19, 2020 Popo Agie Quilt Show

Senior Center, Lander, WY



October 2020 38th Annual NEW Quilt Show

Camplex, Gillette, WY



October 2020 Fiber Arts Show

Fullmer Library, Sheridan, WY



October 21-25, 2020 - Quick Quilt Retreat

Information: Michelle Quick quicksfamily@gmail.com
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