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Board of Directors Candidates

President-Elect



Julie Haptonstall

Julie Haptonstall has been married to the love of her life for 28 years. She and her husband have two children, and almost two granddaughters, (one is due in May!). Makayla, her daughter, has attended several Quilt Wyomings with Julie. She says she will always cherish that time together.

While she has quilted since high school, she seriously got into quilting during the past 18 years. In 2013 she attended her first Quilt Wyoming in Cheyenne, and was blown away by this community of quilters! She has been involved in planning the past Quilt Wyomings hosted by the Central Region. She loved the challenges making successful Quilt Wyoming events. She enjoyed serving as the Central Regional Director. If elected, Julie is looking forward to the challenges ahead as President-Elect. elected.

Treasurer



Carol Kolf

Carol Kolf grew up in Illinois and has lived in Sheridan for 30 years. She has been a member of WSQG for more than 20 years and has enjoyed attending Quilt Wyoming for 17 of those years. She has been active in the planning of three in her region.

Carol made her first quilt in 1976 with nearly a 20-year break before becoming totally committed to the hobby. She began as a traditional quilter and has transitioned into art quilts where she can use her creativity designing her own projects.

She has had many years of experience in the fiscal aspects of her family business as well as 17 years in the position Business Manager of a non-profit. Carol's first term as Treasurer of WSQG is coming to an end. She has found it to

be a great fit with her experience and attention to detail. Carol would be an asset to WSQG in the position of Treasurer for an additional term.

Patchwords Editor



Virginia Ohr

Virginia has served as Patchwords Editor since 2013. She was the WSQG Secretary for 2002-2004 and on all of the Northeast region Quilt Wyoming committees since 2002. She created the WSQG website in 2001 and has served as Web Developer since.

Virginia worked as a Senior Budget Analyst for the University of California for 21 years. She enjoys longarm quilting, needlework, travel, writing, growing African violets, and orchids and working with computers. If you are interested in becoming the editor now, or between elections, contact Virginia.

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Wyoming State Quilt Guild 2025 Membership Application

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☐ I am willing to be a **Mentor** to help other quilters or answer quilting questions (Contact information cannot be withheld.)

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☐ I would like to be listed in **another region** other than my residence. Please list me in the _____ region.
(If you are uncertain which city is in which region, check the map under Quilter Resources on the website www.wsqg.org.)

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Carol Kolf, WSQG Treasurer
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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 to your current listing) send your contact information and teaching specialty directly to info@wsqg.org or complete the online form.

President's Corner



I am writing my final President's Corner from our camper outside our new house build in northeastern Wyoming. This is aptly fitting as a pending move will be a change for David and me. Just as the WSQG's annual meeting brings change to, not only the board

through elections, but because we are in an odd-numbered year, changes to our Bylaws and Standing Rules. Prior to the call for a vote on Sunday, June 29, 2025, in Rock Springs, please take time to review these two documents, as presented in this issue of Patchwords. The full documents with proposed changes are also available on the website in the Members Only section. Questions for clarification or concerns may be directed to info@wsqg.org. Committee members have been diligent to continue to improve the operations of the WSQG.

Regarding elections, although we have names on the ballot, please keep in mind that nominations may be made from the floor. Should you have another member in mind to nominate, visit with them, or throw your own name in the proverbial hat. WSQG is such a rewarding organization.

I take pride in the work accomplished this past year. I want to publicly thank my Bylaws and Standing Rules Committee of Carol Kolf, Virginia Ohr, and Nena James for their hard work and dedication.

Thanks also to our Electronic Quilt Wyoming Registration committee members, Ginny Singer, Carol Kolf, Lyn Bennet, and Misa Siemons. Special recognition goes to committee member, Kayleen Logan for her work as the first Quilt Wyoming Registrar to experience electronic registration. That recognition holds true as well for Virginia Ohr for the electronic registration software development. These two worked tirelessly with great success not only with the registration, but with the generated Quilt Wyoming registration confirmation emails.

Lastly, I thank you all for your faith in me to serve as your President for the 2024-2025 term. It has been an experience, and I get to end it by taking classes at WWCC and visiting with fellow quilters!

Quilt on!

~Di Wilsey Geer, President
(pronounced Will-See)

WSQG 2025 SAMPLE BALLOT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President Elect:

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Julie Haptonstall

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Treasurer:

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Carol Kolf

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Patchwords Editor:

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Virginia Ohr

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REGIONAL DIRECTORS

(VOTE ONLY FOR THE
REPRESENTATIVE FOR YOUR REGION.)

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Cyndy Jahn-Thomas/Roberta Oliver

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Northeast:

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Robin Wacker/Kristi Smith

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Southeast:

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Diana Clark/Cathy Wissner

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Vote for one candidate for each office.
Write in additional candidates.

Articles for the August-September 2025 issue of Patchwords
are due by July 10, 2025
info@wsqg.org

The Wild West

2025 Wyoming State Shop Hop

May 27th 2025 to August 30th 2025

"A journey is best measured in friends rather than miles".

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Quilt Wyoming 2025



REMINDERS

To everyone who has registered for QW2025 — thank you! We appreciate your support and look forward to seeing you in Rock Springs in June. A few reminders -

- * Don't forget to bring towels and bed linens (twin, long size).
- * A fan for your room might be helpful.
- * There's still time to finish Challenge Quilts and Friendship Blocks.
- * Be sure to enter your quilts in the quilt show.
- * Sell tickets for the Opportunity Quilt and send the ticket stubs and money to Carol Kolf.

Please contact the Quilt Wyoming Co-Chairs if you have questions or concerns.

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Rock Springs Welcomes you!

The Southwest Region would love to have you join us in Rock Springs from June 25-29! We've worked hard to offer classes from great instructors. The quilt show and vendor mall will provide inspiration and access to the latest quilt supplies. We're especially excited to have Cherrywood Fabrics included with our local and regional vendors.

The three evening programs featuring Karen Stone, Susan Cleveland and Jane Haworth are free to the public, as are the quilt show and vendor mall. Western Wyoming Community College is a great venue and the dorms make QW2025 convenient and affordable.

All we need to make QW2025 even better is you! If you haven't yet registered, please consider joining us. We promise you a great time!

Nena James and Becky Drnas, Co-Chairs



Opportunity Quilt "Fiesta" 94" x 94"
Designed by Karen K. Stone

What is a Quilt Angel?

A Quilt Angel is a quilter who agrees to be available to help the instructor in class, assures the instructor has what is needed, such as irons and ironing boards or other needs, and helps students as needed. The Angel takes roll and distributes evaluation forms. We appreciate those that have volunteered. Assignments will be made and will be available when we arrive at Quilt Wyoming 2025!





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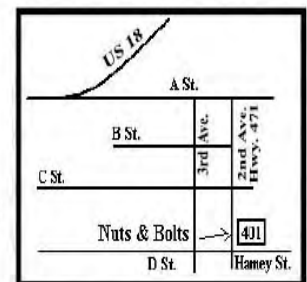

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Celebrate 120 years of the Wyoming State Fair (WSF) by entering your beautiful quilts and needlework creations!

WSF dates are August 12-16 with entries accepted online, by mail, or in-person drop off Friday, August 8th and Saturday, 9th 10:00 am-6:00 pm; and, open judging Sunday, August 10th starting at 8:00 am. For those of you not familiar with open

judging, you are able to be present and listen while the judge places the quilts in each class according to the criteria the quilts are judged on. When entries are picked up you receive a sheet with a review of the entry."

WSQG supports the WSG by awarding cash prizes and ribbons in 12 categories and includes a one-year membership to WSQG for each winner. Two awards are in the youth division. I'm looking forward to seeing some youth entries this year as I'm super excited that WSQG has allocated funds for five quilt camps!

New Needlework classes this year include:

- **Heirloom Quilt** - Showcase a quilt with a story! While the quilt does not need to be made by the exhibitor, you must

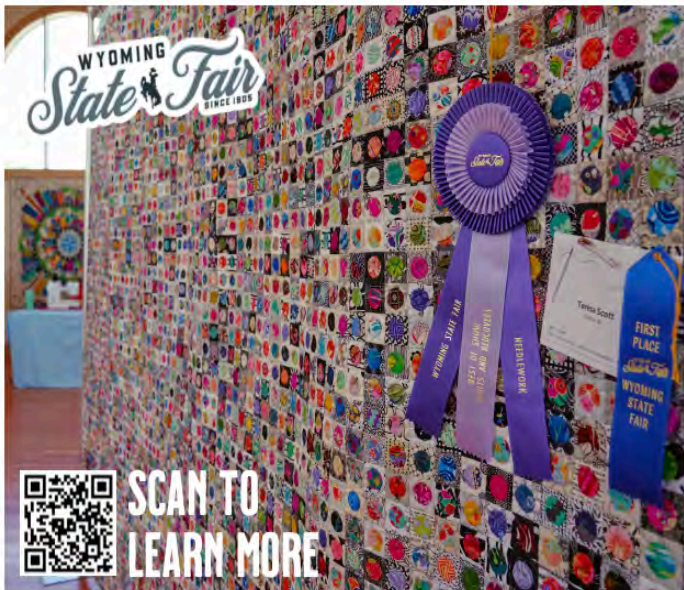
include who quilted it, when, and how it came into your possession. Only quilts with known provenance will be accepted.

- **Wyoming Wildflowers** - Stitch together a tribute to the beauty of Wyoming's native blooms in quilted form

In addition, there is a special contest in which you can enter any exhibit that was entered into any fair in the last 120 years. More details to be revealed at www.wystatefair.com soon!

Plan your entries now and join in the fun! Please reach out to me if you have questions.

Jean Schroeder
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Become an EXHIBITOR

Join us August 12-16, 2025, as we celebrate the 120th year of the Wyoming State Fair! We are excited to shine a spotlight on your talents with categories in baking, gardening, crafts, visual arts, and more. Entering is easy—don't miss your chance to showcase your creativity and be part of this historic event!

Steps to becoming an EXHIBITOR

- 1 Start your project!** New projects are always welcome, and any project from the past three years is eligible (culinary & gardening must be from the current year).
- 2 Choose your class!** Scan the QR code to explore available classes. The 2025 Premium Book will be online in mid-May to help you find the best fit.
- 3 Submit your entry!** Bring your project, entry form and fee to the Wyoming State Fairgrounds in August. Drop-off details will be in the Premium Book.
- 4 See your work shine!** Visit the Wyoming State Fair August 12-16, 2025, to see your project on display and find out if you won an award!
- 5 Pick up & spark your imagination!** Collect your entries from the exhibit halls on Sunday, August 17, starting at 7 AM—then start dreaming of next year's project!





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Board of Directors Candidates

Regional Co-Directors - Northwest Region



Roberta Oliver

Roberta Oliver's love and passion for quilting started over 30 years ago. She had learned to sew clothing at age 13 on her aunt's treadle sewing machine, but after moving to Tucson, AZ in 1993, quilting became an interest, then passion. Her first quilt was from a pattern in Quiltmaker magazine and yes, she still has that quilt.

Roberta eventually discovered a new quilt shop in town, the Tucson Quilters Guild and their annual quilt show every January. She took classes at the quilt shop and then from nationally known teachers that the Tucson Quilters Guild brought to Tucson. She learned many new skills and gained confidence in her quilting through these classes and teachers. During this time, Bonnie Hunter was one of the teachers she took a couple of classes from. She continued to take classes from her whenever she came to AZ. During one of Bonnie's mystery quilts that she does each December, a group of Bonnie fans formed a group that met every other month to spend a Saturday sewing. Roberta helped with facilitating a place for them to sew. They called themselves "The Bonnie Bee." They were able to meet up until COVID. During COVID (2021).

Roberta retired from her job of 42 years – teaching special education. During those 42 years she was involved in a number of professional organizations related to special education, including Council for Exceptional Children (CEC). With retirement, she and her husband were able to finally make the move from AZ to WY, after 28 years of planning.

They bought their home in Meeteetse four years ago and two weeks after the final trip of the move, she was at Quilt Wyoming in Powell. She has become active in the Paintbrush Piecers Quilt Guild in Cody and Chatelaine Quilt Guild in Meeteetse, with this year taking the reins of facilitating the Meeteetse group.

She is currently on the planning committee for Quilt Wyoming 2026 in Powell, serving as the chair for the committee selecting the national teachers. She feels very passionate about guilds and quilting groups, not only for what she has learned there, but also for the social contacts that we all continue to establish with one another. Roberta feels that guilds are where we share our knowledge of our craft with new quilters ("We were all there once"). Roberta says we support each other, as we learn and perfect our skills as quilters and support each other through life's challenges.

If elected, she looks forward to the opportunity to serve on the board of the Wyoming State Quilt Guild and getting to know more of you as she serves as a Regional Co-Director of the Northwest Region.



Cyndy Jahn-Thomas

Cyndy Jahn-Thomas lives in the rural Powell area. She cannot remember not being a sewist! She was hooked on working with fabric since learning to sew when eight years old. Making school clothes, her prom dresses and tailored jackets were one of her favorite things to do as she was growing up on a Wisconsin dairy farm.

Her sewing journey began to include quilting when she took her first hand-piecing, hand-quilting class in Red Lodge MT, in the early 1980s. Quilt fabric was calico, very limited, and torn, or cut using templates and scissors! Since then, She has continually expanded her quilting skills and enjoys anything using a sewing machine, even beading by machine. More recent projects have also included making vessels, hand-applique, hand-stitching, felting and wool applique. Her favorite parts of quilting are choosing fabrics, designing, and making the tops. She machine quilts most of her own quilts using my older Pfaffs or a mid-arm quilter.

She moved to Wyoming in 1991. She joined the Chatelaine Quilt Guild in Meeteetse and soon became their coordinator for about five years. She designed a guild mystery quilt, and taught basic quilting classes. Another move found Cyndy working at Big Horn Quilts in Greybull for four years where she learned a lot from her coworkers and customers, especially about color choice. What a fun job!

She worked the night shift for years as an ICU and ER RN, which left her little opportunity to go to guild meetings but she took classes at Quilt Colorado, Quilting in the Tetons, and a few at Quilt Wyoming when it was in Powell. Last year was her first year at an entire Quilt Wyoming! She says she has been a hit-and-miss member of WSQG. She is serving on the Quilt Wyoming 2026 committee.

Cyndy became actively involved with the Paintbrush Piecers Quilt Guild and Textile Artists of Greater Yellowstone (TAGY) in Cody several years ago. This is the second year she has been the president/coordinator of the quilt guild. She is now earnestly working on finishing some of the numerous UFOs that have piled up over the years (also her challenge to the guild members!), as well as making new quilts and other fiber items for herself, for gifts, and as service projects.

Cyndy is married, has three grown children, two spoiled golden retrievers. Her other interests are exploring the mountains and backroads of WY and MT, travel, photography, cooking, gardening and yard work, and reading. She is an advocate of and practices life-long learning.

She is interested in serving as the Northwest Region co-director with Roberta Oliver, to continue to share her love of quilting and promote our craft and artistry to others. If elected, she hopes her varied experiences can help her to become a contributing member of the Wyoming State Quilt Guild.

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Poppy

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JULY 3 - 5
2025



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Board of Directors Candidates

Regional Co-Directors Northeast Region

**Kristi Smith****Robin Wacker**

Kristi Smith is a native of Wyoming. Robin Wacker has been in Wyoming for 49 years. They are on the ballot for co-directors for the Northeast region.

Both Kristi and Robin have participated in several NE region and other retreats around Wyoming. They have also attended retreats in other states. They have gained knowledge of quilting retreats and of quilt guilds. Kristi and Robin plan to organize retreats over the next two years of their term. We hope to incorporate fun, and have quilting camaraderie.

Robin and Kristi are both retired and enjoying quilting. Robin has been long arm quilting for customers for several years and Kristi long arms just for herself. They both enjoy being involved in the community. If elected, they look forward to meeting everyone and growing our quilting community. They hope you will consider them for this position.

Regional Co-Directors Southeast Region

**Diana Clark**

Diana Clark grew up in Michigan. The Air Force brought her to Wyoming, where she met her husband, got married and had their first daughter. They left Wyoming for 15 years and brought back another daughter. They were so happy to return to Wyoming to raise their girls. Diana says "We are blessed with four grandsons, one granddaughter, and one great grandson."

She learned how to sew in Junior High School. She made

some of her clothes including two prom dresses. After retiring from the working world, she took a beginner's quilting class from Around the Block and finished her first quilt top. It's still hasn't been completed into a useable quilt. She has finished a few quilts and quilted them on her domestic machine.

Diana is currently serving as the president of her local quilt guild, Cheyenne Heritage Quilters. She has been the Commander at the American Legion Post 6. She is very familiar with Robert's Rules of Order. She has been an accountant, a secondary math teacher (mostly at the junior high level) and she has been a coach for People in Poverty. If elected, she feels she will be able to serve as the SE Regional Director in an efficient manner.

**Cathy Wissner**

Catherine Wissner holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Horticulture from Colorado State University, in addition to a Bachelor of Arts degree in Business Management from Denver Metro University.

Most recent job; University of Wyoming, Laramie County Extension Horticulturist 2002 to 2023. The job with UW, involved running and organized the Master Gardener (MG)

program. A UW program taught through the Laramie County Extension Office (LCEO). Duties and responsibilities for finding a classroom, topic instructors, and teaching various horticulture topics. Along with developing class material, handouts and taking students from interns to full master gardeners, from 2002 to 2023. During this time she also developed and ran the Advanced Master Gardener Program for Laramie County Extension. Developed and conducted numerous spring and summer horticulture classes under the UW LCEO Gardening-for-Success program.

Other job duties included being advisory to the Laramie County Master Gardeners and their various committees, from 2002 to 2023. She developed, ran, organized, advertised and hosted the Wyoming Bee College conference (it became a national conference) from 2014 to 2023.

She Joined the Cheyenne Heritage Quilters in 2023, before retirement. She now serves on the quilt show committee as advertising chairperson. She joined the Goshen County Quilt Guild in 2024 and offered to help with their quilt show.

She and her husband own and operate Wild Winds Sheep Company, which was established in 1999.

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REGIONAL NEWS



SOUTHEAST

Cindi Young

Greetings Southeast Members!

I would like to invite you to our Facebook page: *SE Region WSQG* This is a place to connect with fellow sewing enthusiasts who are members of the Southeast Region. Please share photos of your quilting/crafting projects.

The fall 2025 UFO retreat will be Oct. 3 – 5. Email invites will go out Aug. 1, 2025



We had a busy April in the Southeast region. We had two trunk shows from Scott Flanagan of 4th & Main Designs, two classes taught by Scott, and our Spring Retreat.



Scott taught two classes for the Goshen County Quilters, and held his trunk show in Lingle, WY. Then he headed to Cheyenne for another trunk show. I had the pleasure of joining the Goshen County Quilters for Scott's classes. What an awesome teacher he is. After

spending two days with Scott reminding us NOT TO LEAVE OUR ROTARY BLADES OPEN, I kept catching myself during the retreat..... "Oh my, what would Scott say!"



Our Spring Retreat was a full house! We had lots of new faces, old friends, new friends, lots of laughs, lots of creativity. We had four great demos: Cindi shared her knowledge of Mini Mosaics! Debbie P. let us make some cute critters using an Accuquilt system, Di gave us tips and tricks using her favorite ruler, and Debbie M. shared her expertise in making tea bag wallet.

Speaking of classes and retreats, who is excited to attend Quilt Wyoming? I cannot wait to see what is in store for all of us in Rock Springs!!!

If you would like anything about your groups or guilds or clubs share in Patchwords, please do not hesitate to send the information to me.
Cindiyoung69@gmail.com

Until next time friends!

Anytime is stitchin' time!

Cindy Young

Cindiyoung69@gmail.com.



SOUTHEAST

Iris Jaspersen

I would like to apologize to members in our region for being so out of it for the last few months and not getting things reported...but I'M BACK!!! So here comes the catch up, but first the good news and the bad news!

Good news is Quilt Wyoming 2025 FIESTA is just around the corner! Hope to see you all there. The sad news is we lost the Pinedale location of Heritage Fabrics. We are all sorry to see this shop close but are very glad that Heather is doing so well in Riverton.

Last fall the Young at Heart group in Rock Springs donated yarn, baby toys, baby clothes and quilts to Inside Connections (Southwest Wyoming Pregnancy Resource Center). They share the love of Jesus Christ by empowering women, men, and children who are facing pregnancy and/or abortion-related concerns by offering practical, emotional, and spiritual



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Central Region Quilting Rendezvous**Friday 5 September – Monday 8 September 2025****Fremont County Fairgrounds****1010 Fairground Road, Riverton, Wyoming****\$45**

- **Friday 5 Sept 8:00 a.m. - 11:59 p.m. - Arrival & Open Sew**
 - 1:30 Welcome
 - 2:00 QOV Block Sew – Lea Delay
 - **Trader's Dice! (Bring 5 Quilting Items ~\$4/5 value each)**
(Can be Notion/nice Fat Qtr/Precut/etc. - all should be nice, something you would want. This is not Left-Right-Center)
- **Saturday 6 Sept 7:00 a.m. - 11:59 p.m. Open Sew**
 - 9:00 a.m. **Mystery Class (~ 2 hours)**
(Supply List will be emailed in August)
 - 3:30 p.m. **Show & Tell**
 - **Left-Right-Center! (Bring 3 Fat Quarters)**
- **Sunday 7 Sept 7:00 a.m. - 11:59 p.m. - Open Sew**
 - 3:30 p.m. **Show & Tell**
 - **STRIP POKER! (Bring 12 2.5" x WOF strips)**
- **Monday 8 Sept 7:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. - Open Sew**

\$45 includes: Cost of retreat and class. All meals are on your own. There is a refrigerator in the kitchen if you want to bring food that does not need to be heated. Lodging is on your own, there is a campground at the Fairgrounds. Full hookup (electric, water, sewer) is \$30 per night, no hookup free. To make a reservation call 307-856-6611. I was unable to set up a block rate at any of the Riverton hotels.

Registration is open to WSQG Central Region members only until May 31st, 2025. After that registration will be open to all.

If you have any questions contact Deb Zelenak at debzelenak82@gmail.com

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AND RETURNING MEMBERS!****New Members:**

Out of State (6): Renee Caswell, Ruth Davis, Jeanne Keeler, Pam Tovar, Deborah Vogl, Reta Welsh;

Central (7): Margaret Attaway, Rosemary Bartle, Christy Carlson, Tara Fairbanks, Mary Haper, Cheryl Jacobson, Debbie Zerkel

Northeast (3): Heather Kleiner, George Madding, Stacey Miller

Northwest (0)

Southeast (8): Carmen DeBack, Nancy Gaylayda-Mock, Lora Henscheid, Gail Hurd, Sarah Lee, Patricia Moore, Maureen tenBensel, Tina Wilcox

Southwest (19): Wendy Carlson-Koll, Katie Christiansen, Rebecca Cook, Leslie Cover, Connie Evans, Donna Hainworth, Laurie Hamel, Carol Havlik, Sarah Hodapp, Suzy Holmes, Barbara Kendall, Brittny Kiedrowski, Barbara Kurzdorfer, Kelly Michelle, Deborah Peavler, Stevia Sleight, Janet Tanner, Dara Taylor, Anita Todd

Returning Members: (not a member in 2024):

Cheryl Bryngelson (SW), Darlene Christensen (OS), Judy Dearcorn (NW), Nancy Farrar (C), Sylvia Garofalo (OS), Debbie Garris (C), Doris Jelaco (SW), Pam Johnson (SE), Belinda Knievel (C), Julie Owens (NW), Shannon Schilling (C), Kathleen Souba (SW), Sue Wagstaff (SW)

<u>Region</u>	<u>May 2, 2025</u>
Central	125
Northeast	191
Northwest	72
Southeast	166
Southwest	97
Out-of-State	46
TOTAL:	697

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At Christmas they made and stuffed stockings for the on-site Daycare. Recently they had a display at the Rock Springs Library. Along with monthly birthday trips to various quilt shops and fun lunch dates, this group meets every Thursday morning at the Young at Heart Center in Rock Springs.



The Sweetwater County Quilt Guild has been busy too! From hosting the Hunters Widow retreat last fall to just finishing up a quilt display at the Sweetwater County Museum. They are continuing their every three-month UFO challenge. The next UFO to be finished will be in June! Get sewing! They have been busy helping with Quilting on the Green and Quilt WY (Are you ready?). With the exception of July and August, this guild meets the 4th Thursday of each month at the Green River Senior Center. All are welcome!

A Little Country Character Quilt Shop in Green River hosted a beginning paper piecing class. The 11 in attendance had a great time and learned a lot. Thank you Shelly and Heidi!



BEst Kind Quilts and Embroidery in Evanston is busy hosting classes and just finished their spring retreat. The theme was Luau. Everyone had a great time and even with playing there was a lot of projects finished! This was the last retreat that will be held in Bear Lake. The Oct 25 retreat will be held on location at the shop in the newly finished Creative Studio!

Katherine from **Broken Glass Art and**



Hobby in Big Piney had a very busy winter. In addition to being a store owner, she is a figure skater! If you haven't been to her store, you are missing out! Not only does she have a great selection of fabrics and notions, but it is truly a hobby store.

Quilting on the Green is May 30-31, so in between the time I need to have this report turned in and publication. I will have TONS for the August-September issue. Until then...may your bobbin be full and your needle sharp!

Iris Jasperson



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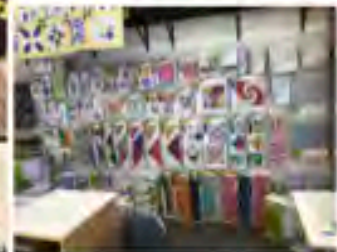
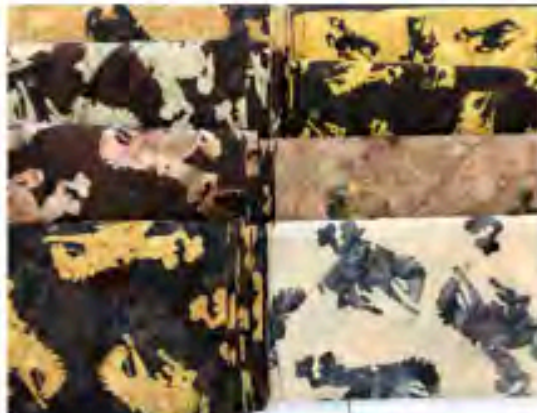
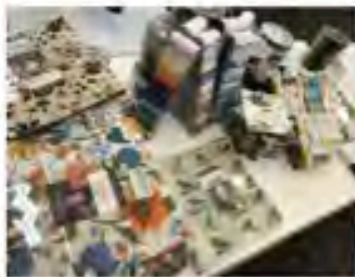
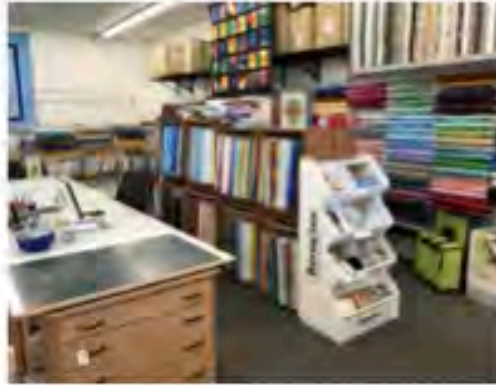
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Dartene Pace, Veronica Edwards, Shelly Spalding,
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REGIONAL NEWS



NORTHEAST
Lyn Bennet &
Cathy Stafford

Wyoming weather is at it again! One day winter, the next spring. Those winter days are made just for us so we can spend more time quilting!!

The Buffalo Quilting Gals' Library Quilt Show was a success with 55 quilts on display. This year's Peoples' Choice Award went to Sue Shambaugh for her Dresden Plate quilt. This quilt spans several generations and is a beauty.



April 12th was the Springtime Quilter's Bonanza, a sale sponsored by the Buffalo Quilting Gals. There was plenty of fabric, notions, kits, yarn and so much more for sale. The Gals also hosted a luncheon featuring a variety of delicious soups. The sale was held to fund their quilts for veteran's service project.



The BQGs hosted an open house for the public at the Johnson County Library on National Quilting Day, March 8th. Members showed off some of their quilts and also demonstrated quilting techniques.



Sheridan's National Quilt Day was held March 15th at the Ramada with 60 participants! It was a wonderful day of visiting, laughter, sharing, and even a bit of sewing.



NE Wyoming Quilt Show has been hosting monthly or bi-monthly sew days in Gillette at the Campbell Co. Public Library, the most recent one was April 14 – 15. By the time this goes out they will have had their May 19-21 sew days. To get more information, follow their Facebook page at "NE Wyoming Quilt Show." This site is amazing, with information on their annual quilt show held in October, the dates and times for the sew days, and beautiful pictures of quilts created by the many talented quilters in the NE Region.



Be sure to visit the WSQG website to get current information on what is happening in the NE Region and around the state. Just go to www.wsqg.org. and also follow WSQG on Facebook.

NE MEMBERS, PLEASE LET US KNOW OF EVENTS IN YOUR AREA!! Happy Sewing Days every day!

Lyn & Cathy



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**Northwest
Barbara Bunn &
Ginny Singer**

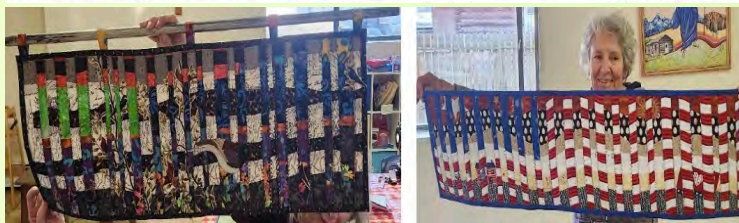
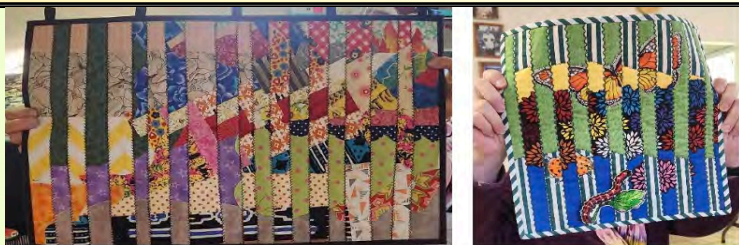
Happy Spring to everyone!

The Quick Quilt Retreat and the Friends and Company Retreat were both held in March and were great successes. We are anxiously awaiting the fall retreats. Now, to find time to quilt between gardening, yard work, summer travel, and visiting guests...

Paintbrush Piecers Quilt Guild in Cody: Karista Lowe, from Wyoming Yarn and Fiber Shop talked about her shop and Project Linus quilts. At the next meeting they created feathers. And, of course show and tell at both meetings



The Chatelaine Quilt Guild in Meeteetse: During the March meeting Lili Turnell taught the fractured art quilt. They had a number of members who completed their quilts. They were displayed at the April meeting show and tell. They completed blocks for a memory quilt for the family of one of the members, Ellen Burkhart, who passed away this past fall. The completed top was shared at the April Meeting. In addition to all the completed fractured quilts, Tracy Turnell-Thomas demonstrated the paper-piecing technique and tricks of the trade. They hope to see lots of paper-pieced works at the May meeting as members apply the skills and projects shared. They are continuing to work on a western quilt that will be donated to the Meeteetse Museum. They hope to have a number of their members' quilts present at the quilt show in Hyattville, Saturday and Sunday of Memorial Day weekend.



Michelle Quick taught a rope bowl class.



Rose French had a quilt chosen to be in the AQS engagement calendar for 2026. Congratulations to Rose, good job!



We are looking forward to seeing many of you at QW25 in Rock Springs in June.

Barb and Ginny



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I have added another Bolt of fabric. Real Tree Fabric camouflage with the tree branches not the splotches. \$15.00 a yard while it lasts.

Town Hero Gnome fabric panel and the Garden Gnome panels. \$15.00 aa panel.

FABRIC. I have the Gnome Town Heros Panel and the Real Trea fabric.

Fabric I have collected from donations, estate sales, and garage sales are now being processed into Fat Quarters, Charms packs, jelly rolls, cake layes etc

My supply order goes in on the 1st and 15th if you would like to place an order for supplies. I do have sewing needles and thread in stock.

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I am starting an additional area on my web page and Facebook. There will be an area where you can put your instructions of what you want on the quilt (design) Also keep in mind Custom Quilting for me could be customized design Pantograph (Edge to Edge)

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REGIONAL NEWS



CENTRAL April Pendleton

Hi Ladies. Mary Cottam has resigned as co-director of the Central Region. If you see her, please thank her for all her hard work this past year. She will be helping with Quilt Wyoming 2028.

Speaking of Quilt Wyoming, the 2028 committee will have a short meeting at Rock Springs in June. I will make an announcement in Rock Springs with the time and location. Hope to see you all in Rock Springs.

I have one year left on my second term as director, so please think about being the next director or co-director! Ask a friend to co-direct with you.



Never Sweat Needlers Quilt Guild has important changes in their meetings and location. At the January 18, 2025, meeting, after much consideration and looking over current costs and budget limitations, it was voted to combine the Thursday night monthly meeting and UFO Saturday into one event. They will meet at the Crowheart Community Center in Crowheart at the old fire station on the Third Saturday of the month. UFO will start at 9:00 to 5:00 p.m. with the monthly meeting being held from 1:00 to 2:00 p.m., after a potluck lunch. We have been combining the UFO Saturday and monthly meeting for the past four months with great participation from our Guild members.

For this year's 30th Quilt Festival Aug. 8-10, the festival will still be at the Headwaters Building in Dubois for 2025.

The spring retreat was held May 1-3 at the Headwaters with 15 members present. As usual, April had wonderful and challenging games for all to participate. A great time was had by all.

Crossroads Quilters of Casper hit the ground running after the holiday season. The group of 15 have made and presented 16 Quilts of Valor so far this year. They have 11 more quilts to present in May. They are looking forward to an exciting and productive year.

Binding Friends Quilt Club in Casper has set a time at the end of May to finish some UFO's and donate the quilts to the

Battered Woman's Shelter in Casper. It's such a rewarding project. They are working to use the fabrics in their stashes to honor these ladies and their children.

Our sister quilter, Caroline Salisbury, passed away earlier this year and left an abundance of fabric for her husband to deal with. Her husband said she loved her quilting community and wanted to donate most of her fabric to Wyoming State Quilt Guild members. Many of you may have been recipients as seven boxes of fabric were sent to each region. This reminded us to set a goal for all of us to use up our stash and give to those who will benefit from it on their beds and not on our shelves.

The Popo Agie Quilters have plans for this summer. In June there will be another retreat, June 20-22, organized by Mary Haper and Debbie Garris. The June meeting will be a joint one, in Hudson, with the Riverton Quilt Guild, at 6:00 p.m. On July 26th, there will be a yardage and craft supply sale at the Senior Center, planned by Laura Brewer.



Wyoming Star Quilts Guild held a trunk show April 25th and a class on April 26th by Deonn Stott. She taught Purdy Bird. Everyone enjoyed the learning process with a good teacher.

April Pendleton

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Section 1.3 OFFICES; REGISTERED AGENTS: **ADD: The Treasurer will be the registered agent.**

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Section 4.11 **ADD: BOARD OF DIRECTORS COMPENSATION**
DELETE: OF DIRECTORS; REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES: **ADD: Members of the Board shall not ADD: receive pay or compensation ADD: from WSQG for services rendered DELETE: to the Board of Directors.** Board Members **DELETE: Directors** will be reimbursed for mileage to attend **ADD: the November face-to-face meeting.**
DELETE: one meeting of the Board of Directors.
ADD: If Board Members require an overnight stay to attend the November face-to-face meeting, the costs for a hotel room may be reimbursed at a maximum of \$200 per night per person and dinner at a maximum of \$40 per person. Reimbursement will be made with the presentation of invoices and an Expense Request Form. The requirement would include distance from home to Casper over 150 miles or in the event of inclement weather. The budget includes \$300 each for the President and the President-Elect to be used for promoting membership and Board recruitment. The budget includes \$300 each of the five Regional Directors to attend guild meetings throughout their regions, travel to plan regional events and office supply expenses to reach out to their regions. If supplies like irons, ironing boards and extension cords are purchased with these funds, those items remain WSQG property and should be included on the region's inventory. The budget includes \$300 for use by the Director at Large for travel to the State Fair and to provide ribbons for winners at the State Fair, as well as expenses related to quilt camps. Board Members are not to be reimbursed to attend Quilt Wyoming or Regional Events they would otherwise attend.

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ADD: Section 4.13 PROPERTY INVENTORY: All Board Members must email an inventory of WSQG property under their charge and said location of those properties to the WSQG Board before May 1 each year. The Secretary will compile those emails into one property/location document by board position and include it in the minutes for the May Board meeting annually.

Section 5.2 TERM OF OFFICE: . . . The term of Director at Large shall be two (2) years, ADD: elected on even years.
... ADD: a replacement cannot be found for an open position the board may appoint a member to fill the position or order a special election. Delete: Regional Directors are unable to find a replacement to run for office, an additional two-year term may be served.

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D. TREASURER: ADD: The Treasurer shall act as the registered agent. The Treasurer shall assure that a professional accountant shall complete the required IRS 990 forms to comply with 501(c) (3) requirements and deadlines.

F. REGIONAL DIRECTORS: The quilt stand part of this sentence has been moved to bottom of this paragraph. ADD: Regional Directors must submit a regional report for Patchwords every other month, reporting on events and news in their region. They must plan or assist in planning a regional event at least once per year in their region. They must conduct regular inspection of the quilt stands, and determine which need to be repaired or discarded and report current inventory including any changes and document them
DELETE: In their Regional Director notebooks.

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ARTICLE IV

Section 6.3 COMMITTEE ADD: REPORTS DELETE: RECORDS: ...
DELETE: An annual written report shall be provided and filed with the secretary. ADD: A report will be submitted to the board.

Standing Rules - Proposed Amendments June 29, 2025

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I. MEMBERSHIP

B. Membership Pin - New members will receive a WSQG pin with ADD: their registration materials at Quilt Wyoming. If the new member does not attend Quilt Wyoming, the pin may be mailed. DELETE: with their first membership card.

C. Membership Roster - No person, directly or indirectly, may render, pay, offer, solicit or accept any money, service or other valuable considerations for or on account of any release of ADD: names, addresses, telephone numbers or email information of any member of this organization. ADD: The roster cannot be distributed or shared for any other purpose without permission from WSQG.

II. STANDING COMMITTEES

A. ~~3~~ Books for County Libraries - The Chair encourages members to submit ideas for books. ADD: The books must be educational books to encourage interest and participation in the art of quilting.

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B. ~~4~~ Historian -- ... ADD: The scrapbook is made available for members to view at Quilt Wyoming. The Historian encourages members to submit photos, newspaper articles and other information about quilt events throughout the state.

C. Archives Director - The Archives Director collects historical data to place in the State Archives in Cheyenne, Wyoming. This data includes Board meeting minutes, Patchwords, scrapbooks, Quilt Wyoming brochures and other information to preserve the organizational history. Financial records are not accepted by the State Archives.

D. Quilt Wyoming - Quilt Wyoming will rotate through the five regions in the following order: Central, Southeast, Southwest, Northwest, Northeast. Quilt Wyoming shall not be held in the same WSQG region consecutive years. Every effort shall be made to hold it in every region over a period of ten (10) years.

1. Planning Committee - A minimum of three years before a region's designated Quilt Wyoming, the Regional Director should call a regional meeting. The Committee shall select a Committee Chair.

2. Theme - The theme must be selected a minimum of three years in advance. The theme and other details must be kept secret by the committee until the theme is revealed at the prior year's Quilt Wyoming. The Quilt Wyoming Committee Chair must communicate the theme to the upcoming Quilt Wyoming Chair when that Committee is formed, to avoid duplicating the theme.

3. Records - All records and evaluations should be maintained to pass on to the next Quilt Wyoming committee as soon as possible after Quilt Wyoming.

4. Date - The date should be determined. The second or third week of July is recommended.

5. Location - Each region shall decide the city in which the convention will be held. A location and facility should be discussed and a firm commitment from the facility should be initiated. Contracts for a facility should be finalized a minimum of two years before Quilt Wyoming.

6. Evening Presentations - National Instructors are assigned a night for an evening presentation and lecture. The Committee shall decide if an additional fee is charged for the evening presentation, or if they will be free of charge. The public may be invited and may

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be charged or not to attend. Announcements or awards that apply to everyone should not be made at the events where there is a charge, so that all participants have access to these announcements.

7. Quilt Wyoming Committees

a. **Committee Chair** - The Committee Chair schedules and facilitates committee meetings, assuring all committees are fulfilling their responsibilities. The Chair schedules meetings and distributes the meeting agendas. The Chair is the liaison for all committees and must be informed of activities of all committees. The Chair may sit on committees. The Chair signs contracts for facilities and National Instructors. The Chair participates in the WSQG Board meetings, reporting to the WSQG Board on the progress of plans for Quilt Wyoming. The Chair should write articles for Patchwords to keep membership informed and to encourage attendance.

b. **Secretary** - The Secretary should attend committee meetings and record minutes of the Quilt Wyoming decisions. Minutes should be distributed to all committee members in a timely manner.

c. **Treasurer** - The Quilt Wyoming Treasurer should be selected at the first committee meeting. Seed money of \$4,000 can be requested from the WSQG Treasurer 18 months before Quilt Wyoming. A bank account entitled WSQG, dba QW(YY), with at least two signers is opened for income deposits and payment of bills. The Quilt Wyoming Treasurer will receive all moneys and pay all bills, maintaining receipts. Sales tax must not be paid for any purchases on behalf of WSQG. The WSQG Treasurer will provide the documentation required for tax exempt purchases. The Quilt Wyoming Treasurer must keep a record of income and expenses to share with the committee and to provide a final report to the WSQG Treasurer with all income and disbursements, within 60 days after Quilt Wyoming. The original receipts (copies, if original is not available) should accompany the report and must be submitted to the WSQG Treasurer after Quilt Wyoming. Reports and all funds remaining must be transferred to the WSQG Treasurer within 60 days after Quilt Wyoming. The bank account must be closed after all Quilt Wyoming income and expenses are finalized. The Quilt Wyoming Treasurer must provide a photocopy of the check register or a typed list from the register. The Quilt Wyoming Treasurer must present proof of closure of the account with the final report to the WSQG Treasurer.

d. **Registrar** - The Registrar will be responsible for receiving and organizing registration applications, preparing confirmations and assuring that participants are placed in requested classes if possible. Class assignments are determined on a first come, first served basis. The Registrar maintains a spreadsheet for each participant with registration, class, lodging, meals and logo items. The Registrar works with the Quilt Wyoming Treasurer to get all registration moneys to her for deposit promptly. The Registrar requests refund checks for cancellation and overpayments from the Quilt Wyoming Treasurer and is responsible for collecting shortages for registrations. Confirmations are sent to members no later than May 15, and as needed for subsequent registration applications received. Confirmations may be sent by mail or by email. Emergency contact numbers at the event should be included. If the brochure doesn't contain a map that should be included with the confirmation. The Registrar is responsible for organizing registration check-in at the event. The Registrar may request as much help as needed. The Registrar works closely with WSQG Web Mistress for online registration and to announce class closures and cancellations. The Registrar should consult with the WSQG President to provide sets of names for drawings that may be needed (for example, the scholarships drawing).

e. **National Instructor Chair** - The National Instructor Chair gathers ideas from the Quilt Wyoming committee for national instructors. The Chair presents the ideas to the committee for selection. The Committee works no less than three years before the event to contact possible instructors for biographical information, class information, supply lists and photos as well as fees. A minimum of two years before Quilt Wyoming, contracts for national

instructors should be finalized, working with the Quilt Wyoming Treasurer to pay any deposits that the instructor requires. The Chair provides class information for the brochure to the Brochure Editor and to the Web Mistress for the website. Supply lists and digital photos are provided to the WSQG Web Mistress. A committee member serves as a liaison with the national instructors to assure that any service is needed such as help getting to their classroom, and trunk show, airport retrieval or special needs are provided in their dorm or hotel rooms. The National Instructor must be advised that the theme cannot be shared until it is revealed to WSQG members at the prior year's Quilt Wyoming.

f. **Regional Instructor Chair** - The Regional Instructor Chair is responsible for advertising for local instructors to submit class proposals with photos. Proposals should be collected about eight months before the event. The Regional Instructor Chair will present the proposals at a committee meeting and classes will be selected. The Chair provides class information with digital photos and supply lists to the Brochure Editor and to the Web Mistress for the website.

g. **Facilities Chair** - The Facilities Chair is a liaison with the venue and the Quilt Wyoming Committee. The contract with the venue should be obtained and signed by the Committee Chair no less than two years before the event. On May 1 the Committee works to plan a menu with the venue and assures space is available for class assignments, lodging, vendors, quilt show, as well as the face-to-face WSQG Board meeting on the first day of Quilt Wyoming. The Chair must work with the venue to assure that technology is available for evening presentations, classrooms, and announcements that are made during the event. The Facilities Chair works closely with the Registrar and the Quilt Wyoming Treasurer.

h. **Opportunity Quilt** - The Opportunity Quilt Committee shall create and complete an Opportunity Quilt no less than one year before the event. If a published pattern is used, written permission must be obtained from the designer for the use of the pattern. The Opportunity Quilt will be unveiled at the Quilt Wyoming annual meeting the year prior to that committee's Quilt Wyoming. To comply with non-profit status requirements, the term "raffle quilt" should not be used when referring to the Opportunity Quilt or the sale of tickets. The opportunity quilt is a WSQG fundraiser and a means of putting WSQG before the public. WSQG will pay all reasonable expenses incurred in the making of the quilt and printing of the tickets, including costs for fabric, batting, quilting, and mailing the quilt and tickets. Bills for these items should be sent to the WSQG Treasurer. Sales tax must not be paid for any purchases on behalf of WSQG. The WSQG Treasurer will provide the documentation required for tax exempt purchases. A digital photo should be provided to the WSQG Web Mistress and the Patchwords Editor. Some of the proceeds from sale of tickets are used to purchase Books for County Libraries.

i. **Opportunity Quilt Mom** - The Opportunity Quilt Mom oversees ticket sales during the year before Quilt Wyoming. A minimum of 5,000 tickets should be printed. The Quilt Mom maintains a schedule for the Opportunity Quilt and assures that it is scheduled with shops and events throughout the state during the year. The Quilt Mom prepares and has a letter printed to provide each member with tickets. These letters with a photo of the quilt can be stuffed into envelopes at a Quilt Wyoming planning meeting. The letters are distributed after the annual meeting at the prior Quilt Wyoming. The Patchwords Editor can provide labels for all members to the Quilt Mom. After Quilt Wyoming the Patchwords Editor will take the remaining envelopes to mail with the WSQG non-profit bulk mail permit. The Quilt Mom assures that sufficient quantities of membership brochures and tickets accompany the quilt. Instructions accompany the quilt so that ticket stubs and funds from sale of tickets are sent to the WSQG Treasurer. The Quilt Mom provides the Web Mistress and Patchwords Editor a copy of the display schedule for publication. Money and ticket stubs collected from selling tickets will be submitted to the WSQG Treasurer who will keep an accounting. Adequate insurance should be purchased when mailing the quilt for display. Expense reimbursement should be requested by submitting the expense reimbursement form to the WSQG Treasurer. Within two weeks before the convention, money and tickets should not be mailed; instead, the money and ticket stubs should be hand delivered to the WSQG Treasurer at Quilt Wyoming. The Committee must arrange

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for the drawing of the winning ticket during the annual meeting on the last day of the conference and delivery of the quilt to the winner if that person is not present at Quilt Wyoming.

j. Challenge Contest - One year before Quilt Wyoming the Challenge Contest Committee shall have authority to design the quilt challenge contest to reflect the theme of the event. The Committee may bestow ribbons and/or cash prizes at their discretion. Challenge packets may be sold after the annual meeting at the prior Quilt Wyoming after the theme is revealed, or rules may be made available without the sale of packets. The funds collected from the sale of packets must be submitted to the Quilt Wyoming Treasurer and will be used to offset the purchase of fabric and prizes. The Committee is in charge of providing ribbons, if awarded, and displaying the challenge quilts at Quilt Wyoming. Ballots are prepared and provided for members to vote for the people's choice awards. This may be in conjunction with the quilt show.

k. Friendship Block - The Friendship Block Committee is responsible for choosing or designing a simple block design to reflect the theme of the event. Clear and precise directions must be written and ready for inclusion in the brochure and on the website. The blocks should be collected at the registration table during check-in. The Committee is responsible for counting and dividing the blocks for the drawing at the end of the conference. A block can be drawn from each bag and that person is awarded that bag of blocks.

l. Brochure Editor - A color brochure is printed and sent to members no later than March 15 with return registration to be mailed beginning April 1 for WSQG members. Online registration will begin on April 15. The mailed registrations will be opened by the registrar on April 15 at the same time the online submissions are received. The Editor works closely with the Committee Chair, the Registrar, the National Instructor and Regional Instructor Chairs to receive class information, cancellation policy, and all other information needed for the brochure. The registration fee should be non-refundable. A digital copy of the brochure is provided to the Web Mistress for uploading to the website in advance of online registration which opens on April 15. The Editor coordinates with Patchwords Editor for printing and mailing. The Editor designs a poster with the Committee Chair, to be distributed to quilt shops and other places in the community, libraries, banks, etc. A flyer, to be included in the registration bags with classroom locations and other information is prepared and printed no less than two weeks before Quilt Wyoming.

m. Publicity - The Publicity Committee contacts newspapers, visitor centers, Chamber of Commerce, radio and TV stations to publicize the event. This should be done several times to provide updated information as planning progresses. The Publicity Committee encourages newspapers and TV to cover the actual event and quilt show and other events and is responsible for promoting the event with WSQG members and non-members and with local and statewide quilt guilds. The Publicity Committee promotes the vendor mall and quilt show to the public.

n. Door Prizes - The Door Prizes Committee should contact businesses locally and statewide, national manufacturers, designers and publishers that are appropriate for quilters. They should receive a list of contacts from the previous Quilt Wyoming Committee. They should update the list to be passed on shortly after Quilt Wyoming to the next Quilt Wyoming Committee with the other Quilt Wyoming records. The Committee must organize the door prize distribution during the event and prepare thank you postcards to the donors to be included with each door prize. The Quilt Wyoming committee has flexibility to handle door prizes in the manner they decide.

o. Quilt Show - The Quilt Show is optional. The committee has the flexibility to design the show in the manner the Quilt Wyoming Committee decides. The location must be secure. The Quilt Show registration forms must be available in the brochure and the website. The committee should secure quilt stands from the other WSQG regions, if needed. They must establish hours for open viewing, organize check-in and hanging of the entered quilts, schedule and provide people to act as security for the show. In addition, people's choice ballots are prepared and available at the show with pencils. Labels are prepared for the quilts before the show, using information from the entry forms. Gloves should be provided for viewers to use.

Ribbons may be designed or purchased. Cash prizes are not awarded. The Committee is responsible for show takedown and returning quilts to owners, and ensuring that quilt stands are bagged and returned to regional directors. The Quilt Show may include the challenge quilts.

p. Name Tags - The Committee designs and makes name tags or they may be purchased. They will be available to participants, committee members, instructors and vendors. The name tags should have space to accommodate meal tickets, room keys and any other tickets that may be distributed. Committee members, new WSQG members, instructors and vendors may have different colors to distinguish them.

q. Logo Items - The Committee is responsible for locating suppliers and obtaining prices at least six months in advance of the event. After May 30th, working with the Registrar for numbers, the registration bag (or other suitable container), tee shirts (or other clothing items) and pins should be ordered. It is suggested 10% extra should be ordered for later registrations. Any extra items can be sold or used as door prizes.

r. Registration Bag (or other container) - The Committee is responsible for gathering items for the bags in conjunction with the Registrar and the Logo Items Committee. Bags will include class information, dorm room assignments (if applicable), donated items, schedules, name tags, logo items and all necessary event information. Local information and flyers about the region may be included. The bags can be filled by the entire Quilt Wyoming Committee at a meeting of the Committee about a month before the event. Name tags are to be attached to the outside of the bags so they may be organized in alphabetical order for distribution at the registration table. The bags will need to be stored and delivered to Quilt Wyoming on the opening day. The WSQG Membership Director will provide pins for new members attending Quilt Wyoming to be included in the registration bags. The bag should contain a list of emergency contacts for the committee with the Committee Chair and the Facilities Committee Chair and other Committee members that may need to be contacted.

s. Table Decorations/Favors - Local and statewide guilds as well as the committee may make favors and decorations. If the event budget allows, some items may be purchased. Some items may be available from the Door Prize Committee. Volunteers should be available to place items on tables or hand out at the dining room door.

t. Vendors - About a year in advance the Vendor Committee should begin soliciting vendors with a letter stating space sizes and cost. Maps of space locations will be provided to vendors and spaces need to be marked before the vendor mall set up. Information about the loading dock should be provided as well as staggered times for unloading. Vendor evaluation forms should be provided to be passed on to the next committee. The Chair will be available on the day of arrival to aid vendors with set up and answer questions. The Chair must work with the Facilities Committee to obtain the needed tables for vendors. The Chair should check with vendors throughout the event to assist with problems and needs. Vendors should be provided with information to register for rooms and meals. If a vendor needs purchased meals delivered to their booth, this should be arranged. Vendors should be informed of water stations and restroom locations.

u. Hospitality - The Committee is responsible for providing small baskets with welcoming goodies for all instructors (ie, water, kleenex, crackers, gum, mints, chocolate, fruit, etc.), and placing them in the sleeping rooms or classrooms. The committee will organize water and snacks for participants to be made available in hallways between classrooms, if the committee decides to do so.

v. Activities Coordinator (Optional) - This Committee is responsible for coordinating "Show and Tell", dorm games (ie, Quilt-O, fat quarter poker, left-right-center, strip poker, etc.). Activity suggestions include brown bag UFO exchange, encouraging participants to finish the project and bring back for show and tell next year. If someone brings a bag, they must take one home. The Activities Coordinator may arrange other special activities, making sure activities are published ahead of time and information is printed

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and ready to be included in confirmation letters so that participants can come prepared.

w. Quilt Angels - The registration form gives participants the opportunity to volunteer to be a Quilt Angel in classes where they are registered. A list of duties should be provided in the Quilt Angel's registration packet. The Quilt Angel takes attendance in classes, assists the instructor as needed, and distributes and collects evaluation forms. The Quilt Wyoming Committee assures that a list of Quilt Angel duties, the class student lists and evaluation forms are placed in each classroom for use by the Quilt Angel. The committee may provide a token gift (angel pin, for example) for the Quilt Angel. The committee should provide an emergency contact list in case additional items are needed, such as ironing boards or extension cords.

x. Evaluation Sheets - WSQG has designed evaluation sheets for classes and for the entire event. Any available unused evaluation sheets must be passed to the subsequent Quilt Wyoming Committee following the annual meeting. If forms need to be ordered, the board must be notified. WSQG will order forms and make them available to the Committee. Forms for the event should be included in the registration container. Announcements should be made to encourage participants to turn in their event evaluations. A box should be available at the registration table for event evaluation sheets. The forms must be passed on as soon as possible to the next Quilt Wyoming Chair for use by the committees.

~~DELETE: A. Quilt Wyoming - Site selection shall be made by the Quilt Wyoming committee a minimum of three (3) years in advance. Quilt Wyoming shall not be held in the same WSQG region consecutive years and every effort shall be made to hold it in every region over a period of ten (10) years. The recommended dates are the third weekend in July. Quilt Wyoming will rotate through the five regions in the following order: Central, Southeast, Southwest, Northwest, Northeast. region shall decide the city in which the convention will be held.~~

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~~2. Challenge Contest - A committee in the region that is hosting Quilt Wyoming shall have authority to design the quilt challenge contest. The committee may bestow ribbons and/or cash prizes at their discretion.~~

ADD: III. INTRODUCTION TO QUILTING CLASS AT QUILT WYOMING

A. PURPOSE

1. The purpose of this class during Quilt Wyoming is to spark interest in quilting and to bring learning and instruction to those interested by demonstrating and providing a hands-on introduction to quilting. This class is limited to first-time quilters only.

2. It is optional for the Quilt Wyoming committee to offer this class.

B. FUNDING

1. The WSQG Treasurer will reimburse supply expenses up to \$1,000 for an actual class, when receipts are submitted. The WSQG Treasurer will compensate the committee for the teacher(s) consistent with payment to the other regional teachers at the event. If more than one person teaches the class, the daily instruction fee shall be divided equally between them.

2. Funds should not be obligated by the committee for this class until they are sure there is interest in the community and the class can proceed.

3. If these rules are not adhered to, then funding will be withheld.

C. CLASSES

1. There must be a minimum of eight students for class to proceed.

2. There is no class fee, however the student must pay the registration fee. If a Quilt Wyoming charges different registration fees for members and nonmembers, the same rule applies to these students.

3. If students are under age 14, they need to have an adult accompany them in class. If the accompanying adult participates in other Quilt Wyoming classes they must be registered. If the Introduction to Quilting Class is the only class the accompanying adult is involved in, they will be contacted by the Registrar to find out if they are interested in purchasing meals during Quilt Wyoming.

4. Students must sign a Waiver of Liability Form. Students age 18 and under must have a parent or guardian sign the Waiver of Liability Form, which allows medical care, if needed, to be given to the minor student. Permission must be obtained to share photos of students and their work.

ADD: V. QUILT CAMPS

A. APPLICATION

1. Quilt Camps are intended to introduce people to the art of quilting. The Quilt Camp Leadership Packet may be downloaded from the website and should be reviewed before making a funding request.

2. A Quilt Camp funding request must be completed by the member requesting funding and submitted to the Director at Large. The requestor will be contacted by the Director at Large and may be required to provide additional information. When the Director at Large deems that the request is in compliance with rules set forth by the Board, the application will be forwarded to the Board for review and subject to a vote to accept or decline the request.

3. Quilt Camps are not WSQG events. Advertising shall indicate that WSQG has sponsored the event.

4. Quilt Wyoming membership brochures shall be made available to students.

B. FUNDING

1. The maximum funding from WSQG per student shall not exceed \$50.00. The maximum for the total event shall not exceed \$500.

2. Funds will be available on a first come, first served basis after January 1st annually, as long as funds are available for that year.

3. A list of students attending the camp will be presented to the WSQG Treasurer within 30 days after the camp. Photos and a synopsis of the event should be sent to the Director at Large to be shared with the Board, Patchwords and Website. When possible, these photos and the quilts should be made available for display at an upcoming Quilt Wyoming.

4. If documentation is not presented to show the number in attendance, funding will not be authorized. If attendance is less than stated in the initial request, only funds for the number of participants

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will be issued.

5. If the rules herein are not adhered to, WSQG reserves the right to cancel the obligation and allocate funds to another event should an application be presented and approved by the Board.

VI. QUILT SHOW SPONSORSHIP

A. APPLICATION

1. Quilt show organizers may apply for a grant to pay for expenses. Application may be made on the website or by completing the mail-in the form. WSQG membership is not required for an organizer. The quilt show will not be considered a WSQG event.

2. The requestor will be contacted by the WSQG Treasurer and may be required to provide additional information. When the Treasurer deems that the request is in compliance with rules set forth by the Board, the application will be forwarded to the Board for review and subject to a vote to accept or decline the request.

B. FUNDING

1. The maximum funding from WSQG per quilt show shall not exceed \$200.00. A total of \$1,000 is budgeted per year. Funding is

allocated statewide, not by region and is available on a first come, first served basis after January 1, annually.

2. The WSQG Treasurer will issue payment to the organizer upon request.

3. The Quilt Show should list WSQG as a sponsor on their advertising.

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IV. VII. AWARDS

A. Quilt Wyoming Scholarship - ~~DELETE: A~~ **ADD: Two** Quilt Wyoming Scholarships for \$200 ~~DELETE: is~~ **ADD: are** awarded annually. **ADD: Two names are** ~~DELETE: A name is~~ drawn from those registered for Quilt

advance. The Past President prepares a summary to display at Quilt Wyoming with photos and summaries of the **ADD: nominees'** accomplishments so that members may vote. ... The winner is awarded **ADD: a certificate prepared by the Past President and a check for \$100. ADD: The award may be presented posthumously. The family would be notified but no cash award would accompany the recognition.**

We are combining various rules into the Standing Rules, which should assure more consistency and accuracy when updates are needed. A vote to approve these proposed changes will be taken on Sunday morning June 29th. The complete proposed documents may be viewed on the website, Members' Only section.



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 August 8 & 9 10:00 am – 6:00 pm
 August 10 10:00 am – 2:00 pm
 Headwaters
 Dubois, WY

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**August 12-16, 2025**  
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August 21-25, 2025
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 Contact Sandra at
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 First United Methodist Church
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 Contact debzelenak82@gmail.com
 Fremont County Fairgrounds
 Riverton, WY
 October 2025
 Fiber Arts Quilt Show
 Fullmer Library
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