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Wyoming State Fair 2026

The Wyoming State Fair was held in Douglas Aug. 11-15th. What a dazzling quilt and needlework show!

Thank you to all who entered items (including quilted tennis shoes). You helped to make a varied and most beautiful show!



The support from WSQG grows every year. It is great to see WSQG sponsor awards in 12 categories.

The recipients receive either \$25.00 or \$50.00, and a year's membership to WSQG. In addition, they receive a unique ribbon with a WSQG pin.

The opportunity quilt was magnificently on display, and tickets were sold. It was admired by many!

Jean Schroeder

Director At Large

Quilts shown alphabetically by maker.

The Score Sheet used by the State Fair judges is displayed on Page 4.



Olivia Clark - Youth



Pat Corkill - First Time Entry



Michelle Everts - Holiday



Kelli Holmes - Wall Quilt

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WELCOME NEW AND RETURNING MEMBERS!

NEW MEMBERS:

Northeast: Julie Cramer, Patricia Kozisek
Northwest: Delaine Anthony, Hollie Gilbert, Susan Smith, Anna Sapp,
Karen St. Clair
Southwest: Tatyana Ramella, Elizabeth Swingle, Stacey Kelly

RETURNING MEMBERS:

Southeast: Tammy Kennedy
Nita Virden passed away on Aug. 23, 2026.

<u>Region</u>	<u>Sept. 5, 2026</u>
Central	145
Northeast	203
Northwest	121
Southeast	153
Southwest	88
Out-of-State	<u>44</u>

TOTAL: 754

Members receive the bi-monthly newsletter by accessing from the website or by mail. The current password is required to access the directory on the website www.wsqg.org. Contact us if you misplace the password. The directory is not to be used for commercial purposes and is available solely to WSQG members.

Please contact us if you change your address or contact information. Please let us know if you would like to be identified in another region. Partial-year residents, please let us know what months you will not be in Wyoming. Use the Change Membership Information Form under the Membership tab on the website to request changes to your information (www.wsqg.org).

Sondra Nelson, Membership Director - email: WSQGmembership@yahoo.com

Articles for the December-January 2027 issue of *Patchwords*
are due by November 8, 2026 - info@wsqg.org

President's Corner



Hello all!

I am looking forward to fall, the cooler temperatures and the colorful leaves. Hopefully we will have more time to quilt.

I thoroughly enjoyed Quilt Wyoming in Powell this year. The northeast committee

did a great job. I loved seeing new faces and reminiscing with dear friends.

I look forward to working with the board members this year. We have bylaws to work on. If you have any desire to help on this committee, please let me know.

God Bless }i{

Julie Haptonstall



Quilt Wyoming 2027 is now accepting applications for local teachers.

Notices will be sent out soon to those on the teacher's list. If you are not on the list and would like to be included, contact Lyn Bennet lynbennet@gmail.com

Wyoming State Quilt Guild 2027 Membership Application

Membership is valid from January 1, 2027 - December 31, 2027

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

Please Print Clearly

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☐ I have a **second residence:** _____

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

☐ 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 Teachers and partial-year residents: This is not an option for you.

☐ I would like to be listed as a **Teacher** for retreats and Quilt Wyoming (Contact information cannot be withheld.)

☐ I would like to be listed in **another region** other than my residence. Please list me in the _____ region.

☐ **DO NOT send the Quilt Wyoming 2027 brochure** to me by postal mail. I will access it online.

☐ I am interested in serving on the WSQG Board of Directors.

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.

Changes to your information may be submitted online or emailed to the Membership Director, Sondra Nelson, WSQGmembership@yahoo.com

Colorado Quilting Council Quilt Evaluation Form

Category/Class: _____ Quilt Description: _____ Entry #: _____

Circle Award: 1 2nd 3rd Honorable Other: _____ Date: _____ Judge: _____

Key to ratings: E-Excellent, VG-Very good, G-Good, I-Needs Improvement, NA-Not Applicable, X-Specific area to improve

		CRITERIA	RATING
WORKMANSHIP	Piecing	☐ General construction is precise; corners square, points retained, intersections match ☐ Thread color blends or matches fabrics, and stitching in seams does not show ☐ Pieced sashing aligns horizontally and vertically ☐ Pieced curves are smooth ☐ Shadowing in seams	
	Appliqué	☐ No shadowing of dark fabrics under light ☐ Curves smooth, points sharp ☐ Turned-edge motifs securely attached without puckers ☐ Appropriate thread colors ☐ Repeated motifs are consistent in size and placement ☐ Raw-edge or decorative appliqué stitching secure, with consistent width and density	
	Borders	☐ Long seams straight with no distortion ☐ Borders are consistent width ☐ Borders well designed to complement the center of the quilt ☐ Good construction with no ripples, puckers or stretching; corners square and precise	
	Quilting	☐ Even and consistent stitch length, front and back ☐ No visible knots, starts, stops ☐ Correct tension maintained, front and back ☐ No pleats, bubbles or distortion caused by quilting, front or back ☐ Quilted grids and straight lines are precise, curves are smooth, and points are sharp	
	Finishing	☐ Binding or facing filled to the edge with batting ☐ Binding is consistent in width ☐ Machine stitching on front is straight ☐ All stitching is secure ☐ Mitered binding corners are stitched closed, front and back ☐ Miters in border align with miters in binding at corners ☐ Outer edges of quilt are straight with no waviness on finished edge ☐ Corners are precisely 90 degrees; irregular or shaped edges are neatly handled	
	Special Techniques	☐ Embroidery, ties, beading, embellishments, overlays, trapunto, photo transfers, paint, inking, crystals, buttons, foiling, etc. are appropriate for intended use of the piece ☐ Special techniques enhance the top and are compatible with all other design elements ☐ Embellishments well secured ☐ Other: _____ ☐ Flange/Piping: straight/same width/cannot see stitching	
APPEARANCE & DESIGN	Visual Impact	☐ Colors, values are well chosen and placed ☐ Good scale and proportion of design elements ☐ Unity of style and presentation is created with all design components ☐ Pleasing composition with effective use of line and shape ☐ Design is interesting, tells a story or evokes a feeling, draws viewers in for a closer look	
	Quilting Patterns	☐ Motifs and quilted fills complement and reinforce the top design ☐ Amount/density of quilting is sufficient and maintained throughout the quilt ☐ Ditch quilting precisely stitched in the ditch ☐ Thread color enhances	
	General Appearance	☐ Quilt is neat and clean; free of pet hair, lint, soil, stains, odors ☐ No obvious distortion or construction problems ☐ All marking lines have been removed ☐ No excess or loose threads	

Design Comment(s): _____

Workmanship Comment(s): _____

☐ This quilt would have competed better in a different category. Judged, not eligible for ribbon.

Wyoming State Fair 2026



Connie Inman - Amateur



Janet Pexton - Art Quilt



Debbie Porter - Mini



Hazel Sanders - Professional



Megan Stoltenberg
Heritage/Heirloom



Blayke Tharp - Youth



Lili Turnell - Advanced Amateur



Lois Wragge - Miscellaneous



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It's not too early to begin planning
your entry for 2027!



We want to invite members of the Wyoming State Quilt Guild to be a part of our nationwide community art project: United We Stitch - Imagining the Future of Democracy. You can learn more about our project at www.unitedwestitch.com or contact info@unitedwestitch.com for more information.

We are inviting individuals, families, community groups, all who wish to participate to create a 3' x 5' panel expressing their hopes for the future of this unique country of ours. The panels will be shown collectively across the country in state capitols and community centers beginning on September 20, 2026, in honor of the International Day of Peace. We hope you will join us and share this invitation.

United We Stitch Planning Team

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2027 Opportunity Quilt - Quilter's Roundup



85"x85"

Pattern: Prairie Star by Judy Niemeyer
Pieced by Brenda Van Tuyl
Quilted by Virginia Ohr

Tickets are \$5.00 each or 5 for \$20.00
Contact Quilt Mom: Kandi Davis
kandidavis322@charter.net
to obtain additional tickets
or to schedule the quilt for display at your shop or event.

Oct. 2-4, 2026 NEW Quilt Show, Gillette, WY
Feb. 1-28, 2027 Quilter's Fix Quilt Shop, Sheridan, WY
Mar. 1-31, 2027 Johnson County Library Quilt Show
June 14-17, 2027 Black Hills Quilting Retreat
at Mallo Camp, WY

Drawing: July 18, 2027 – Need not be present
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Purchase tickets for this beautiful
quilt from a member or online
by scanning the QR code.



REGIONAL NEWS



Diana Clark

Cathy Wissner

SOUTHEAST

The Goshen County Quilt Guild in Torrington will be hosting their annual **Quilts Along the Platte Quilt Show**, on Sept. 25-27. It will be located at the Rendezvous Center, Goshen County Fairgrounds (7078 Fairgrounds Rd/ Highway 26). This well-organized show will run from 10:00-5:00 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, and 11:00-3:00 p.m. on Sunday. They will showcase 150 beautiful quilts. They are expecting four-five quilt store vendors, a boutique, food vendors, demonstrations and a make-and-take mini workshop. Expect a good time. Come and enjoy the show. There is no admission fee.

There is an upcoming retreat in late October at the YMCA in Scottsbluff, NE. The October meeting class is: an apron, using two triangles.

Their officers are: Denise Curtis – President, Sharon Mahnke-Vice President, Rebecca Dow-Secretary, Lusetta Dietz-Treasurer, Newsletter-Konne Rife. The guild meets the second Saturday of the month at Platte Valley Bank in Torrington. For more information email dendar1319@msn.com.



Goshen County Quilt Guild Show and Tell
(Photo credit: Catherine Wissner)



Phylis's quilt block
Goshen County Quilt Guild
(Photo credit: Catherine Wissner)

The August meeting of the **Sewing Club of Cheyenne** was an informative demonstration on how to use the AI platform, ChatGPT, for creating quilt patterns, among other fabric fun. Upcoming fun events for the rest of 2026: Quilting Enders and Leaders at the Sept. 10 meeting. There will be a trunk show with doll cloths in October. The November meeting will feature a demo on English paper piecing. The enjoyable, fun holiday gift exchange and snacks will be held Dec. 3. The Sewing Club meets at the Sewing Center of Cheyenne. For more information contact Cynthia Porter at cynthiamporter@gmail.com.

The WSQG Southeast Region Fall Retreat will be back in the Union Pacific Centennial Room in the CCI building at Laramie County Community College (LCCC), Oct. 9-11. Parking is plentiful, and free, with great access to the retreat location. We will have a short demo/trunk show on dyeing your own fabric. How fun this is! Five great meals in the LCCC cafeteria are included in the price. A minimum of 40 wonderful quilters is required to make this gathering of friends happen. Everyone is welcome. For more information contact Cathy at underthebluesky92@gmail.com or Diana Clark at diana.clark0117@gmail.com.

Cheyenne Heritage Quilters (CHQ) The annual summer fun social meeting was held in August, with games and ice cream, followed by show and tell. A few members of The Goshen County Quilt Guild joined in, and also brought and showed off their amazing

Opportunity Quilt.

The program on Sept. 8th, was a trunk show from the Amethyst Delight Hoffman Challenge. This challenge required quilters to use the Hoffman Amethyst batik collection fabric.

Upcoming Quilting Workshop: Bargello by Josie Daniels, CHQ fee is \$55.00 for CHQ members and \$65 for nonmembers. Everyone is welcome. For more information contact Marci Rulon at mylilthann@yahoo.com.

Plans are in place for the 2027 CHQ quilt show for Aug. 18-21, 2027. Help for this event is always welcome. For more information on this, or other happenings with CHQ go to www.chquilters.org.

The August meeting of the **Laramie Art Quilters** was a follow up of the June fabric dyeing workshop, using dyes from Dharma Trading Co. They also had a fun demonstration using natural dyes, how to extract them, and the colors one could expect. For more information email laramieartquilters@blogspot.com.



Laramie Art Quilters, Fabric dyeing
show and tell
(Photo credit: Catherine Wissner)

Encampment, Sage Brush Quilters (SBQ), will be holding their fall retreat at the Platte Valley Community Center in Saratoga Oct. 9-10. The retreat will have a couple classes and a quilt show. Lori Holt's Autumn Quilt Seeds Pumpkin No. 7 class will be offered on Friday, or a free sew day. Saturday, is Lori Holt's 10" Quilt Paper demo/project to make a tabletopper, mini quilt or large quilt, using Lori Holt's 10" Quilt Paper, or a free sew day.

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Cody Middle School Quilt Camp 2026

Submitted by Chris Wolf



Our campers were Zoey, Tristyn, Eva, Sophie, Bristol, Taryn, Holli, Makinley, Charlotte, Isabella, Blayke, Gaige, Theresa, Melissa, Dagny, Olivia and Max.

Thank you to the Cody Middle School's custodial staff, and our volunteers, Sue, Gretl, Dawn, Cathryn, Lori, Ann and Chris.

A special thanks to the Wyoming State Quilt Guild for the grant to make this program possible, and to the Park County School District #6 for allowing us the use of Cody Middle School room #505.

Chris Wolf

Cody Middle School Quilt Camp 2026 was a huge success with seventeen aspiring quilters taking part in the seven-week program. Our campers ranged in age from ten to adult. We welcomed two campers and a volunteer from the Powell community who joined us this summer!

Fifty-two and one-half hours of quilt instruction and construction took place. The program ran on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings from 9:00-11:30 a.m. The camp is set up so campers do not have to come every day because of summer schedules.

Since our quilters arrive at camp with a variety of skill sets from beginner to intermediate, they focused on individual pieces this summer. We use the community quilts to teach processes, tricks and tips. We cover everything from learning to operate a sewing machine, using an iron, measuring, cutting material, using a rotary cutter and mat, ironing, seam ripping, overall safety and selecting a project and material. Three community quilts were delivered to the Long Term Care Center. This is how we give back to the generous community we live in, for all the donated material, time and supplies, that help make this program possible at no cost.

Ten projects were completed and seven are works in progress. The campers who are still working on projects, will have the opportunity to come in and complete their projects during our extended after school program, once school is back in session. If they cannot make it, parents have contact information for the camp organizers to help them find assistance to finish their projects.

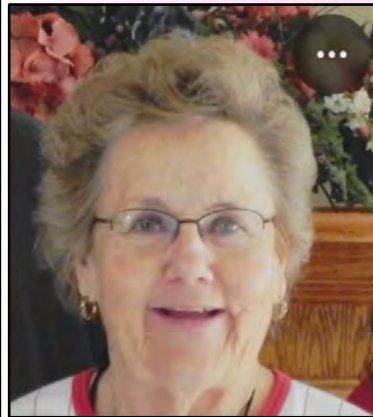
Two of the campers entered their quilts at the Park County Fair, thanks to Lindsay Tharp, who transported them for judging day. Both quilts received First Premium blue ribbons. One received the beautiful Grand Champion purple rosette! Seven of the projects traveled to the Wyoming State Fair. Thanks to Jean Schroeder who was kind enough to take them with her to Douglas.

On the last day we had a feedback session. Some of the comments were as follows:

Everyone was super nice, kind and patient
We need better food....more chocolate!
It is hard to get up early during the summer to come
Music please!
A better variety of patterns

In Memory Juanita (Nita) Virden 1941-2026

"Nita" Virden, 84, passed away peacefully on August 23, 2026. She was a long-time member of WSQG.



Nita was born in Ogden, Utah, on October 26, 1941. She grew up in Evanston and spent most of her life in Lyons Valley (Lander) Wyoming, a community she called home.

In 1968, Nita married the love of her life, James Edward "Ed" Virden. Together, they built a ranch, and loving life with their children, Amy and Jud.

Members, Peggy Albrecht and Pat Corkill, of her informal sewing group in Riverton, remember her for her positive attitude, and the encouragement she gave to other quilters. She took the time to formally express her appreciation to others. She preferred small groups, and enjoyed her independence. She maintained personal boundaries. Those that spent time with her described her as "fun to be with." She was a manager for the Fremont County Fair. She had many interests, including quilting, embroidery, square dancing, and more. Peggy has known Nita for many years and would describe her in one word, "honest."

Nita lived life fully. Her life was not without challenges. She lost her daughter, Amy, too soon, and later on, her dear husband, James. Nita had diabetes. She was aware and practiced healthy living. It was noted that she usually walked or bicycled to get around. Shortly before her death she suffered a stroke and then a fall.

Nita will be remembered for her love of friends and family, her kind heart, and the warmth she shared with those around her. Nita's life was woven into the lives of so many. At Nita's request, there will be no services held.

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REGIONAL NEWS

They will also have a charity sewing program called "Little Dresses for Africa," where little girl dresses are made from a pillowcase. For more information go to www.littledressesforafrica.org

This winter, they are hoping to hold monthly WIP/UFO sessions at the Encampment Senior Center. Most of the SBQ activities are set up by avid quilter and coordinator, Stacey Erickson. For more information contact her at serickson@crb2.org.

Respectfully Submitted,

Catherine Wissner



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REGIONAL NEWS



Kristi Smith Robin Wacker

NORTHEAST

Summer vacations, county fairs, and the State Fair are now a memory. With the leaves falling, we get new ideas to use rusts, yellows, and oranges for quilts. The quilt stores are gearing up for fall classes.

Strawberry Patch in Newcastle, WY Sept. 9-11 there will be a class making a pumpkin out of wood. Perfect to put on your porch with fall decorations. Robbie will need to have a count of people before the class.



In November they are offering a class on how to use fabric panels. Students may pick out a design from the book by GE Designs, *Panel Mash Up!*

They will offer a rug making class (15" X 22" inches) in November. They are washable and can be made in any color.

Nov. 21-22 are free sewing days. They will be giving thanks and throwing a turkey party. This sounds so fun!!!

Please give the store a call for more information, and details on all of these fun events **307-746-3116**.

See Deanna's **Blue Bike Quilt Studio** Facebook page and check their website www.bluebikequiltstudio.com. They list classes, including a scrap buster class. They have a lot of new fabric coming in. Check them out. You may sign up for the newsletter on the home page.

Sew Sisters Quilt Shop in Buffalo is planning lots of upcoming classes. A two-day Quilt in a Day class (Eleanor Burns), teaching a method to make a log cabin quilt, was offered Sept. 16-17, 1. The class was \$20.00. The *Make a Quilt in a Day* book is available for \$26.95.



There will be a class on Pocket Stockings.

There will be a quilted sneaker class Oct. 14-15, 10:00-4:30 p.m. They recommend that you go into the shop to see

samples and try on some sneakers, for the right fit. The class is \$20.00. The kit is \$85.00.



On Nov. 18-19 10:00-4:30 p.m., Sherry will teach a cozy quilted hoodie. Fall is almost here time to think of items to keep you warm. The class is \$20.00. There is a \$21.00 pattern fee.



After the first of the year Sherry will be teaching the Bella Paper pieced jacket. They are offering 15% off Supplies for this class.



Please call 307-217-2442 for more information, and to sign up for all of the classes.

The first Sheridan NE307 retreat held in August. It was a big success with 55 people attending. We will see if we can make this happen again next year, with even more people attending. There is space for more.



We are starting to work on the next Newcastle retreat in early 2027. The room will hold 40 people. After the details are ironed out, Kristi and I will be sending out the information.

Your Northeastern Directors,

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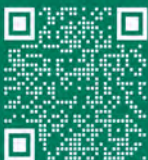
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REGIONAL NEWS



Southwest Susie Hermansen Kayleen Logan

Greetings from the Southwest region. Kayleen and I attended the **Never Sweat Needlers Dubois Quilt Festival** in Dubois in August. The quilts were awesome, as usual. Compliments to the committee hosting the show.

I traveled to Thayne and visited **Beyond Bolts**. I was so impressed by the variety and sample quilts. If you have the chance, check out their store.

Here are some happenings in our region:

BEst Kind Embroidery & Quilt Shop in Evanston is offered a Vintage Windmill class on Sept. 19th. They are also hosting a fall retreat on Oct. 22nd and 29th. There are a few spots available.

Valley Fabric Shop in Lyman had a Thread Painting class on Sept. 16th, a quilted shoe class on Sept. 25th and will have a Kinusaiga class on Oct. 24th.

A sewing machine repairman will be at **A Little Country Character** in Green River Sept. 24-25. Machines will need to be dropped off by Sept. 23. The cost starts at \$80 for basic service.

The Hunters Widow Retreat will be Oct. 23-24 at the Hampton Inn in Green River. Contact Nena James for more information.

Rock Springs - Ever since Donna Toly saw a beautiful display of barn blocks in Custer, SD, in 2021, it was her dream to do this in Rock Springs. That dream became a true community effort.

Thirteen members of the Sweetwater County Quilt

Guild, along with twelve family members and friends, volunteered a combined total of 278 hours to create the barn blocks.

The project was sponsored by the Urban Renewal Association, with additional support from the Quilting on the Green Committee, which donated approximately \$150.00 in supplies, including yardsticks, rulers, paint, sponge brushes, X-Acto knives, and other materials needed to complete the project.

Donna is deeply grateful for the time, talent, and generosity of everyone who helped transform this vision into a lasting work of community art. Their dedication has added beauty and creativity to downtown Rock Springs for all to enjoy.

We had an organizational meeting for **Quilt Wyoming 2030** on Sept. 8th. We appointed committee members, discussed a theme, and featured instructors and the opportunity quilt design.

As summer ends, and the air temperature changes to fall, the fall colors encourage us to re-explore quilting projects, finish projects and become creative for the holiday season.

If you are aware of events, we would appreciate a quick email so we can include it in our Patchwords article.

*Susie Hermansen
Kayleen Logan*



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**Central
Tammy Day
Chris Mevissen**

The **Working4Warriors Quilt of Valor** group has been hard at work, cutting a total of 160 blocks for attendees at the TheSiberianWind Quilt Retreat held Sept. 9-13, to sew and help create more quilts for our veterans.

The TheSiberianWind Quilt Retreat is in its inaugural year in Casper. The retreat drew 37 participants from across the country, including Maine, Rhode Island, Louisiana, Washington, and many other states (including at least a half dozen Wyoming quilters). Next year's dates will be announced soon. Seats will be available on a first-come, first-served basis.

For those local to the Casper area, **Prism Quilt & Sew** would like to invite you to join their very active "Open Sew" every Monday and Tuesday. There is no cost to bring your projects, meet other quilters and 'get 'em done! Call the store at 307-234-4841, with questions!

Wyoming Star Quilt Guild in Riverton enjoyed fellowship during their annual July picnic. It was moved indoors due to the extreme heat. Several members displayed their beautiful quilts during the Fremont County Fair. Lynada Roberts won 1st place in Level 1, and was awarded \$100.00.

Pat Horton won 1st place in Level 2, winning \$100.00 with her Pineapple wall hanging.

There was a lot of talent displayed at the fair this year. Congratulations to all who entered!



Made by Lynada Roberts



Made by Pat Horton



Lea Delay

Members are participating in an UFO Challenge to be completed by April 2027. Projects in progress were shared. One member, Lea Delay, completed her table runner.

Carole-Anne Hopkins also shared completed blocks for a future quilt.

Plans are underway to celebrate the guild's 40th anniversary during their annual quilt fest, at the end of



Carole-Anne

February 2027. A raffle quilt is being planned, and will be stitched by members.

The guild continues to sponsor monthly sew days in Riverton and Shoshoni. Meetings are held the first Monday of the month at 6:00 p.m. at the Reach Clubhouse, with fellowship one hour prior (5:00 p.m.) to visit, observe demonstrations, and share a light meal.



Never Sweat Needlers
Raffle Quilt

The Never Sweat Needlers had a great quilt show Aug. 7-9. Guild member, Kathy Barr won the raffle quilt, made by Bernadette Beaslin. It will be cherished.

The guild is planning projects for the upcoming quilt retreat, the first weekend in October. Many fun projects and activities are planned.

Popo Agie Quilters held their annual Quilt show Sept. 19-20. This year the opportunity quilt proceeds will go to Sleep in Heavenly Peace. They have started monthly sew days on the first Saturday 10:00-3:00 p.m. and third Wednesday 10:00-3:00 p.m., at the Fremont County Library. Their meetings are on the third Monday of every month at the Episcopal Church at 6:30 pm.

Dubois and Casper are closer than ever as Chris Mevissen and Tammy Day are working to learn their roles as Central Region Directors. We're both very excited to bring more awareness to the vast region we call home!



Tammy and Chris

**Tammy Day
Chris Mevissen**



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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

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REGIONAL NEWS



Roberta Oliver



Cyndy Jahn-Thomas

Northwest

Fall will soon be upon us, with cooler and shorter days. It's that time when quilters can finish those yard and garden chores, and resume or increase time spent quilting.

Paintbrush Piecers' July meeting was well attended with fun show and tell, including projects that were started, and even finished! at QW in Powell. For the program, Alice Flyr demonstrated the picture piecing techniques she learned in Cynthia England's class. Cyndy did a quick demo that Karla Alexander showed to



students in all of her classes, which Karla calls her "reveal method." The heart is an example of a small finished piece that Cyndy made.



They met on Aug. 24, at Cody's Senior Center. We started with an ice cream social, which was delicious. Then rolled over into the meeting with show and tell from several members of their State Fair submissions, along with students that participated in the Summer Quilt Camp held at the Cody Middle School. Projects from the Hawaiian Quilting, taught by Cissy Serrao and Raelene Correia of Poakalani & Co, were

The weekend of Aug. 22-23, 12 quilters learned Poakalani Hawaiian Quilting from two Hawaiian masters. Colleen Holmes, a PPQG member who arranged for this class, provided great lunches. It was a fantastic two days!

also shown off, with a rave review of the class. Once regular business was finished, Jan Just demonstrated techniques learned at Quilt Wyoming this summer.



The Chatelaine Quilt Guild in Meeteetse meets the 2nd Thursday of the month, at St Andrew's Parish Hall, at 5:30 p.m. Quilt Wyoming took the place of our July meeting, with those members not attending QW, to come to one of the evening programs.

In August Michelle Quick shared her method for applique.



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Everyone received a kit, complete with threaded needles and applique pieces to try. During our show and tell, projects from previous meetings were shared, along with two tops from the mystery quilt we did as a guild this past winter with very different colorways, both beautiful. Our group is starting another raffle quilt. This one is going to Downrange Warriors. You can learn more about this group from their website, www.downrangewarriors.org. As quilters, we are always looking for how we can give back.



attended. The Loose Threads group also meets on the 4th Saturday of the month at the Senior Center for open sew/ Sew Saturday. Everyone is welcome to join them.



Loose Threads in Greybull, meets the 3rd Monday of the month at the Senior Center at 7:00 p.m. The group, with short notice, put together the quilt show at the Big Horn County Fair in Basin, the beginning of August. Mary Lou Doyle (this year's Golden Thimble recipient) spearheaded this endeavor. The show received rave reviews from those who



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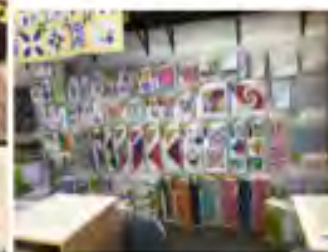
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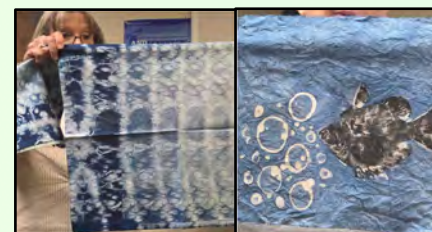
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Cottonwood Quilters in Worland had their annual BBQ in August. Besides lots of good food, it was the reveal for the Crayon Challenge. In February, those participating, selected three crayons, and had to use two of the three colors in a preselected pattern. Everyone was to use the same pattern. This resulted in a variety of quilts, with the different color combinations. The group's July meeting was right after the Washakie County Fair, so a recap of the fair, and the large number of quilts that were entered was front and center. The evening's program was a very versatile pattern, which was shared. This group meets on the 4th Monday at 7:00 p.m. in the Washakie County Extension meeting room.



Cottonwood Quilters
Mystery Quilt
(pictured right)

The Textile Artists of Greater Yellowstone (TAGY) usually meet in Cody. For the August meeting however, they had an outing to Red Lodge, MT, where they first viewed the fiber art show of member Marie Shirley-Jones. Next, they traveled to Marie's home in Red Lodge, where they learned Indigo Dyeing. Fortunately it was a lovely day!



Another TAGY member and her friends taught Hawaiian quilting in July.



The Northwest region would like to extend their thoughts and prayers to our director, Cyndy Jahn-Thomas, whose son was injured in a motorcycle accident, and sustained a spinal cord injury. She has been in Denver extensively to support and help him. We are thinking of you Cyndy.

Roberta Oliver for Cyndy Jahn-Thomas



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