



# Wyoming Patchwords

WYOMING STATE QUILT GUILD NEWSLETTER

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## Quilt Wyoming 2025



I have such good news to share with all of you! We have finally been granted access to dorm rooms for QW2025. In fact, we will have a total of 164 beds which will be assigned on a first come, first served basis. So if the cost of a motel room was making you hesitate about joining us in June, that problem is solved!

The new dorms in Cheyenne where we stayed last year will be a tough act to follow. Our dorms are older and the rooms are not air-conditioned, but they are clean and affordable, and make it much more convenient for quilters to not have to travel to off-site housing. And there is something really special about coming to WWCC on June 25th and not leaving the campus until June 29th. Quilters use their free time on campus to congregate and catch up with each other and it fosters a real sense of camaraderie, which is one of the most special aspects of Quilt Wyoming.

One of the things I've been frustrated with in the past is going to the meet-and-greet and wishing I had signed up for a different class. It is sometimes difficult to

understand what a certain class is all about by just looking at the brochure. So in an effort to make sure everyone has a good understanding of our class offerings, especially from our regional instructors, we will be using the WSQG Facebook page to share additional information about certain classes. This will give us the opportunity to share more pictures of class projects. The supply lists will be on the website. These will include contact information for regional instructors who are willing to communicate with quilters who might have questions about their classes. We encourage you to reach out to those instructors and get your questions answered so you can make the best decisions about your class choices.

These Facebook postings will begin after the brochure is mailed and posted on the WSQG website.

I hope that many of you will be submitting quilts for display at Quilt Wyoming. It is amazing to see the talent reflected in the quilt entries. Finally, we look forward to seeing the Challenge Quilt entries. This is one of the best parts of Quilt Wyoming. It

is really fun and inspiring to see how different quilters start with the same challenge fabrics and come up with such different and creative entries. June 15th is the deadline for submitting the entry forms.

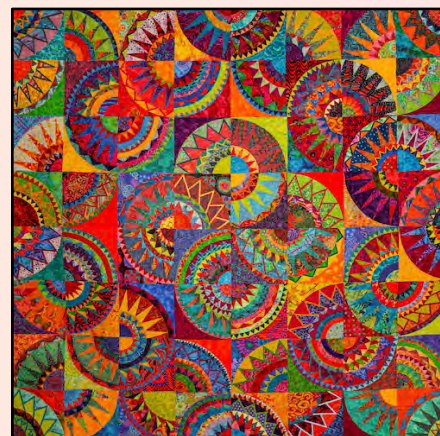
We are excited to pilot online registration for Quilt Wyoming 2025 and hope that it will streamline registration and benefit all WSQG members. Our committee will continue to work hard to make it worth your while to travel to Rock Springs to join us. If you have questions about our event please feel free to reach out to me or Becky Drnas.

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**Opportunity Quilt "Fiesta" 94" x 94"**

Designed by Karen K. Stone

Pieced by members of the Southwest region.

Quilted by Jenna Heine-Fennell, Top Stitch Quilting

Tickets are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00

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

## Wyoming State Quilt Guild 2025 Membership Application

**Membership is valid from January 1, 2025 - December 31, 2025**

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

**Please Print Clearly**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ New Member: \_\_\_\_ Renewal: \_\_\_\_ Returning: \_\_\_\_

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State: \_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Tel No.: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

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

☐ **New Members Only:** I would like to receive a WSQG pin.

☐ I have a **second residence:** \_\_\_\_\_

Mos at 2nd address (circle): Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec

☐ **Do not mail Patchwords to me.** I will access **Wyoming Patchwords Newsletter** on the WSQG website [www.wsqg.org](http://www.wsqg.org).

☐ **Do not mail the Quilt Wyoming brochure to me.** I will access the brochure on the WSQG website [www.wsqg.org](http://www.wsqg.org).

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

☐ I **do not** want my contact information to be listed in the password-protected WSQG Membership Directory on the WSQG website (Name and City will be listed.) Note Mentors and partial-year residents: This is not an option for you.

☐ 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](http://www.wsqg.org).)

**Send address/phone/email changes to the Membership Director, Sondra Nelson, [WSQGmembership@yahoo.com](mailto:WSQGmembership@yahoo.com)**

**Make \$20.00 Check Payable to WSQG - Mail to:**

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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](mailto:info@wsqg.org) or complete the online form.**



## President's Corner



Spring is my favorite of all seasons. My upbringing along the Clearwater River in central Idaho provided me with the opportunity to experience all four seasons. That

shifted slightly after I moved to my adopted state of Wyoming. Due to the extreme weather variations experienced on the high plains, it frequently appears as though the transition from winter to summer occurs almost instantaneously, seemingly bypassing my beloved Spring altogether. After this extremely cold and white winter we have experienced, I hope to see the beautiful colors of Spring for a while before the elevated summer temperatures hit.

Another event that sneaks up on us, much like the quick transition from winter to summer, is the elections for the WSQG Board of Directors. Volunteering for a nonprofit organization is a powerful act of service that can be beneficial in several ways. The significance of volunteering cannot be overstated, as it enriches the lives of volunteers, supports the mission of the organization, and strengthens the fabric (all you quilters see what I did there?) of society. Volunteering offers the opportunity to build and strengthen social connections, providing a sense of belonging and a way to connect with others who share our common interests. A volunteer can experience personal growth, support the mission of the nonprofit, build social contacts, and foster a culture of giving.

Please consider volunteering for one of the several positions we have open for election this June. Reaching out to a member who has previously served or is currently serving is a great way to confirm the position is for YOU! President-Elect, Nena James is our contact to get YOUR name on the ballot ([njames@wyoming.com](mailto:njames@wyoming.com)).

~ **Di Wilsey** (pronounced Will-See) **Geer**

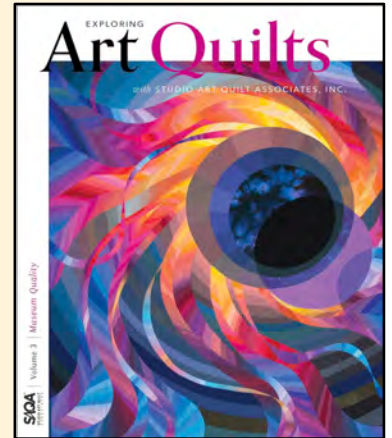
## Books for County Libraries

The 2025 books to be distributed to County libraries have been chosen. Thank you for your input.

*Art Quilts, Museum Quality: Exploring Art Quilts with SAQA features quilts from five museums across the US.*

*The Kindness Quilt by Indigo Johnson has a touching backstory. Ryan, a boy in British Colombia went missing. The author befriended his parents and assisted with the search, which is ongoing. The purpose of the book is to encourage you to offer kindness towards strangers and loved ones, and to share Ryan's story*

**Verna Lawrence**



## Nominations for 2025 Board of Directors

The annual election to fill positions on the 2025 Board of Directors will be held during the annual meeting of the Wyoming State Quilt Guild on Sunday, June 29, 2025, in Rock Springs, Wyoming.

Open offices are President-Elect, Treasurer, Regional Directors for the Northeast, Northwest and Southeast Regions and Patchwords Editor. Descriptions of duties are listed in the By-Laws (Members Only section of the WSQG website). A sample ballot will be printed in Patchwords before the election and will also be posted on the WSQG website.

Contact Nena James, President-Elect, if you are willing to run for any of these positions. There is also a link on the WSQG website (Officers & History tab) to submit your nominations.

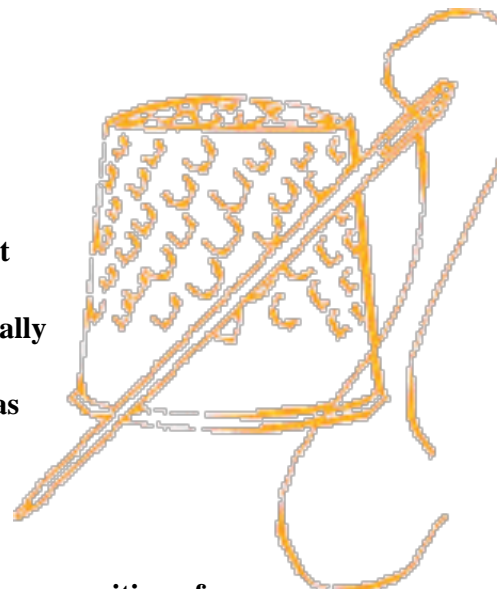
Please consider volunteering to serve the WSQG by running for these positions. Your input is so valuable to the WSQG and its future depends on your participation.

**Nena James**  
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Articles for the May-June 2025 issue of Patchwords  
are due by April 10, 2025  
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## The 2025 Golden Thimble Award

The Golden Thimble Award is presented by the Wyoming State Quilt Guild. The WSQG Board of Directors is asking our members for nominations of organizations, clubs and individuals who have especially “given back” to the community. Examples of worthy nominations include: a club that makes and donates quilts to organizations such as Project Linus, a store or organization that has donated fabric or equipment to a quilting event, a quilter who teaches children how to quilt, etc.



The winner of the Golden Thimble Award will receive \$100.00 cash in recognition of the recipient's contributions, presented during Quilt Wyoming, June 25-29, 2025 in Rock Springs, Wyoming.

In order for us to make a careful selection, please return the form by **June 1, 2025**

Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominee's Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominee's Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominated by: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominator's Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominator's Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Use the space below to tell us why you feel the nominee should receive the 2025 Golden Thimble Award. (You may also type and attach your nomination to this form if you prefer.) Only members of WSQG may submit nominations.

Please fill out the form, use the back or attach another page, and return it to Past President, **Verna Lawrence, Buffalo, WY 82834**. Phone: (307) 217-1132 [verna.lawrence@yahoo.com](mailto:verna.lawrence@yahoo.com). You may also submit your nomination using the online form.

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## Featured Quilter Audrey Jarvis



Bull's Eye Quilt - Audrey Jarvis

Yuma, AZ, and Binding Friends in Casper.

I enjoyed attending Quilting in the Tetons when it was active and I still enjoy going to Mallo Camp in the Black Hills. I attend the "Wheatwater" retreat every November in Wheatland.

I raised my two kids as a single parent. When they were both off to college I needed something to do as an empty nester. I had been interested in learning to quilt. I wanted to carry on the tradition of both of my grandmothers and my mother although my quilts are not hand quilted as theirs were. I caught the fever in the early 90's and still have it, and the fabric "collection" to go along with it. (Isn't that what the symptoms are?) It's a family thing again now as my niece and daughter are into quilting too. Sharing valuable time quilting together makes my heart happy.

My favorite thing is choosing and working with color. I have always considered myself a traditional quilter but now I find making art quilts challenging.

I also enjoy going to quilt shows and retreats with quilting family and friends. I just got back from Road to California and QuiltCon in Phoenix with my daughter, Heather Jarvis and my niece, Laura Costy, both WSQG members.

My first project was a table runner and place mats. My quilting mentor at the time suggested a small project to start with and I totally agree with her suggestion. I tell prospective new quilters the same thing. It's important to get satisfaction from completing a smaller project than attempting a large project and never seeing it finished.

I have been awarded numerous ribbons at county fair, state fair and Desert Lily quilt show in Yuma, Arizona. I've received people's choice twice at Wyoming State Fair, and to me that means more than a blue ribbon.

Carolyn Dalby and Jan DeBolt were my mentors in the beginning. Laura Costy, Virginia Ohr, and Carol Kolf have inspired me locally. Jinny Beyer, Eleanor Burns and Vi Colombe were inspirational to me early on, and more recently Kaffe Fassett, Ricky Tims, Phil Beaver, and Laura Heine.

I love any quilting gadget! Its really exciting to see what changes have come about in the time I've been quilting. Better mats, non-slip rulers, different rotary cutter designs and better blades, etc, etc. One of my favorite notions are serrated scissors for cutting fabric

for collage quilts.

Some of my favorite magazines were "Quilt Mania" and "Simply Modern Quilts." I am sorry that they are no longer published. I now enjoy "Quiltfolk" and "Quilting Arts".

Kaffe Fassett fabrics are my favorite, anything with lots of color!

My advice to newer quilters is to buy the best fabric you can afford. Why spend hours and hours working with cheap fabric that doesn't stand up? Take classes. There is so much to learn in the world of quilting. If you are a new quilter and want to learn, you will learn something new with each class that you take, probably several things. Always put a label on your quilt.

I joined WSQG as a charter member, as soon as it was born 28 years ago. I have served as Central Regional Director and I am also a past President of WSQG.

The friendships I've made through the years in WSQG mean the most to me. I love seeing old friends and meeting new ones and seeing what projects everyone is working on.

I always look forward to learning new techniques at Quilt Wyoming classes. I'm looking forward to attending Quilt Wyoming in Rock Springs this summer.

### Audrey Jarvis



Bear Collage - Laura Heine



Ricky Tims

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Featured Quilter continued from page 5



Cowboy



Ringie Dingies  
Susan Cleveland



Butterflies Joann Hoffman



Bedrunner/Wall Quilt



My Favorite Quilt!



Sunflowers - Phil Beaver



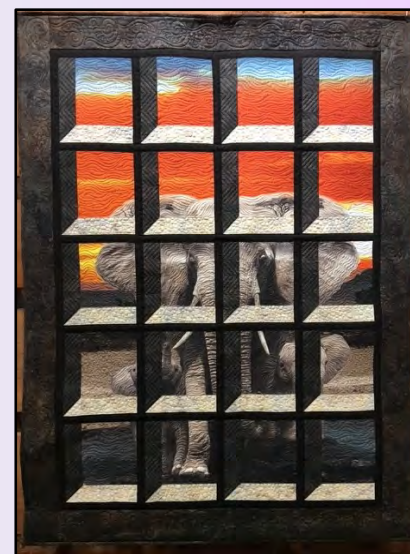
Wicked Wahini  
Linda Hahn



Bargello



Posh Santa



Elephant and Babies

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Cosmic Poppies



Tahoe



Bargello



Kaffe Quilt



Cat - Laura Heine



My "Pink Duck" - Flaming-Laura Heine



Kitties



Carpenter Star



Southwest



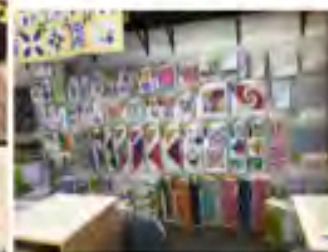
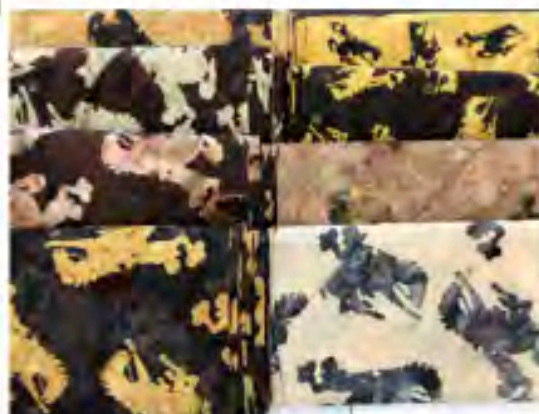
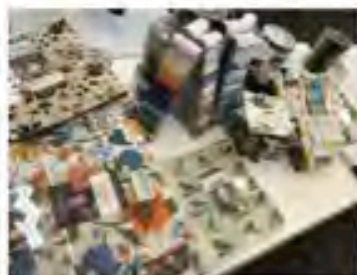
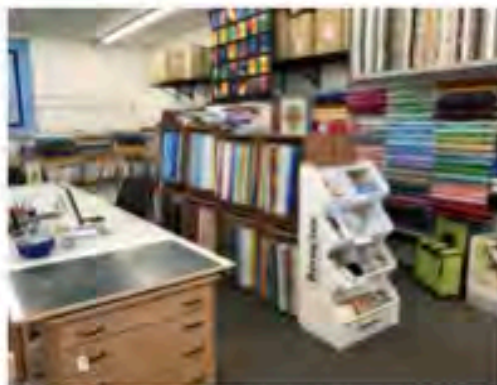
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March 2025

**Attention! Anyone interested in funds to plan and coordinate a Quilt Camp:**

The purpose of the Wyoming State Quilt Guild is to unite those who love the quilter's art, to preserve the heritage of quilting, and to be a source of education.

As one of the outreach programs, WSQG offers funding to a member or members to plan and coordinate a "Quilt Camp." Quilt Camp is a planned event for beginning quilters and can be organized by individuals, or through 4-H, schools, Boys and Girls Clubs, etc.

After viewing the 4-H quilting and sewing projects at the Wyoming State Fair last August, I thought there might be some sewing/quilting 4-H leaders interested in WSQG Quilt Camp funding. Here are some of the details:

- The organizer must be a WSQG member to apply for the funding. Membership at \$20 year is open to all who love the quilter's art. The applications for membership (Membership tab) and camp funding (Quilt Camp tab) are online at [www.wsqg.org](http://www.wsqg.org).
- Once submitted, the Quilt Camp application goes to the WSQG Director at Large for pre-approval. Following pre-approval, the application is presented to the WSQG Board.
- Funds are to be spent on supplies used for quilting and are capped at \$50 per student with a maximum of 10 students, thus not to exceed \$500.
- After the camp is completed, receipts and the reimbursement form is sent in to the Director at Large for reimbursement from the WSQG Treasurer.
- Quilt Camp coordinators are asked to provide pictures to WSQG with permission to put them in the WSQG newsletter and/or a poster displayed at Quilt Wyoming so members can enjoy seeing the fun and creativity made possible by this funding!

Funding is available on a first come, first served basis.

Questions and requests for more detailed guidelines regarding the Wyoming State Quilt Camp funding, may be directed to me via email at [tjecss39@gmail.com](mailto:tjecss39@gmail.com)

Thank you and happy quilting!

*Jean Schroeder*

WSQG Director At Large





Cheyenne Heritage Quilters'

## 2025 Quilt Show

**August 21-23, 2025**  
 Admission: \$3 per person  
 Thursday, Aug. 21, 3 p.m. to 7 p.m.  
 Friday, Aug. 22, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.  
 Saturday, Aug. 23, 10 p.m. to 3 p.m.

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# 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".



## 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. Share photos of your quilting/crafting projects.

Another reminder: I will not be seeking re-election for a second term for Southeast Regional Director. Due to some extreme changes in our lives, I need to concentrate on my family. If you are interested in the position, please reach out to me or the WSQG President-Elect Nena James, [njames@wyoming.com](mailto:njames@wyoming.com).

Email invites for the Spring 2025 retreat went out at the end of February. If you haven't signed up yet, please contact me before sending payment to check availability.

**Southeast Region Retreats for 2025:**

Spring 2025 will be April 25 - 27. There will be demonstrations throughout the weekend.

Fall 2025 will be October 3 - 5. UFO Retreat.

Make note that these are different dates than usual. I tried to keep in mind other retreats throughout the State.

Spring is here! Who has started their spring cleaning, in your house and/or in your sewing space? I started in February in my sewing room. It really needed it!

We have all heard the sad news of JoAnn Fabrics closing. What a shock! I have noticed on several different sites that I follow that people are wondering what to do, where to find good deals on fabric. We have a lot of fellow quilters that relied on the lower prices that JoAnn's offered, now what do they do? I have some tips on how to possibly help. My tips are not meant to offend anyone, just to help.

1. Follow local quilt stores social media platforms. They announce upcoming specials.
2. Look for estate sales in your area.
3. Lots of individual sell their "overflowing" stash on social media's marketplaces.
4. When attending local Guild meetings, members sometimes bring their unwanted items.
5. Pair up with a friend to order from online stores so you can save on shipping.
6. Sometimes you will receive a discount on supplies when attending classes or retreats.

I am sure there are more ideas, feel free to share them on our regions Facebook page.

Speaking of classes and retreats: Who is excited to attend Quilt Wyoming? I can not wait to see what is instore for all of us in Rock Springs!!!

If you would like anything about your groups or guilds or clubs submitted, please do not hesitate to send them to me.

Until next time friends!  
Anytime is stitchin' time!

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# Poppy

## CHERRYWOOD CHALLENGE

**JULY 3 - 5  
2025**



### Art Quilt Exhibit

Over forty art quilts from the "SEED" Collection as part of the traveling **POPPY** Cherrywood Challenge.



### 10 am - 4pm

Showcase of vibrant masterpieces comes to life, so don't miss the chance to immerse yourself in this vivid display!



### Cherrywood Fabrics

Known worldwide within the quilting industry, Cherrywood Fabrics produce one of the best quality hand-dyed fabrics.

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## REGIONAL NEWS

**NORTHEAST**

**Lyn Bennet &  
Cathy Stafford**

NE members have been busy with sew days and retreats!

Hosted by the **NE Wyoming Quilt Show**, Sew Days were Jan. 21-23, Feb. 12-13, and Mar. 3-4 at the Campbell County Library Wyoming Room from 9:00 a.m.-7:45 p.m. The next sew days are April 14-15. Bring your UFO's or start a new project. You are able to leave your machines and supplies in a secure room and **EVERYONE** is welcome.



The **Buffalo Winter Quilt Retreat** was a big success with 50 quilters sewing and having fun at the Johnson County Fairgrounds in January. Cold weather didn't slow the quilters down with many quilts finished and presented during the daily Show and Share. The popsicle friendship block was especially popular this year with everyone dreaming of warmer weather to come.

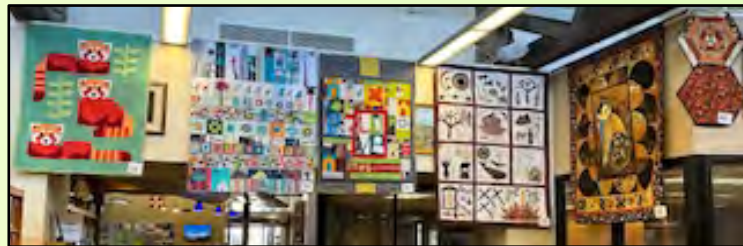


The **Buffalo Quilting Gals** learned two new half-square triangle techniques at their February meeting.

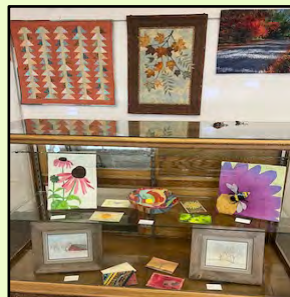
Members could then make the 12" HST heart block that was presented by Vikki and Cathy. Nancy and Bev finished the 2024 Hospice Quilt given to the Johnson County Hospital to honor those served by hospice during the year. March is the annual Johnson County Library Quilt Show. Stop by the library to view all the beautiful quilts on display for the 29th Annual Library Quilt Show



Mar. 3-Mar 28. The WSQG's QW25 Opportunity Quilt is also on display with tickets available for purchase.



A beautiful display of art quilts from members of **SAQA** (Studio Art Quilt Associates) Wyoming Connections was in the Sheridan Library Feb. 3-28.



The **Clearmont Historical Group** has their 5<sup>th</sup> annual quilt show at the Clearmont Historical Center during March, open daily 10-2 and featured is a collection of Addie Cook's prized quilts.



**QOV National Sew Day** was Feb. 1<sup>st</sup>. Sheridan's Quilter's Fix and Buffalo's Sew Sisters hosted events that day at their locations. Sheridan's group of ten worked on quilts made from precut potato chips in red, white, and blue. What a great way to spend a cold day!



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**Sheridan's 2025 Mystery Quilt** was held Feb. 8<sup>th</sup> with 36 in attendance on a rather nasty weather day. It is always fun to see all the different beautiful fabrics chosen for something you have no idea as to what will be the end result.



NE MEMBERS, PLEASE LET US KNOW OF EVENTS IN YOUR AREA!!

Happy Sewing Day's every day!

*Lyn & Cathy*

**NE307 Spring into Quilting Retreat** was Feb. 24<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup>. Josy Daniel kicked off the retreat with a great class teaching us the "Star Shadow" pattern. There were flying geese in abundance. Many projects were completed and new ones begun. On Tuesday, The **Strawberry Patch Quilt Shop** hosted a Tea at Two for everyone. Retreaters browsed and shopped while sipping tea and eating treats that Robbie and Bev provided.



### WELCOME NEW AND RETURNING MEMBERS!

**New Members:** **Out of State:** Shirley Christian, Mary Kay Hitchner, Nada Mathus, Lynette Poulsen, Marjorie Sperling; **Central:** Emilie J Bennett, Melanie Leavenworth, Deb Lucero, Sharon Plemmons, Karen Ripley; **Northeast:** Nancy Bayne, Rachel Billings, Marilyn Ketcham; **Northwest:** Susan Adams-Trembath, Kamie McEllogott; **Southeast:** Dawn Bailey, Joyce Baker, Carol Cherubin, Valerie DePew, Kathy DeRouchey, Pat Fincher, Diane Hall, Stephanie Jess, Rachel Manley, Elizabeth Titus, Gretchen Viert, Sherry Wing; **Southwest:** Lourinda Beierle, Carolyn Bovgsty, Emily Covey, Linda Delgado, Belinda Emerson, Katherine Head, Katherine Johnson, Bernie Lovato, Wanda Thompson, Cindy Van

**Returning Members:** SE: Debora O'Grady, Sandra Farrell; SW: Donna Toly, Janet Williams

**2024 Wyoming State Fair Winners:** Rilla Reiter (C)

<u>Region</u>	<u>Feb. 28, 2025</u>
Central	146
Northeast	214
Northwest	85
Southeast	196
Southwest	84
Out-of-State	55
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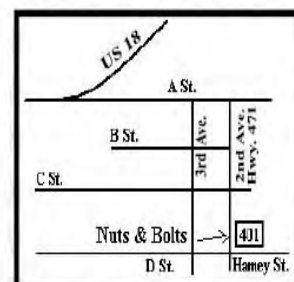

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## REGIONAL NEWS



### Northwest Barbara Bunn & Ginny Singer

It is good to be emerging from the snowy winter we have been experiencing. It

was nice to have a reason to hibernate and sew. Now we move into retreat season. I have decided to rename the seasons – Winter is Hibernate and Sew, Spring is First Retreats, Summer is Quilt Shows and Shop Hops, and Fall is Second Retreats. Now when are we to find time for family events and yard work?

Please note the day for the Meeteetse Chatelaine Quilt Guild meetings was incorrect in the last Patchwords. The correct information is below. Sorry for any inconvenience this may have caused.

**Chatelaine Quilt Guild** meets the second Thursday at 5:30 p.m. at St. Andrew's Parish Hall (1116 Park Ave in Meeteetse). We had our Christmas celebration at our January meeting, as well as setting our programs and projects for the year. Since we have a number of new quilters, some of our programs will focus on quilting basics. Our February meeting reviewed accurate cutting skills with the opportunity to try various rotary cutters and how to ensure we are using 1/4" seams. Projects we are working on include a group western-theme quilt that will be raffled to support the Meeteetse Museum, as well as an ongoing project of Christmas ornaments that will decorate a Christmas tree that the museum will auction or raffle. Watch for pictures of these upcoming projects.



In February we shared our UFO's that had been completed. Our program was on 'Tools of the Trade.' We tried various rotary cutters, rulers, and learned about needles and thread sizes.



**The Hyattville Retreat** was held at the end of January with a total of 19 people registered. Many beautiful quilts were completed and many more started. The quilts pictured are by Victoria Bales, Solaris by Tori Dietz, Lauren Andrist.



**Paintbrush Piecers Quilt Guild** members have volunteered to present programs for the coming year. Our service project will be quilts for Project Linus. Some members are still making quilts for local veterans. The challenge will be to finish UFO's. Participating members submitted their list of UFO's they hope to complete by December. Points will be given for each project completed. The three top point winners will receive an award/gift. We meet the fourth Monday every month at the Cody Senior Center, 5:30 p.m. Summer hours: 6:30 p.m.

Our January program was appliqué. Members brought projects they had completed. We were given materials to make a pincushion.



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**The Big Sky Spring Fling Quilting and Sewing Retreat** is set again for May 8<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup>, 2025, at the Billings Hampton Inn on Zoo Drive! We have a great lineup of classes coming together. More information will be available around mid-March. Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/TracksideQuilting/> Website: [www.tracksidequilting.com](http://www.tracksidequilting.com)

**The Cody Middle School Quilts of Valor Enrichment and Extended Friday** quilting class have been very active since the Fall of 2024. Our first semester students completed three quilts for veterans and table runners for our presentation which will take place in May. We had 11 students in our first semester group and currently have ten students in our second semester group. The second semester group is on track to complete another three quilts for veterans. The students have had an opportunity to work on individual projects through our extended Friday and holiday break quilt days. These young people have completed at least six individual projects with others still being worked on. The creativity these young quilters bring to these sessions is very eye opening! See the pictures we have provided.

February 25<sup>th</sup> brought an opportunity to the quilting group at Cody Middle School as part of Park County School Districts commitment to the RIDE (Reimagining and Innovating the Delivery of Education) for education. Governor Mark Gordon visited Cody Middle School and the Quilts of Valor Enrichment was given the opportunity to showcase the skills, talent, community service and learning that are part of the full circle process this opportunity offers. Four students, Ale Horvath, Grace Strobble, Dagny Lee and Lorelei Poverlein spoke about the program from their perspective and experiences. Volunteers Sue Beardslee, Amy Hart, Cathryn Mayton, Lori Ramseier, Ann Trosper and Chris Wolf were there to support the students and answer additional questions. The governor, his staff and Park County School administrators were able to see some of the completed veterans' quilts, the donated supplies and Featherweight machines that our students use during their enrichment on Fridays.



Happy First Retreats Season to you all.

**Barb and Ginny**



## Southwest

### Iris Jasperson

Arriba! Arriba! Lets get ready to go! Quilt Wyoming 2025 is just around the corner! Join us in Rock Springs at Western Wyoming College on June 25-29. With a fun theme of Fiesta Day of the Quilt, you can be sure of a few days of FUN! Just about everything is in place and the committee is busy...BUSY! Brochures will be out soon and on line so watch closely!



BEst Kind Quilts and Embroidery were excited to finally finish their Creative Center classroom! The initial class was held on Saturday, Feb. 15 with nine in attendance. Member Kalani Dalton teaching a Jelly Roll Bargello class. March will host four days of a beginning quilting class, with many more classes planned throughout the summer. The spring retreat hosted in Bear Lake for April is

full. Watch for info on the fall retreat. Congratulations Dorie and crew for reaching this milestone!

**Valley Fabrics** in Urie has started their Saturday Sampler classes. Contact Bobby there for more info.

**A Little Country Character** will be hosting a beginning paper piecing class on Mar. 14-15. I will be meeting a bunch of friends there for this one so will have photos for the next edition!

#### Upcoming regional events:

**May 30-31: Quilting on the Green** in Green River. This event showcases a great quilt show, vendors and a great choice of fun classes. Watch their facebook page for more info on class selection and registration.

#### June 25-29: Quilt Wyoming 2025

I am looking for volunteers to sit with the quilt show at QW25. If you are interested please shoot me an email to [mcq@silverstar.com](mailto:mcq@silverstar.com).

Until then, May your needle be sharp, your bobbin full and your creative imagination be on overflow!

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## REGIONAL NEWS



**CENTRAL**  
**April Pendleton**  
**Mary Cottam**

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The Stitches in Time group met in Douglas in February to make the "Vinyl Mesh Market Bag". It was a wonderful class led by Anna Cobb and since the class many more

*Mary & April*





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