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Deb Schultz - Featured Quilter



I always love stories about how someone became a quilter - so often it was part of their family culture. As they grew up, they followed a path set forth for them. There was a bit of that in my background as my paternal grandmother quilted but my mother's interest was elsewhere so my path followed hers and it went a different direction.

In 1982 I took a weekend road trip with my mother to Red Lodge, Montana, to visit her aunt as a mini getaway. When we arrived, Aunt Rosalie wasn't home and left a note for us to come to a local school where she was helping with a quilt show. I walked into a classroom, looked across the room and saw this apricot-colored whole cloth quilt and said "that is the most beautiful quilt I've ever seen" Aunt Rosalie said "Do you want it?" Absolutely I did. and it was hers to give to me. She changed my life. That quilt inspired me to take my first



A Tribute to Ricky First Place Machine Quilting Houston Inernational Quilt Festival

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President's Message Belle Temple

Holiday Greetings to all, If you are like me, I've been busy trying to complete all my holiday gifts. The season always seems to sneak up on

It is a wonderful, blessed time of the year and I wish everyone a safe and joyous holiday.

Belle Temple

WSQG Membership Report

Welcome!

NEW MEMBERS: Sarah Flannery, Jackson; Debbie Garris, Lander; Terry Gore, Cheyenne; Gwen Harris, Cheyenne; Christy Ireland, Powell; Tammie Mazuc-Morris, Evanston; Kathy Sanderson, Lander; Cheryl Smith, Riverton; Kathleen Stevens, Gillette

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WSQG Region November 2, 2022

Central	120
Northeast	212
Northwest	77
Southeast	130
Southwest	46
Out-of-State	_50
TOTAL:	635

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.

Funds will be available as long as they last. www.wsqg.org.

Mary Beth Leonard

August 2, 1953 ~ October 10, 2022

WSQG member and friend, Mary Beth Leonard, Glendo, Wyoming, passed away in Colorado on October 10, 2022.

At this time there is no further information.





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Featured Quilter Deb Schultz (continued from page 1)

quilting class in Denver that same year. It is now forty years later and I am still quilting. I was hooked after that first class.

Years later, I more fully appreciate those initial skills I was taught. I've seen so many changes over the years. We used cardboard templates in my first class - I was thrilled when plastic for templates hit the market and then rotary cutters and rulers; huge changes. There was a phase when we all had our own PPM (personal private measurement) - roughly ½" but it did not necessarily have to be precise - just consistent. Now we all work to ½" and have sorted out scant quarter inches - more changes to our world.

The fabric forty years ago doesn't compare to what is on the market now. The colors and patterns of today are wild, varied and so fun - even if you are using solids. I have taken hundreds of classes (I don't think this is an overstatement) and in each class I learn something. Along my route I've been collecting the skills for my toolbox - that's how I think about quilting. I generally have all the tools I need to do whatever it is I dream up. That's what it is all about for me.

I spent years building quilts from patterns and now I mostly dream them up. Even if I take a class, I rarely complete my project in the scheduled format. There's always a "what if" in the back of my mind that drives me to pull some tools out of my toolbox and head down another rabbit hole. Those rabbit holes often - but not always - lead to an "Ah-Ha" moment where I'm amazed at



Release the Geese

how things have turned out. I live for those "Ah-Ha" moments and those times when I am so into what I am working on that the world around me disappears and I've lost track of time and I am totally in the zone. Sometimes for me, because I am a long armer, it can be when I'm actually quilting. Now isn't that the best?



Sunrise Sunset

As a side note - my long arm is my best tool. It is the icing on the cake for me. Not only do I get to bake the cake by piecing my tops, I get to decorate it with thread. Back when I started quilting, I could never have imagined that a long arm would be in my future. A dear friend was sure she needed one and I trouped along with her not knowing how that outing would change my life. Haven't I been blessed to see all these changes? And thank you, Lori.

I have won some local and regional awards, received some blue ribbons, and I have been juried into numerous shows over the years. I love challenges as they give me the opportunity to pull skills out of my toolbox and find another rabbit hole. I won Studio E's Peppered Cotton challenge; I have been a finalist each time I have entered Cherrywood's Hand Dyed Fabric challenges; and I have participated in the Hoffman Challenges to name a few. The pinnacle of my quilting awards came recently as my first entry into Houston's International Quilt Festival won First Place for Machine Quilting. I am still in awe and feel very honored. AND I still cannot believe that my skills have developed to this level. I think most of us quilters like the quilts that we produce and generally, we do good work - we are driven that way. I personally work hard and I feel that I

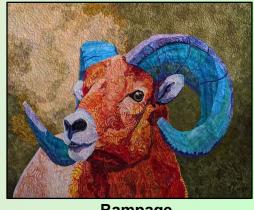


Dances with Wall

generally do good work - sometimes better than other times - and winning a ribbon at Houston is validating and encouraging. Now, I want to work harder and do more. (Uh-Oh, more UFO's.) I certainly encourage everyone to enter competitions and shows. Show



My Boots



Rampage

Featured Quilter Deb Schultz (continued from page 4)



Orange Marmelade



Emerging Star



Kaleidoscope Bouquet



Milleflori



Star Light, Star Bright

the world what you do. As with classes, there is always something to be learned whether you're designing an entry for a competition or viewing the work of others at a show. As Nike used to say "Just do it". If I can do it, so can you!

My entry into the Houston show was started at an independent study retreat. (I love week-long retreats where I can work non-stop on a single project.) At that workshop, I managed to develop the pattern and start cutting the fabrics. I did

not complete this project in the workshop - that would come fifteen months later. I named my quilt "A Tribute to Ricky" because I used his technique to develop the pattern but I took his concept many steps further by: 1) planning the wedge cutting patterns; 2) using Ombre fabrics to highlight areas of the quilt; 3) adding curved seams; 4) merging 24 wedges to 12 wedges with Y-seams; and 5) adding applique enhancements. Ricky's book and technique was the tool I chose from my toolbox for this quilt.

I have made roughly a dozen kaleidoscope quilts the Ricky way - each one unique and full of "Ah-Ha" moments which still make me smile. I have taught this technique many times - even at the Wyoming State Quilt Guild annual convention and I have learned from my students and their work. Plus, I have great friends to help with design decisions. All of the quilters in my life have helped me grow and hone my skills to fill my toolbox. My husband names my quilts.

Thank you all! I love quilters and the camaraderie that goes with any class, guild, critique group, or quilting club. Having other quilters in my life provides inspiration and motivation (and usually, good food!) I encourage you - and I'm probably speaking to the choir - to join a group. Your

toolbox will grow with your new friendships. A win-win.

I haven't been a member of WSQG for twenty-five years - wow - but I did join roughly eight years ago and I have met and taught some very talented women through this organization. The annual convention with national instructors provides a "local" opportunity to take classes in our home state with limited travel

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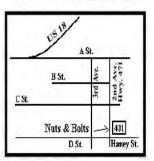
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As I said previously, you can learn something in every class to add to your toolbox. Enough about this quilter. Go to work, fill your toolbox. Find the "tool" that helps you do whatever it is that you want. Enjoy your journey. I hope it is all that you want it to be.

Deb Schultz



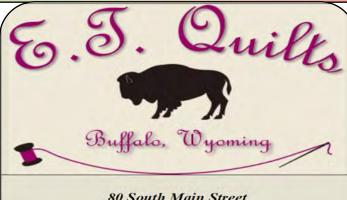
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My Orange Circles Cityscape









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NORTHEAST Josy Daniel Deb Kipp

Hello from the Northeast region!! Goodness, it doesn't seem like this should be the last *Patchwords* article for 2022!! But here we go: (gonna be a long one ©)

There has been so much happening up here during these last two months. It has been fantastic.

Sheridan: What a quilt show at the Sheridan County Fulmer Library!





The display included traditional to art to modern and some other fiber art creations as well. Such a variety and what talent on display

for the public to enjoy. I believe it is the 25th show these ladies have put together and it just keeps getting better and better.

Other news from Sheridan, the quilters had a booth at the Fall Fair Craft Show, and a fall picnic. State fair winners in quilting from the Sheridan area include Lois Wragge with a 1st place and Best of show in needlework division and the

Wyoming State Quilt Guild Award !! Other winners include Jennifer Golden three, 1st and 1, 2nd place ribbons, Carol Kolf three 1st place ribbons, Robin Wacker one first place ribbon. Congratulations ladies!

Buffalo: From monthly quilt show and tells to QOVs to fidget quilts, The Buffalo Quilting Gals keep busy.







Some of the Johnson County Fair winners were: Minda More, Best of Show, Amy B. several awards, Laura Hampton, reserve grand champion. September had the ladies doing rope bowls and fidget quilts. The Burgess Junction retreat was held September 18-23. I imagine a great deal of laughing, and sewing took place.

Hulett: The Hulett Museum held its second quilt show and it went over great. Just three of the many they had on display are shown.





Gillette: What a busy, busy month in Gillette these last two months. The NE307 Fall Quilter's Carnival was a wonderful time. Games and prizes were supplied by our five vendors. Quilters

and the general public made out like bandits with the many prizes won playing during the early afternoon on Sunday. It was great to see what the NE region vendors have for us, including new fabrics and classes just in time for the holiday season. The next 2-½ days included sewing, games and laughter. Thank you ET Quilts, Sew

Ewe Quilt Store, Blue Bike Quilt Studio, Witches Stitches, and Heirlooms By Design for setting up games and supplying prizes. They were great!!!







Some of the blocks for the Quilt Block Show.



Here are a couple of our vendors.



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Campbell County Fair winner Best embroidery Eileen Randall

Campbell County Best Quilted Item Carol Jahn



Here are some pictures of the 40th (Yes! The 40th, NEW Quilt Show)











Best of Show Mitzi Pettit



NEW 2022 Quilt Show Winners

Applique/embroidery machine

- 1. Paula Hamilton
- 2. Lauree Scott
- 3. Jean Gorman

Applique/embroidery hand

- 1. Sheila Sikkenga
- 2. Carol Jahn
- 3. Carolyn Blauert

Small 1-person

- 1. Carol Kolf
- 2. Pennee Clanton
- 3. Leona Jarnot

Small 2-Person

- 1. Sheila Sikkenga
- 2. Carol Jahn
- 3. Maggie Cosner

Medium 1-person

- 1. Robin Wacker
- 2. Peggy Rivers
- 3. Bobbie Benge

Medium 2-person

- 1. Shelly Clark
- 2. Tana Burton
- 3. Eileen Randall

Large 1-person

- 1. Cynthia Klinger
- 2. Sherry Walter
- 3. Lisa Packer

Large 2-person

- 1. Melissa Knapp
- 2. Deb Husebye
- 3. Kris Nelson

Chairman's Block

- 1. Kavla Kretzschmar
- 2. Janelle Sanborn
- 3. Lori Bohnson

Youth 8 & under

- 1. Autum Kipp
- 2. Luke Zimmerman
- 3. Autum Kipp

Youth 9-18

- 1. Shannon Bothwell
- 2. Gabrielle Bothwell
- 3. Mark Redinger

Senior

- 1. Bernie Miller
- 2. Carol Jahn
- 3. Mitzi Pettit

Up and Coming

- 1. Laura Hampton
- 2. Becki Peterson
- 3. Becki Peterson

Miscellaneous

- 1. Pat Linehan
- 2. Glenda Roberson
- 3. Kris Nelson

Show Sponsor Awards

Patty Knotts Award: Peggy Rivers
Applique: Kris Nelson
Art: Carol Kolf
Embroidery: Sheila Sikkenga
Energy: Robin Wacker
Holiday: DeeDee Peterson
Modern: Robin Wacker
Patriotic: Cheryl Williams

Scrappy: Sampler: Up & Coming: Western: Youth 8 & Unde

Youth 8 & Under: Youth 9-18: Best of Show: Chairman's Block: Cindy Buckley
Darlene Fetters
Laura Hampton
Kris Nelson
Autum Kipp
Gabriell Bothwell

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That's it from the NE Region. Happy Quilting, **Jost**



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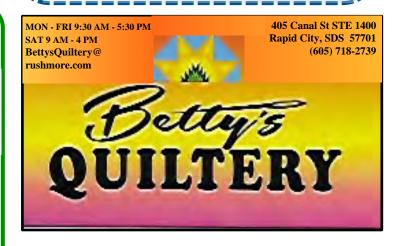
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SOUTHWEST Iris Jasperson

The last couple of months were pretty busy in the Southwest!

The Hunters Widow Quilt Retreat was held on September 30 and October 1, 2022, at the Hampton Inn in Green River,

Wyoming. Marla Marx taught participants a new technique used to make pineapple blocks and also demonstrated the use of the Creative Grids Folded Corner Clipper ruler. Marla brought several completed pineapple block quilts to show the quilt in different colorways. Everyone enjoyed seeing the wide variety of fabrics chosen by other quilters at the retreat.







As is usually the case at quilt retreats, participants enjoyed talking about quilt-related topics. Donna Toly talked to the group about the ergonomic benefits of using doorstops to prop up the back of sewing machines when in use. One especially innovative quilter, Robin Avery, who already used doorstops for that purpose, had forgotten to to bring her doorstops so she used her sandals as a prop instead. It just goes

to show that where there's a will, there's a way — especially in the case of quilters.

On October 1 I taught the Spicy Spiral Table Runner at the Best Kind Embroidery and Fabric store in Evanston. Along with a couple of WSQG members, we had a fun day and got the word out to the students there about WSQG and how to become a member and why it was so much fun.





October 22 found many members at the Quilting on the Green Barn Quilt Class in Green River. There were over 40 attendees and Susie Hermanson and her committee outdid themselves! Everyone seemed to have a great time and lunch was awesome! This class was a fundraiser for Quilting on the



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quilt stands for their yearly Quilt show which always takes place the weekend after Memorial Day. Mark your calendars and come on down to Green River in 2023!



N.A.G.s of Star Valley will begin meeting the second Saturday at the Salt River Senior Center in Afton for open sewing. This group is open to anyone and will meet until May.

Once again I would like to hear from shop owners, members, and guilds or groups in the Southwest region! Lets get the word out that we are here and active!

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

Iris Jasperson



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NORTHWEST Barb Bunn - Ginny Singer

Happy Fall to all! The colors have been spectacular this fall but winter seems to be on its way.

Fall, of course, is retreat season and Northwest Region has been well represented. The first ever Hot Spot Retreat was held in Thermopolis on September 30, October 1 and 2 with 32 talented and fun-loving quilters in attendance. Lots of fun

with door prizes (thanks to Tracy, Jody, Mo, Cindy, and Joan), show and tell, a crown to whoever had to unsew most recently, and a monsoon to survive mid-retreat.



Hot Spot Quilt Retreat

Friends and Company Retreat was held October 19th to the 23rd with 35 quilters and embroiderers. Such talent, and several new quilters were in attendance!







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Friends and Company Quilt Shop Quilt Retreat

The Quick Quilters Retreat was held in Cody with 69 enthusiastic and focused quilters. Many fun projects were works in progress, the rumor is that several were completed! Show and Tells were, as always, awesome! (Pictures below)

The next retreats will be March 28-April 2 and October 24-29 at the Holiday Inn in Cody. Details will be available at thequickretreat@gmail.com.

Michelle is stepping down from being the long-time retreat organizer and Kim Hicks will be taking over. Please contact Kim at the new email address.

I want to thank everyone who has attended the more than 30 retreats at the Holiday Inn over the years and a huge thanks to the WSQG for their continued support of this exceptional NorthWest Regional Happening.

Michelle















On Saturday, October 21st, Redlight Quilting, of Powell, sponsored a quilting class, with featured instructor, Rana Heredia, of Sewn Wyoming. Rana is a Nationally known pattern designer and lives here in Powell; She taught her Roam, Buffalo pattern. Rana has many other fun and creative patterns on her website,

www.sewnwyoming.com/ There were ten ladies who attended. They spent the day working on their individual projects, took a short break to enjoy lunch and chat. Everyone had a good time and made good headway on their buffalos.



Rana Heredia's Buffalo Class

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The Chatelaine Art & Quilt Guild, in Meeteetse, has started work on their donation quilt for the Meeteetse Senior Center. They are making 'Garden Party' by Bonnie Hunter. Members are also participating in the 'Quilting Arts' challenge "Give a Heart, Get a Heart".

The Crossroads Stitchers is a newly formed group in Powell for all hand and machine stitchers from needlepoint and embroidery to quilting. They meet the first and third Tuesday of each month at the Glad Tidings Church. Everyone is welcome at attend!

Happy Holidays to all. Barb and Ginny

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SOUTHEAST Linda Herget

Happy Thanksgiving everyone! I hope y'all are hunkered down and ready to work on all those UFOs when the snow starts to fly.

The Southeast Region held its annual Fall UFO Retreat in September. It was fun to see how many of us are working on similar projects. We had quite a few ladies show us their Spangled quilts: Mary Ellen Little, Daenette More, Donna Groesbeck, Arlene Flood, Darlene McClure, and Di Wilsey-Geer.











We were excited to have some new friends join us and share their projects: Chell Sterkel and Connie Golden.





Of course, what is a Fall UFO Retreat without a Halloween project? Thanks Cindi Young!

A big THANK YOU to QuiltEssentials for the door prizes and to Around the Block and Sewing Center of Cheyenne for shopping discounts for retreaters for the weekend.



on-Fabric class in October which was very interesting and enjoyed by all. Thanks to Angela MacPherson for teaching an awesome class. Sorry, no photos, I forgot.

CHQ has some great programs coming up in the next few months, so check out their newsletter for more info: www.chquilters.org/_pdfs/2022/CHQ_Newsletter_Nov_Final_10-24-2022.pdf

News about the Goshen County Quilters can be found on their Facebook page, so be sure to check that out: www.facebook.com/GoshenCountyQuilters/

QuiltEssentials will be hosting their annual Mystery Quilt on December 27th and 28th, so if you love a mystery check it out at www.quiltessentialslaramie.com/classes/ and they will have two new monthly classes starting in January, so please check out that site for more information: www.quiltessentialslaramie.com/clubs/

We have started planning Quilt Wyoming 2024. I know it seems like that is still so far off, but there is lots to do and many hands make light work. Please join us in January for our next meeting.

The Southeast Region's Spring retreat will be here before we know it, so mark your calendars: March 24-26, 2023 at LCCC. Luanne Roberts will be teaching a class on tinting fabric with colored pencils. Tinting can be used to highlight embroidery, highlight quilting, or enhance hand or machine applique. Luanne will also teach hand embroidery with tips on how to take your embroidery to a finer level. There will be a supply list for each day.

Happy Holidays! Linda Herget

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CENTRAL April Pendleton

Sadly, the quilting retreats and shows are over for the fall! What great fun we had! The holiday parties are just around the corner. I am looking forward to eating lots of

turkey while I make Christmas presents. I have been having trouble with my personal email address so I do not have info from the guilds in the Central Region for this article. I do have great pictures from the Central Rendezvous Retreat.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all. I hope Santa fills your stocking with all the fabric and suplies on your ist.

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