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WASHINGTON STATE QUILTERS
SPOKANE CHAPTER

Stitch 'n Time

WSQ's Own Kristin Echols

Our very own Kristin Echols will be presenting her lecture on Thursday, April 22, at both the 1pm meeting and at the 6pm meeting. Kristin was featured in the recent McCall's Quilting magazine with one of her quilts appearing on the cover. It is awesome to see our members being recognized nationally!



Kristin began quilting in 1999 when she made a baby quilt for her best friend. She made the quilt using the fabric from the bridesmaid's dress she wore in the wedding. Acetate is not the best fabric choice for a baby quilt, but Kristin got the quilting bug.

She took classes, bought a Janome, got to know the ladies at her local quilt shop, and decided to pursue quilting as a hobby. It was a colorful and creative outlet to balance with her career as a computer programmer.

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***Wed, April 21 7-8pm
Virtual Zoom Practice***

***WSQ Virtual Meeting:
April 22
1pm & 6pm***

***WSQ Meetings at
CenterPlace (tentative):
July 22 & September 23***

***Shop Hop
August 13-15***

***WSQ Quilt Show (tentative):
October 15-17***

***Yard Sale (tentative):
October 30***

**WSQ MEETS
VIRTUALLY
AND IN-PERSON
AT
1 PM & 6 PM**

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President's Letter

Kathleen Woods

WSQ President 2021

Welcome Spring! It is so nice to have the sun shining and the warm weather here after such a cold, dark winter. The Board has been busy trying to keep our organization strong and viable.

We had about 180 people attend the January Membership meetings via Zoom. They went well and it was extremely exciting to actually see people's faces, even if we could not be together. Our April meeting will also be via Zoom. The Board has decided to opt out of an in-person meeting for April because of fluctuating COVID requirements, in hopes that things will be better by July. In order to attend our meeting in April, you must be a registered member of WSQ so that you can receive an invitation to the Zoom meeting.

Check your membership on the website or email the membership chair at membership@WSQSpokane.org to be sure that you are registered. There were a few problems with that in January because we had switched membership software but hopefully, those have been taken care of. Zoom is easy to use. If you can do email, online shopping, or Facebook, you have the internet connection and the skills to do Zoom. You can also choose just audio if you do not want your picture to be seen by the other attendees. I encourage you to attend. Your grandchildren will be so proud that you attended a Zoom meeting! Be sure to send your Show and Tell pictures to webmaster@WSQSpokane.org. It was fun to see what everyone had been working on.

We would like to make a change to the By Laws regarding Charity Central. This is spelled out on page 16 of the Newsletter. Be sure to read it and be ready to vote on the change.

We would also like to welcome to the Board our new Shop Hop Committee. The American Sewing Guild has decided to disband their Spokane Chapter and we have been asked to take over the Shop Hop activity. The former ASG members form the core of this committee, but WSQ members are always welcome.

We have moved our storage unit from its old location on S McDonald Rd to a climate-controlled



space at Secure It Self Storage on Broadway. We are trying to collect all the WSQ property from wherever it has been stored so that it will be in a central location and accessible to all. We need the climate-controlled feature because our cash registers for the quilt show, our library books, and our history scrap books will all be stored there. These items do not do well when stored where the temperature fluctuates as it does in our old storage unit. If you have WSQ property stored in your house, please contact us so that we can put it with the rest of our property. If you have keys to the old storage unit, please turn them in to one of the Board members. Those keys and codes will not work at the new place.

Annie Sanders has agreed to edit our Newsletter for us. She has not done a newsletter before but is willing to try. If anyone would like to help Annie with this, she would be delighted to hear from you. Thank you, Annie, for stepping forward. This is the second of four full newsletters we are planning for this year.

We are still in need of a Raffle Quilt Chair for 2022. We have the quilt already; we just need someone to get it quilted and to steer it through the raffle phase. At the rate we are going, it may be the Raffle Quilt for 2023, but I sincerely hope not!

We are also planning on an election of new officers

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Hello Spring!!!

I hope you are all well and have been able to get out and enjoy the warmer weather!

The virtual lecture and the two virtual workshops that were presented by Robin Long in January were very well received. Those who were in the classes said they really liked them and loved the Zoom format. It was nice to have a front row seat for everything Robin demonstrated. Other comments were that it was so nice not to have pack and unpack, pack and unpack for the workshop. No worries about forgetting anything, as we had our own stash and supplies in our own homes. And no winter driving. It was a great experience!

The Friday workshop on 4/23 will be on what to do with those blocks of the month and how to finish them the Quilt-As-You-Go way. On Saturday 4/24, she will be presenting Crazy Quilt-As-You-Go and we will learn how to use some of those decorative stitches on our machines. Be sure to go to the WSQ website and sign up, or you may send your registration form (page 6) and check to me. These virtual workshops are at a reduced price of \$50 per class. Please sign up early, as our workshops will open to the general public, if there are spaces available, after April 1.

Darlene Mossman

April Workshops with Kristin Echols



Crazy Quilt-As-You-Go **Saturday, April 24, 9-4 pm**

Make a beautiful crazy quilt completely by machine. This is a great chance to use all those wonderful built-in stitches on your machine to embellish and quilt your blocks in one step. Using the *Quilt-As-You-Go* technique, each block is quilted individually then joined together with a special sashing technique. This is a great technique for quilting larger quilts in smaller, manageable sections. Choose the project size that is right for you: large quilt, lap quilt, or a table runner and placemats.

Finish Your BOM **Friday, April 23, 9-4 pm**

Have you participated in a Block-of-the-Month program and now you're wondering how to finish your quilt? Using the Quilt-As-You-Go technique, we will quilt each block individually with your walking foot and straight line quilting.



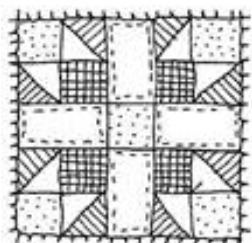
Future Speakers

Sue Nickels has opted to decline traveling through the end of this year and she is not comfortable teaching her classes virtually, so July abounds with the “what-ifs”. We will be doing a poll at the April general membership meetings to see how comfortable the majority of members are about meeting in person in July, or if the majority would rather meet virtually. **If we meet virtually in July, Linda Hahn,** www.froghollowdesigns.com (who was going to have come last year) will do a virtual lecture at 1pm and 6pm on July 22. She will teach the workshop “*Wicked Wahini*” on Friday 7/23 and the “*WindsorRock*” class on 7/24 via Zoom. If the membership decides to meet in person, we have multiple options in play and will keep you posted. Please try to attend one of the April 22 meetings, so we may hear from you.

Krista Moser will be with us in September for a lecture on 9/23 at 1pm and again at 6pm. She will be teaching a 2-day class on her beautiful pattern Bumblebee Blossoms on 9/24-25. The cost of the downloadable pattern is \$12, however she will provide a code for a 50% discount for students. The cost of the workshop will be the usual \$65 per day. Again, due to the uncertainty of the times, we will keep you updated whether this meeting and the workshops will be virtual or in person.

I had the opportunity to attend three virtual *Meet the Teachers* webinars. I have asked Kristen to organize a few polls that will be posted during the general meeting in April. This will provide valuable information for the type of speakers/workshops guild members are interested in. Please make every effort to be at one of the April general meetings (1pm and 6pm), so I may obtain input from the majority of our members. This will really help me to research, contact and book, those speakers you would like to see and the type of medium/method/technique/style you would be interested in learning about.

Darlene Mossman
First Vice President



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Washington State Quilters Workshop Registration 2021

April 2021: Kristin Echols – Virtual Workshop

_____ Friday 4/23 9am-4pm - Finish Your Block of the Month QAYG \$50

_____ Saturday 4/24 9am-4pm Crazy Quilt-As-You-Go \$50

See: www.kristinlaura.com

July 2021: Sue Nickels –Cancelled

July 2021: Linda Hahn Virtual ****Tentative****

_____ Friday 7/23, 9am-4pm - Wicked Wahini \$50 Virtual

_____ Saturday 7/24, 9am-4pm - WindsorRock \$50 Virtual

See: www.froghollowdesigns.com

September 2021: Krista Moser – Hampton Inn – Spokane Airport

2010 S Assembly Road, Spokane, WA 99224

_____ Friday 9/24, 9am-4pm – Bumblebee Blossoms Part 1 \$65

Subject to

Change to Virtual

_____ Saturday 9/25, 9am-4pm – Bumblebee Blossoms Part 2 \$65

Subject to

Change to Virtual

See: www.kristamoser.com

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____ Email _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

My check payable to WSQ is enclosed.

Questions??? email Firstvp@wsqspokane.org

Please Mail to:

Darlene Mossman
1632 Southshore Diamond Lake Rd.
Newport, WA 99156

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.

Lunch is on your own...hotel has a deli-style restaurant.

2021 Annual Quilt Show Report

October 15, 16, & 17, 2021

I would like to thank everyone who has volunteered to help with this years quilt show. I still have 3 Committee Chair vacancies that need to be filled.(Cashier, Registration, Set-up)

I talked with Spokane Interstate Fairgrounds and Expo Center last week.

We were in Phase II, and they have given me the guidelines for what our show would look like at this phase. I have not received information for Phase III yet. We will make a final decision about having the 2021 Quilt Show at our June 9th Board Meeting. We will be reviewing and/or tweaking the budget to make a sound financial decision. I will not be spending any funds until that decision has been made. Which means, the 2021 Quilt Show pins purchase is still on hold.

Registration

Opens: April 22 Closes: Aug 8

Traditional Quilt Show Registration begins at our April meeting. With the hopes of having a show this year, we will post the PDF registration form to the website. We are not printing any forms at this time due to the unknown questions regarding the 2021 Quilt Show. I am hoping to have the on-line registration up and running by April 22nd as well. Since we did not have a show last year, I am expecting that we all have a lot of quilts to enter this year. I would ask that you keep your entries down to 3 quilts to give everyone a chance to enter the show. At the July meeting, if our entry numbers have not reached 600, I will open it back up so you can enter more quilts.

This year our featured category is “Hand Appliqué”. Requirements are as follows:

Any type of appliqué as long as it is done by hand. For example: needle turn appliqué / fusible appliqué / reverse appliqué / freezer paper appliqué. Appliqué should be the main focus of the quilt. Minimum size: 36" x 36". (W2 x L2 =144"or greater)

Storage Unit

With our current storage unit lease ending, Kathleen and I have located a 10' x 15' climate controlled unit at Secure It Self Storage, 15702 E Broadway just off of Sullivan Road in the Spokane Valley. We needed a climate controlled unit to store the cash registers and other equipment for the quilt show that have LCD screens. We will be transferring the items in the current storage unit to the new location in the next few weeks. We will be organizing the contents to make it more user friendly for the truck driver when items are brought to the Quilt Show and for the Librarian to pick up and store our library.

Anita Pederson
2nd VP, Quilt Show Chair

Committee Reports:

Charity Central "20 in 2020" Donation Challenge a Success!

Well, quilters, we did it! Do you remember last year when we talked about the "20 in 2020" donation challenge? Well, we donated over 500 quilts last year and, in spite of the pandemic, already over 100 this year. We also helped with the need for facemasks. All of our charities are in wonder of the talent and generosity of our members.

Shabby Fabrics also deserves a lot of credit. They have donated fabrics and batting that have helped to make all of this possible. Be sure to check out their website: www.shabbyfabrics.com

I thought the shelves of quilt tops that we had would last forever. They did not! We have no tops at all left on our shelves and there are still organizations wanting more. We need more tops and quilts (finished or almost finished!) and will make sure that they get completed.

We have fabric and kits waiting for someone to pick them up and make some needed quilt tops. Each kit has a pattern with it. We have kits made up with a lot of the cutting done already. We have kits with backing and/or batting in them. You just need to decide how much you would be able to do and let us know. If you can't pick up we will try to deliver them to you. If you would like to come and select fabric for you charity quilt you can do that also.

If you have some quilts or kits that you picked up at our meetings and know that you are not able to finish them please return them to us.

All items can be dropped off at 1308 W. Dolan Ave, Qualchan Hills, south of town off Hwy 195. My phone is (509)-939-6629. They can also be dropped off in the valley with Sheryl Anderson (509)-999-9623. Call her to arrange your time and get her address.

Historian

Our 2020-21 scrapbook will include show-and-tell photos from our virtual meeting in January. We'll do the same for the April meeting, as well as other virtual events to come. If your group is doing any activities together, please send photos to the historian's email address at WSQ.

Ruth Danner & Colleen Cihak

Membership

I am your new membership chair and I am working hard to try to fill Carolyn's very big shoes. It's hard to follow a legend – so please bear with me as I settle into the job. I have been processing your renewals that you have paid by check and am getting our membership database updated. I am making up your membership cards and hopefully I will be able to distribute them in person soon. To date we have 209 members paid for 2021 and 254 yet to renew. We will be sending renewal reminders at the end of March.

MaryAnn Naylor

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Nominations Committee

The Nominations Committee is actively recruiting for 2022 Executive Board Positions.

President
2nd Vice President - Quilt Show
Secretary

If you are interested or would like to nominate a fellow WSQ member - please contact Patty Yedinak @ (509) 979-0281.

Thank you,
Patty Yedinak
Nominations Committee Chair



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Treasurer's Report

I am so glad to be welcoming the bright colors of SPRING and pleased to serve the guild as the 2021 & 2022 treasurer. I want to share some thoughts I have had over the past year relating to dues.

Many places where my family has paid 'dues' in 2020 had limited meetings and/or did not meet at all. It was sad, and to be honest there were times I was frustrated! It caused me to really consider my involvement and contributions to those organizations. As I did so, I saw a need to 're-focus' my expectations. Not just that but what I wanted from them and even to recognize that I was quite demanding of service, or the lack there of in 2020, from those organizations.

Consider these definitions provided by the Cambridge dictionary:

- Dues: the payments that someone makes in order to belong to an organization.
- Fees: an amount of money paid for a particular piece of work or for a particular right or service.

I have considered my 'dues' as a 'fee', believing that these organizations 'owe' me something-that I was paying for a 'right or service'. Simple difference in definition, but easy to interchange in the mind, causing misunderstanding for sure.

WSQ bi-Laws state that you become a member of the organization by paying dues. I found this to be true in all organizations where any of my family members paid dues. Dues = membership. Membership in every organization was very different from the expected last year! That doesn't mean it was useless, or without purpose.

I am very appreciative and thankful for every member who willingly paid dues in 2020 knowing it was possible we wouldn't continue to have meetings. I came to the realization that my dues payments helped to keep WSQ and many of those other organizations afloat in 2020. It allowed those organizations to STILL be here in 2021, and hopefully beyond.

I have been a member of WSQ for many years, and have seen the careful stewardship of those dues. This careful stewardship has helped us start out 2021 in the black not the red. Stay tuned for the next newsletter where I will discuss what 'fixed costs' are, and how it impacts WSQ.

The following information is the treasurer's report as of March 10, 2021.

- Checking account \$66,008.95
- Capital Expense \$3,126.99
- CD 1 \$10,222.22
- CD 2 \$35,848.84
- CD 3 \$8,572.06

Our accounts are reconciled through February and year end 2020 financials are being prepared for audit.

Vicki Trudel

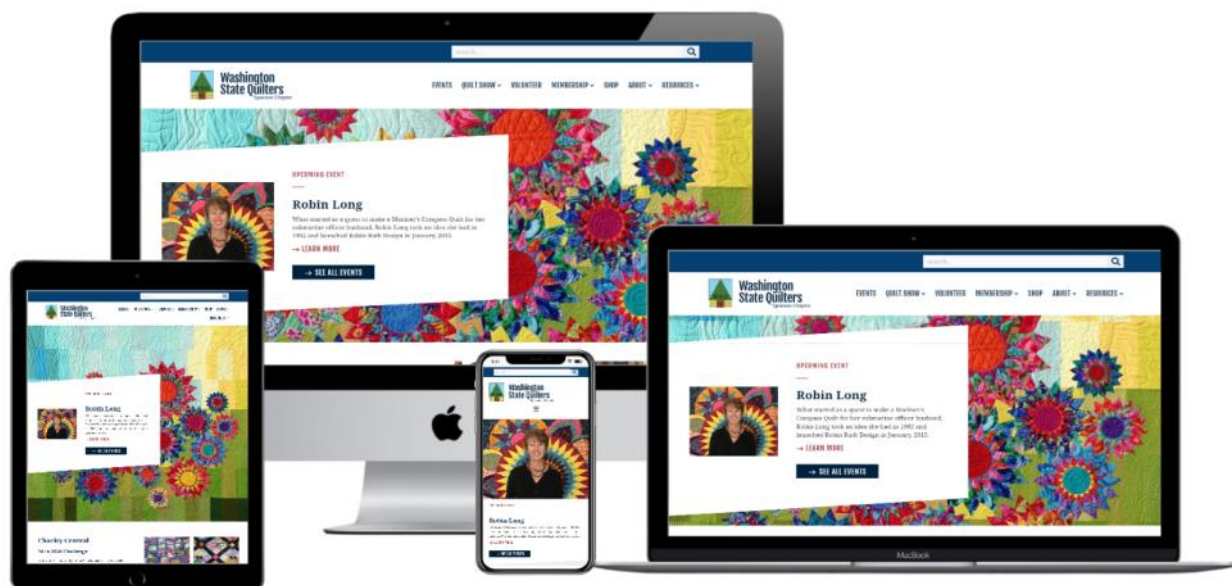
On the Web

The April newsletter is on our new website. You can now renew your membership on line. If you have any questions please contact webmaster@wsqspokane.org.

WSQ Website

Visit the WSQ Website for the latest information on guild events

<https://wsqspokane.org/>



Zoom Online Access Information for the April Meetings

Due to COVID-19, the April General Meetings and Workshops will be held virtually using Zoom. If you are unfamiliar with Zoom meetings, we will have a practice session the evening before the meetings. Use the link below to attend the practice session and general meetings (workshop participants will be emailed login information for the workshops). The afternoon and evening general meetings will start at 1:00 PM and 6:00 PM respectively, but please login within 30 minutes prior to the start of the meetings.

Zoom Link: <http://bit.ly/WSQ-April2021>

Meeting ID: 508 554 0421

Passcode: quilts

Practice Session: Wednesday, April 21, 7:00 – 8:00 PM

General Meetings: Thursday, April 22, 12:30 – 3:00 PM or 5:30 – 8:00 PM

Show & Tell

We know you've been busy quilting during these long months at home. Please send photos and stories about your quilts (no more than 3 please) to webmaster@wsqspokane.org by Wednesday, April 21 at noon to be included in the Show & Tell slide show at the end of the meeting.

Our Mission is to promote and enhance the art of quilting and quilt making by exhibitions, lectures, and workshops offered to the organization membership and the general public. It is to foster the conservation and preservation of quilts and increase public awareness and appreciation of quilts through our Quilt Show.

Small Group Scoop

Are you looking for a group that will challenge you and encourage you? Almost all of these small groups have openings. Find one that fits your schedule and join. To add or remove a group from this list, or make corrections, please contact Carole Horner, Small Group Coordinator, crhorner88@outlook.com

| Meeting Location | Group Name | Meeting Date/Place | Accepting New Members | Contact |
|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|--|-----------------------|--|
| Blanchard, ID | The Blanchard Stitchers | 3 rd & 4 th Tues. – 9:30 – 3:30 Blanchard Community Ctr. | Yes | Penny Funkhouser plfunkhouser@gmail.com |
| Chattaroy, WA | CCC Charity Quilters | Monday, 10am-2pm, Chattaroy Comm. Church | Yes | Ruth McCormick 509-590-6463 text sewnsmart@gmail.com |
| Cheney, WA | Cheney Country Quilters | Every Mon. 1-3 pm Wren Pearson Bldg | Yes | Phyllis Mitzel 509-235-8392 |
| Cheney, WA | Cheney Frayed Edges | 1st & 3rd Mon. 6:30 pm United Methodist Church | Yes | Donna Lythgoe Chenelylythgoe@gmail.com |
| Colbert, WA | Quilt Charmers | Every Wednesday, 9:30 – 3:00 St. Joseph Catholic Church | Yes | Linda Plett 509-951-2172 lindaplett@icloud.com |
| Colfax, WA | Whitman Sampler Quilt Guild | 2nd Tuesday, 6:30 pm Palouse River Quilts | Yes | Michele Beckmann 509-397-2278 whitmansamplers@gmail.com |
| Colville, WA | Colville Piecemakers | 2nd Tuesday, 6:00 pm Arden Community Hall | Yes | Kathie Ogden (509)-732-6673 Rockykat1953@gmail.com |
| Deer Park, WA | Fat Quarter Quilters | Every Tues. 10am – 2pm Faith Lutheran Church | Yes | Lorraine Ader 509-262-0345 geminis4262@gmail.com |
| Grand Coulee, WA | Coulee Creators | 2nd Monday, 10 – 2ish, Former Middle School, 412 Federal Ave | Yes | Marlene Oddie 509-386-5715 marlene@kissedquilts.com |
| Ione, WA | Forgotten Corner Quilters | 1st Tuesday, 6:30 pm Ione Catholic Church | Yes | Pat or Shirley 509-446-2429 landpzimm@gmail.com |
| Liberty Lake Open to ALL | Inland Northwest Machine Quilters | Jan, Mar, June, Sept, Nov See www.inmq.org for sched. Trailhead Golf Course, Liberty Lake | Yes | Candy Huddleston 509-434-4792 publicrelations.@inmq.org www.inmq.org (for schedule) |
| Millwood, WA | SVQG Sew Day | 3rd Saturday, 10 – 2 Millwood Presbyterian Ch. | Yes | Jan Johnson 509-926-6470 exit293bj@comcast.net |
| Newport, WA | Me Too Quilt Squad | 2nd Thursday, 10 am American Lutheran Church | NO | Dianne Strand 509-447-4013 strandpe@gmail.com |
| Newport, WA | Welcome Home Veterans QOV | 3rd Fri 11am-4pm Hospitality House | Yes | Darlene Mossman Darlene@welcomehomegov.org |
| Post Falls, ID | North Idaho Quilts of Valor | 3 rd Monday 10 am – 3 pm Post Falls American Legion | Yes | Karen Henriksen 208 964 1128 patrioticpiecers@gmail.com |
| Rosalia, WA | 3 rd Tuesday Quilt Club | 3 rd Tuesday, 6 pm Pinewood Cottage, Rosalia | Yes | Marianne Morkve 503-960-2554 mamorkve@hotmail.com |
| Spokane Open to ALL | Greater Spokane Quilts of Valor | Varies – members are notified by e-mail | Yes | Diane Watters 509-993-4590 spokane.qov@gmail.com |

| Meeting Location | Group Name | Meeting Date/Place | Accepting New Members | Contact |
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| Spokane Central | Sew Many Appliquers | 1st Thurs 5:00 pm Sew EZ Too | Yes | Linda Burkhardt 425-422-4023 lindaburk323@comcast.net |
| Spokane Open to All | Sandbox Quilters | Tues, 8:30-2:30 Corbin Senior Center 827 W. Cleveland | Yes | Nancy Munson 509-944-1888 nemunson@msn.com |
| Spokane North Open to ALL | Rippin' Paper Ladies (Paper Piecing) | 2nd Monday, 1 pm <u>Either</u> Library on Hawthorne or Fire Station – contact Abbi | Yes | Abbi Barden 509-808-2932 abigailartquilter@gmail.com |
| Spokane South Hill | Touchmark Quilters (formerly Waterford) | Every Wednesday 1 pm Touchmark | NO | Cheryl Clossin 509-535-2399 Cherylclossin1@msn.com |
| Spokane Valley | Wednesday Wild Women | Wednesday, 5:30 – 7:30 Michaels on Broadway | Yes | Carla Koneval 509-216-7540 ckoneval@yahoo.com |

Look at the next page for ideas for your group to do together..

- * A free workshop (WSQ has paid the membership fees)
- * Sewing bees, demo projects
- * And more!



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Stay-at-Home Activities

The Global Quilt Connection group will be hosting a Virtual Sampler Platter on May 22 and 23, 2021 from noon to 3pm Pacific time. They have scheduled 18 quilt teachers, who will demonstrate some of their favorite quilting techniques over the two days. There will be a wide variety of styles and techniques presented from traditional to modern and art quilting techniques. Something to please everyone! WSQ will also receive a PDF to share with our guild members that will include written instructions to go along with each teacher's demonstration.

WSQ will pay the \$75 (that is the total cost for the whole membership) and it will be open to all of our members.

This event is meant to encourage members to try out virtual learning. Please check the WSQ website after April 1st, to get login info. Perhaps several of you would like to get together and watch, to help those who are unfamiliar with Zoom and/or do not have access to it. You will be able to spend the whole time viewing the presentations, or come and go as you need.

The live Zoom meeting will have a 1,000 person access limit at any one time. If the meeting is full when you log in, you will be directed to a Youtube livestream and won't miss a thing! They will have moderators on board to make sure the viewer experience is as smooth as possible. Note that this will be a Zoom meeting, not a webinar. This event will not be recorded. I encourage all members to take advantage of this awesome opportunity!

Kathleen and I attended a virtual quilting roundtable, hosted by the Global Quilt Connection. There are many guilds doing fabulous activities in the virtual format.

Mystery quilts and Block of the Month projects are presented and are being attended, via Zoom, from home. Some guilds are doing sewing bees, where the Zoom room is open all day for sewists to spend as much or as little time as they wish with each other, from the comfort of their own homes. Some guilds are offering demos/projects via Zoom that are taught by their own guild members, in addition to the regularly scheduled meetings. Virtual auctions have provided a tremendous financial boost to some of the guilds. The possibilities are endless!! This exercise in Zoom technology has opened up opportunities that were unavailable previously.

If you have ideas of how our guild may offer other virtual activities, please email one of the board members with your input. I would like to encourage our small groups to come up with activities that could be done via Zoom and that would include our WSQ membership. We would love to hear from you!

Hugs and stitches!

Darlene Mossman

1st VP Programs

Shop Hop



We are excited that the **Greater Spokane Shop Hop** will now be a **WSQ** event! For the past 3 years American Sewing Guild members sponsored and comprised the Shop Hop committee. There is a new WSQ committee now, made up of the same ASG Shop Hop members as in the past. This year's **Shop Hop will take place August 13-15, 2021.** The Committee has begun the work to make this fun for all quilters and profitable

for our beloved quilt shops. We would love to have more members on the committee. It is a great way to get out and meet the shop owners. For more information contact Ruth McCormick (509-590-6463 or ruthmccormick@yahoo.com)

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WSQ Fair Awards Committee

The 10 fairs that we have supported in the past have been contacted. The ones we have heard back from are hoping to be able to hold fairs this year and are looking forward to us providing ribbons for outstanding entries. Once each fair has posted their entry info, we will provide a link on the WSQ website to assist you in finding locations to enter your quilts. So start thinking now about which of your beautiful 'pieces of art' you'll enter.



Past winner of Grant County Fair

Proposed Standing Rules Amendment

As Kathleen mentioned in her article, the board has recommended changes to our Standing Rules to reflect what the Charity Central Committee is actually doing. Be ready to vote on this at April's zoom meeting.

RATIONALE: Charity Central accepts quilting fabric and supplies from anyone willing to donate. The committee takes the donated fabric and uses it to make quilt kits for distribution to members. The members take those kits and assemble quilt tops. The quilt tops, along with batting, backing, and binding are picked up by those willing to quilt them and then return them to Charity Central once the quilting is done. The binding may be done by someone else.

Charity Central has a list of organizations that would like quilts to give away or to use as a raffle quilt for the purpose of fund raising for that organization.

Because of budget concerns, WSQ has not accepted requests for cash donations as stated in the current Standing Rules for several years.

AMENDMENT-STANDING RULES-IV. DUTIES OF COMMITTEE CHAIRS AND VICE CHAIRS

A. The Charity Central Committee Chair Shall:

| CURRENT WORDING | IF ADOPTED WILL READ |
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| 1. Announce to members that a written request may be submitted for a cash donation to be used for community outreach projects related to quilting. | 1. Accept donations of quilting supplies to make quilt kits to be distributed to members to be assembled into quilts. |
| 2. Meet with a committee to review each request and determine allocation of funds. | 2. Organize and donate those quilts to charitable organizations for distribution to those in need in the community. |

2021 WSQ Membership Registration

Welcome to WSQ!

Dues are \$25 for a calendar year. You can pay in person at the next WSQ meeting, mail this form and a check made out to **WSQ**, or sign up online at wsqspokane.org.

Renewing members only: please include a stamped, self-addressed envelope.

New members: We will prepare a packet for you and WSQ will pay the postage.

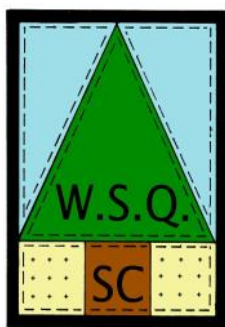
**Guest Fees:
\$10 at the door**

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____



- ☐ **New Member**
- ☐ **2020 member**
- ☐ **Returning Former Member**
- ☐ **Change in Information**
- ☐ **Email Newsletter**

**Mail Check to: WSQ Membership
PO Box 30483
Spokane, WA 99223**

**or
Sign up online:
www.wsqspokane.org**

- WSQ membership runs on a calendar year from January through December. We do not prorate.
- You may renew/join at the September or January meetings for the upcoming year.
- You may renew/join anytime either at a meeting, online at wsqspokane.org or by mail (address above).
- If you haven't renewed by the end of February, you will be dropped from the roster. This means you will no longer receive the newsletter, be able to participate in the yard sale or the boutique, register early for workshops or enjoy the many other benefits of WSQ membership.

this year. Please contact Patty Yedinak if you are interested in one to the executive officer positions.

Our Quilt Show and our Yard Sale are both scheduled for October of this year. They are both a definite maybe! We are hopeful to have both, but it will depend on the statewide COVID-19 mandates. We will decide about the Quilt Show at the June Board meeting and will proceed from there. The Fairgrounds current COVID-19 requirements are not conducive to a quality show so we must wait and see. We do not have the means to conduct a virtual show.

I have received enquiries from several people about repairing old quilts. If this is something that you would be interested in, I would love to hear from you. At the present time, all I can do is tell them that we have no one interested in this and to advertise on our Facebook page. Can you help us out?

You all have done great with the Charity Quilt Challenge! We will continue the Challenge until we can meet in person again. Then we will draw names for prizes and start the next Challenge. There are tons of kits and hundreds of yards of fabric if you need any to keep you going. We are out of quilt tops! Not that long ago, there were hundreds of quilt tops in need of quilting. They have all gone out but are very slow to come back. JoAnn Sandstrom and Sheryl Anderson are willing to come and pick them up.

The Board will do our best to continue to innovate in order to give you a worthwhile WSQ experience. If you have any suggestions, we would love to hear them. In the meantime, stay safe, stay warm, and keep on quilting!

Kathleen Woods

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Note from the editor: I would like to thank our proofreaders (and Kristin Echols) for taking the time to read the draft and for making corrections and suggestions to improve *Stitch n' Time*. I am also grateful for the Board members who worked hard to keep WSQ-Spokane functioning. Had they all left the board as soon as their term was up, we probably would have folded as an organization.

Vicki Trudel, our hard working Treasurer, has written why dues are important during the covid shut down. In July's edition, she will write about what some of our costs were last year, despite fewer meetings and workshops.

Finally, after a year of isolation, I have been so glad to be in touch again with many quilting friends because of editing the newspaper. This has been one of the best perks of volunteering, including keeping my brain challenged with new software.

Annie Sanders
Newspaper Editor

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Kristen Echols

The store manager asked Kristin if she would be interested in teaching the sewing machine mastery courses they provided with the purchase of a new machine. That sounded like a great way to meet people, so Kristin began teaching classes on weekends. Since the students had all makes and models of sewing machines, it gave her a familiarity with many machines.

After making a few quilts, Kristin became intrigued by a technique she saw on TV. The concept was to quilt the quilt in small sections and then join the sections with sashing strips to cover the raw edges. She was hooked and began researching the many ways this technique was achieved. It is often referred to as “quilt-as-you-go” or “reversible” quilting.

After participating in a number of block-of-the-month programs, she decided to design a setting for her completed blocks that would make use of the quilt-as-you-go technique. When Kristin showed the ladies at the quilt shop, they insisted she create and teach a class, and her “Finish Your Block-of-the Month” class was born. It continues to her most popular class, and the success of that class has led her to design other quilts based on the technique.

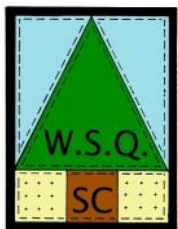
Kristin recently retired from the County of Sacramento where she spent 23 years as a computer geek. When not quilting or teaching, she enjoys spending time with her husband Shawn, their three grown children and two grandkids. They live on 18 acres in beautiful Worley, Idaho where they enjoy gardening and raising chickens.

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April 22 Kristin Echols

Friday 4/23/20 "Finish Your Block-of-the Month"

Saturday 4/24/20 "Crazy Quilt-as-You-Go"

July 22: TBA

Friday 7/23 & Saturday 7/24 workshops TBA

September 23, 2021: Krista Moser

Friday 9/24 & Saturday 9/25 "Bumblebee Blossoms"

(2 day workshop)