

Washington State Quilters

Stitch 'n Time

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General Membership Meetings

Thursday, January 23
1:00 PM or 6:00 PM

CenterPlace
2426 N. Discovery Place
Spokane Valley, WA

Workshops

Quilt-As-You-Go
Friday, January 24
9:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Seminole Patchwork
Saturday, January 25
9:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Quilting Bees

Monday, January 13, 2025
Friday, February 7, 2025

Yard Sale

March 22, 2025

WSQ Quilt Show

October 17-19, 2025

WSQ Presents Kristin Echols

Kristin started her quilting journey by making a baby quilt for her best friend's first baby using her maid-of-honor bridesmaid dress from her friend's wedding using "Your First Quilt Book" by Carol Doak. From there she was off, taking classes, buying a new sewing machine, getting to know the ladies at her local quilt shop and, after making several quilts, starting to teach classes.



She hasn't stopped since. After 23 years Kristin retired from the County of Sacramento as a "computer geek". She now resides on 18 beautiful acres in Worley, Idaho, and does freelance web design and teaches quilting throughout the United States. We are happy to count Kristin as one of our WSQ members. We are thrilled she has agreed to share her talents with us.

At our Jan 23, 2025 1:00 pm general membership meeting, Kristin will entertain us with her trunk show, "A Lesson in Every Quilt". She'll show over 40 of her quilts, describing the lessons learned in making each quilt. Over half the quilts were made using the Quilt-As-You-Go method. The remaining quilts show other techniques she has tried over the years. Kristin will also include the ugliest quilt she's ever made!

For the 6pm, January 23, meeting, Kristin will be sharing her Seminole Patchwork lecture on the history of the Seminole Indians and their vibrant patchwork technique. We'll explore their method for using strips of fabric to create intricate designs. Kristin will show some of her Seminole quilts as well as those her students have made.

Be sure to hear BOTH lectures by joining us at Center Place in Spokane Valley for both meetings.



President's Message

Happy New Year to the Washington State Quilting Family! I hope 2025 brings you more joy in your creative endeavors and more friendship with fellow quilters. I've been enjoying returning to my fabric stock and finding old favorites from years past. I enjoy remembering the plans I had when I first purchased the materials and pulling them out and into the assembly line. Color, patterns and combining them for a beautiful result is very satisfying.

Our upcoming General Membership Meeting is on January 23, 2025. We will be meeting at 1pm & 6pm. Kristin Echols will be presenting different lectures for each meeting. You are encouraged to attend both. I really enjoy the lectures and visiting with fellow members.

I'd like to thank Sheri Woehrl and Jan Benshoof for taking on the job of Quilt Show Chairs. They will be leading the team to present our WSQ Show on October 17-19, 2025. They are putting a team together to get the ball rolling and tackle the tasks to make our show a great one again. Please consider volunteering to help them during this process. You may be able to do a few things, or many things, but all help will be gladly accepted.

Please keep in mind we will have our WSQ Yard Sale event this spring. Start gathering your items and clear out some space. There will be more information announcing the event coming soon.

Also, I am looking forward to our annual Shop Hop. There have been some changes to the shop hop that you'll hear about soon.

WSQ is looking for someone to take over our Social Media position. This can be a team, partnership, or individual. It is VERY important to post events on our social media platforms. This is one way that we meet our mission of reaching our members and community about WSQ events and promoting quilting. Please consider this position, and contact me about helping with it.

Our Quilting Bees also need a person who will schedule the quilting bees at local libraries. We'd like to have events monthly on the first weekend of the month. Are YOU someone who will make these arrangements? Are you the ONE who can be the hostess at the Bees? This is one of the great ways that we share quilting opportunities, fellowship, mentoring, demonstrations of skills and Show and Tell. Please contact me if you can help out with this.

I look forward to all the upcoming WSQ events we are planning for the year. I hope to attend and get to know more of my fellow quilting friends in the process.

Best Wishes for a Happy 2025,
Dina Pappas
WSQ President

From 1st VP, Programs

We have a wonderful selection of speakers and instructors coming to WSQ in 2025. I hope you all join in the learning, entertainment and social opportunities that these lectures and workshops will surely provide. All workshops will be held at the Hampton Inn, 2010 S Assembly RD, Spokane WA 99224, from 9am – 4pm. Doors open at 8:30.

January Workshops with Kristin Echols

Friday, January 24

Disappearing 4-Patch Quilt-As-You-Go

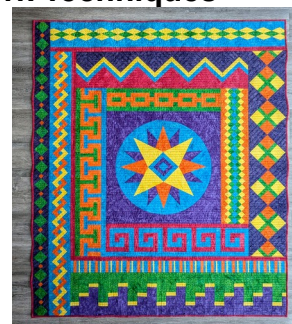
Learn the Quilt-As-You-Go technique of quilting each block individually and then joining the blocks with a special sashing technique.



Saturday, January 25

Seminole Patchwork Techniques

Learn how to piece a variety of bold Seminole designs starting with strips of fabric. The finished bands can be added to quilts, clothing and home decor.



Sign-up for workshops now at <https://wsqspokane.org/events/>



Click on the links below to check out the upcoming 2025 speakers and instructors.

- Jan 2025: **Kristin Echols** (Kristin Laura Designs) – Seminole patchwork techniques and Quilt-as-You-Go workshops <https://kristinlaura.com/classes/>
- April 2025: **Jean Impey** (SewJean) – The magic of fabulous faces and Spider Web Quilt workshops <https://www.sewjean.com/>
- July 2025: **Reeve Hanson** (Morning Glory Designs) – EQ8. That's right, an Electric Quilt 8 workshop in person!! (must bring your own laptop with EQ8 already installed) and Star Steps workshop <https://www.morningglorydesigns.com/>
- Sept 2025: **Judy Gauthier** (Bungalow Quilting) *as seen on 'The Quilt Show'*– Quilting for Scrap Lovers “Treasure Box Block and it's Variations” workshop and “Fractured 4-patch” workshop <https://www.bungalowquilting.com/>

These aren't WORKshops, they're FUNshops! Bring a lunch and join us for some quilting fun at one of the upcoming 2025 WSQ Workshops. Here are just a few FUN pictures from our July 2024 workshop where students worked on techniques and skills, but more importantly, shared a fun filled day of quilt community building and quilt therapy.



**A Quilter's New Year
My 2025 New Year's resolution
is to finish all the quilt projects
from 2024 that I should have
completed in 2023
after starting them in 2022
from fabric I bought in 2021
while having the
patterns since 2019.**

Workshop Registration 2025

All workshops are held at the Hampton Inn – Spokane Airport, 2010 S Assembly Rd, Spokane, 99224

January 2025: Kristin Echols, Kristin Laura Designs

_____ Quilt as You Go	\$65	1/24/2025	9am – 4pm
_____ Seminole Patchwork Technique	\$65	1/25/2025	9am – 4pm

See: <https://kristinlaura.com/classes/>

April 2025: Jean Impey, SewJean

_____ The Magic of Fabulous Faces	\$65	1/25/2025	9am – 4pm
_____ Spider Web Quilt	\$65	1/26/2025	9am – 4pm

See: <https://www.sewjean.com/>

July 2025: Reeve Hanson, Morning Glory Designs

_____ Electric Quilt 8 (EQ8)	\$65	1/25/2025	9am – 4pm
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Must bring your laptop with EQ8 installed.

_____ Star Steps	\$65	1/26/2025	9am – 4pm
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Must bring your laptop with EQ8 installed.

See: <http://www.academyofapplique.com/>

September 2025: Judy Gauthier, Bungalow Quilting

_____ Treasure Box Block and it's Variations	\$65	1/27/2025	9am – 4pm
_____ Fractured 4-patch	\$65	1/28/2025	9am – 4pm

See: <https://www.bungalowquilting.com/>

Name _____ Phone _____

Email _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Make check payable to WSQ and enclose

Questions??? email Firstvp@wsqspokane.org

Please Mail to: Glenda Carlsson 13211 N Stevens ST Spokane WA 99208

WORKSHOP NOTES: You are not registered for a class until you have paid.

In case of cancellation, a refund can only be given if we have at least a 45-day notice...
if less than that a refund will be given if we can fill your spot.

Quilt Show Reports

2024 Wrap-up

A huge “thank you” to the fantastic quilt show committee and to all of the volunteers who worked so hard to make “Art from the Heart” a success. Although attendance was down to 3034, people who attended the show were buying and the reaction from our vendors ranged from “great show” to “best show I’ve ever had”. We had about a dozen new vendors and Carolyn Kruger has already received inquiries about 2025 from vendors who have been in our show as well as some who are new to us. That bodes well for 2025.

At the end of the show, we asked vendors to fill out a short survey, and 44 of the 50 vendors did fill it out. Consistent themes were praise for the beautiful quilts, the layout, the addition of classes, and, above all, the wonderful guild members!

A big thank you to everyone!

Lorean Boornazian 2024 Quilt Show Chair

2024 Bagging Party

This year went well. We thank and appreciate the 23 volunteers who participated in preparing the quilt bags. During the quilt show take down, we discovered some labels were too close to the top, so we will address that next year. Hoping to see you in 2025!

Stay Tuned for 2025

We'd like to introduce ourselves as the new quilt show chairs Sheri Woehrle and Jan Benschopf. We'd like to extend our gratitude and thanks to all of you for your time and dedication that you've made to the quilt show.

We will be announcing the featured quilter and theme for the show at the January meeting. Save the dates October 17-19 for the 2025 show.

We are currently looking for several positions as quilt chairs/co-chairs. Please contact us if you are interested. We'll be available for questions at the January meeting. We're looking forward to working with all of our sweet guild members. Thank you in advance.

Sheri and Jan

WSQ Quilting Bees

Spokane Valley Library January 13 9am-4pm

Argonne Library February 7, 2025 11am-6pm

Come with all your quilting gear, including an iron and ironing board. We can eat at the library. Optional, bring a dish to share. If you've been too busy to bring food, NO WORRIES! Quilters always have enough food, friendship & tips to share. There is no microwave or refrigerator at the library. Bring your dish in a crock-pot or cooler if necessary. We will have Show & Tell during our lunch break. We love to see YOUR projects. Fat Quarter Drawing: You will get an entry for each fat quarter you bring. Winner takes all!

WSQ Mystery Quilt Finding Grace

It has been such fun to see the progress on our Facebook page, as the many work through each of the clues. These are going to be simply amazing! The next clues go out after our January General Membership meeting and workshops. Keep up the good work ladies!

P.S. The registration for this mystery is closed. Be on the lookout for info about the next one, which will start in Jan 2026.

Hugs and stitches!

Darlene

Hand Appliqué

Interested in hand appliqué? We took a break in December and January but will resume meeting in February, unless the weather is horrible. We meet the second Tuesday of the month, 10 am – 1 pm at The Hive, 2904 E. Sprague Ave. Everyone with an interest in hand appliqué or hand work in general is welcome. Because entering The Hive requires a door code that changes with each reservation, please contact Sherry Thompson (sherrysews@gmail.com) or Lorean Boornazan (jimloreaan@cet.com) for further information.

WSQ Fair Awards Committee

Thank you to all who entered quilts in the fairs around our area. Congratulations to all of the winners at the local fairs that WSQ supports. The first place winners for 2024 are:

North Idaho Fair, Coeur d'Alene: Pamela Legg
Palouse Empire Fair, Colfax: Vonnie Conrad
Northeast Washington Fair, Colville: Ann Miller
Pend Oreille County Fair, Cusick: Kay Driver
Lincoln County Fair, Davenport: Helen Ladwig
Grant County Fair, Moses Lake: Deana Zay
Ferry County Fair, Republic: Jane Lehmer
Wheatland Community Fair, Ritzville: Kim Lantis
Spokane Interstate Fair, Spokane: Pamela Legg
Southeast Spokane County Fair, Rockford: Donna Boucher

Funds to support the 2025 fairs at these locations are included in the WSQ budget. Please consider supporting the fairs by entering your quilts so the public can enjoy the works of art that all of you create.

Charity Central

Welcome to a bright and shiny New Year! Charity Central has lots of plans for 2025, and we want you to be part of them! Now is a good time to look at those UFOs and Orphan Blocks that are taking up room in your sewing space. We would be glad to have them and work them into Charity Quilts and kits. We cannot accept your fabric donations, we already have more than we can use, but we can accept your cut up fabric. We will sort it into kits and get it on its way to being used up. If you would like to donate cut fabric to Charity Central, we use the following sizes a lot: 2.5" x WOF strips, 2.5" x 6.5" rectangles, 1.5" x 6.5" rectangles, 2" squares, 2.5" squares, 3.5" squares, and 6.5" squares of novelty fabric. It is extremely helpful if the squares and rectangles are sorted into packs of 10 and labeled by size. Once you get your fabric cut, if it's just too pretty, and you must sew it up, even better! Any 6.5" pieced block will be very helpful.

In 2025, we will be launching a series of kits called "Sixes and Something". These will be 6.5" squares, solid squares alone or with appliques, alternating with something pieced. We have hundreds of Christmas appliques; Christmas stockings, Christmas Trees, Snowmen, Gingerbread men, Candy Canes, wreaths, and a couple of reindeer, so Christmas fabric would be appreciated. We also have hundreds of autumn leaf appliques and could use fall colors to go with these. The alternate blocks will be Nine Patches of 2.5" squares, 4 Patches of 3.5" squares, Strip pieced blocks of 2.5" and/or 1.5" rectangles, and any of your orphan blocks that measures 6.5" square. We need 80 blocks to make one kit so there is lots of room for variety in every "Scrappy Squares" kit.

In September we received two huge fabric donations. Shabby Fabric gave us their semi-annual truck load of fabric. Twice a year they give us enough fabric to fill the bed of a truck, and we have a blast sorting it all out and imagining the possibilities! We have refreshed our fabric bundles and made a bunch of new kits. Spokane Valley Advocates gave us 26 boxes of fabric on the bolt that was donated to them by Walmart. We now have enough backing fabric to last us for a while! We gave away about 40 yards of fabric to be made into pillowcases. We have 6 boxes of solid fabric as well as 18 boxes of print fabric. Spokane Valley Advocates is an emergency coordinator, and they don't have much call for fabric. They must not be dealing with quilters!

We will be working on about 150 panel kits to go with our solid color fabrics. I feel like a kid with a brand-new box of Crayons! The things we can do with all those colors! There are 4 kinds of panel kits: vertical, horizontal, center square, and blocks and sashing. Each one is different, but they all require strips of solid color fabric. I can't wait to see how this works out!

We will have lots of good stuff for sale at our Fundraising Table. We have appliques that are already put together and ready for you to use, our fabric bundles, some donated Jelly Rolls and Charm Packs. As always, we will have kits to piece and quilts to quilt. I encourage you to join our Charity Central Facebook page. It's the best way to keep up with what we are doing and has lots of inspiration. We now have 515 members. We gave away about 150 quilts this quarter to eight organizations. Thank you for all you do for Charity Central! We couldn't do it without you.

Kathleen Woods
Charity Central Chair



WSQ Officers

At our September 2024 Membership Meeting, we voted by acclamation the following slate of officers for 2025:

President – Dina Pappas

1st VP - Glenda Carlsson

Treasurer - Catherine Anderson

Secretary - Ernestina Crann

I am pleased to announce that we recently were able to find a person for our 2nd VP (Quilt Show Chair). Sheri Woehrle will take that position be appointed by our President at the January Membership Meeting. Helping Sheri will be Co-Chair Jan Benshoof. Thank you ladies!

Paula Ferry, Nominations Chair

2024 Raffle Quilt Committee

We participated at 11 public events, 4 membership meetings and the quilt show's 3 days. There was a total of 3260 tickets sold plus donations. We want to thank everyone who helped sell tickets. Thank you for all of the checked out booklets and money that were returned.

The 2025 and 2026 Raffle quilt committees each need a chairperson. Contact President Dina Pappas for info.

Our congratulations to raffle quilt winner Glenna.



SMALL GROUP SCOOP

WELCOME 2024, if you are interested in joining a small group to meet new people and maybe learn a new technique. Check these groups out, some are accepting new members and may be near your home. If you need any other information, contact me, Ernie at small.groups@wswspokane.org or any of the contact persons listed below.

LOCATION	GROUP NAME	TIME/PLACE	New memb	CONTACT PERSON
Blanchard ID	The Blanchard Stitchers	3 rd & 4 th Tuesday 10-2pm Blanchard Comm. Center	Yes	Penny Funkhouser 1-206-799-8964 plfunkhouser@gmail.comhatt
Chattaroy, WA	CCC Charity Quilters	Mon 10- 2pm Chattaroy Church	Yes	Ruth McCormick 509-590-6463 sewnsmart@gmail.com
Cheney, WA	Cheney Country Quilters	Monday 1 – 3 at Wren Pierson Bldg.	Yes	Judy Corder 509-290-4310 jcorder121@gmail.com
Cheney, WA	Cheney Frayed Edges	1 st & 3 rd Monday 6:30pm United Methodist Church	Yes	Donna Lythgoe Cheneylythgoe@gmail.com
Colbert, WA	Quilt Charmers	Wednesday 9:30 -3:00pm St. Joseph's Catholic Church	Yes	Linda Plett 509-951-2172 lindaplett@icloud.com

Colfax, WA	Whitman Sampler Quilt Guild	2 nd Tuesday 6:30 pm Palouse River Quilts	Yes	Michelle Beckman 509-397-2278 motqltr2@yahoo.com
Colville, WA	Colville Piecemakers	3 rd Monday 1:30pm Arden Comm. Hall	Yes	Kathie Ogden 509-262-0345
Deer Park, WA	Fat Quarter Quilters	Tuesdays 10-2 pm Faith Lutheran Church	Yes	Lorraine Ader 509-953-6509 geminis4262@gmail.com
Grand Coulee, WA	Coulee Creators	2 nd Monday 10-4pm Former Middle SCH.	Yes	Marlene Oddie 509-386-5715 marlene@kissedquilts.com
Ione, WA	Forgotten Corner Quilters	1 st Tuesday 6:30 pm Ione Cath. Church	Yes	Shirley 509-446-2429 landpzimmer@gmail.com
Newport, WA	Me Too Quilt Squad	2 nd Thursday 10am American Lutheran Church	No	Diane Strand 509-447-4013 strandpe@gmail.com
Newport, WA	Welcome Hm Vets Quilts of Valor (QOV)	1 st Tuesday and 3 rd Friday of each month 11- 4pm Hospitality House 216 S. Washington Ave,	Yes	Darlene Mossman darlene@welcomehomeqov.org
OPEN TO ALL Spokane WA	Inland Northwest Machine Quilters	Hillyard Comm. Center 4001 N Cook. St 3 rd Sat. of Jan., Mar, Sept, and Nov. 2 nd Sat. of June	Yes	Beth North 509-993-4699 president@INMQ.org
Post Falls, ID	North Idaho Quilts of Valor	3 rd Monday 10-3pm PF American Legion	Yes	Giannine O'Connor 530-515-4111 patrioticpiecers@gmail.com
Rosalia, WA	3 rd Tues Quilt Club	3 rd Tuesday 6 pm Pinewood Cottage	Yes	Marianne Morke 503-960-2554 mamorkve@hotmail.com
Spokane, WA	Charity Central	Check Charity Central Facebook page for dates and times and locations	Yes	Kathleen Woods charity.central@wsqspokane.org
Spokane, WA	Hand Applique	2 nd Tues of Month at The Hive. Please contact us for time and door code	Yes	Lorean Boornazi, jimlolean@cet.com Sherry Thompson, sherrysews@gmail.com
Spokane, WA	Sandbox Quilters	Tues 9:30-2:30 Corbin Sr. Center	Yes	Chris Millspaugh 850-982-3945 chrismillspa@gmail.com
Spokane, WA	Greater Spokane Quilts of Valor	Varies-members contacted by email	Yes	Diane Watters 509-993-4590 spokane.qov@gmail.com
Spokane, WA	Inland NW Modern Quilt Guild	3 rd Sat 10-2 pm Corbin Sr. Center	Yes	Katie Larimer 509-768-3579 info@inmodquiltguild.com

Block Exchange

See Shawna Troyer for more info.

QUARTERED POST

(a split rail fence variation)

- designed by Shawna Troyer 9/1/24

WSQ Block Exchange
January 2025

Supplies: Medium Blue:

1 - 2 1/2" strip x WOF

2 - 2" squares*

White on white:

1 - 2 1/2" strip x WOF

Light Blue:

1 - 2 1/2" strip x WOF

2 - 2" squares*

* Alternate: Cut 2 1/2" sq to make 4-patch, then square to 3 1/2"

** Instead of WOF: You can use fat quarters. Just cut 2 strips each.

Instructions:

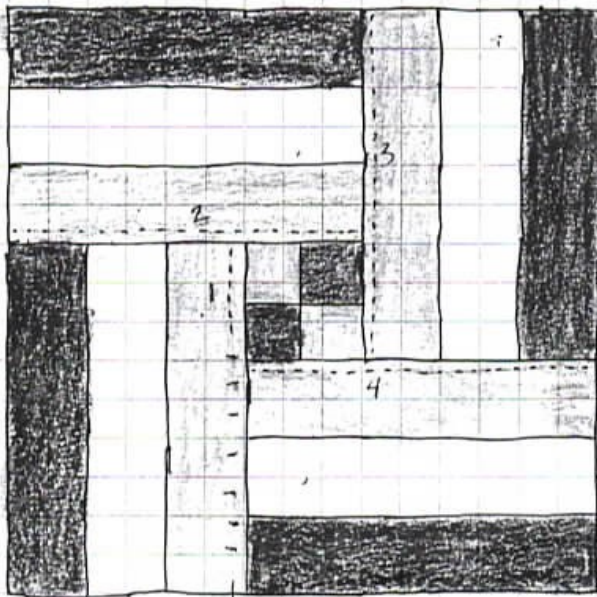
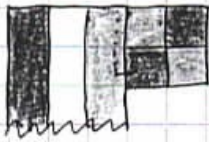
1. Make a 4-patch with 2" squares. Use scant 1/4" seam allowance. Square up to 3 1/2" square (x alternate - use 2 1/2" squares, then square up to 3 1/2") square

2. Sew three strips together: med blue, white, light blue. Press towards darker fabric.

3. Cut strip set into 9 1/2" lengths. You should get 4 from WOF.

← 4. Match light blue corner of 4-patch to light blue top corner of strip set. Stitch about halfway down 4-patch, then back stitch. Press towards strip.

5. Stitch light blue strip across piece just sewn. Continue 3 more times. Last strip: move 1st strip out of the way to sew across block. Then fold to sew remaining section.



5th seam.

Questions:

block.exchange@wsqspokane.org

15 1/2" Unfinished

**These fabulous shops have given door prizes for our General Meetings.
Support them and let them know you appreciate them.**

The Quilting Bee

16002 E Broadway Ave Spokane
Valley, WA 99037
509-928-6037



Quilted Posies Quilt Shop



6412 N Monroe
Spokane 99208
509-474-9394
quiltedposies@comcast.net

Quilt Patch Lane

409 West Hastings Spokane, WA 99218
(509) 467-0133 info@quiltpatchlane.com



243 West Broadway,
Reardan, WA 99029-8664
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Notes to 2025 Budget

On December 2, 2024, the budget committee consisting of Dina Pappas, Glenda Carlsson, Cathy Anderson, Lorean Boornazian and Paula Ferry met to prepare the 2025 WSQ budget.

The process of preparing the budget consists of the committee carefully comparing the current year's budget with the actual income and expenditures and then we review the 2025 budget requests provided by the various committees for both the General and Quilt Show budgets relative to that comparison as well as the needs of the guild. Then the budget is prepared for the presentation to the board for approval.

The 2025 WSQ Budgets were presented to the board on December 4, 2025 and after discussion, both budgets were unanimously passed.

Listed below are comments, changes or additions related to the 2025 budget:

- **General Budget** – We have been slowly rebuilding reserves from 3 years of pandemic related losses. In 2023 WSQ had an overall net profit which helped rebuild reserves as well as pay for many of the sponsored events the guild provides to members.
- **Retreats & Bus Trips** – We lost our chairs for this committee in 2023 but decided to fund it in 2024 with the hope that we would find a chair. This did not happen, however the budget committee decided that we would fund it at a lesser amount for 2025 in the hopes that a member will volunteer to take on this fun and relatively easy committee. If we do not find someone, this committee will most likely go away in 2026.
- **Membership** – Our membership has remained steady for the past few years, however is lower than pre-pandemic amounts. Membership dues is important as this is the General Budget's primary fundraising committee that supports most of the expenses in this budget. Your annual dues covers such sponsored events as the national speakers, Quilting Bees, Shop Hop and many other events.
- **Mystery Quilt** – The Mystery Quilt has proven to be a popular addition for our members. It has grown and there is a category in the quilt show to display completed mystery quilts. The Committee funded it for 2025 to continue the fun and enthusiasm.
- **Newsletter Ad Income** – WSQ has an actual maximum income amount as per the IRS limit of \$1,000. Unfortunately, in the past few years, fewer and fewer people have paid to advertise in our newsletter. The cost is very inexpensive, and if you are interested, you can contact our current Newsletter Chair, Ruth McCormick, to place an ad for your business in the Newsletter.
- **Newsletter Printing Income:** This is the additional amount paid with membership dues for those individuals who choose to pay for a printed newsletter.
- **Quilting Bee** – This committee has been hanging on with our President organizing quilting bees at various libraries. The board has hopes that the Bees will return to pre-pandemic attendance. If you're interested in attending, the dates and locations are printed in the newsletter.
- **Yard Sale** – The Yard Sale continues to be one of those events that are very popular to our members and is continuing to be funded for the future.
- **Miscellaneous** – There were many committees that have had a budgeted line item that shows zero budget. This is at the request of the chair and/or not really having a budget requirement. We continue to list it so that if a new chair comes in, a budget is available should they need it.
- **Other** - We always include a budgeted line item in both the General and Quilt Show budgets – which is '**Other**'. This is the amount of expected profit we need from the Quilt Show to fund the shortfall in the General Budget not covered by Membership Dues or other fundraising activities.

- **Quilt Show** – We made significant changes to the 2024 show to bring more attendees in and enjoy one of the best and biggest shows in the Pacific Northwest. Listed below is a recap of the show as it affects the budget for 2025.
- **Boutique** – The Boutique is a favorite among our show attendees and more of our talented members and non-members are consigning to sell at the show. In 2024 the Quilt Show committee moved the boutique to Bay 3 and provided a larger space. This was very well received, and the cost is included in the Fairgrounds expense budget. They also had some expenses they requested for display in the boutique in 2024. For 2025, Inventory software will be funded from the Capital savings account.
- **In Memoriam** – Expenses for 2024 In Memoriam included the purchase of easels to display posters for our members who are being remembered. This continues to be a very popular exhibition to honor our members and the families of those who have passed on.
- **Classes** – As the result of receiving the 2024 LTAC grant funds, the committee had many plans to expand the quilt show. Classes were the main focus of this expansion. We were able to have six instructors with 11 classes. We averaged over 60% capacity with several of the classes having waiting lists. There were many challenges to facilitate the classes, including the location in the Fairgrounds, obtaining sewing machines (a huge thank you to the Quilting Bee for providing not only the machines but the support in setting them up and technical help), electrical concerns, etc. It turned out to be a great success as this not only was extremely well received but also brought in new attendees to our show who travelled from out of town and stayed in local hotels/motels which was part of the grant requirements. In 2025, we will again be holding classes but moving to another building on the Fairgrounds and there will be increases to expenses to cover this which will be partially covered by the new grant.
- **Capital Account** – The Capital Account is a savings account funded by excess profits from the Quilt Show, not used to balance the General Budget. This account was set up to cover one-of-a-kind expenses for both budgets. At the beginning of 2024 we had \$148 left in this account and had requests for fixtures and equipment, not grant related. We provided funding for this and because we had profits from the 2023 quilt show, we were able to transfer funds to cover the 2024 requests and also will have funding available as a result of the profit from 2025 quilt show to cover the requests for 2025. This includes inventory software, easels, and a new quilt hanging system.
- **LTAC GRANT 2024/2025**– As previously reported, the Grant committee presented and received the LTAC grant for 2024. This grant was used to expand the show with the goal of bringing in more attendees, particularly from outside the area who would stay in local hotels/motels. Originally the committee had lots of plans but because there were changes in the Quilt Show Chair very late in the year, we decided to focus on the main areas, which included classes during the show, purchasing hardware and a phased online ticketing platform, increasing publicity and resulting in increasing LCD costs. This grant is a reimbursable grant which means that WSQ has to spend the funds specifically as detailed in the presentation and send invoices in for reimbursement to the LTAC facilitator. In November of 2024 the Grant committee presented our grant request for 2025 and we are happy to announce that we did receive the grant again. The 2025 grant pool was almost twice as large as 2024 and the funds were significantly less so it was a very competitive presentation. With these funds, we will expand classes, outsource our social media publicity, hold some kind of special event during the show, hopefully work with a travel agent to bring a bus to the show and move to a full online ticketing platform.
- **What is the LTAC Grant:** The LTAC Grant is also known as the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee. This grant is funded by the City of Spokane Valley and awarded to various non-profits or other organizations to put ‘heads in beds’ as they say. This is a grant to promote tourism for the City of Spokane Valley to utilize the hotels and motels.

The 2025 contracts have not been prepared by LTAC or signed and most likely will not be until January of 2025, so at this time the final amount is estimated as far as the budget approval is concerned.

I would like to thank my committee for the help and insight they provide in the preparation of this budget as well as our board for the hard work they do throughout the year to support the guild.

Cheryl Crossin
Finance Chair

**WASHINGTON STATE QUILTERS
BUDGET
2025**

GENERAL BUDGET

QUILT SHOW BUDGET

Income		Income	
Admissions at Door	250.00	Admissions	50,000.00
Retreats & Bus Trips	5,000.00	Boutique	16,000.00
Charity Central	1,200.00	Challenge Income	60.00
Fundraising	6,000.00	Classes	10,000.00
Bank Interest (all accounts) - CD Interest	725.00	Judging Fees	1,000.00
Membership Dues	17,000.00	Merchant Mall	37,000.00
Mystery Quilt	1,026.00	LTAC Grant - Estimated	25,000.00
Newsletter Ads	150.00	Other (From 2023 Grant)	6,089.16
Newsletter Printing Income	350.00		
Other Income (from Quilt Show Budget)	2,764.00		
Raffle Quilt - Ticket Sales	3,000.00		
Shop Hop	3,125.00		
Workshops	10,000.00		
Yard Sale	1,500.00		
TOTAL INCOME	52,090.00	TOTAL INCOME	145,149.16
Expenses		Expenses	
Annual Board Gifts	150.00	Admissions	100.00
Annual Gift, President's quilt	150.00	Art Work	1,000.00
Block Exchange	25.00	Ballot Counting	200.00
Retreats & Bus Trip Expense	3,000.00	Bank Charges & Visa Processing Fees	1,500.00
Center Place Meeting Room	8,000.00	Boutique	280.00
Charity Central	1,200.00	Chairman	250.00
Finance Committee	50.00	Challenge	60.00
Fundraising	3,600.00	Consignment (Boutique)	12,000.00
Historian	50.00	Classes	8,000.00
Hospitality	50.00	Demos	1,600.00
Insurance	1,650.00	Fairgrounds/Venue	42,000.00
IT, Zoom, Social Media	460.00	Fire Marshall & Electrical	225.00
Membership	100.00	Honorarium	300.00
Mystery Quilt	950.00	Hostesses	50.00
Newsletter	750.00	In Memorium	115.00
Nominations	0.00	IT Dues & Subscriptions	200.00
Permits & Licenses	220.00	Judge Fee	1,000.00
President	100.00	LCD	32,000.00
President's Discretionary Fund	300.00	LTAC-Grant - Estimated	25,000.00
Professional Services	800.00	Merchant Mall	150.00
Public Relations	1,100.00	Other Expense (to General Budget)	2,764.00
Quilt Promo - Fair Awards & Ribbons	580.00	Professional Fees	500.00
Quilting Bees	200.00	Programs	3,500.00
Raffle Quilt - 1st Year		Props/Decorations	275.00
Raffle Quilt - 2nd Year	575.00	Publicity	5,000.00
Secretary	50.00	Registration	624.00
PO Box rental & Postage	300.00	Ribbons	935.00
Shop Hop	3,105.00	Sales Tax (Boutique)	1,426.16
Speakers	8,225.00	Security	25.00
Storage Unit	1,080.00	Set up/Take Down	1,200.00
Treasurer	1,200.00	Special Exhibitions	800.00
Bank Service Charges & Credit Card Fees	1,040.00	Stash Check	50.00
Website	1,255.00	Storage Unit	1,200.00
Workshops	10,475.00	Vendor/Volunteer Refreshments	820.00
Yard Sale	1,300.00		
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	52,090.00	TOTAL EXPENDITURES	145,149.16
Estimated Surplus(Deficit)	0.00	Estimated Surplus(Deficit)	0.00

**WASHINGTON STATE QUILTERS
GENERAL
MEMBERSHIP MEETING
SEPTEMBER 26, 2024
CENTERPLACE**

President Dina brought the meeting to order at 1:02pm. She started the meeting by welcoming everyone in attendance and welcomed the Board members. She asked all the attendance members if the minutes from the July meeting were approved as written. The members from both the afternoon and evening meeting approved.

Dina announced a Quilting Bee at the Moran Prairie Library on October 4, 2024.

The Volunteer of the Quarter is Joyce Nuxoll. Joyce has collected over 500 pounds of fabric donated by The Shabby Fabric and has used her living room to sort, bundle, coordinate, cut the fabric for Charity Central. Joyce has received a Pin, Certificate and a workshop.

Dina reminded everyone that they could get involved with the Friendship Swap, Challenge Quilt "Back to Basics", Mystery Quilt 2024, and Charity Central.

Paula Ferry our nominations committee presented our Slate of Officers for 2025,

Dina Pappas - President

Glenda Carlsson - 1st Vice President

Open slate for 2nd Vice President

Ernie Crann - Secretary

Cathy Anderson - Treasurer.

Glenda Carlsson reported that our guest speaker Barbara Blanton is running late due to the weather, but she will be here. For anyone taking her classes this weekend, bring your own lunch, as the Hampton Inn, still has no cook. Glenda announced speakers and workshops for 2025.

Our 2nd V.P Lorean B. thanked everyone who has volunteered for positions at the Quilt Show. There has been wonderful response by folks willing to volunteer. Additional volunteer are needed in the Boutique and as hand stampers at the entrance. There are still volunteer sit down positions available. Transportation needs 2 people to help pick up items from storage on Wednesday, and 2 people for Sunday to return the items back to storage. The Demo's will need a few more volunteers. We always need hostesses to help throughout the show and keep things running smoothly. This is a new request, Beth North needs 3 people to help on Thursday to remove quilts from bags, lay them out one at a time and then re-bag each quilt and take it to where it needs to go in the show. This is a good chance to see how Judging is done. Lorean asked anyone who is helping to put your name on any equipment that you bring, such as ladders or wagons, to prevent loss or mix ups. Take down volunteers will have wristbands, to expedite take-down in a timely manner. This will also prevent unauthorized people from entering the area. Sign up sheets are on the back table. Lorean asked that anyone who is helping to put your name on any equipment that you bring, such as ladders or wagons, to prevent loss or mix ups. Take down volunteers will have wristbands, to expedite take-down in a timely manner. This will also prevent unauthorized people from entering the area. If your quilt is not done, please let Kristin Echols know so that it may be removed.

Treasurer Cathy reported that the books have all been reconciled . She said that we were hacked, but all monies were recovered, and more security is now in place. She asked that all committee members turn in their vouchers for reimbursement in a timely manner.

Committee Reports:

We still need a public relations volunteer.

Naomi with Quilt Challenge asked that all members who participate should pin a card with personal information to the back of quilt, and a label indicating the top.

We still need a Quilt Show chair for 2025.

Stash check reported that if you are volunteering you are not allowed to carry your personal purse/monies on the floor while volunteering. There will always be 2 people doing stash check.

Twila P has been coordinator for the Friendship Swap. We will need a new volunteer to coordinate this activity in 2025.

The Raffle Quilt committee participated in 11 events and they have 1 more scheduled for Oct 5-6 at Siemers Fall Harvest. Volunteers are needed for 2 hr shifts on these days. Colleen is requesting that any unsold tickets and all monies collected for the sold tickets be returned. They will be calling all members who have not returned their ticket booklets. The 2025 and 2026 Raffle Quilt committees need a chairperson. The 2025 raffle quilt is nearly finished. The chairperson will also order tickets and arrange for venues to sell tickets. The 2026 Raffle Quilt committee will need to chose a quilt. Charity Central has volunteered some quilt tops that are reserved for this purpose. The committee will then need to purchase a backing, have it quilted and bound. In January, 2026 they will reveal the quilt at the January meeting and be prepared to sell tickets throughout the year at the meetings and at venues.

The bagging party was a success on September 19, at Centerplace. Twenty-three members came to get the 574 bags ready for the quilts. The bags will be dropped off at the quilt shops and everyone can drop off their quilts between October 5-12. Please check with your local shop for their hours of operation.

Darlene, Mystery Quilt Coordinator, stated that the next clues will be sent out after the meeting. If you did not finish your quilt last year you can enter it into the show this year and receive your WSQ Mystery Quilt Pin. The pins will be attached to your quilt at the show.

Denise, Boutique committee, reported that today is the last day to enter your items for consignment. Please check the website for drop off times for your items. The boutique is now in Bay 3, a bigger space, and we still need volunteers.

Cheryl, Fair Ribbons, stated that all ribbons have been distributed, and pictures are on the website.

Shawna T is the new Block Exchange Coordinator; she will have a new block for January. Mary A has resigned.

Roberta, Fundraising, stated that we now have new shirts with design made by Vicki T. The shirts come with shortsleeves, long sleeves, V necks and crew necks. They are priced reasonably.

Show and Tell was presented. Our guest speaker Barbara Blanton did her lecture The meeting was adjourned. We started our evening meeting as our afternoon meeting and the minutes were approved by all present. All committees gave their reports, and evening meeting was as the afternoon meeting. We were adjourned at 8:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted

Ernie Crann

2024 Secretary



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