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Quilt Wyoming 2022 - July 13-17, 2022



Our 25th Anniversary for WSQG was properly celebrated. We were graced with the presence of three founding members, Jan DeBolt, Penny Cruickshank and Daenette More, pictured above. Read reflections from some of our founders beginning on Page 3. More information is on the website: www.wsqg.org/officers-history/. Don't miss the article on page 23



explaining the origin of the WSQG We welcome board members, some in logo. We positions and some brand new,

The Quilt Show, organized by Carol Kolf, was outstanding. See the winners on Page 9. Challenge quilt winners are on Page 3. Maggie Cosner designed this contest.

WSQG member, Juli Jarvis and members of her jazz combo, "Cool Jazz," entertained us on Friday evening. Some members were dressed for the occasion. All had a great time. Kandi Davis and the committee for Quilt Wyoming 2022 did a wonderful job making all aspects of this event a Quilt Wyoming 25th anniversary celebration to remember.

The trunk shows were outstanding and the variety of classes were enjoyed by all.

The drawing for the beautiful anniversary quilt was held on Sunday at the annual meeting. The winner is 6-year-old, Autum Kipp, great granddaughter of Northeast Regional Director Deb Kipp!

We welcome board members, some in new positions and some brand new, President Elect Verna Lawrence, Secretary Kim Hicks, Central Regional Director April Pendleton and Southwest Regional Director Iris Jorgensen.

When members volunteer to run for office, it is much appreciated. We heartily thank outgoing board members Nena James and Julie Haptonstall.

The Golden Thimble Award was presented to Michelle Quick.

The winners of the scholarships for Quilt Wyoming 2023 are Lois Wragge from Sheridan and Karen Sansoucie from Fort Benton, Montana.

We hope to see some quilts next year made from 2022 friendship blocks, designed by Vikki Chenette.

The Quilt Wyoming 2023 committee, led by Julie Haptonstall unveiled the "Oh My Stars" opportunity quilt and introduced the featured instructors: Christina Camel, Laura Heine and Lyric Montgomery Kinard. The theme for Quilt Wyoming 2023 to be held in Riverton at the Central Wyoming College will be Quilting Stars. The quilt is shown on Page 11.



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President's Message Belle Temple

The Northeast region did a wonderful job this year with Quilt Wyoming 2022. It was WSQG's 25th anniversary and it was celebrated in style, from 25 fabulous door prize baskets to a night of dining and music.

One of the classes I participated in

was the longarm class. It was so much fun. We each got our own machine to work on, compliments of Handi-Quilter and Nicki Huddleston, Heirlooms by Design. We were able to sew and quilt a strip quilt in a day. The instructors were fabulous.

We had a wonderful turnout at the annual meeting. Information was given to all that attended about the workings of WSQG.

Quilt Wyoming 2023 put on a display for their convention in Riverton next year. I am excited. What they have planned sounds great. I hope to see you all there next year.

Belle Temple







Founders: Sherry Fink, Bonny Stonemark, Jeanne Allen



Challenge Quilt Winners

First - Ginny Singer-Ribbons of Friendship (Left) Second - April Pendleton-A Few of My Favorite Things (Right) Third - Pat Linehan-Wyoming Lassoed My Heart (Center)

Founding Members Reflecting on 25 Years



Daenette More

One of my biggest blessings from 25 years of association with WSQG was Eva Knight, the first President of WSQG. She was an accomplished businesswoman, having the skills to construct a quilt guild and knowing the ins and outs of organization and taxes.

She was comfortable in her own skin, wearing bib overalls in a bargello class we took together at LCCC in 1997. She sewed on a Singer Featherweight!

She was a rogue member of the Wyoming Heritage Quilters (now the Cheyenne Heritage Quilters). Her specialty was applique and her quilts, usually minis or lap quilts, an intricate story-telling art. She was an "art quilter" before there was such a thing. Fascinating! She was the one who invited me to join in the carpool that went to the organizational meeting of WSQG. While in the back seat she designed and sketched the logo and the quilt that you see at every Quilt Wyoming. The first two years of WSQG, Eva as President and I, as Vice President went to every quilt group in the state to introduce WSQG. Along the way we visited every quilt shop known to us. What an ambassador she was! She taught me the need for "ugly fabric" and it's roll in every quilt! She taught me people skills as well as quilting skills. I love her dearly.

Daenette More

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Quilt Camp Funds Available

There are funds available to help with Quilt Camps for all ages. The guidelines and application forms are available online. Select the Quilt Camp tab in the top menu of the website.

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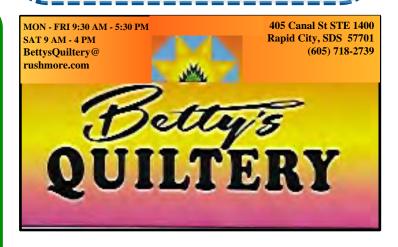
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Founding Members - Reflecting on 25 Years



Eva Knight

How clearly I remember Brenda Groelz, WSQG's national teacher, telling us: "blink-WSQG will be 25 years old!" Sure enough! The wonderful things the founding mothers dreamt are happening—quilt shows and books and wonderful friendships. I am so very grateful.

Twenty-five years is a milestone worthy of a pause to consider how quilting has changed. Mid-arms, long arms, and amazing threads have changed the process. Yet, blest be the hand traditions of our art. Fabrics offer stimulation to the creative process. Can't find just what you want? Paint it or print it! Dream up your next quilt with computer assistance. The possibilities are endless, and WSQG has kept up with them. Thank you, all!

As for me, I have achieved a life goal—I am a genuine little (4'10") old lady, gray hair and all. I'm happy to be going strong. Family obligations have kept me from gathering with you as much as I would have liked, but I read *Patchwords* faithfully and hold WSQG in my heart. Quilting keeps me sane as the world spins through too many crises. At present I have five UFO's and many lovingly-assembled fabric stacks in the queue when the UFO number diminishes. (Ha! As if I could ever make all the quilts in my brain or deplete my fabric stash.)

My challenge to you and WSQG — Keep up the good work. Quilt 'til you wilt and spread the love. My blessing to you all comes from Psalm 90: And let the beauty of the Lord our God be upon us, And establish the work of our hands for us; Yes, establish the work of our hands.

Eva Knight



Jan Debolt

The first Quilt Wyoming in Casper was a success, thanks to the drive of Wilda and Bill Vance. Wilda had a dream of what a state retreat should be and guided us in the direction of Nebraska Quilt Guild. We are not Nebraska and have become our own unique State Guild with our unique design for retreats.

WSQG has spread it's wings

and has become so much more than we dreamed when we put it all on paper in Rawlins and elected our first State Board in Casper. I'm proud to say I have been a part of that growth. I served several years on the WSQG Board. First as a Southeast Regional Director and then as Treasurer. I greatly enjoyed the many years of teaching classes for Quilt Wyoming where I have met many quilting friends; one of which I followed to the Grand Junction, Colorado area. We continued to attend and teach at Quilt Wyoming for many years.

During the seven years in Colorado, I was active in two quilt guilds. I taught at one large guild on a regular routine. Luckily I had the class preparations and samples from the many classes I taught for Quilt Wyoming! While I was in Colorado I became a Colorado Quilt Guild certified judge and had many wonderful experiences as I traveled in Colorado.

My family felt I needed to live on the eastern side of the Continental Divide. Lo and behold the first potential buyers bought my home and I said a tearful good-bye to a quilt world that was very good to me.

I've been back in Wyoming now for nine years. The altitude is taking a toll on the body, but the air is clean. My three daughters have discovered they want to learn to quilt and we've had three great "Peas and the Pod" quilt retreats at one of my daughter's cabin near Lead, South Dakota. Each daughter has her own unique skill and it has been fun to watch them flourish.

The quilting world has been good to me, and I still enjoy piecing and machine quilting. I may be slowing down, but you can't keep this 'ole Gal' down!

Jan DeBolt



Penny Cruikshank made this wonderful antelope quilt.

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Founding Members - Reflecting on 25 Years

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Penny Cruickshank

Wilda Vance, Cleo Moorse and I made trips to Cheyenne to quilt with the club. Wilda asked me if I thought we should have a State Guild....of course I said "You bet." I guess that she respected what I had said, as it was not long before the gals met in Rawlins. I brought a friend, Marilyn Ford, and she joined also. My Best friend, Cleo, joined us. We had a lot of fun going to the different places for club meetings. Eventually I moved over to Moorcroft and was able to be more active in the club. I love to be able to go and enjoy the Sister Quilters, I love learning to make new and special things. Thank you for your interest.

Penny Cruikshank

Carolyn (Christensen) Normington and Twila Christensen

by Carolyn (Christensen) Normington

Twenty-five years ago, mom (Twila), travelled from Green River to Rawlins to support the creation of our State Quilt Guild. I (Carolyn) drove over from Laramie where I was finishing my master's degree. Darlene (my sister) would have been there too, but she was already working as an extension agent in Sundance. All three of us have taught many children how to sew. Mom is very proud of having organized the first kids' quilt camp which we co-taught at the second QW in Cheyenne (1998). Thanks to everyone in subsequent years who kept kids' camp going! This includes much gratitude to the guild for the financial support to share quilting with future generations. All three of us still quilt. Mom sews every day now that she has decided not to herd sheep anymore! She and dad continue to ranch in Montana. Dar is still working in extension (Tooele, Utah) and I'm a school counselor in Pinedale.



"On the Way" - Challenge quilt by Twila Christensen Quilt Wyoming 2004 "Quilt Tracks to Laramie"

Carolyn (Christensen) Normington



Florence Brown, Founder

Gloria Greenlee, Founder, now living in Nacogdoches, Texas. Many of us remember how fun her classes were. There was not a picture of Gloria readily available to share.



Nancy Vase, Founder



Marilyn Ford, Founder (Left)



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Congratulations to the quilt makers and the quilters. If a quilt was awarded a ribbon and was quilted by someone else, the quilter also received the ribbon. I apologize for not mentioning the quilt titles when handing out the awards for the quilt show!

These are the winners:

Large quilt machine quilted -1^{st} – Rainbow of Jewels by Sonia Reed, quilted by Floye Weekly

Large quilt machine quilted -2^{nd} – Cattails in the Meadow by Linda Hall, quilted by Robin Wacker

Large quilt machine quilted -3^{rd} – Flower Garden by Georgia Mueller, quilted by Lawrence Mueller

Med quilt machine quilted -1^{st} – *Splendor* by Ginny Singer, quilted by Ginny Singer

Med quilt machine quilted -2^{nd} – *One Block Wonder Panel* by Sherry Walter, quilted by Sherry Walter

Med quilt machine quilted -3^{rd} - *Rainbow Geese on a String* by Jean Gorman, quilted by Virginia Ohr

Small quilt machine quilted -1st - *Autumn Leaves* by Carol Kolf, quilted by Carol Kolf Small quilt machine quilted -2nd - *My Wyoming Cowboy* by Audry Jarvis, quilted by Virginia Ohr Small quilt machine quilted -3rd - *Tula's True Elephant* by Judy Powell, quilted by Judy Powell

Extensive hand work (any size) -1^{st} – Out of the Blue by Lois Wragge, quilted by Jennifer Golden Extensive hand work (any size) -2^{nd} – Scalloped Daisies by Michelle Quick, quilted by Michelle Quick Extensive hand work (any size) -3^{rd} – Mom & Me by Virginia Votaw & Mildred Grabner, quilted by Jane Votaw

Best machine quilting - Robin Wacker for her quilting on Cattails in the Meadow

Challenge Quilts: 1st – Ribbons of Friendship, Ginny Singer

2nd – A Few of My Favorite Things, April Pendleton

3rd – Wyoming Lassoed My Heart, Pat Linehan

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NORTHWEST Barb Bunn Ginny Singer

I am constantly amazed at the talent and energy that is on display in the Northwest region. I took a day and did a mini quilt shop hop in June. I visited Friends and Company Fabric Store in Cody, Gooseberry Garden Quilt Shop in Thermopolis and Heart-n-Home in Worland. I also joined the Silver Stitchers in Thermopolis for several hours of sewing and conversation. It was such a fun way to spend a day and I was so motivated by the quality and diversity of fabrics available in our area. Please support our local shops so we do not lose this valuable resource.

Quilt Guild Happenings

Paintbrush Piecers Quilt Guild - Cody

40 Veterans' quilts have been made by members of Paintbrush Piecers' Quilt Guild. They will be displayed at the Yellowstone Quilt Fest (YQF) July 29-30. They will then be given to Families on the Front Lines for local veterans in the Big Horn Basin area.

Members of Paintbrush Piecers Quilt Guild had a showing of "Little Quilts" at the Cody Library in July. Reactions from the library patrons was unbelievably positive. This show is an advertisement for NW region's upcoming large show, the Yellowstone Quilt Fest July 29-30 at the Riley Arena in Cody.









This quilt was designed and made by members of the Meeteetse Chatelaine Quilt Guild. Each member was given a section to create a shelf. After the guild assembled the king-size quilt, Judie Mackie of Cody, quilted it. The quilt will be donated to Meeteetse Friends of the Library for a fundraiser. The quilt was shown at the Hyattville **Ouilt Show and** received a second place People's Choice ribbon. This is the second quilt the group has



made and donated to a local organization. The guild meets the second Thursday of each month at the Episcopal Church Parish Hall.

Textile Artists of Greater Yellowstone (TAGY) will display three quilt challenges at YQF: One Shape; What Inspires You; and Zoom In - Close Up.

The Silver Stitchers in Thermopolis meet every Tuesday at the Senior Center. They are each making a sampler quilt and learning lots – and I am sure having fun and making new friends.

Quilt Shows

The Yellowstone Quilt Fest will be at the Riley Arena in Cody July 29-30! Come join us for a fabulous quilt show, the vendors, the demos, and a gift boutique. Check out www.yellowstonequiltfest.info for more information.



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The Cowboy Carnival Quilt Show was held in Hyattville over Memorial Day weekend. It was spectacular as always. It is well worth finding your way to Hyattville to see. This year's winners were: Tory Dietz with Shores (Large), Elaine Decker with Birds (Medium), Marylou Doyle with Dizzy Dreds (Small), Rhonda Schmeltzer with Reflecting on Majesty (Art), Nancy Heiser with Cutwork (Embroidery), and Victoria Bales with Black Jewels Jacket (Other).

Retreats

This is the first year for the **Hot Spot Quilt Retreat** in Thermopolis. It was obviously the right idea at the right time because last I heard the retreat was already full and Joan LaFave was putting people on a waiting list. The dates are September 30th through October 2nd. It will be held at the Hot

Springs Hotel and Spa (formerly the Days Inn). Contact Joan LaFave at *ase7754@gmail.com* or 307-262-7712 for more information.

The next retreat for **Friends and Company** is October 20-23 at the Holiday Inn, with October 19th as an embroidery retreat day. Contact Friends and Company at 307-527-7217 for more information.

Michelle's next quilt retreat is Oct 25-30 in Cody at the Holiday Inn. Contact Michelle to be added to the contact list or for information at *quicksfamily@gmail.com*

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NORTHEAST Josy Daniel Deb Kipp

Hello from the Northeast Region!!

The last two months have been busy around this

area to say the least. There were a couple retreats at Ranch A, a retreat at Mallo Camp, kids' camps and Gillette has had two new quilt shops open up; the Blue Bike Quilt Shop and Heirlooms by Design. Both shops have longarm services available as well as fabrics and notions. Stop by and check them out.

The NEW 40th Annual Quilt Show is October 1st and 2nd in the Frontier Hall at the Camplex. There will be quilts, vendors, more quilts, a quilter's boutique, more quilts, and drawing for prizes as well as a beautiful raffle quilt. See their Facebook page for more information on getting your quilt registered for this 40th show. Another group has been found in this area. There is a group of ladies that are busy making quilts for GARF (Gillette Abuse Refuge Foundation).

The NE307 Fall Quilters Carnival and Retreat will be held September 11-14 in the Tech Center at the Gillette Campus. Sunday September 11, from 1:00-5:00 p.m., come enjoy games, prizes, and carnival treats as five area vendors let you know what is happening in their stores. Then the sewing begins and goes to Wednesday at 3:00 p.m.



Sheridan has some exciting news:) Carol Kolf's beautiful thread-painted lion is on the poster for "Wild" at the SAGA Quilt Exhibit held at the Brigham City Museum in Brigham City, Utah, June 25th to September 17th.



graces the front cover of Klaudeen Hansen's Quilt Art Engagement calendar for 2023.

Jackie at Quilter's Fix had the

"Ouilt Mobile" in the Rodeo parade again this year. What a quilting sight! I believe some of the Sheridan gals are planning a retreat at Ranch A in September.





Buffalo Quilting Gals have had a busy summer and it's only

half over. They had their annual Y-Camp, and their Kid's Camp, where all young quilters went home with a finished quilt. They are having Elk View retreat in the Big Horns a bit later this summer. July had them making Santa sacks for the Senior Center. Two more Ouilts of Valor were made and presented. Their request list just keeps growing. They have also been making quilts for "Better Blankets," a project that benefits the Behavioral Institute in Casper. These ladies are going to start on

some fidget quilts.



The new clinic in Hulett will be displaying various quilts made by local quilters

In Moorcroft quilting classes will be starting up again this fall in the Moorcroft Community Building.

Last but not least, thanks to everyone who attended Quilt Wyoming 2022. It was a wonderful turnout. And our congratulations to the new board members.

That's about it for now from Josy and Deb. Happy Quilting.

Josy & Deb

Articles for the October-November 2022 issue of Patchwords are due by September 20, 2022 info@wsqg.org

WSQG Central Region Quilting Rendezvous 8-11 September 2022

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\$50

8 Sept 8:00 a.m. - 11:00 p.m. - Arrival & Open Sew

- o 3:00 Welcome
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9 Sept 7:00 a.m. - 11:00 p.m. Open Sew

- 9:00 a.m. QOV Talk & Sew Stephanie Logan (Past QOV WY State Coordinator)
 - 3:30 p.m. Show & Tell
- Left-Right-Center! (Bring 3 Fat Quarters)
- 5:45 p.m. Dinner

(Chicken & Broccoli Alfredo, Salad, Garlic Bread & Cookies)

- 10 Sept 7:00 a.m. 11:00 p.m. Open Sew
 - 9:00 a.m. Mystery Class (~ 2 hours) Terri Lange Instructor (Supply List will be provided beginning of August)
 - 3:30 p.m. Show & Tell
 - STRIP POKER! (Bring 12 2.5" x WOF strips)
 - o 5:45 p.m. Dinner

(Beef Brisket, Green Beans, Baked Potato, Dinner Roll & Brownie)

11 Sept 7:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. - Open Sew

\$50 includes: cost of retreat, class, and dinner on Friday & Saturday. A block of rooms has been reserved at reduced rates; \$65 per night. You are responsible for making your own reservations, call (307) 856-3964 to make reservations ask for the C<mark>entral Quilting Rendezvous rate, boo</mark>k early (rate expires 25 Aug). Thursday dinner and all lunches & breakfasts are on your own.

If you have any questions contact Deb Zelenak at dzducks@wyoming.com

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CENTRAL April Pendleton

I am pleased and honored to be your new Central Regional Director. I want to thank Julie Haptonstall for her service to WSQG for the past four years. She has worked above and beyond the call of duty! I hope I can be half as good as she has been!

Quilt Wyoming 2022 was a wonderful celebration of 25 years of Quilt Wyoming. The Northeast gals really did a great job.

Quilt Wyoming 2023 will be in Riverton on July 19-23, 2023. I hope to see all of you there! If you are interested in helping with 2023 please contact Julie Haptonstall or myself. Many hands make light work.

The Central Region will have a Quilting Rendezvous retreat September 8-11, 2022. If you are interested in joining us to quilt and quilt and quilt, contact Deb Zelenak at *dzducks@wyoming.com* to make your reservation.

Dubois Never Sweat Needlers has a quilt show coming up August 12-14, 2022. There will be lots of wonderful quilts and vendors! Make your way to Dubois to see what the gals have been doing this year and enjoy a little shopping!



They held their May Retreat May 12-14 with 23 of 24 members in attendance available for this group photo. They are showing off some of their accomplishments on the second morning of the retreat.

The monthly Scrap Happy Sampler block participants are currently working on Blocks #8 Carpenter's Square and #9 Bubbles for August/September.

At their June guild meeting they had seven completed entries for their President's Challenge project. Group photo of blocks made by: Leigh Tuckey, Sharon Johns for Candy Good, Marlene Moldenhauser, April Pendleton, Sonia Reed, Kay Talkington, (in front) Eileen Grove shown by Adrian Morris.



They will meet the 3rd Saturday for UFO sewing.

Lander Popo Agie Quilters have a quilt show September 24-25, 2022. The gals have been busy making beautiful quilts. They will have vendors.

That is all the news I have for now. Please send me your info so I can post it in *Patchwords*.

Happy Quilting!

April Pendleton aprilp@bresnan.net 307-332-4174



SOUTHEAST Linda Herget

WOW! Wasn't that a fabulous Quilt Wyoming? I hope y'all enjoyed it as much as I did. I am SO excited about next year's theme. Those that know me, know how passionate I am about Quilts of Valor. I hope all you will make at least one Quilt of Valor this

year to put in the Quilt Wyoming show next year.

Now that Quilt Wyoming 2023 is on its way, Quilt Wyoming 2024 will be here before we know it. We have a planning meeting scheduled for Saturday, August 13th at 3:00 p.m. at QuiltEssentials in Laramie. We still need lots of volunteers.

What's happening in our region? The Southeast Region's Fall UFO Retreat is open for registration. The retreat is September 23rd-25th at LCCC and is \$60, which covers five meals and the room rental. Come spend the weekend with us, sewing, playing games and some good old fashioned quilter fun. If you're interested in attending, email me at *slherget@msn.com* or call me at 307-221-3114.

Cheyenne Heritage Quilters has two classes coming up: Curved Piecing Class with Robbin Flockhart on August 20th and Water Color Pencil with Angela McPherson on October 15th. For more info on either of these classes, please check out CHQ's newsletter at www.chquilters.org or contact Debbie Baldwin at dbaldwin11@aol.com or 307-509-9884.

Linda Herget

WSQG Membership Report

Welcome!

NEW MEMBERS: Lynne Barry, Billings, MT; Randi Becker, Dubois; Abigail Beaver, Cheyenne; Donna Cale, Gillette; Janelle Day, Guernsey; Terri Durbin, Red Lodge, MT; Ami Erickson, Story; Bobbie Estes, Cheyenne; Peggy Frank, Sheridan; Cynthia Johnson, Greybull; Anne Koenig, Rawlins; JoAnne Mckee, Sheridan; Kyle Neary, Dubois, Elsie Preslar, Rawlins; Judy Robertson, Wright; Mandy Robinson, Grantville, GA; Jane Votaw, Sheridan; Amanda Wilson, Sheridan;

RETURNING MEMBERS: Deana Baker, Cody; Deanne Bradley, Big Piney; Ester Oldenberg, Philip, SD.

Members receive the bi-monthly newsletter either by accessing from the website or by mail. The password is usually not required to read Patchwords online. The current password is required to access the directory on the website www.wsqg.org. 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.

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

Tauna Leathers, Membership Director wyotauna@gmail.com

WSQG Region	July 12, 2022
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SOUTHWEST Iris Jasperson

Hello Wyoming and WSQG members in Southwest Wyoming! My name is Iris Jasperson and I was just voted in as your new Southwest Director. I'm very excited and hope to bring

some new ideas to our region.

Since Quilt Wyoming was only last week (as of the writing of this article), I haven't had a lot of time to do too much.

This last weekend my grandson, Kellen and I went on a little road trip! We left Star Valley and traveled south to Kemmerer. There we stopped at Ace Hardware and introduced ourselves to Jill. She wanted me to remind everyone of the On The Trail Shop Hop that takes place September 13-26th and involves different stores in Western Wyoming, Eastern Idaho and Northern Utah. If you have never been to the Ace in Kemmerer during this shop hop you have no idea of the fun you are missing! Everyone who works here gets involved and makes it fun for everyone who walks through the door! AND..they have a pillowcase contest. Each employee gets to pick the fabric for their pillowcase. They are then made up and are on display for shop hoppers to vote on as a fan favorite. YES...my vote on the gnome-themed pillowcase last year helped it to be the winner! I will have to ask Jill if there is a prize involved!

We then traveled to Urie to the Valley Fabric Shoppe and visited with Bobbie. They always have some super cool projects going. I found an awesome kit to buy and after I got home and was looking at it found it was designed exclusively for her store! And yes...I had to get one of the Wyoming Minky panels that Nena James talked about in the last Patchwords.

From Urie we headed west to Evanston and stopped in to see my friend, Dorie Cox. Dorie is the owner of BEst Kind Embroidery (yes the E is a capital so it reads BEst Kind but also BE Kind) The Cox family purchased one of the old downtown buildings and now not only do embroidery but are expanding into a fabric and quilt shop. Dorie is having a soft opening because, like all the other shop owners I have talked to, fabric is a little slow getting here. In the future they are hoping to open a retreat center in the upper floors of their building.

Kellen and I then walked the main street in Evanston that had been closed off for an awesome car show! I've never been to a show that included bicycles and wagons. Kellen's favorite was a monster truck...mine was a little car a guy had made from a wooden coffin and a 4-wheeler motor! We wanted to hit the Railroad Museum (this trip was an early 6th birthday present) but it was closed for the day, as was Common Threads, which is located on Main Street. Our adventure ended with getting to see tons of semis on the way home, Kellen's second favorite vehicle as he wants to

be a haul truck driver when he grows up! He was a great traveling companion!

I would like to take the next couple of years and get to know the sewers in our region! If you are part of a guild, or just some folks who get together to sew, drop me an email and I would love to come sew with you! (My group that I sew with call ourselves the N.A.G.s because we are Not A Guild..and can't come up with a better name!) I would also like your ideas on how to increase the membership in our region. We have more WSQG members that are out-of-state than members in our region!

The Southwest Region will be hosting Quilt Wyoming in 2025. Planning is starting now. If you would like to be a part of this please let me know! My email is mcq@silverstar.com

Until next time...may your needle be sharp and your bobbin be full!

Iris Jasperson

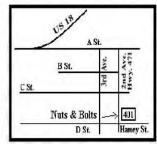
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> August 16-20, 2022 110th Wyoming State Fair www.wystatefair.com Douglas, WY

September 8-11, 2022 Central Quilting Rendezvous

Wind River Casino Contact Deb Zelanek dzducks@wyoming.com Riverton, WY

September 11-14, 2022 NE307 Fall Retreat Gillette, WY

September 16-18, 2022 28th Annual Quilts Along the Platte

Community Center 102 Otis Street Fort Laramie, Wyoming 82212

September 17-18, 2022 Higher Ground Fair Regional Quilt Show

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Wyoming Territorial Prison State Historic Site, Laramie, WY

September 24-25, 2022 Popo Agie Quilt Show

Sat 9:00-5-00, Sun 10:00-3:00 Raffle quilt tickets for sale Lander Senior Citizens Center 205 South 10th Street Lander, WY 82520

September 30-October 2, 2022 Hot Spot Quilt Retreat

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Peppermint Crumb Susan Davis



Beauty is in the Eye Lyn Wengert



Card Trick with Attitude Jeri Zevenbergen



Sylvia Charla Harris

Upcoming Events:

October 22 - Barn Quilt Class. This is a repeat of our successful March class. Come paint your favorite quilt block on a 2'x2' piece of wood. The quilt block can be hung inside or outside.

Registration information will be sent out in September.

December 2 & 3 -Golden Hour Senior Center Craft Fair. We will have our annual booth selling handmade seasonal items.





WSQG Logo Design, by Jan Debolt, Director-at-Large (Reprinted from Patchwords February 2004)



Eva Knight:

For years thoughtful Wyoming quilters stitched in isolation and wondered about other Wyoming quilters. How many were out there under Wyoming's great dome of sky? Where did they live? Bonny Stonemark, Twila Christensen, Jeanne Eva gave the copyright of the logo to the Allen and Nancy Vase started the Wyoming Quilting Newsletter. As circulation grew, it was clear that there Guild. Eva made a logo block, which were many quilters in all parts of the state. The four realized the possibility of the founding of a state guild.

Wilda Vance of Cheyenne told me that she set the date to test the waters for a statewide quilt guild. On June 14, 1997, the "Mothers" of the guild converged on Rawlins. Fifteen quilters came from Rock stopped to stitch in the fashion of a bee. Springs, Green River, Torrington, Douglas, Gillette, Casper and Cheyenne. I was part of the carload from Cheyenne. We headed west on I-80, curious about how the day would unfold.

Wilda, sure that a guild would form, put out the word that attendees should bring sketches for a logo. No one in the car had given the task to add the first border a sketch when we left Cheyenne, but I had a graph paper pad and pencils. I wasn't the driver, so I worked on a design as the miles rolled.

Years of looking at America's logos influenced my design. The logo should be interwoven lives and ambitions of quilters clear from across a room and identifiable at a glance. A look should tell a visual

story. With these thoughts in mind, what better than an original quilt block, based on Wyoming's state flower? The spiky flowers of Indian paintbrush were interpreted as geese readily identifiable themselves, the unit is also a component of many other quilt patterns. Wyoming quilters are the many patterns of the Wyoming State Quilt Guld.

That day in Rawlins convinced those assembled that a charter meeting should be held. Casper was selected as the central location and a date was set. We gathered again, encouraged by the increased number (28) of quilters at the meeting.

Enthusiasm ran high. By the end of the day, September 13, 1997, the Wyoming State Quilt Guild was chartered. Eva Knight was elected interim President and guided us in writing our mission statement. Her logo was adopted as the official logo of the Guild.

Guild. The initial opinion of the Board was to retain the block as exclusive to the subsequently passed through each Guild region like a round robin. Each region added a border. When the five borders were complete, Wilda sandwiched the quilt and brought it to the first Quilt Wyoming in 1998 in Casper. She set it in a frame in the lobby. Charter members were invited to sign it, and quilters Wilda and her husband, Bill, finished the quilting.

The Wyoming State Quilt Guild logo quilt to work on the quilt top. Jeanne Allen, is entrusted to the President of the Guild for use at official functions through the year and is always displayed at Quilt Wyoming. The northeast region was around the logo design. Judy Iliff was the regional director and chose to do a twisted ribbon design in two shades of blue. She later claimed that the twisted ribbon was the only border design she knew how to do at that time. This ribbon depicts the all around the state of Wyoming.

The border for the northwest region (NW) was done by Sherry Fink, Regional Director. The narrow green border represents the narrow areas of irrigated agricultural land paralleling the rivers in the NW region. The agricultural areas are flying geese. Not only are flying surrounded by badlands and desert as shown in the colors of the "delectable mountain" border. The arid parts of the NW region give way to the mountains that surround the region, the Big Horns, the individuals, but together we form Absorkees, the Clarks, the Owl Creeks, the Pryors and the Beartooths - thus the choice for using the "delectable mountain" border variation.

> The central region border was given to the Casper Cut-ups. This group included Shelly Mason, WSQG Secretary, Gale Anderson, Jo Asmus, Karen Ewart, Irene Eeles, Kathy Cassity, Bonnie McMurry, Mary Sue Simpson, Caron Sponsler, Cleora Sorenson, Polly Shuster and Dee Seid. Two sides of the border are flying geese to depict the "fly-way" birds used across this region. The red heart in the upper left corner shows that the central district is in the heart of the state. The two sides of solid black border depict the significance of the oil found in this region.

> The southeast regional director was Jan DeBolt and she decided that due to the size that the logo quilt was becoming two sides should represent the southeast corner of the state. With the able assistance of Diane Browning, colors were chosen to represent the region. Beginning at the upper edge of the border, the purple represents the mountain range, blues for the North Platte and Laramie Rivers, greens and golds for the irrigated farmlands, browns represent the rangeland and into the drab colors of the rock formations found in the region.

> The southwest region was the last region regional director, Bonny Stonemark, WSQG Treasurer, and Nancy Vase got together to produce the final border. The decision was made to add a border on only two sides. They wanted to depict the abundance of wildlife in Wyoming, hence the appliquéd animals as a reminder of the coal that is produced in this region. The half-square triangle in the top left-hand corner depicts the constance of quilters night or day.

> > Jan Debolt

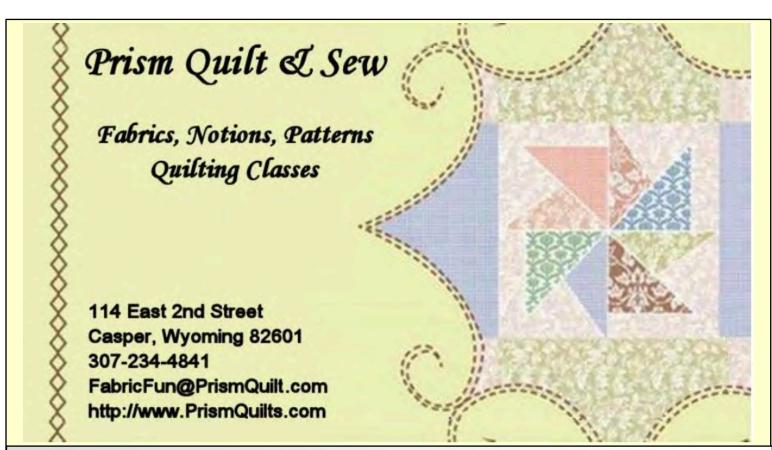
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