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National Instructor Jean Impey - Quilt Wyoming 2027 - July 15-18, 2027



Jean Impey is a Southern California textile artist, quilter, teacher, and speaker known for fearless color, playful storytelling, and a delightfully unconventional approach to quilt making. Her creative life has always crossed boundaries—from painting and photography to sewing, embroidery, ceramics, and gardening—but fabric remains her favorite language.

Jean believes creativity grows when we stop worrying about getting it "right." In her workshops, students are encouraged to experiment, trust their instincts, and create work that feels unmistakably their own. Her signature classes include Reckless & Raw Edge Appliqué and Fabulous Face Portraits, both designed to build skills without sacrificing spontaneity.

A Hoffman Fabrics Ambassador and curator of the Hoffman Challenge since 2016, Jean has appeared on Quilting Arts TV and been featured in Quilting Arts Magazine, including the June/July 2019 cover. She has taught at renowned events including the Houston International Quilt Show, Empty Spools Seminars, and Madeline Island School of the Arts. Her artwork also appears in public collections at UCI Medical, Kaiser Permanente, CHOC, and the Naval Hospital at Camp Pendleton.

When asked about risk taking during her SHOUTOUT SOCAL interview (Mar. 2025), she responded: I embrace risk as an essential part of my creative process. For me, risk-taking in art isn't about recklessness—it's about pushing boundaries, trusting intuition, and allowing creativity to flow without fear of failure. Every quilt I design and every piece of art I create is a risk. Can I make what I see in my mind? Will the fabric, color, and texture come together the way I envision? The reality is that not everything turns out as planned, but that's part of the journey. One of the biggest risks I take is letting go of perfection. Traditional quilting often follows strict rules, but I challenge those conventions with techniques like Reckless and Raw Edge Appliqué and Fabulous Face Portraits, where spontaneity and imperfection are embraced. These methods require me—and my students—to trust the process rather than control every detail, which can be both liberating and intimidating. But in the end, the results are more authentic and fuller life. I want to inspire others to embrace their own creative journeys—to take risks, break



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WELCOME NEW AND RETURNING MEMBERS!

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RETURNING MEMBERS (Members joining after a break in membership):
Central: Vicki Primrose; **Northeast:** Sandy Cook, Julie Ricci; **Southwest:** Roberta Avery

Region	Nov. 2, 2026
Central	147
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Southeast	156
Southwest	90
Out-of-State	47
	TOTAL: 773

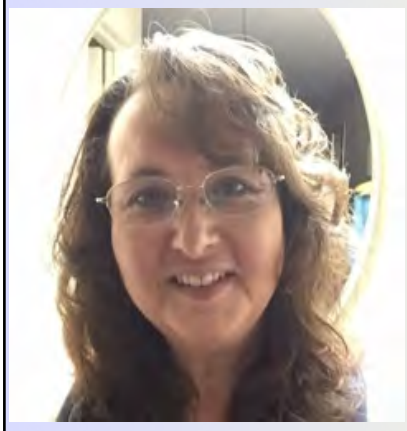
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Sondra Nelson, **Membership Director - email:** ***WSQGmembership@yahoo.com***

Articles for the February-March 2027 issue of *Patchwords*
are due by January 10, 2026 - *info@wsqg.org*

President's Corner



Hello all,

The holiday season is right around the corner. Many of you are working feverishly to get you holiday gifts done and planning for holiday get togethers.

With weather getting colder soon, indoor activities are on the top of the list, include some quality sewing time.

Remember loved ones and friends this holiday season.

Happy Holidays

Julie Haptonstall



Quilt Wyoming 2027 is now accepting applications for local teachers.
Due December 15, 2026

Notices have been sent out to those on the Teacher's List. If you would like to receive information to teach, contact
Lyn Bennet *lynsbennet@gmail.com*

Wyoming State Quilt Guild 2027 Membership Application

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

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- ☐ **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.

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A WSQG member is one whose current dues are paid. The website password will be included with the Welcome Letter.

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Quilting on the Green is pleased to announce
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National instructor Rob Appell!

Ron is a California-based quilt artist, designer and educator.
He is known for his energetic teaching style,
and machine-quilted art quilts. He is the host for the
Man Sewing YouTube channel for
Missouri Star Quilt Company.
He will be teaching two classes, and presenting the Trunk
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rules, and find joy in the process. Risk is the bridge between what's comfortable and what's possible. Every time I start something new; I remind myself that if it feels a little scary, it probably means I'm growing as an artist. One of the biggest lessons I've learned is that creativity thrives on risk. Every piece I create is a leap of faith. Designing quilts and artwork means trusting that the vision in my mind can come to life. Sometimes, things don't turn out as planned—but I've learned that every "mistake" is an opportunity. The key is knowing which pieces to embrace and which to let go. The same applies to life and business.

Teaching The Magic of Fabulous Faces has been especially rewarding. This workshop has empowered artists to create and share their own stories through fabric. Some pieces reflect personal experiences, others capture a personality or memory, but all of them help students express themselves in new and meaningful ways. It's an incredibly fulfilling experience to see students find their artistic voice and bring their own stories to life through fabric.









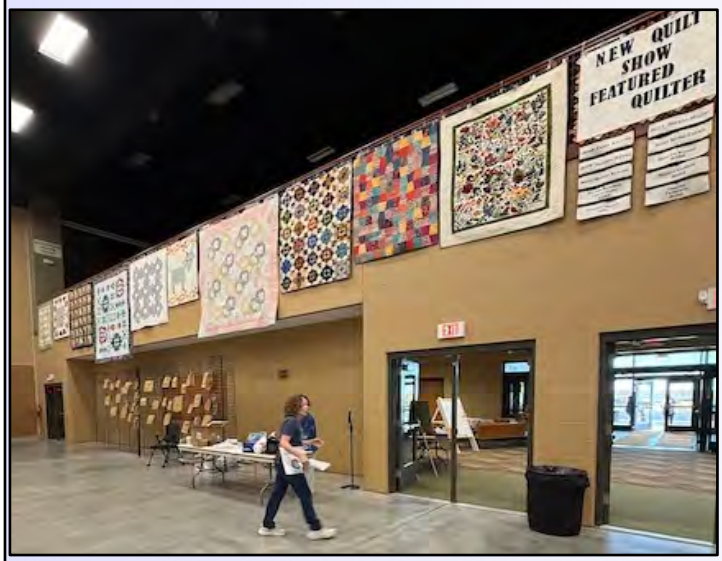
This technique, which I first developed and later taught alongside my dear friend Freddy Moran, has allowed me to merge fabric, storytelling, and emotion in a unique way. My Etsy shop, www.etsy.com/shop/FreddyAndJean, features these quilted portraits, each individually named and accompanied by a short story that brings it to life. The stories add another layer of connection, transforming each piece into something more than fabric and thread—it becomes a character, a moment, or a feeling. ***Jean Impey***

Featured Quilter Dee Dee Peterson - Gillette, WY



"Where do you store all of these quilts?" That's the most-asked question I received at the NEWyoming Quilt Show held in October. I was the featured quilter for 2026.

Friends helped me pick quilts, runners, bags, and other items to show from all the storage areas in my house (150 of them!). I felt like a quilt hoarder!

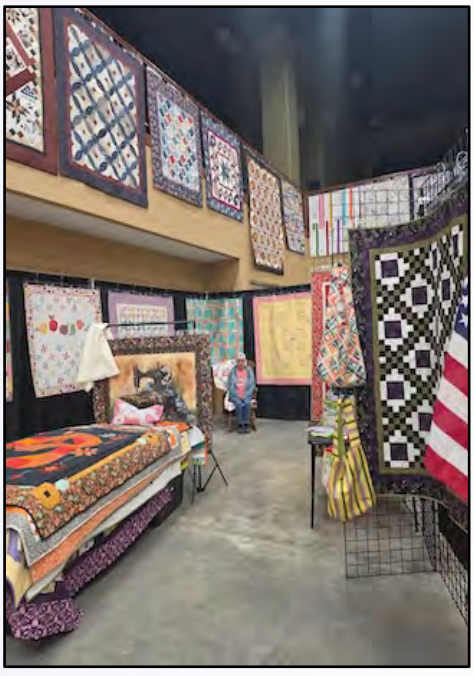


In the early 1980's my addiction to sewing/quilting began. It started with sewing clothes, then baby quilts for our baby. A friend helped me get started, and I haven't stopped since. My love of fabric started with those baby quilts and has grown ever since. My other downfall is that I love to shop, which requires lots of road trips to quilt stores with new fabric finds, or maybe a new notion, pattern, or books. Those are another downfall.

Through the years, I have had other hobbies. I also did tole painting and cut wooden shapes to paint. I enjoyed counted cross stitch and hardanger. I taught classes and enjoyed the friendships I have made through the years with these people.



When Quilt Nook in Gillette was open, I also taught quilting there. I like to encourage people to try new techniques or a pattern and enjoy the process of the pieces coming together. Skills come with practice, and after all these years, I am still gaining new skills. I like to try all the different techniques that quilting has to offer. Some have stuck with me, and others I decided weren't for me. Arthritis in my fingers has stopped needle-turn appliqué, but I still do wool appliqué, just not often.



Travel/driving and shopping is a lifelong hobby. With friends, I have traveled many, many miles to quilt shows and stores. I always carried "the bible" of quilt store locations in the car. Using paper maps and our book, we could find any quilt store. Every store had a new fabric or gadget that I thought I needed. On one trip to Missouri Star and Kansas City Quilt Show with three

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Featured Quilter Dee Dee Peterson

friends, we loaded the car with so many fun things. Another trip took friends and me to Spokane's quilt show, only to find out it was cancelled after we got there! Now, Google and phones helped us find our way to many stores for our own made-up quilt show.



When at home, I spend days cutting and sewing all these wonderful things I have found. I get told that I sew fast. I do, but still enjoy the process. A few years ago, I bought a longarm without stitch regulation or a computer. All the years of quilting on a domestic machine made it a challenge to switch to holding onto the handles of the machine. All the tops made throughout the years have given me lots of practice. I do simple designs for a completed quilt. I need to push myself to try harder things, but seem to fall back on my go-to designs. It is a challenge for me to try new designs. These quilts are given to my family, and many have been donated through the years. I still have many left for display and use. I change them out for the different seasons and enjoy seeing how my quilting style has changed.

So, the question is still there. Where do you store all these quilts? Closets and beds are full of quilts; there is always something new to try.

Enjoy your quilting endeavors!

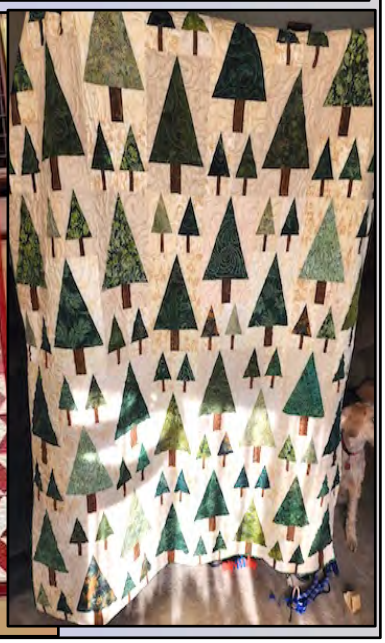
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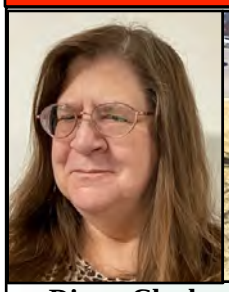
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SE Region Retreat

The WSQG's Southeast Region October 2026 retreat met at Laramie County Community College with 46 attendees. There was great fellowship, good snacks, a fun and packed unwanted items table, excellent food and equally great door prizes. Several quilters actually finished projects and many projects had a good start.





CHQ Color Program by Barb Vader

Cheyenne Heritage Quilter's (CHQ) October monthly program, a fun program using solid colors for quilts, was presented by Barb Vader. She showed how limited color quilts can be dynamic. with just small splashes of a third or fourth solid color. Barb also gave a lesson on sold color combinations.

CHQ hosted a bargello quilt workshop on Oct. 17, with Robin Dempsey teaching, the class had 15 participants and was free.



Rachel Miller Journey Back Quilts

CHQ's November monthly meeting hosted Rachel Miller from Journey Back Quilts, it was a lively program, Rachel has a lot of energy. We learned about her journey with quilting and tips and tricks to keep us on track.

CHQ will be hosting a UFO quilt retreat Jan. 21-23, at Laramie County Community College (Wyoming State College). This quilt retreat is open to CHQ members first then anyone else. The cost is $90, and includes five meals and all the electricity you need. Contact Kate at *kischaumann@gmail.com* or Vicki at *Sisterbear4@gmail.com* for more information.

CHQ members were advised that the "Make-it-with Wool" contest entries are open to anyone and any project made with wool, including quilts, knitted and crocheted garments. Contact Kelly at *kellybarlow@yahoo.com* or *makeitwithwool.com* for more information.

CHQ membership has reached 125 members. For more information on Cheyenne Heritage Quilters see their website at *www.chquilters.org*.

Encampment/Saratoga Quilters, will be hosting their winter quilt retreat Jan. 22-23, 2027. They will be making a "Snowman at Home" mini quilt that combines both traditional piecing and paper piecing.





The Cheyenne Sewing Club meeting displayed various quilt projects, and a trunk show of doll cloths created by Elaina S., who uses various materials found and bought to make amazing garments for dolls. Elaina estimates she has made about 100 handcrafted doll outfits since she started. Most dolls she works with are 18". She explained general doll care, including hair and general construction. Elaina gave a brief history of the American Dolls which was started in 1986 by the Pleasant Company, and later sold to Mattel. The Sewing Club meets at the Sewing Center of Cheyenne. For more information contact Cynthia Porter at *cynthiamporter@gmail.com.*


Quilts Along the Platte brings quilters together in Torrington

The Goshen County Quilt Guild, (GCQG) hosted their annual *Quilts Along the Platte* Quilt Show, with a 150 quilts entered and estimated 500 visitors at their event. In a strong show

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of support Brenna Ralston from the Torrington Telegram wrote up a great article (PR) on GCQG and their quilt show.



GCQG Annual Quilt Retreat - Scottsbluff, NE

GCQG held their annual quilt retreat at the Scottsbluff YMCA Trails West facility on Oct. 30-Nov. 1. Twenty-six members filled the lodge. There was plenty of UFO's, good food, door prizes, fellowship, and fun with Halloween costumes.

GCQG has a quarterly UFO challenge starting in October, running from October-December. A $5.00 donation is required to join the challenge, along with declaring what project will be finished.

A Sew-A-Long is planned for the *Fresh Grapes* pattern, designed by Scott Flanagan, and will start in November. This is open to all guild members, and will start at the November meeting. This is a jelly-roll-friendly project and skill builder, as well. Plans are underway for the Christmas party.

The officers are Denise Curtis, President, Sharon Mahnke,Vice President, Rebecca Dow, Secretary, Lusetta Dietz, Treasurer, and 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*.

The Laramie Art Quilters Guild is starting the planning process for their 2027 Art Quilt Show. A venue and tentative dates of Aug. 21-23 have been picked. Member Harper Pachel will be defending her Masters with *Quilting and Curating in Community* on Nov. 13, at UW. The Art Quilters meets the third Saturday of the month at the Albany County Fairgrounds. For more information: *www.laramieartquilters.blogspot.com/2026/08/?m=0* .

Catherine Wissner & Diana Clark

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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

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kandidavis322@charter.net
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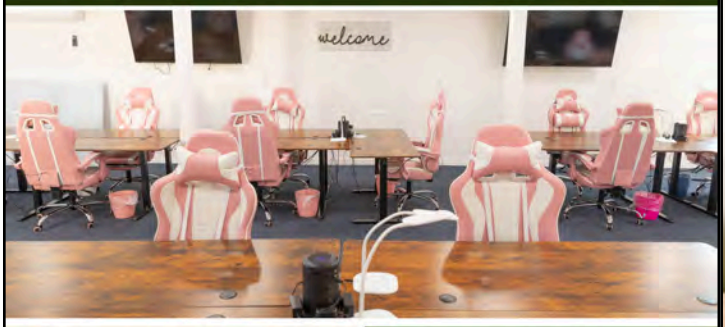
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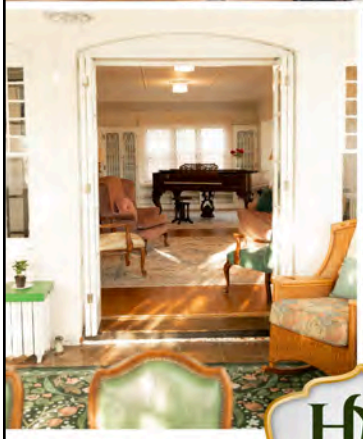
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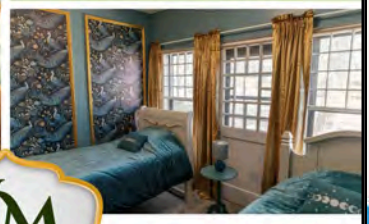


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REGIONAL NEWS









Southwest
Susie Hermansen
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It has been a beautiful fall! The holidays are quickly approaching!

The **Sweetwater County Quilt Guild** met on Sep. 24th. The program on embellishments was presented by Barb Walker. She explained three ways of discharge dyeing, and then using glitter to embellish. She gave everyone two pieces of fabric. One with autumn leaves and the other with a pumpkin. We used fabric glue and glitter to embellish them. After the glue dries, you bake the fabric in the oven to set the glitter in the glue.











The **Sweetwater County Quilt Guild** met on Oct. 22. The UFO's were due. Most everyone had completed their UFO and selected another one to complete. The members made placemats for the Green River Meals on Wheels program through the Senior Center. Donna Toly made placemats for the Rock Springs Senior Center Meals on Wheels.







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The **Hunters Widow Retreat** was held Oct. 23-24. Iris Jasperson taught, using the Sew Kind of Wonderful rulers. Each person chose the pattern and ruler they wanted to use. Goodie bags and door prizes were given out.

Quilting on the Green is announcing the featured instructor for their event June 4-5, 2027. It is Rob Appell, a national instructor. He is a California-based quilt artist, designer and educator, known for his energetic teaching style, and machine-quilted art quilts. He is the host for the ***Man Sewing*** YouTube channel for Missouri Star Quilt Company. He will be teaching two classes and presenting the Trunk Show Friday evening.

There will be a joint retreat between Sweetwater County Quilt Guild and Quilting on the Green on Mar. 6, 2027. Rachel Miller from Journey Back Quilts will be teaching a Foundation Paper Piecing class.

Quilt WY 2030 has several committees working on national instructors, the opportunity quilt, and other fantastic ideas. Carol Bryant contacted the college and got us on their calendar for July 14-18, 2030. We will have another meeting in late January. We appreciate everyone's support.

BEst KIND Embroidery and Quilt Shop - Dorie and T'ea Cox held their semiannual retreats in October. The theme for the retreats was Hoe Down in the Barnyard. The first session held the week before Halloween was attended by 24 people, with participants coming from Idaho, Nevada, Utah and Wyoming. The first bunch have retreated together for many years. The second group was attended by 23 people, with participants coming from Idaho, Nevada and locally. The second session saw seven new faces! On top of sewing to our hearts content, we also participated in our PPS (Project Procrastinators Society) group where we learned to make BIG bows. Great fun was had by all. Registration is open for the April 2027 retreats. Contact BEst Kind for more info. On Dec. 10th they are having an Indygo Junction Grids and Grommets class.











Valley Fabric Shop will be having their New Year's sale on Dec. 28th to 31st, 20% off ½ yard or more of bolted fabric and 50% off remnants.

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NORTHEAST

Kristi Smith
Robin Wacker





As the winds blows away the colors of fall, so we also put those colors of fabric away. We bring out the winter fabric in colors of red, green and gold. Hopefully we have all those Christmas projects almost completed, if not done.

The Strawberry Patch Quilt Store has a few things going on you should know about. They are going to be doing Christmas Facebook Lives and selling discounted fabric. Make sure to ***like*** their Facebook page to see this. Who doesn't like sale fabric?! They are going to be hosting a mystery quilt, but with a twist. You will need a partner. You and your partner will make the quilt. There are points along the way, adding up to a grand prize at the end. The date for this is May 14th, 15th and 16th 2027.



The Strawberry Patch hosted trick-or-treaters on Halloween and did a live unboxing in their costumes.

Blue Bike Quilt Studio has a lot of classes scheduled. Please see their newsletter for more information or call the store.

Sew Sisters Quilt Shop will be doing a pot holder class Dec. 3rd from 10:00- 4:00 p.m. The cost for the class is $25.00. This includes class fee, pattern and enough material for two potholders.



It looks like people had a good time with the tennis shoe class.

Buffalo Quilting Gals have had a busy fall with meeting, attending the NEW Show, retreats, and several members helping on the QW27 steering committee. They enjoyed some Disappearing Block Magic with Deb Kipp in October.





Loose Threads, a mini group of BQG, has been meeting to sew together on Thursdays informally, at Buffalo Senior Center for 20 years. They recently displayed fiber arts of all kinds there.



As your directors, we are getting ready to host a quilt retreat at Newcastle. The dates are Feb. 21st, 22nd, 23rd, 24th and half day on the 25th. Josy Daniel will be teaching Triangle Pizazz Class on Sunday evening from 5:00-8:00 p.m. The class will be $25.00, plus supplies. You will need to fill out that part on the registration sheet, and mail it and money to Josy, if you want to take the class. Registration information will be coming out soon. We will have Virginia send it by email, so watch for it.

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Central
Tammy Day
Chris Mevissen

Hello from the central region!

As Autumn is upon us, we have “sew” many projects to take us into winter to keep busy in the long months. The Riverton Rendezvous retreat was a lot of fun. Many of us finished projects. A great many projects were started.

The Never Sweat Needlers in Dubois had a fun and productive retreat in October.

We hope you too have a lot of projects lined up for the winter months and are planning a thankful time with family and friends during the upcoming holiday season.

Wyoming Star Quilt Guild members are planning their annual quilt show this year, celebrating their 40th anniversary. This year's quilt show will be held in Riverton at the Fremont Center at the fairgrounds, on February 26th, 27th and 28th. There will be vendors and demonstrations throughout the show. Members are working on a raffle quilt to continue our efforts to promote the art of quilting in our community. Founding members include Pat Ward, Donnabelle Leonhardt and Cynthia Griewahn.



Members are quilting coffee-themed blocks for this year's president's quilt. They are being presented at meetings as they are completed.



Show and tell is the highlight at meetings as members share their quilting expertise. Ann Day shares her large quilted bow completed at a recent class held at Heritage Quilts. Beautiful work!



Plans are underway for a quilt retreat to be held May 1st at the Heritage Hall in Riverton for up to 30 guild members and guests. Sew days continue to be sponsored in Riverton and Shoshoni. Meetings are held the first Monday of the month at the Reach Clubhouse with fellowship at 5:00 p.m. and meetings at 6:00 p.m.



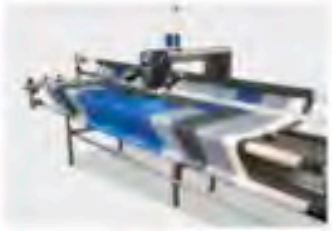
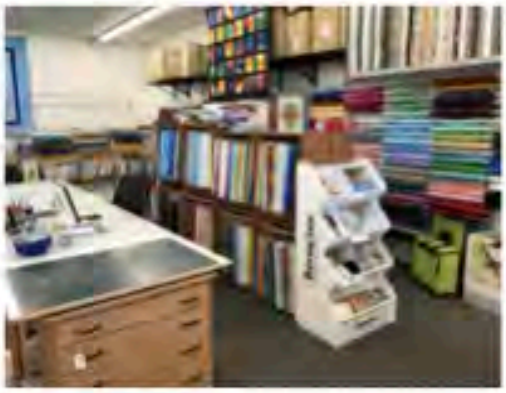
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Tammy Day & Chris Mevissen

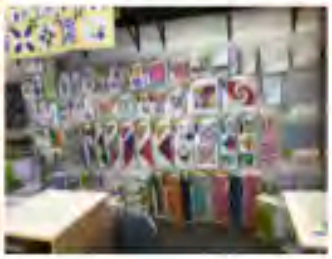
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WSQG helped to fund four Quilt Camps that took place in Cody, Jackson, Wright and Bighorn County in 2026. We are excited WSQG members are sharing their talents and teaching to introduce youth and adults to quilting.

Pictures in this newsletter are from Wright, Jackson and Cody. See the photos in the August/September Patchwords (NW Regional News) for pictures of Quilts of Valor that were presented by Cody Middle School Quilters, and the October/November issue for a write-up by Chris Wolf about the very successful Cody Middle School quilt camp summer program.

There are additional quilt camps for kids that have been held in Wyoming by WSQG members. We are happy to display pictures of their beautiful projects, when they are available!

Buffalo Quilting Gals in Buffalo, WY, held a quilt camp in June. WSQG funding was not requested. A photo is shown below.

Quilt Camp applications for 2027 will be accepted beginning January 1, 2027.

Please contact me if you have questions about WSQG Quilt Camp funding.

Jean Schroeder
WSQG Director at Large
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June 2026 (WSQG funds not requested)
Buffalo Quilting Gals - Buffalo, WY







Bobbie Benge & Sheri Bothwell
Wright, WY

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WSQG Quilt Camps 2026

Thanks to your generous approval of the camp funds, we now have new quilters in Jackson!

We held a jelly roll race camp at the library to celebrate the National Jelly Roll Day. By the end of the camp, all participants had their machines on high speed and felt VERY confident sewing with 1/4-inch seam allowance. They all agreed that quilting is a great therapeutic hobby for those who don't ski :) and already asked for more classes in the future.

Our library generously provided fabric donation and WSQG funds were used to buy quilting-specific supplies. More quilting magic will be happening there in the future.

On behalf of our community - a huge thank you!

Tatyana Ramella











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REGIONAL NEWS



Cyndy Jahn-Thomas

Northwest

Hello from Denver (??) for the Northwest Region of Wyoming! I trust all, or most of you are working on fabulous quilt projects, for family, friends, Christmas, and for yourself. Quilting is my personal way to unwind, become rejuvenated and be creative. The quilting groups in our region are busy!

Chatelaine Quilt Guild in Meeteetse has been focused on the donation quilt we are making for the Down Range Warriors program. Our September meeting had us finishing kits for the quilt blocks for members to take home. We put the blocks into the quilt top at our November meeting. October was game time for the guild -- *Quilter's Feud* (Quilters' Family Feud), Quilting Tool Memory and Quilting Acronym Bingo. We will also be starting a couple of individual projects/ challenges for the coming year -- a block of the month where a different member presents a block each month to be incorporated into a sampler quilt; the crayon challenge -- each person selects three crayons and has to use those colors in a quilt pattern that the group voted on in October. We will be taking a break in December but will be back on track with programs and projects in the coming year.

Paintbrush Piecers meets at the Cody Senior Center the fourth Thursday of each month. We started our "winter time" of 5:30 p.m., and for the months of November and December only, we will meet the third Thursday. Recent programs have focused on Creative Grid rulers and batting choices and purposes. The presentation of a new challenge project for guild members was well received. The challenge is called *Pantry Packaging Project*. Each participating member randomly selected a package or photo of a pantry item. Using only the colors found on the package, we are to create a wall hanging 24" x 14". These completed quilts (embellishments encouraged) will be hung at the Cody Senior Center where the seniors will vote for viewers' choice with prizes to be awarded for the top three.

Loose Threads Quilt Club of Greybull meets at 7:00 p.m. on the third Monday of the month at the Greybull Senior Center. We welcomed a new member in October. Jessie Mickelson has moved to Greybull. She is a long arm quilter who specializes in T-shirt quilts and memory quilts. Jessie showed up at our Threads meeting and brought some spectacular show and tell!

As we get ready for winter and hopefully have more inside time to quilt, we are planning a challenge project. It will involve people drawing colors and using those colors in the small wall hanging block pattern. (sound familiar?). Everyone will be doing the same pattern, but using different colors. The goal is to have a fun group of challenge quilts for our show next summer.

Loose Threads is focused on putting together a quilt show, in conjunction with the Bighorn County Fair, which is at the end of July and beginning of August. Loose Threads also has a Saturday Sew on the fourth Saturday of the month. It's one day a month. Anyone can bring their own project to the Greybull Senior Center and sew with friends for the day starting at 9:30 a.m. There is plenty of space, with good lighting. It is always fun to see what everyone is working on.

Due to the holidays. there will not be a Saturday sew the fourth Saturday in November or December. Those Saturday dates are important times to spend with family during Thanksgiving and Christmas weekends. The 23rd of January 2027, will be our first Saturday Sew in the new year, and everyone is invited!

The TAGY (Textile Artists of Greater Yellowstone) met in October with many interesting show and tell art projects. Some included indigo dyeing - from last month's program, Vanda's Gecko Quilt beginning, fabric greeting cards by Pam Harris and artful designs by Lili Turnell. In addition, Jeanne Knudsen gave a presentation on the origins of TAGY, which started in 2007! Jeanne and Kathy Lichtendahl started the group in an effort to bring fiber artists and art quilt artists together.

I continue to live in the Denver area, helping my son adjust to his new life path. I've visited a few quilt stores here, with more on my list. I hope to find a quilting/sewing group that I can attend on a regular basis, while I am here. It does not make up for my quilting and quilt artist friends in the Bighorn Basin, and throughout Wyoming. I am hoping to be back in Wyoming and be more involved fairly soon, but family comes first at this time. I appreciate the support from my quilting friends, more than you know!

Happy quilting and happy holidays!

Cyndy JahnThomas

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